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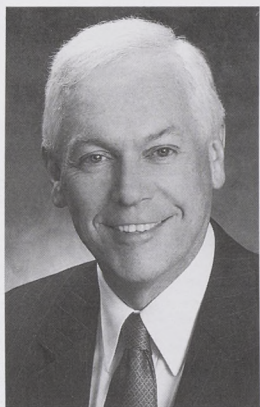


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President's Message

HIGH AND WORTHY EXPECTATIONS

BRIAN C. MITCHELL



John Gardner

We begin the 2006–07 academic year with an approved strategic plan — *The Plan for Bucknell*. Thousands of you have provided your feedback on the process and informed the content of The Plan. I remain grateful for your commitment to Bucknell's future.

As we implement The Plan, our faculty, staff, and students will develop and shape ideas focused on achieving the goals it lays out for the University. Our new Office of Strategy Implementation, under the direction of Mark Dillard, will centralize and focus the prioritization and implementation of these ideas. As energized as the campus is to take the next steps, we must be measured in our approach. Good ideas are plentiful; human, fiscal, technological, and space resources are not. Generating and implementing tactics will be an iterative process: We will act upon proposals best aligned with The Plan and for which resources are available and then, as those tactics are implemented, turn our attention toward new proposals.

The process of building The Plan afforded Maryjane and me the opportunity to travel extensively to meet Bucknellians, near and far. Throughout numerous trips, we heard why people love Bucknell. Our alumni have great memories of friends, professors, and experiences that have helped them personally and professionally. These visits also gave us an opportunity to learn more from alumni about issues that have splintered Bucknell's alumni population over the last decade. I have tried to address these matters directly, with a focus on creating solutions rather than dwelling on the past. I enjoy participating in these candid discussions and appreciate the willingness of alumni to share ideas openly and with the great passion and respect for Bucknell that binds all our alumni.

Back on campus, the new academic year will be marked by significant organizational changes in Academic Affairs and Student Affairs. Under the direction of Provost Mary DeCredico '81, this restructuring will create a formal alignment of Bucknell's residential environment so that learning and living are not separate endeavors. Operating with the same principle of alignment and efficiency, our admissions, financial aid, and registrar's offices have been brought together more concretely to meet the needs of our prospective and current students. In particular, we are exploring making enrollment services a single organizational unit, using models at other excellent institutions, such as the University of Pennsylvania.

We are in the process of making administrative changes in the area of Enrollment Management.

Optimizing Mark Davies' many years of experience at Bucknell, we have appointed him assistant vice president. Mark will manage a number of key strategic projects for the division, including Posse, a national college-access and leadership program that identifies, recruits, and trains outstanding young leaders from public schools in urban areas (see cover story on p. 10), and the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation community college transfer program. We are building a new admissions and enrollment paradigm — one that focuses on building and strengthening our relationship with students — under the direction of Kurt Thiede, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Dean of Admissions. Along with his responsibility for the strategic vision of these areas, Kurt will be much more actively involved in the division's day-to-day operations.

The merger of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs also has opened the door for Bucknell to begin a formal, concerted external affairs effort under the direction of Vice President for External Relations Charlie Pollock '70. Bucknell enjoys positive relationships with the local community as well as state and federal governments and has opportunities to develop those relationships to even better advantage. Charlie has been Bucknell's liaison to the community for the past eight years and had extensive experience in external and community relations before returning to Bucknell. Formalizing his leadership role in achieving this objective was a logical strategic move. Charlie will also have additional responsibilities at the state and federal level and in local and regional economic development.

Under the direction of our Chief Communications Officer, Pete Mackey, we also have been reorganizing certain staff to improve Bucknell's communications and marketing abilities and the service this staff can offer across campus. We are in the process of initiating an outside review of Bucknell's image and marketing opportunities with the same general goal — to enhance and refine our operations for the long-term benefit of Bucknell and its students, faculty, and alumni.

Finally, we continue planning for the comprehensive campaign with the guidance of our recently selected campaign consultants, Grenzenbach, Glier, and Associates. I expect we may well begin the silent phase of the campaign in the summer of 2007.

The Class of 2010, as did those that preceded it, will enter Bucknell with outstanding credentials and promise and a great desire to become full-fledged Bucknellians. For some of them, summer will have included already such Bucknell traditions as Bison Gatherings, Buckwild, or Building on Foundations. Maryjane and I look forward to getting to know our newest class.

Perhaps the best word to describe this progress is momentum. We will continue to steward this momentum as *The Plan for Bucknell* goes into action and enables Bucknell to meet the high but worthy expectations we all have for this great University.

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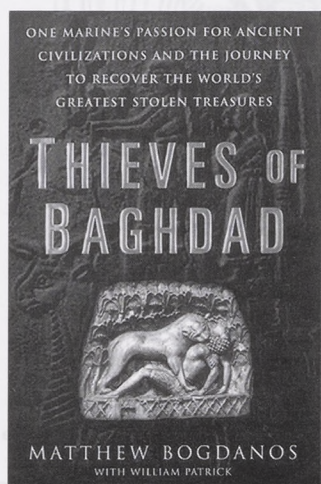
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Editor's Note: We encourage letters to the editor related to topics discussed in the most recent issue of *Bucknell World*, matters that relate to university news or policies, or that are of interest to a segment of our readership. Letters should be no longer than 300 words and may be edited for length, clarity, and civility. Letters can be mailed, faxed, or sent via email to bworld@bucknell.edu. Letters received between now and Sept. 15 will be considered for the November issue. Additional letters will be posted on the *Bucknell World* website. The complete letters policy can be read at www.bucknell.edu/BucknellWorld.

MORE TO SAY

At Reunion Rally, I was one of six members from the Class of 1956 to receive the Alumni Association's "Loyalty to Bucknell" award. Each of us was deeply moved by the honor, but it was correctly suggested that we keep our acceptance speeches short. Anyone who knows me must have been stunned that I actually did what I was told and spoke for about 90 seconds, with a couple of anecdotes and a heartfelt thank you. I have more to say.

In my haste to break my all-time record for keeping quiet, I accidentally left out what I really wanted to say to that great gathering of classes at the Weis Center. First, there is no greater place on earth than the Bucknell I attended in the 1950s ... unless it would be the Bucknell of today. Through all these years, I have remained close to the University because I strongly believe that higher education is one of the most critical elements of a free society. I also cannot imagine what my life would be like without Bucknell.

Bucknell has always been special to my classmates and me. What we have seen over the 50 years since graduation is a phenomenal metamorphosis from a small, rural institution to one of the finest and most respected universities in the nation. I believe this is a decisive period in the history of our University and that the next 5–10 years will be incredibly dynamic. *The Plan for Bucknell* accurately addresses our strengths and aspirations. We have everything in place to move our University to the pinnacle of greatness. Furthermore, we have a powerful and passionate administration — led by President Mitchell and Provost DeCredico — determined to take us to that next level.

From what I saw at Reunion, the alumni are ready, willing, and anxious to join this great venture. Speaking for the Class of 1956, I believe each of us cherishes the feeling we get every time we return to campus and the pride we share in being Bucknellians. It has been an amazing journey. And I'll guarantee that when the members of the Class of 2006 return for their 50th Reunion, they also will look back in amazement.

Art Kinney '56
Lake Barrington Shore, Ill.

THE GREEK CONNECTION

The Alumni Association News section in the June 2006 issue, titled "Bucknell Friends Forever," was very interesting. You made note of how fraternity and sorority alumni have kept in close contact with their brothers and sisters through the years after their graduation. I know from my own experience that I get together with my own fraternity brothers much more frequently than I do with fellow classmates with whom I resided as a freshman or sophomore. I have much more in common with my fraternity brothers. I was a chemistry/economics major and have not seen any classmates since graduation except my fraternity brothers or members of other fraternities I associated with socially. I even spend time with fellow brothers who did not attend Bucknell until after I had graduated.

Additionally, in the same issue, Bob McKernan's '48 letter titled "Greek for Life" expresses the same thoughts. Greek life just made college more enjoyable by teaching us how to grow and not just hit the books and study, as we did when getting our MBA degrees, when our only association with other students was in class or the library.

James Hurtt '52
Stuart, Fla.

MAKE A SPACE FOR ART

This letter is a follow-up to Richard Zandler's '73 letter, "Campaigning for the Arts," in the April issue.

Bucknell has a proud tradition as a leading liberal arts university, providing an environment that fosters development of each individual's critical intellect, as well as social and historical awareness. We, the undersigned alumni, each a former graduate assistant in sculpture, have used our Bucknell experience to pursue careers in the visual arts. As devoted advocates of the importance of arts learning, we know that the physical environment for visual arts at Bucknell is scattered across campus, has not improved much over the years, and is so inadequate that a new facility is certainly needed.

A comparison to Bucknell's "frame of reference" schools reveals the following:

- Lafayette College boasts the 23,500 square-foot Williams Visual Arts Building, which opened in 2001,

and "is one of the leading high-tech facilities for art education and exhibitions in the nation."

- Colgate has the architecturally distinguished new Schupf Studio Building, providing studio spaces for advanced students and faculty and two teaching galleries.

- Skidmore features the Tang Teaching Museum and Art Gallery, "nationally known for both its architecture and its holdings."

The complexities and variety of teaching in the creative arts requires space beyond that of typical classrooms. A new dedicated facility at a single site would vastly improve the learning context of the visual arts, enabling art faculty and students to achieve a broader and deeper coherence and resonance in their creative experiences while furthering Bucknell's fine reputation as a leader in liberal arts education.

Bruce Lindsay '83
Yardley, Pa.

Other signees include Allen C. Topolski '86, David Marshall '75, Peter Bevis '75, Richard Zandler '73, Georgia Gerber '77, William H. Bennett '70, and Eric Troffkin.

SPEAKING OF MUSIC ...

I very much enjoyed "The Singing College" [April 2006], but I think the writer short-changed Paul Stoltz a bit. He was not the head of the music department from 1908–13 but from 1908–48. It was he who brought Melvin Le Mon and William McRae to Bucknell along with other distinguished faculty members. He was instrumental in my changing to a music major in 1947.

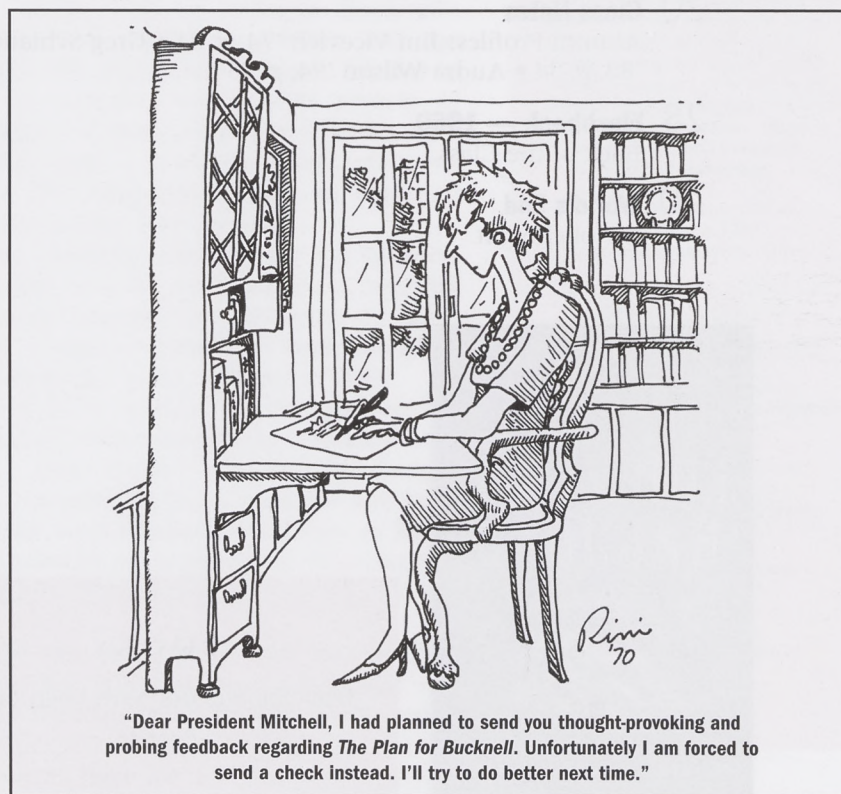
As I recall, somewhere back in the teens, the name was changed from the School of Music to the Department of Music. This could possibly account for the wrong dates in your story. When I graduated in 1949, the old house on Third Street was still labeled School of Music.

In the fall of 1942, I was a freshman engineering student, but I played trumpet in the marching band. I heard older members of the band talk about Melvin Le Mon, and I got the impression that he left in the spring of 1942. I don't remember ever seeing him, and Charles Stickney was the band director when I was a member.

Speaking of Le Mon's music, a few years before I retired from Chicago Musical College of Roosevelt University in 1986, while browsing through a secondhand music store, I found a spiral-bound manuscript copy of Le Mon's folk opera, *Down, Down, Down*. He used the folk and work music of Pennsylvania anthracite miners as a basis for his opera. A handwritten preface states that all the research for it was done between 1933–39, which covered most of his time at Bucknell. The piece itself apparently was not completed until 1957. I have no idea if it was ever performed, but I still have the score.

Cliff Reims '49
Fairhope, Alaska

Editor's Note: Bill Le Mon '54, Melvin Le Mon's son, responds. "Mr. Reims got most of his facts right. My father collected the songs of the coal miners while he was working on his Ph.D. at Eastland. His intention at the time was to get a record of the folk music, not write an opera, which he did not do until 1960. My father left Bucknell in 1943, and his opera was performed at Alfred University in 1964."



BUCKNELL Express

Bucknell Sings



William Payn directs the Rooke Chapel Choir in Poland this past spring.

THE SOUNDS OF BUCKNELL VOICES CAN be heard singing above the pews of Rooke Chapel, echoing in the balconies of the Weis Center, and reverberating in cathedrals throughout Eastern Europe. This past summer, the 38-member Rooke Chapel Choir marked two decades of spring concert performances with a four-city tour of the Czech Republic and Poland.

William Payn, professor of music and director of choral studies, began the spring tour program in 1984, with a trip to England and Wales. Since then, the Choir's travels have included Italy, Croatia, Costa Rica, Holland, West Germany, Belgium, Switzerland, and Austria.

In each country it visits, the Choir performs at least one piece in the native language. Payn believes that the opportunity to perform a piece of music in the country in which it was first performed is invaluable. Emily Yoder '06, one of two tour managers, agrees, "Singing in centuries-old cathedrals just does not compare to any other feeling in the world. The music seems more alive in those spaces — as if it were written to be sung there." The tour is more than an educational experience for the students, says Payn. "Not only do they sing together, but they play together — they develop a lot of camaraderie. When they come back in the fall, I feel a real energy in the ensemble."

The Rooke Chapel Choir is not the only vocal group from Bucknell that travels beyond Central Pennsylvania. The 75-member Concert Chorale has toured the Pacific Northwest, Arizona, Florida, and Massachusetts. While the Chapel Choir sings exclusively sacred music, the Concert Chorale performs a wider range, including classic, jazz, pop, and Broadway tunes. The Chorale has performed with the National Symphony Orchestra; the Chorale of Simon Bolivar of Caracas, Venezuela; the Pennsylvania Ballet; the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra; and Solid Brass, one of

this past year's Weis Center Series performers.

Last year, for the first time ever, the Concert Chorale joined with all of the a cappella groups on campus for a performance of pop and jazz favorites titled "Ray Bucknell." Joining the Chorale were the all-male group, The Bison Chips; the all-female group, The Silhouettes; and the coed student a cappella groups, Beyond Unison and Two Past Midnight.

The Concert Chorale will dedicate its fall concert to its founder, Allen Flock, who died this past spring. Flock taught at Bucknell for more than 30 years. His longevity in teaching is a common trait in Bucknell's music department. William McRae, founder of the Chapel Choir, served as a professor for 43 years from 1936–79. Current faculty members Jackson Hill and William Duckworth have worked at Bucknell for 38 and 33 years, respectively. Payn himself arrived at Bucknell 24 years ago. "I thought I might stay for four or five years and then go to a conservatory," says Payn. "I had opportunities to do that, but I turned them down, because I really believe in this institution because it is such a singing institution."

The number of singing opportunities available serves as a draw to prospective students. Besides the Concert Chorale, Rooke Chapel Choir, and the four student a cappella groups, students also can sing with the Bucknell Opera Company, which performs at Bucknell and travels the region performing for school groups, or the Voices of Praise Gospel Choir, a student organization that sings contemporary Christian music on Sundays when the Chapel Choir is not performing.

"Students really benefit from participation in any ensemble," says Payn. "They learn dedication, cooperation, responsibility, and the joy of one common passion."
— Ilene Ladd

RESEARCH & TEACHING

Making a Better Bot

THE PLAN FOR BUCKNELL CALLS FOR building bridges to the world. Mechanical engineering professor Keith Buffinton is doing just that by involving students in real-world research.

Buffinton oversees the Pulse Width Control (PWC) Project with his colleague, University of Washington associate professor Martin Berg. Funded by the National Science Foundation, the project is involved with developing precise control of robotic devices.

As demands increase for finer and finer scale movements, friction presents a serious challenge to robotics. "When you're trying to do really small maneuvers, even small amounts of friction can cause you not to reach your goal," Buffinton says.

Countless variables affect friction, making it difficult to predict how much force is needed to move a robot arm precisely to the spot where it has a job to do.

Pulse Width Control offers a way to deal with the uncertainty of friction. Rather than pushing a robot arm along until it reaches its destination, a series of pulses are given to the robot, like giving a coffee mug a push across a table and then waiting to see where it comes to rest. If the mug — or robot arm — doesn't end up where you want it, then another push is given. The key is for each push to be just strong enough to overcome friction.

The PWC project is an outgrowth of work that Buffinton and Berg did on a large robot used by the Boeing Company in Seattle to construct airplanes. The real-world application gave them an opportunity to test their ideas.

"It was a way for us to demonstrate that the idea, the concept, the theory really worked with a real robot," Buffinton says. "Now we're trying to take the same idea and expand it for different types of applications, for different types of robots, and to make it more flexible."

One way that Pulse Width Control could be more flexible is to design a system that can respond to changes in the



From left to right, Katie Hoffman '08, Keith Buffinton, Christian Hubicki '07, and Chris Shake '09.

factors that affect a robot's performance, such as temperature fluctuations, or picking up an object.

"We're developing an adaptive controller, so rather than having to know all the system parameters precisely, we have a controller which learns the parameters as it does maneuvers," Buffinton says.

Students are integral to the PWC project. In his research, Christian Hubicki '07 is working on a version of PWC called tabular control, which involves using a table to calculate the values to send to the controller. His research experience at Bucknell will be invaluable preparation for his goal of studying robotics in graduate school.

Not only do Buffinton's undergraduate researchers gain hands-on research experience, but they also publish papers, travel to conferences, and meet with Berg's group twice a year to discuss their work. Hubicki will travel to Heidelberg with Buffinton in September to present their research.

The PWC Project also benefits from another "Bucknell bridge" helped by Scott Alfieri '94, a partner in the consulting firm Accenture. In 2003, Alfieri started the Accenture Technology Discovery Undergraduate Research Grant, (ATDURG) which enables the 65 Bucknell graduates working at Accenture to contribute to a matching fund that directly supports undergraduate research at Bucknell. This summer, Katie Hoffman '08 received ATDURG support to work with Buffinton. "This is a nice way to give back and fund something that's material and that students can really dig their teeth into," says Alfieri. — Barbara Maynard '88

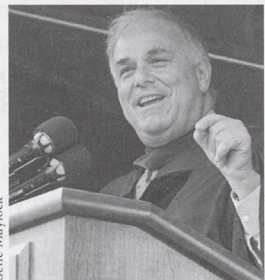
'RAY BUCKNELL

- Tulu Bayar, assistant professor of art, was awarded an international Artist-in-Residency position at Camac Centre D'Art in Marnay-sur-Seine, France, and spent the spring there working on a new project. Bayar, a photographer and multimedia artist, completed her new work, "Addicted," a performance-based multimedia installation, and presented it at Camac to an audience from Paris, Bordeaux, and the Champagne-Ardenne region in France, as well as to a panel of international curators.

- Buoyed by a school-record eight Patriot League championships in 2005–06, Bucknell captured the Patriot League Presidents' Cup for the 12th time in the 16-year history of the conference. The Bison compiled 115.75 points in the Cup standings, the most ever for Bucknell and the third most in league history. Army, the only other institution to have won the Presidents' Cup, was runner-up with 108 points. In addition to the league's all-sports trophy for both men and women, Bucknell won the women's trophy for the 12th time. The Bison women set records for points earned and margin of victory.

- Paul Humphreys '28 not only reached a milestone birthday in June when he turned 100, but he also was admitted into Phi Beta Kappa. Bucknell did not have a chapter until 1942, and he was invited to join then. However, Pearl Harbor had just been attacked, and he was unable to think about an honor society when the world was at war. His son, Richard Humphreys '62, found the invitation letter tucked away and thought that a membership into Phi Beta Kappa would make a wonderful birthday surprise for his father, and it indeed was — 78 years after his graduation and 64 years after the original invitation.

BRIEFS



Gene Maylock

Rendell Speaks to Graduates

Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell urged graduates to "do great things" when

he gave the Bucknell University Commencement Address on May 21. President Brian C. Mitchell presented Rendell with the University's highest honor, the Award of Merit. Mitchell lauded Rendell's guidance of the nation's sixth most populous state as a "confirmation of his love of country, his devotion to public service, and his powerful work ethic."

Huge Hearts Bucknell students reached out to help local, national, and international communities by donating more than 52,000 hours of community service. In addition, students, faculty, and staff donated more than \$242,000 to a variety of charities. "I am blown away each year when the volunteer stats for Bucknell students are released," said Linda Sterling, executive director of the Lewisburg Downtown Partnership. "The contributions of student volunteers change the face of this community and the region well beyond what is measurable. Their hearts are huge."



Ned Ladd

Seeing Stars Students from two local school districts can gaze at the stars through four Celestron reflecting telescopes, thanks to the Bucknell Observatory. With the purchase of new telescopes, these older models were no longer needed and were donated to the Danville and Shikellamy school districts. Associate professor of physics and astronomy Ned Ladd trained four teachers from these school districts in the use of the telescopes as part of a graduate summer school course, Astronomy for Middle and High School Teachers. Ladd developed the course when he realized that these telescopes could be used to

advance science teaching in the local schools. With the training, the teachers can integrate the telescopes into the curriculum.

Leader in Science Research Bucknell has the leading nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) facility of any undergraduate institution in the country, with the addition of a new 600 MHz NMR spectrometer and a 400 MHz instrument (Varian Inc.). NMR is a cutting-edge tool for understanding the structure and dynamics of molecules of all sizes and is used to advance research in chemistry, chemical engineering, biology, and physics. Bucknell obtained the instruments through a \$475,000 grant from the National Science Foundation and additional funds provided by Bucknell. The grant application was authored by five Bucknell faculty members from three disciplines.

New Public Safety Director

Jason Friedberg, newly appointed Director of Public Safety, assumed his post this past July. Friedberg comes to Bucknell with an extensive résumé in college law enforcement, most recently holding the post of associate director and captain of the Franklin & Marshall College Public Safety Office. He previously worked in campus law enforcement at Springfield College, Smith College, and Western New England College.



Gene Maylock

Class of 2010 Profile After receiving a record number of applications, topping 9,000, Bucknell offered admission to 2,985 students, or 33 percent of the applicant pool. Bucknell continues to be in the top six percent of the most selective colleges in the nation — those offering admission to less than 40 percent of their applicant pool. Of the students enrolled as of June 8, 90 percent graduated in the top 20 percent of their class. The admitted applicant group represents 47 states, the District of Columbia, and the Virgin Islands. Sixty-two different countries are represented by students who are foreign nationals, dual citizens, and permanent residents.

What's New with The Plan for Bucknell

For a just-recorded interview with Mark Dillard, Director of Strategy Implementation, go to www.bucknell.edu/StrategyImplementation to hear him talk about the steps taken over the summer to begin the implementation process and plans for the fall semester.



Lundquist Returns

President Brian C. Mitchell announced the appointment of Samuel T. Lundquist as the new Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations. The appointment followed a comprehensive national search. Lundquist



previously held the position of Assistant Vice President for Development and Campaign Initiatives at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. He also worked in Bucknell's admissions office from 1981–85. Reporting directly to the president, the Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations oversees all fundraising for the University and directs the University's relations with Bucknell parents and alumni. Lundquist begins on Sept. 1.

Firm to Lead Master Plan Team Following a national search, President Brian C. Mitchell has named the design and architecture planning firm of Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott (SBRA) of Boston, Mass., to be the lead firm in continuing the process of updating Bucknell's Master Plan. SBRA will lead a team of experts from both on and off campus to take a comprehensive look at space assessment and analysis and vehicular and pedestrian traffic, as well as general architectural elements. Over the past decade, SBRA has received more than 50 design awards for a variety of building, facilities, interior design, and preservation projects.

Faculty Profile: ERIC TILLMAN



Met Bakerd

Polymer Scientist What do a polyester leisure suit, Kevlar sports equipment, and cellophane food wrap have in common? They are all products of polymer research.

Polymers are large molecules that are made up of smaller repeated units. Making them is like building a long chain by adding one link at time.

Eric Tillman, assistant professor of chemistry, specializes in synthesizing polymers. He devises reactions that allow the polymer chain to be "grown," or initiated,

from a carefully chosen molecule.

Unlike materials scientists or chemical engineers, however, Tillman's interest is focused on understanding and controlling the basic reactions in building polymers.

Having an inquisitive nature is an essential tool for a polymer scientist. Tillman and his students ask a lot of

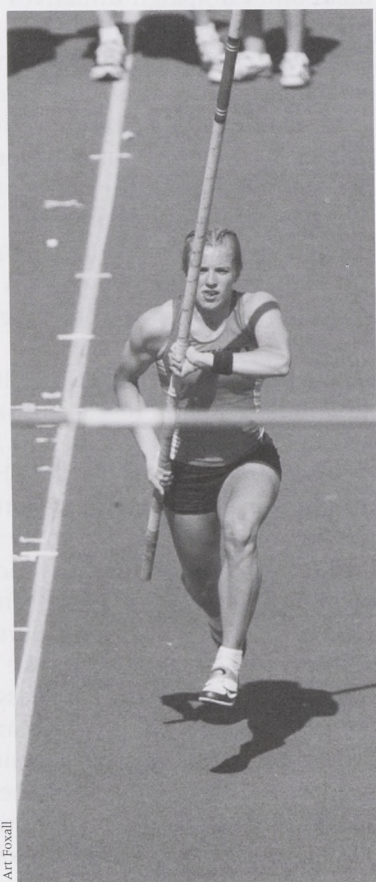
questions. Did the polymerization work? Was it controlled? Does the polymer contain the molecule that they wanted? Did some other mechanism initiate it?

When asking questions, polymer scientists must also be prepared for the unexpected. One of Tillman's students, Amanda Roof '06, was working to put a molecule into a polymer chain using a new method they devised. Their plan involved first manipulating this molecule, then using it as an anchor to grow two polymer chains. Roof succeeded in creating a polymer; however, upon further analysis she realized that the reactions that were occurring in the laboratory were not what she and Tillman had mapped out on paper. It was time to go back to the drawing board. Tillman and Roof wanted to discover exactly what reactions were occurring. Roof's continued research into the unexpected reaction resulted in a paper published in *Polymer*, co-authored by Tillman, Roof, and four other Bucknell undergraduates.

Tillman enjoys working with students. "The reason I wanted to come to Bucknell," he says, "is because it has a reputation of doing high quality research with undergraduates." He generally has five to seven students working in his lab at a time.

He chose to work in this particular field of polymer research because it was so accessible to undergraduates. According to Tillman, the students can build directly on what they learn in first-year organic chemistry and apply it to polymer synthesis. When students first join Tillman's group, often as sophomores, they are usually apprehensive about the research process, he says. He enjoys watching their growth as scientists. Many times by their senior year they are conducting literature searches on their own and suggesting to Tillman ideas for the direction of their research. According to Tillman, "Chemistry research gives them a better idea of what they can do when they leave Bucknell." — Ilene Ladd

Taking Track and Field to New Heights



Art Fovall

Melanie Buczko '07

SELDOME HAS A TEAM been as good as was the 2005–06 Bucknell Bison women's cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field teams, when they won what head coach Kevin Donner calls "the triple crown" — the Patriot League cross country, indoor track and field, and outdoor track and field championships.

This year, they might be even better. "We're excited about the 2006–07 season," says Donner, adding, "This could be one of the best teams ever in school history, certainly one of the best teams in my five years here. We'll be in a position to repeat the Triple Crown, which is hard to do over the course of one year. Let alone two years in a row."

If any coach can guide a team to such heights, it's Donner. Before coming to Bucknell, he had successfully transformed the St. Francis (Pa.) program into one of the elite squads in the Northeast Conference. Now, he is quietly building one of the best cross country and track and field programs in the country.

Unlike many other head coaches, Donner does not seem to define himself exclusively in terms of wins. "Coaching at Bucknell is about developing quality citizens and athletes."

Of course, wins and losses are important. "Our goal is to win Patriot League championships in all three sports," Donner says. "But, we also want to take it up a notch and start competing at a national caliber level. Our cross-country team is good enough to qualify at the NCAA Championships. We want to qualify some people at the national championships for individual events." This includes top pole vaulter Melanie Buczko '07; Catherine Trentacoste '07, who was the Patriot League outdoor track and field MVP last year; and Lauren Bricker '07, who excelled last year at 1,500 meters, outdoor steeplechase, 800 meters indoors, and the triple jump.

Both Bricker and Buczko are excited about the upcoming season — and their careers at Bucknell.

"I came to Bucknell because of its academic reputation, and I haven't been disappointed," Bricker says. "I love competing for this team because we are friends and we are a family. It's a great support system for not only track but also for school and for life."

Buczko agrees. "Team unity has contributed greatly to my success, both as an athlete and as a student."

"We know that we're getting great students to begin with," says Donner. "What's really important to me is long-term development. To do things the right way. To represent Bucknell with pride." — Rick Dandes

Bucknell Buddies

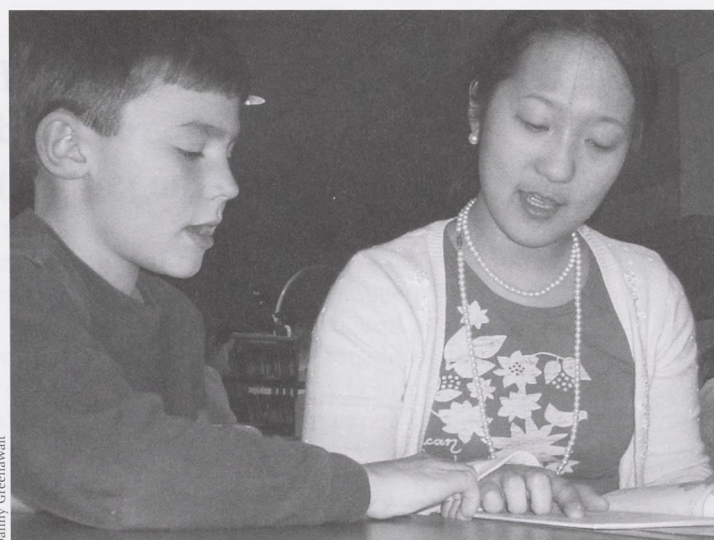
Though it may sound like community service to some, the volunteers of the Bucknell Buddies program beg to differ. The 175 Bucknell students who participate in this weekly tutoring program have exceeded their goals of simply helping their elementary tutees with homework and have instead found themselves forming concrete and lasting relationships with their specific students throughout the semester-long program.

The University-sponsored tutoring program brings the Bucknell volunteers to Kelly Elementary and Linntown Intermediate School in Lewisburg. Though this program began three years ago through the Americorps-VISTA program at Bucknell, the number of tutors skyrocketed this year, making the program bigger and more effective than ever. Danny Greenawalt, who holds the VISTA position at Bucknell and is in charge of Bucknell Buddies, is largely responsible for the huge success.

"The one-on-one attention has been amazing for the kids," says Greenawalt. "Many of the students who are enrolled aren't getting the supplementary help that they need at home. This program has been very helpful for them."

As a Bucknell Buddy tutor for three semesters, Nick Sotak '07 says, "The program has been doing a lot more than just providing some service hours." Sotak has gained lifelong skills. "Working with the kids poses a type of challenge that is hard to mimic in normal university classes, but is essential to master for anyone thinking of working with people one day. The skills gained through thoughtful participation in the program will stick with me for a long time."

The program is part of the Pennsylvania Campus



Alec Strosser and Sunny Roh '09.

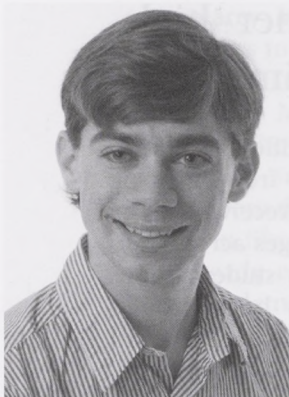
Compact, a service that supports colleges and universities in the state of Pennsylvania by creating community service opportunities for them in their local areas. Among the 28 Pennsylvania Campus Compact VISTAs in the state, Bucknell Buddies is the largest tutoring program.

And it's no surprise why so many tutors participate in Bucknell Buddies. "I don't mind taking time out of my day to help these kids. We give them motivation, and they love having an older 'buddy' meet with them each week," says tutor Jessica Wilkinson '09. Margaret Hartman '09 enjoys the "opportunity to get out into the community," and Brynn Moragne '09 raves about how the kids "are really benefiting from the extra help." Yet for second grader Kalah, it's simpler: "I love it," she replied when asked about the program. "I just love my Bucknell Buddy."

— Julia Lyons '08

Student Profile: CHRISTIAN HUBICKI '07

Have Clarinet, Will Travel Attending Bucknell has broadened Christian Hubicki's '07 horizons — quite literally. Hubicki's curricular and extracurricular interests have led him to travel to Iowa, Texas, California, and Germany.



Mel Rakerd

The first two locales may ring familiar with Bison basketball fans, and there is a connection. While Hubicki doesn't play basketball, he does play clarinet. Basketball games find him courtside, leading the Pep Band as its conductor and co-

director. He takes his job seriously, especially at the big away games. "When we have a game at home and all the 'Sojka Psychos' are wearing orange and cheering, our job is easier," he says. "But we had a bigger job to do at the play-offs — it was a big

adrenaline rush and a lot of fun."

