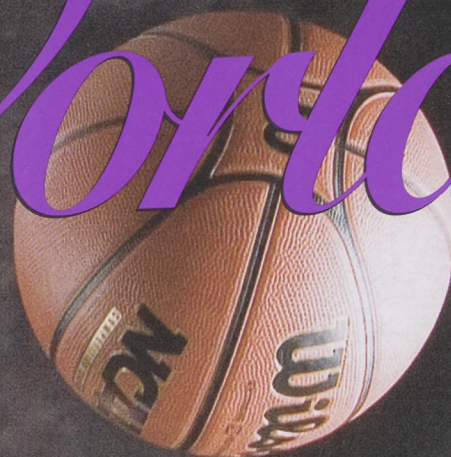
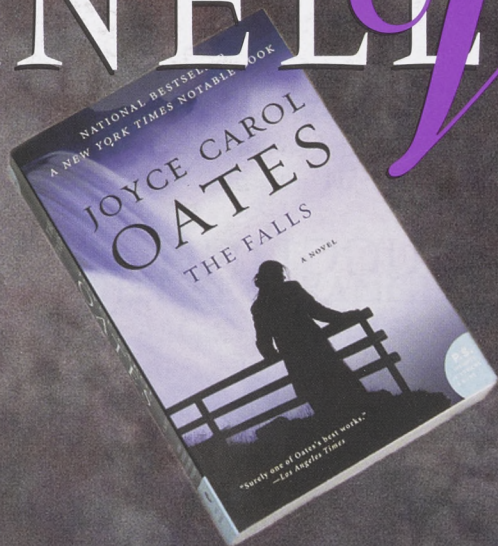


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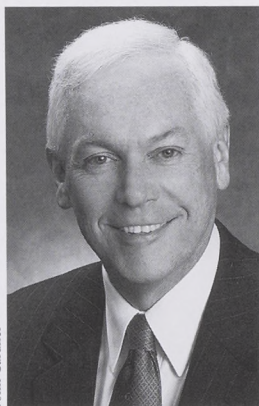


BUCKNELL STUDENTS DO IT ALL

President's Message

BUCKNELLIAN JUGGLING

BRIAN C. MITCHELL



John Gardner

You have to be careful about asking a Bucknell student what he or she does here.

Consider Zorro Sanchez '07. Where does he begin answering the question? He is pursuing a double major in mathematics and education with a minor in Japanese. He is

on the juggling club (that's him on the cover). He founded a student martial arts group. He is a fraternity alumnus. He plays on the rugby club team. He has traveled with Hillel to Russia, Peru, the Czech Republic, and Poland. Plus, when he graduates in May, he will be the first person in his family to earn a college degree.

So what might Zorro say when asked, "What does Bucknell mean to you?" We decided to ask a few of today's students that question.

Their answers may inspire you. They may even exhaust you. Among them, the nine students profiled in this edition have 14 majors and 5 minors, have participated in 65 co-curricular or extracurricular activities — four of which they founded — and have traveled to 15 countries. The fact is, though, the impressive achievements and inspiring dreams of these students so typify the classic Bucknell student, they could be called Bucknellian in character.

A Big Menu I am constantly impressed when I talk to alumni about their years at Bucknell. In a flash, they can rattle off memories of remarkable breadth — a faculty member who changed their life, a travel experience they've never forgotten, friendships formed in a club or Greek organization or Division I sport that have lasted across time and distance.

Hearing these kinds of stories leaves an impression, because a Bucknell education ought to impact our students' lives in countless positive ways. With more than 50 majors, 60 minors, and 200 co-curricular and extracurricular programs, Bucknell

offers a menu of learning opportunities unmatched by any liberal arts university. For decades, enrollment has remained at approximately 3,500 students, making Bucknell the largest liberal arts university in the country. Yet, the faculty-to-student ratio still remains at 11:1. Students of today, like the alumni before them, know well the special blend of breadth and intimacy offered here.

Global Connections As our featured students make clear, today's students are taking full advantage of Bucknell's rich offerings. They are leading service, cultural, and athletic organizations. They are meeting new friends who join them at Bucknell from nearly every U.S. state and more than 50 countries. They are selecting from wonderful opportunities to study abroad, as nearly 40 percent of our students do, one of the highest rates of any university in the country. When *The Plan for Bucknell* declares the University's intent to build bridges between Bucknell and the world, we are, in fact, following the ambitions of our students.

Good Choices The rigorousness of admittance into Bucknell helps explain our students' familiar capacity to excel simultaneously in many different areas. This year's 915 incoming students, for example, were chosen from among more than 9,021 applicants. Yes, they had superb academic credentials. That is a given. In fact, 80 percent had the academic backgrounds to be admitted to Bucknell. The middle 50 percent of the Class of 2010 had SAT scores ranging from 1270 to 1460.

Since this is Bucknell, though, we also look for applicants who show not simply that they will do well here, but also that they will thrive — because that is what a typical Bucknell student does. Just ask the students in this issue of *Bucknell World*. They make Bucknell proud, exemplifying the kind of students Bucknell has always sought: individuals determined to succeed no matter what they do, and in all they do — which, because this is Bucknell, can be everything a student wants.

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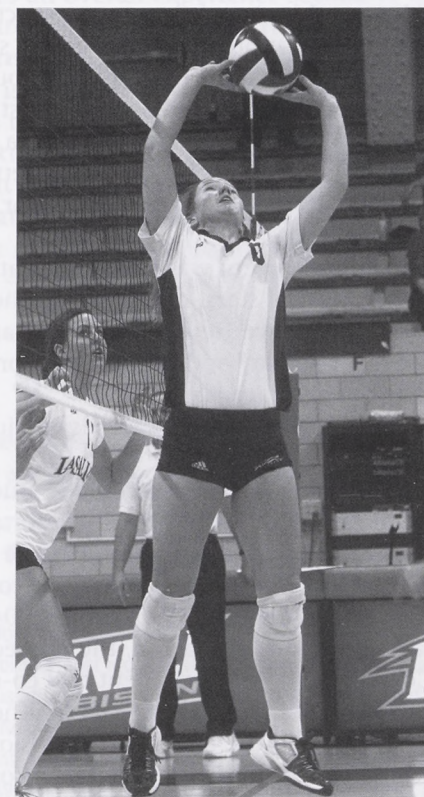
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CREATING WINNERS

Bucknell's women's volleyball teams have won four Patriot League titles and earned 13 winning seasons in the past 14 years.

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BUCKNELL Express

Museum of Television & Radio Honors Les Moonves

MELINA KANAKAREDES, CO-STAR OF *CSI: NY*, called Les Moonves '71 one of the "most talented men in Hollywood" on Oct. 30, 2006, at the Museum of Television & Radio's annual gala in Los Angeles. Moonves, the president and chief executive officer of CBS Corporation, is best known for making CBS the most watched network on television, with series like *CSI*, *Survivor*, the Emmy Award-winning *The Amazing Race*, and other popular programs.

Moonves was recognized and honored for his outstanding contributions to the television industry, along with Jerry Bruckheimer, creator of the *CSI* series, *Cold Case*, *Without a Trace*, *Close to Home*, and many other television series and movies, including *Armageddon*, *Pearl Harbor*, and *Remember the Titans*.

In announcing this year's honorees, Pat Mitchell, president of the Museum of Television & Radio, said, "Leslie [Moonves] is one of the most respected executives in the entertainment business. His success speaks to his personal integrity, innovative thinking, and business acumen."

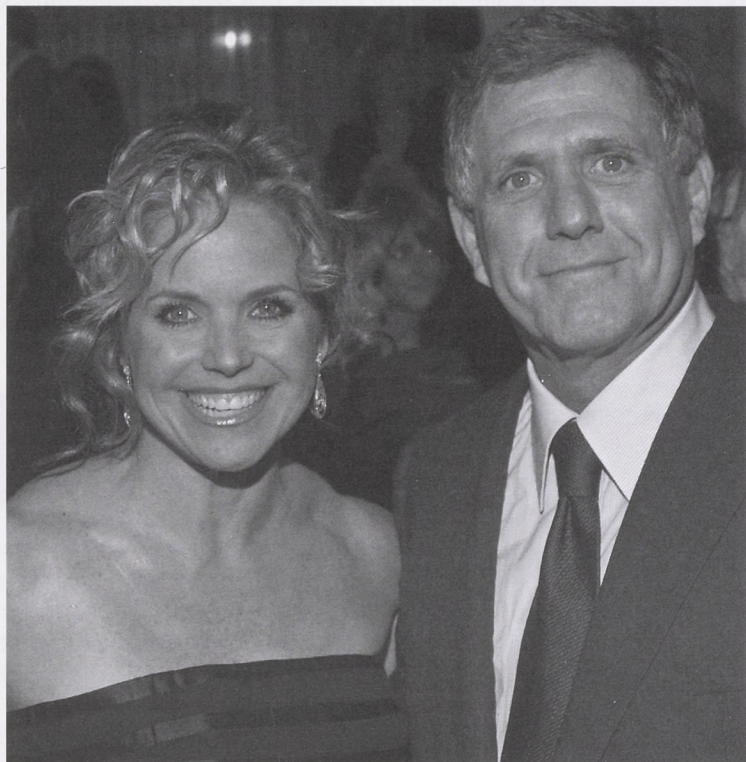
Moonves joins a star-studded list of the museum's previous honorees, including Alan Alda, Julie Andrews, David Brinkley, Tom Brokaw, Carol Burnett, Sid Caesar, Merv Griffin, Mary Tyler Moore, Jack Paar, Dan Rather, and Barbara Walters.

The gala event was hosted by Katie Couric and attended by an A-list of stars, ranging from the newly famous, such as Jennifer Love Hewitt and Jonathan Togo, to long-established Broadway and Hollywood icons such as James Woods and Mary Hart.

Said Hart, "Les Moonves is not just a good guy. He's a great guy."

When Moonves first came to Bucknell in 1967, he had no intention of going into the entertainment industry. A former actor, Moonves served as the president of Warner Brothers Television before moving to CBS Entertainment, also as president, in 1995. From 2004 until 2005, he oversaw operations at Viacom, the predecessor of CBS Corporation, as co-president and co-chief operating officer.

Moonves joked at the gala that he is "the most fortunate failed actor in the history of television," and he certainly will affect the history of the television industry for years to come. In a Sept. 4, 2006 article, the London *Guardian* praised Moonves' keen instincts for picking winners and credited him with launching the career of George Clooney, perfectly casting the wildly popular sitcom *Friends*, and creating some of the most successful television series in America. According to the article, Moonves is "one of the most powerful figures in American TV."



Katie Couric and Les Moonves

After receiving the museum's award, Moonves told *Bucknell World* via an email, "When you're pre-med at Bucknell, and about to change your major to Spanish, there are lots of things going through your mind, and being honored by the Museum of Television & Radio is not one of them. Nor was running a company like CBS, but that's the beauty of this business. I've been very fortunate throughout my career to have done both and to have worked with the most amazing, loyal, and creative people you can find. Together we've accomplished a lot, and it was great to be able to reflect on that during the MT&R event. I can't tell you how much I enjoyed sharing the evening with such great friends and family, and how rewarding it is to be part of an industry that has done so much good."

President Brian and Maryjane Mitchell attended the event as guests of Scott Singer '87, a member of the museum's board of governors and vice chair of the gala committee. Said President Mitchell, "It was wonderful to see Les honored with such an impressive award. Not only is he tenacious, but, as many at the gala attested, he also is a good guy, fundamentally decent and down-to-earth. His success in a highly competitive industry speaks well of the talent and capacity of our graduates." — Gigi Marino

Creating Opportunity

STEF ROGERS AND HIS WIFE, ATHENA, retired as Bucknell's president and first lady in 2004, but in 2006 made a remarkable donation to the University that will ensure their impact on Bucknell and its students for many years to come. Over the past two years, they have worked with Bucknell's Gift Planning staff to complete a plan in which an unrestricted gift from their estate will establish The Athena F. and Steffen H. Rogers Scholarship Fund. At the time this gift becomes active, the estimated value will be \$4.5 million, easily the largest commitment received by the University during that period.

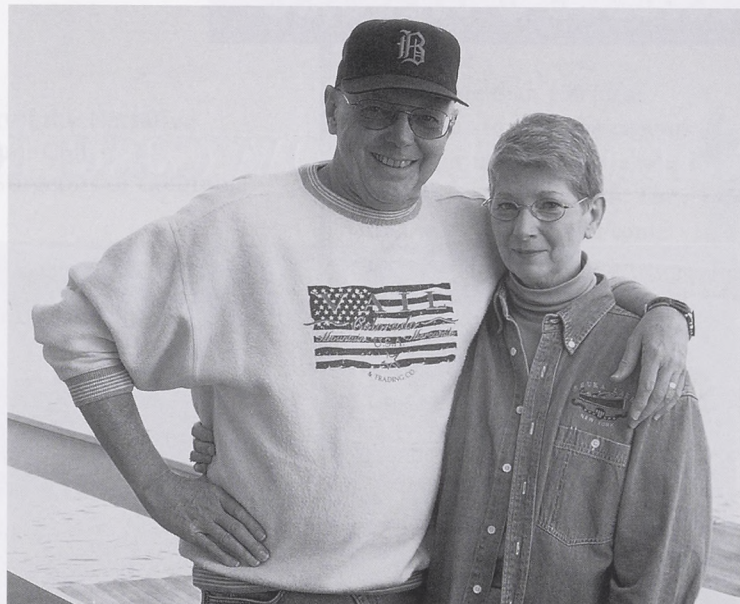
"The scholarship endowment that Stef and Athena will provide creates significant opportunities for many generations of Bucknell students," says President Brian C. Mitchell. "We are profoundly grateful for their generosity."

The endowment will make the Bucknell experience possible for qualified students who need financial assistance. The fact that Bucknell is not the couple's alma mater enhances the significance of their gift. "Providing scholarships is one of the most gratifying gifts one can make," says Stef, the University's 15th president.

From their arrival on campus in 2000, the Rogerses were actively engaged with Bucknell's students. "Athena and I realized from the start that Bucknell students are truly extraordinary," says Stef. "Our impression of these young people has grown only stronger with time."

"I was totally immersed in every aspect of the campus, and my dearest love was for the students," adds Athena, known for befriending undergraduates and attending dozens of their events. "There was no better way for us to say thank you."

The gift proves that one good turn deserves another. The example set by donors David '50 and Leanne Freas Trout '50 motivated the Rogerses to set up the endowment. To honor the Rogerses' retirement, the Trouts established the first Rogers scholarship, The Steffen H. and Athena F. Rogers



Stef and Athena Rogers

Scholarship. The Parents Board and many others also graciously supported this going-away gift to the couple.

"Dave and Leanne's remarkable gift certainly planted a seed," says Stef, "and it is because of their heartfelt generosity and our fondness for Bucknell and its students that we were inspired to establish a scholarship of our own."

Though retired, the Rogerses visit Bucknell often, particularly for Scholarship Day. Last April, the Rogerses attended their seventh consecutive Scholarship Day Luncheon, attended by student recipients and their benefactors and witnessed firsthand the value of giving that they and so many others bring to the university. "We have enjoyed all of the universities where we have served," says Athena, "but Bucknell is where we had the opportunity to enjoy the best of university life. Bucknell provides an overall experience second to none in the nation. We are honored to be a part of Bucknell's history. Bucknell is where we want our support to go — to keep improving what is already so great."

Stef believes that the University's opportunities are unlimited. "Bucknell has exceptional strengths and a very bright future, but continued strong financial support is essential to ensure that future," he says. "Athena and I hope our donation will act as a model to inspire others to give back to the University." — Christina Masciere Wallace

Q & A with Sam Lundquist, vice president for Development and Alumni Relations

How were your first two months at Bucknell?

"I'm having a great experience. It's everything and more than I'd ever hoped it would be in terms of outstanding staff, faculty and students working toward the same goals — there are so many high-quality people here. This is a different place than it was when I left here in 1985 after working as an admissions officer for four years. The basic Bucknell values are firmly intact, but this is, at the same time, a markedly better place."

What is your basic goal for Development and Alumni Relations?

"Goal number one is to make Bucknell 'campaign-ready,' which means that we have to be in a strong position organizationally to plan for and implement our campaign programs.

"There are three factors to consider: First, how much money are we raising for the strategic initiatives identified in *The Plan for Bucknell*? Second, what is the giving capacity of Bucknell's donor base over the next decade? And finally, what is the level of participation among our alumni, parents, and friends of the University? We want to identify people who count Bucknell among their top three philanthropic

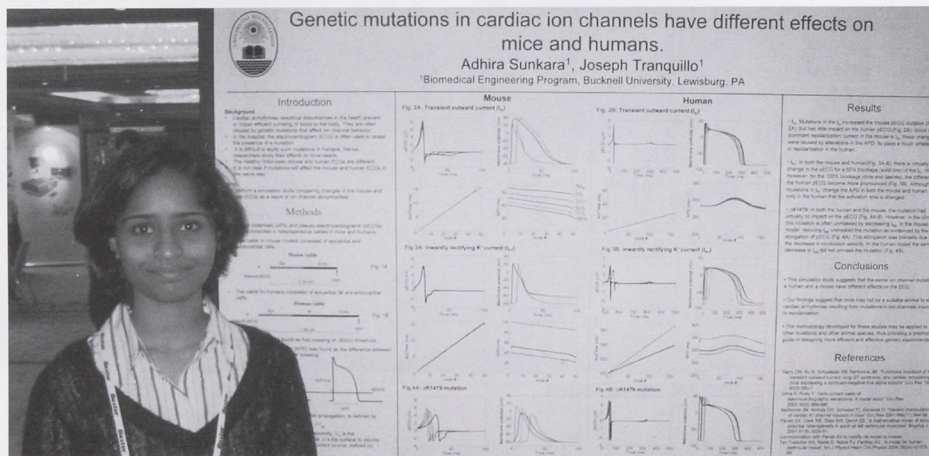
priorities. These people have the inclination to support The Plan while also providing a network of other prospective donors, encouraging them to support Bucknell as well."

What will the Athena F. and Steffen H. Rogers Scholarship Fund mean for Bucknell?

"It was a great honor for me to meet Stef and Athena at Homecoming 2006 and gain an appreciation for the most recent past president's legacy at Bucknell. Their gift is on a scale that is at the very top end for scholarship giving and will help strengthen Bucknell's financial support of its students.

"We are now organizing the strategic initiatives of the University against our fundraising priorities. We know that scholarship and student financial aid will emerge as our highest priorities. For Bucknell's past president and family to step up in this way is a powerful leadership statement. We hope that the Rogers gift inspires others to support Bucknell in the same manner that Dave and Leann Trout inspired Stef and Athena Rogers to step forward on their own. These two families have demonstrated true commitment to Bucknell, and it will motivate future donors to the University." — CM

National Showcase for New Major



Adhira Sunkara '08

BUCKNELL'S BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING major is only three years old, but its students have already made their national debut. In October, 12 undergraduates traveled to Chicago for the annual fall meeting of the Biomedical Engineering Society, and four presented their research. Erica Andreozzi '07 gave two presentations: a poster on work she did at Bucknell and a talk on a summer research program at Clemson University.

Dan Cavanagh, associate professor of biomedical and chemical engineering and director of the biomedical engineering program, said the presentations were a strong testament to the hard work of both the faculty and the students to develop the new program.

"We had very good representation at the meeting, considering that we only have 53 students in the whole program," he says. "We had about a dozen students there and five presentations given. It gives some validation to the program we've put together and to our students' abilities."

Two students worked with Cavanagh to study fluid flow in the bloodstream. Andreozzi examined how tiny particles, about one-tenth of a millimeter in size, move around a bend in a tiny channel she built to simulate blood vessels. "We can eventually

work toward trying to separate particles out of a solution, such as trying to separate blood cells from plasma," she says.

Lauren Shafer '07 studied how bubbles act within small channels. Air bubbles can get into the bloodstream during open-heart surgery or other procedures that require draining and then refilling blood vessels. Once in the blood, the bubbles can cause various problems.

"If they travel to your toes, for example, you may get numbness in your toes," Shafer says. "If they travel to your brain and block capillaries there, they could cause a stroke." Understanding how air bubbles move through the bloodstream could help to develop ways to break them up and prevent problems.

Juniors Adhira Sunkara and Meghan Howes each presented research they did with Joseph Tranquillo, assistant professor of biomedical and electrical engineering, using computer simulations to examine electrical signals in the heart.

As impressive as the research was, Cavanagh emphasized the process more than the experimental results. Each student was in charge of her project from the initial design to the final interpretation.

Cavanagh says, "Regardless of whether a student is headed to graduate school, industry, or another path after graduation, the experience of independent research will be a strong asset."

Traveling to a national conference not only gave the students feedback on their own work, it also showed them a wider world of biomedical engineering. "It was really interesting to see what kinds of research every one was doing, and what kinds of different fields there are in biomedical engineering," Sunkara says. "It's such a vast field; it was good to get a feel for the all the possible areas."

As Bucknell's first class of biomedical engineering majors moves toward graduation this spring, the seniors reflected on their experience. "In our program, we got so much personal attention," says Andreozzi, who is vice president of the Bucknell chapter of the Biomedical Engineering Society. Shafer agreed: "The opportunities here are absolutely amazing for an undergraduate university." — Barbara Maynard '88

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- In November, Richard Caruso '66 was named the 2006 Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year. In its 20th year, the award recognizes outstanding entrepreneurs who are leading dynamic and expanding businesses. Caruso, chair of the board of directors of the Integra LifeSciences Holdings Corp., was recognized for creating a company that has introduced a new field to medical science: regenerative medicine. His company was the first to develop and market an approved tissue-regeneration product.

- Professor of Music Jackson Hill's musical work "Remembered Love" was released in London in December. The work is one of several settings of ancient Japanese poetry that Hill has written for vocal ensemble. It is on tour with the UK-based vocal ensemble The King's Singers in Japan, having completed a tour in the United States in December that began with a premiere at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Another of Hill's CDs, *Landscape and Time*, was released in the United States in November.

- Robin Poliner Suskind '94 was named by *Investment Dealers Digest* in its annual "40 Under 40" list as someone who represents "the way Wall Street is evolving today." Suskind is a managing director at Ryan Beck & Co., a full-service investment banking firm, where she has worked since graduating from Bucknell. According to *Investment Dealers Digest*, Suskind "has managed 28 mutual conversion transactions, with three pending, raising capital in excess of \$7.3 billion," and she has "always maintained a strong name within the financial institutions sector."

BRIEFS

New Trustees The Bucknell Board of Trustees welcomed four members at its fall retreat. They are Frank Arentowicz '69 of Los Angeles, Calif., senior vice president at Kayne Anderson Rudnick Investment Management; Marlene Hurd '79 of Plano, Texas, director and relationship manager for Fidelity Investments; David Maurrasse of New York, N.Y., president and CEO of Marga Incorporated and assistant professor in the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University; and Jane Thompson P'06 of Lake Forest, Ill., president of financial services for WalMart Stores, Inc.

Understanding the Patient Working in collaboration with Geisinger Medical Center, Bucknell's departments of English and Comparative Humanities sponsored "The Patient: An International Symposium," on Oct. 20-21. The conference examined the experience of the patient from both humanistic and medical perspectives, offering healthcare professionals, scholars, and artists the opportunity to envision a healthcare system in which "physicians use humanistic inquiry to treat an individual rather than a specific set of physical phenomena." The keynote addresses were delivered by poet, fiction writer, and essayist Tess Gallagher and Rita

Charon, director of the Narrative Medicine Program, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University.



Calling All Readers Last March, Bucknell held its first Relay For Life event, raising over \$50,000 for the American Cancer Society. This year, Bucknell's chapter of Colleges Against Cancer has set a fundraising goal of \$62,500, calling for student, faculty, and alumni participation in the event. Relay events are held around the world to raise money for the ACS to fund research, to provide support and programming to patients and their families, and to promote awareness and education. This year's event will be held on Saturday, March 24. For information on how to participate in this event, email Casey Bryant, student coordinator, at clb038@bucknell.edu.

Neuroscience Major Available

Beginning in the spring semester, students will have the option to major in neuroscience. The major will combine courses in biology, psychology, animal behavior, math, and chemistry and will emphasize a research component. Students choosing to major in neuroscience will choose from three tracks: general neuroscience, behavior and cognitive neuroscience, or cellular and molecular neuroscience. Besides preparing students for graduate work in neuroscience, the major also will prepare students for graduate study in medicine, biotechnology, pharmaceutical, and medical instrumentation.

Graduation Rate Is Nation's Best

Bucknell's four-year student-athlete graduation rate was the highest in the nation among student-athletes who entered college between the 1996-96 and 1999-2000 academic years, according to federal data released by the NCAA and reported on by the Associated Press and the *Chronicle of Higher Education*. Bucknell was one of four institutions to graduate at least 90 percent of its student-athletes who enrolled during that four-year period. Posting a 93-percent rate, Bucknell

What's New with The Plan for Bucknell

With more than 150 ideas submitted to date, the campus community is moving forward in Plan implementation. The first wave of ideas will come forward for initial review and discussion in January and February. Go to www.bucknell.edu/StrategyImplementation.xml.

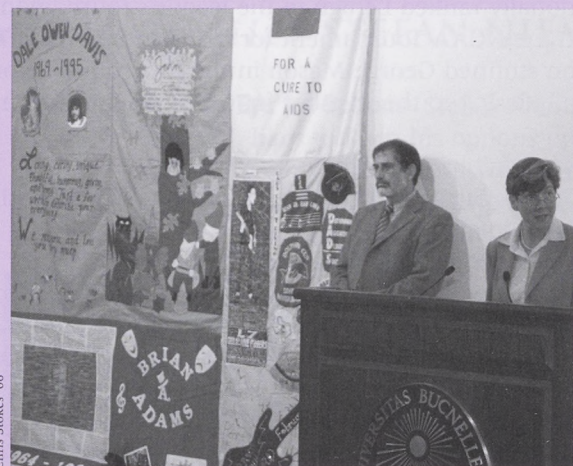
beat out Davidson (90 percent), Duke (90 percent), and Georgetown (90 percent). Bucknell previously has led the nation in graduation rates three times, most recently in 2003, when it received a *USA Today*-NCAA Academic Achievement Award with a perfect 100-percent figure.



Greek Iron Chef Great Success Joining forces to raise \$3,500 for the Million Penny Project, fraternity and sorority members gathered on Nov. 12 for an Iron Chef cook-off. More than 1,000 students enjoyed a terrific feast and had fun working together for a great local cause. All monies collected during the event were donated to Community Harvest, a food bank and soup kitchen in Milton, Pa.

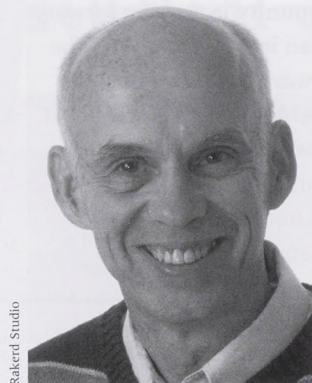
Patriot League Games Online Patriot League basketball fans can watch more than 100 men's and women's games online. The new Patriot League All-Access package costs \$6.95 a month and allows subscribers to watch any Patriot League basketball games that are part of the package. Nearly every intraleague contest, including Bucknell's men's and women's games, are available through video streaming on www.PatriotLeague.com and www.BucknellBison.com.

Errata The Chips 2010 list from the November issue inadvertently excluded the names Blair Ward, son of Kim Jackson France '83 and Michael Ward '82; Justin Alsop, son of Marlene Hurd '79 and Jim Alsop '79; and Stephanie Dautel, daughter of Susan Styer Dautel '73 and Stephen Dautel '71.



Bucknell Hosts AIDS Quilt Bucknell hosted a display of 18 blocks of the AIDS Memorial Quilt from Nov. 29 to Dec. 5. Two of the blocks were displayed in the lobby of the Weis Center for Performing Arts and the remaining blocks in the Samek Art Gallery. Members of the campus and local community read names of the persons who have panels in the Quilt during the open hours of the display. Virtually every one of the more than 40,000 colorful panels that make up the Quilt memorializes the life of a person or persons lost to AIDS. Because the Quilt is too large to display in its entirety, small community displays, like the one on campus, are held all over the world to raise awareness about HIV and AIDS.

Faculty Profile: SKIP MCGOUN



Rakard Studio

Finance on the Wild Side Elton G. McGoun, William H. Dunkak

Professor of Finance, jokes that his nickname, "Skip," aptly describes his circuitous path from attending college to becoming a professor of management.

McGoun describes his career path in this way: "After putting a biology degree to good use serving the national defense as a naval officer, selling candy bars in the swamps

of South Carolina, and organizing bowling tournaments in the Aleutian Islands, I wound up in Anchorage, Alaska, answering complaint letters at a credit union. Six years later, I was the chief financial officer. Following a failed job search in Hawaii, I decided to attend Indiana University for a Ph.D in international finance."

McGoun said that with this degree he imagined he would be "wearing

\$5,000 suits and \$2,000 footwear and traveling to Tokyo and Paris." Instead of a GQ wardrobe, he wears jeans and sneakers, although he still travels the world and "can't imagine doing anything else."

His career path is not the only extraordinary aspect of McGoun, who also takes an unusual approach to research in the field of finance. He is the creator and organizer of nine conferences on Alternative Perspectives on Finance. The first conference was held in 1992 in Lewisburg. Subsequent conference sites have helped him satisfy his need to travel and include exotic locations like Lake Bled, Slovenia; Quebec City, Canada; Turku, Finland; Dundee, Scotland; Hamburg, Germany; Stockholm, Sweden; Kilkenny, Ireland; and Zakopane, Poland.

The aim of the conferences is to revitalize the field of finance research with different modes of investigation. McGoun hopes to broaden the dialogue in finance and make it more

relevant by encouraging research that is interdisciplinary or that challenges prevailing beliefs. His own research fits that bill. He investigates finance as a pop-culture phenomenon. McGoun, together with colleagues at Bucknell, has explored such topics as the parallels between motoring and personal investing in articles like "Money 'n' Motion: Born to Be Wild," and "Crash: Porsches and Portfolios at the End of the Road." In "Walt's Street and Wall Street: Theming, Theatre, and Experience in Finance," McGoun argued that the structures and institutions of Wall Street act as a theme park or theatre, with the employees and customers playing their fantasy roles as popularized by Madison Avenue and Hollywood.

When McGoun is not traveling the world, organizing and attending conferences, or teaching classes at Bucknell, he is "living out his rock 'n' roll fantasies by taking guitar lessons." — Ilene Ladd

That Championship Season

AS THE 2006 SEASON BEGAN, BUCKNELL'S men's soccer team was an enigma wrapped inside the riddle of potential. Who knew how good they would be? After all, these Bison had lost two key players from the experienced 2005 team — three-time all-league goalkeeper Adam Edwards '06, 2005 Patriot League Goalkeeper of the Year, and Tim Faneck '06, the league's 2005 Defensive Player of the Year.

"Going into September, we were a very young squad," says team captain Andrew Loia '07, the lone returning senior. "There were eight first-year students listed on the 2006 roster. I knew I would have to step into a leadership role. My main concern was to get better and for our players to have the right attitude. I believed that if we did, then we'd be a

very competitive team."

The 2006 team performed beyond anyone's expectations — finishing the season at 8-7-5 and winning their first Patriot League Championship, after first upsetting top seed and nationally ranked Lehigh in the league's tournament. Then, in the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1976, the Bison stunned George Mason in the first round before eventually losing to the number four team in the nation, Virginia.

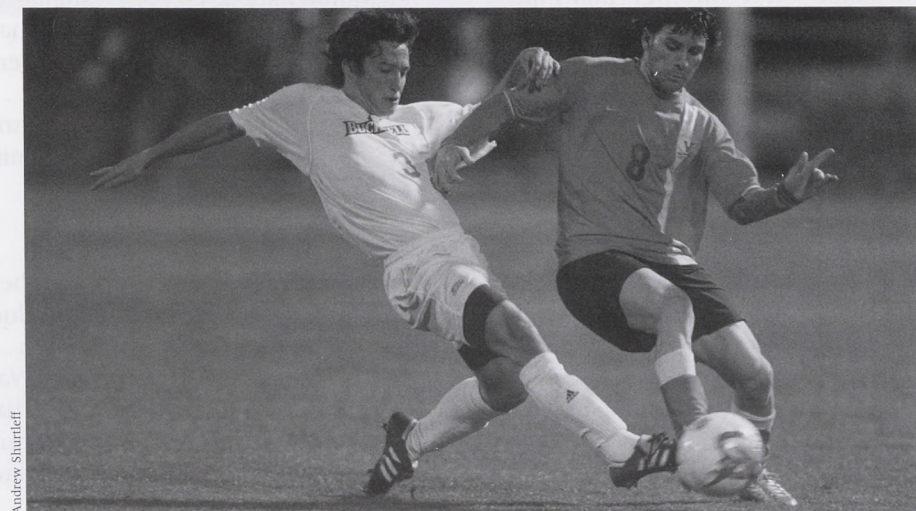
"It was quite a run," Loia says. "Of course, we have a great communicator and teacher in Coach Brendan Nash. So, I wasn't totally surprised."

