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# PEACE & RESISTANCE

08.25.08 to 10.08.08

**YOKO ONO IMAGINE PEACE**, featuring John & Yoko's **Year of Peace** focuses on the thematic ideals of peace and love, and follows the work of Yoko Ono and John Lennon chronologically as solo artists, as a couple in the 1960s, and also includes Ono's recent solo works.

John Lennon & Yoko Ono, "War Is Over ! If You Want It, Love and Peace/ Happy Christmas from John and Yoko," Times Square, New York City, 1969-1970. Photo: ©Yoko Ono



a year-long Samek Art Gallery exhibition series



10.24.08 to 12.09.08

**THE SPACE OF FREEDOM: Apartment Exhibitions in Leningrad (1964-1986)** Social justice and the right of freedom of speech and expression are the underlying themes of *The Space of Freedom*. The exhibition will present approximately 60 paintings, drawings, and prints from the collection of the Museum of Nonconformist Art in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Boris Mitavsky (B. 1948), *Apotheosis*, 1978, oil on canvas, 26 3/4" x 35 3/8". Courtesy Museum of Nonconformist Art, Puschkin-10 Art Centre, Saint Petersburg, Russia.

01.23.09 to 03.27.09

This landmark exhibition, **Of Rage and Redemption: The Art of Oswaldo Guayasamín**, presents the work of the renowned Ecuadorian painter and graphic artist Guayasamín (1919-1999). The first exhibit of its kind in the United States in over 50 years, the show represents each of Guayasamín's major periods.

Oswaldo Guayasamín (Ecuador, 1919-1999), *Las Torturadas I-III (The Tortured I-III)*, 1976-77, oil on canvas, 78 3/4" x 35 3/8", 78 3/4" x 78 3/4", 78 3/4" x 35 3/8". Courtesy Fundación Guayasamín, Quito, Ecuador. Ono



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Bucknell is firmly rooted in this place — set in the lush Pennsylvania countryside next to the Susquehanna River. Professor Christopher Camuto explores the relationship between the University and the environment.

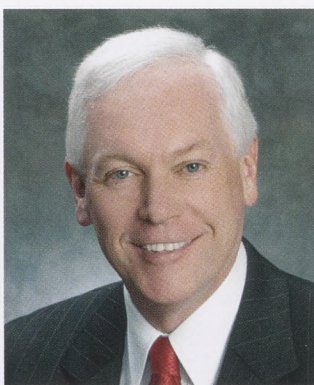
*By Christopher Camuto*

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## President's Message



## Natural Treasure

**P**rofessor Chris Camuto's superb cover story brings attention to the treasure that is the natural environment in which Bucknell resides. When our founders set their sights on Lewisburg as the University's future home, in this place they called "the wilds of Pennsylvania," they must have looked with hope upon this expanse of hillside overlooking the Susquehanna River. As Professor Camuto observes, our surroundings remind us of a simple truth — how we interact with our environment speaks as clearly of our values as what we teach about our connection with it.

The curricular element of this equation is certainly potent, as is evident in the numerous related initiatives his essay so well describes. Today, in fact, through our Common Learning Agenda, every student takes at least one course providing a perspective on the natural and fabricated world.

The University recently took a series of administrative steps to apply this awareness in institutional practices. Among other initiatives, we have committed to:

- Join more than 475 colleges and universities in signing the American College & University Presidents' Climate Commitment, a pledge to minimize greenhouse gas emissions, enhance environmental stewardship, and foster the concepts of sustainability and environmental ethics in the curriculum.
- Create a Campus Greening Council (CGC) to audit institutional emissions and develop ways to reduce campus greenhouse gas emissions.
- Purchase Energy Star products that meet the strict efficiency guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy.
- Through the leadership of the CGC, develop programs in which students, staff, and faculty can "borrow" University cars and bicycles to reduce the number of personal vehicles on campus.
- Continue work via our campus master plan to reduce asphalt by removing cars and parking from some main arteries and making the campus easier for pedestrian transit.
- Create new bike trails linking the campus to neighboring communities, establish new outdoor leadership programs at the Cowan Center, and develop a Bucknell landing that will provide easy access to the Susquehanna River.