This fall, Hubicki will travel to California with members of his American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) ChemE car team. Only in its second year in competition, the Bucknell ChemE car team placed second at the AIChE Mid-Atlantic Regional Student Conference. The national conference will be held in November in San Francisco. The goal of the competition is to build a car that runs only on a chemical reaction and has a chemical timer to stop it at a certain distance. Bucknell's team consisted of five students representing three classes and three majors. Hubicki says, "The judges were impressed with our level of engineering."

Academic pursuits will bring him to Heidelberg, Germany, in September. He will be accompanying Keith Buffinton, professor of mechanical engineering, to a robotics conference. Hubicki will be presenting a paper he

co-authored with Buffinton from his research work in the summer of 2005 on pulse-width control which positions robotic arms within microns of their target. He continued his research with Buffinton this past summer and this work will be part of the honors thesis he is writing this year.

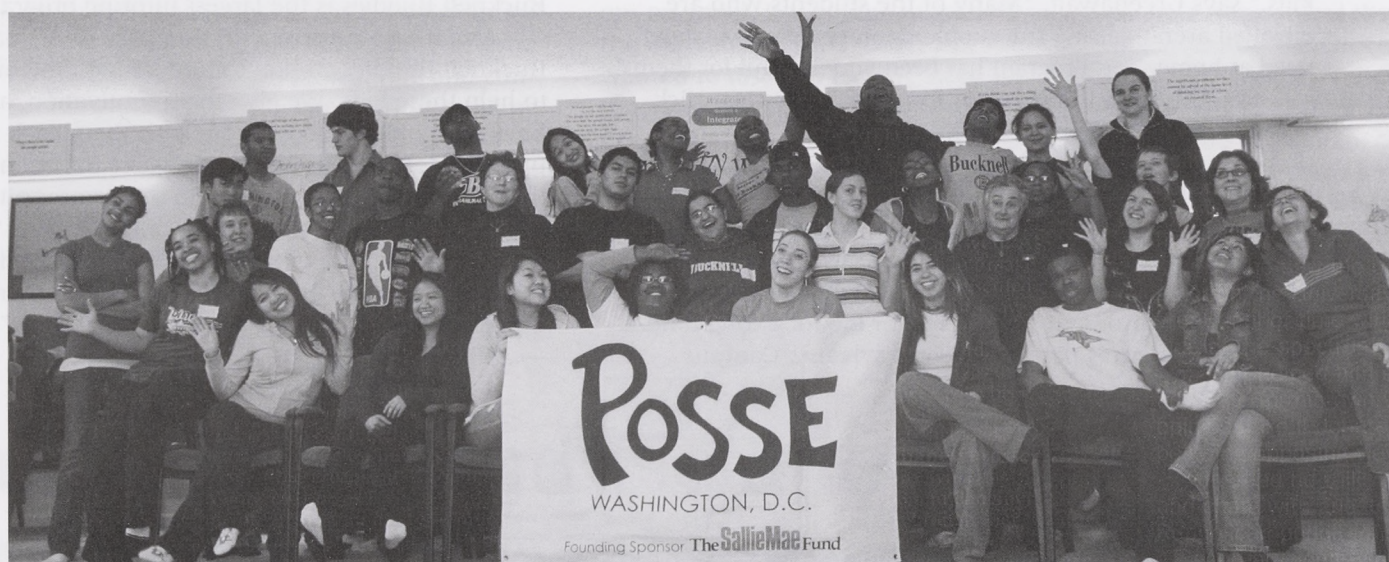
When not crisscrossing the country, Hubicki can be found rehearsing with the symphonic band and orchestra (he is the principal chair), leading the Bucknell branch of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers as president, and coordinating activities for KRAID, a video gaming club he helped form his first year on campus.

Hubicki is pleased that he has been able to participate in so many and such varied activities. "As a mechanical engineer, homework, projects, and lab reports are time consuming, yet I never felt that I had to give up my interests in order to keep up. This has made university life much more rewarding." — Ilene Ladd

As the University **makes diversity** one of its overarching goals through **The Plan for Bucknell**, a group of determined students is changing campus from the ground up.

THE POSSE PERSPECTIVE

CHRISTINA MASCIERE WALLACE



MAY NALDO '09, THE DAUGHTER OF FILIPINO immigrants, was expected to go to college. "They came to America to work so that I could have a good future," says Naldo, who commanded the ROTC unit at her high school. But with a father who worked two full-time jobs,

seven days a week, she relied on getting a scholarship. Lyndon Thweatt '09 had never heard of Bucknell before his senior year of high school. A strong student and natural leader, he'd only considered Morehouse College, an all-male, historically African-American school. Odinakachi Anyanwu '09, whose parents are from Nigeria, held down three summer jobs and worked 30 hours a week during high school to help support his mother and younger siblings — and he still excelled academically. "But we didn't know how we were going to pay for college," he says.

These three sophomores are smart, talented, and community-minded — exactly the type of students Bucknell wants to attract. But top-tier universities like Bucknell rarely target the less competitive, urban high schools that these students attended.

Enter The Posse Foundation, a national college-

access and leadership program that identifies, recruits, and trains outstanding young leaders from public schools in urban areas. These students receive merit leadership scholarships from partner colleges across the country. Based on the theory that these students are more likely to succeed in college if they have strong peer support on campus, Posse selects nominees and trains them as a "posse" of 10 students, focusing on team building, leadership, communication, and academics. The students hone skills needed to build bridges across cultural divides — first on an individual level, then across a college campus, and eventually in the workplace. Following an intense, even grueling interview and assessment program, each posse is placed at one of 26 highly selective universities that are committed to increasing diversity.

The program works: After 17 years and more than

1,500 students and \$142 million in merit scholarships, the New York City-based Posse Foundation boasts a graduation rate of 90 percent, better than many elite universities. Its fast-growing alumni group forms a dynamic network whose members are entering the workforce in greater numbers each year. Posse operates programs in Boston, Los Angeles, and Chicago, in addition to New York and Washington, D.C.

Thweatt, Naldo, Anyanwu, and seven others were chosen from 600 nominees in the D.C. area to receive full-tuition scholarships to Bucknell. Starting as strangers, the group spent eight months preparing for the personal and academic demands of college. By the time the students arrived last fall, Bucknell's "D.C. Posse 1" was ready to make a splash, summed up in their chosen catchphrase: "Let's ripple."

Posse's Nancy Lee '09 explains: "We're going to change ourselves first, then become a whole, then make changes in the school, then affect the community and workforce. It's like throwing a stone in the water. We're the stone. Let's ripple."

Multi-Dimensional Diversity Posse and Bucknell are a natural match, according to President Brian C. Mitchell. "Posse is an opportunity to establish programming that directly improves the University's diversity. And just as Bucknell distinguishes itself in many ways from other colleges and universities, Posse has distinguished itself from other programs because of its commitment to sending groups of excellent students to the same college. Having Bucknell involved was an easy decision and a worthwhile use of resources."

The origins of Posse 1 began in 2004, when Bucknell administrators teamed with the Posse D.C. staff to choose 10 students from a group of finalists who'd made it through the first rounds of Posse's rigorous Dynamic Assessment Process (DAP). Designed to measure qualities that aren't always apparent on traditional applications — such as leadership, adaptability, teamwork, and superior communication skills — DAP uses group exercises, individual interviews, and personal essays to identify the strongest candidates.

"We look for initiative, but also a positive attitude," says Marcy Mistrett, Director of Posse D.C. "It's their willingness to step into the unknown."

Mark Davies, Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Management, was among the observers. "Through the DAP process, Posse is able to see who the leaders are and which people are truly committed to working out differences — people who can be really successful in life, and who come to campus with good values already established for themselves," he says. "The Posse students are difference-makers. They're going to be agents of change on this campus."

Posse is a true partnership, according to Kurt Thiede, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Dean of Admissions, who spearheaded the school's involvement with the program. "We've learned a great deal from the way that Posse runs its organization and assesses students," he says. "The message we're sending to all interested students is that Bucknell's goal is not to be just one of the selective schools that simply process brighter-than-average applicants through a numbers-driven evaluation process. We're not just talking about

doing things differently — we *are* doing things differently."

Deborah Bial, who founded The Posse Foundation in 1989 after a young college dropout told her he would have stayed in school if he'd had his "posse" with him, emphasizes the strong collaboration between Posse and Bucknell. "Bucknell is a really warm and welcoming place for our students," she says. "Outside of the outstanding education it offers, the faculty is supportive and approachable, and that will make the experience for the students much richer."

Posse's mix of different cultures enriches the campus community on several levels, Bial adds. It increases Bucknell's appeal to students and faculty of all backgrounds, as well as prospective employers, which value job candidates who mirror real-world demographics.

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A Strong Start In addition to ongoing guidance from regional Posse trainers, each Posse has a campus mentor. For Posse 1, that person is Elaine Garrett, associate dean of arts and sciences and a 25-year Bucknell veteran. A self-described friend, cheerleader, and all-around campus resource, she regularly meets with the Posse scholars as a group and one on one.

"I keep their eyes on the prize and make sure they're doing what they're supposed to be doing academically to reach that goal," explains Garrett, adding that her efforts are complimentary to those of the students' regular academic advisers. "I always want to know about each individual class and what's going on. I want to know about how things are going outside of class — their activities, their clubs, their social lives."

The group's first year went remarkably well, she



Posse Plus Retreat: Sarah Bell, Ashley Brazal '09, Nick Chin '09, and Nygel Knighton '09.



Posse 1: From left to right, front row, Loretta Miller, Lyndon Thweatt, Nygel Knighton, Arjun Raman, Odinakachi Anyanwu, Nancy Lee. Back row, May Naldo, Valeria Lopez, Nicole Williams, Emily Haley.

reports. "They're not afraid to get involved. They're self-starters. We have Loretta Miller, who manages the women's basketball team and who also won last year's 'Bucknell Idol' competition. We have four students who are going to be resident assistants this fall. We have Emily Haley, who's basically running Community Harvest. We have Arjun Raman, who went on Bucknell Brigade over spring break and had a summer internship on Capitol Hill." They're some of the most active, engaged students of the Class of 2009.

That kind of widespread involvement is precisely what Thiede wants. "The expectations are high for these kids, and we've been nothing but pleased with what we've seen so far," he says.

Bucknell has been so pleased, in fact, that it chose 11 D.C.-area students as D.C. Posse 2 scholars, and they just started their first semester. Last spring, the administration approved funding for a second Posse partnership, which will draw students from Boston starting in fall 2007 (Boston Posse 1).

The Posse 1 scholars dived headfirst into campus life last year, but academics came first, and their grades were typical of others in their class. Despite their achievements, a few skeptics have implied that Posse is a hand-out program that admits underqualified students on the basis of color. For those people, President Mitchell has a strong message: "Bucknell maintains its academic standards for all students, and the Posse scholars are no exception."

A Leap of Faith It was a leap of faith for Posse 1 to leave Washington, trading access to family, friends, the Metro, and ethnic culture for rural Pennsylvania. "The students took an intellectual and lifestyle risk that will result in dramatic change in their lives. It wasn't easy," President Mitchell observes. With no previous Posse scholars to follow, Bucknell's D.C. Posse 1 members relied heavily on each other during the initial transition.

"Much of what other students talk about here is hard for me to understand, because I've never experienced it," Anyanwu explains. "I didn't have any white classmates before I came to Bucknell. So the fact that I had the Posse to lean on for the first few months, when it was kind of difficult, made the difference."

Thweatt, a high-school athlete who joined Bucknell's track team after enrolling, was dismayed by some students' assumption that he came here on a scholarship for athletics rather than academics. The Posse meetings, he says, provide much-needed camaraderie.

"It's constructive. We'll pick each other up and say, 'Come on, keep going, keep it moving. We've got to keep rolling on that.'"

Naldo helped convince a discouraged Posse scholar to stay at Bucknell during that stressful first semester. "The fact is, leaving is not going to change anything," she says. "And being angry is not going to change anything. We can't change people's minds, but we can give them the opportunity to look beyond how they're thinking and try to see things from a different perspective."

As the only white student in Posse 1, Haley has her own perspective. "It's opened my eyes to being the minority in every situation, and what it's like to look at the world through a whole other scope," she says. "It's such a pivotal moment to realize what the other kids have had to deal with. This is a huge learning experience that I never could have foreseen coming."

President Mitchell is candid about the realities of increasing diversity on campus. "Change is difficult," he says simply. "In an environment that has traditionally been as homogeneous as Bucknell's, change becomes more difficult because many comfort zones and expectations are challenged. The best advice I can give students is to talk about it. This is a place of learning, and cross-cultural conversations are a great way to expand horizons."

Posse scholars agree that a simple willingness to talk to different types of people is the building block for real change. When approached with an open mind, the smallest daily interactions become teachable moments. Thweatt encourages all students to examine their views. "I'm fine with myself," he says. "The question is, are *you* fine with yourself?"

Students and administrators explored the topic of identity last spring at "Posse Plus," a weekend retreat with a student-chosen theme of "Be You at B.U." Posse trainers helped the scholars facilitate

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group activities that allowed their invited guests (the "Plus") to discuss sometimes-sensitive issues in a safe, structured environment.

Sarah Bell, associate director of the Career Development Center, came away deeply impressed with the Posse scholars' confidence, maturity, and positive attitudes. "This has the potential to transform Bucknell," says Bell, a seven-year staffer. "We're going in the right direction, and we're at a point where we're ready for it to happen."

Nicole Falcaro '09 was the only student attendee who didn't know any of the Posse scholars beforehand — she responded to a campuswide invitation. "It was a real eye-opener to see how other students feel about how they fit in on campus," says Falcaro, who is white and from Dingmans Ferry, Pa. "I think people tend to feel more comfortable with friends of the same race, but I don't think it has to be that way."

And that's the whole point, according to Thiede. "You need to *not* be comfortable. If you decide just to stick with things that you identify with, you're never going to be exposed to anything else. That's not the way to live."

The change will be gradual, says Thiede. Take Anyanwu, who continues to patiently correct stereotyped images of Nigeria with some success. After discovering that his support of affirmative action was strongly opposed by a hallmate — and then being assigned to work as partners to produce a lengthy research project on the topic — Anyanwu gradually persuaded his friend to change his mind. "It was one of the highest points of that semester," he says with a smile.

A Stand for Diversity Several alumni have moved quickly to provide funding and hands-on help for the new program. Kathryn Vizas '79 of Berkeley, Calif., and her husband set up a \$200,000 endowed fund toward Posse 1 expenses. "It's basically about kids who don't have the advantages that most of the kids at Bucknell do have," she explains. "I hope that as more of these Posse classes come through, other kids from different backgrounds will feel more comfortable on campus."

Because Joel Berelson '85 lives in Washington, he is able to volunteer his time as a writing coach with Posse scholars during their senior year of high school. "I believe so strongly in diversity," he says. "You need a representation of society as a whole to get the full

benefit of a good education. I think people who are very intelligent would want to be in such an educational environment. Posse will help raise Bucknell's overall quality."

The bottom line is that college is a culture shock, no matter where you come from, according to Posse founder Bial. "Everyone has to adjust. Everyone needs a system of support," she says. "The Posse scholars have their own system, but they can be systems of support for other students on campus, including the majority students. Posse's definition of diversity includes everyone — blacks, Latinos, Asians, Indians, whites. It begins to send a message to the whole community that we're all part of this conversation."

The conversation has gotten louder with the recent arrival of the D.C. Posse 2 scholars, who were warmly welcomed by D.C. Posse 1. "I didn't lie to them," Naldo says. "I told them, 'Know that it will be hard, but also know that we're here for you.'"

Thweatt looks forward to raising Posse's campus profile this year. "We're going to promote ourselves more, so that everyone knows we're here, and we're taking a stand for diversity." Anyanwu will use his Posse training in his new position as an RA.

Thiede says that the entire campus benefits from the Posse program. "The more people we can bring in with more cultures, more differences, the more we learn," he says. "We are committed to making the whole campus a learning community, and this is a step in the right direction."

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Posse 2: From left to right, Marissa Calhoun, Cristina Sacco, Langston Tingling-Clemmons, Candace DePass, Guo Roi Deng, Zak Marsh, Amaramenkum Foy, Claudio Nally, Sophia Sainteus, Ahmed Kodouda, Rajaa Qadri.

"Seeing all of my friends makes me feel Bucknell cares about me as an alumnus. All the events and effort put into the weekend make me proud to be a Bucknellian."



REUNION 2006

BY ALL ACCOUNTS, REUNION 2006 WAS A resounding success. From the class dinners, family fun night, and fireworks to winetastings, concerts, and golf tournaments, the weekend offered events for everyone, and 99 percent of survey respondents said they were satisfied with their Reunion experience. The University extends a special thanks to all of the classes who helped raise more than \$14.8 million. For those who want to be a part of the energy and spirit of Reunion Weekend, mark your calendars for May 31–June 3, 2007.



Alumni Award Winners

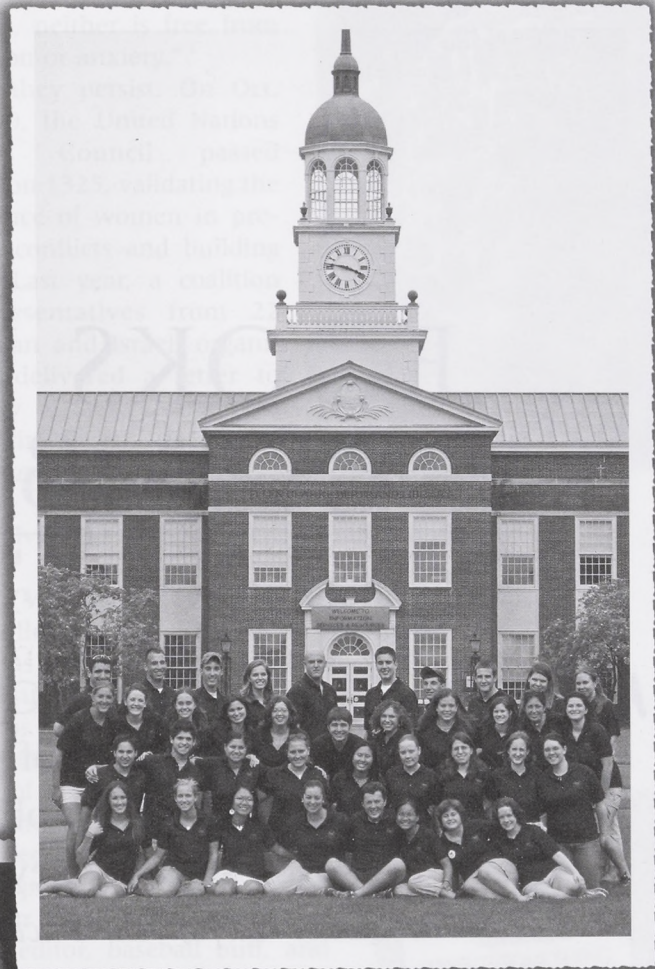


Front row (l-r): Sam Posner '56, Dave Ekedahl '56, and Art Kinney '56. Standing: Jim Owens '86, Rev. Jim Leo '56, Jim Schubauer '56, Mitch Blumenfeld '91, Peter Rovick '91, Richard Humphrey '74, Scott Singer '87, President Brian C. Mitchell, Brenda Earl De Paola '81, and Bob Chertkof '62. Humphrey, Singer, and Chertkof represent the Alumni Association Board of Directors. Not present: Ernie Kalman '56.

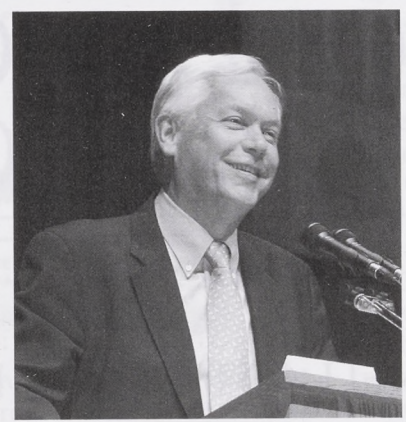
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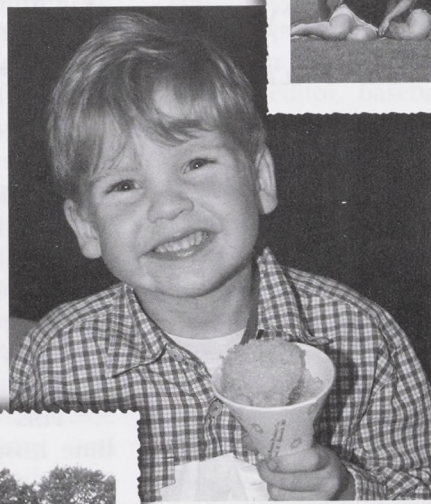
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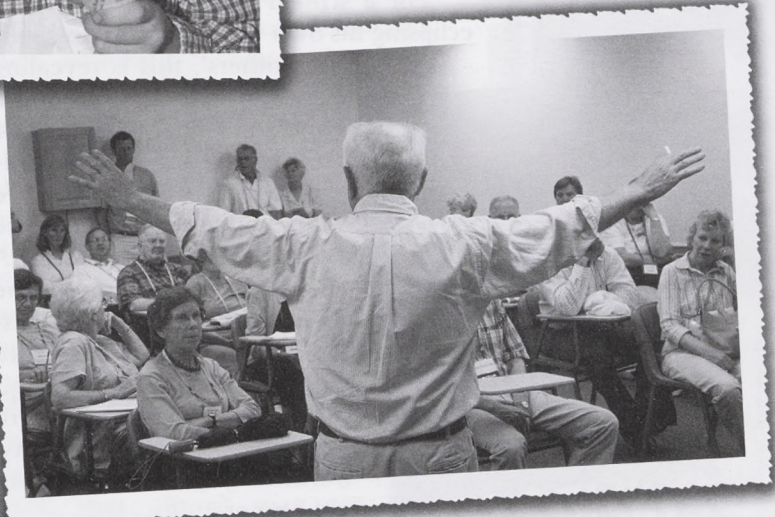
Tent Party



"Bucknell always makes us feel welcome."



Parade of Classes



Alumni College

This issue's book review presses readers into a dialogue that crisscrosses cultures and themes to form a vision for a world transformed by September 11.

BOOKS FOR A POST-SEPTEMBER 11 WORLD

CLAUDIA EBELING

TWO SEMINAL BUCKNELL AUTHORS, F. DAVID MARTIN, professor emeritus of philosophy, and Philip Roth '54, unflinchingly address the problem of death in books that are as eloquent and profound as they are readable. "Looking directly at death," Martin says, in *Facing Death: Theme and Variations* (Bucknell

University Press), "may be much more difficult than looking directly at the sun." Once he debated death without a shiver. Things have changed. "Now that I am old, the sometime is anytime and soon and quite believable. Even in the most joyful moments, the dread of death permeates."

For a scholar who spent his career eclipsing his own views in order to explicate others', this is revealing stuff. "Dying is the most personal event in our lives; no one can accomplish it for us. Although we can witness our dying, we cannot witness our death." But Martin embraces the gifts death bequeaths. He visits everyone from Plato to Louis Armstrong for inspiration. In the gravity of mortality, he locates irony, warmth, joy, reconciliation, and humor.

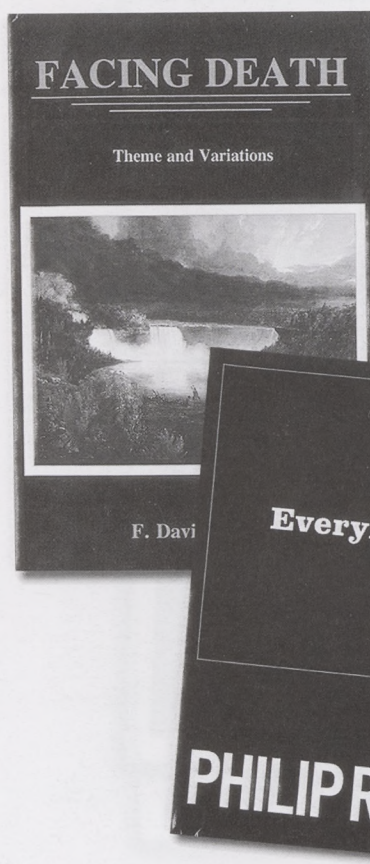
Roth articulates the theme through fiction in *Everyman* (Houghton Mifflin). That his

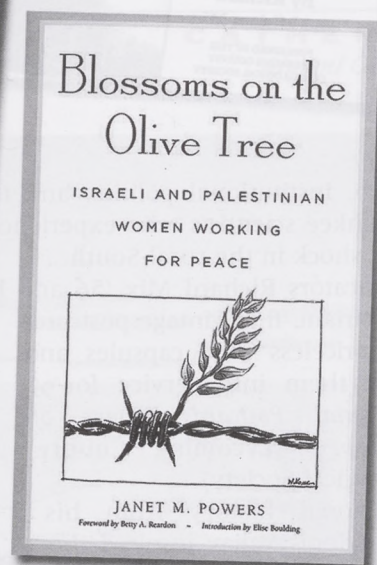
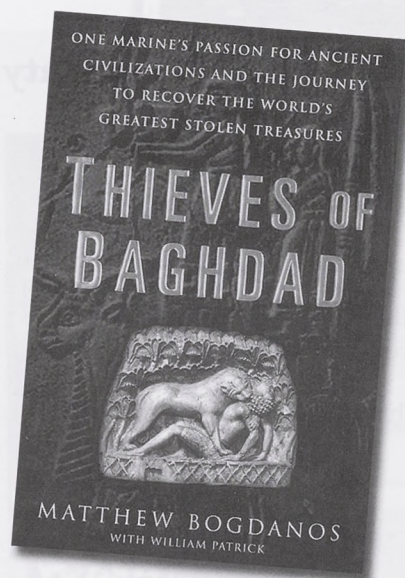
protagonist dies during surgery is the beginning and the end of the story. As the mourners disperse after a respectful graveside service, Roth observes, "That was the end. No special point had been made. Did they say what they had to say? No, they didn't, and of course they did." He then turns to the man's life to see what that means. Therein crouches the suspense.

This ordinary man was a son, brother, three-time husband, father, ad guy, attempted studio artist, Jersey native, Manhattan local, and post-September 11 retirement colony refugee. He connects and disconnects with mortality, beginning with a few mystifying encounters that escalate to concrete losses of friends and family in late age. Through the busy crowd of choices he has made for better or worse, the question rises, will he engage death on his terms? What are those terms anyway?

Dateline: Middle East Will order ever come to the Middle East? Alumni reporting from the front have surprising answers.

Matthew Bogdanos '80 was enjoying a high-profile career in the Manhattan District Attorney's office when the planes hit the World Trade Center. After leading his family out of their nearby, ash-ridden apartment, the Marine Reservist knew what he had to do. He signed up for Afghanistan, where he earned a Bronze Star and ended up in Iraq as Baghdad fell. When news surfaced





of the devastation of the national museum that had held some of the oldest treasures from the cradle of civilization, the classics major and criminal investigator in him kicked in. He convinced his superiors to let him lead the effort to recover this world heritage.

As he recounts in *Thieves of Baghdad* (Bloomsbury), the looting was just the latest of the museum's woes. The institution had no effective inventory system, fakes regularly passed through the collection, and Saddam Hussein routinely used the treasures as his own. Then came working with the Iraqis: "It's a hard lesson that just because an armed force shares your hatred of a particular tyrant, it does not follow that they necessarily welcome your presence in their country."

The story is, by turns, a memoir, detective thriller, archeological study, crime history, war correspondence, and sociological study. The Pentagon terminated the mission in November 2003. He had only begun, but Bogdanos was hard-pressed to complain. He had made progress, enjoyed almost unlimited authority, and forged friendships with unforgettable people. While he has returned to New York, he remains committed to chasing stolen antiquities.

The face of Middle Eastern violence is undeniably male. Traditional cultures on both sides of the divide dictate that women not stray beyond the home. Janet Powers '61 asserts that it is the women, however, who have the potential to promote political peace. Her new book, *Blossoms on the Olive Tree* (Praeger), discloses that, in fact, Arab and Israeli women have reached out to one another for several decades, through a network of organizations such as the Jerusalem Center for Women and Bat Shalom.

Powers, professor emerita of interdisciplinary studies and women's studies at Gettysburg College, visited homes in the war-torn region from 2002 to 2005, researching women's daily lives and the bridges they were building. She found that "although Palestinian women confront daily harassment and Israeli women

suffer from a more general paranoia, neither is free from depression or anxiety."

Yet they persist. On Oct. 31, 2000, the United Nations Security Council passed Resolution 1325, validating the importance of women in preventing conflicts and building accord. Last year, a coalition of representatives from 22 Palestinian and Israeli organizations delivered a letter to Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, calling for enforcement of Resolution 1325.

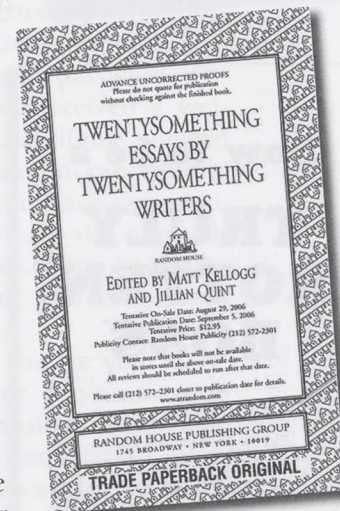
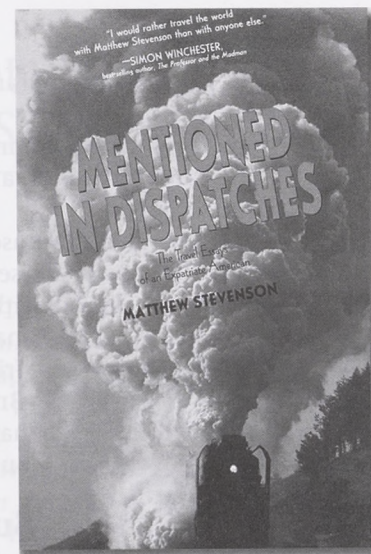
They wrote, "We believe our involvement would hasten the advent of peace."

Observation and Opinion In his winning new collection of essays, *Mentioned in Dispatches* (Odysseus Books), Matthew Stevenson '77 considers a mix of subjects. To his experience on the book tour circuit for his first book, *Letters of Transit*, he adds snapshots of family and friends, eulogies, and a penetrating critique of American foreign policy as he witnessed it in the Balkans. The reflections are enriched by his perspective as a long-time American expatriate, son, father, banker, editor, baseball buff, and reader of everything.

It is easy to like Stevenson. While facts and literary allusions fall effortlessly from his pen, his writing is without pretension. It is fluent with humor and wonder. Alumni will find familiar campus "names in the tongue-in-cheek" '96 Election Guide.

That a genre inaugurated in the 16th century grows more popular with each generation is evident in the new anthology, *Twentysomething Essays by Twentysomething Writers* (Random House). The editors solicited contributions online, and 1,000 essays jammed the email inbox on the deadline day alone. In the final 20 selected to define their generation is "My Little Comma," by Elrena Evans '00. She writes about becoming a mother in the midst of completing doctoral studies.

When Modern Was Modern *My Love Affair with Modern Art* (Arcade Publishing), by Katharine Kuh, is a book that almost was not. Kuh (1904-94), a legendary gallery owner, curator, and art critic, had nearly finished her memoir when she died.



Her friend and literary executor, Avis Berman '71, stepped in to edit and complete it, seamlessly preserving Kuh's commanding voice and passion. An important record of a phenomenal era in world art was rescued.

Kuh was an intensely private person who chose to write not about herself but about what and whom she knew. Infused with excitement and affection, her

narrative divulges encounters and friendships with the likes of Brancusi, Rothko, and Hopper, to name a few. Listening at her feet is pure delight.

Successful Habits Following the stock market crash of 2000, hedge funds gained popularity because of their flexibility. In particular, global macro hedge funds outperformed against volatile markets and world events. Yet their recent arrival and idiosyncratic nature are barriers to wider application. Steven Drobny '94, an international expert in hedge funds, has written *Inside the House of Money* (Wiley) to demystify them.

Drobny recorded hours of conversations with global macro investors deploying a breadth of investing styles and philosophies. Their best practices and thinking are presented in an engaging question-and-answer format attracting critical favor and a strong performance on Amazon.com's extended bestselling list for business and economics titles. Visit www.insidethehouseofmoney.com to learn more.

Rather than profile successful role models, George Naimark '45 does just the opposite in *How to Be a Truly Rotten Boss* (Xlibris). His marketing ploy: Give the book anonymously to the office ogre. Warning to recipients: Change your ways.

General Reading Histories, poetry, novels, and children's books are "Books" staples. The shelves are well stocked.

Monkey Farm (Bucknell University Press) by Donald Dewsbury '61, a professor of psychology at the University of Florida, records the history of the Yerkes Laboratories of Primate Biology in Orange Park, Fla., from 1930-65, where today's knowledge of non-human primates and their behavior was advanced. Dewsbury considers the

research, institutional politics, and the lab's Yankee scientists who experienced culture shock in the rural South.

Educators Richard Mix '56 and his wife, Miriam, find vintage postcards to be priceless time capsules and pressed them into service for *A Bicentennial Postcard History of Williamsport* (Lycoming County Genealogical Society).