Nash, in his eighth year as head coach of the soccer team, is the kind of leader you automatically want on your side. A disciplinarian when necessary and a master game technician, he was the right guy to shepherd the young team through the league and NCAA tournaments.

"I felt so much pride at the end of the year," Nash says. "This team could have quit at any point and waited for the future to come down the road. However, Andrew Loia was such a class act. The team rallied around him and refused to give up. Just to watch how they were enjoying the last three weeks of the season is something that will stay with me the rest of my life."

It was a good year, but Coach Nash has a different measure of success. "It's all about how our guys react to the program after they leave Bucknell," he says. "I hear from many of our former players because they enjoyed the program. They never talk about our records. Only about the experiences and the friendships they made. As long as we keep that up, I would say that our program is successful."

— Rick Dandes



Andrew Shurteff

Bucknell Host to Key Debate



Don Sherwood



Chris Carney

THIS ELECTION SEASON, VOTERS IN THE local Congressional district were inundated with advertisements framing Rep. Don Sherwood as a philanderer who lacks family values, and incoming Rep. Chris Carney as a nutty liberal professor who's soft on immigration. If voters believed the rhetoric, they'd be hard pressed to choose even the lesser of two evils.

But on Wednesday, Oct. 4, the candidates vying for the local seat in the House of Representatives had to abandon their political jockeying and confront the questions on voters' minds in a debate held at Bucknell's Trout Auditorium.

Audience turnout eclipsed expectations, with more than 400 people filling the standing-room-only auditorium, plus about 600 in the two crowd-overflow sites, where the debate was broadcast live via simulcast. The event saw

coast-to-coast media coverage, with reporters from the Associated Press, the *New York Times*, and the *Philadelphia Inquirer* on hand. The entire debate was aired on PCN, the local cable public-affairs network, and a clip was played on CNN on Friday, Nov. 3.

"Judging by the campus and community interest and the media attention, I would call the debate at Bucknell a success," says President Brian C. Mitchell.

As recently as three years ago, political candidates were banned from speaking on campus. However, under *The Plan for Bucknell*, adopted last spring, the University now encourages political speakers.

"The Plan says we will build bridges with the world, and this debate helped Bucknell do that," Mitchell says. "We wanted our students, faculty, staff, and community to have the opportunity to experience a live debate in one of the more hotly contested House races this year."

Debate questions were provided by a panel from the *Daily Item* of Sunbury, Pa., Sunbury Broadcasting Corp., and from pre-submitted questions from area residents. The questions touched on the war in Iraq, moral values, immigration, abortion, Social Security, and deficit spending.

On Election Day, voters in the historically Republican 10th Congressional District turned their backs on Sherwood, the four-term Republican incumbent, giving his Democratic challenger, Carney, a professor of political science at Penn State, 53 percent of the vote. It was one of four turnovers of Republican-held House seats in Pennsylvania. Nationwide, Democrats gained 28 seats in the House of Representatives; they needed 15 to gain a majority. — Andrew Larson '08

Student Profile: STEFAN NIEMCZYK '07

An Eye for Options Stefan Niemczyk '07, likes to keep his options open. He's a business administration major who has fulfilled all his pre-med requirements, but before pursuing a

business or medical career, he's going to see if he can make it in show business. His dreams of Hollywood are not the star-struck pipe dreams of a "wanna-be" actor; he already has a couple of feature-length movie credits to his name, as well as several nationally released commercials.

Niemczyk's entrance into the world of film in sixth grade reads like a movie script itself. M. Night Shyamalan came to Niemczyk's grade school (Shyamalan's alma mater) in Philadelphia to cast 400 extras in Shyamalan's first feature-length

movie, *Wide Awake*. In addition, Shyamalan held open auditions for one last major role in the movie. Without so much as an acting class in his background, Niemczyk decided on a whim to audition for the part. The rest, as they say, is history.

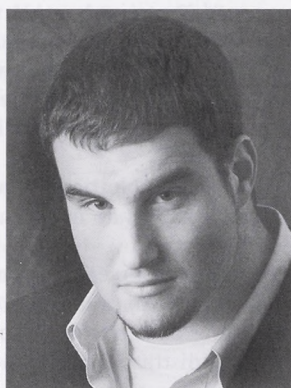
Even more amazing than the beginning of his career is his temporary hiatus; Niemczyk put his successful acting career on hold to attend college. He says, "When I tell people I decided to play football for the next four years and not pursue [my acting career], they think that I'm crazy, but that's what I wanted to do."

Niemczyk has been as successful on the field as he was on stage. A four-year letterman on the varsity football team, he led the squad this year as one of the two captains. He also was named to the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll each semester he was eligible. To gain Honor Roll

recognition, a student-athlete must earn a varsity letter and achieve a grade-point average of 3.2 or better during the semester of competition.

In addition to his academics and football, Niemczyk is a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity and a representative on the Student Athletic Advisory Committee. For the past two summers, he has tutored boys from disadvantaged backgrounds at the Susquehanna House in the Williamsport area.

"I think the great thing about Bucknell is that it balances everything so well," says Niemczyk. "As a student, you are expected to uphold your academic standards, but you also can balance your athletics and your social life. In addition, you can do other activities, and that is encouraged. I have enjoyed my past four years here tremendously. It is going to be difficult to leave." — Ilene Ladd



Gene Maylock

Meet nine students **who have taken** advantage of the myriad **opportunities** available at **Bucknell** — results are typical.

A BUCKNELL WORLD OF Possibility

CHRISTINE FELSER '07, ILENE LADD, AND
CHRISTINA MASCIERE WALLACE

INNOVATIVE. INDIVIDUALISTIC. INSPIRING. THE KIND OF students who choose to come to Bucknell already display leadership qualities and are actively involved in their schools and communities. But what surprises many of these students when they arrive on campus is how much more possibility exists here to participate in, or even start their own, groups and activities that fuel their passion. Students can do — and do — it all at Bucknell.

Jenna Camann '07

Hometown: Lynnfield, Mass.

Major: Business Administration, Management

Activities: New Student Orientation coordinator; Admissions intern and tour guide; Curriculum Committee; Task Force to Integrate Academic and Student Affairs; Leadership Hall, co-founder and student coordinator; Hillel; Emerging Leaders Program, participant and coordinator; College of Management Advisory Committee; Leadership Conference Planning Team; search committee participant for University president and provost; Bucknell Traditions – 1846 Club, Community Service Team; Management Consulting Club; DoRAK (Do Random Acts of Kindness); Transition to College peer instructor; Delta Gamma; Homecoming Hostess

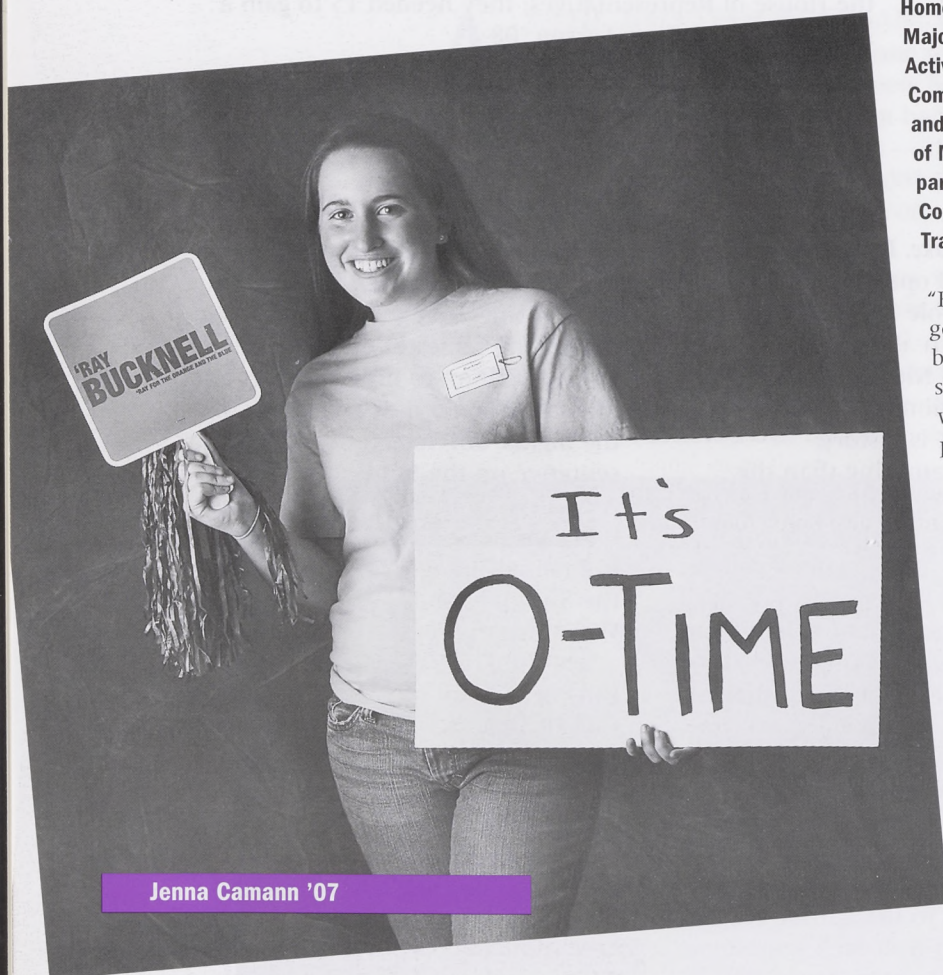
"Bucknell's sense of community is what made me come here. You know that you're going to get strong academics and lots of extracurriculars as well. The community brings those two things together and makes Bucknell unique. The business program is strong and very hands-on. I'm not going the common Accounting/Big Four route — I want to work for NASCAR. All of my professors have encouraged me to integrate my passion for NASCAR with my studies.

"My main activity is the New Student Orientation program. As the coordinator of the entire program, I helped recruit, hire, train, and lead a 100-person staff in order to prepare for the more than 900 incoming students transitioning to life at Bucknell. I'll take these skills with me everywhere I go.

"I knew I wanted to be involved with Admissions. I like the whole process of showing students all of the amazing characteristics of Bucknell that made me want to come here. It's my way of ultimately giving back to the University.

"As a first-year, I took part in Emerging Leaders, an intensive, six-week leadership-development program. Then a friend and I had an idea: why not have a leadership hall? How can we make this a living and learning environment that extends throughout the year? We presented a program to administrators and made it happen.

"Serving as a hostess during Homecoming Weekend was one of the best times I've had at Bucknell. It was powerful to realize how much Bucknell meant to so many other people of all ages and to share my own stories and traditions with alumni. I've been pushed to new heights academically, and the professors and deans have truly changed the way I look at life. I had no idea Bucknell would affect me so deeply. In just a few months I will leave Bucknell, but Bucknell will never leave me."



Jenna Camann '07

Dusty Schroeder '07**Hometown:** Solon, Ohio**Majors:** Electrical Engineering and Physics**Minors:** Philosophy and Mathematics**Activities:** Researcher in electrical engineering, physics, and chemistry departments; CHOICE; Rooke Chapel Congregation; Spirit of Praise choir member; College Bowl team; Roller Hockey team, treasurer and co-founder; Phi Beta Kappa, Tau Beta Phi, Sigma Pi Sigma; IEEE Society for the Social Implications of Technology; American Physical Society; study abroad in Morocco through the School for International Training

"The most pressing problems facing our generation require the knowledge of the complex interactions of technology, society, culture, science, and politics. Bucknell has provided an environment for interdisciplinary learning that has equipped me to understand and engage with those problems and also has encouraged me to pursue my passions and interests, even if they did not follow traditional paths. When I wanted to add a global experience to my technical education, my deans and departments helped me to study in Morocco.

"My interests in both engineering and the Middle East would be a strange fit even at a large university. Here, Bucknell has shown the attention it pays to both individual students and the larger world. In response to the students, President Mitchell and Provost DeCredico have shown a bold commitment to the development of top-caliber Middle Eastern studies at Bucknell. To go from nothing to three levels of Arabic, to bring in a Palestinian visiting scholar and an Omani TA, and to develop the beginnings of an Arabic library in two years are impressive for any university. To do so while taking care that current students here are involved and benefiting, that is uniquely Bucknell.

"My experience at Bucknell has given me the tools and desire to face the world's problems in all their interdisciplinary complexity. In the short term, I will be continuing my research with Professor Kelley on humanitarian landmine detection. In the long term I hope to become a professor, studying technological and societal developments in the Middle East. No matter what I do, however, I will do it with a richer perspective because of the education Bucknell allowed me to pursue."

Kelly Walker '08**Hometown:** Philadelphia, Pa.**Major:** Sociology**Minor:** African American Studies**Activities:** Head Resident of Seventh Street House; National Society of Black Engineers, vice president; Admissions intern; Multicultural Student Services, advisory board member; co-founder of the Forum, a group dedicated to addressing student issues

"A lot of the Bucknell students are on fire in what they pursue. I was shy in high school, but to get here and see people actively involved, sacrificing their time and energy for things that concern them, especially small groups like Fair Trade, has changed me. They're all over it. Seeing this kind of passion made me want to be more outgoing.

"Combined with the RA training, which has taught me how to use resources and get support, seeing these other students in action makes me realize that the only thing that can hold me back is myself. Just being around these other students who are so involved inspires me to be fighting for a cause.

"Being an RA, I've gotten to know a lot about students' lives through programming. I've facilitated

dialogues about race, gender, eating disorders, STDs. These issues aren't just aren't program topics but the kind of things that students themselves are dealing with. My RA training involved lots of teambuilding, and it's great to know that I can always go talk to another RA when I have problems I can't solve. Being an RA has taught me how to be a leader, and I will definitely benefit from this experience when I enter the workforce.

"I've been involved with discussions about renovating Seventh Street House, which we actually adopted as one of the goals of the Forum. I'm very excited about this project — we were aiming toward a goal, and it's being achieved. You feel like you have real support here. I'm going to see this product before I graduate next year. Of course, many people over the years have been involved with Seventh Street House, and I am proud that I am a part of this history."

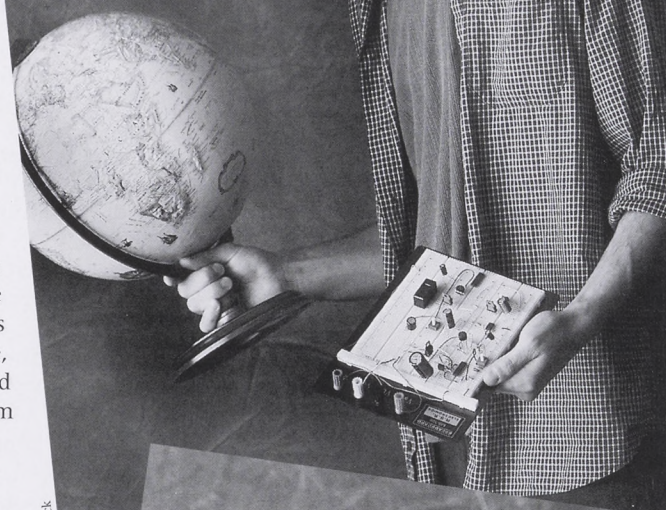
Mike Rakszawski '08**Hometown:** Warminster, Pa.**Major:** Computer Science and Engineering**Minors:** Philosophy and Mathematics**Activities:** Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM), director of administration; InterReligious Council; Symphonic Band, clarinet; Association for Computing Machinery, social chair 2006-07; Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society, former vice president; Math Association of America; Do-RAK; CHOICE; ISR Database Integration Team and Learning Spaces

"It's easy to grow intellectually at Bucknell, especially with all of the wonderful professors and courses. What is difficult is growing spiritually and emotionally, unless you know where to go for this kind of growth. My spiritual education comes through my involvement with CCM. It allows me to learn about my Catholic faith in the company of my peers through different group studies and programs within my faith-based community. Through CCM, I am able to grow in my relationship with God, which is difficult to do in the classroom, and it has helped me to apply what I learn in the classroom to my life.

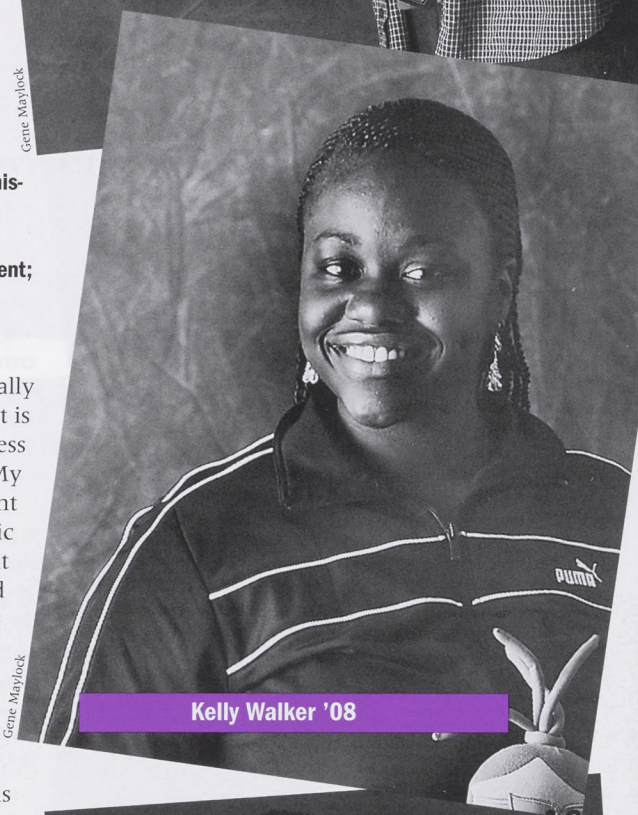
"Through my time in the classroom, involvement in CCM and other campus activities, countless hours at work, and most important, my interactions with friends and peers, I have experienced life as never before. All of my experiences here have shaped me as a person and helped me to discover who I am, why I am here, and what I can do with my talents and abilities.

"I am already a more informed person. Because of my engineering courses, I know much more about computers than I ever knew before and I am able to solve problems more efficiently. I also know that there is always more to learn — Bucknell has taught me that my entire life can be a learning experience. Through band, I have become a better musician and am still challenged each day at practice to improve my skills; through CCM, I have learned to become a leader that others can come to for direction; and personally, I have learned how to balance academic, spiritual, and interpersonal growth.

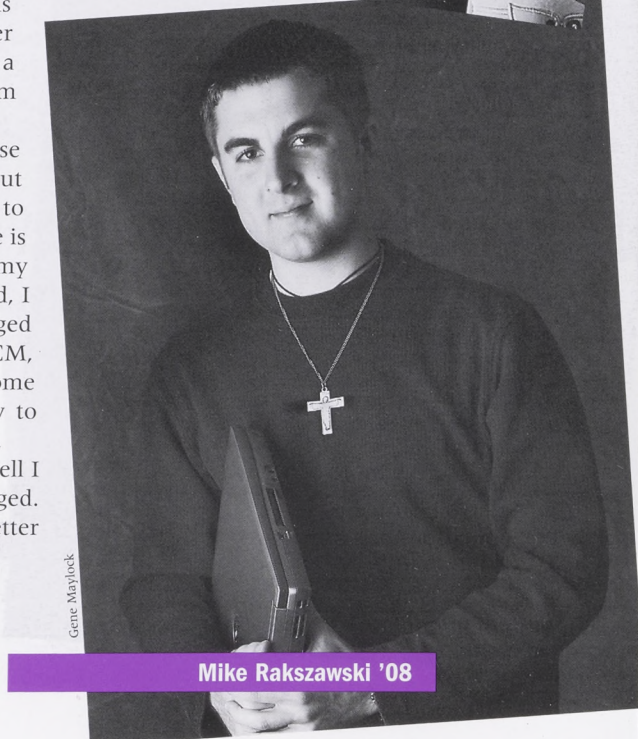
"Because of my experiences, when I leave Bucknell I will still be Mike Rakszawski, but I will have changed. I will be more informed, more experienced, and better prepared to make a difference in the world."

Dusty Schroeder '07

Gene Maylock

Kelly Walker '08

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Mike Rakszawski '08

Gene Maylock

Jitu Patel '07

Hometown: Scranton, Pa.

Major: Cell Biology/Biochemistry

Activities: Elephant in the Room Dialogue, creator and leader; Civil Rights Trip: The Unfinished Journey, leader; International Orientation Leader; Bucknell Brigade; South Asian Student Awareness, secretary

"Upon returning from the Civil Rights Spring Break Trip, which was a transformative experience for all of us who attended, we noticed everyone was talking, but nobody was listening. We were looking for a creative way to promote understanding between conflicting groups on campus.

"Current global trend not only demands the most 'premier education' but also a high standard of ethics. This led us to initiate an Inter-Group Dialogue Program at Bucknell, to encourage a more 'inclusive, empathetic and collaborative community by promoting constructive conversations and relationships among those who have differing values, world views, and positions about divisive social issues,' in order to transform racial, religious, and other deep-rooted conflicts. Over time, participating in the Dialogue will allow students to develop a sense of ethical responsibility. To date, we have held pilot dialogues on race, sexual orientation, and an international dialogue.

"Creating the Inter-Group Dialogue has been one of my most challenging and rewarding experiences and it has most definitely been different from my coursework at Bucknell. Facilitating dialogues definitely requires a very different perspective from that of my classes. Our ultimate goal for the project is that it will continue and that it will ultimately be institutionalized. We would very much like for the program to be permanently affiliated with academic departments to ensure that the Dialogue program continues long after we graduate."

Alejandro "Zorro" Sanchez '07

Hometown: Watsonville, Calif.

Majors: Mathematics and Education

Minor: Japanese

Activities: In-classroom technology assistant; student driver for education department and International Student Services; Weis Center crew member; Budokai of Bucknell; Students Against Multiple Sclerosis; Bucknell Juggling Club; Asian Student Association; Japan Society; Sigma Alpha Mu; International Orientation Assistant; Latino Dance Corner; rugby team, Hillel "Human Understanding" travel abroad

"I've wanted to be a teacher since I was 2 years old. The education program is challenging — Bucknell requires a lot of you, in terms of speed and difficulty of material. The professors don't just present dry theory about teaching — they actually give you tips on how to teach. If you want to be a good teacher, you have to be very enthusiastic about it, and the faculty are definitely here to teach.

"I'm minoring in Japanese, an important part of my heritage. I founded a martial-arts co-op called Budokai, which means 'society of warriors.' The juggling club is great — we're hired to perform at festivals. I'm an alumna of Sigma Alpha Mu, where I was house manager. I play rugby for Bucknell's club team, and I'm a member of Latino Dance Corner. I work at the Weis Center as a crew member, which is a great way to get to know people and see the shows. I also assist professors with in-classroom technology and work as a student driver.

"My campus jobs have allowed me to do a lot of traveling for fun. I went to Denmark, Scotland, Mexico, and France on my own, and I visited Russia, Peru, the Czech Republic, and Poland with Hillel's annual 'Human Understanding' trips. I love learning about Jewish history and culture.

"When I graduate in May, I'll become the first person in my family to earn a college degree. Bucknell has been a good match for me because it is surprisingly diverse. The activities on campus, and the people involved in them, are all very different from each other. There's a variety to choose from everywhere. Bucknell has kept me challenged. I've loved it here."

Janelle Nodhturft '07

Hometown: Maybrook, N.Y.

Majors: Psychology, International Relations, and French

Activities: Symphony Band; French Club; dance department's Choreographer's Showcase; International Orientation Assistant and Leader; Bucknell Brigade; Students for Fair Trade and Labor; Intervarsity and Rooke Chapel; Pennsylvania Scholars in Service volunteer; study in France and Northern Ireland; volunteer work in Africa

"I wanted a liberal arts college where I could go beyond learning strictly in the classroom — to do more than just copy notes from the blackboard and answer questions out of textbooks. When I visited Bucknell, students described being able to go out to dinner with their professors and discuss subjects both within and outside the course material, and I felt that this would be a beneficial learning environment for me.

"My cornerstone experience here is the Bucknell Brigade trip I did my first year. You realize how privileged we are here, but you also realize your obligation and opportunity to help others. That's not just confined to my life on campus — it's something personal I will always carry with me. This year, I returned to Nicaragua with the Brigade as a student leader.

"I've been able to balance extensive travel with academics, in part because Bucknell's overseas programs have allowed me to directly transfer credit. For example, the year I did the Bucknell in Northern Ireland program, the focus was on the psychology and politics of sectarian conflicts, which was perfect for my studies.

"Other trips have stemmed from ties I've formed at Bucknell. I first traveled to East Africa with the family of a close friend from Bucknell and then returned to spend two months working with HIV/AIDS patients in Uganda. I'm still deciding if I want to work abroad, where that might be, and how my skills might be most useful in extreme conditions or with the impoverished. I'm considering going to a grad school program in international relations that focuses on human rights or development.

"I couldn't have even conceived of the opportunities I've found here. Everything I've done at Bucknell that doesn't directly connect to my academic studies has still been so enriching, and I think that defines a real liberal-arts education — one that helps form well-rounded human beings who participate fully in the world after they graduate."

Janelle Nodhturft '07

Justin Greenly '08

Hometown: Milton, Pa.

Major: Chemical Engineering

Activities: Catholic Campus Ministry, random tasks coordinator; CHOICE; engineering tour guide; Institute for Leadership in Technology and Management (ILTM); Pep Band, quads; Symphonic Band, percussion; Reunion student ambassador; Tau Beta Pi (engineering honor society).

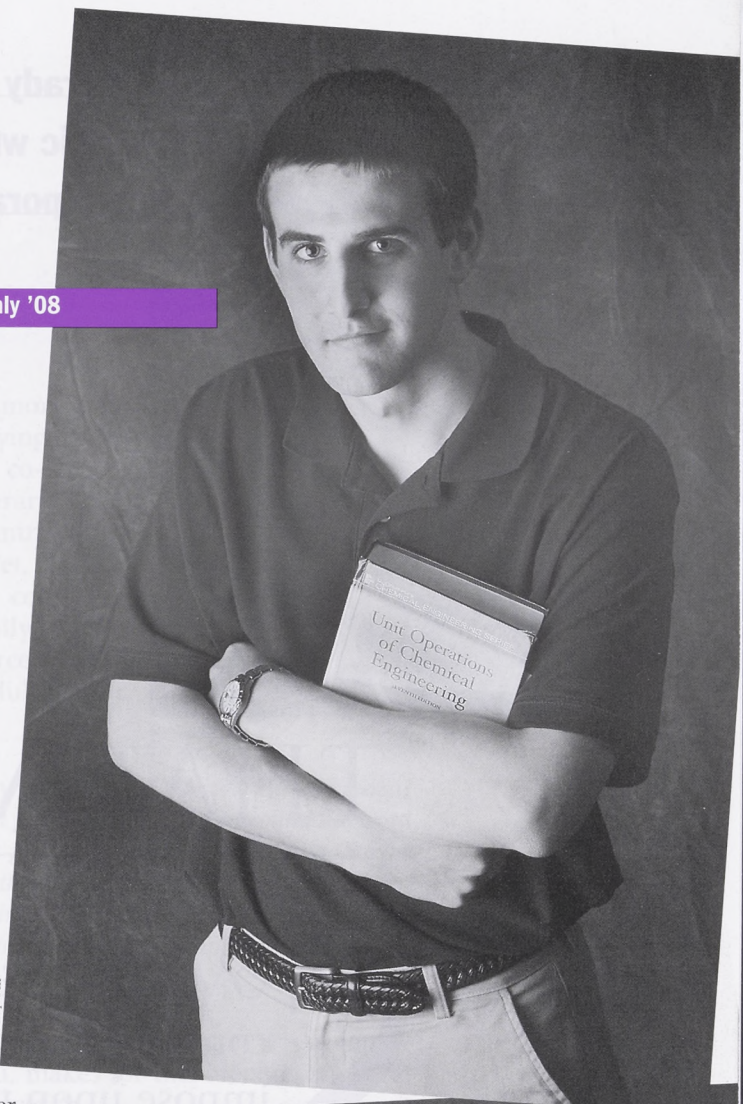
"While I love the people in chemical engineering, it was a great experience to take part in ILTM last summer and take classes with a different group of people. The ILTM experience was outstanding. I don't think that there was anything better that I could have done with my summer. It put my courses in context and gave me a perspective to the business aspects of my career and how companies function. I saw and heard things there that I never would have been exposed to until after Bucknell.

"The whole engineering experience is like 'science-in-a-team.' I have group meetings throughout the afternoons and in the evenings. Chemical engineering here is a supportive group that helps each other out with problems. It is competitive, but not cutthroat. You are constantly being challenged, but it is more about being challenged together. We collaborate a lot in lab groups and in teams. Learning to work with other people is one of the most important experiences that I've gotten — it is something that I can take beyond Bucknell, whether or not I stay in chemical engineering.

"Catholic Campus Ministry has been one of my most memorable extracurricular activities. It was something I thought I would at least participate in, but I didn't know how involved I would get. I'm the Random Tasks Coordinator — yes, it is a real title. I fit the role because I'm very random. I basically help out with tasks within the administration committee of the ministry team. A couple of the things I've helped with are spring cleanup events at the Newman house, the end-of-the-year barbeque, and miscellaneous technical stuff around the house. I think it was a good introduction to the ministry team. The position gave me a good idea what it was like to work on a team. I often work in teams with my engineering curriculum.

"The most important aspect of Bucknell for me is the influence of people. Bucknell is a place where different types of people can move around and find their niche. I've been challenged by ideas I don't agree with, and been exposed to people with a wide variety of experiences new to me, and these have been really important in deciding what kind of a person I'll be coming out of Bucknell, because I know I'm going to be different, much different."

Justin Greenly '08



Jacquelin Kataneksza '09

Hometown: Harare, Zimbabwe

Major: Undeclared

Activities: Bucknell African Student Association; Bucknell Brigade; Bucknell field hockey team; management department, student assistant, student researcher; Zimbabwe National Junior Women's World Cup Field Hockey Team; *Vagina Monologues*

"Being exposed to so many different opportunities academically has been challenging. Back home in Zimbabwe you're given the basics — math, history, English — and you come here, and so many doors open to things that you never discovered before. I had never studied economics before I came here, and now I want to double major in economics and international relations and minor in French. Ultimately, I want to work with women and development in third-world countries.

"In addition to academic transitions, I've had to adjust to playing field hockey here after playing for the Zimbabwe national field hockey team in the World Cup. At home, we focus on certain techniques; in the U.S. there is a lot of focus on strength and conditioning and more emphasis on the technical side.

"Some of the relationships I have made have helped me cope with the transitions academically, athletically, and socially. My coach, Heather Lewis, went out of her way on the hockey field to make sure that I understood why we were doing the things we were doing. When I have a problem now, Heather is one of the first people I turn to because she went out of her way when I first got here to make things easier. The field hockey team at Bucknell has become like a second family to me. They understand how demanding it is to be a student and an athlete.

"While all my professors have been understanding, one professor who left her mark on me is Professor Rivka Ulmer, who taught my Introduction to Bible class first semester. She was so patient with the fact that I had to miss a month of school to play for the World Cup. Back home, if you miss classes, you don't get a lot of attention. But when I came back from my trip to Chile, I was able to sit with Professor Ulmer during her office hours, and instead of being frustrated with the fact that I had missed so much of her class, she was excited that I had this opportunity. She worked with me to get back to the point where everyone else was."

Jacquelin Kataneksza '09



Poet and professor Philip Brady '77 talks to Joyce Carol Oates, one of the nation's most prolific writers and Bucknell's 2006 Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters.

Fiction

THAT MIGHT BE STRANGE

PHILIP BRADY '77

SOME WRITERS, EVEN DURING THEIR OWN LIFETIMES, come to occupy such a large space in the cultural mind that we impose upon their work, no matter how prolific, a single story, as if they themselves were a fictional character — somehow larger than life. The more comprehensive the *oeuvre*, the more fiercely

burns our desire to plumb its source. Joyce Carol Oates is such a writer. In a career spanning 40 years and producing more than 80 books in a wide variety of genres and sub-genres, Oates has come to represent the relentless exploration, through many guises, of the psychic shadow. Through an array of forms, we trace her imprint: the incisive sentence, the startling image, the unanswerable question. She has pursued this doppelganger under

her own name as well as several pen names. She has invoked the realistic in novels based on cultural icons such as Marilyn Monroe and Ted Kennedy, in gothic novels, in young adult and children's fiction, in poetry, in plays, and in essays touching on figures as diverse as Jeffrey Dahmer and Herman Melville.

For all her accomplishments, Joyce Carol Oates remains remarkably down to earth, comparing her daily routine to an athlete's training, and comparing a writer's training to that of other arts — sculpture, music, painting, ceramics. When she was asked about her impressions of Bucknell — she came to campus to accept the Weis award and deliver a lecture on Sept. 26, 2006 — her voice became enthusiastic. Clearly, she was charmed. But she added that her new novel is set in a university that's "nothing like Bucknell, except that both have beautiful campuses and dedicated teachers." And there it is: Joyce Carol Oates moves through the double world, the sunlit and the shadowed. But however far the journey, she remains present: writing, teaching, lecturing, working, one step at a time.

PB "You mentioned in your talk how grateful you were toward the literary reviews who published your work as a young writer. I understand that some of your early work was published by the *Bucknell Review*."