It's worth noting that these steps — and others noted at [www.bucknell.edu/green](http://www.bucknell.edu/green) — carry forward comprehensively a long-standing environmental awareness. A decade ago, for example, Bucknell converted its coal-fired power plant to a highly efficient co-generation plant fueled by cleaner-burning natural gas. The plant now generates 95 percent of the electricity used on campus and has cut its greenhouse gas emissions by 45 percent since the conversion.

In some ways, the world's new environmental conscience means other places are catching up to what Bucknell has seen from the start. That should be no surprise. As Professor Camuto observes, "Bucknell enjoys an extraordinary place in the American landscape ... a striking creative and intellectual vantage" from which to appreciate the intimate relationship between people and the environment — and act accordingly.

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# Letters

## HONORING TIM RUSSERT

Losing Tim Russert is like losing a national treasure for this country. I'm so glad Bucknell was able to have Russert speak last fall [to inaugurate The Bucknell Forum national speaker series], and I am even more pleased that my son **Peter '10** was able to sit in the third row at the Weis Center to hear him. He will never forget the experience. After the event, Peter's "away message" on his computer became "Study Hard, Laugh Often, Keep Your Honor." I didn't know where Peter got that phrase until I viewed the video of Russert's talk on *myBucknell* and heard him offer it to the students as closing advice. For Christmas last year, I bought a copy of *Big Russ and Me* and sent it to Russert. I included the story about how he had inspired Peter to use his motto as his own away message. I asked him to sign the book for Peter. Two days before Christmas, a package showed up. The signed book, motto and all, became the gift I most enjoyed giving to Peter for Christmas — and now, he will treasure that book even more. Thanks, Bucknell, for re-broadcasting important programs so that we parents can share part of our children's experience. Our family will truly miss this giant of journalism and American life. Long live the white board.

Nan Lansinger P'10  
Rosemont, Pa.

## NO AGE LIMIT ON GOOD DEEDS

Your story on recent Bucknell graduates serving in the Peace Corps was inspiring [Spring 2008], but alumni should know that there is no upper-age limit. In fact, the Peace Corps is actively recruiting experienced volunteers. It is a wonderful opportunity for a career change or for retirees to share their skills, to help developing countries, and to immerse themselves in other cultures. I was an NGO advisor in Lithuania from 1999–2001 and have applied to spend two more years somewhere in the

world. At this age, there's more to pack away, and languages are challenging, but the rewards are endless.

For more information, see [www.peacecorps.gov](http://www.peacecorps.gov) and click on our 50+Volunteers.

Judy Bennett '69  
Canandaigua, N.Y.

## THE KINDNESS OF BRUCE LUNDVALL

I very much enjoyed your article on **Bruce Lundvall '57**, though I must say that you left out one thing — his generosity and kindness. My band, Pariah, and I met Bruce at CBS in 1979. Despite his busy schedule, he allowed us to give him an impromptu audition and subsequently offered us some free studio time in Columbia Records' NYC studio, complete with access to Simon and Garfunkel's engineer. While we never achieved our dreams of becoming rock stars, several of us continue to write, perform, record, and produce music to this day, in part due to our crossing paths with Bruce. **Thom Jayne '80**, **Kathi Breitenfeld '80**, **John Goodman '81**, **Connie Currier '81**, and I will always be grateful to Bruce for his willingness to let five 20 and 21 year olds live out a once-in-a-life-time experience.

One way to achieve personal success is to help others achieve their goals. Bruce is a man who lives by this value.

Peter J. Bury '79  
Aurora, Ill.

## PAPERLESS TRAIL

I was pleased to read that Bucknell has signed the Climate Commitment [Spring 2008], joining with so many other colleges and universities to reduce their ecological footprints. As your planning proceeds, please consider an opt-out option for the print version of *Bucknell Magazine*. I, and other alumni, I'm sure, would be happy to receive the PDF version instead.

Alice H. Erickson '71  
Minneapolis, Minn.

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## SNEAK PREVIEW

Check out the sample designs for Bucknell's new website and athletics website. The new sites will launch later this summer.