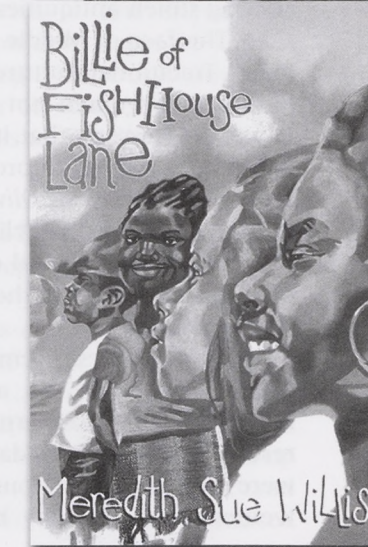
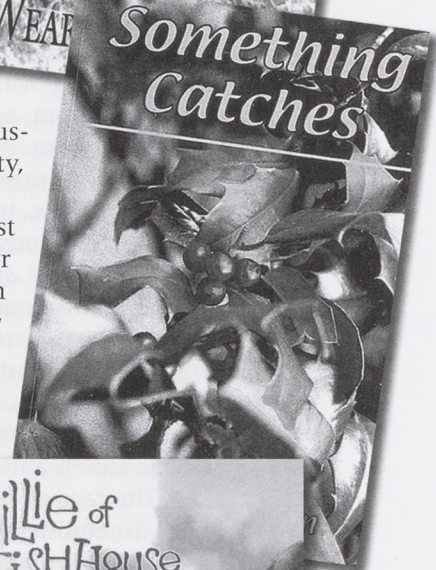
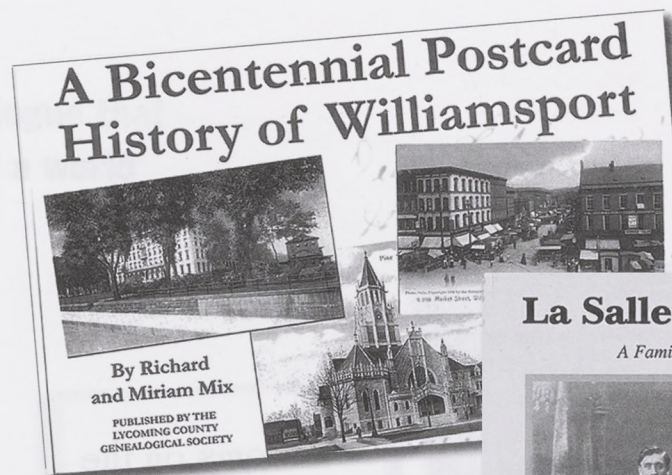
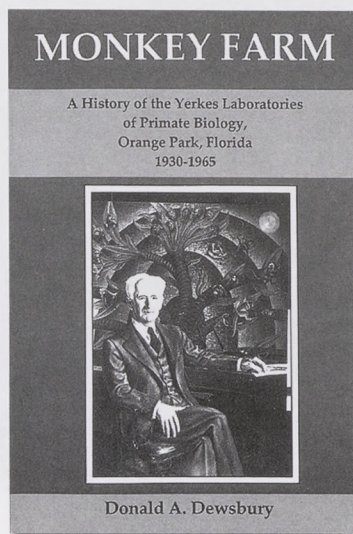
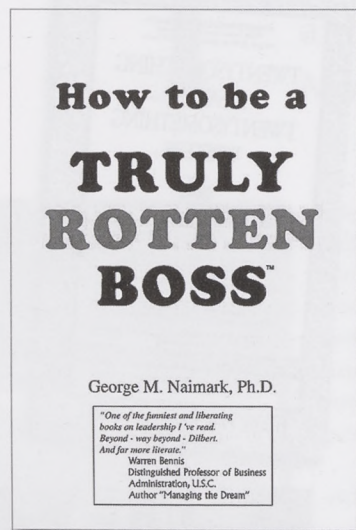
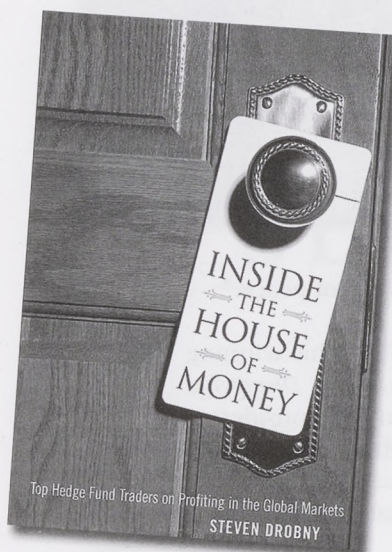
Regional history from his native Illinois Valley inspired the novel *LaSalle County: A Family Saga* (iUniverse!), by Dan Hoffman, professor emeritus of biology at Bucknell. Set against the background of the Eastern European immigrant community, it spans the 20th century, weaving personal drama with cultural codes and the larger events of the times.

Mischief, she wrote. In *Murder Wears a Red Hat* (PublishAmerica), Polly Mitchell Savidge '63 pits an annoying ex-husband against the wily Red Hat Society, two things she knows about.

Glenn McLaughlin '77, a scientist by training, has added literary endeavor to his résumé. He has published an energetic poetry selection, *Something Catches* (Roland Street). The natural world dominates his work, informed by science, art, and current events.

Finally, the versatile Meredith Sue Willis '68 is back, this time with a children's novel, *Billie of Fish House Lane* (Montemayor Press). Biracial Billie Lee leads a harmonious life in a funky New Jersey neighborhood until her white cousin comes to town. There's that, and a mysterious neighbor alerts her inner detective. Billie Lee's an appealing problem solver.

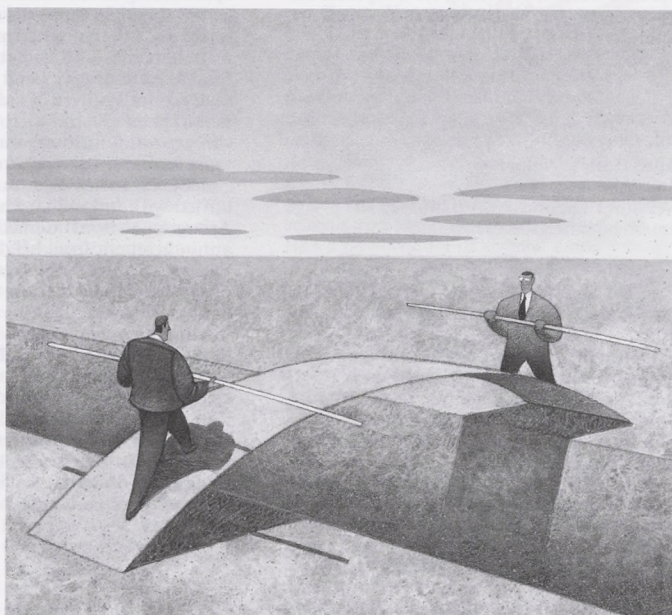
Claudia Ebeling reviews books in the September and January issues of Bucknell World. *W*



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Class Notes

Notes

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

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You may email your information to *Bucknell World* at bworl@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 Oct. 6 will appear in the January 2007 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:

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

2008 Classes of 1948, 1953, 1958, 1963, 1968, 1973, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003.

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What's the matter with Red Sox pitchers or Fenway batters?
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— F.A.B.

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Clavin Fisher reports that his son Peter enjoyed a unique experience. He was asked by the U.S. Supreme Court to testify in a case involving interference with interstate commerce in which a certain state attempted to induce a manufacturer, by tax abatement, to relocate in that state. Peter, professor of economics at the University of Iowa, had written a book on the questionable wisdom of such a practice.

Now you other '34ers get out your pens and jot me a newsy item for the rest of us to enjoy. — J.E.

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I'm sorry I have not been "on the job" as the 1935 reporter. At 93, in an assisted living situation of about 85 residents in divided apartments at the edge of Pekin, I find I have limited energy but still enjoyment of many happy memories of Bucknell, my SAE husband, **R.H. More**; my employer, Dr. Henry Robbins, head of the language department — I typed his lectures and exams for 25 cents an hour.

A letter from **Laura Calahan '83**, a

niece of **Gertrude Carey**, I have enjoyed rereading and wish to include in this report. Laura reports that Trude entertains her *cercle français* in her apartment and garden. They speak only French and they sample wines and Maryland soft-shell crab. Laura also reports that her own daughter, Nina, shares Trude's artistic interest and her older daughter, Kelsey, is looking at colleges both in Australia and in the states. A third Bucknell student in the family?

Ann Orr Deschanel's two granddaughters are following her footsteps in the artistic world. Ann jokingly says her apartment will scarcely house the publicity the two girls have produced, including nine clippings from the *Pekin Times* and one from Ann's French foreign exchange student. — J.H.M.

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It was my great pleasure to trade emails with **Ken Herrold**. He is living in Burlington, Pa., where his late wife, **Elizabeth McMahon '37**, was born. He recounted his Bucknell experience of "working his pants off to get through college" and his great luck to meet Elizabeth there. She was one of the first two women to graduate from Yale Divinity School (the other also was a Bucknell alumna). Ken would love to hear from any other Bucknellians and can be reached via email at kfherrold@sosbbs.com, or at The Ledge, P.O. Box 24, Burlington, PA 18814, phone: 570-265-9753.

Just as a reminder, I am a Bucknell alumnus from the Class of '92 and have volunteered to collect your Class Notes. I would love to hear from any of you with Bucknell memories or updates for other Bucknellians. — P.K.

Reunion 2007

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You classmates must be sitting on your hands, as the only one checking in was **Cliff Siegmeister**, who says he will return next spring for our 70th Reunion. I will be there to greet him and I hope some of you will show up too. I was back to Reunion this year and again represented the oldest returning class. President Mitchell, in his presentation at the reunion, cited one shortcoming in our annual giving, and that was that only 36 percent of the alumni participated. This is low and a problem that should be addressed by all of us. It doesn't take much, as little as five bucks annually will help do the job. Let's see if our class can help boost this percentage. While we are all pretty old, let's not resign from the world. See what you get if you don't send news, a little lecture.

I can report on our little spring luncheon at Peddlers Village. It started many years ago as a gathering of Kappa Deltas joined by their husbands; the men ate separately. There used to be as many as 35, and this year there were six. Attending were **Ruth Cox Kohlberger '40**, **Emily Dooley Bishop '38**, **Margie Lloyd Kessler '38**, **Ginny Fisher Vogel '40**, **Joe Quick '38** and myself. Obviously we all lunched together for the first time.

Now classmates, let's hear from you, I know you're out there. — C.V.

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Bucknell World is searching for a reporter for the Class of '39. Please contact us if you are interested.

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I'm at the computer pulling our class report together and happen to be wearing the T-shirt issued to us when we returned for our 50th.

Helen Sanders Christian, who I was hoping could fill me in on this year's Reunion, wrote that she was returning to Shamokin for her 70th high school reunion. The alumni association for her high school is celebrating its 123rd annual reunion, the oldest such association in the United States. Her daughter, **Karen Christian Hovey '71**, and Karen's husband, **Douglas '71**, planned to attend their 35th Reunion. Sandy said she and **Mel Jaffee** are looking forward to our 70th.

H. Glenn Eschelman's note just missed the March deadline. Glenn said he and Alma have talked of downsizing and have even investigated possibilities; the deterrent, it is hard to think of moving. Glenn said they bowled this winter and he was looking forward to spring golf. In our area that would be a soggy undertaking. He's hoping to shoot his age, 90. Glenn, like me, came in two years older than most of our classmates. I'll be looking forward to 90 in August.

Martin Alpert wrote that celebrating his 87th birthday was with a sense of disbelief. He continues to be active in his temple. With his children and grandkids close enough, he shared a family Seder at his daughter's home in San Fernando Valley. Like Sandy, he has a 70th high school reunion coming up and would like to attend, but has to say, "We'll see."

O. Warren Higgins wrote of a spring outing held in Lancaster, Pa., by a group of Phi Psi alumni graduates of the '30s and '40s (The group's first outing was started in 1984 in Henniker, N.H.). Among those attending with Warren were **Bill Pfeiffer '38**, **Steve Stephanou '38**, **Len Miller '42**, **Clint Cowles '43**, **Dick Ash '45**, **Hank Fornwald '45**, **Jack Freeman '45**, **Jerry Goodenow '45**, **Herb Harper '45**, **Bill Watkinson '45**, **Ed Lank '46** and **Mark Henry '47**. Warren did say the wives had a good time at the Lancaster outlets, while the men reminisced about Bucknell days and caught up on members who could not attend. The plan is for the 24th to be held in April 2007 in Lancaster. Warren keeps in touch with **Joe Diblin**, who continues playing golf on the Bucknell course and keeping up with Bucknell activities. Warren said he had heard from **Frederick Green**, with a picture of him and his wife, **Marion Reynolds '41**, and indicated they are both in good health.

From **Bernice Henry Rathmell '39**, a note indicating that she is remaining in her Pennsdale home for the time being. She included her Christmas letter. As with so many, I wish I could reproduce the entire letter. It was a period of time of family and friends and neighbors gathering together in joyous celebration.

Jeanne Brozman Crawford '39

attended an excellent Elderhostel in May dealing in part with Lewis and Clark expedition and leaders.

Had a letter from **Richard**

Lichtermann '41 bringing me up to date on his move to 1957 Appling Oaks Circle, Cordova, TN 38016 to be closer to his children. His ranch condo is also home to Bear, a golden retriever. Although he says he's an authority on frozen dinners, he is deeply appreciating meals from his RN daughter-in-law a couple times a week. Dick's note reminded me that when you write and include names of classmates and other Bucknellians you've been with, the message reminds others of old friends they would like to be in touch with. You can contact Alumni House and/or your class reporter for needed information.

Percy Jones died on Feb. 8 and was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery. I received an announcement from his daughter, Catherine Jones, and have written a letter of sympathy to her and her siblings on behalf of the class.

In an earlier *Bucknell World* I had made mention that Harue and **Travis Summersgill '39** were looking forward to celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary stateside in June. Sadly, Harue died in February. Travis continues to live in their apartment in a retirement community. Their three children, David, Nancy and **Peter '89**, live in California. — A.H.W.

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

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Here it is again, a plea for some news about the Class of '42. I'm going to start rumors about class members who are misbehaving — at 85, that's easy but it is news and fun! I'm lucky — if I talk in my sleep, I'm safe, having been married to two fellows named Bill!

Bill Vanderbilt feels great after a knee replacement. He gets lots of newspaper clippings from **Peggy Gundy Ulmer** about Lewisburg news. Please, Peggy, send me something I can report.

Had a phone call from **Dave Farquhar**, and we did a lot of reminiscing. He lives on Hilton Head Island and often sees **Dorie Green** and **Bob Teeter** who also live there. Dave wondered if I had heard from his fraternity brother **Bob Puff**, but I couldn't help him.

I hope you all have a Bucknell sticker on your cars. As we came out of church, there was a young lady waiting to talk with us. She was from Watsonstown — small world. My other incident — a darling young girl wearing a Bucknell shirt was eating in the same restaurant. You know me, I had to stop and chat. She is going to Bucknell in the fall to play soccer. I warned her to be ready for the weather change. I remember the girl who wore long underwear under formal dresses; it was cold walking to Davis Gym in zero weather!

Hope to hear from all of you within the next two weeks. 'Ray Bucknell! Go Bison! — A.S.

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George Rehkamp sent this glowing letter about **Herb Jordan**. "My Lambda Chi fraternity brother and roommate for three years is very active while many of us are getting less active. He has embarked on the difficult and time-consuming task of building a new retirement home for his lovely wife, Lauretta, and himself. They have lived for many years in a two-story colonial house in Camp Hill, Pa. He has retired as an obstetrician after working at the Harrisburg Hospital for many years. He sent me the blueprints for his new home, which has just been completed in the nearby town of Mechanicsburg. He asked me to comment on it, since I am a retired builder. It is an exceedingly charming French-style brick with a big mansard-type roof. The rooms are all on the first floor; there is no cellar and only a small attic. There are no stairs or steps. It is not large but is designed specifically for a retired couple, with a large master bedroom and a very large great room. The other rooms are smaller, but adequate. I wish him good luck." I phoned Herb to see if it was all right to include the above. They have been in their new home about two weeks. I happened to call as a surprise party was starting, celebrating his and Lauretta's 55th wedding anniversary. Needless to say, I called back the next night to get approval of the above. Happy wedding anniversary.

Conversation at Sunday supper reminded me of "six degrees of separation," only this was three. At the table were **John Brush '42** and his wife, and my neighbor Ada Shivers Foulkes. I explained to Ada that John and I had attended Bucknell. I remember asking John how he ever chose Bucknell since he was raised in India. The answer, of course, was that his father **Edwin Brush '13** attended Bucknell. So he and his younger brother **Stanley '48** came to Bucknell from India. Their father got his bachelor's and from there he went to Crozier to get his divinity degree in 1916. He married Helen and John was born in 1919 (His mother had said she would not bring a child into a world with wars). Edwin's first pastorate was in Waynesburg, Pa. As was the custom then and now, a Baptist missionary on furlough from India was visiting churches fundraising and also on the lookout for possible candidates to be sent to the mission field. The policy was to look for men in their 20s, and Edwin was in his 30s.

Edwin was sent to an English-speaking church in Bengal, near Calcutta. So at the age of 4, John went to India to a railroad town where there were Anglo-Indian (English with native born wives) who were English culturally. The church Edwin served was Protestant, named Union Church and was non-denominational. John's dad was a Baptist and liberal and anyone who was a follower of Jesus could join, or, they could be baptized by immersion.

Stanley and Frances completed the family. A side note: When Frances was a very attractive 17-year-old, American pilots at a nearby base would come to church, be invited to stay and enjoyed mother's American cooking and hospitality. On her 17th birthday, Frances received 17 boxes of Whitman chocolates, the best gift the base offered.

The Brush boys graduated from an American school located in India. About 16 of the class of 21 were Americans, a few English and some Anglo-Indians. So graduation found the Americans returning to the states for college and the English to England.

The Brushes spent 25 years in India. In 1943 the senior Brushes went to the newly independent Burma (once part of British India). The new government was making an offer on a Baptist property that "couldn't be refused." This became Judson College.

Now back to Ada. She had an aunt who taught at, and was dean of, Judson College in Rangoon, Burma, and did missionary work with the lepers there. When

she came back to the states on leave, she found she could not return because natives of Burma had been trained to mission to their own people and WWII was imminent. So she went to work with the lepers in Louisiana. Her name was **Marian Esther Shivers** and she attended Bucknell, Class of '14.

Betsy Neary Sholl '67 was appointed poet laureate of Maine. I asked her for details and she wrote, "Poet laureateship lasts five years. It is a position with no funding and no official requirements, though people expect something, expect me to be the spokesperson for poetry in the state. Whatever that will mean in practical terms, I don't quite know yet. The fellow before me was terrific; he did a lot with the schools and promoting poetry in general. He's a powerhouse of energy, a quick study and imperturbable — not qualities, alas, that I share, so I'll have to find my own way. Of course, I keep reminding people, the PL's first duty is to write poetry."

Doug '66 and Betsy are grandparents again. Wynne and **Matthew Sholl '93's** daughter Rhysé Alexandra was born Nov. 25. Doug and Betsy's other grandchild is Isabella Scott, now almost 2.

While attending New Jersey Audubon Society's annual Cape May Spring Weekend, I invited myself to sit with a couple at dinner. Inquiring where they hailed from, the answer was Sunbury. "Oh, I know where that is — I went to Bucknell." This is how I met Linda and **Warren Frantz '89**, new birders, and active in the Lewisburg Audubon Society. And they are actually from Northumberland.

I met **Peg Reiff Caruthers '39** and her daughter shopping for a dress to wear to her 52-year-old son's first wedding. Days later she told me what a wonderful time she had at his NYC wedding. — J.B.S.

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It was an emotional but heart-warming Sunday, the conclusion of Reunion Weekend, when our family assembled at Rooke Chapel in memory of departed alumni, most especially to us, **Bob Baker**. Joining me were **Bob '67** and **Marti Traub Baker '69**, Tom and **Kitty Baker Sarro '72**, Tom '77 and **Nancy Beishem Baker '77** and **Tim Baker '80**, along with grandchildren Chris and **Lisa Baker Breault '94**, Laurel and Kyle Baker, Becky Sarro and great-grandchild Maggie Baker Breault. It was an extra-special little reunion. Other classmates in memoriam were **Art Adamson**, **Eugenia Boyer Benson**, **Dave Bostian**, **Mary "Ditty" Parmalee Carter**, **Lou Mardaga**, **Frank Mendes**, **Bob Kimmel**, **Mary Bennett Shirey**, **Clair Thomas** and **Don Shields**. To all their families our sincerest sympathy. They'll be missed.

The scholarship luncheon grows larger each year, which means more and more students have that honor available. It was good fortune to attend it with Kitty and we were acquainted once more with **Abby Rais '06**, the recipient of our class scholarship. She's a French major who is in the Peace Corps in a French-speaking African country. When we were together she was awaiting that actual assignment. Abby asked that her sincere gratitude be extended to all of you in '44 who made her Bucknell experience possible.

From **Kay Marshall Morris**, "We met, as usual, in March at Marina Jack's in Sarasota, but there were only six of us —

"What's the matter with Red Sox pitchers or Fenway batters?"

Let's hear the word from **Bucknell fratters that Bucknell basketball** is all that matters."

FRANKLIN A. BOWER '34

Lee Boice Burns, her sister Jane, **Janet Lawlor Hauk**, **Burda Murphy Fink**, **Nancy Danenhowe Strange** and me. Travel plans took a back seat this year as the main topic of conversation. Instead we talked about our sisterhood and how much we care about each other. It was a very long drive for Burda and Nancy but they made the effort because being together means so much." When you read this Kay's husband, Bob, will have celebrated his 90th birthday. It would be a bit unrealistic to wish him 90 more, so I'll be sensible and just go for half of that, all happy ones, too.

A letter came from **Pat Carey '50**, filled with nostalgia from Sigma Chi days and asking if he could have **Leon Myers' address**. Not long after, a note came from Leon himself with a new address. He and Betty had opted for assisted living because of her health; they live at 337 Freemason Drive, Elizabethtown, PA 17022. Leon has been great about keeping in touch, as has **George Haines '43**. He has relocated to 1206 Kirkland Village Circle, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

The final new address came from Ralph and **Betty Evans Franklin**: 5551 Dunrobin Drive, #4308, Sarasota, FL 34238. To all the movers, happiness and good health in your new surroundings.

Football season is here, so please support the team whenever you're able. It's a wonderful time to wear orange and blue and look for familiar faces. And anytime is wonderful to hear from you. Lots of people out there are waiting. Love and peace. — H.R.B.

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They say comparing yourself to others is not a healthy habit; but as we enter our "eighties," your class reporter finds comparisons of how we were as Bucknell undergraduates rather interesting. **Jack Boyle**, **Gabby Fackre** and I were all pre-ministerial students. We loved to talk about how ministry would lead us out of the current war period into a world of peace, etc. Just what ministry would look like for each of us was the passion that drew us together for lively discussions. I always admired Jack for his interest in psychology and realized his ministry would involve counseling, perhaps like his pastor, Dr. Norman Vincent Peale. Gabby, nicknamed from Gabriel, not for meaningless words, seemed to be soaring in the world of ideas, usually beyond my reach. When Gabby chose the University of Chicago for graduate school and professional training and I chose Colgate Rochester Divinity School for my preparation, it made sense. As Gabby reminded me, "You will learn how to run a church and help people." Well, across the years the three of us parted for separate worlds. Jack became Dr. John Boyle and taught pastoral counseling at Southern Baptist Seminary, among other places. After general pastorates in Wyoming I specialized in campus ministry in the Midwest and erotological ministries in California.

Getting to the point of all this, the "idea man" in our little threesome became Dr. Gabriel Fackre and gained national recognition as a theology professor at Andover Newton Theological Seminary in Boston. And guess what? Gabby is still writing! *Believing, Caring, and Doing in the United Church of Christ* came out in 2005. *Christology in Context*, the fourth volume in a theology series he has been doing over the

years, is another recent publication. *The Christian Story* is coming out this summer from Eerdmans Press, no less.

Me? Along with some memories of a liberal pastor in conservative times and places, I am barely writing news notes for the Class of '45. Please write and save me the challenge of having to write between the lines. — W.W.

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Dear classmates, our 60th Reunion was a great one! Twenty of us returned for a part or for all four days. **Marion Turner Clump**, **Joan Ruibley Goslow**, **June Evans Franks**, **Pat Whittam Hill**, **Jane Rockwell Palmeter**, **Nancy Wenrich Ruhl**, **Margie Gardenier Sondern**, **Peggy Soars Sosa**, **Frank and Lee Dillion Strickland**, **Dud and Jean Newsom Waldner**, **Jinny Bell Wiltz**, **Peggy Thompson Fischer**, **Molly Bausch Hill**, **Fitz Walling**, **Betty Barnhart Rizzolo**, **Manuel Barrett**, **Eleanor DeLong Conral** and myself. Lots of rain, but lots of memories and fun.

The good news is that our 50th gift of \$257,341 for a scholarship in our name has grown to \$448,830.72 in these 10 years, plus provided about \$18,000 yearly in scholarship money to needy students. We should all be very proud of this, for it is expensive to go for four years now. We also heard from Molly and Fitz that we raised about \$700,000 for our 60th gift. How about that! The Annual Fund will receive \$41,161 and the Capitol Purposes and Future Commitments unit will receive \$653,109.

In order to get news for *Bucknell World* I asked Pat Hill, Jinny Wiltz, Peggy Fisher, **Dawn Wert** and myself to make calls just to share what is going on. It seems to help us at this time in our lives to know what others are doing.

I drove to Williamsport to see my roomie, **Carolyn Berkheimer Rosser**. She was unable to get to campus, but she said to say hello to everyone.

Some of us went to chapel on Sunday where they remembered alumni who passed away this year. **Peggy Baker**, **Virginia Talley** and **Carl Eisenbeis** were of '46.

All in all, Bucknell is continuing to grow far larger than we ever thought it would. We have a wonderful new president and provost and the students we met were great.

I hope your summer was a good one and please keep in touch. — E.O.A.

Peg Fischer adds, "Wheeling into Lewisburg after 4 p.m. June 1, Ellie Atherton and Peg Fischer saw Bechtel's cow atop its Route 15 building, but it took a second pass to realize an empty lot meant Bechtel's was closed for good. The Bison still services alumni and undergraduates in the Elaine Langone Center's good ice cream emporium.

"Although our '46 class dinner was at Hunt Hall Reunion Formal, the elegance of that old gorgeous room also is gone with the students who waited tables to earn their way through.

"Molly and Howard Hill, Gene and Pat Hill, Peg Fischer and Dud and Jean Newsom

THE ELLEN CLARKE BERTRAND SOCIETY

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

The gifts of Bertrand Society members strengthen every facet of the University. We welcome the following new members who recorded such commitments between July 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006.

ALUMNI

Anonymous (4 members)
Jerry D. Badger '82
Eleanor "Bendy" Bendell '41
Shirley J. Cook '74
Edward C. Cowl Jr. '49
Meredythe Gray '74 and Clayton Daley Jr.
Linda Garrett '63 and Frederic Greenberg
Austin N. Heberger '56
Jane Huntington Howe '71
Norman Kiken '64
Barbara Dowell Lancaster '80
Carol Wanamaker '57 and William F. Lenker '56
Jane Brown Maas '53
Dow Fenton Malnati '64
Gretchen Marx '77
Janet B. Mathias '66
Susan and Samuel Posner '56
John C. Reed '66
Frederick E. Snell '65
Robert C. Sprout '49
Arlene Nemeth Stec '49
Susan Curtis Tonking '89
Robert E. '56 and Lorraine Soresi Tweed '56
Alice Stevens '45 and Mike Volechenisky
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Waldner attended classes on digital cameras while a number of us heard favorite professor sessions; none from '46, we're all too old! Best were **Doug Candland** and **Richard Peterrec**. A select few of us attended the president's leadership breakfast and the Mitchells' Volunteer Recognition Reception.

"Helping during the weekend were three 'Ambassadors,' the new national name for special hosts of all kinds of American services.

"Best of all, 1946 won the Pedrick Cup! It goes to the Reunion class with the highest percent of classmates who have made a financial commitment to Bucknell."

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The big news for the Class of 1947 is that next June we will be celebrating our 60th Reunion! It's not too early to make plans to return to campus. Believe it or not, accommodations fill up well in advance of Reunion. Now is also the time to reconnect with classmates that you hope to see when you return. It's amazing how welcome an email or phone call can be, even if you haven't seen or heard from a classmate for years. Once you connect, you just might take the next step and plan to meet each other in Lewisburg. My husband, **W. Nelson "Skip,"** and I look forward to seeing many of you in June 2007.

If you've been following our class notes, you know that thanks to **Ruth Richardson Bullock**, the Honor House Round Robin flies twice a year. The May edition included news that **Barbara Messer Hale**, who does therapy work with dogs, was honored with a major award from the High Peaks Dog Club, Keane, N.Y. Bobbie writes, "My therapy work with our dog at the local assisted-living home and Saranac Lake hospital ended suddenly in November when Lily died. In January, the High Peaks Dog Club gave Lily and me its major award. It was the first time it went to a dog-and-handler team; previously it had been awarded to just a person." Bobbie is hoping to get a Portuguese water dog puppy this summer or fall so she can continue the therapy work. Both Bobbie and her husband, Ed, are great skiers. Ed, who is known as "the old man of the mountain," has been teaching skiing for many years at Whiteface Mountain.

Grandchildren's unique activities are taking the stage in some of the Round Robin letters. **Helen Klauder Bohs'** granddaughter Rachel and her parents, Drew (Helen's son) and Rose Marie Bohs, are serving on the staff of "Youth with a Mission" in Kona, Hawaii. Helen states, "They are going out on faith because they need to get their own support. They studied at the University of Nations, Hawaii, and then spent several months in Thailand, coming back to Virginia briefly."

Gloria "G.I." Child Goelz, our retired class notes correspondent, is grateful that her granddaughter Lauren is safely home from the Congo. Lauren did a tour of duty with Doctors Without Borders as a nurse/midwife. G.I. continues, "Granddaughter Mariah will be spending the summer in New Orleans working with a volunteer group in St. Bernard's Parish which was so badly hit." The grandchildren's activities reassure us that the younger generation is doing some really great things. As we continue in retirement, that's good news.

Mildred Valentine Painter, one of my Bucknell roommates, keeps in touch with many classmates. She's heard from **Joyce "Hooch" Hauck Martin**, **Ruth Gay Frederick** and **Dorothy Huffman Cieslicki '46**. Millie reports, "All are well." Another classmate, **Marie Johnson Frake**,

told Millie that her husband, Herbert, died. Three of Marie's children graduated from Bucknell in the '70s. Nice going, Millie, for contacting our classmates. Now it's time for others to contact Gene or me with your news. Our next deadline is early October. — J.M.R.

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A welcome note arrived from **Ruth Williamson McKee** — she has moved into an adult community at 2 Wartburg Place, #327, Mt. Vernon, NY 10552. In addition, she traveled to Asheville, N.C., and Portland, Maine, in July. Hope you enjoyed both, Ruthie.

In April, our son, **Jeffrey '79**, and I went up to Bucknell for the annual Scholarship Day luncheon. As always, it was done beautifully; it was in Bostwick Dining Hall and decorated so well. The food was good and of course there were great speakers thanking the benefactors for their generosity.

Write me how you celebrated your 80th — we all know we're there!

My family surprised me with a party at the Somerset (N.J.) Patriots baseball game, including an exclusive outdoor box seating arrangement. We had a buffet dinner including hot dogs, pretzels and ice cream for the children. Bucknellians included: **Jeffrey Brown '79**, **Jill Brown Waters '82**, **Jack Waters '79**, **Thomas Kennedy '79** and **Scott Stevens '79**. The game was great and the weather cooperated. I loved seeing so many dear friends and relatives, and I'm ready for another!

Florence Fellows Skove called after my party to say she has been in Indiana and couldn't make it back. Also, **Dorothy Harrison** had been out of town and had to back out of the invitation.

It is fall as you are reading this issue. Think of Bucknell and football and try to get to a game. Homecoming is always fun. See you there Oct. 8? Come say hello. — J.G.B.

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As your new reporter, I thought I would start out by giving you a quick summary of my recent activities. After my husband, **Dale '50**, died in January 2000, I continued to spend winters at my Florida home and the rest of the year in Bloomsburg, Pa., for three years, and then sold my Pennsylvania home and moved to Aldersgate United Methodist Retirement Communities in July 2003. I have a nice two-bedroom, two-bath apartment with a full kitchen, laundry and a balcony. Aldersgate has 225 acres with lots of trees and open space. We have lots of activities, a fitness room, 20-yard indoor pool, craft room, etc. We also have assisted living and a memory-support section. It is very nice and I keep very busy here.

I moved to Charlotte, N.C., because my two daughters and their families live here. My son lives in Philadelphia, a short plane trip from here. In April 2005 I sold my Florida home and everything I own is right here. I enjoyed the Florida home but as a widow, having to go back and forth was too much of a chore. I also had to take my cat, Houdini, with me on the plane and that was a job. I did not miss Florida at all this past winter.

I have four grandchildren: Megan, a sophomore at George Washington University; Kevin, a senior in high school; Mandy, a freshman in high school and Christopher, a fifth grader. Megan and Kevin are my older daughter Kathy's children and Mandy and Chris are my younger daughter Holly's children. I took my grandson Kevin to visit Bucknell in late April. The weather was great and the Japanese cherry trees were in full bloom. He had an interview and

a nice tour of the campus; I had driven him around a lot of it. He was impressed with the science building and really liked the campus. Our guide was a biology major and Kevin wants to take pre-med. None of my children went to Bucknell, and I am hoping one of the grandchildren will. I know his parents will be taking him to visit universities around the South, but I wanted him to see where his grandfather and grandmother met. I really don't hold out much hope but I am trying. If he doesn't go there I still have Mandy who might go in four years.

Well, enough about me. Please let me know how you all are doing and any other pertinent information you would like your classmates to know about. Thanks.

I received an email from **Nick Daviduk**. Last autumn he was in Vermont and visited **Howard Van Dine** (our former class reporter who was in a bad accident some time ago) and said Howard is recovering very well and helps his wife in operating the dairy farm, with 130 cows, and raising 18 calves. He gave Nick a tour of the milking barn and Nick wrote that it was very educational. With the use of a computer and mechanical milking facilities one person can handle the twice-a-day milking. He learned about processing the milk into pasteurized, evaporated and dried milk and cream. Howard is working hard on his thesis on religion for his degree in theology. Nick did not say much about himself. At least we know he is well and traveling. He said if I hadn't volunteered to be the class reporter he would have volunteered. Let me know more about yourself, Nick.

I received several communications from **Al Borelli**, who graduated in August of 1949. His last visit to Bucknell was in the early 1980s. He said it satisfied his "soul hunger" and lots of memories flooded over him. So many things had changed and yet the place seemed to be the same. He wanted to visit the gorgeous grandfather clock in Hunt Hall living room but could not get in (His stationery was from the Old Bedford Clock Co. in Westport, Mass., so obviously he is very interested in clocks). He said he hoped to visit the campus this summer but he lost 70 percent of his eyesight and didn't think he would be able to get there. He does spend summers in his father's ancestral village of Filettino, a small hill town 40 miles west of Rome. He sent a program from his piano concert in Newport, R.I., on April 10, 2005, which marked his return to the concert stage after a 30-year hiatus. Prior to this recital he had made a 12-city tour. He played a Bach prelude, a Beethoven sonata, three Hungarian rhapsodies by Liszt and the *Carman Fantasia* by Bizet. He was forced to cancel all 2006 concerts due to the loss of so much eyesight. He would like to hear from college friends; his address is P.O. Box 713, Westport, MA 02790 and his email is borelliw@aol.com. I hope his friends will get in touch with him. Thanks, Al, for sending me all that information.

I also received a letter from **Jim Davenport '50** letting me know of the death of his brother, **William Davenport**, who passed away Feb. 28. Bill loved Bucknell and never forgot what the school meant to his campus life and professional career. He is remembered for his public service in bringing graphic arts courses to NYC high schools. His obituary appears in this issue. We will miss Bill. Thanks for the information, Jim.

To all members of the Class of '49: Please drop me a note or email at d2252@aol.com. I will be expecting some information from a lot of you. Thanks. — C.M.D.