JCO "It was. That was great. I met the editor [Harry Garvin, professor emeritus of English], after all these years. He's retired now. It was very nice to shake his hand. I was in my 20s, and



Gene Maylock

Joyce Carol Oates

it was published under the name J.C. Smith, as if I were, maybe, a man. It wasn't clear that I was a woman. I was writing a long time ago, and I used a different identity sometimes. Smith is my married name."

PB "Pseudonyms come up often in your work. You've written numerous novels under the pen name Rosamond Smith. Did you find that writing under a different name allowed you access to an imaginative place that wasn't available under your own name?"

JCO "I think that Rosamond Smith and a later pseudonym, Lauren Kelly, which I've used — I think they sound like me. I think that if I had chosen any male pen name, which I have not done, it might have been more liberating. If a writer, whether he or she, has quite a reputation, you feel boxed in, and claustrophobic, and you'd like to try something new and not always be compared to your previous work."

PB "Today, publishing is dominated by large, New York corporate-style houses. As co-founder of the Ontario Review Press, what place do you think small presses can occupy?"

JCO "We can give a readership to writers who might not otherwise have any. We obviously cannot begin to compete with the big New York publishing houses. But the small presses can keep writing alive that would otherwise disappear because it might not be commercial; it could be beautiful writing, very sensitive — just not commercial."

PB "During your talk, you referred to the writer as a 'psychic outlaw.' Why do you think the writer occupies this role?"

JCO "I was talking about Norman Mailer. He spoke of being a psychic outlaw. But not all writers need to be psychic outlaws. It was just that I was focusing on some of the outstanding writers. Mailer would be one of them. And Melville, and Dostoyevsky, and Faulkner — people like that, who are outlaws in the sense that they won't belong easily in the community. They don't write traditional or conventional fiction. Many people who read something by Hemingway would be quite offended because of his use of language, his profanity. The violence of Hemingway was offensive to most, for many reasons, so he was a kind of outlaw. Now he seems to us very much an American writer."

PB "Do you see your own work as occupying that place of the 'psychic outlaw?'"

JCO "I think that now and then my work does become controversial. I don't set out to be that way. But I find that the only fiction that I'm really interested in is fiction that is somewhat disturbing and exciting and innovative. I don't read domestic romances, for instance. I'm much more interested in fiction that could be upsetting, as long as it's original — fiction that might be strange."

PB "Having written more than 80 books, and carrying on a teaching career and co-founding and running a literary press, and traveling the country — it's all very daunting. Yet, you've said that you're 'not conscious of working especially hard.' Where does the source of that prolific and wonderful output come from?"

JCO "I don't think I write fast, and I do work long hours. I like to work, and we can put quotation marks around the word 'work'; to be writing is pleasure, and it's challenging. Maybe it's the sort of feeling that an athlete gets ... say, a runner. There's no reason for him to do it — it's not work; but it's not that easy either to be an athlete. It's a challenge that you set for yourself."

PB "Not only is there so much work, but it is uniquely varied. What, for you, makes for this breadth of genre, tone, temperament, style?"

JCO "I've developed different interests over a period of time. Right now, I'm in a realistic phase, and I write realistic novels. I haven't written a gothic novel for maybe 15 years. So it's determined by stages of my life. I haven't written much poetry lately. I did write poetry, quite a bit, about 20 years ago."

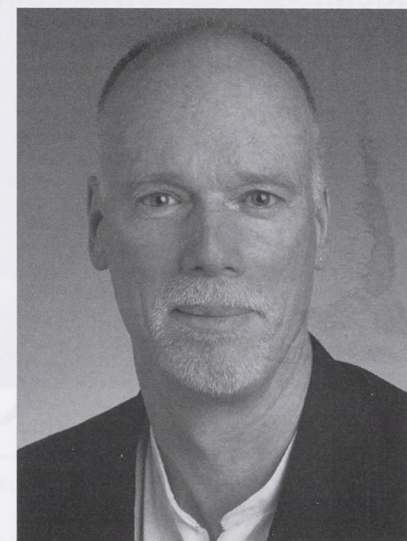
PB "What projects are you working on?"

JCO "I'm actually working on a novel. I have a novel coming out later this month [October 2006] that's close to my heart. It's called *Black Girl/White Girl*. It's set in a university campus in 1974. I feel very close to that. It's on a college campus — the college is really nothing like Bucknell University except that both of them have beautiful campuses and very dedicated teachers. I like the college atmosphere as a setting for writing and for living."

PB "Is there anything else you'd like to tell the Bucknell community?"

JCO "I hope that everyone appreciates how beautiful and wonderful the campus is, and the high quality of the faculty and administrators. I was in the beautiful fine arts building [the Weis Center for the Performing Arts] — an amazing contemporary building — and I was signing books for a long line of people. I asked the students if they liked their college and they said, 'We love it. We love it. Fantastic.'"

Philip Brady '77 is the author of three books of poems and co-editor with James F. Carens of *Critical Essays on Joyce's Portrait*. His most recent book is a memoir, *To Prove My Blood: A Tale of Emigrations & the Afterlife*. He teaches at Youngstown State University and directs Etruscan Press.



Philip Brady

College teams **turn over a quarter of their members** each year, and at **academically selective schools like Bucknell, recruitment involves much more** than athletic prowess — **and these are just a few of the challenges** that Bucknell's coaches face.

COACHING COLLEGE STYLE

BRETT TOMLINSON '99

LONG BEFORE MEN'S BASKETBALL HEAD COACH PAT Flannery '80 led Bucknell to back-to-back NCAA tournament appearances and earned the Hugh Durham Award as the nation's top "mid-major" coach, he was a bright-eyed assistant at Drexel, living in Philadelphia and dating his future wife, Patti '86.

When he met her father for the first time, he introduced himself, saying that he coached college basketball. His future father-in-law was confused, saying, "No, what do you really do? What do you do the rest of your day?"

Flannery laughs at the story now, but the questions, he says, were honest ones. Practices and games last only a few hours, and the basketball season covers just four or five months of the year. To the uninitiated, coaches would seem to be left with plenty of time to spare. But between recruiting new players, planning for the next practice, studying game films, running summer camps, and maintaining contacts with alumni, something

always keeps them at the office. The recurring challenge for college coaches seems to be turning out the lights and going home.

Based on recent record, Flannery and Bucknell's other coaches are handling the challenges of the job. In addition to men's basketball, seven Bucknell teams won Patriot League championships in 2005-06: women's soccer, women's cross country, women's indoor track and field, women's outdoor track and field, women's swimming and diving, men's golf, and women's rowing. Two other teams were runners-up in league title contests, and four more reached the league semifinals, helping the Bison earn their 12th Patriot League Presidents' Cup in 16 years. Bucknell student-athletes continue to appear in large numbers on the Patriot League's academic honor roll and rank among the nation's best in graduation rate.



Coach Pat Flannery's job continues off the court.

Recruits and Non-recruits For coaches, the work of building and maintaining a successful team begins with recruiting, and the job can be time consuming. Take, for example, the month of July in college basketball, which Flannery calls "a grind." July is the month of recruiting trips to showcase basketball camps and tournaments, where Division I prospects face off in a seemingly endless series of high school gyms. For a typical national AAU tournament, Bucknell's coaches are in the gyms around 8 a.m. with a pared-down list of potential recruits in hand. Of the hundreds of players each coach sees, only a small fraction are actually being recruited. Still, it is enough to keep the coaches busy until about 11 p.m., when they regroup, report what they saw, and plan the next day. Repeat that for about five days for each event, and multiply that by five events. By the end of the hectic month, Flannery's staff narrows its list of recruits to about 10.

Recruiting is more than a process of elimination,



For rowers, the Susquehanna River looks like home.

particularly at an academically selective institution like Bucknell. Coaches are looking for a combination of athletic skill, scholastic ability, and drive to succeed. According to volleyball head coach Cindy Opalski, it is not an exact science, but with experience, a coach can begin to see signs of potential in the way a player dives for a ball, responds to a coach, or picks up her teammates in a difficult situation. When Opalski first saw Bison star Kristen Sydlowski '07 in a high school all-star game, she was amazed by the young outside hitter's competitiveness and leadership on the court — traits that are hard to gauge by watching videos of recruits. "I told my assistants, 'That kid has to be on our team,'" she says. Gut feelings like that one have worked well for Opalski, whose teams have won four Patriot League titles and posted 13 winning seasons in the last 14 years.

Non-recruited athletes, or walk-ons, have an impact on many programs. In rowing, for instance, walk-ons are prevalent because high school rowing teams are relatively rare. Head coach Stephen Kish '92 says that about 100 first-year women — about one in five women from the class — tried rowing through the team's novice program last year, and only 15 to 20 of them were experienced, recruited rowers. Adjusting to college, academically and socially, can be difficult for first-years, but Kish says that crew practice can be a helpful addition to the schedule. "In a lot of ways, the routine of practice and the group of friends that forms make for a second family and can often make the transition to college more enjoyable," he says.

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Mentor-Coaches Helping first-year students adjust to college also is part of the job for track and field head coach Kevin Donner, who leads both the men's and the women's indoor and outdoor programs, as well as the two cross-country teams. Donner adds 50 to 60 first-year athletes to his men's and women's teams each year. With those numbers, one might expect a high level of attrition, but Donner, an eight-time Patriot League Coach of the Year, says his staff manages to keep its losses relatively low by being up-front about the

program's rigorous expectations. Once the recruits become student-athletes, they report their academic progress to their coaches every Monday — every exam, every paper, and every project that receives a grade. If someone seems to be falling behind, Donner says, the track roster has willing tutors in just about every major. Of the 140 student-athletes on the team, about three-quarters have grade point averages of 3.0 or higher.

On the track, Donner keeps his athletes engaged by giving each one a chance to compete. Some travel to the nation's elite events, while others build experience in smaller meets to get used to Division I college competition. "The 60th-best athlete on my team might be one of my top-five athletes in two years," Donner says, "if we give him a good training program, keep him healthy, and keep him motivated."

Chemistry Lessons To help players improve from year to year, coaches have to understand what drives each one, says women's basketball head coach Kathy Fedorjaka MS'92, who holds her team's record for coaching victories. Fedorjaka also says she is "constantly aware" of team chemistry — the interpersonal relationships that can bring players closer together or fracture a team and limit its potential. "They are a group," she says, "but they are also 13 individuals with 13 different personalities."

A few special individuals can make a sizeable difference for a team. In men's basketball, recent graduates Charles Lee '06 and Kevin Bettencourt '06 helped the Bison win two Patriot League titles, reach the second round of the NCAA tournament twice, finish the 2005–06 season in the nation's top 25, and beat a who's who of power programs, including Kansas, Pittsburgh, and Syracuse. But the careers of individual players are fleeting. A college team turns over a quarter of its roster each season, on average.

The long-term health of a program, Flannery says, depends on how well the influence of players like Lee and Bettencourt carries over in the work ethic of their successors. "[Lee and Bettencourt] learned what the game was about, and they carried themselves that way," Flannery says. "They were hard-practicing kids. They were leaders. Our kids are certainly smart enough to know what it takes to get there. You're hoping that they teach each other, and I feel that's really happened in our program."

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UNIVERSITY PHOTOGRAPHER

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Nelson Davis/University Archives

Nelson Fithian Davis, about 1906.

FOR TODAY'S BUCKNELL STUDENTS, capturing the fleeting moments of college life is as simple as snapping open a camera cell phone. Years ago in the early 1900s, Professor Nelson Fithian Davis faced a far greater challenge as he combined his passion for science with the emerging field of photography.

Using bulky equipment and available lighting, he created images of the campus that offer a glimpse of Bucknell life at the turn of the 20th century. His pictures of bygone days evoke a world where students wore formal attire, and Model T's pattered down campus roads. Faculty and administrators gazed sternly from formal portraits. Workers cleared land for the new stadium, and students attended commencement ceremonies on the lawn behind Carnegie Library.

In pursuing his fascination with photography, Davis produced most of the University's early images, which are notable for their detailed composition and skillful execution. Today, these historical glass negatives, photographic prints, lantern slides, lecture materials, correspondence, and personal memorabilia are housed in the Davis Family Collection at the University Archives.

"It was quite unusual to own a camera around 1900," says Tulu Bayar, assistant professor of art.

Equipment was heavy, complex, and expensive. She notes that Davis' scientific bent paired well with the mechanics, chemicals, and experimental approach necessary in the new field. "These early photographers were more like inventors."

A New Jersey native and member of Sigma Chi, Davis earned three degrees at Bucknell — a B.S. in 1895, an M.S. in 1896, and an Honorary Doctorate of Science in 1903 — and served as chair of the biology department from 1910 until 1939. His interest, in what was then termed "organic science," inspired the bulk of his photographs: nesting birds, trees, quartz and granite quarries, oyster cultivation, wild animals, fungi, insects, and human bones.

"He played an interesting role in the development of science at Bucknell," says Russell Dennis, Assistant Professor of Education and an expert in Bucknell history. "He was here at the time when the old organic sciences were transformed into modern biology." Although Davis first taught organic science at Bucknell, his title was changed to Professor of Biology, making him the first in the new department, which began offering a B.S. around 1915. "He was very active in that transformation," Dennis says, "but he was still an



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Winter scene at main entrance to campus, about 1905. Long exposure at night.



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Double-barrelled bridge over the Schuylkill River, Douglassville Pa. The bridge was built in 1716, and Nelson photographed it in 1937.

old-time biologist in the sense that he was a taxonomist, classifying insects and plants and birds."

The range of Davis' photographs reflects his scientific interests as well as his role at Bucknell through the years. He took pictures of rock samples and quarrying in New England to supplement the geology classes he taught. Images of human bones, meticulously labeled, recall the dissection lab on the top floor of the Physical and Chemical Laboratory, now known as the Art Building. "In the early 20th century, Bucknell offered a certificate of proficiency in various medical studies" to prepare undergraduates for medical school, Dennis explains. "It was one of the few institutions of the time where cadaver dissection took place."

In addition to his tripod, focusing cloth, glass-plate holders, and case, Davis always carried a special permit from the Pennsylvania Game Commission to shoot birds and animals in and out of season for scientific purposes. The results were skinned, preserved, and mounted by the official university taxidermist, George Normal Wilkinson 1909, in his Carnegie Library taxidermy shop.

Davis steadily built a large collection of specimens for the University's Natural History Museum, which he curated from 1915 to 1939. Housed in the center section of Old Main, it was considered one of the finest zoological collections in the United States. After most of it burned in the Old Main fire of 1932, Davis worked diligently to find replacement specimens, most notably from Dr. Gilbert Perez 1907 of the Philippines.

Other photographs depict Davis' summer home at Old Gap Camp, located in the Bald Eagle State Forest near Halfway Dam, 17 miles west of campus. He built the one-and-a-half story cottage with the help of friends, including colleague and former student John Rice '14, MS'15. Davis' students often took field trips to Old Gap to study biology, botany, and bacteriology. From 1920 through the late 1930s, he hosted an annual and very popular overnight trip, during which his students conducted water surveys and enjoyed camaraderie.

His fascination with covered wooden bridges inspired perhaps the most significant part of the

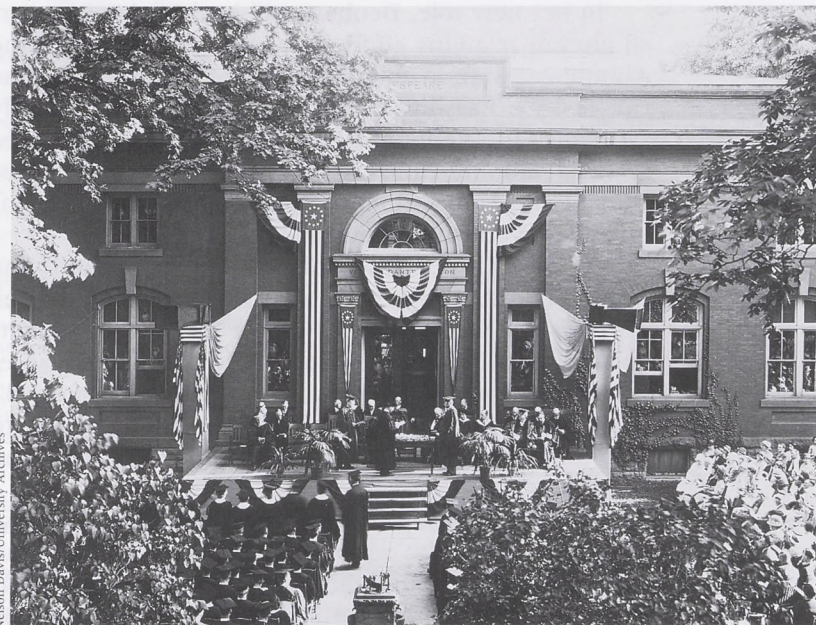
collection. From 1935 to 1937, Davis traveled throughout central and eastern Pennsylvania, documenting as many of these old structures as possible, for they were rapidly deteriorating and being replaced with new, metal bridges.

In the early 1920s, he slipped on an icy walk, suffering a concussion that permanently damaged his vision. To make up for his partial loss of sight, he used "lantern slides" during his lectures. The lantern projector operated much like a modern overhead projector, and the enlarged images allowed him to adapt his lessons and continue teaching.

Davis lived on Water Street, near campus, like most professors in the pre-automobile era. He was married three times. His first wife, Nellie Taylor 1897, MA1898, was the mother of Nelson Fithian Davis Jr. and Frances Moore Davis '25, MA'29. His second wife was Ella Marion Briggs MA1907; his third, Jessie Palmer, worked in the Registrar's Office. He was a longtime friend of President Emory William Hunt, with whom he often vacationed at a private club near Quebec.

Davis died of a heart attack at the age of 67 in 1939, shortly before a selection of his photographs was to be published in National Geographic. The University cancelled classes on the day of his funeral to honor this much-loved professor, a legendary friend of students. Rice, who became Chair of the Biology Department after his mentor's death, took great care to organize and label Davis' photographs and papers, which today are housed in the University Archives.

Through the efforts of the University Archives staff and a team of dedicated student volunteers, many of Davis' images have been converted to digital format and can be viewed online at www.bucknell.edu/Library_computing/Collections_and_Borrowing/Special_Collections_University_Archives/University_Archives/Digital_Collections.html. An entire section devoted to the covered-bridge series, which depicts several different types of construction, includes dozens of images categorized by county.



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Commencement on the Quadrangle, about 1930.

LAURA DENBOW NAMED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Laura Denbow

THE NEW YEAR BRINGS NEW leadership and direction to Development and Alumni Relations at Bucknell, marked by a significant expansion of career services for alumni and students.

Laura Denbow, formerly director of the Career Development Center, has been promoted to executive director of Alumni Relations, as well as Career Services, effective Jan. 1. She will oversee and manage the strategic planning and implementation of all alumni relations and career services. Pam Keiser, former senior associate director of the CDC, has been promoted to director.

In her new role, Denbow will lead Bucknell's overall alumni relations effort by working closely with the Alumni Association and planning and implementing the University's flagship events of Homecoming, Family Weekend, and Reunion Weekend. She also will oversee regional alumni clubs and programming, as well as student and young alumni programming and programming based on class-year affinity.

By moving the CDC from the Provost's Office to the Development and Alumni Relations division, Bucknell provides a seamless array of career services to students and alumni. This strategic coordination of career services with other campus offerings is unique among Bucknell's peer benchmark colleges and universities, according to Sam Lundquist, vice president for Development and Alumni Relations.

"Alumni care about Bucknell's well-being because they care about the value of their degree throughout their life," says Lundquist. "Careers are extremely important to alumni, particularly young alumni. By creating a continuum of service for students as they transition to alumni status and chart a path through their career, we are zeroing in on what alumni care most about."

Softening the distinction between Bucknellians' pre- and post-graduation experience will help build greater traditions during their undergraduate years, a crucial time of connection, Lundquist notes. "If students engage with us during their junior or senior year in a meaningful way, they know there will be no end date to that engagement. The way they view their Bucknell experience will be fundamentally different. We really want alumni to think of Bucknell as one of their lifelong homes."

Denbow says that breaking down the "firewall" between students and alumni signals a cultural change for Bucknell. "We've had alumni career services in place for almost five years, but we always knew there were more things we could be doing to support alumni — and to help alumni support the University," she explains. "Now that we have joined forces, we can pool our resources in a thoughtful way that helps students make the most of their undergraduate experience, helps alumni make the most of their professional experience, and provides both parties the chance to do the right thing for Bucknell. They'll be both users and providers of our career services."

Support of Bucknell is not limited to financial support, she says, noting that alumni involvement and networking are crucial to a successful and vibrant CDC. "Alumni who donate their time to provide career information or help sponsor an intern or extern now know that the University truly values and recognizes that form of support and commitment."

Denbow joined Bucknell in 1998 as director of the CDC, where she introduced several major initiatives, including the creation of off-campus career-networking events, the Alumni Career Services program, an externship shadowing program for sophomores, and the Bucknell Public Interest Program. The CDC also took over pre-law advising and administrative support for the pre-health advising program during this time.

Her move to Alumni Relations carries extra significance for Bucknell's target group of younger alumni, many of whom are familiar with Denbow from their undergraduate job-hunting days at the CDC. She is known on campus as an open-door administrator and plans to continue seeing students during walk-in hours in her new office. She also will continue advising Habitat for Humanity and Kappa Alpha Theta sorority, and she will remain involved in the Foundation Seminar Program, where she speaks to first-year students about smart decision making. In her seminars, Denbow urges students to focus on relationships instead of technology — a concept that has guided her own career at Bucknell.

"Alumni Relations and the CDC both are in the business of managing relationships," she says. "We care deeply about the people with whom we work, and there's no doubt our integration will bring results." — Christina Masciere Wallace

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.

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

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

Deadlines

Items submitted to the class reporters between now and Jan. 10 will appear in the Spring 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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Hello Class of '36ers and Happy New Year! I hope this issue of *Bucknell World* finds you doing well. Let me know if there are any updates you would like to share with your classmates or other Bucknellians. Also, please feel free to contact me if you would like assistance finding information on other alumni. I look forward to hearing from you soon with any information or remembrances of Bucknell.

Warmest regards. — P.K.

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I sincerely hope that there are some of you out there reading our class report since I've drawn a blank, nada, nothing from any of you, and I know you are out there.

I do hear from **Cliff Siegmeister**, who promises to return for our 70th Reunion next spring. This is a must date for all of you that can make it.

Homecoming this fall produced **Joe Weightman**, whose kids brought him back. It turned out to be an exciting visit for him to rekindle old relationships developed during his career as Bucknell's doctor and physician for many years to the football teams. He will make every effort to return for our 70th, which at this point in time will make three of us.

Mark your calendar and please let me hear from you. — C.V.

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A long letter from **Warren Eister** wishing Homecoming was possible, but not this year. Along with work on his book with its emphasis on sociology, he is also interested in doing an article on retirement homes of all varieties. Maybe some of you out there in one of the many types of retirement homes, villages, etc. will step up to the bat and send your insights to him. He can be reached at wkeister@hotmail.com. I'll send you his home address if you send a note to me. My email and home address are at the top of the column. Warren keeps in touch with **Lewis English**, who has given up square dancing, an activity he and his wife have enjoyed for many years.

Dick Lichtermann '41, by email, said he enjoyed our class notes, especially when his class had no report.

Which leads me to say that this is all the news this time. The fact is that no reporter has anything to report unless we hear from you, our classmates. It always astonishes me how many of you say that you read the class report first, but feel you have nothing to report. What are your volunteer activities? How often are you able to visit your children? Again, poor health can certainly be a deterrent to outside activities, but not to letting the rest of us know what is important to you.

Inasmuch as you will read this in January, I hope you all have had a splendid

and special holiday celebration with family and friends. I'll look forward to all holiday cards with great interest, and will report in our next column. Thanks for all your past correspondence. — 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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The only news this month is the death of Kappa Sig **Bud Vanderbilt**. I had a birthday card from him on Oct. 7, and he said he was recuperating very well from a knee replacement operation. I was really shocked when **Art Denney** called me about his death. Bud was a real help to me in sending a lot of news about Bucknell.

Our class is growing smaller so, you members who are still enjoying life at 86, please send me your news. I will also print news from the Classes of '41 and '43 — we were all a close group due to WWII.

We are all looking forward to football season. Our family has many bets going. Our daughter is a Michigan grad and our son from West Virginia. My husband, Bill, is a Hall of Fame grad from Villanova and my master's degree from Pitt makes me eligible in the "big" schools.

Please send me some news so I don't bore you with news about my family. All for now. Go, Bison! 'Ray, Bucknell! — A.S.

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Seth Bilger '06, recipient of the Class of 1943 Scholarship, graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering. At the President's Senior Award Ceremony in May, Seth received the Dorothy Walls McCormick Prize, awarded to the student from Union County who during senior year demonstrated qualities by which other students have been helped in their daily living and in their personal development. He also was the recipient of the William H. and Carl W. Neff Prize, for the member of the graduating class in mechanical engineering showing exceptional academic and personal growth during his academic career at Bucknell. Thank you to Linda Reinaker, steward of endowed funds, for keeping us informed about '43's scholarship recipients.

Also from Linda, we learn that the Class of 1943 Scholarship was built at the end of June by the addition of \$3,336 paid from the Ammon Challenge fund. It represents the final distribution for the Ammon Challenge. During the Bucknell Campaign, new scholarship gifts of more than \$77 million for Bucknell's endowed scholarship program were raised.

Ruth Stip, Holidaysburg, Pa., lives in her own home and is enjoying life. She has a daughter in North Carolina and a son in

Florida and they visit. Ruth enjoys reading and bridge. She hears from **Ruth Hoffman**, who lives in Arizona. I inquired about **Dottie Lee Grounds Matthews**, who lived in the same town, and I am sad to report she died this year.

Jean Walton Clemmer of Lansdale, Pa., was in when I phoned. She's been living 1 and 1/2 years in a retirement community, Founder's Village, moving there after living with her husband in Florida for 18 years, in their own home and then in a condo. Her husband died three years ago. She tells the story of expecting her two granddaughters to visit from Billings, Mt. — turns out it was during the hurricane season and with their bags packed for Florida, Jean was told to evacuate. So the girls came anyway and with some good planning they left the area at 4 a.m. and drove east to safety in Ft. Lauderdale. What made life in Florida particularly happy was the ACO Club. When Jean and her husband were in Naples waiting for a plane, they were walking through a mall and saw a shop named Halston Card Shop. Jean inquired if the owners' names were Estelle and Ed — yes — from Philadelphia? — yes. So later at their hotel, Estelle called and invited them to come right over, and thus started a friendship where the men enjoyed golf together and so did the women. Answering the question of how did she get to Lansdale, Jean said she visited her Quaker grandparents in Blue Bell, five miles from Lansdale. She is putting her years of experience in the antique business into helping with the upcoming bazaar at Founder's Village.

I need you to send news of you! — J.B.S.

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The happiest of New Years and may it bring you good health, plus a resolution that you really will send word to your classmates that you're still a part of us. We're all waiting.

While phone calls don't always bring pass-along news, it's so heart-warming to hear that familiar voice and know all is well with them. That holds true for Doris and **Lee Psaty** and **George Haines '43**, who check in often. The calls from **Mal Lewis Strittmatter** and **Janet Leach Messman** were to remind me that I was a year older.

In August, **Marie Grabowski Meseroll** relayed **Frank Strickland's '46** obituary. Better known as "Stretch," he started out with us in 1940, attended all '44 functions and had served Bucknell faithfully. His death was a shock, indeed, as he was fine when we met on campus after the memorial chapel service in June. It's sad to realize he'll be a part of the next one. He and **Lee Dillon '46** had been married 59 years. During WWII Stretch was wounded during the Battle of the Bulge, receiving a Purple Heart with Oak Leaf clusters, the Bronze Star and the Combat Infantry Badge. To his beloved Lee, their two daughters and families, sincerest sympathy from all of us in '44.

Deepest condolences also to **Ken Warren** and his family on the passing of his wife, **Isabelle Kent '43**, last September. He and Izzy had been married for 60 years and lived in Rhode Island.

Note: *Frank Strickland and Isabelle Kent Warren's obituaries appear in this issue.*

In a letter from **Ruth Smith Mendes**

she said, "I returned here to our beloved mountain home in June to try to get used to life without **Frank** by my side. It has been a comforting experience, as we must not let the passing of our loved ones diminish what we can give our friends and family in appreciation for their presence in our lives now." You'll make it, Smitty.

It was special to have seen some football games last season. The first was the night game at home against Duquesne; we won in overtime. Son **Tim '80** came in from Chicago to go with me. The second was at Marist, where daughter **Kitty Baker Sarro '72** and I joined five other members of the Baker clan; again we won. Tim returned for Homecoming, the weather was the best and all was great except for the score in Penn's favor. Among the more than 1,200 returnees were Martha and **John Zeller '41**, **Paul '46** and **Jane Henderson Layden '46**, **Gene Hubka '47**, **Betty Hoile List '48**, **Fitz Walling '46**, **Alex Pulianas '50**, **Floyd '50** and **Barbara Kaiser Henderson '51**, **Penn '53** and **Dee Pieper Shelley '59**. And then there were the offspring of some classmates. It was ever so pleasant to visit with **George Jr. '74** and **Debbie Scott Grabowski '74** and their daughter **Karen '07**, children of George and **Elsa Larsen Grabowski**, and to meet **John Kimball '07**, grandson of **Bill '48** (originally '44) and **Polly Weist Wilkinson '43**. John was a member of Homecoming's prestigious Host and Hostess Committee.

Remember, please, get in touch so others may know you're still around and thinking of them. Love and peace. — H.R.B.

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One of the benefits of being a class reporter includes hearing from **Phyllis Costich Schafer**, who keeps me posted on the Rochester area church that I pastored while still in divinity school. Phyllis is rehabbing from major heart surgery while her husband recovers from hip replacement, neither of which sounds like much fun. Though virtually housebound, Phyllis enjoys her phone-enabled connection with **Barb Dyer Padden**.

Another benefit is hearing from **George Naimark**, who entered a year earlier than most of us and graduated much later, due to the war, of course. To the short list of classmates who have published books recently, add George M. Naimark and hustle your computer to Amazon before this long, dark winter slams another day your way! Shamelessly I claim that his *Cleaning Out My Attic* is a better remedy at my bedside than Ambien. Not only is George's latest cheaper than Ambien, his great writing puts a smile on my face for the night. His quote from a Buckminster Fuller passage braces me for a challenging new day in the morning: "Anything which needs to be done can be done." Let's see, was this declared before or after Katrina? In any case, I wish we had been armed with that quote when we tried to persuade Bucknell administrators to admit young people from the Japanese-American detention camps in 1943. On a recent afternoon this little paperback entertained neighbors who had gathered for wine and cheese. Beaten down by fear-exploiting politicians, these neighbors loved George's true account, "The Night the Guy Took My Car in New York City." Cap and Dagger fans will want to start with "Ten Little Indians the Hard Way," page 43, where the panic created by actor Bruce Bassett's emergency appendectomy is abated by George Burns' photographic mind and stout-hearted courage on just six hours' notice. You can also enjoy reading between the lines to discover at which

college a certain German professor taught.

Would you believe, a second book from this same classmate last year? At first glance I put aside *How To Be A Truly Rotten Boss* as being a bit late for someone retired since 1988. But Warren Bennis (*Managing the Dream*) notes that *Rotten Boss* is "one of the funniest and most liberating books on leadership I have read."

Next time I feel stumped about what to give a friend who appears to have everything, I will know where to turn for a gift of exemplary critical thinking about our culture, a writing style in itself a pleasure and a truly saving sense of humor. 'Ray, Bucknell! — W.W.

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Dear classmates, it is with a heavy heart that I write these notes, as I have received the news that **Frank Strickland** passed on suddenly on Aug. 29. We had such a happy time together at Reunion in June. Lee and family request that donations be made to Bucknell University Strickland Scholarship, Cooley Hall, Lewisburg, PA 17837. Our love and prayers go out to Lee and may all the happy memories help her now.

Note: Frank Strickland's obituary appears in this issue.

The phone rang a few weeks ago and it was **Bob Megargel SAE**, who started with us and came back to finish after the war, graduating in '49. He lives at 4 Damay Road, Morristown, NJ 07960; his phone

number is 973-285-0552. He retired from DuPont Co. and hoped to get to Homecoming.

Peggy has some news to add. I hope that your holidays were happy and that this new year brings peace to the world. — E.O.A.

Peggy Thompson Fischer adds, "One of the saddest days of my life was learning of Frank Strickland's sudden death at 83 on Aug. 29 of an acute pulmonary condition. With his future wife, **Eleanor 'Lee' Dillon**, and myself, we three graduated from Teaneck High School in northern New Jersey and thence from Bucknell's Class of 1946. A well-known Bucknellian, Frank was elected as an alumni trustee from 1972 to 1979. During World War II, he served with the 80th Infantry Division, was twice wounded in the Battle of the Bulge and received the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star and Combat Infantry Badge. In 1995, he was awarded the Medal of Freedom for his division's liberation of Luxembourg and his role in the Battle of the Bulge. In civilian life, he worked 37 years as a top executive for General Motors Acceptance Corporation. He earned a master's degree in business administration from New York University. Frank and Lee spend much of their married life in Yardley, Pa., raising two daughters, Deborah Lee Tucker, of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Susan Given of Roanoke, Va. They have three granddaughters, a great-granddaughter and numerous nieces and nephews. An avid golfer and championship player, Frank was also a popular Rotarian who served six terms as district governor for Rotary clubs. He recently won the prestigious Legion of Honor Award of the Chapel of the Chaplains, to be awarded posthumously. Burial was in Arlington Cemetery on Nov. 27.