## WEB EXCLUSIVES

Go to [www.bucknell.edu/bmagazine](http://www.bucknell.edu/bmagazine) to check out this issue's web exclusives:

- Which cover would you choose?
- Photo galleries: Commencement, Reunion, Burma-Bucknell
- Rickard family connections with Burma-Bucknell
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# Moore Avenue

News&Notes

## Commencement 2008

Poet Laureate urges graduates to keep an independent mind.

By Sam Alcorn

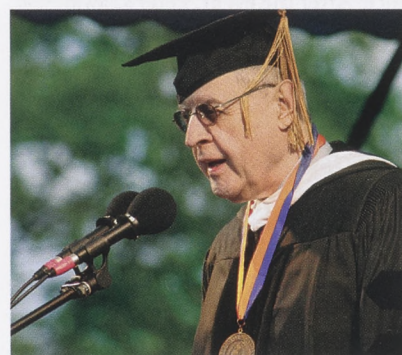
**D**espite steady rain and a 45-minute intermission to move Bucknell's 158th Commencement ceremony indoors, the Class of 2008 listened intently to Poet Laureate and Pulitzer Prize winner Charles Simic urge them to keep their intellectual curiosity and sense of humor.

Simic demonstrated his own sense of humor after being presented with the Award of Merit by President Brian C. Mitchell by quipping, "I congratulate you parents on this memorable rainy and cold day. Global warming? Whatever happened to it?"

More than an hour into the ceremony, the steadily falling rain and emerging forecasts for even worse weather led to the 9,000-plus graduates, guests, faculty,

and staff inside. Many continued watching live telecasts at various sites on campus. It was the first time since 1976 that graduation had to be moved indoors mid-stride due to bad weather.

Simic told the graduates that an independent mind and frank confrontation with the truth are imperative today. Reflecting on his own experiences growing up in Belgrade amid the falling bombs of World War II, he urged this generation



to restore in America an "all-consuming vision of a just democratic society."

Bucknell awarded more than 786 undergraduate degrees from the College of Arts and Sciences, 141 undergraduate degrees from the College of Engineering, and nearly 40 graduate degrees. President Mitchell awarded honorary degrees to internationally renowned sculptor Agnes Denes and leading stem cell researcher **David Scadden '75**. In addition, acclaimed novelist **Philip Roth '54** became the 16th recipient of the Stephen W. Taylor Medal. Introducing Roth, **John Wheatcroft '49**, professor emeritus of English, called the author "America's pre-eminent living novelist."

**Lauren Berninger**, president of the Class of 2008, delivered the class response and underscored the "world-class education" that she and her classmates received at Bucknell, where they became "richer and more sophisticated" for the experience. "I have confidence," she said, "that Bucknell has prepared each of us adequately for the road ahead."

Play Commencement slideshows and speeches online.



STAFFORD SMITH

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2008 Alumni Award recipients, left to right, **Takeo Shiina '53**, the Award for Outstanding Achievement in a Chosen Profession; **Marilee Shepler Cole '68**, the Award for Service to Humanity; **Walt McConnell '53**, the Loyalty to Bucknell Award; and **Shari Aser '98**, recipient of the Young Alumni Award.

## Reunion 2008

Thousands of Bucknellians return home to celebrate.

One of the largest crowds ever celebrated Reunion Weekend 2008, May 29 to June 1. Returning Bucknellians hailed from 39 states and eight countries, with the Class of 2003 having the biggest Reunion presence with 188 attendees.

The nearly 2,000 celebrants, many of whom stayed in the same residence halls they occupied as undergraduates, participated in tours of the Environmental Center, a presentation on the campus master plan, a tent party and fireworks on the Sojka Lawn, class celebrations, and open house gatherings.

On Saturday, President Mitchell addressed Reunion Rally in the Weis Center, where he detailed the launch of the University's \$400 million comprehensive campaign, calling it the "most ambitious in school history" and said that Bucknell was poised to move to an "unprecedented level of greatness."

The president reported that with the Class of 2012 the University's admission yield increased for the third straight year. "This means that more of our accepted applicants are enrolling and that Bucknell is increasingly a school of first choice. We're competing with the Ivy League for the same students and competing well."

At Reunion Rally class gifts totaling \$9.92 million were presented. The largest of the gifts came from the Class of 1963, which raised \$2.66 million. The Pete Pedrick Cup, given to the class with the highest giving percentage, was awarded to the Class of 1958 with 86 percent, the highest rate of any class ever, breaking the Class of 1953's record of 84 percent set in 2003. — *Sam Alcorn*

Play Reunion videos online.