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I talked to **Art Raynor** in June to learn about his retirement activities. He taught math for 10 years at Daytona Beach Community College, and played a lot of softball in the over-60 and over-65 leagues until two years ago. He still bowls. Art was our senior class president and pitched for the Bison baseball team.

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The recent *Bucknell World* article about the "golden age" for Bucknell basketball triggered some memories for **Alex Pulianas**. While in the athletic department at Dundalk High School outside of Baltimore, he encouraged **Michael Butts '89**, a 7-foot basketball star, to attend Bucknell. In 1987 Michael contributed to the basketball program as the Bison made their very first appearance in NCAA playoffs. Alex and his brother **George** both attended Bucknell before and after serving in WWII, and both played varsity football. George passed away in 1992.

Fred Mauger '53 reports that his wife, **Mary Ann Shimer Mauger**, died in March after a long battle with Alzheimer's and Parkinson's. They had celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on June 24, 2005. Her obituary appears in this issue. — D.C.

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Five years older and certainly no spryer, 19 '51ers showed up for our 55th Reunion. Sorry that more of our classmates did not appear and hope it was not for health reasons. The university took very good care of us. We stayed in McDonnell Hall, and the shuttle buses and drivers were great.

We had a lovely dinner by ourselves on Friday night at McDonnell Hall and President Mitchell spoke. Saturday was the big alumni rally and march down the hill to the new field house for lunch, followed by many reunions by disciplines, e.g., Cap and Dagger, engineering, etc.

Saturday's dinner was with the Class of 1946 and the Emeritus Club in Hunt Hall Formal (the old living room), followed by entertainment in the big tent.

Since there were so few of us, I'll list the names of those who were there: **Don Betty, Marian Bucher Snyder, Al Farina, George Gravel, Jean Grumbling Miller, Claire Harth Troler, Joan Hoshauer Madison, Joe Jack, Gloria Kurzmam Charlow, Bob LeCates, Janet Miller Stevenson, Dick Reigle, Char Stratton, Dottie Varni Childs, Bill Waibel, Gray and Molly Edwards Rogers, Ray and Barbie Lewis Shaw.**

Who knows how many of us will survive the next five years, but I sure hope to see you in 2011! — B.L.S.

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George '51 and Lorna "Tink" Hulings Gravel patiently waited 20 years until last July to tour the northern territory of Alaska, which they missed on a previous journey. A cabin near Fairbanks was a convenient base for sightseeing. From this vantage point they viewed the finish line for the Iditarod dog race, toured the Wyatt Earp house in the wilds outside Fairbanks and inspected the Dew Line which was a listening post used to gather intelligence about Russia during the Cold War. Flights were close at hand for Nome, Point Barrow and Prudhoe Bay. The Floridians declined membership in the Polar Bear Club, which requires diving into the Arctic Ocean. When reflecting upon the vacation highlights they agreed the most exciting side trip was driving the Top of the World Highway to Yukon's Dawson City. The dirt road expedition through land where gold was first discovered seemed to guide them into frontier history. They were particularly captivated by the entertainment at Diamond Tooth Gertie's Casino where George had his picture taken with the cast. But they are most grateful for the good fortune to be healthy and active retirees who enjoy a life of travel to its full measure. We can look forward to anecdotes about Egypt when they return home in September.

The SW Florida Alumni Club met in

March at the Venice Country Club. President **Don and Molly Tompkins Manning** hosted the meeting, where 35 alumni spontaneously celebrated the Bison victory over Holy Cross. Look for online photos taken at the luncheon of **Bob Albert** with Don and **Blaine Purnell '53** in *myBucknell*. Mary Ann and **Larry Bloom** were delighted to find fraternity brother **Larry '50** and **Joan Schwartz Saphier '50** at the event. The Blooms have escaped Pennsylvania winters for 10 years in Anna Maria Island near Sarasota.

Check out the 1952 class notes in *myBucknell* under "Smiles say it all." You'll see the family photo of **Lindy and Betty Elliot Butler '55** taken on the joyous occasion of grandson John's graduation from Deerfield Academy. Pictures on the alumni website are definitely worth a thousand words.

Since retiring, **Mary "Emme" Adams Putnam** has filled the communication gap between friends and family via email. She considered moving back from Colorado to New York to be near her third grandchild. But New York taxes, her love for the mountains, ideal weather where the sun shines for more than 3,000 days resulting in no humidity, few bugs relieving the need for screened porches and wonderful friendships formed these last 10 years outweighed the temptation to return to the East. Retirement for Emme has meant many wonderful things to do. Is that true for you?

June was the time scheduled for **Gil Friday** to retire from his allergy-immunology practice. Wondering how to fill the void between work and leisure time was his initial question. When we saw Gil at Reunion in June was he, like many of us, asking, "How did I ever find time to work?"

Daniel Woodside is a newly published author of the book *Dynamic Universe*. Dan plans to come to our fabulous 55th Reunion when we can interview him in person about his publication.

Reunion 2006 provided the Ruslings with knowledge to access 21st century photographic technology. Information on the intricacies of camera buying, taking and editing digital photos was given by demonstration and hands-on experience in alumni classes. We also attended courses on the Hot Topics in Society that included "The Political Geography of the Middle East: Myths and Realities" and "Bioterrorism: Should We Be on the Alert?" Professors Peterec and Chernin evoked questions relating to social and political concerns about today's global trends.

The most significant weekend trend permeating the campus throughout the damp and misty weather was the exciting spirit evoked by the Reunion Student Ambassador Program. Thirty-five undergraduates returned to campus with energy and dedication to alumni which brought an incredible dimension of hospitality. These students were escorts, messengers, valets, porters and most of all good friends to embrace us with student life at Bucknell. They joined us in meaningful conversations at meals and events with fellowship that warmed our hearts and spirits in a new way. Thank you, Alumni board and staff for your gift of student ambassadors. Again, 'Ray Bucknell!

It is always sad to report when a classmate will not be joining us for future Reunions. **Bob Hoffman** died of cancer at his Ambler, Pa., home on May 10. Bob and Theresa Belsak were married in 1952. Bob is also survived by sons Chris, Robert, John and Patrick, daughter Maryanne Morgensen and nine grandchildren. He joined Bethlehem Steel Corp. in 1952 as a sales representative where he worked until retirement in 1982. He worked at Atlantis Steel for 10 years, followed by employment at the Clemens Family Market until 2004. He sang in the choir at St. Anthony of Padua Church and organized renewal weekends at Malvern Retreat House with his son Chris. His recreational love was golfing with friends at Old York Road CC in Springhouse. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. His obituary appears in this issue.

Joan Jacobsen, a celebrated portrait artist, bequeathed her paintings, which were sold at an estate sale with the proceeds given to Bucknell. An earlier university

publication quoted Jake, "I love to see a painting develop before my eyes. Painting is an intellectual challenge as well as a challenge to my own sensitivity, color, form and design." How appropriate for Jake, who loved her vocation, to arrange for it to have a generous impact on the arts at her beloved Bucknell. Jake, along with **Connie DeLoca, Sally Morris Gregg, Jim Ostendarp, Martin Skavish, Richard Taft and Jo Gibbons** were remembered at the Reunion 2006 memorial service. Death notices and Class Notes in the June '06 issue of *Bucknell World* reported more about Jake, Jim, Richard and Jo.

A spring publication *The Arts at Bucknell* is an alumni heart stopper! The pamphlet describes the campus with 11 arts facilities, 23 student art organizations and 12 faculty led groups. The site www.bucknell.edu/arts will click you into current information regarding the arts programs on campus. It was announced at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association of the Arts that the Classes of 2009 and 2010 were awarded scholarships of more than \$900,000 to 77 students for the performing arts. President Mitchell observes, "The arts are a big part of the Bucknell story which we should tell more often and more loudly." I agree. Do you? — R.C.R.

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The luncheon gathering of classmates who live in the Philadelphia area was held on May 10 in Chestnut Hill. There were 17 women and one gentleman, the chauffeur for one of the farthest guests. When we say Philadelphia area, we really gather folks from some distance. **Pat Forlifer Robbins** came from Maryland; she joined up with **Sue Miller Strecker** in Wilmington on her way north. **Joan Jenkinson Haag** brought fellow Lansdale resident **Nancy Clayton Grosse** and picked up **Fran Hankinson Hillman** from Gwynedd and **Mollie Brown Roth** from her daughter's in Ft. Washington. Mollie had arranged to come to this area to baby-sit for her grandchildren. **Marge Boote Heine** came and spent the night with me because we were able to obtain tickets to a program at the Kimmel Center in town for the following day for the inauguration of the new organ.

Sue Canan Graham lives nearby and it was easy for her to attend. **Trudy Knutzen Powelson** had a car full from northern New Jersey. **Joan MacBain Stettler, Bobbie Roemer Gibb and Shirley Kistler Herwig** rendezvoused with Trudy and they later connected with **Berda Stout Rittenhouse**, but their trip was eventful because of roadwork and detours. **Barb George Frazer** and **Mimi Fussell Lang** just had to drive across the river. **Izzy Beers McConnell**, coming from Lake George, N.Y., was accompanied by her driver, **Walt**. He said, "It was fun being the only guy with all those wonderful ladies."

There are a few reports from those who could not come. Many of us are having joint replacements. **Betty Quick Hill** is recovering quite fast from her two-at-once knee replacements, but not quite soon enough to come to the lunch. **Vivian "Vea" Abronski LePard** was busy with chores helping her daughter move to Florida. And various other engagements kept a few others away. Once again it was a grand time to renew our friendships.

"The news from the West" from **Walt McConnell**, "**Bob Brodstein** got together with us at Snowbird. We see him every year when we ski. Bob used to ski with me occasionally but has retired from the hills and spends his time playing bridge and traveling the world cruising with his friend Janet. We attended an ophthalmology conference with Bob given by Jeff Tabin, M.D., who summited Everest two years before me with my sherpa, who died on my summit day upon his descent. Jeff was able to reconnect me with the sherpa's son for whom we had raised money to educate. Nancy and **George Lower** also came up to the 'Bird for dinner. Nancy is doing

amazingly well and still does intensive rehab. You may recall that she had that unfortunate accident in Africa that left her paralyzed. George is a wonderful caretaker. Nancy is doing paintings using her mouth."

From our still young classmate, **Earl "Bud" Bretz**, "Still playing softball for Center For Sight out of Venice, Fla. Out of all the teams (183) in the various age brackets (six) from 50 to 75, we were 27-5 for the monthly tournaments; that was the best record in Florida Half Century League. We were runaway winners in the 70s bracket. Plus we won two world titles in Texas and Virginia. Our six-year record is 139-41 for a .772 percentage. Not bad for the old guys. In 2006, 11 of the old guys turned 75 so we are playing in that bracket. But there is only one other team that young so we have to play against the '70s most of the time. So far, we have won two of the state tourneys and came in second twice of the four we played in. Add to that winning two multi-state invitationals in Clearwater and St. Petersburg and the year has started out pretty well. The team will play in Plano, Texas; Palm Springs, Calif.; St. George, Utah; and Tampa, Fla. during the year in world tournaments. Does our season ever end? No, it just rolls from one year to the next. Can't take a chance on getting out of shape! A personal note: My esophageal cancer tests keep coming up with great results, so I am free of it more than three years now. Look forward to good results in September when the next checks are made. Feel good." Hurrah, Bud.

From **Jane Brown Maas**, "It's great to see **Philip Roth '54** on the *New York Times Book Review* bestseller list for his most recent novel, *Everyman*. I just finished reading *Everyman* for the third time. On first reading, I thought it was a dark and lonely book; now it seems to me one of the most compassionate works he has yet written. We talked often while he was writing this novel. The protagonist is a creative director in an advertising agency, as I was, and Philip wanted to make sure he was being accurate in his descriptions. He knows first-hand about advertising agencies; his brother, Sandy Roth, was a creative director at Ogilvy and Mather, my friend and colleague and a man of enormous talent. When Philip and I spoke last week, he was already at work on the next novel (He gets up every morning at the crack of dawn, goes to his studio, and writes all day. I envy his fierce discipline). So if you haven't yet read *Everyman*, hurry up and buy it, because the next Roth book is not far behind." Thanks for those personal notes, Jane. I am looking forward to reading it, also.

Our class had some spies at Reunion weekend in June. Jane Maas attended the Class of '56 dinner as the guest of English Professor Emeritus Harry R. Garvin, a recipient of the Class of '56 Award for Inspirational Teaching. Among other recipients of that award who attended the dinner was Harold Heine, there with Marge Heine, of course. Jane sat with Mary Jane Stevenson and Peg Bryan. The other member of the Class of '53 who attended the dinner was Walt McConnell (there without Izzy, who plays the organ at church every Sunday). The Class of '56 had lots of spirit, but our records from 2003 still stand and, be warned, Walt is planning to pull out all the stops for 2008. Stay tuned, folks!

And more from Jane Maas: "Here's my big news. This fall, I am selling the house in Westhampton Beach and moving back to NYC, which has always been 'home' to me. I will have an apartment within walking distance of the Metropolitan Museum. And it will have two bedrooms — one for me, and one for visiting members of the Class of '53." Much easier to have those reunion meetings with out-of-town visitors like the breakfast with Anita and **Ned Miller** at the Cornell Club in June. Best wishes for your move, Jane. — C.H.K.

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We arrived in Maine May 31, and it rained day and night until June 12. Daughter **Bobbie '88** arrived on June 6 with her two little ones, and it was quite daunting to entertain them with all that rain. The minute Bobbie or I saw a wee window of dry air, off we went with Benjamin and Emily. On June 12, **Bauer '85** and family arrived for a week and that helped a lot, as his and Linda's four children played with their cousins. Daughter Day Elizabeth and husband also were here then.

Heard from **Helen Glisson Maddux** and she is doing fine out in Oregon. She said they had tons of wind and rain last winter, but the good news is spring and summer are on the way. She gave some thought to moving back to Missoula but changed her mind. She has a wonderful network of friends around her. Son Tod is with the big hospital in Missoula and loves his job.

A brief note from **Mike Goodrich**, saying his research and curatorial work goes well and he has several new projects in the works.

Received a nice newsy note from **Harry Bowser**, who called before our 50th Reunion; we caught up on a lot of years. He had planned to attend Reunion but his wife, Joann, who has some serious medical issues, could not make the trip. She is back in physical occupational therapy and is improving in all areas. When she gets a little more proficient they plan to travel. Harry has a cousin who lives in Lake Tahoe so they will take a long trip to visit him and then swing down to Las Vegas. Harry and Joann have six children and 14 grandchildren. One of their sons lives in Spain with one of their grandsons. Another son is a colonel in the Marine Corps and just returned from Iraq last October. Needless to say they were all glad to see him return safely. They live in a retirement campus just 2.5 miles off of I-95 in Georgia. If anyone is going north or south on I-95 and wants to drop in — get off at exit 90 and go east one mile to their street, Timber Trail. They have much to keep them busy where they live. Harry often plays piano and sings at some of their functions.

Fred Olessi wrote that his 95-year-old mother died in May. Fred had a wonderful relationship with her; she lived near him in a care center. All of us extend our sincerest sympathy. He is a very gifted writer and he enclosed the eulogy he gave at her memorial service — a very fitting tribute to an exceptional woman. His health is good and he will reschedule a planned trip to Spain that was canceled when he learned of his mother's illness. He wants and needs to be by the Mediterranean Sea for a period of time — a body of water that has always calmed something in him and given him peace.

My big sister **Nancy Valentine Terrilland** and her husband, Steve, report that all is well in Palm Desert; they are still healthy and active with their volunteer work. Retirement is busier than when they were working but she is not complaining. Nancy struggles trying to improve her golf and keep her weight down. I certainly can empathize with her on that score! But she says good living and playing a game are not really important issues. With the many problems around the world she knows how fortunate they are. Their grandchildren continue to delight them. She doesn't remember their kids being that clever. Someone said that grandchildren are the reward for raising your kids. What a blessing. In May they took a cruise and land trip to South America. In July they went to a dude ranch with some of their grands while their parents went to Europe. August they spent at the beach and in September they cruised Eastern Europe on the Danube ending in Romania on the Black Sea. Topping off all of this, Val and the five other women in her family, along with her sister and two daughters, met in NYC last December.

Norm Single spent a week in February with **Bob Lueck '57** and his wife at their second home in Cayman Brac. The weather was constantly perfect with highs around 80 and a cooling breeze every day. Their home is about 75 feet from the water. Both Bob and Susan are avid scuba divers and snorkelers. They are in the process of building a new house in North Carolina, joining the six-month gang — six months here and six months there.

Sue Cady Mangione wrote that she hoped Reunion 2006 was a success and more 1956 class members attended than at our 50th in 2005. No doubt they were drawn to Reunion by the picture of our classmates on the front of the Reunion booklet! Well, some of us looked like we were having fun. Of the 370 graduates in our 1955 *L'Agenda* (147 women, 223 men), sadly, 60 had died and 26 were lost — only 60 came to our Reunion. We had a terrific time, but missed so many of you. Thank you, Sue, for that feeling, shared by all of us who attended.

Don't forget me now. I love hearing from you and you all know how vital news is to keeping this column alive. — B.B.E.

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First we anticipated, and then we waited and waited for it to happen. Three months have passed but the warm memories of our fabulous 50th Reunion still linger in our hearts and minds today.

Some of us made our reservations a year in advance to be close to activities and to be sure not to miss out on the sticky buns always promised for breakfast. Others chose to reconnect with dorm life to be near the hospitality suite in McDonnell Hall and to have the chance to visit and enjoy the pictorial display of times gone by.

Thursday afternoon of Reunion weekend, I took a break from settling into my new retirement apartment in Willow Valley (near Lancaster, Pa.) and headed off to the Harrisburg airport to pick up Pi Phi sisters **Barb Bauer Tanner**, **Margie Marshall Lawler** and **Jean Wirths Scott**. Lucky for us, we bumped into Patty and **Dave Ekedahl** (trustee), who had just flown in from Hilton Head, picked up their rental and were hungry for lunch. After a quick bite to eat, we followed Dave all the way along the familiar trail up Route 15 to campus. We "ooohed" and "aaahed" as we spotted the magnificent chapel steeple and the stadium gates.

Standing at the outside entrance to the Country Inn and Suites, we were delighted to see our welcome party of one — dear **Artie Kinney** (trustee) looking ever so spiffy in his orange corduroy trousers. ("gift of **Roy Gavert '54**," he said). As we were checking in, **Betty Ann Fogg Hayward** joined us, having traveled from her daughter **Janet Hayward Friday's '83** home in Danville. Next on our agenda was a drive around campus and downtown Lewisburg playing the name game of familiar-looking buildings and the fraternity houses scattered about. It always amazes me how large the houses appear now and as they have on my other visits to campus over the years, but when at Bucknell, I never gave it a thought. It also amazes me that during the years since we were absent, I learned that on several occasions a number of those houses had been severely mistreated by disrespectful Bucknell students. It causes me to wonder just how those students are living their lives today?

Next, we headed to Damon's, close to our motel, to join a '56 class party already in progress, generously hosted by **Bobbi Folk Mynott** and Art Kinney. What a wonderful sight to walk into a room full of smiles and laughter and to be welcomed by old friends greeting each other with glee after 50 long years.

And boy, did we eat — ribs and more ribs, along with a wonderful spread of cholesterol-building food, which was

continuously served throughout the evening.

At Damon's, Reunion chair **Bill Lenker** offered words of greeting and introduced the Bucknell Ambassadors who volunteered to remain with us throughout the weekend to offer their help. Your reporter was especially charmed by a delightful young ambassador, **Andrew King '08**, who graduated from Upper Dublin High School, where my three daughters attended, and whose parents still live not far from my former Fort Washington home. Yes, it is still a small Bucknell world after all — after 50 long years! Later in the evening, Bobbie introduced President and Mrs. Mitchell who dropped by to say hello.

Friday morning we headed up the hill, now densely covered by beautiful brick buildings, to attend the all-class breakfast in the Bostwick Dining Hall in the Elaine Langone Center. Several of us attended the digital camera classes and the favorite professor lectures. We chose to attend "The Political Geography of the Middle East: Myths and Realities."

Unfortunately, the weather interfered with those anticipating the canoe trip on the Susquehanna, but I was told that the golfers fared well between raindrops.

Many attended the Class of 1956 Golden Anniversary reception in the Samek Art Gallery. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres were served and those on hand had a chance to view the surprise unveiling of classmate **Rich MacFarland's** orange and blue Charging Bison hooked rug wall hanging. It took Rich two years to complete his work, which will be displayed later on campus. Congratulations, Rich! Following the reception, we all headed to Hunt Hall Formal for dinner and more catch up time.

At the president's leadership breakfast on Saturday morning in the Elaine Langone Center, President Mitchell shared a number of impressive facts about Bucknell. Did you know that we are the largest national liberal arts university in the country? Were you aware that our endowment has reached \$500 million? And he added that Bucknell's tuition has reached an all-time high of \$43,000 yearly.

At 10:45 a.m., donning our banded straw hats and orange Bucknell shirts, we gathered in the foyer of the Weis Center, poised for our raucous celebratory march to the front rows of the auditorium. With other reuniting classes seated before us in an array of colored Bucknell shirts, we surely stood out as being the most colorful and noisiest group in the room. Following remarks by President Mitchell, who presented his vision for Bucknell's future, 10 alumni award winners for outstanding achievement in their chosen profession were introduced. All 10 recipients were from a variety of fields and briefly shared their expertise, all of whom were most inspiring. I was especially impressed to learn that **Brenda Earl DePaola '81**, who started her own hedge fund and continues her work today while raising three children, attributed her success to **Bob McAleer '55**, who gave her her first job on Wall Street.

Next on the agenda, five of our six '56 trustees were honored for their outstanding loyalty, service and commitment to Bucknell over the years. Seated on stage were Art Kinney, Dave Ekedahl, **Jim Schubauer**, **Sam Posner** and **Jim Leo** (absent and missed: **Ernie Kalman**). As each one was honored, he shared a few lighthearted words or a joke. Artie brought down the house when he told the crowd, "I was the first 'Ugly Man' at Bucknell, and I haven't changed a bit."

As each reuniting class gift was announced, the PowerPoint presentation featured photos of campus activity depicting the times of our lives. Art had invited Barb Tanner to accompany him on stage for our gift presentation. Art addressed President Mitchell and then came the shocker when he announced their engagement! Barb of course, was the one shocked the most and responded by proclaiming that she wanted a divorce. All kidding aside folks, we can be proud of our financial generosity to Bucknell on our 50th Reunion, which earned us the Reunion Cup for our gift of \$5,386,880. Our total of all gifts and

future pledges equal \$14,693,921. We earned the Reunion Attendance Award for the largest percentage (27.3) of classmates in attendance and the President's Cup for the reuniting class with the largest giving for all purposes. Not to sound greedy, but I must add that we missed the Pedrick Award by a fraction of one percent. That award goes to the class with the highest percentage making a gift to Bucknell. Someone remarked, "Just one more phone call might have won it."

We led the march down the hill in the all class parade to a picnic lunch under huge orange balloons in the Gerhard Fieldhouse. Later we toured the Kenneth Langone Athletics and Recreation Center. Soon Art joined us in the Kinney Natatorium and at our request showed us the bronze plaque in the second tier placed in his honor. Then we hopped the shuttle bus for a guided tour of campus, stopping off and visiting old and new buildings as our energy allowed.

Saturday evening's '56 Class Reception and dinner was held in the beautiful glass-windowed Terrace Room of the Elaine Langone Center. With the clear blue sky giving way to a setting sun, the panoramic view of campus was absolutely gorgeous! Hats off to Bill Lenker, our Reunion chairman, and class president **Joe Eberhart** and their committee for doing such an outstanding job of planning, organizing and following through on a myriad of details to make our 50th the very best one yet.

Sunday's farewell breakfast in Bostwick gave us all a last chance for hugs and good-byes, a reticent parting from our beautiful campus and the connections we made there that still seem to grow.

Reunion comments from classmates will appear in our next column. Please send news of your doings to be included. — J.R.R.

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The Class of '56 50th Reunion was a blast! It included fireworks as part of the Saturday night all-class tent party, shuttle bus tours of the campus, fantastic class parties and two full days of alumni classes, activities for all ages and a child care program. The university out-did itself on all counts. Members of Class of '57 who attended as spouses of '56ers included **Judy Plattman Denenberg, Della Critelli Palmer, Carol Wanamaker Lenker, Dot Hund Hayes, Bob Hershock and Carolyn Rebert Burgess**. I'm sure there were others; I'd appreciate notes from you about the weekend.

Please put the first weekend in June 2007 on your calendars and start calling your friends to get the momentum going to attend our 50th Reunion. You can't miss it!

Al Larrabee writes that he is retired and getting used to what his politically correct doctors call "age appropriate changes." He is a volunteer for the Fish and Wildlife Service and spent five weeks on Midway Atoll in the Pacific. At home he volunteers for the Ridgefield Wildlife Refuge near his home in Ridgefield, Wash. He and wife, Sandra, also travel around the world taking in the sights of man-made and nature-made things out there.

What fun we all had watching the Bison basketball team play in the NCAA tournament. Even in the hinterland of Phoenix, Ariz., we managed to watch all the games. **John '56** and I watched from three venues: our living room TV, in the living room of a friend who has complete cable service and on our computer. And we got first-hand reports from my daughter **Laura Kinney '81** and her dad, **Art Kinney '56**, who went to Dallas for Games 2 and 3. **Marilyn Edgecomb Grant** sent me an article from the *Los Angeles Times*, "Check Out the Big Brains on Bucknell — It Really is Rocket Science to Them." The article goes on to say, "Let's not get carried away and pretend the Bison are working through quadratic

equations on the bench during time outs. In a lot of ways they're similar to every other kid in a uniform. When (**Charles**) **Lee** was asked what he wanted to do when he graduates he said, "Play. In America, Europe, wherever."

Sadly, I report the passing of classmate **John Rotelle**. We remember John as a Bucknell athlete and active member of Phi Gamma Delta. After graduation he joined the family wholesale food distributor company and eventually became president of Rotelle Inc. He was a community activist in Lower Gwynedd, Pa., and was married to **Dolores "Del" Penza '56** for 44 years; she died in 2001. John married Nancy Ruzzi in 2005. His obituary appears in this issue. — D.H.H.

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Regarding our 50th Reunion, scheduled from May 29-June 1, 2008, **John Lees** sent sound advice to all of us. I agree with his thought that it is never too early to know the dates and to begin planning.

Sandy MacWatt Didyk likewise passed on some excellent advice as we approach our seventh decade. Her aim is to live, laugh, learn and love every day. She continues to live in the same house she and her late husband, who passed away 1 1/2 years ago, purchased in 1968 in Westbury, N.Y. Her three sons all live on Long Island. The middle son was married in February and his wife's dad, **Leo Kanawada '63** was a Phi Psi member at Bucknell. Sandy adores her daughter-in-law and thinks her dad is a great alum. Sandy's activities include golfing, gardening, reading, biking and walking. Golfing is the ultimate challenge on her list.

Harry Hirschhorn reported that his son and daughter were married in 2005 in New York where they continue to reside. The Hirschhorns look forward to becoming first-time grandparents when their daughter gives birth this summer. Their other daughter, **Lisa '92**, lives in Chicago and has a great sales job with Cardinal Health. She's active in charitable and civic activities. Harry continues working in the real estate field, financing and managing some investment-owned properties. His wife is a personnel consultant in Manhattan where the Hirschhorns live.

Harry's SAM brothers who attended his children's weddings were **Jay Citron, Hal Richman, George Miller and Bob Sale**. In June Harry and his four longtime friends will celebrate a major birthday for all of them at a planned function in NYC.

Rog and Jane Scheifele Frassenei mentioned seeing **Ken Cestari** as part of their exercise group at the local YMCA. Then, in Lancaster, the Frasseneis joined classmates **Ken and Peggy Faulk Myrback** as they hiked a local trail.

Adele Irving and Marie Mastorakis visited us in April and attended a concert at the Weis Center. Soon after the visit to Lewisburg, they joined Jane Frassenei, Peggy Myrback, **Jan Bull Borden** and **Shirley Cook Hatch** for a get-together that took them to Longwood Gardens and the Hagley Museum. Peggy had planned the mini-reunion, and a good time was had by all along the Pennsylvania-Delaware border.

Janet Held sent news. She actively participates in her community of Bronxville, N.Y., and she belongs to two senior citizen organizations. The groups provide speakers, entertainment, refreshments and opportunities to help charitable causes as well as travel options. She usually checks her email weekly at one of the two local libraries, namely the Bronxville Library or Sarah Lawrence College Library where she was given a lifetime membership card as a result of her nearly 34 years of employment as faculty secretary at the college.

She mentioned visiting her brother for Thanksgiving and Christmas at his home in Greenwich Village, NYC. Other family members join the celebrations. At other

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times of the year, her brother usually journeys to Bronxville for visits.

She usually has lunch over weekends at Lawrence Hospital Cafeteria with a friend with whom she attends performances at the Westchester Broadway Theater twice a year. Reunions are also part of her schedule. She attended her 50th Scarsdale High School reunion and looks forward to another in 2006, which will celebrate the years from kindergarten through 10th grade at Edgemont School. We hope she will be among many of us at our 50th in Lewisburg.

So, let's not forget John Lees' reminder concerning our 2008 Reunion. Also, my ongoing reminder, asking each of you to send news, is not to be forgotten! — N.J.R.R.

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I thank all those who have given to the 2006 Fund Drive, and special kudos to those who participated in contacting their classmates. **Ann Hardy Sharp** gave me the results, as noted below.

My email list is getting smaller as people are changing their address. Please keep me informed of such changes.

Ann Sharp sent: "Best news from here is the great response to our Annual Fund requests — more than 70 percent of our class has sent in a contribution. Since this is nearly 20 percent higher than last year, can we hope to see 90 percent participation by 2009, our 50th Reunion year? **Betsy Kilbury Foster** and **Herb Wright** have gone the extra mile in this campaign. Hooray."

Gordy Blom emailed, "I retired from

Kodak in 1991 after 39 years in the chemical business. They indeed gave me an offer I could not refuse. Since then, I have been a Big Brother to six kids, the oldest of whom is 38. I bowl in the winter and make an attempt at golf with four of my friends from grade school. I also work in a soup kitchen and drive for meals on wheels. Gardening is one of my favorite pastimes, although it gets more difficult each year to take care of around 100 dahlias. Each year, I say while digging out the tubers that this will be the last year. I think I started saying that at the turn of the century. I have a two-year-old cocker spaniel, Ripper, who gives me much enjoyment, although at times — well we won't get into that. Anticipate coming to Bucknell this year to try out their golf course and watch the Bison basketball team. Go Herd."

Jean Nardi Benning wired, "After spending a string of springs in Italy, Bill and I decided to stay home and enjoy spring in our own wooded backyard, which was crying for some attention. We split the perennials and planted more shade-loving, deer-resistant plants (We hope. Stay tuned). We had a visit just before Memorial Day from **Dick and Norma Jean Renninger Reed '58**. They used to live in our area but retired to a new 'Victorian' home they built in Lewisburg. We got to know each other better when we were all members of the same book club here in the Philadelphia 'burbs. This week they were able to rejoin the book club, which came together at our house to discuss *March* by Geraldine Brooks. A topic of discussion was also the preponderance of novels by **Philip Roth '54** on a recent list of best novels of the past 25 years in the *New York Times Book Review*. The club has read some of his work and intends to read more. It was rewarding to us to see him receive this recognition for his decade-defining fiction. Since we have lived through all those decades, his books speak to us and move us. The next day the Reeds

and Bennings enjoyed a one-day Elderhostel program at the Delaware Art Museum in Wilmington. A highlight of the day was a curator-guided tour of the museum's special exhibit, 'Portraits of a People: Picturing African Americans in the 19th Century.' We relaxed for the remainder of the Reeds' stay with meals 'out' at our favorite Chinese restaurant and a brunch spot. Their visit was a mini-vacation for all four of us. Dick and Norma Jean went on from here to visit their daughter, **Carol Beth Reed Trainer '97**, a recently married Bucknellian. Carol and her husband are new owners of a house in East Norriton."

Marty Wright wrote: "Not much news at this end — that seems to be a good thing at this stage! We did love our winter in Vero Beach, Fla., and being away from the winter winds that come over the bay in Mantoloking. The weather was picture perfect this year and life much easier there than in New Jersey somehow. We did share a lovely day with Sue and **Bob Simpkins** in April at their wonderful Tuscan villa in Lob Lolly. **Kurt Gerrish '60** and his wife were also there. In September we are going to Croatia and Umbria with friends who have rented a villa in Tido. If anyone has spent time in Umbria, I'd love input regarding special sights we shouldn't miss."

Wilma Nies Strine stated, "Several Tri Deltas and their spouses planned to meet in Lewisburg the weekend of June 9 for a 50th reunion of our sorority pledge class. Included in the group are **Phil and Ginny Emmitt Chitwood**, **Larry and Barb Fitz Dempster**, **Bob '58 and Pat Reish Hemphill**, **Bill and Mona O'Neill Sharkey** and **Dick '57 and Wilma Nies Strine**. A campus tour, golf, a paddleboat cruise and a trolley tour of Williamsport's Millionaires' Row mansions are some of our planned activities. We hope to see many more of our classmates in 2009 at our 50th Reunion. Mona and Bill are our co-chairs for that weekend."

Elaine Chazen Hochman sent: "Since I have been feeling well, we spent nine weeks in the Dominican Republic and missed most of the winter. I had a great time working out, reading and relaxing, especially at the beach. We are leaving next week for another trip to Baja to play with the whales. It is our 46th anniversary celebration and our daughter **Rachel '92** and her husband, Mark Knott, will be joining us. It is their fifth anniversary. We are looking forward to a good trip. We were home most of the summer and went to the Bucknell outing at the Orioles game in Baltimore in August."

Barbara Jaffee Horner wrote: "We have been blessed with two more grandchildren in 2006. In February Melissa gave birth to a girl, Keeley May, and Jennifer had a boy, Kyle Daniel, in May. Imagine 11 grandbabies in 12 years! Our lives have revolved around our renovations to our home in Cape May since the fall. We are hoping it will all end before summer does so that we can have a grand family reunion there. We missed going to Florida this winter due to our wanting to stay close and keep an eye on the workers."

Joan Perego Thayer reported, "The school year is still with me until June 16. Ted and I managed a two-day trip to Rehoboth Beach during my spring break. We also took two of our grandsons to opening day of the Nationals at RFK (Both play youth league baseball). Later this month son Richard and I will spend three days in NYC and visit Brooklyn where I grew up. Ted will be teaching in New Hampshire at a French horn camp at that time. Plans for summer include lots of paperback mystery reading at the neighborhood pool, croquet and bocce in the yard and enjoying the museums and galleries in D.C."