"My hope is that each of us has the great pleasure of meeting **Molly Butzer '80, M'85**, Bucknell's senior regional manager of capital giving, who called on me Sept. 20 for an 8:15 breakfast. We celebrated



FLASHBACK

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Prom Committee

HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE YOU HAVE BEEN TO A prom, or worn bobby socks and saddle shoes? Email your recollections to Gigi Marino at gmarino@bucknell.edu; mail to Office of Communications, 79 University Ave., Lewisburg, PA 17837; or phone 570-577-3611.

Chris Edwards '75 was the first person to write, identifying herself as the long-haired woman in the plaid pants. She said, "I ended up taking those not-so-subtle plaid pants along when I went to France after graduation as part of an exchange program Bucknell had with the University of Caen in Normandy. Their pattern greatly amused the French students. One of my French pals even dubbed my slacks 'clown pants.'"

Rich Goldfarb '75 wrote, "The dorky looking guy in the plaid shirt looking aimlessly out the window is Birdman or Condor (aka Doug Andres '74), who was my housemate that year on Market Street. Although Doug graduated in May, 1974, he decided to be a townie for a year, take a class or two at Bucknell, and shovel feed at the Purina factory, before heading out to the West Coast in the summer of '75 and becoming a clean-cut lawyer-type."

Ken Leidheiser '75 identified "the guy in the middle with the Fu Manchu mustache" as James Dixon '75, as did his wife, Denise Ort Dixon '75. She also told us that we had once used this photo in the magazine, which we did in 1999. However, she said, "The handsome guy is still worth a second look."



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our favorite university and mutual great love of the place and the people in it. Molly is a knockout! Great idea lady! We agreed we were 'two peas in a pod.' Wrote Molly, 'I'm not sure I ever enjoyed a meeting more. I know we are going to be friends and that makes me happy!' Certainly Molly brings much to the table for any of us, including leaving a brochure behind of glorious information about my favorite place.

"I am already trying to return for next year's Reunion because I cannot wait five years; at my age, that's too long. I have far too much affection and need to check in soon. All the best to each of you."

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Bucknell was at its welcoming best when **Skip (W. Nelson)** and I returned for Homecoming. Skip was invited to the first Engineering Alumni Association Dinner on Friday evening. The Terrace Room was filled with engineering faculty, alumni and students. The dinner was preceded by 12 remarkable student projects, with the students nearby to explain their amazing work. Skip's interest and work with robots attracted him to the robot project. The exhibits and the dinner speeches illustrated why Bucknell's engineering department is rated as No. 7 in the country.

President Brian C. Mitchell and his wife were present at the dinner. He expressed genuine pride in our alma mater as he described his vision for Bucknell's future (Our degrees are worth more all the time, friends). Yes, we did go to the Bucknell vs. Penn football game on Saturday. The bleachers were full, but we felt lucky to have \$10 seats on the 50-yard line (We called the box office from home). If you watched the news, the score was 34 (Penn) to 24 (Bucknell). Since Penn was favored to win, we thought the Bison put up a good fight.

Visited with **Millie Valentine Painter** in September. We hope to see many of the Class of '47 in June for our 60th Reunion. It's not too early to make plans. Watch the mail for your invitation.

And please email your news for the next issue of *Bucknell World*. — J.M.R.

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One of my "old faithfuls," **Anita Coleman Steiner**, wrote that her husband, Stan, gave her an 80th birthday party — 48 persons, family and friends — how wonderful! They left for Arizona in September, until April. Great. Thanks for writing, Anita.

And **Betty Hoile List** sent me lots of information on '48ers: **Joie LaBarr Hardie** is busy in Laguna Niguel, Calif., with her family and doing volunteer work. She also came to Homecoming and looked great.

Eleanor Sipler Gross and husband **Cliff '49**, of Thorofare, N.J., visit relatives in Cape May, N.J., and see Betty often, as she has a home there.

Albert Zigler, or as we know him, Ziggy, lives in Greensboro, N.C., near his daughter and her family. He usually comes back for Homecoming. I missed you, Ziggy.

Janet Mallett Zachara lives in the state of New York and enjoys her family, friends, skiing and travel.

Betty, "Hoi" to us, is chair of the

Westfield (N.J.) Historic Preservation Commission and is the town historian. Thanks, Hoi, for this news for our column — more in April.

Our daughter, **Jill Brown Waters '82** and her husband, **Jack Waters '79**, and their daughter, **Jennifer '01**, joined my husband, Jim, and me at Homecoming. It was a beautiful weekend, weather wise, with lots of activities. The football game was played with a freshman quarterback and they all did their best — enough said. I go for the camaraderie, myself. Go, Bison! Peace in 2007. — J.G.B.

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I received emails from several class members thanking me for taking the position of 1949 class reporter. They also sent news about themselves.

Harry Birchard said he and **Howard Van Dine** are fellow Lambda Chis and have been lifelong friends. He and his wife, Sylvia, visited Howie and Jan a few years before his accident. He said he would keep in touch.

Al Borelli thanked me for running the column on him in September's issue and said he received nearly 30 emails and letters from friends he had not had contact with in 50 years. He also accepted an invitation to play at a fundraiser for his old fraternity at Brown University (he was there in the Naval ROTC 1944-45). A friend helped him to and from the piano and once seated he felt like his own self again. He says he might reschedule a few of the engagements he had cancelled for 2006. He had studied (1960-62) with the late Jorge Bolet who was arguably the finest Lisztian interpreter. He is eternally grateful to him and now his repertoire is mostly Liszt.

Another report from **Nick Daviduk** — he spent the summer as usual at the Jersey shore making smoked ribs on a new wood chip electric smoker given to him by his son, Robert. Since the weather was so hot, he decided to drive the Alcan Highway in British Columbia. He flew to Vancouver in late August, rented a car, and drove to Dawson Creek and almost to Ft. Nelson and returned to Kamloops, B.C. (My note — I was there with my husband, **Dale '50**, traveling in our Airstream a number of years ago.) There was a heat wave there also. Then to Ames Creek, 250 miles up the Frazer River, where the sockeye salmon were returning to spawn. It was a sight to see and understand. How can the salmon know to return to the place where they were hatched, travel to the Pacific Ocean and return four years later to repeat the process? After 2,500 miles of adventure he flew home.

A long report from **Jim Bortner**, detailing his life after graduation. He was a graduate assistant in the math department at Bucknell in the summer of 1949 and was supposed to be an instructor for 1949-50, but he was recalled to duty in the Navy for the Korean action. He did not see action, as he was ordered to San Francisco as an instructor in the Advanced Electronic Material school, and then in the fall of 1951 he was selected for Officer Candidate School and was commissioned as a lieutenant JG in February 1952. He had post-graduate study at M.I.T. where he graduated with an MS in naval architecture and professional degree of naval engineer in June 1956. He married Caroline Swaim and they had two girls and two boys over the course of the many different places where he was stationed (including sea duty). In 1965 he became co-chair of the electrical and electronics faculty at the U.S. Naval Academy. He retired as a captain in September 1974 and began a new career as a teacher of math at several community

colleges. In 1982 he left teaching and joined a consulting firm as program manager, working with contracts for the U.S. and Australian Navies. He retired again after his wife was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1984 to spend more time with her. She died in 1985 (my sympathy to you, Jim, albeit a little late). He married Sydney in 1988 (she also had four grown children). Their wedding trip was to England and Scotland, sailing over and returning on *QE2*. Sydney continued working, but both are now fully retired and spend time on volunteer work and reading. They also visit her family's summer camp at Lake Chautauqua, N.Y., whenever health permits.

I have returned to swimming, at least in a small way. I won four gold medals at the N.C. Senior Games and am eligible to go to the National Senior Games in 2007 in Louisville, Ky., which I may or may not do as I will be at the tail end of my age group (75-79). — C.M.D.

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We should have been on the telephone Monday to dredge up some class news for this report, but the nice weather and fall foliage beckoned us for a ride to Amish country. Here in Ohio there is a major Amish presence in Holmes County, especially in the fertile Doughty Valley, not far from Sugar Creek, the Switzerland of Ohio. I mention that to point out that Holmes County Amish folks, and their horses, have to deal with some hilly country, more so than those in Lancaster County, Pa., or the Middlefield area of Ohio.

While touring the Doughty Valley, we stopped for lunch in the town of Charm, Ohio, where we were intrigued to watch a young Amish mother load two little tots onto a buggy. She then coaxed a beautiful horse to back the buggy from a parking stall, and headed down a steep ramp toward the main road. This came off without a hitch (poor choice of words). While waiting to enter the stream of traffic, the horse was impatient but the mother was firm with the reins and brake until it was safe to go. And away they went! They headed south and would shortly pass Charm School. That caused us to reflect that it was one week since the terrible tragedy at the Amish school in Nickel Mines, Pa. We have always admired the Amish for their varied skills and their readiness to forgive. It all came together on this occasion. — D.C.

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Dear classmates, where are you? I sent this in late because I kept waiting for a last-minute communication. Hope some of you sent me your Christmas letters so there will be some actual news in the next *Bucknell World*.

So I will go back to writing Shaw biographical notes. **Ray** and I had a great trip north the end of September and early October. We were in West Virginia, Pittsburgh (visiting our grandson, who is getting his MS in ME), Ocean City, N.J., West Chester, Pa., and Damariscotta, Maine. Now we are back to the usual, community and church choirs, garden club, etc. My spinal stenosis has taken a holiday (for good, I hope) and though my stamina is not great, after all, how old are we?

Enough of me. Please write and tell us of you. Please, please! — B.L.S.

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"Yesterday. Tomorrow. Now." This Homecoming goal resulted in being a segue for planning the 55th Reunion. The planning team — **Don** and **Molly Tompkins Manning**, **Chuck Mercer**, **Ruth Castner Rusling**, **Sally Baumgartner Stanton** and **Alice Windeknecht Totten** met to design our "double nickel" celebration preceding the October event. **Larry Bloom**, **Lorna "Tink" Hulings Gravel**, **Marshall Goulding** and **Jean Lowry Scarr** joined the team for later conference calls. The team has prepared a Friday evening which will blend memories of the past with dreams for the future into a unique evening of nostalgic fun and fellowship. If you have ideas to offer, or want to join the planning team, please contact any member. Now is the time to get actively involved.

Have you made your reservation? Are you encouraging your friends to join you? Yesterday may bring regret to tomorrow if you miss investing in this promised opportunity to experience the 55th Reunion.

Sadly, **Lorna** and **George Gravel** '51 missed their anticipated trip to Egypt in September, which was canceled because too few reservations were made. Fortunately a semi-reunion at the Jersey shore with Bucknell friends eased their disappointment. The **Bill Neff '52** Memorial Golf Outing, organized annually by Sigma Chi brothers 1950-54, was held at Long Beach Island. **Ed McComsey**, **Don Dulmage** and **Lorna** were the attending '52ers at this fall "blast." Ed's notes are a double pleasure to receive, for his news is sent on stationery with a print of an original water color painted by him. The retired dentist is being transformed into a talented artist. A McComsey goal to downsize their water view home on the Tom's River is hopefully an achieved memory. Regardless, he is encouraging his friends to invest in the "double nickel." The planning team trusts you are doing the same.

One priceless reminiscence worth questioning at the "double nickel" is the answer to **Joe Gallagher's** question, "Do you remember sitting in Vaughan Lit. taking Western World Literature? The Greek tragedies and epics like the *Iliad* and *Odyssey* seemed magical to me. Without doubt, Dr. Gummo's (Art in the Dark) lectures of the sculpture *Winged Victory* and the graceful figures sculpted by the unrivaled Praxiteles almost transferred me to Greece itself." Joe's dream has come true. He and his lovely wife, Jan, traveled to Greece and Turkey, meeting many European and Asian tourists on holiday. In spite of the multitudinous crowds and extremely hot weather, experiencing the Acropolis, Delphi, Istanbul, Hagia Sophia, Ephesus and other neoclassic sights too numerous to mention made the trip well worthwhile. "We loved to have the vision of another culture become reality as we touched history in person."

Joe has also been in touch with **Tom Dean**, **Marty McKibbin** and **Don Strassner**, and as usual the trio recalled Bucknell history of yesterday. But it is a recent conversation with Coach Flannery that allows Joe to disclose without embarrassment, "I played basketball for Bucknell in '52." Go, Bison!

The Ruslings discovered Istanbul to be as mind-boggling and heart-rending as the Gallaghers noted when we cruised the perimeter of the Black Sea last September. The ports of Turkey, located in both Europe and Asia Minor, overwhelmed us with hospitality. Cities in the Ukraine, Odessa, Sevastopol, Yalta and Bulgaria often surprised us with their unexpected friendliness. Among our myriad of high points was a visit to the home of a Bulgarian family for afternoon tea. Ask Bill and me more at the "double nickel" about our impressions of

this segment of the world striving to join the European Union.

A far different surprise for me lately was to see **Janie Stahl Hergenhan** smiling from a photo in the fall issue of the *Moravian Academy Journal*. The class notes, written by a mutual friend, noted that Janie came East to celebrate the 58th reunion with her high school friends. How special it will be if Janie can come this May from her home in Portland, Ore., to join us for our 55th Reunion. We hope so.

Marianne Colville Parkinson was the first to say "yes" to being a volunteer caller for the phone tree. **Lynne Fetteroff Porter** also generously volunteered for this essential task. Phone-tree communication is a proven successful strategy to positively influence attendance at milestone Reunions. The interest paid for volunteer energy and time brings dividends through feel-good conversations. In addition, the bottom line is a long list of grateful '52ers who are happy to have been called. This personal touch from the phone tree callers does make a difference!

See you at the "double nickel." 'Ray, Bucknell! — R.C.R.

Harry and Jayne Rothschild Staley were profiled in *The Sun* newspaper of Weatherly, R.I., for their involvement in the Rhode Island Shoreline Coalition. The article mentioned how the pair — he is from Kansas, she is from New York — met as juniors at Bucknell. Thank you to **Roberta Fish Winters '70** for passing along the article.

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Ed Williams sent the following about the death of **Carl Cording**, on July 19, in Tequesta, Fla.: "Carl had a few tough years, having had several serious bouts with throat cancer and then poor health problems for the past several years. I lost track of Carl after we had graduated but found out he was a very successful developmental engineer and engineering manager. That was not a surprise to me because I always thought he had his head on straight. We had some things in common. We were both from Brooklyn, N.Y., and both graduated with a degree in engineering, roomed together, and above all, I would consider us close friends. Carl was a member of Lambda Chi and was elected president during our senior year.

"I finally located Carl in the mid '90s and found he was wintering in Tequesta, Fla., while spending the warmer months in Media, Pa. With this new info in tow, I would drive over from Marco Island and he and I would spend a few days golfing on his home course. I really admired the guy for what he had gone through with his cancer. He had undergone a couple of early mouth surgeries and finally had a total laryngectomy performed.

"He never withdrew from society because of this. In fact, he took it to the schools in Palm Beach County and talked to the students about the potential ill effects of smoking. Let's face it, when you have a man stand in front of you, talking with an artificial voice device, you get their attention. He told of one occasion, how good it made him feel when some of the young students would come up to him after the lecture and thank him and vowed never to start smoking or quit if they did have the habit. That was Carl Cording. Ironically, he lost his wife, Deborah, to the same cause and effect. She (a heavy smoker) was diagnosed with lung cancer in both lungs and passed away within three weeks of the diagnosis. His health slowly deteriorated after that due to several physical problems. Suffice it to say, he was a great guy, typical of a member of the Class of '53."

Ed added more information that I feel is important to mention, also: "He was

involved in the cockpit design of the early manned space vehicles. He spent time with the original seven astronauts during this period of time, an experience that he held pretty high in his career. In 1965 he was named Outstanding Man of The Year in the Philadelphia area and was voted into the "One in a Thousand Club" with General Electric Co. After retiring, he continued to successfully develop several small business ventures." Indeed, an outstanding man.

Note: Carl Cording's obituary appears in this issue.

From **Bobbie Roemer Gibb** came a note that said, "It was delightful to give **Trudy Knutzen Powelson** the fun of a surprise and a gathering of friends and family for her 75th birthday. Her children and grandchildren hosted the dinner party in September at the New Orleans Restaurant in Somerset County, N.J. It was great to meet her wonderful family — mostly look-alikes of Abe or Trudy. The children and grandchildren staged a variety show, and it was fun to watch. Family members and friends spoke warm birthday wishes." From the Bucknell gang, attendees were **Bobbie** and her husband, **George Gibb '58**, **Don '52** and **Amy Jo Abrams Anderson**, **Shirley Kistler Herwig** and **Joan MacBain Stettler** and her husband, Wayne.

I also heard that **Shirley Reidinger Ostendarp's** family honored her with an August weekend of family partying and a special real surprise gathering with many guests on Sunday. How grand to have these happy celebrations. I wonder how others of you are celebrating or are being honored.

Marge Boote Heine informed me that Mary Jane Stevenson and Peg Bryan in September invited more than 100 people from the University and beyond to help them celebrate their 90th birthdays at a reception on campus. **John Zeller '41** and his family served as emcees at the event. What memories we have of those two fine women, our former Dean of Women and the head of the women's physical education department. Congratulations to you both. On campus for Homecoming were **Spencer '54** and **Elise Mueller Bruno '55**, proud grandparents of Bucknell sophomore **Amy Bruno '09**. They came especially to observe Amy playing rugby. None of their four children attended our alma mater, but happily the next generation has chosen Bucknell. Are any of you grandparents of Bucknell students?

At Trudy Powelson's vacation home in the Berkshires, some classmates assembled for a visit. The occasion was that **Claire Vogel song Pease** and her husband, Ted, from Anchorage, were nearby in Massachusetts for a fall stay. **Pete** and **Joan Lafferandre Diamandis** said how fortunate they were to have had fall foliage in Utah, then in northern New England at a golf outing, then to be here in the Berkshires, and to look forward to more color at home in a week or two. **Ginny** and **Downey Stancs** came from nearby Connecticut. I was interested to hear him describe the techniques that he had used in his profession as a self-employed headhunter.

Walt and Izzy Beers McConnell, Wayne and Joan Stettler, Shirley Herwig, Shirley Ostendarp and I also attended Trudy's gathering, which included a wonderful soup lunch, a walk in the woods and then a delicious dinner. Claire and Ted provided Alaskan fish that were caught, carried east, prepared and cooked by them for the group. What a treat. Everyone contributed something to the meal. Even with all of the help in the kitchen (or maybe because of it), the peas didn't get into the salad, but we were delighted that the Pease(s) came to Massachusetts. The conversation was interesting and unceasing. The location and the weather contributed to a delightful event, needless to say. How wonderful to connect with all those folks again.

Keep in mind, Reunion in 2008. You'll hear lots more about it! — C.H.K.

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There has been no news from classmates for several issues, so your reporter will "manufacture" some news. Having a deadline in October for the January issue means by the time you read this we will have experienced Halloween, mid-term elections (hope you voted), Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's.

I started writing this column from the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., where my daughter is being treated. She is doing well.

Apologies to **Ellwood Derr** for my complaints about not receiving any news. When I returned from Minnesota, there was a magazine published by the school of music at the University of Michigan with a two-page write-up about Ellwood, who retired in May 2006. The article states that he was a "deeply revered member of the faculty by an unusually wide range of undergraduate and graduate students of all musical backgrounds and majors for more than 40 years."

Ellwood earned his master's degree at the University of Illinois, went on to study music in Germany and earned his DMA from Illinois, which he completed after his return from Germany. He is a composer and music theorist/historian. His most famous composition is *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*, based on poems by children incarcerated in the Nazi ghetto and put to death in Auschwitz in 1944. The work is available in two different recordings on the Centaur label. It has been said, "Anything Ellwood has to say about music is worth hearing."

Later in October **Glen '52** and I spent a week at the beach in Naples, Fla. In November, we were poll workers for the mid-term election, and in December our whole family celebrated Christmas on a cruise. That's about as far as I can write about. It sure would make it more interesting if you all would write and bring us up to date on what is happening in your life. Happy New Year. — B.M.A.

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I had a wonderful telephone visit with **Lydia Hines Rittinger**. She and **Ritt '54** were still in their summer home in Traverse City, Mich., but were preparing to pack up soon. Enroute to their winter home in Glendale, Ohio, they were going by the Berkshires to visit daughter, Amy, and her husband and two daughters.

Lydia and a friend from Glendale had a 10-day trip to Giverny, France, the home of the French Impressionist painter Monet. It was an art study tour with 10 other people; they painted every day. The trip included meals, lodging and transportation. Lydia has been painting a good many years now and obviously gets a lot of enjoyment from it. While her father was still living they painted together.

Their son, Ron, is living in San Francisco and daughter, Robin, in Connecticut. Lydia and Ritt took a three-day trip to Gettysburg and walked the battlefield.

Had a nice telephone visit with **Elaine Ruggieri**. Her house, which she and her husband built in 1976, is on the market. Her plans are to buy a condo in the nearby neighborhood, pocket some money and travel more, with no worries about nest eggs, fallen trees, house-sitters, security, etc. Sound familiar, guys? Her girls and their families don't visit much anymore; instead, Elaine visits them. It's easier because of their schedules, different school vacations and other commitments. I had

tried reaching her on a few Saturday mornings without success. She said she could've been playing tennis, working out, at UVA football games, shopping or abandoning the house for would-be buyers to see.

That's all the news. Are there any classmates out there who would like to take over the job of class reporter? — B.B.E.

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As I was writing this class report for the mid-October deadline, a response to my email arrived from the **Tweeds**, revealing that **Bob** is doing wonderfully well with his healing from four back surgeries since our 50th last June. You will recall our collective disappointment when we learned on the eve of our celebration that he and **Lorraine** had to cancel their plans due to his emergency surgery. Bob wrote, "I still can't take full swings but the doctor has given me permission to pitch and putt. It's at least a start on trying to improve my lousy golf game." Congrats, Bob, on pulling through such a long ordeal, and we wish you success as you seek to improve your swing.

Well, it's a small Bucknell world after all here in Willow Valley near Lancaster, Pa. I no sooner moved into my new apartment, when I met several Bucknellians from the early and late '50s, and have also received a couple of telephone calls from Bucknellians that I have never met.

The surprise of all surprises was an unexpected call, after 53 years, from my Third Bucknell Cottage freshman counselor, **June Christ Klemm '54**. We had a wonderful catch-up time, and the next thing I knew, we had joined the same Pilates class together (For those of you unfamiliar with Pilates, it's a concentrated effort at breathing by counting along with very serious stretching). We both are finding this multi-tasking difficult but do enjoy our chance to chat over coffee at the Vitality Cafe after class. **Dick '53** and June moved into their home in the lovely Gables section here on campus six and a half years ago and enjoy working out in the pool and gym on a daily basis. Dick was a "Wall Streeter" for many years before he and June retired to Ephrata, Pa., to manage their Boxwood Inn bed and breakfast, prior to moving here. For the past five years, June has been active in establishing and coordinating the national HOSTS (Helping One Student To Succeed) program in two local elementary schools. The structured program trains resident seniors and others to serve as reading skill mentors on a one-to-one basis with young students. Most of the children are able to read, but with little support from home are not encouraged to practice their reading skills. June and her core of volunteers are doing a wonderful work in our little corner of the world.

On a brisk sunny Saturday morning in mid October, I met classmate **Pat Groff Hershock** and her garden club friends for a delightful trip to historic New Castle, Del. We spent a wonderful day trekking over old brick sidewalks, up and down narrow alleys, in and out of 21 mostly historic homes, visiting unique kitchens and lovely gardens along the way. We stopped for lunch at a charming colonial inn before gathering with our group late in the afternoon for our bus ride back to Lancaster.

Looking forward to an email update from you! — J.R.R.

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Sally Botsai sent the following report just in time to beat the deadline for the January issue: "The Tri-Delts and friends met in Duck, N.C., from Sept. 30 to Oct. 4, marking our 16th year of such reunions.

Gretchen Rohrbach Flurer and **Marilyn Edgumbe Grant** flew in from California, joining **Gwen Howell Cerveny**, **Mary Lynn Griffith Jacobs**, **Mary Joyce Woodward Beringer**, **Sarah Sweeney Schafer**, **Pat Caven Leigh**, **J.J. James Newman**, **Libby Estey Butler**, **Ellie Haber Shaw**, **Mary Ryan Krepela** and me in a beach house so large several of us got lost trying to find the kitchen, the front door, the back door, etc. Thanks to Mary, who chose the house, we had multiple bedrooms, baths, kitchens and balconies as well as a pool, hot tub and tennis court.

"We did not lack for things to do. We kicked off the festivities with an early visit to the beach, followed by various trips up and down the Outer Banks for dining, shopping and sightseeing. We also spent plenty of time catching up on each other's news. Mary arranged dinners in some great restaurants in Duck and on the final night we ended the eating extravaganza with pizza, followed by a loud sing-along of some favorite Bucknell songs — to the extent we could remember them. Fortunately the neighbors did not call the police, but they must have wondered about all the rowdy gray hairs in the big house.

"Thanks to Gretchen's computer savvy and her insistence that we send photos, answer questions and contribute to an album she put together, we have a record of some of the antics, reading habits, political leanings, likes and dislikes of the group over the past 54 years. We had to identify each of us from our baby pictures. Then there were the photos at Bucknell, including some not-so-flattering scenes in the dorms. The album shows artistry, imagination and lots of creativity. Each person received her personalized copy, and Gretchen sent others to those who could not attend. She also provided hand-decorated T-shirts commemorating the reunion. How she managed all that is hard to fathom, but we are grateful to her for all her efforts.

"Among the highlights of the trip were visits to Corolla, Kitty Hawk and Ocracoke, all on sunny, warm days. The first senior women's Duck open invitational tennis tournament was part of the fitness program. Participants included Gwen, Sarah, Mary Joyce, Libby, J.J. and me. Everyone won, and we had a cheering section to prove it (Marilyn's version of the tournament was slightly different; she said that Sally played tennis against all of the other players at once, and still won 6-zip!) Sally said they let the crickets enjoy the pool, but the hot tub became a gathering place for those who wanted to veg out.

We spent time discussing our upcoming 50th Reunion, with many planning to attend. We will also meet next fall in Bethlehem, Pa., to continue the tradition. All in all, a great reunion.

I hope that you have made or are about to make your reservations for our 50th Reunion. I know that **Art** and **Audrey Lloyd Powers** have their accommodations. They returned two years ago from a 13-year stay in England and are living in Virginia. Welcome back, Aud and Art.

50th Reunion request: **Carol Wanamaker Lenker** is looking for photos of Bucknell classmates for our big Reunion. The photos (or memorabilia) will be posted in the hospitality suite and/or included in a planned PowerPoint presentation at the banquet. If requested, we will return them at the end of the festivities. Funny stuff is in, but no X-rated material. Please send the photos to Carol Lenker, 170 Grubb Road, Malvern, PA 19355. Thank you.

McDonnell Hall is the Class of '57 designated dorm and a gathering room included. The alumni office has told me that a new hotel, the Hampton Inn on Route 15 near the University, will open in January. So we have choices, but you need to make

your reservations and encourage your friends, too. This is the biggest Reunion ever; don't miss it! — D.H.H.

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Husband **Dick '59** and I were happy to see **Bob** and **Pat Wenk Strachan '57** as we left the football stadium after our homecoming loss to Penn. They were on their way to celebrate their anniversary at one of the area's finest restaurants — Gabriel's at The Inn at New Berlin.

Later, during the evening hours, Betty and **Jake Kessler** came to visit after several days of Homecoming activities on campus. The Kesslers continue to enjoy motor-coach travel. In May they attended a rally planning program in Memphis, Tenn. From there, they went sightseeing in Little Rock, Ark., where they visited the Clinton Library. At the next destination in Branson, Mo., they saw 11 shows. In August they joined the Family Motorcoach Summer Rally at the Charlotte (N.C.) Motor Speedway.

Bill Meister sent the good news that he expects to see many of us at our 50th Reunion in 2008. He is staying young as he and wife, Beth, parent their 11-year-old Ashley. His other daughters, Lisa, Pamela and Carol, and six grandchildren, all live in the Ridgefield-Newtown area in Connecticut. The Meisters enjoy visits to Connecticut from their Vienna, Va., area several times a year.

Bruce '56 and **Barbara Cox Dittmar** spent the summer months in various parts of the U.S. In June they relaxed at Myrtle Beach, S.C. Then, in July, their destination was San Francisco where they visited son, Brian, and grandpug, Moe.

While in Nevada, Mo., in August, Barbara attended a three-day seminar at Caffey College, which is a two-year women's college owned and supported by P.E.O. Sisterhood, of which Barbara has been a member for 46 years. For the next two years, she will be the Delaware state Caffey chairperson.

Bob Taylor, who left Bucknell to attend medical school in 1957, is officially a member of our class. His career, over five decades, has included private medical practice and academic medicine at Wake Forest University. He is professor emeritus of family medicine at Oregon Health and Science University. He works a few days a week, teaching medical students and residents.

Bob is writing his 24th book, most of which are clinical reference books for physicians. He and wife, Anita, have two daughters and four grandchildren. The Taylors live in Portland, Ore., and have a new condo in Sun Valley, Idaho. Bob will enjoy hearing from classmates in either area; his email: taylorr@ohsu.edu.

Don and Jane Vetter King returned to their Cape Coral, Fla., quarters in early October after spending the summer at their Frisco, Colo., address. In September, they enjoyed a week at Bethany Beach, Del., with the following Theta Chi brothers and their spouses: **Hubs '57** and **Barb Bergmann Pahren '57**, **Carl and Pat Armstrong Kuehn '57**, **John '59** and **Nannette Transue Kyles '60**, **Ed and Jan Smith Staiano** and **Joan and Dave Weber**. **Judy and Tom Cassidy** and **Sue and Nelson Smith** came from Ocean City, Md., area to join the group for an evening of good food and fun.

Carol Davies Aronis is happy to have her youngest daughter, Rachel, and family living in Cincinnati, Ohio. They live around the corner from daughter, Tina, and family. Carol and husband, Alex, who also live in Cincinnati, can enjoy frequent visits and can make one trip instead of two. Even though the Aronises travel often, they manage to watch many soccer games when

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their three grandsons play in the Cincinnati area. — N.J.R.R.

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To those who are turning 70 this year, happy birthday. I got a call from **Mona O'Neill Sharkey** informing me that the *Bucknell World* September issue mentioned that Mona and **Bill** were in charge of our 50th Reunion, which is not true (sorry, Bill). Mona and **Willi Rilling Stahura** are the co-leaders for that event, which is in the planning stage. My apologies for letting that get past me. If anyone has any complaints or constructive ideas as to how we can make this column better, I would certainly appreciate hearing from you. Again, let me thank you all for your news.

Dave Sayer writes from North Stamford, Conn., that he has no plans to shift from semi- to full retirement, "It's too much fun being paid to travel all over awarding millions as head of Publishers Clearing House's Prize Patrol — and collecting more experiences for my memoirs. But we do plan to spend some time in Venice, Fla., this winter. This summer's highlight was the wedding of our Coloradan son, **Tim '89**, to Kristi Jendry in San Antonio, Texas. Son **David '88**, who lives in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., was best man, and his daughters, aged 10 and 7, made gorgeous bridal attendants.

"**Howard '58** and **Loie Iffert Rudge** planned our first Bucknell alumni trip, on the *Queen of the West*, a Lewis and Clark adventure on the Columbus, Willamette

and Snake Rivers. Should be fun! Even more exciting is the wedding of our daughter **Diana '89** on Oct. 15 in Sedona, Ariz. Even **Kelly Dekin Kassela '89** is coming from Singapore. (So is one of our sons, the other traveling only from Boulder, Colo.) Ted, we did our first Elderhostel last May, a houseboat on Lake Powell that was lots of fun. We'll be skiing with our lady captain in Snowmass this winter. That's where we are when we're not in Chandler, Ariz., or on a trip somewhere!"

Bill Sharkey reported: "Mona was in Chatham, Mass., on a mini-reunion with her high school friends from Leonia, N.J. While she was there she had a good visit with "**Stevie**" **Carroll Stevens Adams**. Mona and I went to watch the Bucknell-University of Richmond football game Sept. 23 at the U of R Stadium in Richmond. We ran into **Denny Cox '60** and **Neil Murphy '60** with their wives. Neil is retired from Virginia Commonwealth University and lives near us in Woodlake. We understood that Denny's daughter, who just had a baby, works for the University of Richmond. The rout of Bucknell was horrible."

Lyn Powers Bauer stated, "I spent a delightful week in August in Ocean City, N.J., with my children, **Steve Bauer '84** and **Beth Bauer Montanari '87**, and their families. It was so nice to spend relaxing quality time with them and the weather cooperated and was fabulous. This summer seemed to have flown by. Take care."