## New Provost Announced

Scholar on aging becomes Bucknell's chief academic officer.

By Tom Evelyn

**M**ichael A. Smyer, an accomplished teacher, scholar, and administrator who has served as co-director of the Center on Aging & Work at Boston College since 2005, was named Bucknell's new provost in May and began on July 1.

As the University's second highest-ranking academic official, he will oversee academic and student affairs and related programs. Smyer, 57, has more than 30 years of experience in higher education, both as a faculty member and as an administrator.

"I am thrilled to be asked to serve as the next provost for Bucknell, one of the finest undergraduate liberal arts institutions in our country," Smyer says. "The strengths of the faculty, the caliber of the students, the institutional focus on comprehensive undergraduate education, and the important series of bold initiatives underway make this a unique opportunity."

According to President Brian C. Mitchell, Smyer's leadership abilities, academic accomplishments, and commitment to liberal arts education bring to Bucknell a provost of outstanding capability who will serve the University well.

Smyer earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Yale University in 1972 and a Ph.D. in personality and clinical psychology from Duke University in 1977. Prior to his most recent position at Boston College, Smyer served as dean of Boston College's Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and as associate vice president for research. He also taught for 17 years at Penn State University.



Provost Michael Smyer



## Inky Fingers

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
SUPPORTS THE DAILY PAPER.**

Embracing the print version of the major newspapers in the digital age may seem counterintuitive, but not to Bucknell Student Government (BSG) members **Jordan Franklin '09** and **Harry Kastenbaum '09**. With assistance from the President's Office, the BSG is participating in *USA Today's* Collegiate Readership Program, "designed to promote civic literacy and global awareness on campus through students' daily exposure to the news."

According to Franklin, the pilot program was launched in mid-March "with an overwhelming success. Out of the 6,000 papers that were delivered in the first month, 5,700 were picked up. That's an extremely high consumption rate." He notes that in an end-of-year study conducted by *USA Today*, 88 percent of those surveyed feel that the program is "extremely important."

The spring semester's daily offerings included *USA Today*, *The New York Times*, and *The Financial Times*. In the fall, *The Washington Post* will be added.

Kastenbaum and others agree with Franklin that "students enjoy getting the news in print — if not more — than on the Internet. This program makes accessible a broader range of news which can be read at any time and place of convenience."

— Gigi Marino



# Q&A

## Legacy of Learning Three generations discuss their Bucknell family.

**Q:** As a sixth-generation Bucknellian, how is your experience similar to or different from that of your mother and grandmother?

**A:** "One of the big changes has been the physical size of Bucknell. While I would place the heart of campus on the Quad, for my grandmother the sight of Old Main defines campus. My grandma was here when the men and women were separate, and the educational goals for each were somewhat different. The progressive environment in the '70s had a huge influence on my mother's experience. The information technology revolution has been the defining change between my mother's generation and my own. That being said,

a lot remains the same. We've all come out with many good friends and an excellent preparation for what lies ahead."

— Robert "Bobby" Blakemore '08

**Q:** How has being part of a legacy family strengthened your personal connection to Bucknell?

**A:** "I feel at home on the campus knowing that my great-great-grandfather, great-grandfather, grandfather, mother, and son have attended classes in many of the same buildings as myself. My mother, my son, and I have all learned the alma mater, sung 'Ray Bucknell,' and love to wear orange and blue! We share a common experience, and that strengthens my bonds to both my family and Bucknell. My grandparents met each other at Bucknell, as did my husband, Jeff '78, and I. We were surprised but secretly thrilled that our son decided to make Bucknell his university of choice so that another generation will think fondly of Bucknell as his home."

— Lynn Scarr Blakemore '79

**Q:** What is most meaningful to you about your family's 150-year legacy at Bucknell?



Lynn Scarr Blakemore '79 (left) and Jean Lowry Scarr '53 (right) celebrate Robert Blakemore's '08 graduation.