Jim Shannon emailed, "This has been a busy year so far for Carol and me. This spring we finished up the 1,300-square-foot addition to our house and started to build a 600-square-foot deck. We put the addition on because when the kids and grandkids come to visit, the house was just too small. There is an added benefit for me. I got the whole downstairs part of the addition as my new wood shop. As soon as we get done with the deck — sometime in July or August — I'll start furniture carving again. We also completed publishing our first book of memoirs. It is titled

Windows into the Past — A Collection of Family Stories. We did it primarily so our kids and grandkids would have some idea of what it was like growing up and raising a family in the mid- and late-20th century. We self-published the book by getting our own ISBN and contracting with a local printer. Carol is doing a lot of genealogical research for both sides of our family and we will be taking a couple of trips back to our home town and surrounding counties in upstate New York to search for family records this summer. She is planning on publishing a genealogy of sorts for our family going back five or six generations. She has a lot of documents such as ship manifests and naturalization papers of our immigrant ancestors. I am still having a lot of fun teaching computer software, networking and website design at the local community college. I am making plans to be at the upcoming 50th Reunion and hope to see many of our classmates there."

Donna Jeanne Gay Grun Kaplan wrote: "This morning I arose early and drove to Parkesburg, Pa. (about an hour and fifteen minutes from Mt. Gretna) to attend the funeral of our classmate, **Dottie Boice Marsden**, who died May 28. It was a beautiful service by the pastor of Presbyterian Octorara Church where she had been on the cradle roll. There were five of her William Penn High School (Harrisburg) classmates there who spoke about their friendship during that period of her life. I was the only Bucknell classmate, and I was honored to speak about her life there with us. It was good to see Bud again and reminisce about the most recent 45th Reunion where we visited together. Dottie (they call her Anne) married Bud in 1962 and gained five children in the process. It was really special to meet them — and their children — and to hear them extol her virtues and to feel the warmth of their love for her. She is buried with her parents on top of a knoll overlooking the beautiful countryside; it was a holy homecoming committal. I am glad I could be there."

"Mel and I are fine and enjoying our 'retirement.' We are both so busy. We spent part of the winter in Bradenton, Fla., earlier this year and expect to spend even more time there next year. We just returned from his 50th reunion at Brooklyn College, which was a delightful time, but he kept telling the alumni office that they should check out Bucknell's Reunions because Bucknell knows how to do it right!"

"We look forward to our two weeks in July at The Driftwood on Cayuga Lake, N.Y., where we have been staying for more than 20 years. We love it there, although it does seem odd to go away for a vacation when we live in beautiful Mt. Gretna, a vacation area of its own. We love it here; the woods, the birds, the wildlife (well, maybe not the skunks!), the educational and music opportunities — well, it is just ideal, and we are so glad to live here! I love reading the news of other classmates and of what is happening on campus."

"I was so saddened to read about the death of **Mike Hixson**. **Don Booth** wrote such a moving tribute to him. Mel and I were in Philadelphia some years ago. We were with a conference group and had just returned to the hotel from dinner when, while riding up the escalator, Mike Hixson was riding down! Of course, we got off and met up so that we could catch up on news. What a small world! I cherish that and many other memories."

Dee Pieper Shelley emailed, "**Penn '53** and I were at Bucknell in June and toured the most impressive Breakiron Engineering Building while there. We also ran into several old friends in the bookstore, including **Honey Rhinesmith Baker '44** and her children, grandchildren and great-grandchild, Maggie. They were planning to attend the memorial chapel service on Sunday for Honey's beloved husband, **Bob '44**. We saw **Doug Grigg** and Bambi last night in Chatham; he is recovering from successful knee surgery. I spoke with Pi Phi sisters **Annemarie Neff Anderson** and **Jo Heuer** this week; they are both doing well. And, a couple of weeks ago we attended the Northern New Jersey Alumni Bison Club sports reception and dinner at Bahr's Landing in Highlands, where we caught up with Steve and Betsy Foster and saw pictures of

their new grandchild. The event was well attended and the food was especially good. Bahr's owners are **Ray Cosgrove '62** and his son **John '86**. Bahr's chowder is in our local supermarkets."

Peter and Nancy Melkerson Geoca '62 emailed, "Have not retired yet and still enjoy building new homes in our 12-lot development. Presently have a 2,600 square foot custom ranch model we're showing. Our four children (two of whom live in the Rochester, N.Y., area) and five grandchildren keep us busy. **Eric '89** and wife **Daphne Alexandrou Geoca '88** and their three children live nearby. **Karl '96** and Heather live in Greensboro N.C.; Lynne (Oswego '91) and Andy live in Morristown, N.J., and Laurie (Geneseo '91) and Nick and their two children live in the same town as we do. We visit Bucknell approximately every other year and try to make all the Reunions, etc. We enjoy reading *Bucknell World* to keep up-to-date on our classmates." — T.E.D.

James Hall received an honorary degree from Empire State College, where he is the founding president.

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I received the following email from **Delores Schaefer James**, who wrote, "I'm just reporting that I retired on March 31 after a total of 31 years as president of our local United Way. I was wonderfully honored at a 'roast and toast' in February, and then our board of directors at our annual meeting announced that they were naming the United Way building for me! Now I can spend more time as volunteer board chair of our local symphony, which is growing by leaps and bounds, and just relaxing. I put everything into my United Way work and it was time to let up. I started with the United Way when it was formed in 1961, left to get married and raise a son, marriage ended in 1980, and miraculously the job opened again just at that point. I've loved the work so much and am very proud of what United Way has done for our community. I'm off to Key West at the end of April, and to my 50th high school reunion in New Jersey in October. Can't close without saying that I'm so proud of our men's basketball team! They're the greatest! Go Bison." If you would like to get in touch with Toni, her address is 2253 SE 13 St., Ocala, FL 34471. Telephone 352-732-3863.

I had a phone call from **Denny Cox** (Now remember, you are reading this in September, and I'm writing it in June). Denny was telling me that he and his wife, Chris, travel with the Johns Hopkins baseball team for spring break and practice. The coach of the team was a former student and player for Denny when he was coaching. This spring, they went to Phoenix, Ariz. He got to play golf with **Bob Fitzsimmons '58**, who lives nearby in Scottsdale. They went to Bob's home and dinner with him and his wife, Carolyn. While in Arizona, Denny also saw **John Stoss '61** and **Dick Mooney**. Denny and Chris are planning a cruise in Russia.

I really appreciated Toni's email and congratulate her on her recent honor. As for Denny, always good to hear from you. As you can see, this column isn't very long. I need news so send me yours. — J.S.H.

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As I prepare for the June 9 deadline on this Memorial Day 2006, summer has indeed, though unofficially, arrived. As I sit at my computer on the third floor of my home with beads of perspiration forming on my forehead, this fact is abundantly clear.

The last deadline found me on the brink of my annual March vacation in southwest Florida, visiting my sister and her husband in Naples, with a tentatively planned side trip to visit **Bob and Margie McLean Smink** in Fort Myers. In spite of some logistical difficulties (all on the part of my family, by the way) and thanks to the Sminks' flexibility, we made it work. Margie and Bob's golfing community home is absolutely lovely, with no detail going unnoticed. Though the skies were crystal blue, the temperatures had taken an uncharacteristic drop accompanied by brisk winds, so we weren't able to take advantage of their pool. However, after Bob's morning golf game, Margie and I joined him for lunch at the club, and then spent the afternoon on Sanibel Island, visiting the Ding Darling Preserve. The wildlife was nothing less than fascinating. This was followed by a delicious seafood stew made by Margie, church on Sunday morning and then the drive back to Naples. It was so great to see them enjoying their beautiful home and the Florida lifestyle.

Roella Tinsley Hobbs has retired from her job at New England Sinai Hospital in Stoughton, Mass., and has moved from her home of 41 years in Cohasset to the Atlanta, Ga., area to be near her daughters and their families. Roe's new address is 2784 Soneley Way, Alpharetta, GA 30004. She writes, "I look forward to the excitement of living in a new area and living near children and grandchildren. I will be able to see their horse shows, ballet recitals, swim meets, etc. And if I get bored with retirement, I just may go look for the kind of job I've always wanted — working in a knitting store — to support my hobby!" Roe's new email address is roellahobbs@yahoo.com.

Pete '60 and Anne Wagner Silberfarb, who reside at 287 Bragg Hill Road, Norwich, VT 05055, are living fascinating lives. In Anne's words, "During the year 2005, the Silberfarbs continued their attempt to adjust to retirement, with only limited success if amount of free time were a criteria. Environmental non-profit organizations have kept us quite occupied."

"I chair the board of the Vermont Chapter of the Nature Conservancy and am chair of a local organization called Vital Communities, which administers the local Transportation Management Authority and the Affordable Housing Coalition. In addition, Vital Communities has had success starting several local farmers markets and getting the major institutions in the area — Dartmouth College and the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center — to buy local produce for their dining facilities."

"Peter serves on the Norwich Conservation Commission, the board of the Vermont Chapter of The Nature Conservancy, and is chair of the board of trustees of the Vermont Institute of Natural Science (VINS)."

"Our children, daughter-in-law, son-in-law and grandchildren continue to thrive and live close to us, which is a blessing. Our daughter Leah stays at home rearing their two boys, ages 3 and 5. Her husband, Matt, is a resident in anesthesiology at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. Our son Ben's work involves buying and conserving land for a local timberland investment company; his wife, Diane, is an orthopedic surgeon."

"We enjoyed several trips with friends during 2005: Niagara-on-Lake for the Shaw Festival, the Shore Ranch in Wyoming, Jamaica and a wonderful trip to the Galapagos; clearly we are not suffering. 2005 also will be remembered for two extraordinary events — Pete finally caught an Atlantic Salmon on a fly after four years of trying, and Ben, at age 38, is the Vermont state mountain bike champion."

Have any of you noticed a trend here? It seems that since most, if not all, of us have reached the magical age of 65, the word "retirement" has become more and more prevalent. What I'm finding fascinating is that most of you retirees

(you'll notice, please, that I am not one of you) are involved in altruistic, volunteer activities or, in some cases, brand-new careers. If you are among those I've described above, I'd love to hear of your ventures, as, I'm sure, would your classmates.

Beverly Anderson McCausland and I attended the wedding of Katie McCoy, daughter of Bill and **Betty Burrows McCoy**, in Lancaster. It was a touching ceremony, including all five of Betty and Bill's grown children and their three granddaughters, followed by a glorious reception at the Lancaster Country Club. Betty, Beverly and I had a great time catching up on each other's news, and posing for pictures of the three of us long-time buddies. With any luck, I may be able to have one of the pictures for the next submission.

You "Bucknell Cottage" alums will appreciate the fact that **Brooks Passmore McNeal** has been in touch via email. Brooks married her high school sweetheart 46 years ago and lives in Ambler, Pa. She and Dick, both retired, are the parents of five married children and grandparents of 12! She filled me in on her reminiscences of her three semesters on campus. For instance, she recalls hallmates Margie Smink, **Yanna Asch Fredricka**, **Patty Brown Schad**, **Barbara Hall**, **Joan Hammer Grant**, **Carolyn Cappelle**, **Judy Berman Kazis**, **Dian Embury Goss**, **Sue Koch Langbein**, **Judy Fisk Frohboese**, **Judy Ottesen**, and **Diane Patterson DeCamp**. If any of you would like to contact Brooks, let me know, and I'll pass along her email address.

Mary Russell writes that after 11 years with a part-time job at the local community college admissions office, she started a new part-time job in August 2005 as the administrative assistant/office manager for the senior citizens' lobby office located on a Capitol Campus in Olympia, Wash. While enjoying working with peers who are all volunteers, she is the only paid employee and is learning a lot about legislation, bills of interest to seniors, etc.

Mary has been in constant contact with classmates **Dick Peel**, **Jan Wells Fagan**, **Carol Kurtz Chapman** and **Fran Miller Barnett '61**, as well as by Christmas cards with **Joe Carter** and **Marcia Myers Bonta**. She meets Carol each summer in Seattle, sees Dick occasionally and saw Fran several summers ago in Seattle.

Three years ago, Mary moved to Panorama, a nearby full-care retirement community, where she is enjoying the many activities and interesting people. She is also a charter member of the Masterworks Choral Ensemble, an 80-voice community chorus. Many volunteer efforts round out her busy life.

Apparently, my plea for more news from classmates did not go unheeded. **Bill "Jake" Jacobson** emailed me with some updates on his life since graduation. After serving with the Army Reserves in psychological warfare, he and his family moved to Chicago where he went to work for Allstate (the Good Hands People) at their home office in Northbrook, where he lives. He is married, has one daughter and two grandchildren who live in Wisconsin.

Jake remained at Allstate in corporate relations for more than 30 years, retiring in 1994, at which time he and his wife, Roberta, moved to their year-round second home in Wisconsin full time for five years, moving back to Northbrook seven years ago. As a music major at Bucknell, I particularly enjoyed the fact that along the way, Jake learned to play the piano and is sorry he didn't major in music, since it has become a "passion."

Jake writes that he would love to hear news of his old roommate, **Steve Radding**, or **Peg Hess Johnson '63**, **Nancy Marx Bocian '64** or **Gerry Bocian '63**. Jake can be reached at 3070 Pheasant Creek Drive, Apt. 101, Northbrook, IL 60062-3361. He also included his phone number, 847-562-1206 and email address, bandbjacobson@comcast.net.

Hats off, kudos, and just plain thanks to those of you who made this column a whole lot more interesting with your news. Hopefully, you have started a trend! — B.K.S.

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When the doctor wants to do surgery on your shoulder, think twice. After three months, I can indeed raise my right arm above my head, but that and many other motions are slow to return. No pain, no gain, I guess.

Linda Garrett Greenberg's son, Tim, submitted some skits to the Jon Stewart Daily Show and, to the amazement of all, he was hired as a full-time producer; watch for his name in lights. In addition, Linda bid for and won the right to conduct "Stars and Stripes Forever" before the last concert of the Key West Symphony Orchestra season. As she rehearsed with the full 65-piece orchestra, taking helpful advice from the real maestra, Sebrina Alfonso, she realized it was a lot harder than it looked. She loved every minute of the experience, though, as she pretended the orchestra needed her leadership for the show to go on. Linda's final and best piece of news is of the birth of their first grandchild, Emma Lillian. Photos can be had on request!

Lori and Roy Kissinger have become grandparents for the second time. Also, Roy has agreed to join our class's annual fund team again along with **Chuck Wharton**, **Doug Bloomquist**, **Dick Fidler** and myself, under **Darryl Novak's** leadership.

Darryl attended a Bucknell athletic spring reception at Bahr's Landing in Sandy Hook, N.J., hosted by **Ray '62** and **Jay Cosgrove '86**. Among the 60 or so guests were alumni of the 60s era, **Ed Reitzel '61** and **Jim Cusick**. **Darryl** adds that Connecticut teacher and daughter, **Margo**, is engaged with plans for an April '07 wedding.

Andrea Becker Rittenhouse graduated this spring from Georgian Court University with a master's in theology. She will miss the academic setting, so might just find herself auditing courses she could not fit into her five-year plan. She also was inducted into Theta Alpha Kappa, the theology honor society. She chuckles that she received her Medicare info in the mail the same day as graduation. I think they call her a lifelong learner.

Not to be outdone, this spring **Sally DeLong Malone** received her master's in library and information science from Kent State. She was delighted that daughter Amy, from Illinois, son Mike and his wife, Ann, from California and sister Judy, from Florida, came to celebrate her accomplishment.

Polly Mitchell Savidge has an addendum to her news of the mystery she had published. She has been approached by a company seeking TV/movie rights to her book. All is in the early stages, but it could happen.

I'd love to print your news — send it. — W.S.B.

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Bob Hull was vacationing in Salt Lake City and was spotted on a Sunday afternoon by **Norm Kiken**. Norm's new restaurant, Butterfly, at the historic Union Pacific Depot, has opened to rave reviews from the Salt Lake City food critics. The *SLC Weekly* called it "The kind of place that foodies and food writers dream about." More comments can be found at www.butterflyslc.com. We all know how generous Norm has been with his wonderful wines — providing wine for two Reunions and hosting wine tastings at Bucknell. Be sure to visit Butterfly in SLC or its sister, Butterfly at the Embarcadero in San Francisco. Bob was so impressed he went twice before returning home to Philly.

"Seems like I only [contact] the class reporter when I'm changing jobs," writes **Judy Peterson Kolwicz**. She is easing into retirement by becoming a transitional specialist, accepting short-term ministry assignments after 24 years in long-term positions. She

begins as interim executive presbyter in Miami Presbytery in the Dayton, Ohio, area. She'll keep her restored craftsman home in St. Paul and live in an apartment for the one-year assignment, then on to the next challenge. I admire the courage of anyone who takes on change at this stage in life. I'm still mourning the cancellation of *West Wing*. Go, Judy.

Wendy Stevens McIver writes that after several company reorganizations landed her in three or four different jobs, she said goodbye to full-time work and commuting and took a part-time job with a Nationwide Insurance agent in an office three miles from her Monkton, Md., home. Husband **Andy '62** continues to work full time and shows no signs of slowing down. Wendy's mom turns 93 this summer and still has "definite opinions on most subjects." The McIvers are fortunate in that their grandchildren, four in all, live close by, which enables them to participate in their activities. I'm so jealous! The oldest McIver grandchild and only girl has inherited Wendy's singing gene.

Wendy is a Landmark Commissioner, working hard to preserve land and structures in her area. She continues to sing and play tennis and is actively involved in her church. — D.S.K.

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The summer of 2006 has produced very little news about classmates. Congratulations go to **Sally Hobart Alexander** who just sold her biography of Laura Bridgman to Clarion Books (editor will be Dinah Stevenson). Sally has been an inspiration to all of us.

Because we have to wait four years until our next Reunion, the next best way to stay in touch is through *Bucknell World*. Please keep sending me your news. — L.H.T.

Stephanie Downs Hughes directs "Just Views," a free, public, current-issues film-and-discussion program series she established in Chicago's western suburbs following Sept. 11, 2001. The website www.DuPagePeaceThroughJustice.org provides information on national and global issues productions and on program management, funding and facilitation. She and her husband, Duncan, reside in Naperville, Ill.

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The Class of '66 celebrated our 40th Reunion at Bucknell this June. Though I was unable to attend, I did get some notes from **Flossie Graber Watts**. Thank you, Flossie. I hope all of you had a great time and I really am counting on many of you to write to June and me to share some news gathered during those days back on campus.

I did receive one letter from **Alan Cosner**, for which I am most grateful. He still practices law in East Brunswick, N.J., and is especially thrilled that his older daughter is in the law practice with his firm. He has another daughter who is an assistant professor of social work at Boston College. Alan and his wife split their time between homes in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., Long Beach Island, N.J., and East Brunswick. Sounds like a nice arrangement. They have three grandchildren, one 3-year-old and two 1-year-olds. What fun!

From Flossie: **Jeff Speirs** lives in Newtown, Conn., and is running American Political Biography Press which he calls a "definitive" bio of U.S. presidents. He is up to F.D.R.

Tom Russell is retired from a remodeling business in Moorestown, N.J.

Doug Hoff is retired from the Veterans

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.

Administration and he and his wife are working in real estate in Old Bridge, N.J., and spending time in their cabin in the Smoky Mountains in North Carolina.

Bob Douglas is CEO of his own company, Lexington Steel, which is in Chicago and Los Angeles. He was chatting with **Bill Barish**, who is in sales and marketing launching pharmaceutical companies.

Dick Pace and his wife, Mary, set up a cocktail party for the Fijis at the Lewisburg Hotel on Friday night. In attendance were **Jack and Judy Berk Dorr**, **Jeff Traub** and his wife, Denise, **Steve Patterson** and his wife, Linda, Kathy, and **Ron Van Helden** and **Craig Fuehrer**. Flossie reports that Denise Traub managed to win money from the guys playing golf — her reward for putting up with them!

Others attending were **Missy Biggs** and her husband, Joe, **Sandy McArthur** and her husband, Bill, **Ben Elliott**, and **Townley Larzelere** and his wife.

Cocktails before, during, and after dinner were enjoyed by **Jack Bowers**, **Rich Parsons**, **Dick Freeman** and **Tom O'Neill**.

On Saturday, many of the guys dared to play lacrosse, no longer challenging the younger alums but mixed in with them. Crazy enough to do this were Jeff Traub, Steve Patterson, Tom O'Neill, Dick Pace (who scored twice) and **Steve Rexford**.

It sounds like everyone had fun. I look forward to hearing from many more of you who were in Lewisburg and from those who could not attend. Please remember June and I appreciate any news. You need not have discovered the Fountain of Youth or the cure for cancer; just let us know what is happening in your life. Thanks. — C.G.L.

Amos Smith III M'67 is the Rhodes-Thompson Professor of Chemistry and member of the Monell Chemical Senses Center at the University of Pennsylvania. On April 25, he was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences along with former presidents George H.W. Bush and William Jefferson Clinton, among others. His email address is smithab@sas.upenn.edu and his website is absmithgroup.chem.upenn.edu/absgroup.

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Hope everyone had an interesting summer and is getting ready for the fall. For all of you in places without autumn colors, just think back to those beautiful Bucknell fall days. Keep that thought and plan to reserve time on your calendar for next June for our 40th Reunion.

Hopefully by now the Washington Nationals have made a good showing in the pennant race. It's nice to have an owner and eventually a spectacular stadium. I'll plan a get-together for you sports nuts when the stadium is actually built. I'm getting closer to retirement, but can't make up my mind what I want to do in retirement, so I keep putting it off and working. It's nice to have options. Let me know what you are doing in or out of retirement. I have six new words to stimulate some discussion for our next notes: Global Warming and Dimming of the Sun.

Only a couple of class notes this time. First, **Paula Buckhold Schneider** said she finally gave in to my gracious begging for

information (see what I have been reduced to?) and said that in 2001 she retired from federal service after 34 years with the U.S. Census Bureau. Since then, they have been maintaining two homes — one in the D.C. suburbs (Prince Georges County) and one in Rehoboth Beach, Del. (can we all come and visit?) In April, they had planned to move permanently to Delaware. She states (to my personal satisfaction) that she will, however, return to the D.C. area to see the Nationals.

Allen Crawford, in vigorous support of our upcoming Reunion, would like to rally the troops and have a good turnout; he is really looking forward to it. He says 40 years ago we were in our senior year and he is having great fun imagining our thoughts then (can't publish mine) and imagining where we were and what we were doing then.

If you plan to visit Washington, D.C., let me know and I'll get a group together. Please send in some notes and keep supporting Bucknell with your time and donations. Go, Bison! — M.S.

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Another grandpa in the class! **Bill Vollmer** (SPE) welcomed grandson Brendan Noel Brown to his family in December. Congratulations to daughter

Dana, Bill and baby Brendan (Class of 2026?).

I heard from **Anthony** (formerly known as **John Falcone** (TKE). He writes, "After hearing of the sad passing of **Bob Boucher** and others, and then turning the big 6-0, I felt compelled to break my 38-year silence and report on my exhilarating life to date. With the tight deadline Louise imposed on me, I was forced to pull an all-nighter for this — just like the old days. Armed with a pot of coffee, a legal pad and wearing an old ski sweater from 1963 (just a bit snug), I set out to list all my accomplishments, travels, awards, honorary degrees, political appointments and the boards I've served on. I sat there for hours, just like George Costanza trying to write 'a show about nothing.' By morning it was painfully clear that I'm still not ready for this. To paraphrase Lou Gehrig, 'Today I am the boringest man on the face of the earth' and the sleepest. Hopefully tomorrow will be better. Best regards to all." You can reach Anthony at grapevine@dfwildblue.com.

Anthony sent information on Bob Boucher (PGD) who passed away this past February. Bob, as most of you know, was our class reporter for many years. He had a style of writing which delighted, annoyed, tickled and always intrigued, motivating our classmates to read, and contribute to, *Bucknell World*. As Anthony remarked, "Although [many of us] never knew Bob personally, we felt as if [we] did from his column." Anthony did a Google search and discovered a memorial written by Bob's business partner and friend, Pat Herron. It appeared in the

March 2006 issue of *Retinal Physician* and can be found by Googling "Retinal Physician Bob Boucher." It's a fascinating look at a side of Bob you might not have known and a testament to the difference one man can make. I urge you to read it.

Anthony also uncovered a guest book sponsored by Legacy and the Philadelphia *Inquirer* and Philadelphia *Daily News*. **Bob Miller** (PGD) wrote, "Bob was a wonderful friend, a joy to be around, and will be missed greatly by us all. He impacted so many people in such a positive way in all walks of life. Bob set a high standard for those of us left behind and will be remembered as a positive role model."

Another colleague wrote, "Bob had great respect and love for other people and it definitely showed. He had a way of making you feel like you were the most important person he needed to be talking with at the time, whatever the subject."

Yet another noted Bob's terrific sense of humor. When she accidentally sent him a personal email intended for someone else, he replied as if he knew what she was talking about and it took several exchanges to realize who was at the other end of the keyboard.

Yet another described Bob as "a master of style, charisma and presentation." More importantly, "Bob believed in what we were doing and strengthened our belief in ourselves. I've never met a man who was as confident, witty, perceptive and charming as Bob Boucher."

"Bob always cared, and that's why he inspired hundreds of people in his many distinguished years as salesman, publisher, entrepreneur and business leader in NYC

and Philadelphia. You might not agree with everything he said or did but you had to respect and admire him."

Bob's family has requested that donations in his memory be made to the American Brain Tumor Association, phone: 1-800-886-2282 or online: hope.abta.org. Bob, you did die too young, and I regret that I never had the opportunity to know you. Thank you, Anthony, for sharing this material with us.

Rich Greene, who lives with his wife, Nancy, in Charlotte, N.C., checked in with a little news. After Bucknell, he went on to earn a Ph.D. in chemical engineering at Lehigh. After 28 years in the corporate world he was laid off. He remarks, "It's ironic that engineers, consistently advised to avoid the threat of becoming technologically obsolete, stay current and then get laid off due to cost reductions."

Rich is reshaping his life, starting a second career as a high school chemistry teacher at North Mecklenburg High School. He writes, "I find great pleasure working with the high school kids. I've observed teachers whose style can be summarized as Lecture, Scold, Lecture. My class will be Explore, Teamwork, Oh Wow!"

Rich's wife, Nancy, is a media specialist with the Charlotte schools and his children, Peter and Emily, are "out of college and finding their way." Wherever he and his family have lived (New York, Corpus Christi, Wilmington and Charlotte) he's made finding a chorus to sing with a priority. He's a member of the Oratorio Singers of the Charlotte Chamber Choir, and sang

FLASHBACK — 1969



1969

Back of the Class

1969 was a seminal year. Richard Nixon was inaugurated as president, the Beatles performed in public for the last time, Mickey Mantle retired, Dwight Eisenhower died, the Stonewall Riots took place in New York City, *Easy Rider* premiered, *Apollo 11* landed on the moon, My Lai shocked the world, and Woodstock changed rock and roll forever. What was life like from the back of a philosophy classroom at Bucknell in the spring of 1969? If you recognize yourself or others or have memories you would like to share, write to Gigi Marino, Office of Communications, 79 University Ave.,

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We were surprised that we didn't hear from any of the "Phi Gam Girls" from June's photo. Sara "Sally" Graybill Houser '53 called to let us know that the older woman on the far right was housemother Anna Stoughton, who also happened to be Christy Mathewson's sister-in-law.

Tom Skove '49, who sent us the photo in honor of his wife, Helen's '48, birthday says that the family honored her octogenarian status on Puget Sound's Vashon Island. He writes, "Helen celebrated her 80th birthday here with all of our five children who came from far away to be with their mom. The party was in a location and on a sunny day with a great view of Mt. Rainer. She had a memorable time and is looking forward to more years of good health."



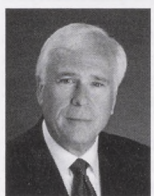
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Benjamin Britten's challenging "Dantata Misericordium." He finished his note by commenting, "There are only two more years until our 40th Reunion. I hope to see many of you there. Perhaps we can bring our instruments and have a band." (Is a kazoo a musical instrument?) Interested musicians and others can contact Rich at rkgreene@aol.com.

Lois Peck Davis (AKO) writes that husband **John Prosser '67** (SPE) is in good spirits despite the discovery of an inoperable tumor on his spine. When a CAT scan showed no signs of cancer in his bones or brain, he quipped, "At least they found a brain." The Davises are moving ahead with plans for summer vacations with their children and on their own. Lois writes, "We're learning how to live with cancer, savoring every moment." They appreciate your prayers. You can reach Lois at loismusic@hotmail.com.

I'm waiting to hear from you! Let's keep this column full up with chatter! Even a couple of lines will do. Don't wait, email me today! — L.P.W.

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I hope by now you've all had a chance to check out the Reunion photos at myBucknell. We had a pretty good turnout and I think everyone had a great time.

In addition, we set a fundraising record for our class with more than 45 percent helping to make our 35th Reunion effort one of the best ever. We still have a ways to go to match the 68 percent achieved by other classes, but we're already well into the effort for this year.

When a classmate calls or a student volunteer contacts you please take a minute to think about how much your education meant to you and contribute to Bucknell to make sure future students will have the same opportunities. If we are going to achieve President Mitchell's goal of becoming the pre-eminent undergraduate liberal arts university in the nation, we need your support. — E.R.

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Lou Kissling '71 writes, "Bill Fifield passed away on Jan. 16 from complications of emphysema. And since Bill lived in Telluride, Colo., one of the larger Bucknell enclaves in the West, his memorial service was a well-attended Bucknell event.

"While the passing of Fife was a loss for all of us, the service was truly a celebration of his life. He would have been smiling ear to ear if he could hear all the wonderful stories people told about his life. The church was packed with Fifield family members from out of state, Telluride locals and Bucknell fraternity brothers and friends. Kappa Sig brothers, all of whom were friends with him while at Bucknell, included **Steve Patterson, Hunt Worth, Mike Courtney** and **Lou Kissling**. And Phi Psi's **Sam Siegel, Banks Brown** and **Duck Mosser** were there, along with Telluride's lone Bucknell lady from that era, **Sally Puff Courtney**.

"If you knew Fife, then you would remember some of the stories told at the service. Remember his dent-mobile? How about his reassembling a motorcycle only to have some parts left over? Or his very first day on campus as a freshman, sitting in his dorm room, checking out the freshman book for gals that he thought would be worth an immediate phone call. Remember his soccer prowess? The Kappa Sig '72 annual publication had a fitting and funny story line about him where it said, 'Fife, how do you expect to get a job looking like that?' To which he allegedly responded, 'Hey, who's looking for a job?'

"Fife was a wonderful dad to his 20-year-old son Alex, and he came to enjoy a good relationship with his ex-wife, Karen. And he had a new lady in his life for the past 10 years. If you were his friend, you were his friend forever. We have lost a good one. A true Bucknell Kappa Sig send-off was given to Fife at the service: AEKDB. Liberally translated, it means 'brothers in heart, throughout life.'" — A.S.B.

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Jeff Marek reports that he completed a 1,200-mile overland truck adventure through Patagonia. It started in Ushuaia, Tierra del Fuego, Argentina, and ended up in Santiago, Chile. Getting blown off a mountain at Torres del Paine and having to occasionally push start the truck did not lessen the experience. It was all worth it to climb up to the base of Mt. Fitzroy, cross the Straits of Magellan and climb a glacier-covered volcano. The trout fishing was not so hot but a few were caught anyway. Sixteen nights in a tent, 10 to 20 mph winds and cold weather did not dampen the awesome scenery. In his spare time, Jeff continues to run a powerhouse in Kingsport, Tenn. If any of you are in the East Tennessee area, you are welcome to stay in his lighthouse that keeps the bass fishermen from running aground on a TVA lake.

Janet Seely Borel sent a photo of several classmates who attended the reception and discussion for the show in the Samek Art Gallery, "Carving in Context II," featuring retiring Professor William Lasansky, and the accompanying show "Sculptors since Bucknell," featuring past teaching assistants of Professor Lasansky who are still sculpting. They went to see **Richard Zandler**, who had two pieces in the show. They all met in Lewisburg on Jan. 28, had a great time walking around town, attending the show and discussion led by Richard, and dining at the Lewisburg Hotel. The photo is available in the online version of *Bucknell World*. — S.L.C.

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Dear fellow classmates, please drop me an email to keep us posted on new directions and happenings in your lives.

Nancy Keating writes that she just received her CLTC (Certification in Long-Term Care) designation. She completed her first year as an agent with New York Life Insurance Company and is working out of the company's Long Island general office in Melville, N.Y. — N.Q.B.

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We have passed the three-and-a-half year mark in New Delhi, heading into the home stretch towards our departure in December. At this point we still don't know where we are going, although Carl has applied for another attaché position. Wherever we may be, visitors are always welcome. During our stay in India we have had TWO visits, from our delightful and talented *Bucknell World* editor, Gigi Marino, and from my sister, **Cynthia Lempert Hoye '82**, who came to see us in January.

India continues at once to intrigue and frustrate us, and we expect it will be ever thus. As I write this (May), the thermometer soars to 104 degrees daily with 100 percent humidity. Everyone is irritable and uncomfortable because of the heat. Gangs of monkeys invade our neighborhood from the green space nearby; they are looking for food and threaten pedestrians carrying sack lunches (Rabies vaccinations are part of the standard welcome kit at the medical unit). Dogs dig shallow pits in the dirt and lie in the shade, panting. Only the cows, foraging patiently at the garbage tips, seem unaffected by the heat. The start of the monsoon at the end of June is always greeted with relief and gratitude.

Our eldest daughter, Kathryn, graduated from high school last spring and took a gap year, during which she spent five months in London studying and earning her gemology certification. She will head off to Wellesley College in August. Her sister Margaret just finished 10th grade and already has plans for her gap year, something involving surfing and Costa Rica, we think. Part of the deal is that the girls support themselves; Margaret is working as a lifeguard and giving swimming lessons at the high school pool to earn extra money and also is studying Spanish. I went back to work full time a year ago. I have a great job at the embassy, which has some first-class "lifestyle" benefits, including being able to have lunch with Carl regularly. We live close enough that I can ride my bike to work (always an adventure on the Delhi streets). It's been a once-in-a-lifetime experience for us and we will be sorry to leave.

Rich Slater reports that he is busy, happy and excited to report that he got married on May 6. His wife, Erica McFarquhar (Princeton '80) is an attorney with Latham and Watkins in D.C. The wedding took place at Grace Episcopal Church in Alexandria, Va. Rich's son Callison, 14, was best man, and daughter Abby was a bridesmaid. Bucknell were represented by Ann and **Scott Teschner**. Rich works at Radley Acura in Falls Church, and has had a fair number of Bucknellians in the showroom. Anyone coming to D.C. can drop him a line at richard_slater@hotmail.com. — E.L.S.