Willi Stahura reported: "In September, while visiting Las Vegas, I got to spend a delightful afternoon with classmate **Sarah Miller**. I was there to visit my son, a professor at UNLV, and reconnected with Sarah, who has lived in Las Vegas for close to 20 years. She retains her maiden name for professional reasons, works in the field of architecture, and was widowed six years

Into the Community

A common altruistic thread among philanthropists, according to **Jeanne Anderson Bovard '59**, is summed up by the saying, "To whom much has been given, much is expected."

As Director/CEO of the Scranton Area Foundation (SAF) in northeast Pennsylvania since 1988, Bovard oversees gifts by charitable donors



that reflect their philanthropic intentions to help sustain their community. "I see the very best in people, those who care about their fellow man and their larger community and live their values through the most generous, kind, and noble actions on behalf of others," she says. "It is very inspiring."

Of her many responsibilities, the most important, Bovard says, is to ensure that donors' gifts are carried out according to their wishes. "People often remark that they want to be able to give back, to say thank you for the many blessings they have received," she explains.

Bovard notes that the SAF's role as a community convener, grant maker, advocate, educator, initiator, and philanthropic partner is constant. Its members "strive to participate in our communities as leaders and as catalysts for change," she says. The Foundation has furnished more than \$10 million dollars over the years to worthy causes, all of which is distributed with guidance from a volunteer Board of Governors.

Bovard learned about volunteering and altruistic causes at an early age from her parents and had her first real adventures in that arena at Bucknell. "It was challenging to serve on the Honor Council," she says. "I also was a class officer and president of Kappa Delta, where I began to learn about leadership and its challenges among peers, as we worked together to observe best practices." The sorority supported the well-being of children by hosting events for local youngsters and by participating in a national outreach effort to help needy children.

She credits her courses at Bucknell, including English literature, sociology, and religion, with "opening a new door of discovery to how all citizens can become involved in an ever-changing effort to build community."

Energized by her mission, Bovard serves on several boards and is active with myriad volunteer initiatives, with a particular focus on health and education. Singing is a passion, which she vocalizes with the Northeast Choral Society. However, she is perhaps more comfortable with a tennis racket than a microphone in her hand and has been awarded several mixed doubles trophies at the Scranton Tennis Club, her "home away from home." — Jeff P. Lewis

ago. Her husband, Stewart Zabriskie, was bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. Sarah and I relived some wonderful memories of our Bucknell days and were happy to rekindle our friendship."

Donna Gay Kaplan wrote, "All is well here in Mt. Gretna. We look forward to spending January, February and March in Bradenton, Fla. We found a place there last year through my friend from first grade in Canton, Ohio. Long-lasting friends are the best!"

Hank Why reports that his old roommate, **Rich White '58**, stopped by for a short visit in New Hampshire from Ogden, Utah, "and was treated to a ride on the lake in our 1930 Chris Craft. Rich was on his way to a 10-day bike trip in Vermont and is looking forward to retirement from his medical profession. He and I ski together frequently when I visit Deer Valley each winter. This winter Kathy and I will be hosting the entire clan in Park City to help me celebrate my big 70th — our three Bucknell grads and their six grandchildren.

"I am happy to report that the New Hampshire Boat Museum continues to expand our community programs. Our Youth and Family Boat Building conducted four sessions and involved 20 families and area youth who all completed and launched their boats of choice. Since the inception of these programs, more than 50 families and teenagers have had the opportunity to learn wood-working skills and then taken home their boats for enjoyment on the lakes. Our community sailing program, joint with the town of Wolfeboro, has developed more than 240 young sailors since its inception. This year I was proud to have grandson Chris Why, son of **Andy '91** and **Paula Mistretta Why '91**, graduate as a qualified Optimist sailor. Come see our museum of antique and vintage boats (www.nhbm.org) and say hi to us; we are here the year round."

Leon Diodoardo sent the following report: "The annual or 'occasional' reunion of the Phi Gammas, Class of '59, began at Evelyn and **Dale Pederson's** house in San

Marino, Calif., in 1994. **Tony Haley** was in southern California for a golf tournament and Dale invited the guys who were living in southern California, **Bill Day**, **Ron McCollam** and me, to join Tony and him for a dinner at his house. That was where we conceived the idea to have occasional reunions to be hosted by a different brother each year at a location of their choice. The first gathering was just the brothers and was hosted by Dale at his Lake Meade cabin outside of Las Vegas. During that time we decided that if we were going to continue these gatherings, we'd better include our wives.

"The next reunion was in 1998 and was hosted by **Dave Ott** at his home in York, Maine; then in 1999 by Tony and Nancy Haley in Vail, Colo.; in 2000 by Barbara and **Tom Clark** at Canandaigua Lake in upstate New York; in 2002 my wife, Janet, and I hosted at Lake Tahoe, Calif.; in 2004, Tony and Nancy Haley again were our hosts at their vacation home in Ixtapa, Mexico; and this year, Karen and **Don Avery** hosted us at their home in Hilton Head, S.C.

"The good news is that we're all healthy and in relatively good shape. Next year, we are thinking about a boat trip down either the Mississippi River or the St. Lawrence Seaway.

"Those in attendance (not necessarily at all reunions) were Don and Karen Avery, Tom and Barbara Clark, Tony and Nancy Haley, Dave Ott, Dale and Evelyn Pederson, Phyllis and **Charlie Appgar**, Carolyn and **Roger Connors**, Bill Day, Leon and Janet Diodoardo, **Bob Erdahl**, Anita and **Henry Flanagan**, **Jim Gasprich**, Nancy and **Ty Gilles**, Ron McCollam and **Frank Moore**."

Al Fagan wrote, "Not sure you have heard, but our classmate and my fraternity brother, **Bruce Hutchinson**, passed away Sept. 25. He lived his life fully up to the end and in fact had a hole-in-one several days before he died of a massive heart attack. He loved golf in his later years. Bruce was my roommate our junior year at the Phi Psi House and I only regret that I have not seen him more in the intervening years. We did have a mini-reunion with Bruce and Dee and Suzie and **Dave Goodwin** at our cottage in upstate New York several years ago. His roommate his freshman year was **Andy Cahn**. He was married just before his senior year and he and Dee celebrated 48 years of marriage this September. **Al Foster**, Andy Cahn and I were in that wedding and a number of our class attended. There was a celebration of his life on Oct. 2 at the Old Lyme Country Club in Old Lyme, Conn., and attended by **Don Ferrara**, Andy and **Jane Roudabush Cahn**, **Hope** and me."

Note: **Bruce Hutchinson's** obituary appears in this issue.

Bob and Patricia Reish Hemphill reported, "We took an African safari trip to Botswana, Zimbabwe and South Africa. It was a wonderful experience, our best trip ever. Seeing the animals in their native habitat was quite special. We saw four of the 'big five,' lions, leopards, Cape buffalo and elephants, but no rhino. All of the animals were 'up close and personal.' We ended the trip at Victoria Falls, another great sight. Our next planned trip is to Antarctica in January with the Bucknell alumni group; we hope to see some familiar faces on this exciting adventure. We are enjoying the wonderful fall weather in Isle of Palms, S.C., and will return to Pennsylvania for the holidays."

Barbara Dunning Du Puy and I went to Powell, Wyo., to a mini-reunion with five of my United States Naval Construction Battalion No. 5 buddies, better known as Seabees, who were with me in 1952 when we were building an airfield at Cubi Point, Subic Bay, Philippines (At that time, it was classified as the largest earthmoving job since the building of the Panama Canal). Barbara says, "They were like a bunch of kids telling story after story." We visited Yellowstone National Park, which was not as picturesque as Barbara and I remembered

it, because of the effects of the devastating fire in 1988. The 'Old Faithful' geyser is still going strong. We enjoyed the 70-degree weather venturing through Bear Tooth Pass in Montana that has a seven percent down-grade and multiple hairpin turns and is very picturesque. The next day a cold front moved in and the pass was closed for the season because of a heavy snowfall. Timing is everything. — T.E.D.

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In the last *Bucknell World*, I told you that the communications office sent out postcards to class members. Since I haven't heard from anyone, I will use the postcards again in this issue.

From **Ann Schawe Schulik**: "For the last 30 years, we have lived in Plano, Texas, not far from Dallas. Our two children grew up here and both are still Texans. We have four grandchildren, two who live in Plano. We have traveled extensively, from South Africa to China and Canada in 2005, and we look forward to continuing. We're very active in our church, which has built two houses and housed 72 Katrina evacuees."

James Weiss writes, "Retired from radiology practice in 2000. Moved to country. Enjoying family, including seven grandchildren and Newfie named 'Baby.' Highlight of year was Maine vacation in September. Active in church and prison ministry. God has blessed beyond words, wonderful wife of 43-plus years." Email: jjjweiss@juno.com.

From **Elaine Johnson Voss**: "I was sorry to miss Reunion — I heard it was so much fun. I retired from teaching high school science and have been so busy with life. There is a big life after retirement. Time spent with friends, seven grandchildren and other worthwhile (and some not so worthwhile but fun) activities. Great idea to have us do this card." Email: febbie@aol.com.

Nancy Dean Nowak did not send a lot of news but asked that all mail to her be sent to 22 Trout Farm Lane, Duxbury, MA 02332. Her email address is nowak2@adelphia.net.

From **Ted Gronlund**: "Sorry I have not kept in touch the usual way. Cathy and I and our two dogs, Luke and Lola, are living in Naples, Fla., for eight months and in Hastings on Hudson, N.Y., for four months a year. Keeping in email touch with **Denny Cox**, **Pete Fritts**, **Clint Gilkey**, **Chip Wilkinson** and **Sam Barlow** and helping the 50th Reunion with **Bob Raymond**." Ted's email address is togbtg@att.net.

From **Ed Arnold**: "I reside at 421 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30307. I am still active with Physicans For Social Responsibility and its efforts to abolish nuclear weapons and achieve a sustainable environment." Ed's email address is EdArnold@mindspring.com.

I have five more postcards and will save them for the next issue, just in case I don't hear from any of my classmates. I don't know what it takes to get you to keep in touch. If you got a postcard and didn't fill it in, do it right now!

Tony Rinaldo and his wife, Lee, have been attending the Bucknell football games. Tony's nephew, **Todd**, is a sophomore who plays on the defensive line. During his freshman year, Todd did not appear in a varsity game, but was named Lewisburg Touchdown Club Scout Team Player of the Week after the JV game with Lehigh. This year, he's having a very successful season — shades of his old uncle! — J.S.H.

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Reunion 2007

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It's hard to believe while composing this column on a spectacularly gorgeous fall day, that by the time you read this, we may be knee deep in snow. Ugh!

The always-amusing **Steve Sugar** writes that his 6-foot-4, 210-pound son, Mike, is a sophomore at York College, majoring in criminal justice. Given his physical makeup, it's no surprise that he's involved in wrestling and football. Meanwhile, Steve continues to teach a management course at the University of Maryland, where he subjects his students to a variety of "home-grown" games and exercises. He's also completed a new book, *Training Games*, published through ASTD (a training organization). His wife, Marie, is a well-known and respected fiber artist, specializing in hand-hooked rugs, and has written a book, *Natural Dyeing*. Steve also requested that I share his new email address, stevesugar@verizon.net.

I was surprised and delighted to get an email from **Marianne Koral Smythe '63**, better known to those of us in the marching and symphonic band as "Chickie" Koral. While I have no idea where she and husband, **Bob Smythe '63**, live, Chickie writes that she and Bob have two daughters and four grandchildren, ages 2 to 8.

Note: See alumni profile on Marianne in this issue.

It seems that **Brooks Passmore McNeal's** note, included in this column a while back, prompted **Judy Berman Kazis** to drop me a line. Judy has been married since 1963 and has two daughters — Debbie, who lives on the west side of Manhattan, and Kerry, who lives in Avon, Conn. Both daughters are married with two children each. Judy and her husband, Earle, spend most of their time in their New York apartment where, even after 14 years of living there, she still wonders at the view and the beat of the city. She is a docent at the American Museum of Natural History, taking a course in great books at NYU, and volunteering at a few special charity organizations, primarily Jewish and oriented toward helping women in need.

Interestingly enough, Judy wrote something that rang so true to me, that being the issue of all of us who are at least approaching the big 6-5, or who reached it a while ago. Does that seem as impossible to you as it does to me? We are officially "senior citizens" and while I, for one, have absolutely no shame taking advantage of all those discounts, I still find it hard to believe that when someone asks me my age, my response is 65! After all, we all look great, right?

If you're interested in seeing some of your favorite classmates (and, of course, how fabulous they look), then it's a must that you circle the dates May 31–June 3 and return to campus for our 45th Reunion. Why not get in touch with those buddies right now and plan a fantastic weekend together? Those of you who attended our 40th will surely agree that Bucknell does an outstanding job of bringing us all together and providing such wonderful opportunities to spend quality time together. I happen to know that the Class of '61, which celebrated its 45th in 2006, had only 20 alumni in attendance. Surely, the Class of '62 can top that! It is definitely not too early to get the ball rolling.

Thanks, as always, to those of you who took the time to email me. Hopefully, reading the news of some of your classmates will prompt you to write and take some definite steps toward planning for Reunion 2007. — B.K.S.

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*Violet, violet,
emblem of fraternity
with your perfume memories come
of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.
Dearest flower beneath the sun,
my violet.*

Having learned of the death of my Bucknell friend, **Clavin Fisher '34**, I was reminded of a day some years ago when he and I sat enjoying lunch at a Hartford restaurant after attending a writers' group meeting. When I told him I would attend a reunion on campus and was looking forward to a serenade from the men of '63, Clavin asked whether the men would sing "Violet." Seeing confusion on my face, Clavin began to sing softly. Before I knew it, I found myself the recipient of a mini-serenade that went from "Violet," to "Hail to the Purple," to "Friends," and beyond. The tears that sprang to my eyes were prompted by nostalgia for the long-gone serenades of my Bucknell years, for those of recent reunions, and of course for the years themselves.

Tears turned to laughter when Clavin followed his serenade with some stories of fraternity life at Bucknell. Related to serenades was the well-kept secret of the rite of the pledge initiation serenade. The girls of Larison Hall were alerted to the fact that the pledges would be front and center with the remaining men well behind. All appeared to be going well until suddenly out of the window tumbled water balloons soaking the unsuspecting crooners. That surely put a wet blanket on the event, but the pledges kept their lips sealed and laughter ready when next year's pledge class prepared for the rite of the first serenade. What tame initiation pranks those were compared to some we read about in the news!

Hearing of my interest in "Violet," **Bob Terio** of our class, also an SAE, penned me the music so I could play it on the piano. Since then, I have bookmarked an Internet version of an SAE chorus singing "Violet," but it is simply not the same as Clavin's rendition. The confidence with which he sang the words told me that after leaving Bucknell, he continued singing "Violet" to his SAE sweetheart, **Elizabeth Murray Fisher '35**, until she succumbed to Alzheimer's disease in January 1997. What I did not know was that Clavin was then the leader of a singing group, The Simsbury Codger Coyotes, which sponsored sing-alongs at nursing homes. After mention of the Coyotes in a 2001 column, I asked him about the name. He said, "People said we sounded like a bunch of coyotes howling in the moonlight on a distant hill. I have volume, but little pitch." I imagine he used his volume to teach the coyotes some of those SAE songs, including "Violet."

Since violets dot our back lawn in spite of my husband's best efforts, I know that for three seasons of the year, I will never be far from a Bucknell memory of the day Clavin Fisher surprised me with the serenade that is always in my heart. Clavin will also be remembered by his family, his friends, and the Bucknell community he cherished for more than 70 years.

I am not sure whether the men of '63 sang "Violet" at the Reunion referenced in this memorial column, but maybe in 2008, at our 45th, they will do so in honor of Clavin, and in memory of other members of our class we have lost since our 1963 graduation.

Roy Kissinger sent notice of the passing of **Tom Ness** on Aug. 26. He was from Dallastown, Pa., where he grew up and attended school, graduating in 1959. After two years at York Junior College, Tom transferred to Bucknell, where he studied electrical engineering. After graduating in 1963, he began working for Vitro in Silver Spring, Md., where he worked for 28 years. After Vitro, he worked for Integrated Systems Analysts, supporting the U.S. Navy at the Washington Naval Yard. There he maintained and upgraded combat systems C4/baselines for U.S. Navy ships. He is survived by Jane, his wife of 33 years, and his sons, Stephen and Daniel. His hobbies



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Among Fine Lawyers

With more than 30 years of experience as an attorney, **Marianne Koral Smythe '63** has assumed many professional roles, including working at the prestigious national law firm of WilmerHale since 1993, being a tenured professor at the University of North Carolina School of Law, and doing a two and a half year stint as the Director of the Division of



Investment Management of the Securities and Exchange Commission (S.E.C.).

Her career was recently recognized when she was selected one of the "Best Lawyers in America 2006." The reason behind her success is deceptively simple: Smythe brings to the table years of professional commitment. This quality has played an important role not only in her professional life, but also in her personal life.

"When I came to Bucknell in 1959 from my home in Queens, N.Y., I didn't know what to expect, and I was somewhat ill prepared for the experience.

But Bucknell opened my eyes. I learned about the world beyond the Hudson and that not everyone was, or necessarily liked, a New Yorker," recalls Smythe, whose nickname is Chickie.

"Bucknell changed my life. First, and most importantly, I met my husband, Bob '63, at Bucknell. Second, even after 40 years, I recall the extraordinary quality of undergraduate instruction. I was exposed to some of the best teachers anyone could ever hope to have."

Bob and Marianne married eight days after graduation. "Soon after, we joined the Peace Corps and went to Nigeria for two years. When we returned, Bob studied ecology at the University of North Carolina, and I studied, and then taught, law."

After Chapel Hill, her path back to Washington was relatively direct. "I worked with dedicated people at the S.E.C., whose mission was to keep the markets fair and safe." Joining WilmerHale was another career milestone. "I feel very lucky to be at this firm, with such fine lawyers like Lloyd Cutler and John Pickering, people who exemplify the best in their profession."

Looking back on her career, Smythe says, "I'm not through yet, but neither do I feel I have any hills to climb. If I'd like to do anything else in my life other than take care of my family, it would be to raise the consciousness of those who are forgetting about poor and middle class people."

Despite all the accolades and professional awards, Smythe says that by far the most important thing in her life — and what she is most proud of — is her family: her husband, two daughters, and four "adorable" grandchildren. — Rick Dandes

included being a Ham radio operator, gardening and raising rabbits. — W.S.B.

Aviation Week and Space Technology editors have selected **Mark Ronald**, president and CEO of BAE Systems Inc. and chief operating officer and a member of the board of directors for BAE Systems PLC, as the 2006 recipient of the John Curtis Sword. The award is presented biennially to an individual who has made a significant contribution to Anglo-American aerospace. Prior to joining BAE Systems, he was president, chief operating officer and member of the board of directors of AEL Industries. He holds an M.S. in electrical engineering from Polytechnic Institute of New York and has received the Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award from there and Bucknell.

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My old roommate, **Gail Kille Tyrrell**, excels at keeping in touch. She and **Dick '63** had dinner this summer with Alice and **Charlie Johnson '63** at the Johnsons' Lake Hopatcong, N.J., lake home. September brought lunch with Katie and **Joe Elliott** and Betty and Brad Tufts. Lots of stories and laughter about Phi Gamma escapades of the early and mid-'60s. Do the stories get more outrageous as we get older?

Those who were fortunate enough to experience Dick's wonderful, impromptu singing at our 40th Reunion will be pleased to hear that he has the lead in a Hilton Head Island production of *Paint Your Wagon*; he will be sing and dancing. Wish I could be there, but I guess I'll have to wait for Dick's Broadway debut.

Although he's too modest to admit it, **Dennis Gale's** latest book, *Greater New Jersey: Living in the Shadow of Gotham*, came out in September. Check your local Barnes and Noble or Amazon.com.

That's all, folks. If you want more news you know what you have to do. — D.S.K.

Donald Easton writes that he is looking for **Frank** and **Barbara Billings Seels '61**. If you have their address, email or phone number, please pass it on.

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The news from the Class of 1965, the weather and the Steelers are cold. Surely someone has interesting experiences to share with classmates.

My high school class held its 45th reunion at Bushkill Falls; growing up in a resort area has its perks! Most of you probably had similar high school events in 2006. Many of our classmates are retired and going on intriguing trips. Some of us still are working full time or part time. A lot of us are doing wonderful things in volunteer capacities. The Class of 1965 is making a difference in the world. Let's hear from you. — L.H.T.

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As you have heard from June and me before, there is not much news from the Class of '66. I am hoping we will be bombarded with Christmas cards and lots of news. It seems strange to think that by the time you read this, the holidays will be a thing of the past — a scary thought.

Sharon Smith Fogg is opening a shop in Oxford, Pa., where her considerable skills as a weaver will be utilized. The shop is called StillWater Fibers and she will offer classes, supplies and equipment for knitters, felters and weavers. Be sure to stop in if you are in the southern Chester County region. I still see my roommate frequently for dinner and bridge and she is extremely talented, so I know the shop will be a great success. Good luck, Sherry.

I had the great privilege of going to Slidell, La., to participate in a Habitat For Humanity project in this New Orleans suburb. My daughter-in-law works for the Villanova alumni office and I was able to accompany her and about 26 Villanova alumni for this incredible experience. Despite being the oldest person on the site by a lot of years, I managed to keep up with the younger alumni and used muscles I never knew I had. The Habitat people were wonderful in instructing and leading us. We worked hard and performed a variety of tasks constructing new houses. The highlight for me was meeting the person who would eventually live in one of the houses we were working on. Seeing New Orleans a year plus after Katrina was a sobering experience; in some places it looks like the storm hit last week. We spent four nights in a dorm-type set up — 20-some people in a room with 14 sets of bunk beds. Our ages ranged from 22 to 62 and it was

both fun and rewarding. I would encourage any of you to participate in any similar event. I think it would be great if Bucknell could organize a similar trip. It was a great way for those alumni to renew their enthusiasm for Villanova.

Missy Farrell Bragg also has been busy volunteering. She went, with a group from her church, to Peru in September for a mission trip. She was busy preparing by studying Spanish and was going to work with children at an orphanage in Lima. It is amazing to hear how many of us have gone beyond our comfort zones in various pursuits. She, like me, is fortunate to have the most wonderful job in the world, caring for grandchildren part time. Missy also has visited a son who lives in Korea. Talk about long distances. She had a great time exploring the country when she visited.

That's it for January. Please write! — C.G.L.

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Happy New Year, classmates! Hope your holidays were fun, healthy and spent with your loving family and friends. Not sure how many of you are living in warmer climates (hint!) but I still like the snow (have a snow blower) and take mass transit exclusively, so it's almost fun. We, your classmates, are often thinking of you and our times together at college, even if we have not shown it lately through these notes (hint!).

OK, first of all, I admit that the Washington teams (Nationals baseball and Washington Redskins football) bombed this past year! I still love 'em. At least St Louis showed us all how to play as a great team, Detroit demonstrated how to come back after a terrible last year, and of course the best, high profile/paid pitchers made errors and the little known "good team player" got the MVP. All in all, my kind of year, especially for the underdog. One can only wonder how the elections will play out (I'm writing this in October), but change is obviously in the air.

Just a little update about me; still working and don't feel older but my home and auto haven't aged as well, needing many repairs as they start falling apart. Is there a lesson for the future here for me and us? My first resolution (has been for decades) is to get more exercise, second to eat healthy and last to do things that make me happy. What are yours? We are all interested in them and remember, soon we will be face-to-face at Reunion, asking why we haven't been in touch more? Do it now, write and you will feel less guilty then.

Many thanks to the Sigma Alpha Mu (Sammy) brothers who have told me of some advanced planning for the Reunion. **Richard Zinn, Ed Sherrick, David Gordon, Arnie Cohen, Jeff Gilmore** and **Larry Jacobs** should be there. Also **Jay Pekar**, my freshman year Trax Hall roommate (yes, we are still friends) says he may be going too. Who else is going, where are you staying and are any special events planned?

Also, part of our role as alumni is to support what we like at Bucknell and try to change what we don't. We can act as an effective team and even the good player versus the super performers can make a difference. This usually involves volunteer work and monetary contributions. We are all better for our experience at Bucknell in one way or another, so please get involved and please write to this lonely reporter. Wouldn't you rather read about your classmates than read this?

One note from **Richard Iselin**. He says he is my neighbor living in Potomac, Md., a federal government employee (like me) for 32 years, working for the

Department of State, Nuclear Regulatory Commission and GSA. He is working on a Sammy golf outing for Reunion. Richard says his son, **David Iselin**, is a first-year at Bucknell and a swimmer, recruited for the varsity team. He commented on how much the campus had changed and that the overall educational philosophy is just (still) amazing. After Richard left Bucknell in 1966, he received a BS from the University of Maryland and master's degrees from American University (MPA) and Johns Hopkins Universities (MAT).

Finally, remember our 40th Reunion is approaching. Be prepared. Go, Bison! — M.S.

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"On Turning 60"

The Class of 1968
Has taken time to meditate
On the transition in our lives this year gone by
Once young and bold and frisky
We've now each one turned 60
And we ask ourselves, "Wherever did time fly?"

Facing the truth is daunting
As memories come haunting
Of days when we were young and at Bucknell
We'd dash from Larison to library
But now we have a trick knee
And don't quite run up the hill so well.

Now the thought of an all-nighter
Turns our gray hair even whiter
And we'd never start an evening date at 9.
But we aren't finished yet folks
You can find us on the ski slopes
And dancing, golfing, traveling, feeling fine.

We're sailing, quilting, biking,
But nobody is writing
To the class reporter, waiting for some news.
Bucknell friends await your stories
Of your commonplace, your glories,
Your accomplishments, your memories,
your views. — L.P.W.

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I may need to start a Middlebury, Vt., chapter of the Bucknell Alumni Association. Meg and I were delivering our son, Spencer, to freshman orientation at Middlebury College. We were eating breakfast in the lobby of a small hotel when she overheard a couple chatting with an elderly Middlebury alumnus. Yes, they were dropping off their daughter for freshman orientation, and no, they were not Middlebury alumni. Meg said, "I think I heard them say they went to Bucknell." I couldn't resist; I went over and asked "Did someone say the 'Bucknell' word over here?" Yup. It was **Steve and Ann Partridge Sparkes '75**. They were dropping off their younger daughter, Katie, who was joining her older sister, Carrie, a sophomore at Middlebury. The Bucknell connection didn't stop there. We all attended the president's reception, hosted by **Ronald Liebowitz '79**, president of Middlebury College.

Jim "J.B." and Jackie Hiemstra Bennett '75 wrote to say they have moved to the Charlotte, N.C., area. Jim is CFO of Home Décor Innovations. The job involves monthly trips to London, which Jackie and the girls occasionally chaperone. Daughter Sarah graduated from Illinois Wesleyan University with a psychology major and business minor. Rachel graduated from Barrington (Ill.) High School and is a freshman at Butler University in Indianapolis, majoring in theater and German. The Bennetts can be reached at 11206 Highcrest Drive, Huntersville, NC 28078 or at jjsrbennett@msn.com.

Dave Rhodes has moved from Connecticut to a suburb of Ann Arbor, Mich. He is with Esperion, a subsidiary of Pfizer. His company does early-phase biotech cardiovascular drug development and then forwards promising candidates to the main part of Pfizer for development. All the kids are still in Connecticut. Theo is finishing his doctoral work, Annelies is teaching middle school science and Derek is a college senior. Dave and Ankie can be reached at 4100 Pleasant Valley Road, Brighton, MI 48114 or DavidGRhodes@pfizer.com. — N.C.

Don Reinhold continues to work his way westward. He has been appointed executive director of the Fresno Philharmonic Orchestra in California. Previously he had been executive director of the Grand Teton Music Festival in Jackson Hole, Wyo., following a long career at the University of Maryland College Park.

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Mike Lyon writes that after 28 years of consumer package goods marketing, he "has made a leap back to his Bucknell educational roots and is a teacher of physics at Columbia High School in Maplewood, N.J." He and **Sue Boston Lyon '78** have two children who are Bucknell graduates. **Allison '03** is a development officer with the Stern School of Business at NYU and **Justin '05** is a mechanical engineer with

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Penfield & Smith in Santa Barbara, Calif. "Renegade" Christopher is a music education candidate with the Blair School of Music at Vanderbilt University.

Hank Fellows sent an update on his professional activities. He is a trial lawyer in Atlanta, Ga., and a founding partner of the litigation firm of Fellows, Johnson & La Briola LLP, which has 14 attorneys. Earlier this year he was selected as one of the Georgia Super Lawyers for 2006 (top 100 attorneys in the state of Georgia) by his peers. — N.Q.B.

David Scadden was installed as the first holder of the Gerald and Darlene Jordan Professorship of Medicine at Harvard Medical School on Nov. 6.

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Suzanne Stallings Fleming writes that she has been with Merrill Lynch for almost 28 years, working as a senior financial adviser in Orlando, Fla. She and **Barbara Ballow Wagner** get together several times a year.

Kit O'Grady Ashenfelter reports from Glen Ridge, N.J., that she and husband Jim celebrated her 50th birthday in 2004 with fellow Bucknellians **Ann Deveney Stamey**, **Marti Mitchell Kinsel**, **Lisa Oderman Stanley**, **Diane DeSouter Lester** and **M.J. Hecht Johnson**. Their oldest daughter, **Lynn**, graduated from Bucknell in 2004, son Jay is a junior at Duke and youngest son Brad began at Penn State this year. Kit returned to the pharmaceutical industry three years ago as director of clinical operations and development for Cu-Tech, a research organization specializing in dermatology. She still coaches swimming part time at the high school level. Mail can reach her at kashswim@aol.com.

Patricia Brunner Parcells has taken her grandmother's name and now goes by Patricia Hyacinth Parcells. She has two kids, two cats, two ferrets and one fiancée, Christine Robins. Her hobbies include singing, gardening and politics. She posts Robin Hobb and Octavia Butler as favorite authors. Mail will reach her at PatriciaParcells@aol.com.

Chris Perks and wife, Francesca, report in from Camden City, N.J., where he has an engineering and project management business. Chris is mobilized around the issues of peak oil and global warming. His email address is perks@voicenet.com.

My cards are getting low, so please keep your stories coming to your class reporter at mgarrett@century21.com. — M.S.G.

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Thanks to **Paul Riggins** (rpriggins@gmail.com) for this item: "In memory of **Fred Palmer**, Bucknellians from the Classes of 1975, 1976, 1977 and 1978 gathered for the third annual Habitat for Humanity weekend, held this year in Danbury, Conn., and hosted by **Rob Africk**. Fred, who passed away four years ago, loved woodworking; during his tenure at the TKE house he constructed the trophy case, renovated the bar area with authentic barn siding and created countless other projects. One of the highlights of this year's reunion was **George "Casey" Jones '75** showing up in a slightly worn 1975 vintage house party t-shirt. Threadbare and full of holes, we were impressed that it still fit. Our crew of 14 spent the day putting the final touches on one house that was nearly ready for the new occupants. The second house turned out to be more challenging,

as we hand-dug nine four-foot holes and installed sonotubes for the front porch footings of a very old house that was under renovation. It was a great weekend of catching up and retelling old TKE stories." Paul sent a photo, which can be viewed in the Class Notes section of myBucknell. ☞

Jeff Clark writes from York, Maine, where he has lived since graduating from law school in 1980. Married with three children, the two boys are off to college and a daughter is in high school. Jeff reports that he has seen **Rob Westcott** regularly when Rob visits Maine to see family. Last winter, Rob proposed taking a trip to the Allagash Wilderness in northern Maine. In August, they started from Bangor, traveling with a guide to the Allagash River and spending a week on the water, a marvelous escape that left them all wondering whether it was worthwhile returning to civilization. Jeff can be reached at 9 Foxtail Drive, York, Maine 03909, email: jclark3@maine.rr.com. He also sent a photo that you can view in myBucknell. ☞

Paul Herrington, in-house counsel for Humana Inc., took office in August for a three-year term as a member of the Board of Governors of the American Bar Association. He will hold the Section of Health Law seat. His legal experience includes 24 years of in-house and private health law practice. Since 1989, he has been with Humana, Inc., where he holds the position of senior insurance counsel. A long-standing member of the ABA, he has been a member of the House of Delegates since 1998. He was the founding chair of the 11,000-member Health Law Section in 1996-97, chaired the Health Insurance Committee of the Tort and Insurance Practice Section in 1993-94 and chaired the Health Law Committee of the Young Lawyers Division in 1989-90. Closer to home, Paul has chaired the Kentucky Bar Association Law and Medicine Committee, and the Medical/Legal Committee of the Louisville Bar Association. He serves as president of the Kentucky Shakespeare Festival. He can be contacted at pherrington@humana.com.

That's it for now — thanks. — E.L.S.
Brian Dougherty has joined Post & Schell PC as partner and chair of the firm's new national practice area focusing on ERISA, employee benefits and executive compensation matters. He spent the past 16 years as a partner in the employee benefits and executive compensation practice at Morgan, Lewis, & Bockius LLP.

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Happy New Year, everyone! I hope you all had a happy and healthy holiday.

The only brave soul to contact me since our last issue was **Margo Hoff Pennock**, who tells me she has kept strong ties with her Bucknell friends over the years. She and friends gather each summer with their spouses and children for a reunion at a classmate's home. To celebrate their 50th birthdays, Margo, **Gigi Neff-Mascioli**, **Mary Ryle Bostock**, **Kathy Bentz Schwartz**, **Kate Zorn Jones**, **Wendy Raab Robbins**, **Sandy Boehmer Fry** and **Susan Kelley Fasnacht** traveled to Bermuda for a four-day girls-only trip. Margo was kind enough to send along a photo of the happy group, which you can access online in the Class Notes section of myBucknell. ☞

I'd love to hear from you in 2007 —

please make it your New Year's resolution to drop me a line! — K.M.A.

There is nothing keeping the women of the Class of '78 down! Time marches on, and they continue to grow and thrive. I was so happy to hear from three classmates about exciting career developments.

Ann Breitenfeld Langtry, who has been an independent public relations consultant for several years, has joined the marketing services company Red Wolf Design Group as vice president, public relations and business development. She and her husband, Tim, who live in Yardley, have two children, Maggie, who attends college, and Rob, a high school senior.

In Atlanta, **Nancy Seidensticker Faux** continues her work at Westminster School. She and husband, Geoff, have three children; daughter **Alison** is a Westminster grad and a junior at Bucknell and sons **Geoffrey** and **Christopher** are students at the school. In addition to her role as business manager, Nancy has taken on the added designation of project manager, overseeing three major renovation and improvement projects at the school. She writes that the added responsibilities have been interesting and challenging. "Unbeknownst to me, there is a whole career path in project management and training and certification at different levels. I attended a training program over three consecutive Saturdays and fortunately it poured each Saturday, so I didn't mind giving up my weekend."

A bulletin from the Lone Star State reports that **Lisa Poulin** pulled up stakes and headed to Washington, D.C. This is a homecoming of sorts; Lisa attended high school in Potomac, Md., where her parents still live. The press release announcing her move explains: "As some of you know, Lisa Poulin has announced that she has decided to leave FTI Palladium Partners (where she was senior managing director), to join Corporate Revitalization Partners LLC. She will be launching the Washington, D.C., office for CRP and will relocate to that area where she also has family. Lisa has more than 27 years of consulting experience. While at FTI, she made significant contributions to her clients, including Tower Records, Environmental Elements Corporation, Musicland Group, Inc., U.S. Air and Kmart Inc. to name a few. Her work has enhanced our reputation for exceptional, high quality work and we are truly grateful for her dedication to excellence. Lisa has been a positive role model and an excellent mentor to many FTI professionals and has provided valuable and constructive guidance in our continuing efforts to make FTI an exceptional place to work." No one who knows Lisa is surprised to hear that she is in the midst of such a rewarding and successful career. Likewise, no one who knows her will be surprised to hear that she did a little traveling before she "settled down" in D.C. Last fall she traveled to Italy until Thanksgiving and planned to learn Italian. She enjoyed side trips to Monaco and Paris. I am pleased to report that I, along with other classmates, joined her in Paris. A group of Bucknell '78 women has been reuniting each fall for many years now. This year, we marked a milestone birthday with a special getaway. More on that trip in our next issue.

I ran into **Mark Figgie** at a baseball practice for my son, Ben. Mark's son, also Mark (yes, his classmates call him "Figgie"), is a junior at Brunswick School in Greenwich, Conn., and Ben is a sophomore. Both boys play football for the school as well. Mark and his wife, Connie, live in Riverside, Conn. They also have a son, Patrick, in the seventh grade; my son Will is in eighth. All the boys are ably guided by headmaster **Tom Philip '84**. — J.M.P.

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Jerry Romagnoli reports that **Frank Pancoast '78** organized a golf outing for alumni at the University, attended by **Brian Macrides**, **Glyn Lipp**, **Bob Bryson '78**, **Brian Shaffer**, **Karl Meyer '77**, **David DeSimone '77**, **Mick DeSimone '78**, **Danny DeSimone '82**, **Marty Friday '82**, **Marcus Duda '78**, **Bob Scanlon '78**, **Sandy Shiffler** and Coach Sid Jamieson. Also in attendance was **Mike Cosimano**, a recent addition to the PGA tour. "Cozy" schooled those in attendance by shooting an incredible 6-under par. Anyone interested in joining the group for the annual outing is welcome. The group meets at the Bison between 10-11 a.m. on the last Friday in September. Next year's date is Sept. 28. Please contact Frank Pancoast at fpancoast@Pancoast-Clifford.com.

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Anne Robertson wrote that she has a new book that came out in October called *God's Top 10: Blowing the Lid Off the Commandments*, which takes a look at social and moral issues through the lens of the Ten Commandments. Check out the online reviews, or check out Anne's website at www.annerobertson.com.

It was a busy summer for me and my two high schoolers, and I suspect the same for many of you. And the fall seems to be in even higher gear; I'm still teaching German, although now split between middle and high school. Once in a while I get to come up for air.

Wishing you all the best. If you have a spare moment drop me a line that I can share with classmates (And if by chance you sent me something over the summer that isn't printed here, I apologize. Some messages might have been lost by my computer). — D.L.H.

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The best experience at Reunion in June was that 24 years after graduation, I am still meeting new Bucknellians. We sat with Julie and **Rich Bolline '81** and Hilary and **Bob Roof '81** at dinner Friday night. My husband was friendly with them, but I had never met them (maybe because I never ventured downhill to party). We mentioned to **Tom Barbari '81** and **Ellen Stevens '81** that Southside Johnny was playing at the Ridgefield Playhouse (in our town) in October and we got a group together to attend, including the Roofs. However, it was Rich who found out that tickets were going on sale the next day, which was a good thing because the concert sold out quickly (unfortunately they couldn't attend the concert because of a wedding). Ellen and I met at the box office; the clerk there was astounded by all the phone calls she was getting from New Jersey. She was British and didn't have a clue who Southside Johnny was!

The concert was great, and we had **David "Vike" and Sharon "Woody" Hayes Vakiener '81**, **Tim '83** and **Donna Petty Christie '86**, Paul and **Karen Schultz Bruno '81**, the Roofs and Tom and Ellen over for dinner. Our conversation pretty much centered on our kids and what colleges they were attending or wanted to

attend. Karen and Paul are in the process of adopting their 10-year-old foster child, Mary, and are excited about that. In a small world Bucknell style, Donna discovered that Ellen and Woody were her sorority sisters but that they graduated before she got there. We also reminisced with the Christies about a party they had nine years ago, where **Jay Wright '83** gave out "Jay Wright Hofstra Basketball Camp" t-shirts to our kids. He may have moved on to coach Villanova, but our kids are all still wearing those t-shirts!

A few months ago I asked who had children, aka "Bison Chips," at Bucknell. **Kay Kelly Rozolis** wrote back to let me know that her daughter, **Stephanie**, is a sophomore this year (Her dad is **John Rozolis '80**). She also let me know who else from our class has children in the Class of 2009: **Steven Lowry** (son **Robert**), **John** and **Susan Teare Morris** (daughter **Logan**) and **Anne Tarvin Vandevander** (son **Jon**). Kay can be reached at JKC-SJM6@aol.com.

John Steele also commented on children at Bucknell: "It was fun reading that **Jeff '83** and **Helen Roby Kennelly's** daughter and **Roger '81** and **Cheryl Cole Fiery's** son are entering Bucknell. Out here in California, my youngest son, Kevin, wears a Bucknell t-shirt and has Bucknell on his college application list, much to the surprise of me and my wife, **Carolyn Fisher Steele '83**. I hope to see a lot of classmates at next summer's Reunion." John can be reached at JSteele@fr.com.

Troy Pappas sent me an update: "I've joined the faculty of Temple University with a dual appointment in the Fox School of Business and the School of Tourism and Hospitality. My fourth year as head boys track coach at Moorestown High School in Moorestown, N.J., was special. Our team won its league title for the first time in nearly 20 years. Celebrating with me was **Bob Bickel '79**, who joined the Moorestown coaching staff when I arrived back in 2003. Taking the victory lap with the athletes and coaches reminded me of the 1982 ECC Outdoor Track Championship meet that Bucknell won — only this time no one threw the coach into the steeple-chase water jump! My children Jason, 8, and April, 5, seem to be taking after their dad. Both train and compete at the World Athlete/Moorestown Track Academy each summer. Jason's favorite race is the 400 meters; it must be in his DNA since that was my event at Bucknell. Even Sean, 2, has run around with a baton or two. It's interesting to read about all my classmates sending their children to college. It took me longer to find the right person but it all worked out. After 10 years of marriage, my wife, Sandy, and I are still changing diapers, trekking off to travel soccer games and watching dance recitals. We're in no rush to send them away to college. We like things as they are in our Mt. Laurel, N.J., home. I can be reached at tpappas@temple.edu."

Don't forget to register for Reunion, June 1-3. — R.G.K.

Tracy Smith Hall was appointed director of external affairs at Focus: HOPE. She is responsible for public funding and advocacy as well as for the volunteer and community outreach, communications and marketing areas. She joined



Focus: HOPE in 2002 as a government affairs officer and was promoted in 2005 to manager of government affairs and public policy, where she led the organization's efforts to obtain discretionary and competitive grants and contracts from federal, state, and local governments. She earned a doctorate in public administration and public affairs from Virginia Tech in 2006.

Eric Allgaier writes, "Due to the merger of Nextel and Sprint, I have a new job as the group manager for environmen-

tal, health and safety. I have staff throughout the country, which has led to more travel and some opportunities to visit with some Bucknellian friends.

"Unfortunately, my wife **Beth Hopper Allgaier '85** rarely gets to attend with me, but she did get to join me at a conference in April, in Hawaii on Oahu, and we extended our trip with a few days in Maui. Beth is staying busy by raising our two daughters, Kit, 11, and Kristin, 7, and volunteering at school and church. Both of our girls are in a Japanese immersion program, where half of their classes are taught completely in Japanese.

"After ski season had ended in the east, I had a business trip in Utah and got to go skiing with **Don Harris** at Deer Valley, and with **Julie Crossman Cassidy '83** and her son, Andrew, who is an amazing skier. I get to see Don every two weeks, as we play doubles tennis together. Julie is running and racing very well, and not just winning her age group, but often winning the entire women's division.

"I had a conference in May in Chicago, where I had dinners with **Helen Reetz Whiting '78** and **Liz Cosgrove Chandler** and her husband, Dave, and watched Liz's daughter's lacrosse game (potentially a future Bucknellian?). Helen, Liz and I serve on Bucknell's Alumni Association board of directors and I'm the chair of the admissions committee.

"On the way to our Maine vacation, we met Julie Cassidy and her sons, Andrew and Brendan, and her parents for dinner in Rockland, Maine, near where they were vacationing. After our family vacation in Southwest Harbor, Maine, I went up to Keene, N.H., for July 4, where **Trish Campbell** and her husband, Dave, hosted an Independence Day party that included **Dave Stiger '83** and his wife, Kris, and **Dave and Donna Von Seggern Morse '84**. Trish had a day off from her doctor duties and we hiked to the summit of Mount Monadnock, then I headed farther north to Hanover, N.H., where Dave Stiger and I kayaked on the Connecticut River, biked in New Hampshire and Vermont and hiked some of the Appalachian Trail, which goes right through Hanover. Dave has a new job as the director of construction for the hospital in Hanover.

"A trip to San Francisco allowed me to see the best man in our wedding, **Scott Armacost**, and his wife, Miho, and daughters Sammi and Audrey, who are all doing well, and living in Oakland.

"The end of July brought me back to Bucknell for a Bison Club meeting, where I played in a golf tournament with **George Buckheit '79**, **Brian Fullem '86** and Bucknell assistant track coach Mario Wilson (a last minute replacement for Coach Donner). Clearly the team's skills were more suited for the track.

"In August, Beth and I went to the wedding of **Todd Singleton '88** and Lisa Mascolo — guests included **Dave Whaley '81** (best man), **Scott Melville '85** and Heidi and **Alan Snyder '88**.

"Later in August, I did an unusual 112-mile bike ride to the beach with **Don Harris**, which we've done the last two years together. It starts in Georgetown, D.C., at 2 a.m., and we arrive at Dewey Beach later that morning.

"I got the chance to visit with my Bucknell roommate of three years, **Dave Beltramello**, while in Connecticut on business, and a month later, after a meeting in Boston, spent the weekend with him at his Cape Cod vacation home in Brewster, Mass. His son, **Mark '10**, is a first-year student at Bucknell, along with **Kelcey '10**, the daughter of **Rich Coffin**.

"Since Sprint has operational headquarters in Overland Park, Kan., I go to Kansas every four-to-six weeks and always ensure I wear at least one Bucknell golf shirt, to remind the Kansas fans of Bucknell's monumental basketball win. "Looking forward to seeing many of you at our 25th Reunion!"

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Fall is all about football in Georgia and we have seen plenty of it the last few weeks. Our daughter, Sarah, is the trainer for both the Chattahoochee High School varsity and freshman football teams, and our son, J.C., is enjoying his senior season. I have spent some time in the bleachers with **Tammi Blossom Harivel**, as her son Danny is on the freshman football team. Tammi is the freshman team mom and an active member of the Gridiron Club.

Meg Barron Born sent an email updating her family's many activities: "Jonathan, our exchange student from Germany, arrived the second week of August and has jumped into lots. He's taking a difficult course load and decided that he wanted to run cross-country and do marching band. After a grueling week of practice, our daughter, Kristen made the JV field hockey team. Our twins, Stephen and Andrew, have cruised into middle school and have generally wondered why everyone thinks it's a big deal. I had to drag them into school before the first day to try out their lockers and walk through their schedules; they insisted that that was what the first day of school was for. Scott's showing his age and messed up his knee at a recent soccer practice when he was playing with the kids. He's scheduled for surgery in a couple of weeks, but other than that he's fine. I'm headed to the grocery store (again!) to restock. The biggest adjustment for me (having Jonathan here) is the

amount that a teenage boy eats.

"We had a fun trip to Penn State a couple of weeks ago for a football game. Of course, Jonathan had a mandatory AFS retreat and Kristen had band and a field hockey game on Saturday, so we left them behind and took the younger guys. I'm glad we didn't scrap the whole thing because it was great fun."

I just checked in with Dennis and **Sara Allen Lepkofker**; they had a busy summer getting their son Daniel ready for his freshman year at the Taft School up in Connecticut. Sara says Dan is adjusting to being away from home and every day is a new adventure for him. Their daughter, Amanda, is a junior at Northview High School, the cross-town rival of my kids' high school; she is a football cheerleader and is enjoying her new job at a local pizza place. Sara is still teaching science at Northview; this year she is teaching some freshman classes and has some of my daughter Sarah's friends in her classes. We'll see who wins the Northview vs. Chattahoochee football game this Friday night. — T.T.E.

Walter Zimmerman M'85 has been named chief intellectual property counsel at Johnson Controls, Inc., based in Milwaukee. He holds global responsibility for intellectual property matters for the Fortune 75 company, a global market leader in automotive systems and building efficiency systems and controls. He had been a partner at Foley & Lardner LLP, which he joined in 1992 following a federal judicial clerkship. He earned his law degree with honors from the University of Wisconsin Law School in 1990. He and his wife, Lisa, and twin daughters, Ellie and Katie, live in Hartland, Wis. He can be

Stories That Stay with You

"I've always felt that what I want to do is use the power of pictures to deliver news in a way that matters to people," says **Douglas Adams '88**, producer for the NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams. "Television stories, if they are good, can stay with you because they draw you in emotionally." Adams' goal is to produce news stories that break through the clutter and stay with you for a while.



Over the past decade, he has covered just about every major domestic story. His beat covers Capitol Hill and politics, and he produces nearly 100 spots a year. In 1998, he worked with correspondent Lisa Myers, producing NBC's coverage of the Clinton-Lewinsky scandal. Adams spent 14 grueling months on the story, writing more than 150 pieces, which he describes as "demoralizing and fascinating at the same time." He believes that the press coverage of the scandal played a significant role in changing the relationship between the media and politicians in general. He says, "Politicians have become a lot more wary of the press,

and it makes our job harder."

In 2002, Adams covered the Enron scandal and its fallout for six months and was awarded the Joan Barone Award for Journalism Excellence. In 2004, he was nominated for an Emmy for his work covering the move to electronic voting. Other awards on his shelf include two Gerald Loeb Awards, as well as an Edward R. Murrow Award for his work on the Washington, D.C., sniper story. This past year, after having been nominated for an Emmy 13 times, he received his first award for producing a series on the business and financial impacts of Hurricane Katrina.

Looking back at the preparation Bucknell gave him for his career in broadcast journalism, Adams says that Bucknell was a great training ground because the most important skills one needs as a journalist are to be inquisitive and to write well. "Some of the best preparation you can have in this business is to read books, to learn about politics, history, and literature." He credits his experience working on *The Bucknellian* as on-the-job training. "I can talk to senators or congressmen because I learned to have the courage to question my university president, Gary Sojka, and the Board of Trustees about our policies regarding Bucknell's investment policy in South Africa." Says Adams, "I know it sounds quaint, but I got the skills that I use now covering stories on campus back then." — Ilene Ladd

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Suz Lindsley Stiles writes, "**Vicki McCoy Eline** hosted the annual gathering for **Roger and Lori Montenegro Bredder, Carol Siegrist Caballero** and me and our families in July. It was bittersweet this year, as **Jean Zaharchuk Bartkowski** couldn't attend last minute and Lori and Roger are moving to Charlotte, N.C., for his new job. Vicki did a fabulous hosting job, as always, and it is always fun to get the kids together. "**Mike Weaver '89** is one of the coaches for our older son's football team. **Bob Snyder '88** is coaching his son, who played

with my son last year. The youngest child of **Andy Shapiro '84** is in class again with my youngest and the oldest child of **Steve Garfinkel '84** is in class with my oldest."

Laura Cowles Hobbs writes, "Earlier this year I was appointed director of the pharmacy residency program at Hartford Hospital where I work. The pharmacy residency program is one-year post-graduate training in institutional pharmacy practice. I have enjoyed this additional challenge."

Josef and **Justine Varrichio Oddo** welcomed twin boys on Dec. 27, 2005. Winston and Olivier love being "city babies," living in Manhattan. They have already started networking outside the city with other Bucknell alumni twins: 1-year-old Charlie and Karsten Rovere Sima, who are the sons of **Dina Rovere** and Marco Sima. With two sets of twins hearing the "Ray, Bucknell" chant for the next 17 years, at least one of them is bound to be a Bucknellian.

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Happy New Year! I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season.

Chris Van Houten sent an email, as he was unable to attend Reunion last year. He got married three years ago in Prague (His wife, Eva, is Czech). **Tom**

Karygiannis and his wife were able to attend the wedding. On Aug. 2, Eva gave birth to their daughter, Christina Margaret.

Chris speaks to Tom Karygiannis and **Steve Muldrow** on a regular basis. Tom lives in Washington, D.C., and has a son. Steve lives in Florida and has a son and daughter. Chris and Eva live in New Jersey, where he works for the Bank of New York in Manhattan.

That is all the news I have for now. Please keep in touch! — J.D.C.

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Cindy Barbosa Zanelli writes in to say hello, and say she is looking forward to Reunion. She is still working at AT&T and lives in Tewksbury, N.J., with her husband, Paul; 2 1/2-year-old son Jaz and 1-year-old daughter Abby. She can be reached at cbz@att.com.

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Loryn and **Eric Riden** moved from Dallas, Texas, to Aiken, S.C. They have three children: Hannah, 10, Olivia, 5, and John, 4. Email Eric at riden@gforcecable.com.

Mark and **Lisa Lombardo Whitacre** had their third son in May, Bennett Anthony. He joins brothers Luke, 10, and Connor, 9. Lisa has worked as a senior human resources consultant for Sterling Financial Corp. since 2002. She's sad that many close friends from Bucknell have moved to the West Coast, but says hello to **Sue and Petey Harris** and **Kerri Willcoxon Conner**.

Lisa visited **Liz Hildes DeWinter** in NYC before she and her husband and son, Peyton, 1, moved to Connecticut. She emails **Amy Alter Jones**, who lives in Washington state with her husband and children, Aiden and Henry. Lisa reports hearing from **Bruce Tharp**, who got married this summer, and also **Bob Bernarducci**, who lives in Connecticut with wife, Miriam, and children, Ella and Jesse. Bob is working for a public relations firm. His brother, **Bill**, also moved to Connecticut and is working for a law firm. Lisa wants to get back in touch with many old friends, including **Sara Carty '86**, **Bobby White '86**, **Tom Lafferty**, all of the Second and Fourth Larison freshman year friends and others whose last names have escaped her. Contact Lisa at lisa_whitacre@comcast.net. — R.L.B.

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Remember Bucknell Jan Plans? Although the University eliminated them many years ago, there is no doubt that January used to offer Bucknellians the chance to let loose for a month while learning a special topic for a few hours a day. How could you go wrong? My first Jan Plan came during my sophomore year in 1988, when I signed up for a musical theatre class taught by Gary Grant. For a few weeks, 12 of us would learn to write, direct and perform scenes and songs, culminating with public performances at the Tustin Theatre at the end of the month.

What an experience! Through extemporaneous writing exercises, scene exploration, music workshops and group discussion, the "Jan Plan Players" were able to craft an entertaining night of 16 original scenes, each accompanied by our own musical numbers. Though some portions of the show probably could have used further polish and editing, it still impresses me that our small group was able to create, rehearse and perform an entire night of musical theatre — literally from scratch — in just four short weeks. Our final show, called *It Started with a Song*, even solicited a review from *The Bucknellian*, which wrote, "The players gave a spirited performance. The skits entranced the audience. Even with a minimalist setting, the Jan Plan Players were able to vividly portray specific settings and characters."

What strikes me are my enduring memories of that one month. Almost 20 years later, I can still remember the smell of Tustin Theatre, the chill of the Lewisburg winter as I walked around a mostly empty Bucknell campus, the tiredness I felt each morning after 30 consecutive nights of beer pong in the Kappa Sigma basement. And the food. How could I forget the food? There were only about seven Kappa Sigs living in the house that January, and since we had access to a full kitchen, we bought ourselves groceries and cooked for ourselves. At the beginning of the month I purchased a big box of hamburgers, a 10-pound bag of potatoes and a dozen or so Ramen noodle packages. And that's all I ate for one month — hamburgers, potatoes and Ramen soup. Oh, and beer. Lots and lots of beer.

Back then, Bucknell still had a fairly liberal stance on partying, so we were left to our own devices. A handful of 19- and 20-year-old Kappa Sigmas living in a giant fraternity house in the dead of winter, going to fun classes a couple hours a day, with no other obligations or worries other than that night's party plans. Life was good, and we shared that liberation with whoever wanted to come down and celebrate with us each night. So the Old Milwaukee flowed freely that month, the rock music blared and everyone had the times of their lives. I can still remember **Tom Robinson** coming down to the basement with a large plastic Santa Claus he had lifted off a neighbor's lawn, and all of us taking turns dancing with Kris Kringle, laughing uncontrollably as if the fun would never end.

Happy January, everyone!

Barbara Shand Neff and her husband, **Mark '89**, went to **Denise Moody's** NYC wedding at the Yale Club. **Deb Tarantino** was the matron of honor. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Karen White**, **Louisa Hall Quarto**, **Samantha Anderson**, **Brent and Sonja Kelly Farmer**, **Gretchen Althoff Snyder** and **Matt Gilfillan**. Barb and "Neffy" live in Maine with their three boys, Peter, 9, Max, 7, and Trevor, 3.

Pamela Mazuy Dale married Craig Dale in 2000, and has two daughters, Zoey, 4, and Grace, 2. The Dales live in Denver, Colo.

Jenna Thorpe Hicks and her hus-

band, Mason, welcomed their first child, a daughter, Ryan Rebecca, on June 21. Living three blocks from the ocean in Long Beach, N.Y., and Mason being a surfer, Ryan's arrival coincided perfectly with "International Surf Day." Jenna returned to work at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York last fall. She can be reached at HicksinLB@gmail.com.

After more than 15 years, **Jessalyn Kunicky Brodie** and **Michael Cotter '89** have joined the Bucknellians Marrying Bucknellians Club. They will be spending time with his four boys, Taylor, Reilly, Shane and Zachary, and can be reached at 47 Lakeside Drive, North Salem, NY 10560. Jessalyn is the recruiting manager for Engineering Resource Group in Morris Plains, N.J. (Jessalyn@EngineeringResource.com). Michael is head of educational media for New York Medical College in Valhalla, N.Y. (Michael_Cotter@NYMC.edu).

Timothy Stahl has been named general manager of SlingDot.com, an online gaming website and division of THQ Inc.

Caroline Ritter and **Todd Lieb '91** welcomed identical twin boys, Graham and Charlie, last July. They join siblings Jackson, 5, and Rebecca, 3. Cally works part time as a social worker, and Todd is a small business owner. They can be reached at callyritter@hotmail.com

Kathleen Bauersfeld McGuigan gave birth to her first child, John "Jack" McGuigan, on July 11. She and her husband, John, live in Baltimore where she works part time as a medical malpractice defense attorney. She can be reached at kbmcguigan@comcast.net.

Colleen Zakrewsky and Joe Hurowitz welcomed a baby girl, Madeleine, on Dec. 29, 2005.

Sally Anne Lockwood MacLeod writes that during her nine years working with The Prudential, she completed a master's degree in elementary and special education at LaSalle University. She taught in Council Rock School District for three years until her first son was born in 2003. She and her husband, Rick, are the proud parents of three boys, Ryan, Griffin and Nathan.

Cathy O'Brien Koslow married Kip Koslow in 2004 in Southampton, N.Y. **Margaret Wilkes-Rapp** served as a bridesmaid. On Jan. 6, 2006, the Koslows welcomed their first child, Kathryn. Cathy still lives in NYC and has returned to her job at MetLife as AVP of advertising.

Rika Schmitt and her husband, Stephen, live in Malvern, Pa., with their daughter Brielle, 4, and dog, Buddy. Last summer, they were planning to travel to China to bring back their second daughter via adoption. Rika has earned tenure as a sociology professor at Millersville University in Pennsylvania. She writes, "I adore my career!"

Finally, **Scott Messing** writes that he became chief administrative officer for the National Association of Attorneys General in Washington, D.C. He lives in Silver Spring, Md., and can be reached at scottmessing@yahoo.com. — D.R.

Erika Dunn Stanat and her husband, Jon, welcomed their third son, Aksel Berg, into the world on Aug. 25. Aksel is an old Swedish name meaning father of peace. Mom and baby are doing well.

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Hello to all our classmates! For the past few months, we seem to have lost touch. We've done such a great job these past 15 years that I ask we all make a promise to send at least one update over the next year. Believe me, your classmates want to hear from you!

Dave Vosseller sent word that after serving as a youth pastor and assistant pastor in Columbus, Ga., for 6 1/2 years, he

has been in the Chicago area for almost a year and a half. His new position is the associate pastor for ministry development at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Roselle, Ill. Essentially he works in leadership development and training for the church members. He loves his job and being in Chicago. And on Aug. 26, he married Allegra Smith in a service at his church. **Jason Baker '92** and **Matt Rose '94** were two of his groomsmen. Jason's wife, **Julianne Colaianni Baker '92**, was there as well. Allegra is a registered clinical dietitian at a local hospital. Dave got to introduce her to Bucknell basketball last December as they attended the Bucknell-DePaul game at the Allstate Arena in Rosemont and cheered the Bison on to victory! Their new address is 1429 Albany Court, #202, Schaumburg, IL 60193.

Marc and **Beth McDonald Maratea** proudly announce the birth of their son, Christopher David, on May 25. He joins big sister, Katie, 3 1/2. The family lives in Basking Ridge, N.J.

Looking forward to hearing from you — I'm only an email away! — J.C.R.

Nadine Rapacioli Rivelles and her husband, Vincent, joyfully announce the birth of their son, Vincent James, on June 20. Nadine is a senior attorney for Consolidated Edison Company of New York. The family lives in Floral Park, N.Y.

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Peter and **Wendy Quest Trevisani** welcomed Pierce Quest on June 12. He joins big sister Blake, 5, and brother Luke, 3. After a lovely summer of maternity leave, Wendy has returned to her job as a portfolio manager at Thornburg International Fund in sunny Santa Fe, N.M. She can be reached at trevquest@hotmail.com. — L.B.B.

Gayle and **Ed Travalia** welcomed Eliana Sophia on Sept. 7. Ellie joins big brother Jack. Mom and baby are doing well and dad and Jack are exhausted. The family can be reached at ed_travalia@yahoo.com. — L.M.S.

Stephen Welkley writes, "We added to our family this year. Colin, born on May 18, joins a very excited big sister Emily, age 6. We adopted Colin through an agency that works with birth parents here in the Pacific Northwest. He was born to a couple in Eugene, Ore., which was close enough to where we live that we were able to get to the hospital for his birth. After five years of effort to have baby No. 2 through many different means, we have our happy ending. I am still working at HP and have had the chance to put my international relations degree to good use working with divisions in Israel and Spain, including trips to both places."

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Andy and Nelle Deeming Bush welcomed their third child, Benjamin James, on Oct. 5. Everyone is doing well.

Dave Welgos writes, "My wife, Jenny, and I are thrilled to announce the birth of our twins, Ryan David and Jessica Marie, on Feb. 16, 2006. They are healthy, happy and keep us really busy. We're living in Maryland, about 20 minutes outside of

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For the Sake of Boston Babies

Jennifer Lynch Haggerty '91 is making a difference in the community of South Boston. A mother of two young children, Haggerty understands the financial demands that accompany parenthood and has seen the hardships they can create for families struggling to provide daily necessities. Working with an organization called Baby Basics,



Haggerty and other volunteers in and around South Boston have come together in an effort to ease their neighbors' financial burdens by providing free diapers to babies and toddlers of working poor families.

The first Baby Basics program was founded in 1992 in Ridgewood, N.J., by Jean Ann Lynch, Haggerty's mother. Nearly 15 years after the first distribution center was established, Baby Basics has nine centers, serving families in six states. Because of the efforts of volunteers like Haggerty, Baby Basics, Inc., has continued to grow, providing financial and emotional support to poor, working Americans.

Before earning her master's in industrial relations at the University of Minnesota, Haggerty worked for a small software company in New Jersey. Moving to Boston to be with her future husband, John '91, following graduate school, Haggerty worked in human resources for Fidelity for four years, and then at Microsoft. Realizing the need for a Baby Basics center in the community of South Boston, her mother and sister opened the South Boston site, and Haggerty joined shortly thereafter.

A unique component of Baby Basics is that 100 percent of all donations received go directly to the purchase of diapers, unless earmarked by the donor to cover administrative costs. Donations go directly toward making a difference in the life of a child, one diaper and one baby at a time. Through the generosity of their donors, Haggerty and her Baby Basics team provide free diapers for 50 babies in South Boston.

In addition to distributing diapers twice monthly, the 11-member board of volunteers strives to provide area families with a support system, offering kindness and community. "I think our families would tell you that at Baby Basics, they don't feel like they are getting a handout, but a hand up from other working moms and dads who share some basic common challenges. We talk about everything from potty training to getting kids to eat better to holidays, and in time, our families come to rely on us as trusted friends who are there when they need us most."

Diaper by diaper, Haggerty and Baby Basics are brightening the future for some South Boston families. To learn more about Baby Basics, go to www.babybasicsinc.org. — Christine Felser '07

Washington, D.C., and I'm working as a finance director at the NASDAQ stock market. I can be reached at dave.welgos@comcast.net. — A.M.D.

Craig '92 and Allie Zadroga Bitter welcomed twin boys, Cameron Carl August and Colin Robert August, on June 15. Both boys are doing well. Big sister Kelsey Grace is thrilled with the new additions. Diane and **F. Gordon Bitter '64** are proud grandparents.

Larnie Booker writes, "My wife, Nadette, and I celebrated the birth of our second child, Lanaya Jayani, on Aug. 10. Lanaya joined her 4-year-old brother, Nadell. Our family is doing well. I am practicing pediatrics at Mid Jersey Pediatrics in East Brunswick, N.J. We reside in Somerset, N.J."

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Although most of you send me news via email, I do occasionally get a letter from someone. Please note my change of address

above.

Linda Landino married David Anderson both in Las Vegas and a few weeks later in Cozumel, Mexico on Oct. 18, 2005 (the day before Hurricane Wilma destroyed the island). Their honeymoon was spent with 30 other family and friends as well as hotel guests in a convention center shelter. They welcomed Kian Preston Anderson on Sept. 25 and are just thrilled to be first-time parents. Linda is working as a physician in the urgent care setting in Phoenix, Ariz., and can be reached at LMLDO@hotmail.com.

Roberta Miller Paul writes, "My husband and I moved from Connecticut to Harrisburg, Pa., in November 2004. I am working as an IT project manager at Armstrong World Industries in Lancaster and enjoy being back in Pennsylvania. We attended the Bucknell alumni Baltimore Orioles game on Aug. 5 with some of the Hulle House girls — **Annette Diehl, Stephanie Starzec Moore, Jean Maloney Burneo and Natalie Laohophan Way**. While it was a very hot day, we had a great time catching up at the picnic and watching the game. We also ran into **Dave Scott '93**, who had just got back from his honeymoon in Hawaii."