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Because of publishing deadlines I wasn't able to extend my sincere congratulations to the men's basketball team in the summer edition of *Bucknell World*. My family followed every game and their performance in the NAAs was spectacular. I heard from old work colleagues, friends and even my plumber called to wish us luck. As he put it, "You're the only person I know who went to Bucknell. I just had to call and tell you I'm pulling for them!"

Please keep in touch. Send in your news. Your class wants to hear from you. P.S. Mod 15 where are you? — K.M.A.

Among the women named by Pennsylvania Gov. Edward G. Rendell to the 2006 Best 50 Women in Business list was **Judy Albert**. An obstetrician and gynecologist, she is the co-owner of Reproductive Health Specialists in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Wendy Pangburn has joined Heidrick and Struggles, the executive search and leadership consulting services firm, as a partner in their Washington, D.C., office. Bringing her extensive professional experience in Washington to the firm, she will specialize in nonprofit, association, real estate and travel/hospitality recruiting.

Peter Krieger has been named publisher of the Smithsonian Publishing Group in New York. — J.M.P.

Barbara Campbell Lofink reports that her second novel, *Bloodstone*, will come out this year. A sequel to *Heartwood*, published in May 2005, it is the second in the fantasy series, *Trickster's Game*. To read an excerpt or order a copy, visit her website www.barbara-campbell.com.

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Well. It works. Pity, that is. My sister, **Elaine Marron Bachman '81**, told me I might want to reconsider my (pathetic?) pleas for correspondence from classmates for this column. But it works! Pity, that is. Anyway ...

Eleanor McLaughlin, spouse of **John McLaughlin**, writes, both reminiscing of homecomings at Bucknell and having "Fiji Rose" sung to her at their wedding, and with an update. Mirroring my situation, Eleanor and John have three children, two attending Quinnipiac University in Connecticut (Michael and Mark) and one still a junior in high school (Matthew). Married 25 years in 2004, they celebrated with a trip to Italy. John has been with GE in Hooksett, N.H., for 27 years while Eleanor is a pediatric ICU nurse at Mass General in Boston. John is a 15-year survivor of brain cancer. Congratulations, John. And somehow, despite New York roots, the New England-based McLaughlins manage to root for both the Yankees and the Red Sox. They encourage contact at jtmclaughlin@comcast.net.

Having moved out of the country (Belgium, Luxembourg, Italy) shortly after graduation, **Maddine Insalco** is a first-time writer looking to reach out to and update former classmates. She and her husband are both painters, dividing their time between Tuscany and Sienna (I knew I should have taken "Art in the Dark"). In the warmer months of May–October, they run landscape programs. The other half of the year they can be found in their own studio in NYC working on their own art. Maddine started out in international banking in NYC followed by civil service with a United Nations organization in Rome. Fifteen years ago, she returned to school, studied art and, well, you can learn more

by visiting her website: www.landscape-painting.com.

Jay Iole writes to advise that after 22 years in the Arizona (currently Tempe) area, he had occasion to see the new and improved Bucknell campus this spring, attending the graduation of his niece.

Meredith Calfe '06 gave him the tour, with some of the engineering buildings actually looking familiar to the one-time engineer student. Jay, his wife, Marcia, and 13-year old daughter Cecilia can be reached at jayiole@iolenet.com. The Ioles have an exciting African safari in their summer plans. Jay is a private consultant in the semiconductor industry. — M.M.

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Art Copoulos wrote that several Kappa Delta Rho brothers emerged for a "mini-reunion" after 26 years of "hiding" in Illinois, Delaware and Alaska. Hosted in Colorado by the **Lacy** family (**Andy '80, Priscilla '91, Jack '57** and Lee Lacy), Mrs. Lacy most kindly overlooked the obvious changes of our classmates and was happy to see the "boys" — Andy Lacy, Art, **Ron Bernardi** and **Ted Saad** — again.

Conversations focused on 26-year updates, remembering old friends, fraternity antics (hoping the current generation is smarter) and the Florence semester. Reflections on the value of a Bucknell education and parenting techniques were followed up with some outstanding downhill skiing — happily with no broken bones or fatalities. Everyone felt fortunate that friendships begun at Bucknell had easily transcended time, distance and geography. The "second annual" is scheduled for Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, in winter '07, so drop an email to the group at artski@gci.net, alacy@qeddata.com, [\[curities.com\]\(http://curities.com\) and \[Tfsaad@aol.com\]\(mailto:Tfsaad@aol.com\) for more info! Thanks, Art, for the update; sounds like skis should be left at home for the '07 reunion in favor of sunscreen.](mailto:RBernardi@bernardise-</p>
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Kendra Asplundh Haines emailed that "My husband and I will start an 'empty nest' club this fall as our son **Lee '10** heads off to Bucknell. He is lucky to have his older brother **Drew '07** to show him the ropes (And how to win at beer pong). Roger and I just celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary, which is so weird because I am only 29 years old! Ha-ha. My boutique in Vero is having a successful run and I'm moving to bigger digs this fall. Life is good! Can't wait for Parents Weekend this October! I still keep in touch with **Dottie Grant Reed** and **Lisa Ogren Gadsden**." And if you'd like to know more about Kendra's boutique or what it's like to have two Bucknell tuitions to pay, you can email her at kjgolds@bellsouth.net.

Warm weather is upon us and perhaps other classmates can report on summer "mini-reunions" with old friends. — D.L.H.

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"In closing, I'd like to leave you with this thought: Bucknell has no Long Gray Line to rally around, no Big Red Machine to point to. What we do have is here in this room with us — each other. I realize that may sound corny. You may say, 'So what. Every college has that camaraderie to a certain degree.' You're right, but my point is that Bucknell's is a unique one — it is *ours*. No matter where you go or what you do, no one can ever take that from you."

These words were written by our classmate **Pat Pedro** and delivered at our Senior Dinner on May 29, 1981, in the cafeteria. His complete remarks (which are

still extremely humorous) were given to all of us who attended our 25th Reunion in June. And upon rereading them, I realized how prophetic Pat was at the time. What we do have, our wonderful Class of '81, is a camaraderie that is all ours and that we all have with us no matter where we go.

And boy, was that camaraderie evident in Lewisburg in June! Our 25th Reunion was quite the celebration of friendships, old, new, changed, unchanged, but uniquely *ours*. It was fun, emotional, nostalgic and exhausting (our age shows after standing around, literally, for 48 hours). My words can never do it justice; it was that special. And I know all who attended join me in thanking **Amy Viener** for creating the perfect atmosphere in which we could all be ourselves and just get together. Amy, you are a class treasure, truly, and I am grateful that you and I had a chance to get to know each other working on the event. You outdid yourself and made us proud. Thank you, my friend.

There was a flurry of emails post-Reunion and I was moved by the deep feelings in many of them. Here are a few favorite, on-the-money comments: from **Rick Shand**, "Life is good and much more fun to share with long-time friends." From **Frank Horrigan**, who had never attended any of our Reunions (and looked *exactly* the same as in '81), "Wow. Who knew? I did not know what to expect, being a first-timer to Reunions of any sort, and was completely swept up. It was great seeing you and everyone else. But aren't we still the same after all this time? I hope and trust that we are wiser, warmer, more tuned in to the important things in life after all this time. And this Reunion is clearly one of them. For me it started out as an event filled with uncertainty and curiosity, and turned into an unexpectedly uplifting and rejuvenating weekend." Both sets of sentiments sum it up for me.

Amy Viener had another fun quote to share (unfortunately Amy can't remember who said it). They said something about

Reunion being the "great equalizer." It's so true. It may have taken a quarter of a century, but somehow it doesn't matter if you were a cool Kappa Sig, a star athlete, a dorky engineer or a counter-culture free spirit, somehow we're all bonded by those four years and all that matters is that we were there at the same time.

If you were there, you know what Rick, Frank, the unknown source and I mean. If you weren't, we missed you and hope you can share in our 30th, which will be just as uplifting and fun.

Art Kinney '56, longtime Bucknell trustee and father of **Laura Kinney**, made an interesting and apt observation to my dear friend **Bill Cusick** sometime during Reunion Weekend. Art is a member of the Class of '56, which is seen as one of Bucknell's All Time Great classes, loaded with some of Bucknell's most devoted, passionate and generous alumni, and with a phenomenal class spirit. Art's comment was, "You guys (Class of '81) are the next Class of '56; you guys are your generation's great class. You've proved it, everyone knows it and we're counting on you." I couldn't agree more with Art!

Where to begin? We had 25 percent of our class there, with many spouses and kids joining us. Many groups, particularly the fraternities, had done a great job of networking and convincing friends to attend. I am always struck at Reunions at the tight bonds among the guys. Guys, you clearly value the friendships you have with your college buddies and it's nice to see old groups together.

The Friday evening events were perfect except that the rain kept us from **Mary DeCredico's** home (much to her great dismay and ours). We had cocktails in the U.C., dinner in the café (did we mention they wouldn't serve wine with dinner?) and then a great martini bar party in the U.C. The dining area of the café looks the same but the food lines (which are more like upscale stations) do not.

On Saturday, we all got together for

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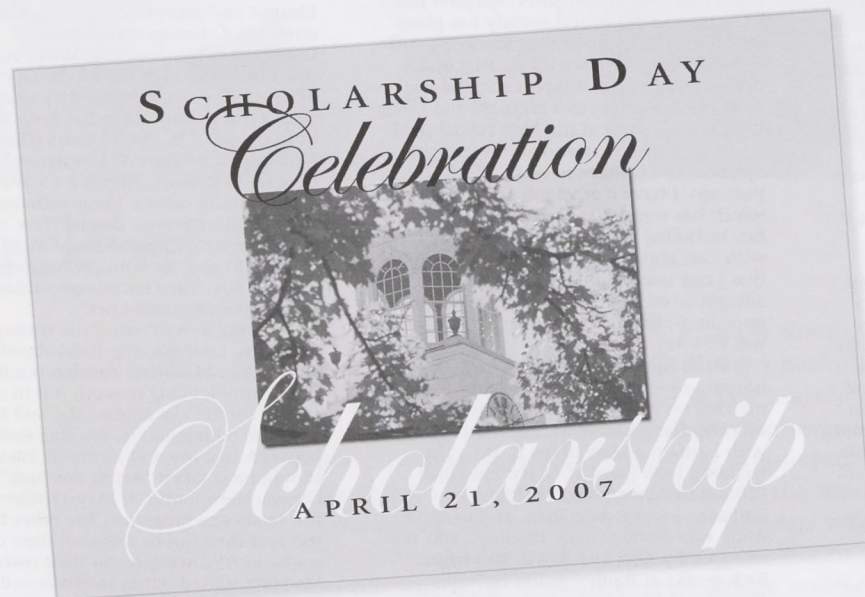
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Reunion Rally. The event showcases the class fundraising totals and the Alumni Association honors a handful of alumni. The Class of '81 had a great turnout, and we gave standing ovations (well-deserved) to our own Mary DeCredico (Bucknell's provost) and to **Brenda Earl DePaola** (who won the alumni award for achievement in a chosen profession). Mary and Brenda, we could not be prouder of your accomplishments nor of your commitment to our alma mater! We also all enjoyed hearing about the great, record-breaking success our class had in the fundraising arena (more than \$1.8 million donated with more than 50 percent of you contributing). **Jim Hollen** and **Steve Kohn**, our class giving chairs, presented the gift with humor and style and in just the same manner that you would have expected back in '81. They worked their butts off for Bucknell over the previous year and deserve a big *thank you* for their efforts.

On Saturday night, our class dinner was moved to the café from Larison Dining Hall. This is because our total attendance (well into the 300s) was too big to accommodate us in Larison. Amy Viener had created a very funny Jeopardy show that pitted three teams against each other with Bucknell trivia: **Jane Boulden** and **Megan Sohngen Grubbs** vs. **Larry D'Amico** and **Dave "Vike" Vakiener** vs. **Jim Zimmerman** and **Jim Hollen**. **Val Ceva** was the Vanna White and **Kathy Nemes Cassidy** was the judge. Very funny. Jim and Jim won but the others gave them a run for their money. No one wanted to leave the dinner but we eventually went to Tent Party and watched the fireworks (a new addition).

I had lots of fun conversations (really had a chance to talk to people this time around) and tried to record as many as possible. Space will limit me this time around but there'll be more in future editions. I will tell you in advance, however, that I won't be able to give many details on jobs/careers as most of the time we just didn't talk about that stuff.

I have to start with Larry D'Amico. He was among the first people we saw on Friday afternoon and he started me off in the perfect Reunion mood. Larry and I had lots of business classes together but weren't in the same social circles. But his warm welcome to me (that great smile!) coming across Moore Avenue as I left the U.C. reminded me of why Reunions are so much fun — you get to see terrific people who shared some good and bad times with you with all of the pretenses gone. Can't describe the moment, but it was special and I thank Larry for it. And his two daughters were troopers to come along. Looked like they had a fun weekend with **Tom Durner's** daughters and walkie-talkies! Larry lives in Westfield, N.J., with his wife and a high school daughter who was home at a prom or dance.

Another really special moment took me by complete surprise. Sitting at lunch on Saturday, this man came up to me and said, "Aren't you Carol Christie?" I didn't know who it was at first and then realized it was my oldest Bucknell friend, **Alex Hryncewich!** Alex and I went to first through 12th grades together in Wyckoff, N.J., and were junior prom dates. When I realized who it was, I burst into tears. Somehow it's incredible to be standing next to someone who's known you all those years. He had driven up from Maryland for the day and was looking forward to seeing Chem E friends. So good to see you, Alex! Wish that our other Ramapo H.S. Bucknell classmates — **Karen Wilson**, **Diane McDonald**, **Jim Campana**, **Doris Bajak** and **Regina Walsh** — would join us in Lewisburg sometime.

I was completely amazed at the number of people who came to our 25th Reunion having *never* been to a Reunion before. I thought it was great and took some courage. And I'll bet they'll return every five years now. The "first timers" list included **Russ Gagarin**, **Steve Appleton**, **Glen Tullman**, **Frank Horrigan**, **Ellen McCahon** and **Greg Rosenfeld**. Some of them told me that they had been back to Bucknell for other occasions (fraternity get-togethers, career counseling, etc.), but that they had never come back with the class.

Frank is living in Pittsburgh, Pa., with

his wife, Courtney, (who was terrific!) and their children. He works for the governor and coordinates economic development in the southwestern Pennsylvania area. Looks *exactly* the same and not a day older. Russ looked completely different — to the point where I had to ask someone who he was. He's the head of admissions at Landon School in Maryland (where **Paul Adkins'** sons Robinson and Paul attend). He has a daughter headed off to SMU in Dallas (gorgeous picture) and a son who is going to be a junior at Landon. Loved seeing you, Russ; hope you had fun. Another Underground Kress first timer was Steve Appleton. It was *great* to see you, Steve. He lacks a mustache so that was a change. He's living outside Baltimore and has made almost annual trips to Bucknell to hang out with his DU buddies. Glen has been one of our most generous classmates and my conversation with him was quick as he left Saturday morning to give a speech at a charity event that night back in Chicago where he lives. Glen has three children, one off to college next year and a daughter who is still in high school but is being recruited by prestigious colleges for her ice hockey talent. Glen is a successful entrepreneur — great stories too numerous to tell here. Ellen was the first person we saw as we entered the U.C. on Friday. But that meant we didn't get too far into the conversation. I do know that she's living in New Hampshire and has three children. Her always-upbeat personality has not changed! Finally, we toured the new athletic facilities with Greg Rosenfeld (whom I barely knew at Bucknell). He lives in Hitchcock, N.C., where he has a medical practice.

Congrats to all these first timers! Please come back with us in 2011!

Don Deangelo was there with his lovely wife, Carolyn. They live in Connecticut and are great travelers (and gave me some great Italy tips). Don and I were disappointed that **Mike Carswell**, **Al Wehrhahn** and **Darren Ford** didn't make the Reunion, but Fiji was well represented. I won't get all of you in (sorry), but I saw **Bruce Graham**, **Tony Rago**, **Pete Mauritz** (who just moved to Milford, Conn.), and **Bruce Keltie** (who lives in Needham, Mass., and was there with his wife, Meg, and two daughters).

Alpha Chis in attendance included Megan, Jane, me, **Carole Chaney Prosser** (who lives in Madison, Conn., with husband Matt, son **Andrew '08** and daughter Lindsey), **Lisa Girden**, who brought her adorable 7-year-old daughter, Emelie, **Cathy Barton Zales**, who was there with her husband, Steve, and sons Greg and Scott, **Linda Todisco Dunne**, **Kathy Ewer Adams**, **Ruth Colangelo Seifert**, who brought husband **Doug '82**, **Debbie Motycka**, who lives in Stonington, Conn., **Jamie Bougioukas James** and Mary DeCredico. It was great to see all of you — our best Alpha Chi turnout yet!

While I do love being at Reunion with all of you, there are always some special friends who turn up that remind you of some incredible moments. For me that includes Bill Cusick (whose friendship over the years has added so much to my life), my DU friends (**Jim Hollen**, **Joe Cardillo**, **Bob Hanlon**, **Stu Berger**), my post-graduation good buddies **Nick Spennato**, **Bob Pollokoff** and Steven and **Kirsten Schubauer Heinemann** (who knew we'd be close friends?). Of course, the weekend is better when shared with your best friends and they were all there — **Mike** and **Linda Todisco Dunne**, **Chris** and **Kim Cooke Brown** and **Ginny Rutkowski**. But the *best* friend of all is **Linda Martin McGowan** who's always been there for me (and vice versa!) and who had the good sense to marry Joe. He, Steven Heinemann and my incredible husband, Steve, should win an award for Best Spouses. They jump right in there and have a blast with everyone and felt this time around that the welcome was particularly warm. My Steve and Kirsten's Steve kept referring to themselves as the "non-alumni check-writing spouses" which is definitely true!

I'm going to sign off now as this is too long already. I have a notebook full of more people to write about and will do so in the next edition. Sorry if I missed you this time! — C.C.R.

The Republican

In an age of deep political divisions, around-the-clock news, and seemingly endless punditry, "republicanisms" — half traditional conservative republican, half personal empowerment-supporting libertarian — are not exactly a well-known constituency.

But you wouldn't know it by seeing the ratings of **Jim Vicevich '74**. He says he never expected to be where he is today — hosting the top-rated *Sound Off Connecticut* radio show weekdays between

10 a.m. and noon on WTIC AM NewsTalk 1080.

Three years ago, the longtime broadcast and print journalist went to work for a financial services firm in Hartford, Conn. At the same time, a close friend urged him to come back to broadcasting.

"You'd be great on the radio — broadcasting is in your blood," his friend told him. "So I thought, what the heck?"

Starting a right-wing-focused radio show in a heavily "blue," democratic-leaning state may have sounded crazy to some. And it wasn't easy then — nor is it easy today. Vicevich,

who recently left the financial services firm to focus full time on the radio show, coordinates the music himself and records the shows alone.

But Vicevich — raised in a libertarian family where neither politics nor religion were often discussed — developed strong anti-government-intervention, conservative beliefs, which were fortified by two of his closest friends at Bucknell, both of whom shared his views.

But he saw the other side, too: As a self-described "terrible" actor on the University's theatre scene, Vicevich says he spent a great deal of time with students whose beliefs fell on the opposite side of the spectrum.

That helped him establish his broadcast persona: a strong advocate for his own views who is respectful of callers with different opinions. He'll debate them, to be sure, but he says he frowns on belittling opposing viewpoints.

Instead he talks about education, abortion, and the war in Iraq and chats with guests, who have included Sen. John McCain and Republican pundit Pat Buchanan.

And all along, Vicevich infuses his show with his "republicanism," along with music he labels "progressive" or "alternative" country, which he says carries a message of protest similar to folk music from the Vietnam War era.

"It's a message I think my audience needs to hear," the Simsbury, Conn., native says. "Instead of being Republican ideologues, I want them to think about what's going on in Washington and what's going on with the everyday person." — Brian P. Watson '01

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Before I get to all the Reunion news, I'll share some news of our classmates. **Jeff '83** and **Helen Roby Kennelly** wrote that their daughter, Lynn, has been accepted into Bucknell's Class of 2010! Helen said, "I never thought we would be Bucknell parents, as we were all but discouraging Lynn from going there, but in the end, it was very much the right decision. Jeff and I are very happy for her, and wish her a wonderful four years."

I also heard from **Dave Flinchbaugh**, who is the executive director of alumni relations at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md. He started at Hopkins in December '05 and oversees alumni operations for Hopkins' seven colleges, many

campuses around the world and 130,000 alumni. As much as he loved his job as Bucknell's director for alumni, parents and volunteers, he is very much looking forward to enjoying Reunion next year as a spectator! They were excited to move back to Baltimore where they lived before coming to Lewisburg. They have been in touch with Helen and Jeff Kennelly (where they both have ninth graders in the same high school). **Roger '81** and **Cheryl Cole Fiery** are also neighbors, and their son Mathew will also be a freshman in Lewisburg (Are these the first two Class of '82 children to attend Bucknell? Let me know). Dave commented that living in Lewisburg, relishing a slower pace and taking advantage of Bucknell's scholarly presentations and cultural events, was wonderful. "We really did get to 'live the dream' so many Bucknellians around the country have talked about: moving back to the slow, old-fashioned life style of Central Pennsylvania to raise our children. Our kids, Kathryn, 14, and Daniel, 10, thrived in Lewisburg and we will miss not

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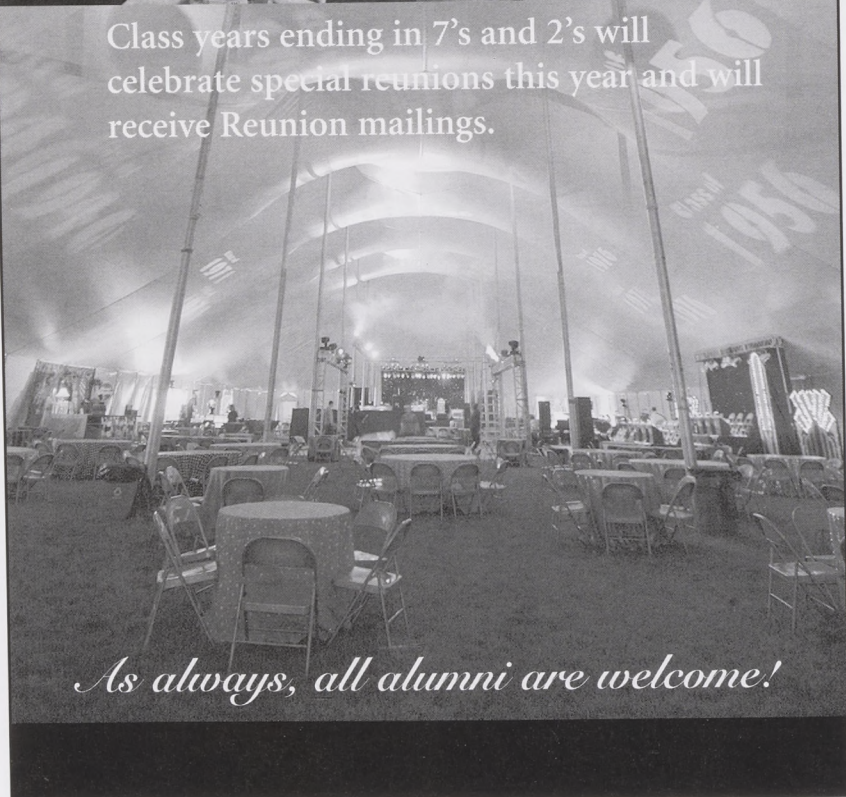
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only the way of life but also all the wonderful faculty and staff at Bucknell who have become good friends these past years. Yet we are thrilled to be returning to Charm City, which will put us only 2.5 hours from our Bison sports teams and that wonderful basketball team, Wednesday's farmers market, even the annual Woolly Worm Festival (yes, a Lewisburg original)! Dave can be reached at dflinch@jhu.edu.

I was at husband **George's** 25 Reunion; as always, it was wonderful to be back on campus for a weekend. We left Connecticut in the heat and humidity and arrived in Lewisburg with the temperature quite cooler and no coats. Our first plan of action was to go to the bookstore and buy sweatshirts. The first two people I saw on campus were **Susan Ambuhl Galione** and her son Matt, 16, who is friends with my son, who was with us, and **Laurie Van Wyck Dowling '83**, also from Ridgefield. Susan was on campus for an Alumni Board of Directors meeting; Laurie accompanied her with her daughter so the potential Bucknellians could take a tour of the campus. People from our class who registered as attending were **Bob Beran**, **Ken Foulk**, **Wally Minnich**, **Doug Smoot** and **Jim Turnure**. Doug and **Mary Childs Smoot '81** have moved to Bernardsville, N.J., where they live quite close to **Jack** and **Harriet Tuck Snyder**. Mary still makes frequent trips to Connecticut to see Susan and her other friends. Bob Beran spoke with **Marlene Berne Woldenberg**. He reported that she is doing well and living in NYC with her husband and children and working as an executive recruiter. He wanted me to lay down the challenge to all our classmates since our Reunion is less than a year away — Marlene has promised to come back and we hope that all our classmates will too. The Class of 1981 had cocktails in the Terrace Room of the U.C. and then went to dinner in the dining hall (which has been totally renovated and you would not recognize it. It's more like a buffet you would find at an all-inclusive resort, although I was disappointed there weren't any eggs benedict for Sunday brunch). It was a nice surprise to see **Pat Paro** who had come to reunion to see his sister **Marie Paro '86** play with her band Making Trax. Pat managed to spend quite a bit of time with the Class of '81 before heading uphill to see his sister.

We returned to the Terrace Room for a martini bar and I was able to catch up with a lot of people. **Kathy Witkowski Zafian '81** was there with apartment mates from senior year, **Maryann Cortisoz Bigelow**, **Allyson Campos Gilbert** and **Tracey Heffernan Merrill**. Kathy was here from Littleton, Colo. She is enjoying life out west with her family. Maryann, Allyson and Tracey all came up to Bucknell on Thursday night to get a head start on reunion.

One of the highlights of Reunion for us was seeing **Tom Durner '81** and meeting his wife and family. Tom was here from Atlanta on his way to the Jersey shore for vacation. George and **Megan Sohngen Grubbs '81** had fun reminiscing about their first jobs after Bucknell when they were at Lord and Taylor together. Megan is no longer in retail, although George is. I also got a chance to catch up with **Debbie Motycka-Downie '81** who I went to high school with. She's living in Stonington, Conn., and will be leaving for Australia for three weeks with her husband on business.

David "Vike" Vakiener '81 helped me with an update on some of the Sigma Chis who hadn't been back to reunion for a while or at all. **Jim "Z-man" Zaleski '81** lives outside of Washington, D.C., and works in the telecom industry (nothing to do with his chemistry major). This was his first Reunion, and judging from the smile on his face while sipping one of the martinis on Friday, he had a wonderful time. **Russ Gagarin '81** lives in Maryland, taught math at the Landon School and is an administrator there. This was the first time he was able to attend Reunion because it did not conflict with graduation there, and he even arrived early enough to play golf on Friday. **Mark Everett '81** was back for the first time in a while; he lives in south Jersey. **Mark Mitchell '81** attended with his wife; he lives outside of Baltimore and works for T. Rowe Price. **Scott "Otis" Taylor '81** lives and works outside of Newark, Del.; he is a project manager in the

mechanical engineering field.

While it was pouring rain back home on Saturday, the Bucknell skies cleared up in time for the Reunion Rally and Class March. I had never attended the class awards ceremony before. It was very interesting to see and hear everyone who won awards and the gift presentations from each class were pretty humorous. I'd never been inside the Weis Center before and it is beautiful. If you attend Reunion next year, you should make an effort to attend (and since it is our "big" 25th Reunion, we are VIPs in Bucknell's eyes). After lunch our son was anxious to see Sigma Chi; the more things change, the more they stay the same (new composites, same old smell). I had received an email from **Scott Rabacs '89** so I took the opportunity to look him up on his composite. Tent party was spectacular with fireworks and two bands and a DJ. The second band, Antigone Rising, featuring two Bucknell grads, gave a great live performance; the tent was rocking!

Thanks to everyone who told me they enjoy reading my column. The more input I get from you, the better it is. I hope to see everyone next year at Reunion! — R.G.K.

Matthew Karanian co-authored the book *Catching Fire: Containing Forced Migration in a Volatile World*, which includes material on the complex refugee situation throughout the Republic of Georgia. He is a lawyer and teaches international law at the American University of Armenia.

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Jim '82 and I made a quick trip up to his hometown of Basking Ridge, N.J., at the beginning of May. He was inducted into Ridge High School's Athletic Hall of Fame. The ceremony was a wonderful, nostalgic event for him. He was inducted in the same class as his high school baseball coach, and his high school football coach introduced him during the ceremony. The highlight of the evening was a surprise appearance by **Mike "Woody" Held '82** and **Larry Esposito '82** who graciously sat through the entire ceremony inducting Jim and 13 total strangers. True friends!

The next day we had lunch with **Laurie Holben Fine**, **Meg Barron Born** and **Caroline Dillon Marren**, who drove from Pennsylvania and Connecticut to spend a few hours with us. It was wonderful to see everyone on such short notice and everyone looks fantastic. Laurie even managed to steal away on the day of her oldest son's junior prom. True friends!

Laura Callahan sent her latest news from Down Under, "I think I spend more time on the *Bucknell World Class* of '35 page, where my great-aunt is constantly in the news. She is a hoot-and-a-half and has more energy and drive than anyone I know. We are still stuck down here in Sydney — if anyone needs a bed, a meal or laundry to be done while traveling, I am happy to help. We are spending a lot of time planning a kayaking trip to Queensland. John is just back from a trip in Tasmania, and we are getting organized for my older daughter to go back to Cambodia to work for an NGO next year. I think we are wearing a path to the airport, as we are just back from a couple of weeks in Hong Kong and China, hiring software engineers. The fun just never stops around here." — T.T.E.

Makoto Fujimura's work, "Water Flames and Zero Summer" showed at the Katzen Center in Washington, D.C., from May through August.

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Reunion weekend was terrific — being back on campus is always a lot of fun. It was made all the better this time by having

a chance to visit with **Mike and Jane Mollinari Pellini '86** and their daughters Catherine and Elizabeth.

Captain Tim "Timber" Pangonas, U.S. Navy, was promoted to his present rank. He has 22 years of active duty service as a naval aviator. He is the commanding officer for the Navy Recruiting District in Jacksonville, Fla. His next duty station is U.S. Special Operations Command (SOCOM), MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa. He is married and has four children ages 12, 10, 5 and 3. He earned his master's in education from San Jose State University in 1992 and master of strategic studies from the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, Pa., in 2001.

Jeff Spaeth wrote, "At the end of December 2005 we moved from Miami to Singapore. I am still with Motorola and am once again working with our Asia Pacific business (we lived in Japan for seven years in the 1990s). Our children, Alyssa (8) and Jason (5) are adjusting just fine. We welcome Bucknell visitors! Our email address is jjsaeth@starhub.net.sg." — G.D.T.

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After 20 years ...

Things that have changed: Swartz field, the name of the UC, hairlines and hair color, the Sojka Pavilion.

Things that haven't changed: the Bull Run Inn, the smell of the UC, the Academic Quad, the mods, the friendships of the Class of '86.

About 2,000 Bucknellians descended on Lewisburg for Reunion weekend, including many members of the Class of '86. Many of us started the weekend with dinner in the cafeteria, where we ran into **Dean and Diane Murphy Kiradjieff** and their three daughters, **Joel Shalowitz**, and **Ed Robinson** and his wife and daughter. After dinner, the party moved uphill to the basement of Swartz, which has been totally revamped, and featured the Uptown nightclub. The band Making Trax (**Bill McKinney**, **Marie Paro**, **Dave Price**, **Todd Kenyon** and **Alan Bloomgarden**) entertained classmates and sounded as good as they did 20 years ago. A good crowd gathered to visit, including **Kent Blair**, **Andy Rau**, **Brian Hoyt** and **Theza Griesman Friedman**.

On Saturday, we assembled for the Reunion Rally in the Weis Center and watched as the university honored our own **Jim Owens** with the Service to Humanity award. After being diagnosed with cancer eight years ago, he became an advocate for cancer research and an inspiration for cancer survivors, bicycling with Lance Armstrong and others in the Tour of Hope national team. In his eloquent remarks, Jim said he thought of what he was doing as "paying it forward." His humble and moving speech brought the Weis Center crowd to its feet for a standing ovation. Congratulations, Jim!

At the end of the Reunion Rally, it was announced that the Class of '86 had given \$223,528 to Bucknell in honor of our 20th Reunion. Thanks to **Kent Blair** and **Nicole Mortati Chang**, who chaired the gift committee.

After Reunion Ball, events included lunch in the fieldhouse, kids' activities in Davis Gym and time to walk around the campus to see what had changed. Classmates wandering the campus included **Ray and Megan Brott Sullivan**, **Mike and Ellen Henderson Murgolo**, **Carol Hedrick Altomare**, and **Don and Helen Yialamas Kraft**.

A walk into town revealed many things that had changed. A number of new bistros, clothing and gift shops line Market

Street. However, stepping into Za's was like walking into a 20-year time warp, as the pizza place looked eerily the same as it did way back, right down to the 1984 map of campus on the wall. I took a photo of long-time friends **Cheryl Gilbert Morris**, **Dorys Codina**, **Deb Hadden Gray**, **John Battista** and **Marie Poltrineri Benson** among others, which you can see on the Bucknell website. As you will note, everyone looks pretty much the same as they did 20 years ago!

Dorys also reports, "First Easters came together for a Reunion photo that included Deb Gray, Theza Friedman, Marie Benson, Dorys Codina, **Carolyn Cornes Hartman**, **Rebecca Rush Stevenson**, **Cheryl Gilbert Morris**, **Anne Samek Hopkins**, **Sharon Lapham Mowen**, **Kathy Smith Leddy**, and **Patti Struble Flannery**. Eleven out of 20 former freshman hall-mates were there — not bad!

"I successfully opened my mailbox after 20 years. How in the world did I remember the box number let alone the combination? And can you believe Bucknell hasn't changed the combinations in all that time?"

Carmen Zambrano Sargent and **Mary Samori Moran** were seen dancing up a storm all weekend and joined in a post-tent party with Antigone Rising band members **Cathy '90** and **Kristen Henderson '92**, who are fellow Pi Phi sisters.

Michael and Jane Molinari Pellini were not only participating in their 20th Reunion, but also celebrating having formally met at the 10th Reunion — two kids later and the rest is history.