Rob and **Allie Roby Calderon** welcomed a baby girl, Heather Evelyn, in November 2005. She joins big brother, Patrick, who is 4 1/2. Rob works for ICF and Allie is with Meridian Knowledge Solutions where she is a senior project manager. They live in Fairfax, Va. Allie had dinner with **Kirsten Olean** a few months ago. Allie reports that Kirsten is doing well personally and professionally. They both had a great time at the Bucknell alumni gathering at Camden Yards in Baltimore watching the Orioles play. They were joined by **Mark '93 and Diane Antanavage Stafford** and their three kids, **Carrie Himes Dorsey and Christina Johnston Buller**. Christina left Bucknell for West Point, but Allie is very happy to have her back in the D.C. area. Allie's email is thecalderons@hotmail.com.

Jason and Tiffany Fortier Leitner welcomed their second son, Brady Armand, who was born on July 31. Big brother Bennett (age 2) is very protective of his younger sibling. Tiffany is enjoying being a full-time mom. Jason is a senior manager with PricewaterhouseCoopers (he's been working there since graduating from Bucknell) and is in the middle of a two-year tour of duty with their national office in Florham Park, N.J. They live in Ossining, N.Y.

Jen Leith and her husband, Mitch Cron, welcomed a son, Aidan Mitchell Cron, on July 12. Aidan joins big brother, Finn, who is 2.

Angelique Hawkes Caffrey wrote "Window Shopping with Patrick," which was just published in the book *Chicken Soup for the Shopper's Soul*. The piece is about going to the mall with her son, Patrick, who is 3.

Valerie and **Gerry Gordon** welcomed their daughter, Julia, to the world on Sept. 14. She joins big brother, Noah, who is still getting used to the fact that she isn't just visiting. The family moved out of Manhattan (where Valerie is a producer with "The Early Show" on CBS and Gerry is an attorney specializing in bankruptcy and creditors' rights with Pryor Cashman Sherman & Flynn LLP) and is happily entrenched in the Riverdale section of the Bronx. — S.A.S.

Meghan Carr is program coordinator at Leadership Memphis, where she works to advance the mission of the organization through research, planning, implementation and evaluation of LM programming. She was an animal behavior major at Bucknell and also earned a master's degree in wildlife science at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. Before joining LM, she worked at the Memphis Zoo for more than five years, conducting research on the behavior and ecology of giant pandas.

Celeste Viscardi MacMillan and her husband, Rich, happily announce the birth of their son, Sawyer Anthony, on July 13. They have moved into a new house at 237 Nelliefield Creek Drive, Charleston, SC 29492-8314.

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Happy New Year, Class of '95! I hope this finds you well and looking forward to the year ahead.

Jason and Brie Hansen Strauss are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Derek Charles, on April 22. Brie writes, "We couldn't be happier and are adjusting well to parenthood." Email: jstrauss@comcast.net.

Rob and Kelly Bennett Seiler also have news of a new family member. Kelly writes, "Rob and I welcomed our son, Bennett Wade, into the world on July 24. He joins big sister, Jordan, 4. He's our 'post-war' baby, since Rob returned from Iraq in the spring of 2005. It's great to be a family again. We live in Austin, Texas, and can be reached at kellyseiler@hotmail.com. We are also in charge of the Austin Bucknell Club, and our last event was at a small French restaurant when I was nine months pregnant!"

Michael '94 and Marci Frum Milone welcomed their third child last summer. Marci writes, "I am writing to announce the birth of our daughter (we actually had a girl!), Annalisa Elizabeth, who was born on Aug. 23. Her big brothers, Patrick, 7, and Nicholas, 4, are thrilled to have her as the newest member of our family. Patrick is already grooming Annalisa for the pitcher on his personal kickball team, and Nick can't wait for her to be big enough to play with him and his Power Rangers and army guys. (Oh brother!) Mike and I are just happy when the house is quiet enough that we can 1) have a conversation that doesn't include us repeating ourselves over the noise or 2) watch TV without the closed captioning on. Let's just say neither happens frequently, and we're becoming excellent TV 'readers.' On a side note, in June, we had a visit from Cliff and **Jennifer Kelley Cheng** and their daughter Anna, 2. It was our last visit from the Chengs for a while, as they packed up and moved to California in early August. We are very sad to see them go, but we hope to visit them as soon as they get everything settled. They promised us that they are now close to Disneyland and Legoland. These days, that is more important than one would think." Email: frummilone@aol.com.

Sarah and **D. Eric Bliss** welcomed their second son, Samuel Merritt, on Sept. 8. He joins his big brother Michael.

On a personal note, Chris and I were lucky to have a lot of Bucknell visitors this summer. In August, we had a whirlwind of a lunch visit from **Ben '99 and Sandy Gramman Kiersz** and their son, Christopher, 1, along with **Brian and Jennifer Carkeek Ochs** and their two children, Benjamin, 2, and Anna, 1. Jennifer and Brian were in the D.C. area to celebrate the baptism of Jennifer's nephew, William, the newborn son of **B.J. '94 and Julie Carkeek Anderson '93**. Our visit was much too short but it was great to catch up with everyone and the kids had a blast playing together. Jen and Brian are living in Sandy Hook, Conn., while Sandy and Ben are in Falls Church, Va.

Over Labor Day weekend, Jim and **Tara Contiliano**, their son, Matthew, 2, and their dog, Ruby, spent a night with us on the way to the beach in North Carolina. Unfortunately for them the weather turned cool that weekend, which made for less than ideal beach weather. However, Jim put it all into perspective when he said, "A bad day at the beach is still better than a good day at work." We had a great time visiting with them as well. Tara and Jim are both physician assistants living in Stewartsville, N.J.

Dave and Colleen Taylor Lukens '94 were here for a weekend visit in September. While they were in town we met up with **Katie Malague** for dinner and Dave, Chris and our oldest son, Zachery, went to the D.C. United soccer game. As always with Dave and Colleen, it was a great visit. Having so many wonderful visitors made our summer really special and it also made us realize how much we miss all of our friends from Bucknell.

I wish you all well in the coming year. If you have news to share, please be in touch! — J.B.B.

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I hope that everyone is doing well. I heard that everyone who attended the recent Homecoming festivities had a great time. If you're ever in the area, make the extra effort to stop by Bucknell and see how things have changed (and stayed the same) at our alma mater. Now for the news that inquiring minds want to know.

Kristin Balderston Duda and her husband, Mike, welcomed twin boys, Owen Connor and Jake Thomas, on March 31. They live on the Upper West Side in NYC. Kristin can be reached by email at kbdu-da@hotmail.com.

On July 16, 2005, **Andy Jones** married Catherine Polisi at Church of the Resurrection in Rye, N.Y. The wedding reception was held nearby in Rye at the Shenorock Shore Club. Bucknellians serving in the wedding party included **Gary Goodweather, Ted Janowsky, Will Mentzer, Matt Morton, Mike Aman** and **Andrew Rill**. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Kolleen Kirk Rill, Molly Brown Logan, Beth Bookwalter Janowsky, Dennis Hare, Anthony Carpenito, Brian Keating, Mike Keogh, Jen Frost Keogh, Gino Lensink** and **Elaine Straub '63**. Andrew and Catherine met while both were attending The Johns Hopkins University Nitze School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, D.C. Andrew received an MBA from Cornell University's Johnson Graduate School of Management in May 2005 and spent time during his first year with **Joe Bridy '98** before Joe graduated in 2004. Andrew works at GE Capital where he often sees **John "J.P." Tracey, Tom Costello '88** and **Rob McNabb '85** in their Norwalk, Conn., office. Feel free to contact Andrew at awjones4@yahoo.com.

Ted Capeless and his wife, **Alisha Brown Capeless '98**, weren't able to make it to Reunion. But they had a great excuse in that their beautiful baby girl, Keira Alexandara, was born on June 5. Despite not going to Reunion, they were able to make it back to Bucknell in March for the men's basketball Patriot League Tournament, where they met up with **Brian McCleary, Steve Zappe M'96** and their wives in helping cheer Bucknell on to the NCAA tournament.

Ted had a busy spring as he earned an MBA from the University of Florida just a few weeks before Keira was born. They are still living in Boynton Beach, Fla., where he continues to work at IBM, keeping busy with his sales responsibilities as a part of the IBM's Business Transformation Outsourcing (BTO) Finance and Accounting Business Unit. To catch up with Ted, drop him an email at capeless@us.ibm.com.

More Bucknellian baby news: **Randle White Emmrich** and her husband, Martin, welcomed their second daughter on July 10. Her name is Claire Francesca and she joins big sister Ella, 2 years old. Randle and her family relocated to Bradenton, Fla., last July and are enjoying the warmer weather and the beaches. **Sarah Farrell Gilbert** and **Shannon Wright Ottinger** have both visited Randle in the past year, and if anyone is ever on the west coast of Florida, Randle and her family would love to see them. Randle can be reached at Remmrich23@aol.com.

Enjoy the New Year and good luck with those New Year's resolutions. Speaking of resolutions, one of mine is to catch up with at least one Bucknellian from the past each month. I challenge you to do the same and report your progress in Class

Notes. And of course, keep the news coming about yourself and all your Bucknell friends and family. — B.J.S.

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Jennifer Mallis Blair and her husband, Douglas, welcomed their first baby, Ryan Nicholas, on April 18. The Blair family resides in Baltimore, Md., where Jenn has returned to her job as assistant vice president of retirement client services at T. Rowe Price and Doug is a technology consultant for Vision Technologies and contracted at T. Rowe Price. Jenn can be reached at jenniferkblair@yahoo.com.

Jared '96 and **Jesse Eaton Bilanin** are pleased to announce the arrival of their first child, Maya Landis, born on Nov. 6, 2005, in NYC. They have moved to Chatham, N.J. Email: jared@bilanin.com and jessebilanin@yahoo.com

Doug and **Lisa Huck Semmel** had their second child, Andrew Douglas, on June 14. His big brother Sean (age 2) thinks he's pretty neat. Lisa is staying home with the kids in Kennett Square, Pa.

Congratulations to Mark and **Jennifer Bogar Hipp**, who welcomed their first child, Lauren Stella, on July 29.

Jonathan and **Allison Marek Conta** are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Madeline Alyse, on Aug. 7. **Anton '67** and **Carolyn Birch Marek '68** are proud grandparents. **Tracy Marek Nitche '99** is a proud aunt and **Jason Nitche '99** is a proud uncle. Allison and Jonathan reside in Atlanta, Ga., and can be reached at allisonm675@yahoo.com. — S.B.

Kaitlin Lovell has contributed a chapter to the book, *Salmon 2100: The Future of Wild Pacific Salmon*. The anthology, featuring the opinions of 33 senior salmon scientists, policy analysts and wild salmon advocates on how to save runs of wild salmon, was published by the American Fisheries Society. It is an outgrowth of the Salmon 2100 Project, a joint effort organized by Oregon State University and the Environmental Protection Agency research laboratory in Corvallis, Ore.

Jennifer Cohlberg married Adam Berman in July in Radnor, Pa. **Alexandra Tsakanikas** and **Jennifer Blair** were bridesmaids. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Megan Stamer McCall, Ann Cooper Ciccarelli** and **Jessica Sonnemann Schamburg '98**. Jen is the VP of product development for a promotional company in Cherry Hill, N.J., and Adam is in his fourth year of pursuing his doctorate in clinical psychology. They live in West Mount Airy in Philadelphia, Pa., and can be reached at jenniferberman@comcast.net.

Alexandra Tsakanikas got engaged to Matt Andrejkovics this past summer in Montauk, N.Y., and is planning a May wedding.

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On April 7, **Aimee Ferris Lamaute** and her husband, Albert, welcomed a baby girl, Kaylin Lee. She joins her big brother, Brendan, who is 2 (and loves his new baby sister). They are living in Easton, Pa., and can be reached by email at aimeela-maute@yahoo.com.

Congratulations to **Michaela Robbie Ryan**, who gave birth to a baby girl, Grace Katherine, in Atlanta, Ga., on July 27. Michaela can be contacted at mrobbie@emory.edu.

Julie Nazimek Harner and her hus-

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band, Gary, are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, Alison Claire. She was born on Aug. 16 and has been such a joy. Julie is an internal audit manager at SEI Investments in Oaks, Pa. They live in Lower Pottsgrove, Pa., and can be reached at julieharner@comcast.net.

Sarika Malhotra Parikh '99 and **Ashin Parikh** welcomed with joy their first child, a little boy named Ajay Ashin, on Aug. 19. Everyone is doing very well and they are enjoying their new home in Providence, R.I. Sarika can be reached at: Sarik0830@msn.com and Ashin at Ashin.A.Parikh@fritolay.com. — H.M.L.

Susan LeFevre married Tony Buda on July 15 in Lancaster, Pa. They live in State College, Pa.

Lisa Findlay married Liam Hart on July 19 at Drumtochty Castle in Auchenblae, Scotland. In attendance were **Ali Leslie, Debby Krantz, Galen Knudson** and **Nicholas Harris '97**. A photo of the group can be viewed online in the Class Notes section of myBucknell. 90

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Raj Thangavelu '98 writes, "Greetings from alternating hot or rainy Washington, D.C. Summer has been good and I've had the chance to see many Bucknellians. One of the highlights was a bachelor party weekend for **Chris D'Agnes**, held in mid-August in Myrtle Beach, S.C. Bucknellians who made the trek were **Cesar Ruiz, Neil Trivedi, Evan Smith, Ben Buckley** and

Joe Bridy '98. A good time was had by all. Chris was married in late October to Jennifer Quinzi in Auburn, N.Y."

Allison White Heilman writes, "Just wanted to share some news with our classmates that **Colin** and I are the proud parents of a new baby girl, Avery Brooke. She was born on Aug. 17 and is doing great. We also attended the Aug. 5 wedding of **Heather Low** to Joseph Manzoli in Deerfield, Mass. In addition to Colin and myself, **Deanne Cevasco** and **Blakeley Lowry** attended."

Heather Cunha and **Christopher Amato '00** married on Aug. 12 at the Congregational Church of New Canaan. Included in their 21-person bridal party were Bucknellians **Jennifer Ross Alexander '00, Erica Friedlander, Kelly Creech Lydem, Christopher Tulimieri '00, Paul Belobritsky '01, Bryan Roda '00** and **Jason Siewert '00**. Additionally, one groomsman in absentia was **Michael Vanderveer '00**, who is stationed in Nashville, Tenn., but at the time of the wedding was stationed in Iraq. The bride and groom spent their two-week honeymoon in Greece and upon their return moved into a new apartment in Manhattan. Heather, who completed her master's in counseling from Fordham University in 2002, and completed her doctoral internship at the Karen Horney Clinic and Psychoanalytic Institute of New York this past August, is continuing her on-going work with trauma patients as a licensed psychotherapist at KHC for her third consecutive year, while working to complete her doctoral dissertation with the expectation of receiving her Ph.D. by the fall. Christopher, since graduating from Bucknell in 2000, has attained his CPA and Series 7/63 credentials, and is working at

HSBC in midtown Manhattan.

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Keith Scarfo, Michelle Karam and **Vanessa Schneider Eiswerth** were among 243 physicians awarded the doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine at the college's 115th commencement. The ceremony was held at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts on June 4.

Over Labor Day weekend, **Hunter Keay** proposed to his girlfriend, Lana Scheuerman, on a trip to Kansas to visit her family. The happy couple is planning a late 2007 wedding in Baltimore, where they reside. Hunter works in equity research covering aerospace and defense for Stifel Nicolaus, and Lana works for Phoenix Partners doing franchise development for Cold Stone Creamery.

Jeremy Runk and **Beth Shalvey** were married on Sept. 16 on the north fork of Long Island, N.Y. The ceremony was performed at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Mattituck, followed by a reception at Galluccio Winery in Cutchogue. Bucknellians in the bridal party included best man **Hudson Yost**, groomsmen **Michael Brophy '01**, **Dave Rossi** and **Michael Zarzecki '01**; ushers **Rob Grippando** and **Ken Joost**, and **Rebecca Gerhart Grippando '01** gave a reading. Other classmates in attendance were Hunter Keay, **Vanessa Peet Yost**, **Roxanne Adler**, **Rob Gibson**, **Joe Tierney**, **Alex and Marnie Yorke Kramm**, **Dave McNeece**, **Jon and Kerri Searles Adams**, **Brian and Erin McKenna Evanoka**, **Neil Hickey**, **Auste Radzius**, **Hunter Kintzing '01**, **Steve Sumner '01**, **Josh Geisey '01** and **Tom Nicolosi '01**. Following the wedding, the couple chose to honeymoon in Hawaii on the islands of Maui and Kauai.

Dave and Tara Tutt O'Leary are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, McKenna Quinn, who arrived on Aug. 14. Dave works for the Overhead Door Company of Atlanta as a key accounts manager. Tara works for the Forsyth County Schools as an eighth grade gifted and talented language arts teacher. The couple resides in Atlanta after five years in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Ilene Sorblum Bach and her husband celebrated their first wedding anniversary this fall. Ilene and Christian were married Sept. 4, 2005, on a dinner cruise around Manhattan. Bucknellians in attendance were **Amy Dietterich**, **Ellen Rizzi**, **Anne Putnam** and **Elizabeth Barrows**. Ilene writes, "Chris and I met in December of 2000 when I was on scholarship studying in Heidelberg, Germany. We moved to the Upper East Side of Manhattan in 2004. I just left my job in corporate banking at Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg to pursue my MBA in finance in the full-time honors program at the Zicklin School (CUNY). If anyone wants to contact me, they can email me at Ilene.Bach@gmail.com."

Tracy Thiffault married Michael Pizzi on May 13 in Cape Cod. The couple resides in Belmont, Mass., and can be reached via email at tracy@thiffault.com.

Melissa de Lima and Willie Callahan '99 were married on May 20 in Washington, D.C. **Kirby Spivey '98** served as the officiant. Bucknellians in the wedding party were **Jen Elkus**, **Carrie Jones '98**, **Dy Cameron**, **Ty Cameron**, **Odu Onyeberechi** and **Pete Griffin**. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Jenna Aurand**, **Milton Baxter**, **Keisha Garner**, **Martin Gilliard '99**, **Orwell Jacobs '98**, **Cedric Lowe '01**, **Eric Polite '97** and **Gene Uzoukwu '98**. The couple honeymooned in Martinique and St. Lucia and reside in Alexandria, Va. — M.C.E.

Sharon McCann and her husband cel-

ebrated their fifth wedding anniversary this summer. They also welcomed their second child into the world. They are the proud parents of James, 2, and Adelaide, 3 months. Sharon is enjoying her time as a stay-at-home mom.

Marcus Hernandez writes, "My wife, Jamie, and I (just married in June) have launched a company that we created in our spare time. It is called www.educationregistry.com and is a student loan and education savings account gift registry website. I also work for E-trade Securities and we live in NYC."

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Tornados touching down around Nashville, Tenn., couldn't stop **Becky Morley** and **Jonathan Schneider** from tying the knot on April 8. Becky and Jon met freshman year during a "mixer" between Fourth Vedder and Fourth Harris, but didn't start dating until March (more specifically, House Party weekend) of their senior year. They did the long-distance thing for four years, while Becky worked in Ft. Monmouth, N.J., for the Army as a mechanical engineer, and Jon attended medical school in Houston, Texas. They got engaged last Memorial Day, the same weekend Jon graduated from medical school. They have settled in Nashville, where he is in his second year internal medicine residency at Vanderbilt and she is working for Nissan. Bucknellians in the wedding party included **Jen Huber**, **Janna van Gaalen Mudd**, **Sarah Wagner** and **Daniela Vella Camilleri**. Other Bucknellians in attendance included **Bob Hepp**, **Matt Albert**, **Shelley Merritt**, **Rod Young**, **Josh Nass**, **Jim Kraly**, **Karen Seaver** and **Justin White '02**. A photo is available in the Class Notes section of myBucknell. 99

Steve Tvardek and Blaze Berdahl '02 became engaged in Newport, R.I., in July. He is an equities trader and managing partner of Elevation Trading, LLC in Manhattan and she is a voice-over actress and audio announcer for TV and radio. They are planning a July wedding in the Catskill Mountains.

On Aug. 5, **Cheryl Brooks-Williams** married Evan Ausband along the coast of North Carolina. It was a beautiful beach-themed wedding weekend, with friends and family coming together from all over the country to celebrate. The night ended on an extra festive note when the bride and groom made their exit to guests waving sparklers, which set off the hotel's fire alarm! Bucknellians in the wedding party included brother of the bride **Mike Brooks-Williams '04**, **Keri Reiter** and **Daniela Vella Camilleri**. Other Bucknellians in attendance included **Gabby Thierry '02** and **Ryan Kenavey '02**. Cheryl and Evan met while in law school at Wake Forest and live in Norfolk, Va., where both are lawyers for the Navy. — H.D.P.

Jay Klaitz was a featured in the *Boston Globe* as he prepared for his role as Barry in the new Broadway-bound musical *High Fidelity*. In the article, he says, "If you're ready to rock, then you should come see *High Fidelity*. I would say even if you're not ready to rock, this will turn you on to being ready to rock."

Carole Bourgeois-Hardt, manager of networking events at Bucknell's Career Development Center, sent news of alumni helping students, "**Molly Ruscitti** has worked at KDKA since 2002 and met **Monica Grinage '07** at a Bucknell Career Networking Night in January 2006. They are both economics majors and not only shared many of the same favorite classes and professors, but also a shared interest in broadcasting. Monica hopes to go into sports and entertainment, so she was especially interested to hear how an econ major could

end up in the field. Monica stayed in touch with Molly throughout her spring semester and with the help of the economics department, they were able to arrange an internship for the summer of 2006.

"Even without any previous broadcasting experience, Monica did tremendous work and made a great impression on everyone at KDKA. She covered everything from breaking news stories, to Pirates postgame, to Steelers events. On one assignment, she met the father of former Steelers running back Jerome Bettis. Monica impressed him so much that he put her in touch with the head of the Jerome Bettis Foundation, a nonprofit that helps troubled and underprivileged children. Outside of the newsroom, Monica also spent time with people in the research, sales and sports marketing departments.

"The internship was a perfect opportunity for Monica to explore a field that's not covered in her regular coursework at Bucknell, and both Monica and Molly are grateful for the CDC facilitating the experience." A photo of the two in the KDKA television studios in Pittsburgh is available online in the Class Notes section of myBucknell. 99

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I'm looking forward to the opportunity to become better connected to the Bucknell community as a class reporter! And I'd like to connect you too. Please send me any and all news you have (weddings, births, new jobs, visits with Bucknell friends, etc.) to pauley@alum.bucknell.edu or via mail.

A quick update on me: After graduation, I moved to Pittsburgh to pursue my master's degree in environmental science and management at Duquesne University. I graduated in 2004 and began working for Malcolm Pirnie, an environmental consulting firm, as a project scientist. I've relocated temporarily to Washington, D.C.; Charleston, W.Va.; and Newport News, Va., but I'm back in Pittsburgh. It's hard to believe, but our five-year Reunion is coming up this summer. It's time to start gathering friends and making plans.

Anne Meehan and Alex Cochran were married in August 2005 and moved to NYC from Philadelphia. Anne works in the highway department for Urban Engineers, Inc., whose office is housed in the Empire State Building. Alex is an attorney at Debevoise and Plimpton, LLC, where fellow Bucknellian **Andrew Ahern** is also working. Anne and Alex can be reached at anne5459@yahoo.com.

Zeynep Tiryaki traveled from Istanbul, Turkey, at the end of September. While in the U.S., she visited many Bucknell friends, including myself, **Izge Cengiz '04**, **Andrew and Jackie Phillips Ahern**, and **Anne and Alex Cochran** in NYC. I traveled with Zeynep to Boston, where we met up with **Rose Mary Su** and **Ceyda Azakli '05**. Zeynep sends greetings to everyone that she couldn't visit and hopes to see them at Reunion next summer!

Jennie Meehan is engaged to Keith Sexton, and they plan a summer 2008 wedding. Both are teachers in the state of New York. Jennie teaches both chemistry and physics. — M.P.

Tyshawn Bryant produced and starred in a 15-minute basketball-themed film called *Shoot Out*. He has also appeared in an episode of ABC's drama *Grey's Anatomy* and has had leading roles on commercials for Miller Beer, Sherwin Williams, McDonald's, GMC, United States Postal Service, T.J. Maxx, and others.



Laura Baldwin and Chris Yantz '03 were married in a beautiful wedding at Rooke Chapel on July 8. **Carolyn Zeiner** served as maid of honor and **John Purcell '03** as best man. The wedding party also included **Sonia Mullen '03**, **Jennifer Sloan '06** and **Amy Robinson '04** as bridesmaids and **Gregory Fitzgerald '03** and **J.P. Garcia-Tunon '03** as groomsmen. **James Baldwin '98**, brother of the bride, served as one of the ceremony readers. **Lori Fallgren Repko and Jennifer Bentzen '04** also performed readings. Many Bucknellians attended, including **Richard Claffee '68**, **William Swallow '73**, **Thomas Alphin**, **George Casper**, **Karen Dawes**, **Jennifer Denchak**, **Keely Flaherty**, **Michelle Payne**, **Rodney Repko**, **C.J. Sloan**, **DeAnn Long Sloan**, **Benjamin Wellington**, **Amanda Young**, **Kaitlin Brokaw '03**, **Alison Landgraf '03**, **Philip Marcus '03**, **Daniel Muchler '03**, **Amanda Robie '03**, **Jill Warker '03**, **Andrew Frey '04**, **Jenna Gerstein '04**, **Kyle McGee '04**, **Kenneth Mullen '04**, **Adam Turbett '04** and **Rae Purcell '05**. Now living in Arlington, Va., Laura is an attorney in Washington, D.C., and Chris works in the Pentagon. They can be reached via email at their Bucknell alumni email addresses (lbaldwin and dyantz).

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Craig Kimball moved to Houston, Texas, to work for Wachovia Securities Oil and Gas Mergers and Acquisitions group. Prior to leaving Charlotte, **Jeremiah Curtin** (residing in Asheville, N.C.) and **Nate Streets** (architecture major at Savannah College of Art and Design) came to town for a Carolina Panthers game; they had an amazing time. Craig can be reached at Craig.Kimball@Wachovia.com.

Sarah Stark and Aaron Casagrande were married on Aug. 5 at Rooke Chapel. Bucknellians in the wedding party included **Aimee Gallagher**, **Cheryl Lee**, **Suzanne Van Hulle**, **Jamie Clouser**, **Jeffrey Dasch**, **Trevor Gibson**, **Nikhil Menon** and **Darrell Perry**. Many more Bucknellians were in attendance. Aaron graduated from law school and is clerking with a judge of the Maryland Court of Special Appeals for the next year. Sarah received her master's degree in epidemiology from Johns Hopkins University this spring and began the Ph.D. program this fall. They continue to live in Baltimore and can be contacted at Aaron.Casagrande@gmail.com. A photo is available in the Class Notes section of myBucknell. 99

Alyson Steckbeck has moved to Hoboken, N.J., and lives with her freshman year roommate, **Christine Charles**. She often spends time with **Michelle Beardslee**, who lives down the street.

Molly Campbell reports that **Amy Jones** was married to Geoff Jones on Sept. 9 in Avalon, N.J. She says: "It was a gorgeous weekend and there were a lot of Bucknell alumni in attendance."

Lee Baumes Shoemaker writes: "My husband, Jared, and I had a baby on July 8, 2006. Her name is Claire Hannah Shoemaker. We are just thrilled."

Jess Schmitt Owens is married to **Chris Owens '02**. The couple lives in Lewisburg and works for Intervarsity Christian Fellowship at Bucknell. She writes: "We felt that this ministry had a huge impact on us as students and wanted to be able to offer the same for students that arrived after us. Also, we just got a chocolate lab named Charlie."

Christine Charles writes, "I have officially begun the 15-month accelerated nursing program at NYU. I wish I had the Bison to study in these days — but Panera does the trick! Alyson Steckbeck moved into my apartment in September, keeping

the college roommate tradition alive. Both of us see Michelle Beardslee, as she is our Hoboken neighbor. We send our love to **Sara Figoski**, who lives in California, and to **Morgan Paige**, who is in Cornell University's MBA program. **Ronni Ginsberg** has graduated from law school and resides in Long Island. **Piper Murray** got married in October in Lake Las Vegas. **Angeline McCloy** was married on Nov. 18 in Florida. I wish I still had my radio show to blab some more gossip. If you'd like to contact me, please email me at whalechuck@aol.com."

Cheryl Petty reports some exciting news: "I just had a beautiful baby girl Oct. 9 (only my child could have a due date of Homecoming Weekend). Her name is Re'an-Alyse Marie. We are both living in Delaware, and I am working as a mortgage broker in Maryland. She is a very spoiled Bucknell baby already, with several Bucknell aunts including **Kandy Turner '04**, **Jenn Bentzen '04**, **Meredith Field '04**, **Jakita Price '04**, **Danielle Todman '06** and **Monica Grinage '07**, just to name a few. Her lovely godfather is **James Fisher**. I still keep in touch with several of my classmates and those from the surrounding years, but right now I'm just trying to catch up on sleep. I can be reached at cherpetty@gmail.com."

Brienne Terril graduated from Wake Forest University School of Law in May and is working as an associate at Pepper Hamilton in Pittsburgh in the intellectual property group.

Aaron Bates married Laurie Sieber on Aug. 12 in Ridgefield, Conn. Groomsmen included **Brian Albert**, **Gregory Barchuk** and **Aaron DeRosa**. Also in attendance were **Audrey Esteban**, **Jon Ditzler**, **Sean Johnson-McNutt '04**, **Lauren McLaughlin McNutt**, **Andrea Dill**, **Joan Wendler '04** and **Erin Lion '05**. Aaron has moved from Philadelphia to Bel Air, Md., where he and his wife work for the Harford County School District.

Richard Alexander Jr. is engaged to **Monique Boley '05**. The couple plans to be married in July. He is working at Fairleigh Dickinson University and living in Hackensack, N.J.

Kristine Kengor writes, "In May I completed my master's of education in higher education administration from Penn State, and in August I began a job as a residence life coordinator at Penn State. If anyone is in the State College area they can feel free to get in touch. My email is kmk385@sa.psu.edu." — P.N.J.

Justin Valls and **Ryan McClune** are working on a documentary on the green (environmental) building in Portland and the rebuilding of New Orleans.

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Zohare Haider writes, "I am sure you guys got wind of an earthquake here in Pakistan. Well, besides the deaths of some 86,000 people and some 3.3 million people in the northern mountainous areas becoming homeless, things have been rough. I quit the private sector (previously working for Nortel Networks) and began working for a local NGO (www.rspn.org) to become actively involved in relief activities. Before joining the NGO, I was doing a lot of voluntary work while with Nortel, but decided it needed to be a career since I am so passionate about it. I have personally acquired about \$12,000 worth of monetary donations, along with many other donated items amounting to tremendous numbers, helping hundreds of families, but this is just the beginning. I have a blog (zohare.blogspot.com), which has info about the quake, along with pictures and a PayPal donation link if people are interested in donating. I keep updating the blog, less frequently than I used to, but am very involved in humani-

tarian work here at home."

Lura Wasileski writes, "Yes, that's right, I don't exactly live in a great metropolis, but a tiny little town in upstate New York. I am teaching French (as some of you already know) and love it. It gives me a challenge (on my patience everyday — teaching French to middle school kids is not easy) and also gives me vacation time. Gotta love that 10-day Christmas break. I am also coaching cheerleading (yes, cheerleading) and track and the girls on the squad are great. I also got a golden retriever named Dexter; he is so bad but so cute! I am sure he will grow into a great dog and running partner."

Brent Gold writes, "I have moved from Pennsylvania to Blacksburg, Va., to start graduate school at Virginia Tech. Before that, I worked for two companies, HADCO lighting and Gichner Shelter Systems, both close to York, Pa., for seven months apiece. Before working, I spent the summer immediately following graduation working with kids at Camp Manatawny for six weeks. I can be reached at bgoldie@yahoo.com."

Kateri Lechner '91 writes, "Someone said, 'There is no better way for Americans to see the world than the Peace Corps and no better way for the world to see Americans than the Peace Corps.'"

Elizabeth Lechner has joined the Peace Corps and left for her assignment in a remote village of Ecuador in June. She is fluent in Spanish, and is confident she'll make a contribution and set a good example for Bucknell and the great U.S.A."

Kimberly Browne graduated this May with her master of social work degree from the University of Pennsylvania and is working in Philadelphia.

Rachel Ruben graduated in June with her master's in communication from Georgetown University.

Caitlin Geissler is pursuing her MBA at Babson College in Massachusetts.

Katherine Morrell and **Ryan Munneke** were married on Aug. 11 in Santa Barbara, Calif. The bridal party included **Kelly Avila** as maid of honor, **Meredith Saggars** as bridesmaid and **Ricardo Mavrogordato**, **Vincent DeFina** and **James Bullock** as groomsmen. The ceremony was officiated by James Hammerlee, who worked at Bucknell for many years and also officiated at the wedding of the bride's parents, **Jim '74** and **Karen Olsson Morrell '74**, in Rooke Chapel in 1975. Other Bucknellians in attendance included **Dean Kaplan '74**, **Barb Balling Carl '73**, **Angel Gabler**, **Emily Berger**, **Kendra Johnston**, **Kathy Schnure**, **Sarah Carle**, **Jamie Brown**, **Chris Benson**, **Chris Davis**, **Jared Oldroyd**, **Jon Pollak**, **Jess Grosholtz Pollak**, **Chris Edwards**, **Emory Strother**, **Justin Crane** and **Matt Nini '05**. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii and live in San Diego, Calif., where visitors are always welcome. You can contact them at kmorrell@alum.bucknell.edu. Katherine also sent some photos from the wedding, which you can view in the Class Notes section of myBucknell. ☺ — J.P.

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Lauren Kmec was promoted to copy editor for the journal *Science*, which is published by the American Association for the Advancement of Science. She still lives in the greater D.C. area and enjoys city life.

Tyler Mills is in her second year of pursuing an MFA in creative writing at the University of Maryland. She writes, "At UMD, I am also a composition/rhetoric instructor, and an intro to creative writing instructor. This summer I received a scholarship to take a poetry workshop in Prague through Charles University and Western

Michigan University. I am being published in *Gulf Coast* magazine, and one of my poems won the magazine's annual poetry prize. I was back at Bucknell for Homecoming and I enjoyed seeing some of my Bucknell friends. The others I am looking forward to seeing soon."

In September, **Charles Mitchell** was one of eight guests on the Jim Lehrer News Hour, discussing the impact of Sept. 11, 2001.

Tanya Sichko has a new address: 3580 Broadway St., Boulder, CO 80304. "I moved back to Boulder when I began working as an applications engineer for Mercury Interactive (soon to be acquired by HP)," she writes. "I am loving being back in my hometown and looking forward to traveling for my new position."

Carly Stell has joined the Peace Corps and will be serving in the small town of Mozonte, Nicaragua, for two years working on health-related activities. Carly writes, "I am working on two large grants, one trying to improve the quality of our town's library by getting more books and making it look like an actual library, and another grant on building around 18 latrines in a nearby community for families that don't have them. So far I am loving work, love Nicaragua and the Peace Corps. Seven months down, another 17 months left."

John Larson married Catherine Barr in Houston, Texas, in July. **Hamilton Khu '06** was the best man and **Jeff Puro** and **Chad Flood '04** were part of the wedding party. Also in attendance were **Lauren Gerstenmaie** and **Amanda Kline '06**. John and Catherine live in Chicago, where he attends DePaul School of Law and she teaches special education for Chicago public schools.

John Siwicki married high school sweetheart Nichole Tubiolo in October in Rochester, N.Y. Groomsmen included best man **Duff Weber**, **Brian Raves**, **John Bednarz** and **Alex Paxson**. Attending the ceremony and reception were **Nikki Hollister**, **Jamie Rosen**, **Larissa Brown**, **Cody Keffer**, **Jeff Stoltzfus '06**, **Adam Clark**, **Katie Breitenbach**, **Mike Grube**, **Jon "Ice" Husted**, **Steve Mell**, **Dan Hayward '06**, **Rich Karcher**, **Kelly Holmes '06**, **Kevin Powers**, **Kirt Kubbs**, **Nick Gallo**, **Luke Stehower**, **Mike Frasca '06**, **Julie Schmidt**, **Turner Peters**, **Bryan Leibowitz**, **Laura Winter**, **Gui Batista '07**, **Justin Poppiti '06**, **Dan Cross**, **Jay Del Moore**, **T.J. Walk '07** and **Dean Kari Conrad**. John and Nichole vacationed in Aruba for their honeymoon. — M.D.

Julia Schmidt writes, "On Nov. 5, I ran the ING NYC Marathon with a blind woman, Nooria Nordat. We met through the Achilles Track Club and have been training for the past three months. I have been volunteering with this group since moving to NYC two years ago. Nooria and I first met when running a 5K race in August 2005; since then we have been doing a variety of races, gearing up for the big 26.2-mile race. Nooria is originally from Afghanistan and immigrated to the U.S. after her husband was a civilian casualty in a war."

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Meghan Lithgow writes, "I live in sunny San Diego, Calif., and work for GeoSyntec Consultants. I have seen a few fellow alumni who live out here, including **Griffin Brungraber '05**, **Chris McCarry '01** and **Charles Neiswender '02**. I'm trying to start a weekly Bucknell happy hour, so if you live around here and want to make it happen, just drop a line." Email: meghan.lithgow@gmail.com.

Rachel Glass and **Samuel Nelson** were married on Aug. 5 in Rachel's hometown of Easton, Md. **Uche Onyewuchi** was the maid of honor and **Miriam Sincell** was a bridesmaid. **Matt Harner**,

Masa Nagaya and **Eric Socci** were groomsmen. Many other Bucknellians were in attendance.

In Memoriam

31 Phyllis Edmunds Meeker, Elizabethtown, Pa., on Sept. 29. She was retired from the Pennsylvania Credit Union League. Her husband, Edwin, preceded her in death. She is survived by two sons, including **Stephen '67**; four grandchildren and her sister, **Elizabeth Edmunds Peterson '31**.

32 F. Arthur Guldin, Sebring, Ohio, on Feb. 28, 2006. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity and student government at Bucknell. He earned a master's of divinity from Yale and served several congregations in Connecticut, Pennsylvania and Ohio. He is survived by his son, three stepchildren, 17 grandchildren and step-grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

33 Ann Ferucci Harrison, Ocala, Fla., on Oct. 7. She earned her master's degree from Penn State and was a longtime English teacher at Hershey (Pa.) High School. She later served as a guidance counselor in the Derry Township School District and Jim Bowie (Texas) High School. She concluded her education career teaching English as a second language in the Alhambra (Calif.) School District. Her husband, Dean, preceded her in death. She is survived by her son and several nieces and nephews.

Marion Smith Klingman, Millmont, Pa., on July 23. She taught at Mifflinburg High School from 1934-41 and again from 1960-70. George, her husband of 57 years, preceded her in death, as did her sister, **Theo Smith Nilsen '35**. She is survived by three children, six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Margaret Cornely MacNab, Kingsport, Tenn., on Sept. 19. She was a member of Phi Mu sorority and Mu Phi Epsilon music honorary. Survivors include her sister, **Christeen Cornely '30**.

34 Helen Smithgall Hughes, Madison, Wis., on Aug. 14. Her husband, Richard, preceded her in death. She is survived by four children and five grandchildren.

36 Etta Brewer Winkler, Allentown, Pa., on July 14. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. Her husband of 62 years, **Louis**, preceded her in death. Three sons, seven grandchildren and three great-grandsons survive.

Mary Hanning Zanarini, Lexington, Mass., on Sept. 20. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority and student government. She worked as a social worker for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at the American Cancer Society of Westchester County, N.Y., and McLean Hospital in Belmont, Mass. Her sister, **Hope Hanning Heaton '42**, preceded her in death. She is survived by her husband, **Gene '35**; two children, including **Stephen '64**; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

37 Eugene Gillespie, Alpharetta, Ga., on Sept. 18. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He earned his master's degree from the University of Michigan and his medical degree from Temple University and completed residencies in dermatology at the Georgetown University Medical Center and the University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Medicine. During WWII, he was assistant chief of the National Tuberculosis Control Program and as a control officer of tuberculosis for the U.S. Coast Guard, holding the rank of lieutenant commander. He retired in 1981 after more than 50 years in the federal, state and private sectors of medicine. He is survived by two children, six

grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

38 Alice Brown, Collingswood, N.J., on July 31. She earned a master's degree from Temple University and taught elementary school for 37 years. She is survived by two cousins.

Charles Hess, Cranford, N.J., on Aug. 3. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi. During WWII, he served in the U.S. Third Army under General George Patton. He worked for AT&T for 37 years, specializing in the evaluation of workplace methods and practices to improve safety and efficiency; he retired in 1976. He is survived by Mary Ellen, his wife of 60 years; three daughters and a grandson.

39 Joseph Bosze, Seaside Park, N.J., on Sept. 5. He played football and was a member of Sigma Chi. He worked for ASAR Co. and then taught for 11 years. He is survived by Irene, his wife of 65 years; a daughter; two grandsons, including **Scott Chesky '94**, and two great-granddaughters.

Lillian Maurer Simmons, Sugarloaf, Pa., on July 27. She was a member of Phi Mu. She worked for her parents' business for many years, then as an executive secretary at Miner's Bank until her retirement. Her husband, William, preceded her in death, as did her brother; her five nephews survive.

Harry Wood, San Antonio, Texas, on July 6. He was a member of the Bison track and field team and involved in student government, Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and Alpha Chi Sigma chemistry honorary. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII as a bomber pilot trainer. He earned a master's degree from MIT. His parents, **Thomas '05** and **Blanche Stoner Wood '05**, and brother, **James '43**, predeceased him. He is survived by Alice, his wife of 63 years, five children, eight grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and two siblings.

40 Richard Brumberger, Newark, N.J., on Oct. 3. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He worked for Uniroyal Corp. for more than 30 years. His wife, Shirley, and brother, **Robert '39**, preceded him in death. His two nieces survive.

41 Sarah "Sally" Gans Barclay, Greensburg, Pa., on May 26. She was a former editorial writer for the *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*.

Anthony Dietz, Silver Spring, Md., on Sept. 30. He was a member of the band and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He earned his master's degree and doctorate from American University and was a trademark examiner for the U.S. government. He is survived by **Harriett "Grace" Stone Dietz '41**, his wife of 58 years; two children and a granddaughter.

Sarah Francis, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., on Oct. 12. She earned her master's degree from Middlebury (Vt.) College. She worked for the Wyoming (Pa.) schools for 37 years and the Wyoming Area School District for eight years before her 1974 retirement. Her niece survives.

42 Doris Wiegand Hopkins, Spokane, Wash., on July 30. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. She worked for DuPont at the Hanford Nuclear Plant and retired in 1984 from the Monarch Life Insurance Company. Her husband, Robert, preceded her in death. Three sons, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild survive.

Evelyn Homewood Seager, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, on Jan. 31, 2006. She was a member of Phi Sigma biology honorary at Bucknell. She served as a medical technologist in the Women's Army Corps during WWII.

Clovis Sleeth, Bradenton, Fla., on Sept. 22. He was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity at Bucknell. He worked as an automotive dealer. His wife, **Eleanor Lindell Sleeth '41**, preceded him in death. He is survived by three children, including **John '64**, six grandchildren, eight great-

grandchildren and a sister.

Ruth Braden McNamee, Vero Beach, Fla., on Nov. 19. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority, Phi Alpha Theta history honorary, Mortar Board national academic honorary, Student Government, *L'Agenda* and the Debating Club. She served as mayor of Birmingham, Mich., and was elected to five terms in the Michigan Legislature. For many years, she was a member of the American Association of University Women. She was a longtime Bucknell trustee and was serving as trustee emerita. In 1975, she was honored by the Bucknell University Alumni Association with its Service to Humanity Award, given to a graduate whose selfless and caring work and deed benefit society and humankind. She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Bill, and by two children, including **Jo Anne McNamee Jancek '70**, and four grandchildren, including **Deborah Jancek '99** and **Braden Jancek '02**.

43 Frances Meachum Galbreath, Bakersfield, Calif., on Oct. 6. She completed nurses training at Frankfort (Pa.) Hospital before coming to Bucknell, and later earned a doctorate from Midwest Bible College. She worked as a nurse for several years. Her husband, **William '48**, preceded her in death. Three sons, seven granddaughters, six great-grandchildren and three brothers survive.

Eleanor Phillips Ives, Haddon Heights, N.J., on Oct. 9. She was on the staffs of *The Bucknellian* and *L'Agenda*. She was a columnist for the newspaper *Haddon Heights Happenings* for 20 years. Her husband, Nathan, three children and seven grandchildren survive.

Philip Smith, New Albany, Ind., on July 23. He completed his studies at the Simmons School of Embalming and Mortuary Science and was a partner in the Smith-Fudge Funeral Home in Elmira, N.Y., for 35 years. His wife, Resta, preceded him in death. He is survived by two children, three grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and two nephews.

Eunice Eaton Ullman, Swarthmore, Pa., on Oct. 5. She was a member of Kappa Delta sorority and Phi Alpha Theta history honorary. She worked as a bookkeeper for the Ullman Organization for many years. She was preceded in death by her first husband, David, and second husband, Robert Graham. She is survived by her brother, stepson, niece and nephew.

Isabelle Kent Warren, Bergen, N.J., on Sept. 11. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority and Sigma Tau Delta English honorary. She joined the Navy WAVES during WWII, serving as a lieutenant JG and providing translation and coding services for the OSS in Washington, D.C. She is survived by her husband, **Kenneth '44**, two children, five grandchildren and a great-grandson.

44 Florence Fitzcharles Kuhl, Monroe, Pa., on July 17. She was a member of Kappa Delta sorority. She worked for the New Jersey State Department of Education for many years. Paul, her husband of 60 years, survives her, as do two children, including **Florence Kuhl Raisig '69**, three grandchildren and two sisters.

Henry Parkin Jr., Narberth, Pa., on June 23. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He is survived by his wife, **Emily Seers Parkin '44**, two sons and five grandchildren.

Henry Reed, West Caldwell, N.J., on Nov. 3. He was a member of Chorale, Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and the Navy V-12 program. After basic training in the summer of 1943 at Bucknell, he headed to midshipman's school at Northwestern University. He graduated and became an ensign, then reported to communications school at Harvard and subsequently received orders to report to the destroyer *U.S.S. Buchanan*, which was operating in the western Pacific. He served as the communications officer and witnessed the Iwo Jima

and Okinawa invasions. The *U.S.S. Buchanan* had the privilege of transporting Gen. Douglas MacArthur to the signing of the peace agreement on the *U.S.S. Missouri*. It also carried Admiral Halsey and Admiral Nimitz and was the first destroyer to enter Tokyo Harbor at the end of the war. He established his own insurance agency in 1948 and became president of Askin, Weber and Reed Inc., from which he retired in 1988. He was published on several topics in the field of art. He served on the Bison Club executive committee. He is survived by Mary Ann, his wife of 58 years, daughter **Virginia Reed Demoreuille '73**, son **Robert '72**, and five grandchildren.

45 Arthur Ivey, Vero Beach, Fla., on July 8. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He earned his juris doctor degree at Harvard and was a founding partner of Ivey, Barnum and O'Mara. He is survived by his wife, Ann, four children, 10 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and his brother, **Curtis '52**.

Delia Edel Ruff, Moorestown, N.J., on Aug. 30. She was involved in *L'Agenda*, Concern and Action, Cap and Dagger and Theta Alpha Phi dramatic honorary. She taught at Collingswood High School for several years before joining New Jersey Wire Stitching Machine Company of Camden, where she served as an office manager for more than 40 years. Her husband, **Raymond '47**, preceded her in death. She is survived by two children, including **Barbara Ruff McColl '72**, four grandchildren and a brother.

46 Elizabeth Gardner Foreman, Hornell, N.Y., on July 17. After graduating, she completed a year-long fellowship in medical laboratory technology at Buffalo General Hospital, then worked as a certified medical technologist at several hospitals. Her husband, Arthur, four children, nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren survive her.

Frank Strickland, Langhorne, Pa., on Aug. 29. He was a member of Chorale, Kappa Sigma fraternity and the wrestling team. As an alumnus, he served in several Reunion roles, on the Bucknell Club Committee and on the Board of Trustees. During WWII, he served with the 80th Infantry Division and was wounded twice in the Battle of the Bulge. He received the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf clusters, the Bronze Star, the Combat Infantry Badge and the Luxembourg Medal of Freedom. He earned his master's degree from New York University and spent 37 years as an executive with the General Motors Acceptance Corporation. He is survived by his wife, **Eleanor "Lee" Dillon Strickland '46**; two daughters, including **Susan Strickland Given '75**; and three granddaughters, including **Sarah Given '02**.

Frances Boguszewski Suda, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., on Sept. 26. She did postgraduate work at Wilkes College. She served as secretary-treasurer of Gem Furniture Inc. from 1946 until her 1984 retirement. Her sister, **Theresa Boguszewski Stroh '40**, and husband, Emil, preceded her in death. Three children and six grandchildren survive.

47 Alan Watkins, White Bear Lake, Minn., on Oct. 9. He was in the Navy V-12 program at Bucknell and became a lieutenant JG in the Navy. He worked for 3M International Division until his retirement. He is survived by Jean, his wife of 60 years; two sons, four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and two siblings.

48 Eugene Edmunds, Brentwood, Tenn., on July 31. He was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He later earned a master's degree from Purdue University. He served in the Army Air Corps as a pilot during WWII and was recalled into the Air Force during the Korean War. He worked in the aerospace program at several bases and then as an engineer for the state of

Tennessee. Sara, his wife of 61 years, survives him, as do two sons, three grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Howard Goldberger, Boca Raton, Fla., on Aug. 24. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity and Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honorary. He served in the Army during WWII. He earned his juris doctor from Columbia University and had a 45-year career as a labor attorney. He was also a past president of the labor and employment section of the New Jersey Bar Association. His first wife, Thelma, preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife, Enid, three children, two stepchildren and two grandchildren.

49 Robert Hammarberg, Bonita Springs, Fla., on July 22. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and played football. He served in the Army as a medic during WWII and later earned a master's from Seton Hall. He was the chair of the science department at Wall (N.J.) High School until his retirement, and also co-owned Neptune's Holiday Motel. His wife, Nancy, two sons and three grandchildren survive.

Raymond Livingston, Valley Cottage, N.Y., on Oct. 9. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity. He served in the Army during WWII, as a first lieutenant in the 17th Signal Operations Battalion, and landed on Omaha Beach four days after D-Day. He spent his career in insurance as a salesman and executive with Liberty Mutual, Allstate and his own company, Gildersleeve Insurance. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, five children, 11 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and two siblings.

Wesley Nilson, Marlboro, N.Y., on July 26. He was a member of Phi Lambda Theta fraternity. He did postgraduate work at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, Stevens Tech and Iona College and worked as an advisory engineer at United Nuclear Corp. His brother, **Ralph '51**, survives.

Victor Patoski, Fort Worth, Texas, on Aug. 13. He joined the U.S. Navy as an aviation cadet and was trained in advanced night attack combat and taking off from and landing F4U Corsair fighter bombers on aircraft carriers. He worked as a design engineer at Convair, later General Dynamics and Lockheed Martin, helping to design bombers and jets. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, two children and two grandchildren.

Virginia Wier Thomas, Palm Beach, Fla., on July 2. She was a member of Concern and Action, Cap and Dagger, student government and Delta Delta Delta sorority. Her husband, **Clair '44**, preceded her in death, after 55 years of marriage. She is survived by two children and a sister.

50 Michael Kitsock, Orwigsburg, Pa., on Sept. 27. He served in the Army in WWII and earned the Europe-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, two Bronze Battle Stars, a WWII Victory Medal and the Army of Occupation Medal. He completed his bachelor's at the University of Rhode Island and also earned a master's from the University of Scranton. He worked for United Delco as a district manager, then as a regional representative for U.S. Secretary of Transportation Andrew Lewis from 1981-90. He published a book, *Sin of a Nation*, based on his WWII experiences. His wife, Florence, preceded him in death. Three children, seven grandchildren, one great-grandchild and four siblings survive.

Bernice Vittum Rosenberry, Annapolis, Md., on Oct. 14. During WWII, she worked at the Naval Research Laboratory, where she met her husband, **William '47**. She was honored in 2006 for her 50-year membership in the Severn (Md.) Town Club. In addition to her husband, four children, seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and a brother survive.

51 Ronald Keller, Wernersville, Pa., on Oct. 7. He was a member of the band and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity at Bucknell. He served in the Army during

WWII. He earned a master of divinity degree from the Theological Seminary of the United Church of Christ in Lancaster, Pa. Elmo, his wife of 51 years, survives, as do two children, a grandson and a sister.

Donald Millett, Lewisburg, Pa., on Aug. 12. He served in the Army during WWII and retired as a research and development supervisor at H. Warshow and Sons after more than 30 years of service. Jean, his wife of 54 years, preceded him in death. He is survived by three children, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

53 Carl Cording, West Palm Beach, Fla., on July 19. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha and served on the Interfraternity Council. His first wife, Deborah, preceded him in death after 35 years of marriage, as did a son, Rick. He is survived by his wife, Barbara, five children and a sister.

54 John Tredennick, Johnstown, Pa., on July 15. He was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity. He served in the Air Force as a flight surgeon after graduating from Temple University School of Medicine. He was a general practitioner for several years, then completed his ophthalmology residency and spent many years in private practice in that field. He is survived by his wife, Barbara, two children, a brother, and sister, **Barbara Tredennick Bretz '52**.

55 Richard Linkins, Arlington, Va., on Feb. 12, 2006. He worked as a commercial real estate appraiser for more than 40 years. His wife, **Margaret Ferguson Linkins '56**, preceded him in death. He is survived by two daughters, including **Linda '77**, his sister, a niece and a nephew.

56 Ronald Hendricks, Coopersburg, Pa., on Oct. 5. He was active in student government, intramurals and ROTC and was a member of the Bison football team and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He retired as a supervisor for AT&T. He is survived by Brenda, his wife of 46 years; two children; two grandchildren and three siblings.

Betty Lu Morgan MS'61, Harrisburg, Pa., on July 27. She was involved in student government, *L'Agenda*, the politics club and Phi Alpha Theta history honorary. She earned a second master's and a doctorate in counseling education from Penn State. She worked in the Williamsport and Loyalsock (Pa.) school districts and for the National Security Agency. She retired as dean of students at Shippensburg University. She is survived by her brother, three nieces and nephews and four great-nephews.

58 Kenneth Huntingdon Jr., Hot Springs, Ark., on Aug. 1. He was a member of Chorale, the psychology club, Delta Phi Alpha German honorary and Phi Sigma Tau philosophy honorary. He earned a juris doctorate from Washington and Lee University, then served in the Air Force JAG Corps for six years, including a tour in Vietnam, during which he received the Bronze Star. He practiced law in Ohio for 35 years and founded Ohio Real Estate Title in 1973. His wife, Deborah, preceded him in death, as did his uncle, **Miles '28**. His daughter, Betsy, survives.

59 Bruce Hutchinson, Hartford, Conn., on Sept. 24. He was a member of the cheerleading and swim teams, Cap and Dagger, ROTC, Theta Alpha Phi dramatic honorary and Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. He was a self-employed accountant for many years. He is survived by his wife, Dee, two daughters and six grandchildren.

62 Warren Grill, Clinton, N.J., on Sept. 5. He was a member of the track and field team, ROTC, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Phi Kappa Psi fraternity and the Interfraternity Council. He was a consultant with Meridian Consulting Group. He is survived by three children,

including **Emily '92**, four grandchildren and three siblings.

65 Harry West Jr., Houston, Texas, on Oct. 4. He was a member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and the Alpha Chi Sigma chemistry and Tau Beta Pi engineering honoraries. He earned his doctorate from the University of Oklahoma. He had an extensive career in the areas of chemical process/safety analysis, environmental assessment and regulatory compliance for the petroleum, natural gas, chemical and water industries in consulting and scholarly roles. He is survived by his wife, Georgell; two children, a stepdaughter, a granddaughter and two siblings.

67 Brian Donerly, Tampa, Fla., on Aug. 15. He was a member of *The Bucknellian's* staff. He served in Vietnam, then completed two master's degrees and his juris doctorate at the University of Florida. He spent most of his legal career in the public defender's offices in Hillsborough and Pinellas (Fla.) counties. He is survived by his wife, son, sister and uncle.

Lynn Bogert Paxton, Boonton, N.J., on Aug. 12. She served on student government and the Panhellenic Council and was a member of Theta Kappa Chi. Survivors include her husband, **William '67**, and sister, **Jean Bogert Coleman '72**.

94 Kimberly Dippo, Minneapolis, Minn., on March 20. She was a member of Delta Gamma sorority, the Economics Society and numerous honorary societies. She earned her medical degree from New York University and was working at Boynton Health Services when she passed away. She is survived by her parents.

Masters

Theodore Parker MA'34, Johnson City, Tenn., on Sept. 6. He earned his bachelor's degree from Ohio Wesleyan University. He worked for Empire Furniture Co. and Armstrong Cork Co. before coming to Bucknell. He later worked as a sales manager for Lewisburg Chair and Furniture Co. where his father, Robert, was president. While there, he conceived the trade name Pennsylvania House Furniture, which is still used for the company's products today. He became president of Pennsylvania House in 1954 and held that position until his 1969 retirement. His wife of 68 years, Frances, preceded him in death, as did his sister, **Ruth Parker Streeter '38**. He is survived by two children, seven grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Doris Brown Will MS'43, Hazleton, Pa., on Aug. 10. She earned her bachelor's degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She taught for many years in the Hazleton Area School District. Her husband, Gordon, preceded her in death. Three daughters, including **Jerrie '71**, and a granddaughter survive.

William Hummel Sr. MS'49, Reading, Pa., on Aug. 24. He earned his bachelor's degree from Bloomsburg University and doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh. He taught American history at Albright College for 28 years, retiring in 1988, and was also a writer, editor and radio guest speaker on historical and political subjects. Patricia, his wife of 44 years, survives him, as do two children, three grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and a brother.

Eugene Keefer MS'49, Mechanicsburg, Pa., on Aug. 15. He earned his bachelor's degree from Bloomsburg State Teachers College and spent 45 years in education, the final 26 as director of elementary education in the Selinsgrove Area School District. His wife, Agnes, and a daughter preceded him in death. He is survived by two sons, five grandsons and four great-grandchildren.

John Dice MS'51, Montoursville, Pa., on Aug. 7. He earned his bachelor's degree

from Lock Haven University. He served as a lieutenant in the Navy during WWII as part of the amphibious forces operation landings in Guam, Iwo Jima and Okinawa. He taught elementary school in Williamsport, then served as principal of Montour Street Elementary School and J. Henry Cochran School. He also was a youth sports coach and umpire. He is survived by Doris, his wife of 60 years; two children, five grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Grace Lauer MA'51, Mount Carmel, Pa., on Aug. 2. She earned her bachelor's degree from Susquehanna University and was a teacher, principal and librarian in the Ashland (Pa.) school system. She is survived by a niece and nephew.

Jean Terry MS'56, Parkville, Md., on Sept. 16. She earned her bachelor's degree from East Stroudsburg State Teachers College. She worked in the Baltimore County Public Schools for 41 years, beginning as an elementary social studies and English teacher, then transferring to the guidance department of the junior high, where she became chair in 1968. She received the highest honor given by the Maryland PTA when she was awarded life membership in the Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers in 1974. She is survived by two sisters.

Nell Price Bennett MS'58, Greenville, S.C., on Aug. 11. She earned her bachelor's degree from Lock Haven University. She is survived by her son, grandson, brother, niece and nephew.

Charles Kunes MS'72, State College, Pa., on Oct. 2. He served in the Air Force during WWII, as a sergeant in the 1443rd Ordnance Service and Maintenance Co. He earned his bachelor's degree from Lock Haven University. He was a professor of health and physical education at Susquehanna University, serving as its head wrestling coach for 25 years, and retired in 1991. He was also a PIAA and NCAA wrestling official for 33 years and was inducted into the NCAA Division III Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame, the Division III Wrestling Coaches Association Hall of Fame and the Lock Haven University Wrestling Hall of Fame. He is survived by his wife, Janet, a son and a granddaughter.

Ronald Bushick MS'74, Renshaw, Pa., on July 16. He earned his bachelor's degree from Bloomsburg University and also did graduate work at Central Michigan University. He served in the Army as a sergeant in the Secret Service Division during the Korean War. He taught biology and chemistry in the Shikellamy School District for 35 years. His wife, Geraldine, three children, six grandchildren and four siblings survive.

Lynnette Sweigard-Sickle MS'87, Selinsgrove, Pa., on Aug. 22. She earned her bachelor's degree from Millersville University. She taught in the Shikellamy School District for 23 years, 16 of them at the high school and eight at Sunbury Middle School. She also was Shikellamy High School's homecoming coordinator for 18 years. She is survived by her husband, Martin, her parents, three children and three siblings.

Faculty, Staff and Friends

Bruce Freed MS'57, Danville, Pa., on Oct. 25. He received his bachelor's degree from West Chester State Teachers College. After graduation, he served as a first lieutenant pilot in the Korean War for the 1739th Ferrying Squadron, based in Amarillo, Texas. He received his doctorate in education from the Pennsylvania State University. He joined the Bucknell faculty as a member of the mathematics department, where he was an instructor and then assistant professor. He became registrar in 1976, a position he held until his retirement in 1993. He is survived by his wife, **Naomi Geiser Freed '52**; four children, including **Karen Freed Dresbold '82** and **Steven '87**; and eight grandchildren.

J. Charles Jones '42, Sept. 19. He received his master's and doctorate from Cornell University. He began his teaching career at the University of Illinois as an assistant professor of education. He came to Bucknell in 1954 and was promoted to full professor in 1962. He served as chair of the department of education from 1962-64. He received the Lindback Award for distinguished teaching in 1975. He and his wife, **Marguerite Strouse Jones '44**, were the 1989 recipients of the Burma-Bucknell Bowl in recognition of their long, outstanding contributions to intercultural and international understanding. He was also responsible for initiating intercultural work between Bucknell students and Navajo and Hopi tribes in Arizona during the January Plan. Marguerite preceded him in death. Survivors include children **Marilyn '82** and **Eric '73**.

Florence Savage, Williamsport, Pa., on Sept. 28. She worked in Dining Services at Bucknell for 32 years, retiring in 1989. She was preceded in death by her husband, Mahlon "Doc" Savage, and is survived by five children, 12 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

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IN A SPLIT SECOND

DOUGLAS HILDERBRAND '95

What do Bucknell, Victoria's Secret, and Bastille Day have in common? These three disparate things converged for me, in the summer of 2004, and changed my life forever. In an unexpected turn of events, I met Kate, my soul mate — the one person in the universe who complements me perfectly.

When I think about my marriage, I remember a steaming hot August day in 1991. As a nervous freshman, I sat among my new classmates and listened to President Gary Sojka speak not about the dangers of failing school, but the likelihood that our future spouse would be a fellow Bucknellian. Everyone in the Rooke Chapel laughed nervously. He wasn't kidding: Bucknellians have the propensity to marry fellow Bucknellians.

It is a common belief that there are only a handful of truly life-defining decisions one makes in his or her lifetime. Where should I go to college? Is this the career path I want to take? Is he or she "the one?" Do I want kids? I, however, object to this assertion. I believe we make a countless number of such decisions on the fly, almost as if they were mere reflex actions. Looking back on the moment I met Kate, I am terrified to think how easily I could have lost her forever.

When sending out a Monday morning email some years later, I was thinking about happy hour with the guys during the week. We exchanged several emails, but nothing seemed to fit all our schedules. We eventually decided on roaming the Pentagon City Mall in Arlington, Va., for nothing in particular, on a random Tuesday evening after work. Don't ask me why we decided to enter Victoria's Secret. No rational explanation can be made other than my friends and I have the maturity of 12-year-olds. We love the smell of the place. We love the sights. We love the fact that we really aren't supposed to go there.

As we walked in, I spied a girl in a long-sleeved Bucknell shirt. Without thinking, I said to my friends, "Hey, I went to Bucknell." The girl sidled past me, barely



making eye contact. I went on my merry way through the "forbidden" entrance.

I am not sure why, but I looked back.

So did she.

What an awkward situation I had just made for myself. I was 50 feet away from a girl who had stopped in her tracks, was looking back at me, and was waiting for me to make some sort of a decision. Should I keep walking — into Victoria's Secret, of all places — or should I stop, be gentlemanly, walk up to her, and introduce myself?

I stopped my friends. We approached the Bucknell-shirt girl and her friend. Our interaction was brief. I was Class of '95; she was Class of '03. Names were exchanged. She called me old, or I called myself old; now I can't even remember. No numbers were punched into cell phones. It was small talk. However, part of the small talk included a mention of a Bucknell alumni event the very next evening, a Bastille Day Celebration. Bastille Day Celebration? Huh? Don't ask me. Apparently, there are few reasons to party in late July other than to celebrate another country's holiday.

Did I mention I love Bastille Day?

So does my wife.

We enjoy telling the story of how we met. But our story is one of a million similar stories of chance encounters, seemingly innocuous decisions of minute importance. It terrifies us to play the "what if" game. What if Katie had worn a regular polo shirt? What if one of us didn't look back? What if there didn't just happen to be an alumni event the very next day that both of us were planning on attending?

I have come to realize that my most important decisions have often been made in a split second. Though I never really asked her, I bet Katie spent about that long picking out her shirt. Never in her wildest dreams did she think it would change her life forever. She calls it fate. It was our destiny to meet and fall in love. It was meant to happen.

And I bet Dr. Sojka would agree with her.

Douglas C. Hilderbrand '95 is a meteorologist with the National Weather Service. He and Kate Stahler '03 were married on April 29, 2006, with 19 Bucknellians in attendance. University data suggest that 20 percent of all married alumni have wed fellow Bucknellians.