"Marie Benson was thrilled to be back at Bucknell for Reunion. She got divorced and is a busy, but happy single mom of three children, Connor, 13, Carol Anne, 10, and Daniel, 5. They live in New Jersey and Marie is working for Digene Corporation as a clinical sales representative for the HPV (human papilloma virus) test, which screens for cervical cancer. She can best be reached by email at marie.benson@digene.com.

"Good fun was had by John Battista, Dorys, Cheryl, Debbie and **Rich Peterec** at the Bull Run, where fessing up to crushes, embarrassing acts and other 20-year old indiscretions took place.

Yancy Garrido, **Glenn Herdling** and **Charlie Weiser**, in full SPE form, were seen at the Towne Tavern and at tent party with other Bucknellians playing several boisterous games of cups, which attracted a great deal of attention.

"But most of all we had a wonderful time reconnecting with old friends as well as many fellow alumni with whom we've become friends at the Reunions. We need to convince more of our classmates to attend the 25th Reunion."

I spotted many more people than I was able to chat with at the class dinner on Saturday night, including **Felicia Griffen Sperry**, **Phyllis Kreis Hill**, **Sandy Swanson Nicholson** and **Linda Hicks Cannilla**. Freshman Second Harris hallmates **Lyn Romano Uhl**, **Sue Ragon Obaditch** and **Susan Decker Allen** were there. Also at the dinner looking great were **Leigh Acheson Naughton**, **Diane Kroencke de Cavaignac** and **Patti Flannery**, who has a new job with Bucknell.

I apologize that I didn't get to list every person who was at Reunion. A full list is on the Bucknell website. Send in your Reunion stories for a future column in *Bucknell World* (And don't forget to keep your classmates up to date on your life even in non-Reunion years).

The consensus of a number of people was that we want to have an even better Reunion for our 25th, one that would include more Class of '86 events and entertainment throughout the weekend. So don't make any other plans for June of 2011 just yet!

In other news, **Jeff Hilk** emailed, "Just wanted to drop you a line and let it be known that I married Margarita Bresoeva in NYC on April 1. Bucknellians in attendance were **Scott Schulte '81**, **Mike Hoffmann '83** and **Garrin Kapecki '89** (all former Bucknell water polo players). Margarita and I will

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continue to live in NYC, where I am a business development consultant in the IT industry and Margarita is a commodities trader on Wall Street. Looking forward to seeing everyone at Reunion."

And **Tonianne French Broton** writes, "I am an active duty emergency medicine physician commander in the Navy stationed at Naval Medical Center San Diego. I spent seven months in Iraq last year with the Marines as the officer in charge of a shock trauma platoon and forward resuscitative surgical suite. We were set up in tents and provided emergent care to trauma victims out at the western border of Iraq near the Syrian and Jordanian borders. I also was able to get out around the country and provide medical care to Iraqi women and female children, since they are not allowed to be seen by male physicians and many have had no medical care whatsoever.

"It was an interesting and gratifying experience. I enjoyed it except for missing my husband, Don, and children (daughter Alina, 11, and triplet boys Kelly, Kenzie and Kendall, 10).

"I will not be able to make Reunion as my life is really hectic. I have just accepted orders to Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton (north San Diego area) and have been appointed the director of medical clinics. I guess I will somehow become busier than I already am! Hope to get back East in the coming years." — J.D.C.

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Greetings ... life with my husband and two girls finds us busy, most recently with a lot of biking, some overnight canoeing and today's dance recital. I visited, by train, **Laura Stark Malisheski** and her husband and kids in Boston. She continues to raise her boys and work for Harvard.

Sam and Justine Beasley Whitehouse moved from Orlando to Wexford, Pa. They have a son, Brendan, 2. Justine graduated magna cum laude with a doctorate in pharmacy from the University of Florida and is working for Giant Eagle. She can be reached at 300 Fox Meadow Drive, Wexford, PA 15090 or at mallory1967@msn.com.

In January, **Stephen Cottrell** accepted

a role as vice president of Asia Pacific with Princeton Softech software company. He is married and has two daughters and resides in Melbourne, Australia. His email is cottrellstephen@yahoo.com.

Tamara Greenspan writes in with lots of news of her family and friends. In March, their annual Bucknell girls' weekend was held in Avalon, N.J. Only three out of the five regulars could attend this year due to crazy schedules and babies. Tammy lives in Potomac, Md., with her husband, Scott, and children Morgan, 6; Taylor, 4 and Bennett, 18 months. This is Tammy's 17th year with Oracle Corp. She can be reached at tamara.greenspan@oracle.com. **Monica Baeckstrom Toomey** also attended the girls' weekend. Monica and her husband, Chris, are living in Cincinnati, Ohio, with kids Ryan, 10; Connor, 5 and Dylan, 3, with number four due in August. Monica can be reached at monicat@zoomtown.com. **Alice Johnson Kelly** joined the group from Charlottesville, Va., where she lives with her husband, **Michael '85**, and their children Wilson, 6, and Elizabeth, 4. She has a small tutorial business and can be reached at ajk@ssbrllc.com.

Shelly Ayres Osterberg and **Beth Wyckoff Sullivan** were unable to attend this year but look forward to joining the group next year. Shelly had her third child, Finn Charles Lewis Osterberg, in March 2005. She and Eric live in Wilton, Conn., with Kelley, 5, Lars, 3, and Finn, 1. Shelly has been running and just completed the Rock-N-Roll half-marathon in Phoenix, Ariz. She can be reached at soster@optonline.net. Beth and her husband, Paul, are living in Newburyport, Mass., with kids Wilson, 7; Callan, 5; Declan, 3 and Delaney, 1. She can be reached at bethwsullivan@hotmail.com. All the girls say hello to **Sandie Manuele** in Vail, Colo.

Anna and **John Rigney** welcomed Ryan John to the world on June 7. Ryan was immediately greeted by big brothers Liam, 6, and Matthew, 4. The Rigney's live in Aspen, Colo., and luckily play host to many of the gang from Bucknell each ski season. They were looking forward to seeing many of the boys at **Bob Meinert's** "Big Top" wedding in July. John can be reached at jrigney@aspensnowmass.com. — R.L.B.

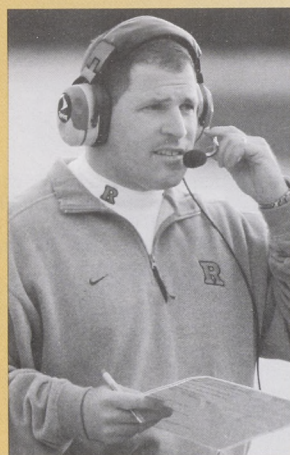
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It's September, and hundreds of Bucknell first-year students are settling into their new dorms, meeting new friends, developing new dreams and aspirations. As a Bucknell freshman, there are so many "firsts," in fact, that most of them happen without incident, without consciousness. Do you remember your first Bucknell conversation, your first Bucknell reading assignment, your first Bucknell sporting event?

Neither do I. But I do have quite a few memorable "Bucknell firsts" that have stuck with me 20 years later. Here are my top 10, in no particular order:

Head Coach

At the end of a practice session in Rutgers Stadium last April, **Greg Schiano '88** played the role of the tough, taskmaster football coach, barking at his players as they sprinted from sideline to sideline. Dressed in a gray hooded sweatshirt and loose khakis reminiscent of the wardrobe of his one-time boss Joe Paterno, the 40-year-old head coach demanded perfection — no



hands on your knees between sprints, run all the way to the line. But moments later, when Schiano provided his daily update to a handful of reporters, a smile returned to his face. "This is a fun team," he said, pausing for a beat. "It might not have looked like so much fun out there for those last 12 minutes, but this is a fun team."

Football is fun again at Rutgers, thanks to Schiano's rebuilding efforts. In 2001 and 2002, his first two seasons at the school, his teams were a combined 0-14 against their Big East peers. Last season, the Scarlet Knights continued their gradual improvement with a 4-3 record in the league, including an upset win against Pittsburgh, and

earned a bid to the Insight Bowl in Phoenix, Ariz. — just the second bowl game in history for a team that dates back to the first intercollegiate football game in 1869.

Schiano's program has stretched beyond campus with local grassroots efforts, like visiting football practices at every high school in New Jersey, and innovative marketing, including billboards in the recruiting hotbed of South Florida (management professor Tim Sweeney should be proud, he muses). The coach's success is a product of extraordinary preparation.

Schiano planned to pursue law school after college, but he discovered a love for coaching while helping his high school coach, Mike Miello, as a volunteer assistant. Miello encouraged Schiano to apply for a graduate assistant job at Rutgers, and from there, he moved on to assistant posts at Penn State, the NFL's Chicago Bears, and the University of Miami, where he was the defensive coordinator.

Coaching can be a consuming job, Schiano says, but his wife, the former Christy Mitchell '90, helps by building breaks into the long hours, bringing the couple's four children to his office for family dinners. Those meals could become tradition: Schiano has signed a contract extension to keep him at Rutgers through 2012, and if the upward trend continues, he would happily stay longer. "You can't predict your future," says the Wyckoff, N.J., native, "but it would be perfectly great for me to be here for 30 years." — Brett Tomlinson '99

1. First Bucknell dorm room: second floor Larison Hall. My roommate, a misguided fellow who eventually dropped out of Bucknell, made a habit of stealing my stash of beer and snacks. He also sent me on a goose chase one night when he forged a love letter to me from a "girl in Room 315." After a diligent search for her, I discovered that there was no Room 315, and that my roommate was no friend of mine.

2. First Bucknell meal: Two artery-clogging cafeteria hamburgers, smothered in fried onions and ketchup. Coincidentally, my first Bucknell stomachache occurred 20 minutes later, while exploring the old field house with **Mike Waugh** and **Eric Hemion '91**.

3. First Bucknell test grade: C minus, compliments of a calculus teacher named Mike. He was so disappointed in the class' grades that he gave us a re-test, in which I scored an A minus.

4. First Bucknell party: a jam-packed sweatbox of a party in a bedroom at Taylor Street House. There must have been 40 people piled into that little room. I could barely breathe — or get a beer.

5. First Bucknell crush: Meg, an upper-

classwoman with whom I shared a Musical Theatre Jan Plan (remember those?). I wrote a song about her, "Face to Face," that she and I ultimately performed together. Even today, I can still sing that song verbatim. Meg, who never took an interest in me, probably cannot.

6. First Bucknell class where things went horribly wrong: Analytical Chemistry. Midway through the semester, the Cs and Ds were nonstop, and I was destined for an F on my upcoming exam. I told Professor John Neale Cooper that I desperately needed another week to prepare for the test. In all seriousness, Dr. Cooper looked me straight in the eye and said, "Tough t*****s." "Tough t*****s?" I replied. "Tough t*****s," he repeated. Miraculously, I pulled a C minus for the course. [Emendations are those of the Class Notes editor]

7. First Bucknell hangover: Occurred during an 8 a.m. freshman Organic Chemistry laboratory taught by Professor Meldrum Winstead. Plagued with a throbbing headache during the lab, I begged my classmates for 50 cents so I could buy a soda. When nobody offered me the money, Dr. Winstead reached into his

pocket and gave me two quarters. I inadvertently bought a soda containing no caffeine, but was eternally grateful to Dr. Winstead nonetheless.

8. First celebrity encounter at Bucknell: Larry Linville, who played Frank Burns on TV's *M*A*S*H*. After giving a casual speech one night in the old field house, Linville graciously signed autographs and chatted with a small group of us. Upon telling him that I carried a PBA card in my wallet in case I was pulled over for speeding, Larry signed the card "Let my David go! — Larry Linville."

9. First role in a Bucknell play: The priest in *Twelfth Night*. That was also my first involvement with director Gary Grant, who would go on to become my mentor and favorite Bucknell professor ever.

10. First (and last) Bucknell all-nighter: Hopelessly lost in Inorganic Chemistry my sophomore year, I decided to pull an all-nighter before an exam. After a cup of coffee didn't provide relief from my fatigue, I asked a frat brother for No-Doz caffeine pills. I took one pill, waited 30 minutes and didn't feel a thing. So I popped another pill. Within 15 minutes my eyes bolted open, my heart raced madly and my hands shook so violently I couldn't even hold a pen. Needing to release my bottled energy, I did laps around the Kappa Sigma house in my socks until I calmed down enough to go back inside and study. I never tried an all-nighter or No-Doz ever again.

Do you have any memorable firsts that you'd like to share? Please send them along to me, and I'll include them in upcoming issues of *Bucknell World*.

Although old news, **Janine Onufrak Rydin** reports that she and her husband, Rich (a University of Virginia grad), welcomed their daughter Jane Katharine into their family on Nov. 14, 2004. They are "thoroughly enjoying being parents and are actually expecting our second child early in September. We know that life here in Chapel Hill, N.C., will be quite crazy with two children under the age of two, but we are really looking forward to it!" Janine can be reached at jorydin@armstrong.com.

After 10 years in California making wine in the Santa Cruz mountains, **Tom Robinson** has moved, with his Australian-born wife, Helen, and son Murphy Joe, to the beautiful city of Adelaide in southern Australia. He says, "I am doing my teaching practicums in French and social studies this year, and will finally put to use that French master's degree I completed 10 years ago by teaching high school." He reports that he still has some of his Hydropath Society wine in barrel in the McLaren Vale, but it's only available in Australia! He says that maybe in the future he'll make enough to export. Hey Tom, pass me a bottle, and Doug, pass me a jelly! — D.R.

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Dearest classmates, I was thrilled to see so many good friends at our Reunion! What fun memories and stories did we have to share throughout the weekend. Our time at Bucknell and our enduring friendships are truly cherished. I thought the "Welcome Home" banners on the lampposts said it best as so many of us considered Bucknell our home for those four years. Hats off to the university for yet another classy event!

John Murphy sent word that he and his wife, Sara, had their third son, Henry, on March 21. He joins big brothers Jackson, 4, and Charlie, 2, at their home in La Jolla, Calif. **Chris Harvey** visited the Murphys with his son, Liam, from New York and they had a great time taking their boys to Sea World. John is vice president of professional services with Kintera, a software developer for nonprofits. He can be reached at jmurphy@kintera.com.

Bob and Kirsten Ellison Shaffer '92 announce the birth of their third daughter on Aug. 16, 2005. She joins big sisters Ashley, 7, and Emma, 5. Bob is a senior vice president with the Fifth Third Bank in Cincinnati, Ohio. Kristen stays home with

the girls.

From **Amy Webster Kiser**: just in time to help look for Easter eggs, Charlotte Catherine was born on April 15. She arrived a month earlier than expected but she is doing great. Fabulous job with our Reunion, Amy!

Let's continue to keep in touch — we've done a great job these past 15 years. All the best to you. — J.C.R.

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Classmates, over the past few months I have received a number of great emails and updates. Thank you for writing to update us on your lives and other noteworthy events and accomplishments. Keep the news coming!

Keith Burns reports the news of birth of his third daughter, Sabrina Alexandra, on Dec. 13. She joins sisters Brooke, 4, and Samantha, 2. He writes, "My wife, Alicia, is a professional mother. We continue to reside in Voorhees, N.J., where we have lived for the past five years. I am employed at Ernst and Young in Philadelphia."

Pete Horan writes, "**Karen Borghesani Horan '91** and I welcomed a son on Nov. 10, Timothy James. He joins big sister Amy, 3, and big brother Drew, 17. We are at 18 Hickory Lane, Malvern, PA 19355. My email is phoran@4cmd.com and Karen's is karenannhoran@mac.com."

Stephanie Huck and **Steve Kline '93** welcomed Henry Jamieson on Sept. 14, 2005. He joins big brother Miles, 3. She reports that the family is living in Towson, Md. Steve is an engineer at Baltimore Aircoil Company in Jessup and Stephanie works part time at URS Corporation in Hunt Valley.

On Feb. 13, **Jason and Nicole Kropp Strand '96** welcomed Lucas William to their family. He joins sister Aubrey, 2.

Andrew Watkins writes, "After working with the Los Angeles Dodgers from 2002-05, I started a new company, Asia Sports and Entertainment (ASE), that is focused on athlete representation, event management and consultation services for Asian sports and entertainment markets, particularly China, Japan, Korea and India. One of our clients is LPGA golfer Meena Lee, who won the Fields Open in Hawaii. We also purchased an arena football 2 (af2) team in Bakersfield, Calif. Our website is www.asiasports.us and email is awatkins@asiasports.us." Andrew also reports that classmate **Dan Freed** is an attorney with Latham and Watkins in LA, and serves on the advisory board for ASE.

Ellie Ciquera-Williams and her husband, James, share news of the birth of Emily Virginia on March 23. She joins brothers James, 6, and Patrick, 4.

John Cameron wrote, "Daughter Piper Elizabeth was born on Jan. 6 and joins older brother Charlie, 2. My wife, Kristy, is doing great and is staying very busy. In the world of children, the standard rules of math do not apply, as one plus one does not equal two! On the professional front, I left Charles Schwab after 10 years and became a partner and portfolio manager with a boutique wealth management firm based out of Bellevue, Wash. I am joining the office that is located in Vancouver, Wash., just north of Portland, Ore. My email address has changed to jcameron@harvestcapitaladvisors.net."

Craig Matthew reports that he is living in New York with Edwina, his wife of two years. They were married in Sydney, Australia, her home country, and hope to return to live in Australia some day. Craig shares that his son William Turner Godfrey was born in November 2005. — L.M.B.

Scott and **Liz Geiger Govoni** welcomed Maria Rose on March 3. She joins big sister Katherine, 6, and big brother Michael, 3. They are all doing well and adjusting nicely to being a family of five.

Kristin DeBoer has taken a position as executive director of The Kestrel Trust, a regional conservation land trust based in Amherst, Mass., working to protect forests and farmland. Kristin is also "working" as a mom to her daughter Johanna, 4, and baby son Piet, 6 months. She and her husband, Tom Hartman, have been living in western Massachusetts for six years and loving it. Kristin can be reached at kristin@kestreltrust.org.

Joe and Jennifer Silver Cavey have two little boys, Ryan, 5, and Will 1. They have been living in Ellicott City, Md., for several years now. Jennifer gave up private practice a few years back and works as a claims attorney for Zurich Insurance in Baltimore. Joe was promoted to area manager for Hayward Baker, where he has worked for more than 12 years. He just completed his fourth marathon and he is having fun coaching Ryan in soccer. The Caveys can be reached via email at Joejenncavey@comcast.net. — L.M.S.

Sarah Haines was promoted from assistant professor to associate professor of biology at Towson University. She also became director of Towson's Center for Science and Mathematics Education and the graduate program director of the school's master of science program in science education.

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I received lots of news this time. Thanks to all who wrote me — keep it coming!

Greg Parks and his wife, Kelly, welcomed their daughter, Abigail Pearl, on Oct. 12, 2004. She's almost two and a real joy! Last year, Greg made partner at the law firm of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP in Philadelphia, where he practices in the area of commercial litigation. He'd love to hear from anyone at gparks@morgan-lewis.com.

Todd Haldeman, Chris Clark '92, Brian Geren '96, Ryan Oliveri '96, Ken Rule '96 and Dru Sweinhart '96 took a trip to Switzerland, Italy, Austria and Slovakia in February. They spent a week-end in Torino at the Winter Olympics and enjoyed front-row seats for one of the U.S. men's ice hockey games. Also getting together to root on the Bucknell men's basketball team in the NCAA playoffs were members of the Lehigh Valley Club including Todd Haldeman, Brian Geren, **Jason Banonis, Errol Deans, Ken McClain and Jason Besz '93.**

Mike and **Lorie Lepley Parks** are pleased to announce the birth of twin boys, Luke Michael and Ryan Christopher, on March 15. The boys were full-term and healthy enough to go home with them just 48 hours later. They are very good babies, making twins seem only a little more challenging than one baby. Caitlin, 4 1/2, has transitioned very smoothly into her role as big sister but enjoys being able to escape to school every day! You can reach Lorie at llepley@hotmail.com.

Laurie Turenne-Kolpan writes, "I finished my active duty tour with the Air Force and moved back home to Hunterdon County, N.J., with my husband, Brett, daughter Ashely, 4, and son Justin, 1. It is so wonderful to be home next to family (and babysitters!) We built a new house, which we just love, and the kids transitioned easily. I work at the family practice residency in Hunterdon Medical Center

with the perfect combination of seeing patients and teaching residents. And best of all I work part time — something not offered in the military!"

Jamie and Alison Carrescia Warner are thrilled to announce the arrival of their daughter, Meredith Riley, who was born on March 9. She joins big brother Wyatt James, who is 3 years old. Alison can be reached at warneraj@optonline.net.

Alejandra "Allie" Ferrari and her husband, Robb Chase, welcomed Tyler Esteban Chase on March 23. Allie's sister **Natalia Ferrari '00** is a very proud aunt!

Joe and Tania Velazquez Savalli are excited to announce the birth of their son, Mitch Andrew, on April 18. He joins big brother Jack, who is 3.

Jamie Diaferia and his wife, Denise DeVore, welcomed a baby girl, Hayden Monroe, on April 14.

Glen Williams writes, "I am writing to announce the birth of our second daughter, Caroline Joy, who joins her sister Kaitlyn, 3. Caroline was born in an exciting 3 a.m. Mother's Day rush to the hospital. My wife, Meri, gave birth within 10 minutes of arrival. I missed it while I was parking the car. In June 2005, after 10 years in restaurant management, I accepted the position of VP of operations for HealthMetrix Research and am enjoying new challenges in a very dynamic field." Glen's email is meriandglen@yahoo.com.

Sonia Leach writes, "I'm proud to announce that after more than a decade of study and research that took me to NASA Ames, the National Institutes of Health, the National Cancer Institute and the University of Colorado Medical School, I finally received my Ph.D. in computer science from Brown University on May 28. Since I live in Denver, I traveled back East for the graduation ceremony and had the pleasure of visiting with **Doug Schultze** and his 11-month-old son Skylar during a layover in Charlotte, N.C. I also spent time with **Julie Ritner** who is finishing her radiology residency in the Rhode Island Hospital system. I will remain in Denver for another year doing a postdoc at the University of Colorado and figuring out what to do next."

Cary Champlin Young and her husband, Terry, are very pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Katharine Jane, in Boston on March 27. They've already opened her college account and are using the costs associated with attending Bucknell as their benchmark for how much money they should invest. With five family members having attended Bucknell, Cary would not be at all surprised if Katharine applies there. Previous to this, Cary lived in England where she earned her master's and returned to the U.S. to attend Harvard and pursue ordained ministry. She spent four years at Harvard and graduated from there with her M.Div. She met Terry while at Harvard and they married in 2000. These days, she is ordained clergy in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and director of Christian education for The Dover Church in Dover, Mass. With work, marriage, various community and other volunteer commitments, and now, the wonderful gift of her new daughter, she is plenty busy! She can be reached at Rev Carymail@yahoo.com.

Christopher Fronheiser and his wife, Susan, welcomed twins, Sarah and Michael, on March 6. They join their older siblings, Emma and Kyle, in making their household crazy, but fun! It is a tremendous amount of work to raise twins and they change a lot of diapers, but they are truly enjoying it. Chris continues to work at DMJM Harris in Baltimore as a project manager in the highway/bridge group. Email: cfronheiser@verizon.net.

Congratulations to everyone on all the good news! — S.A.S.

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Happy Autumn, Class of '95.
Chuck '86 and Jody MacArthur Johnson welcomed their beautiful daughter

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You should have received a schedule of activities in August.

Watch our website for continual updates by visiting:
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Power to the People

Access to the law means access to power. **Audra Wilson '94** has spent her legal career bringing that access to those who are powerless.

While most of her fellow law-school graduates sought lucrative careers at large firms, Wilson began work at Pro Bono Advocates, obtaining emergency orders of protection and divorces for victims of domestic violence. She later worked as a staff attorney at the Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law and as a senior policy associate at the Ounce of Prevention Fund, a Chicago nonprofit that promotes early childhood care and education.



"There are so few good lawyers for the average person," Wilson says. "That really disturbs me. I believe it's important to help people who are being taken advantage of because they don't have access to high-quality lawyers."

While at the Shriver Center, Wilson developed comprehensive initiatives to help working families and children in Illinois. That's how

she discovered her passion for politics. She had worked on legislation with Barack Obama when he was an Illinois state senator, so when he announced his run for U.S. Senate, she volunteered to help.

Instead, Obama offered her a job as deputy press secretary and policy director. "I came into the campaign as a political neophyte. It was like starting school in the fourth grade," Wilson recalls. "I researched and developed position papers and wrote talking points and speeches. I'm fluent in Spanish, so I also did a lot of interviews with the Spanish-language media."

When Obama won the election, Wilson had to decide: "Do I want to go to D.C., or to stay in Chicago and perhaps run for office myself, or become the black, female David Axelrod?" (Political consultant Axelrod has worked on some 150 winning campaigns at the local, state, and national levels, including Obama's race for U.S. Senate.)

She decided, at least for now, to continue her law career, while keeping her hand in politics. As director of Diversity Education and Outreach at Northwestern University School of Law, Wilson aims to attract racial and ethnic minorities to the school and help them establish their careers.

On the side, she serves as a consultant to an Illinois state senator and is running the campaign of a candidate for Chicago alderman (equivalent to city councilman). She doesn't rule out running for office herself in the future.

No matter which direction she takes, Wilson will continue to work for the powerless. — Theresa Gawlas Medoff '85

Annika Catherine on May 21. She joins big brother Spencer, 2. Everyone is well and happy and adjusting to the new member of the family.

I received a lovely note from **Lynne Naegle Martin** announcing the birth of her daughter, Ella Caroline, on April 1. According to Lynne, "She is the best gift, ever!" Lynne and her husband, Alex, met at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry. They are both optometrists in their own practice in Sanford, N.C. Email: lnaegle@hotmail.com.

Shranita Amin Kuders and her husband, Frank, welcomed their second child, Avani Saige, on April 8. Avani joins her big brother, Dilan, 3. Shranita sent a wonderfully newsy letter, writing, "I am working as a pediatric occupational therapist at Warren Hospital in Phillipsburg, N.J. Larry and **Brandi Baggett Chu** welcomed their second child, Courtney Lauren, on March 2, 2005. **John and Gray Griffith Tham** welcomed their first child, Max Griffith Ming Jeat, on Oct. 25, 2005. Gray, John and Max reside in Melbourne, Australia,

and are planning to come to the United States in April to visit family and friends. **Matthew '94 and Letty Velazquez Marshall** returned to the Philadelphia area after spending three years in the greater Milwaukee, Wis., area. In June, they will be celebrating a second birthday for their daughter, Isabel. During their transition, they are residing with **Chip Lontai '94** in Kennett Square, Pa., and are glad to be back closer to friends and family. **Scott and Courtney Passin Burbank** reside in Ardmore, Pa., with their son Ryan, 1. Courtney started working with the new law firm of Wynn McGarry LLC in King of Prussia, Pa., in June 2005. The family will be moving to Santa Monica, Calif., next year, as Scott received word of his acceptance to a sports medicine orthopedic fellowship at Southern California Orthopaedic Institute in Van Nuys, which begins in August 2007. **Ryan Dopirak** is a fellow in the same program. He is living in California with his wife, Beth, and three sons. Following Ryan's fellowship, the Dopiraks will be moving to Wisconsin, where he will

begin his sports medicine practice. Scott Burbank reports that **Michael Biddlecom** and his wife, Ann, reside in San Diego, Calif. They welcomed their daughter, Lucy Hays, on Jan. 12. **Bryan Eisert** and his fiancée, Melanie Gregorczyk, were married on June 23 in Ohio. Eliza and **Ross Peterson** and their two boys live in Erie, Pa., where Ross is a cardiologist.

Ned '96 and Sally "Sarah" Davis Viands welcomed their daughter, Katharine Mackenna, on March 19. She joined big brother, Braden, 2.

Windy and **John Stith** welcomed their second son, Martin "Ob" Cooler-Stith, on March 25. His nickname, Ob, is in honor of John's great-grandfather. Their other son, Mac, is 10. John writes, "For the first week Mac was just kind of bored by the baby but now he's getting into bouncing him up and down. I think Ob is into that too, though sometimes he's not too sure." John is a data and financial analyst at Environmental Defense. They have moved into a house in Mount Rainier, Md., and saw a holiday light show with **Brian Horst** and **Vanessa Jones**. Email: john.stith@gmail.com.

Paula Lyons Castano writes, "I got married in February to Lt. Commander James Castano in Basking Ridge, N.J., and am very happy. Luckily, we missed the big blizzard and just had a few flurries. Drew and **Bridget Dean-Hammel**, Kevin and **Kristen Bardeen Westley** and **Kelly Corr** were at the wedding. Bridget is expecting her second child in August. Kristen is expecting her first in May and Kelly is in her last year of medical school. I'm still teaching fifth grade in Rutherford, N.J. My new address is 104 Palisade Ave., Unit BA, Jersey City, NJ 07306. We could be moving to D.C. shortly if my husband's job situation changes."

David '96 and Susan Kramer Barto welcomed Lucy Caroline to their family on Oct. 13, 2005. She joins big sister Maddie, 5, and big brother Pete, 3. Susan writes, "We are all doing well and enjoying the craziness that comes with having three little ones!"

Douglas Hilderbrand was married on April 29 to **Katherine Stahler '03** in Alexandria, Va. A total of 19 Bucknellians (ranging from '95 to '04) attended the wedding, including fellow Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity brothers **J.D. Lineen**, **Richard Zeoli** and **Erik Staub**. The couple resides in Alexandria where Doug is a meteorologist for the National Weather Service. For more information, please see the Class Notes for the Class of '03.

On a personal note, **Chris** and I welcomed our third son, Nathan Robert, on June 1. He joined his big brothers Zachery, 5, and Brian, 2. The transition to three has been easier than expected. Both of the older boys love him and so far haven't asked to send him back. In fact, when my father asked to hold him in the hospital, Zachery replied, "No thank you. He's mine." So far, so good! We had a nice visit with **Dave and Colleen Taylor Lukens '94** in May. Dave kindly helped Chris build a playground in our backyard while Colleen and I corralled the kids. We were all exhausted at the end of the weekend but the hard work paid off as the boys love their "fort" and enjoy it every day.

Take care and enjoy the cooler weather of autumn. If you have news to report we'd all love to hear from you. — J.B.B.

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Carrie Goldwein Weber and her husband, Steve, have a son, Jordan Steven, 2, and a daughter, Riley Samantha, 8 months. Carrie works for General Electric, managing one of the company's go-to-market channels. In addition, she is a nationally registered paramedic and a volunteer with the National Ski Patrol. Two years ago, after spending six years in Cincinnati, they moved to Charlottesville, Va., where they enjoy the quiet pace of small town life. Carrie would love to hear from anyone at carrie_weber@alum.bucknell.edu.

Richard Shiu's visionary work in the real estate market was profiled in the *New York Times* (Feb. 5) in the article, "Going Condo in Harlem." He is converting brownstones, previously destroyed and vacant, into condominium apartments; his condos have been well received and have gone under contract quickly. His work has received significant national attention with the article's publication. Rich can be reached at 212-889-8899 or rshiu@nyrealestatepartners.com.

This March, **Michelle Fallone** married Todd Russell in San Diego, where she has lived for the last five years. **Jennifer Ehlen**, who also lives in San Diego, and **Rita Devlin** served as bridesmaids. Also in attendance were **Jackie Bourne**, **Danielle Fenton**, **Kim Gallina**, **Lauren Linfante**, **Kristin Murphy Jaskolka**, **Tim Oleksy '94**, **Michele Sheehan** and **Kristen Dunker Williams**. The mini reunion was a blast for all! Unable to attend the wedding festivities were **Nicole Kropp Strand** and **Courtney Patton Manzel**, who were home with their newborn babies. Michelle is a senior account manager for Summit Performance Group, a corporate meeting, events and incentive travel company. They have no plans to leave San Diego. Email: mrussell@summitpg.com.

Andrew Leier received his Ph.D. in geology from the University of Arizona in December. His is continuing his studies at Princeton University at the post-doctorate level.

Amy Trump Armish writes that she and her husband, **Scott**, are doing well in sunny southern California. Amy left ConAgra Foods in Pennsylvania three years ago and has since been working as director food technology/quality assurance for Jenny Craig, Inc. Scott continues to "play with engines" of various types at work and at home. They share their lives with Bailey, an 11-year-old bulldog. Email: amy_armish@yahoo.com. — B.J.S.

Julie Crossley Willits MS and her husband, Steve, announce the birth of their first son, Tyler Michael, born on May 31 in State College, Pa.

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Mike and Natalia Macander Beardslee announce the arrival of their first child, Karolina Aleksandra, born on Oct. 10 in Reston, Va. She is a bundle of joy, and they just love being her parents. Natalia continues to work as a human resources manager with Raytheon Technical Services Company LLC. They live in Centreville, Va. If you would like to reconnect or start a playgroup in the northern Virginia area, please contact Natalia at nkm100375@yahoo.com.

Andrew and Maura Dormont Sieghart welcomed their first child on Nov. 30, a little girl named Liza. They reside in NYC.

Frank and Michelle Denney Grunseich announce the birth of their first child, Abigail Rosanna, on March 25. Michelle writes, "Abby is a wonderful blessing to our family!"

Ryan and Sarah Nellson Zollner announce the birth of their first child, Anna Kathryn, on April 23. The Zollners live in Pittsburgh where Ryan owns Professional Practice Solutions, Inc. and Sarah is a customer sales manager with H.J. Heinz. Email: szollner@gmail.com and rzollner@gmail.com.

Frederick Castro accepted a position with the office of the public defender in Pago Pago, American Samoa, after spending 18 months as an associate with the Austin, Texas firm of Ferraro, P.C. He also was the managing associate of Graham Woods, P.L., a Florida-based firm, in McAllen, Texas. He is moving to American Samoa with his wife of four years, Nicole. Once on the island, Fred can be reached at fredjcastro@hotmail.com. — S.B.

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Congratulations to **David and Erin Hemler Benoit**, who welcomed twins in Boston, Mass., on April 6. Andrew David and Megan Caroline were born 8 and 1 1/2 weeks premature, but mom and children are happy and healthy. Email: benoit_david@emc.com.

Andy Basney married Robin Levy on May 28 in Lindenhurst, Ill., Robin's hometown. They live in Norwood, Mass. Fellow Class of 1998 alumni in the wedding party were **Brian Vendig, Scott Silvester** and **Jon Kratz**. Email: abasney@norwood-light.com.

Jennifer and **Jason Junge** welcomed their second son, Carter Joseph, on May 4. They are living in Danville, Calif., near San Francisco. Email: jasonjunge@comcast.net.

After seven years at Goldman Sachs, **Bart Wyand** has moved to a hedge fund called Polygon as the portfolio manager for the European convertible bond and equity derivatives portfolio. He will remain in London for the foreseeable future and can be reached at bwyand@gmail.com. — H.M.L.

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Annsley Rosner became engaged to Greg Slawsky on May 20. Annsley works as an associate director of publicity for Penguin Group USA. The couple lives in NYC and Annsley can be reached at aerosner@yahoo.com.

Cindy Caputo married Jarret Robison on June 24 in Houston, Texas, where the couple met and lives. Cindy is working as a business developer for ConocoPhillips' clean coal power business. Bucknellians in attendance were Annsley Rosner, **Jeff and Michele Matura Meyer, Danielle Rodichok, Laura Renden Tirado, Kyra Leasure Turco** and **Kristen Zuber Duffy**. Cindy can be reached at caputocc@hotmail.com.

Jeff and Michele Meyer welcomed a daughter, Samantha Elizabeth, on March 30. The whole family is doing well and living in Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y. — J.Q.M.

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Jen Tibok married Kyle Potenta on April 23, 2005, in New Jersey. Bucknellians in attendance included **Marnie Yorke, Alex Kramm, Colleen Conyngham, Nikki Katz, Shelly Slotter, Jen Smardon Douville, Carolyn Yankowski Klimtzak, Summer Clark Hughes, Kate Wood** and **Michelle Laryea**. The couple honeymooned in St. Kitts and Nevis, and resides in Alpharetta, Ga., where Jen is completing her MBA at Emory University. Email: jentibok@yahoo.com.

Michael Sala got engaged to **Jennifer Mooney '01**, his girlfriend of six years, in December 2005 on a weekend trip to London. They live on the Upper West Side in NYC. Jen works for Morgan Stanley in public relations and Mickey works in business development for Sungard-Investran. The wedding will be held Nov. 18 in Philadelphia.

Lindsay Brown and **Matthew Perrin** were married Memorial Day weekend in a beautiful beach ceremony in the Turks and Caicos. Bucknellians in attendance were **Gigi Diaz, Susan Beshel** and **Sara Varni**. After a honeymoon in the Caribbean, they will reside in Charlestown, Mass. — M.C.E.

Jennifer Schmermund is part of the Bucknell dance faculty as a lecturer this year.

Elena Carlson Evans' essay, "My Little Comma," was selected for inclusion in the anthology *Twentysomething Essays by Twentysomething Writers: The Best New Voices of 2006*. Published by Random House, it was released in August.

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On April 2, **Pete Razukas** proposed to **Heather Napolitano** on the beach in St. Lucia. Both work in NYC; Heather at TIAA-CREF as a marketing project manager, and Pete as a financial analyst for New York Life Investment Management. They live in midtown Manhattan and plan to wed in Kennebunkport, Maine, on Aug. 25, 2007.

Eileen Kennedy got engaged to **Mark deVries** on May 12. They live in Philadelphia and have been together for the past three years. Eileen works for the Philadelphia PGA and Mark works for Ashbridge Investment Management. They will marry on May 5, 2007, in Villanova, Pa.

Jeffrey Kolokoff received his juris doctor degree, magna cum laude, from the Walter F. George School of Law at Mercer University in Macon, Ga. During law school he served as a member of the Mercer Law Review and vice chair of the Moot Court Board. After spending three years in the South he decided to head back to his hometown of Miami to study for the Florida Bar. He took the test in July and started work as an assistant state attorney in August. Jeffrey and his girlfriend joined **Fred Marotta '00** and his wife and **William Miller '00** in Atlanta for dinner. Will works for the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Jeffrey also keeps in touch with **David Kase '00, Jon and Erin Hirschbeck Mallonee, Eric Schoonmaker** (who just graduated from Seton Hall Law School and hopes to enter the Marine Corps J.A.G. program) and several other fellow Theta Chi brothers. He can be reached at jeffrey@kolokoff.com. — H.D.P.

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Bucknell World is searching for a class reporter for the Class of 2002. Please contact us if you are interested.

Mollie Martin married Patrick Dobbins on Oct. 22 in Fairfax, Calif. **Katy Zachry** was in the wedding party. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Jackie Flicker, Brandi Herman, Marjorie Mulhall** and **Rosemary Su**. Mollie completed graduate studies at the San Francisco Conservatory. They live in Fairfax and can be reached at amaliajude79@yahoo.com.

Greg Notz became engaged to Michaelyn Tinstman in May 2005. They are starting their fourth year of medical school at PCOM. The wedding will take place on Sept. 23 in State College, Pa.

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Mark '02 and I moved to the King of Prussia, Pa., area in July. I accepted a job in the Spring-Ford area school district, where I will be teaching 10th and 11th grade English.

Katie Kohn and **Andrew McLain '01** were married on May 6 in Sonoma, Calif. Bucknellians in attendance included **Brian Clydenny, Clay Slaughter, Eric**

Ruoff, Gretchen Flack, Danny Mitchell, Beth Van Epps, Adam Sgenci, Josh Ginsberg, Rick Albright, Fran Dimartino, Tibby Plasse, Nicole D'Aureli, Amanda Martin, Amanda Robie, Michele Lenzi, Bryan Blades, Matt Riggins and **Erika Staaf**.

Jennifer Butler and **Cornelius VanGinhoven '01** were married in Moorestown, N.J., in June. The bridal party included **Nicole Chabot** as maid of honor and **Kelly Renfrew** as a bridesmaid. Other Bucknellians in attendance included **Scott Kloss, G.M. Bell, John Richardson '02, Kelly Dzialo, Bill Anderson '04, Erin Wilson '04, Jennifer Leyton** and **Brian McIntyre '01**. The couple honeymooned in Napa Valley and Maui and live in Moorestown.

Alyson Steckbeck writes: "I just finished my first year of law school at Seton Hall, while I continue to work for Bristol-Myers Squibb. In May I attended a bocce-palooza hosted by **Bill** and **Meredith Shreiner Roark '02** with **Mike Roberg**. I also had a fabulous time on vacation in Miami over Memorial Day, where we spent time partying with **Gonzo Diaz**. I look forward to spending the summer relaxing at the Jersey shore with **Lynne Ashenfelter '04**. Congratulations to **Ronni Ginsberg** who graduated from Hofstra Law School in May and **Ryan Frigm** who received his master's degree in some really hard engineering major." Email: alyson.steckbeck@bms.com.

Chris Feintheil writes: "I was promoted to head coach of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA swim team in New Jersey and I am seeing the program grow stronger each day. The team attended the YMCA national meet with 21 qualifiers, most in program history, and the meet was highlighted by a top 10 finish in the men's 400 medley relay and having one of our athletes place top five nationally in three individual events."

Cara Anderson completed her 10 months of service with Americorps in Boston in June, then headed to Camp Mechuwana as waterfront director. In September, she will head to France as an English teaching assistant through at least April. She extends an open invitation to whoever wants to come visit.

Kaitlyn Brokaw offers her congratulations to **Amanda Robie** who was accepted to the Boston Conservatory to study vocal performance. Kaitlyn writes: "We will miss her dearly in the D.C. area but I'm sure she'll be back for many solo performances at the Kennedy Center!"

Meredith Gill Provencher writes: "I got married on April 22 to Richard Provencher in Maryland. **Nicole Chabot** was a bridesmaid, and it was great to catch up with a bunch of my Bucknell friends."

Jaynemie Angbah has completed a two-year teaching fellowship with Citizen Schools as well as her master's in education: curriculum and instruction from Lesley University. She will be beginning the Risk and Prevention Ed.M. program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education in the fall.

Thad Miller will be attending Arizona State University for his Ph.D. in sustainability.

Brooke Sopelsa started a new job at CNBC at the end of June.

Jaime Liberto is engaged to Stephen Balenoon. They are planning a wedding for sometime next June in Pittsburgh. They bought a house and have been very busy with that, but they are hoping to start wedding planning soon.

William Roark writes: "William and **Meredith Roark '02** would like to congratulate everyone who participated in the 2006 Bocce Tournament in Bryn Mawr, Pa. Those in attendance included **Michael Roberg, Steve Schwanhauser, Michael Harrigan '04, Zeryai Hagos, Katie Peters '02, Tracy Nestroa '02, Jared Schwarz '04** and a handful of others. Special recognition should be given to **Steve Schwanhauser** and **Michael Harrigan** who led their respective teams to the finals before the event had to be called on account of rain. Congratulations are also in order for **Michael Roberg** for once

again competing valiantly in this year's Main Line Hot Dog Eating Contest. Michael ate an impressive 14 hot dogs (two more than last year) but was once again one-upped by the gastronomical prowess of another. Mike vows to compete again next year."

Christine Charles writes: "I live in Hoboken, N.J., and have been accepted to the NYU nursing program. I just returned from my annual trip with my girls, **Alyson Steckbeck, Michelle Beardslee, Morgan Paige** and **Sara Figoski**. We spent eight days in South Beach, where we had a fabulous time. We enjoyed Hip Hop weekend, which was held on Memorial Day weekend in Miami. We were able to spend a day on the owner of Perry Ellis' boat where we felt like queens for a day. Hopefully we will continue to have trips like this one!" Email: whalechuck@aol.com.

Scott Solomon reports that **Hilton Head** played host to a Class of '03 Sig Ep reunion of sorts in May. "A week of beach, golf, and bocce was a great way to catch up with our brothers and friends. Attendees included **Brian Lowe, Nick Rhodin, Keith Jennings, Jamie Clouser, Jeff Dasch, Becky King '02, Heather Kornack '05** and some especially lucky non-Bucknellians. Extra thanks goes out to **Brian Lowe** for another great trip and we all look forward to heading back to the beach in 2007."

Greg Kasi was married in August 2005 in Florida. He and his wife live in Orlando and he works at Lockheed Martin.

Elisabeth Hulette and **Jessica Milliser** write, "After five months out of the States, we're finally at the end of our working holiday in Australia. We arrived in Melbourne in February just in time to see the start of the Commonwealth Games, visited Tasmania and worked our way south to Perth and then north to Darwin before flying out of Sydney. We found the Aussies convivial, the landscapes spectacular and the wildlife in equal parts cuddly and lethal. Oh, and we stopped over in Fiji on the way."

Grace Annis writes, "I had a great weekend at Bucknell April 28-30. I met up with a bunch of friends from the Class of 2002, including **Krista Reisdorf, Donna Brennan, Nicole Sizgorich, Hillary DePiano** and **Steve Pinciotti**, for Chrysalis. Also there enjoying the musical stylings of Kool and the Gang were **Alyson Walker '04** and **Matt Gabler '06**, and we ran into **Steve Schaefer '04**. Chrysalis was a blast, and we hope to make it a yearly tradition! On Saturday morning we all met up for breakfast and then went downtown for the arts festival. Afterwards, we took a walk around campus and my boyfriend, Shawn, took some gorgeous engagement photos for **Hillary** and **Steve** up on the quad (their wedding is in September). That night we hit BJ's in Danville for some BBQ and then hung out downtown at the Highlands Pub catching up and reminiscing. And no trip to Bucknell would be complete without a trip to the Freez, where I took Shawn on Sunday before we headed back to Connecticut. It was a wonderful weekend, good times were had by all and the weather was perfect! I was so glad we were all able to see each other and Bucknell at springtime."

Laura Day married Ben Rottenborn, a classmate from Stanford Law School, on May 28 outside of Buffalo, N.Y. **Rachel Kroger Krauskopf, Ashley Yarrington McKee** and **Jeffrey Day '06** were in the wedding party. Also in attendance were **Sarah McCaughey, Gary** and **Maryann Brandt Weinstein '73, Judy** and **Rick Schiller '73, Shannan** and **Thomas Myers '73** and **Roger Keyser '75**. They are living in Phoenix, Ariz., where they work for the federal government. They would love to hear from you at laura.rottenborn@gmail.com.

Michelle McCotter is moving to southern Los Angeles for a two-year volunteer internship in urban poor ministry with Servant Partners (www.servantpartners.org). She began a position as a full-time computer programmer for Children's Hospital of Los Angeles. The programming position will cover the cost of living in LA for the SP internship, which begins in

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September with a two-week trip to the Philippines. — P.N.J.

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The James Madison University Center for Sports Sponsorship presented **Brad Foust**, a graduate student at JMU, the first annual Bill France Sr. Award for excellence in motorsports marketing. He researched the sponsorship of NASCAR and demonstrated how NASCAR deserves academic recognition for its unique sponsorship opportunities.

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Griffin Brungraber lives with **Caesara Wendin '04** in San Diego and attends graduate school at the University of California—San Diego. They dined and partied with **Oshan Wickramanayake**.

Kyle Goodwin started a new job with LAN Associates, located in Midland Park, N.J., so he can pursue his P.E. license.

Bucknellians seem to be having a lot of fun in Hoboken, N.J.! **Wil Fang** writes, "I just moved in with **Eric Augustyn '06** and **Kellan Ilse** in Hoboken. I'm still working at Polo Ralph Lauren in Manhattan. There are about 20 Sig Eps ranging from Class of '03 through '06 living in Hoboken, so I frequently see **Devin Cooch**, **Jamie Clouser '03**, **Pierre Hernando**, **Doug Louro**, **Brandon Lingle** and **Blair Holland '04**. We are all on a Hoboken League basketball team, and we go out together on the weekends either in town or into Manhattan. A few of us from '05 went back for Bucknell graduation, since we're still close to a lot of our friends there, many of whom will be moving into the New York metro area this summer. The Bucknell alumni network in the city is growing, so this summer should be a great time." And **Pierre** wrote in to say he lives in Hoboken with **Jeff Thomson '04** and **Ben Barrett '04**. He works as an auditor for PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Chris Malone started Tulane Medical School in August and lives in New Orleans.

Aaron Young will attend the University of Pittsburgh's graduate school

for public and international affairs, majoring in security and intelligence studies. He moved to the city in August.

Ashley Whittredge moved to El Salvador with her fiancé, Jose Carlos Zablah. Her new contact information is Edificio Terranova #B43, Avenida la Capilla, Colonia San Benito, San Salvador, El Salvador. Phone: 011-503-2211-2562.

Kate Ricciardelli was sent to London by her company, to lead her New York group's counterpart team for at least two years. Fellow Bucknellians **Michelle Hammersley**, **Jessica Brimhall**, **Jacqueline Leahy**, **Alex Far** and **Marijana Matura** all wished her good luck at a bon voyage party.

Maggie Rutherford continues to work for Cook Medical, Inc. and absolutely loves it. She was promoted to district manager of medical device sales in March and lives in Orlando, Fla. Any Bucknell friends are welcome to visit and get some sun.

Greg Yankee writes, "I returned from a trip to visit my friend **Sara Close** in Colorado. She lives just outside of Rocky Mountain National Park. In addition to hanging out in Boulder and Estes Park, we hiked every day that I was there. It was a nice way to celebrate finishing (finally!) my first year of law school at the University of Michigan. I'm working this summer for a local legal services office, focusing on fair housing and government benefits issues. If anyone is ever in Ann Arbor, feel free to get in touch with me at gregyankee@gmail.com."

Eileen Ketterer writes, "Memorial Day weekend, **Larissa Brown** and **Duff Weber** held an engagement party in NYC. In attendance were **Amy Wollish '06**, **John Siwicki**, **Carolyn Pacala**, **Amy Hong**, **Erin Morsheimer**, **Jamie Rosen**, **Chase Carpenter '04**, **Cody Keffer** and myself."

Laurie Seeley got engaged to **Nick Carrozzino '04** in March. He proposed to her on the steps of the Philadelphia Art Museum, and they are planning an August 2007 wedding.

Charles Mitchell writes, "On April 11, at sunset (of course), whilst I was on one knee, my best friend, **Charissa Reimer**, agreed to spend the rest of her life with me. I rather liked that decision, so I instantly gave her the sweetest engagement ring the world has ever known. We will be married this fall in Lancaster County, Pa. The bridal party will include **Adam Hersperger** (best man), **Dawn Meling '06** (maid of honor), **Emily Frost** (bridesmaid who "knew" it was going to happen) and **Mike Boland '03** (groomsman who helped me pick The Diamond). Folks can find all sorts of fun info at www.charlesandcharissa.com." — M.D.

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Bucknell World welcomes Julia Sargeant as the 2006 class reporter.

In Memoriam

30 Virginia Hall M'35, Middletown, N.Y., on March 27. She was a member of Pi Mu Epsilon mathematics honorary. She started her career in teaching, then worked in defense plants during WWII and finally spent 25 years as an underwriter for the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co. She is survived by several cousins.

Geraldine Spurr M'38, Lewisburg, Pa., on March 7. She was a career educator and retired from the Milton schools in 1973 as administrator of pupil personnel services. That year, she received the Citizen of the Year Award from the Milton *Evening Standard*. Her brother **Charles '35** preceded her in death. She is survived by a sister, a brother, **George '42**, and several nieces and nephews.

32 Frances Davison Dawson, Pleasanton, Calif., on March 31. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority. Her two sons survive.

34 Marie Peters Nikodem, Clifton, N.J., on Feb. 20. She was a member of Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity and Phi Mu sorority. She was a business teacher and then an executive secretary for Clifton Metal Products for 25 years. Her husband, **Walter '34**, preceded her in death.

37 Beverly Jones Henderson, Orange City, Fla., on Dec. 28, 2005. She was involved in Cap and Dagger and *L'Agenda*. She spent many years as a high school English teacher, retiring in 1987. She was a former columnist for the *Trentonian* (N.J.). Her son, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren survive.

39 Lewis Coren, Horsham, Pa., on March 11. He was involved in student government at Bucknell. He served in the Army during WWII, earned his law degree from Temple University and spent several years in private law practice. His wife, Ann, predeceased him; his daughter, Myra, two sisters and a brother survive.

40 Spencer Reitz, Vero Beach, Fla., on July 3, 2005. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity. He later earned a bachelor's from the University of Michigan and a master's from MIT. He retired from the Navy after 28 years of service with the rank of captain and later worked for General Dynamics.

41 Clara Alston Wagner, Newark, N.J., on April 5. She was involved in Cap and Dagger, Chorale, Concern and Action, student government and Pi Beta Phi sorority. She earned her master's from Glassboro State College and taught for 21 years. She is survived by Walter, her husband of 56 years, sons **Walter Jr. '76** and John, a brother and four grandchildren.

42 Daniel Collinson, Virginia Beach, Va., on March 13. He was a member of Kappa Delta Rho. He earned his doctorate from Jefferson Medical College and served as a captain in the Army Medical Corps during WWII. Helen, his wife of 53 years, preceded him in death, as did a daughter and four siblings. Four children, including **Daniel '75**, **Helen '75** and **Dana '69**, and 10 grandchildren survive. **Frederick Fahringer Jr.**, San Marcos, Texas, on March 26. He joined

Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and played on the Bison football and basketball teams until his senior year, when he joined the Air Force to serve in WWII. He retired as a command pilot in 1971, then completed his bachelor's, as well as a master's. He was a lecturer at Southwest Texas State University for 25 years while maintaining a private practice. A daughter and a brother preceded him in death. Catherine, his wife of 62 years, a son, a sister, a brother and a cousin, **Robert '59**, survive.

43 Nancy Sherrer Rothfuss, Petersburg, Va., on Jan. 8. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. Her husband, Charles, preceded her in death. Three daughters and three grandchildren survive.

44 Frank Mendes III, Glendale Springs, N.C., on April 3. He played football, soccer and basketball and was involved in Concern and Action and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, of which he was president. He served in the Navy during WWII, then worked for New Jersey Bell and the DuPont Co. He is survived by his wife, **Ruth Smith Mendes '44**, two children and a grandson.

46 Marion Ganard Crossland, Wilmington, Del., on March 12. She spent several years teaching in the Middletown, Del., schools and later as a sales clerk at Pomeroy's. She is survived by Howard, her husband of 57 years; two children; five grandchildren and a brother.

Barbara Jones Laughland, Bedford, Mass., on May 24. She was involved in student government. She published a poetry collection, *Moments of Grace*, in 2003. She is survived by her husband, Arthur, three children, three stepchildren, three grandchildren and five step-grandchildren.

Virginia Talley Carlson, Jacksonville, Fla., on April 9. She completed her degree at Illinois College of Applied Science. Her husband of 53 years, William, predeceased her, as did their son, Craig. Her two daughters, four grandchildren and sister survive.

48 Anne Bailey Messersmith, Lancaster, Pa., on April 11. She was a member of Alpha Lambda Delta honorary and Kappa Delta sorority. Her husband, **David '48**, preceded her in death, as did their son, Andrew. Two sons, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild survive.

49 William Davenport Jr., Sparta, N.J., on Feb. 28. He served in the Navy during WWII, starting his printing career as a lithographer on the carrier *Shangri-La*. After the war, he came to Bucknell, where he was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity. He spent 40 years as a marketing manager for Photo Product Printing Systems with DuPont and Co. He was named Man of the Year by the Printing Teachers Guild of New York in 1982. His wife, Joan; brother, **James '50**; stepdaughter, two step-grandchildren, niece and two nephews survive.

Robert Folk, McClure, Pa., on April 14. He served in the Army during WWII and later became a marketing executive for Kaiser Aluminum. In 1959, he went into real estate in California, retiring in 1982. He is survived by his wife, Florine, two children, five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and a sister.

Finley Keech, Fall River, Mass., on Sept. 24, 2005. He earned degrees from Drew University and Andover Newton Theological Schools and served as a pastor for 50 years. He and his wife, **Catherine Lepsch Keech '47**, who survives, established the Keech Family Scholarship in 1999 to honor his late father **Finley '22**, mother **Mary Elizabeth Peifer Keech '24** and uncle **George Jr. '15**. His two children and two brothers also survive. **Donald Mitchell M'50**, Venice, Fla., on

March 10. He was a member of Pi Sigma Alpha political science honorary. He served in the Army in WWII and spent 40 years working at General Electric. He is survived by three children, two grandchildren, and a nephew, **Sheldon Jones '64**.

50 Mary Ann Shimer Mauger, Moscow, Pa., on March 2. She was involved in *The Bucknellian*, Christian Fellowship, the swim team and Pi Beta Phi sorority. Her parents, **Harold '21** and **Helen Beck Shimer '21**, and brother, **Robert Shimer '48**, preceded her in death. **K. Frederick Mauger '53**, her husband of 55 years, survives, as do three children, seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Amy Miers Odell, Erie, Pa., on March 20. She was involved in Cap and Dagger, Concern and Action, French Club, Pi Mu Epsilon math honorary and Delta Delta Delta sorority. Survivors include **John '50**, her husband of 54 years; two children, three grandchildren, including **Andrew Potts '06**, and a sister.

51 Randall Bartges, Danville, Pa., on Feb. 23. He served in the Navy during the Korean War and also traveled with the Navy Glee Club. He worked for Merck for 39 years, retiring in 1990. He is survived by May Louise, his wife of 55 years, three children, seven grandchildren and a sister.

52 Howard Cottingham, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., on Sept. 29, 2005. He was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

Robert Hoffman Jr., Primos, Pa., on May 10. He was involved in *The Bucknellian*, Chorale, Interfraternity Council and Kappa Sigma fraternity. He served in the Marines before coming to Bucknell. He worked for Bethlehem Steel Corp. for 30 years, retiring in 1982. He is survived by his wife, Terri, four children and nine grandchildren.

John "Bob" Klingman, Deming, N.M., on Dec. 17, 2005. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity. He served in the Navy during the Korean War, then spent several years as a radio operator in the Merchant Marines.

Martin Skavish Jr., Valencia, Pa., on Feb. 22. He was a member of the band and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He earned his master's from the University of Pittsburgh and worked for Mellon Financial Services as an investment banker. His mother, **Jean Flanagan Skavish '19**, preceded him in death, as did his father. His wife, Nancy, three children and two grandchildren survive.

Gerald Smallwood MS, Williamsport, Pa., on Feb. 28. He served in the Army during WWII, earning a Bronze Star. He earned his bachelor's from Muhlenberg College. He taught in the Selinsgrove school district, then went into private industry with the General Electric Co. He is survived by Mary, his wife of 60 years, three children and seven grandchildren.

53 Albert "Bud" Bone Jr., Cape Coral, Fla., on Aug. 27, 2005. He was a member of Phi Lambda Theta fraternity. He served in the Army in Korea and went on to work as a senior engineer for Johnson and Johnson. His wife, Ruth, survives.

54 Dean Gruder, New Orleans, La., on March 5. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta and a member of *L'Agenda*. He served in the Navy during the Korean War, then had a varied career in banking, real estate, retail and advertising, and insurance. He is survived by his wife, Ruth, daughter **Elizabeth '79**, son Robert, sister Yvonne and three grandchildren.

55 Edward Adams, Baltimore, Md., on July 18, 2005. He played football and was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha.

He completed his degree at the University of South Carolina and was an accounting manager for Apple Ford. His wife, Greta, preceded him in death. His three children, 11 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and two sisters survive.

Lucille Smith Ammenheuser, Rochester, N.Y., on July 29, 2005. She was involved in *The Bucknellian*, *L'Agenda*, band, Christian Fellowship and Concern and Action. She is survived by three children, a granddaughter and two siblings.

Wayne Hartman MA, Spring Lake Heights, N.J., on March 25. He served in the Army in Tunisia and Italy from 1942-45 and achieved the highest NCO rank of sergeant major. After the war, he received his bachelor's from Ursinus College and, after completing his master's, taught at several high schools. After his 1980 retirement, he continued to lecture at local libraries. He is survived by six children, including **Andrew '71**, and nine grandchildren.

57 Chester Molley MA, Shavertown, Pa., on April 13. He earned his bachelor's from Wilkes University and doctorate from Penn State. He served in the Army during WWII as an intelligence reconnaissance scout and was awarded the Purple Heart. He taught in the Dallas (Pa.) school system, at Wilkes and at the State Correctional Institution in the adult education department. He played in the Yankees farm system before entering the service, and afterward, played semi-professionally for the Honey Pot Pirates, managed by his brother-in-law. He and his wife, Margaret, celebrated 50 years of marriage before her passing in 1996. He is survived by several siblings-in-law and nieces and nephews.

John Rotelle Sr., Lower Gwynedd, Pa., on April 1. He was on the football, wrestling and track teams, played intramurals and was a member of Phi Gamma Delta. After graduation, he joined the family business Rotelle Inc., a frozen food distributor. His first wife, **Dolores Penza Rotelle '56**, preceded him in death; his wife, Nancy, three children, six grandchildren and a brother survive.

58 Donald Slavin, Drexel Hill, Pa., on Feb. 5. He was a member of the American Chemical Society, Concern and Action, and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He worked as a chemist and executive for Sadtler Research Labs in Philadelphia, then joined the faculty of Community College of Philadelphia, where he won awards for his teaching and led the chemistry department to top five status among two-year schools as determined by the American Chemical Society. He is survived by his wife, Janet, two sons and five grandchildren.

61 Clyde Miller MS, Millersburg, Pa., on March 2. He earned his bachelor's from Mansfield State College and had a career in education, serving as a teacher, coach, guidance counselor and principal. He was an Army veteran of the Korean War. He was inducted into the Shamokin chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame in honor of his football coaching career. He is survived by his wife, three children and six grandchildren.

62 William Danneberg Jr., Rock Hall, Md., on April 8. He was a member of *The Bucknellian*, Delta Phi Alpha German honorary and Theta Chi fraternity. He spent more than 20 years as vice president of public affairs with the Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association. He is survived by his wife, Louise, daughter **Elizabeth Flaim '92**, son William III and two grandchildren.

Robert Raker, Warrington, Pa., on Dec. 17, 2005. He was involved in student government. His father, **Ned '31**, and uncle, **John '37**, preceded him in death. His wife of 41 years, Louise, survives, as do two children and a sister.

64 Joan Keenan Sofield, Indialantic, Fla., on Feb. 28. She was involved in Concern and Action, Christian Fellowship and student government. She taught for several years until she became a mother. She is survived by four children, three grandchildren and a sister, **Elizabeth Neary Sholl '67**.

70 Clayton VanBuskirk, Millerstown, Pa., on Feb. 27. He worked for the Pennsylvania Game Commission for 27 years as a wildlife conservation officer, land management supervisor and director of the Bureau of Land Management. He won several awards for his conservation work. His wife, **Christina '70**, daughters **Betsy '93** and **Katherine Oliver '91**, three grandchildren, mother, brothers **Max '53** and **William '77** and two sisters survive.

72 David Shaffer M'76, Harrisburg, Pa., on Feb. 20. He was a member of the Resident Hall Association and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He worked for the former AMP, Inc., for most of his career, retiring as development engineering manager of aerospace and government systems. He is survived by his wife, Jill, son and grandson.

82 Maria Panagakos Nolan, New York, N.Y., on April 7, 2005. She earned her master's in international business and worked for several banks and corporations, lastly Dane Rauscher. She is survived by her husband, Jack, parents and sister.

Faculty, Staff and Friends

Lester Kieft, professor of chemistry, in Lewisburg, Pa., on April 16. He received his bachelor's from Hope College and his master's and Ph.D. in chemistry from what was then the Pennsylvania State College. He came to Bucknell in 1942, became an associate professor in 1946, and was promoted to full professor in 1947. He retired in 1981 after almost 40 years of service. His specialty was analytical chemistry, but he was especially known for his adminis-

trative and organizational skills and his interest in the life of Joseph Priestley and the Joseph Priestley House. He chaired the department of chemistry from 1946-70 and for one year, from 1969-70, he was acting provost. He was also the secretary of the faculty for more than a decade. In 1977, he received the Distinguished Service Award (Man of the Year) from the Lewisburg Junior Chamber of Commerce for his work as president of the United Fund, service to the Boy Scouts, and tenure as president of the Lions Eye Research Fund. He received the Harriman Award in 1978 in recognition of his significant contributions to the intellectual and cultural life of Bucknell and the neighboring community. In 2002, he received the first annual Joseph Priestley Service Award, sponsored by the Susquehanna Valley Section of the American Chemical Society. His wife, Norma, preceded him in death in 2001.

Allen Flock, Lewisburg, on April 23. He attended Susquehanna University for three years before entering the Army. He played first trumpet in the Air Corps Band, where he was promoted to sergeant. After his service, he graduated from Susquehanna in 1947. He received his master of arts degree from Columbia University and did advanced graduate study at the Sacred School of Music at Union Theological Seminary, Juilliard School of Music, Stanford University and the University of Indiana with Robert Shaw. He was a member of Susquehanna's music faculty until 1950, then accepted a similar position at Bucknell, where he retired as a full professor in 1985. While at Bucknell, he was director of the Bison Band and University Chorale. The Bucknell Wind Ensemble and University Chorale played for a national meeting of M.E.N.C. and performed such works as Berlioz *Requiem*, Honnegger's *King David*, Persichetti's *Celebration* and Buckner's *E minor Mass*. In addition to extended tours each year, the chorale and instrumentalists from the band performed and carried out academic programs in Europe and Hawaii. On April 24, 1999, the Association for the Arts honored him for his artistic achievement while at Bucknell. Survivors include his wife, Jo, two children, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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AN EVENING IN STOCKHOLM

JOHN G. CARLSON '73

MY SISTER SAT NEXT TO THE KING, and my wife looked like a queen. Reality felt surreal — our family attending the Nobel Prize festivities in Stockholm.

Last October, an early morning phone call from Sweden alerted my brother-in-law Richard Schrock that he had been selected to receive the 2005 Nobel Prize in Chemistry. In the excitement that ensued, I could hardly imagine the celebrations to follow two months later, in December 2005, let alone think of our family in attendance. After waking up to the news, I merely watched Richard and his wife, my sister Nancy, grace the television and newspapers, receiving a great deal of media attention in our academically oriented community of Greater Boston.

Richard, Frederick G. Keyes Professor of Chemistry at MIT, shared the award for his work in developing the metathesis method of organic synthesis. In simple terms, he made molecules change partners as they danced — an action replicated by professional dancers at the beginning of Stockholm's Nobel Week to explain the scientific process to guests through more visual descriptions.

As we prepared for a Scandinavian winter and Nobel festivities, I realized it was the first time all five of the Carlson siblings had spent an extended period of time together since we were children. Though we gather frequently as a family, we could never have imagined more auspicious circumstances and how much fun we would have together in the land of our heritage.

I knew Mom and Dad watched over us with pride, as my sister Nancy and her husband, Richard, now a Nobel laureate, were feted by the Nobel Committees of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, an assembly of previous recipients, academics, diplomats, the Swedish people, and what our guide told us were 200 million observers watching the ceremonies worldwide.

While we clearly recognized the scale of Richard's successes and achievements, I didn't fully appreciate their magnitude until our first day in Stockholm when we walked into the front hall of the Nobel Museum and saw Richard's photo on an exhibit underlain with an account of his accomplishments. It was then it finally hit that he was in the company of the likes of Marie Curie and Albert Einstein.



John G. '73, Nuala, and Sean Carlson

As someone who has operated for 30 years in businesses, I saw parallels in successes. Nobel Prize winners take being academics to another level; they are part researchers, part intellectual-property creators, part team leaders, part fundraisers, part authors, part entrepreneurs, and part marketing experts. The processes employed by each winner seemed to exceed those used by even the most successful companies.

But the academic discussions had their place, and Nobel Week involved wonderful food and drink and entertainment with the other "Nobel families" and among our own Carlson family — well-received, partly on account of our Swedish surname. As our father's parents had emigrated from there, we met our Swedish relatives who reveled in their celebrity by affiliation.

The awards night itself was most inspiring. As my wife, Nuala, and I were seated in the front rows from the stage, we watched with my brothers and sisters as Richard accepted his Nobel Prize from the hands of Sweden's King Carl XVI Gustaf, bowed to his fellow laureates and then to the audience, most directly to his wife, my sister.

The beauty of the moment segued into the best party of my life, a black-tie affair from banquet to gala ball, with exquisite singing, dancing with my beautiful wife, sipping fine wines, and dining on carved slivers of reindeer meat, though somehow my Swedish blood could not recalibrate to its ethnic roots when it came to some of the food choices. Richard escorted the 23-year-old Princess Madeleine, and their photos adorned the pages of Sweden's tabloids the following morning. Not surprisingly, Richard's achievements took a distant second place to more important details, such as the princess's dress choice.

On our last morning, we gathered in the lobby of our five-star Grand Hotel, which claims the Dalai Lama, Winston Churchill, Ernest Hemingway, and Nelson Mandela among its previous guests. Our family enjoyed one last brunch together, and we each tried to put in perspective the experiences of our time in Stockholm. All that came to my mind was that we had been living a dream.

When I met Richard at Logan Airport in Boston one week later, on his return from Sweden, he greeted me in jest: "Hi John. Where's my chauffeur?"

"Richard," I said, "it's time to get back to reality."

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