**A:** "Bucknell has meant a lot to me. They were four of my greatest years. But things were so different in those days. In 1948, you had to be in by 11 p.m. Boys and girls in the same dormitory — that would have been unheard of! The rules were strict and prevailed. I think the fact that my great-grandfather was **Robert Lowry 1854**, who was a student and professor and became well known for hymn writing, established the roots. My love of music and good literature came from him. It's been a lifelong gift. Another reason why the campus is special is that my parents met there, and Bobby's parents met there. I was thrilled that Bobby went to Bucknell. To graduate a sixth generation is very rare."

— Jean Lowry Scarr '52

## Bucknell in the News

### NO ILLUSIONS

The *New York Times'* Freakonomics blog highlighted the Illusion Sciences blog of Arthur Shapiro, associate professor of psychology and neuroscience. Shapiro's blog features his research in illusion sciences. The *Times* also mentioned that Shapiro and **Emily Knight '08** were finalists this year in the Neural Correlate Society's "Best Visual Illusion of the Year" contest.

### BOLD BRANDING AGENCY

The brand-building agency [whitepenny], created by partners **Scott Revell '01** and Jason Cofsky, was featured in an article in the *Philadelphia Business Journal* in May. The partners say their company's success stems from "finding a niche that diverged from traditional marketing" by focusing on using design to tell the story of a client's identity.

### CEO BETS ON NOMINEES

In an ABC News 20/20 story on Intrade.com in May, founder and CEO of Babyphotographer.com, **Bethan Brome Lilja '96**, was featured for investing in futures contracts for McCain and Obama to be their party's nominees. She earned more than \$250,000, which enabled her to expand her Boston-based, in-home and on-location photography service to NYC.

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## Wine, Dine, and Act Fine

By Gigi Marino

**D**o not crumble crackers in your soup, hold a white wine glass by the bowl, or ask for a doggie bag, no matter how pretty the restaurant may make it. Above all, be courteous to the wait staff. For the past 11 years, **Kate Stilin '76**, director of catering and dining at Bucknell, has been instructing students in the art of fine dining. Working in conjunction with the Career Development Center, Stilin says, "Knowing how to behave in a fine-dining setting is an important part of an education, and you're not going to get it in the classroom."



## Podsquad!

Bucknell students show their video savvy.



Left to right, Casey Sims '10, Angele Remeika '09, Kadero Watson '09, Meredith Field '04, and Will Choi '08.

**T**hey're the coolest students who ever held a mic, and if you're on campus, they're probably covering an event near you.

Meet the Podsquad, the University's news crew that does everything necessary — from writing to videotaping to editing — to produce a final video product. University web developers assist, but Podsquad work is hands-on only.

The Podsquad has interviewed Benjamin Barber, Tim Russert, and Jim Cramer and covered events like the Katrina relief effort, the Burma candle-

light vigil, and the Polar Bear Plunge. These roving reporters — **Angela Remeika '09**, **Will Choi '08**, **Sherri Liang '09**, **Casey Sims '10**, **Alex Tierney '08**, **Kadero Watson '09**, and **Brad Brown '11** — also have videotaped from the inside of a limousine for Campus Theatre Oscar Night, stepping onto the red carpet to interview local celebrities.

— Michelle Dangiuro

Check out the Podsquad at [www.bucknell.edu/podsquad.xml](http://www.bucknell.edu/podsquad.xml).



## It's Fun!

Everyone rocked out to the Village People's long-loved "YMCA" at the 10th annual Chrysalis Ball. The band gave tips on the correct way to perform the dance — and this was just the warmup for KC & The Sunshine Band!





## 4 Faculty Members Retire

A composer, a director, a mathematical researcher, and a globalization expert bid adieu to Bucknell.

By Michelle Dangiuro

**B**ucknell is saying goodbye to four faculty members of the College of Arts and Sciences: Jackson Hill, professor of music; Bob Gainer, associate professor of theatre; Allen Schweinsberg, professor of mathematics; and Peter Kresl, professor of international relations.

Jackson Hill was a professor of music at Bucknell for 40 years. A composer since age 14 and music historian, Hill has composed more than 100 pieces, including "Bucknell Fantasy," a symphony celebrating the musical traditions of the University. Hill's compositions are perhaps best known for their Asian influence, and he has shared his love for Asian music on campus by creating the Javanese gamelan, an ensemble of percussion instruments.

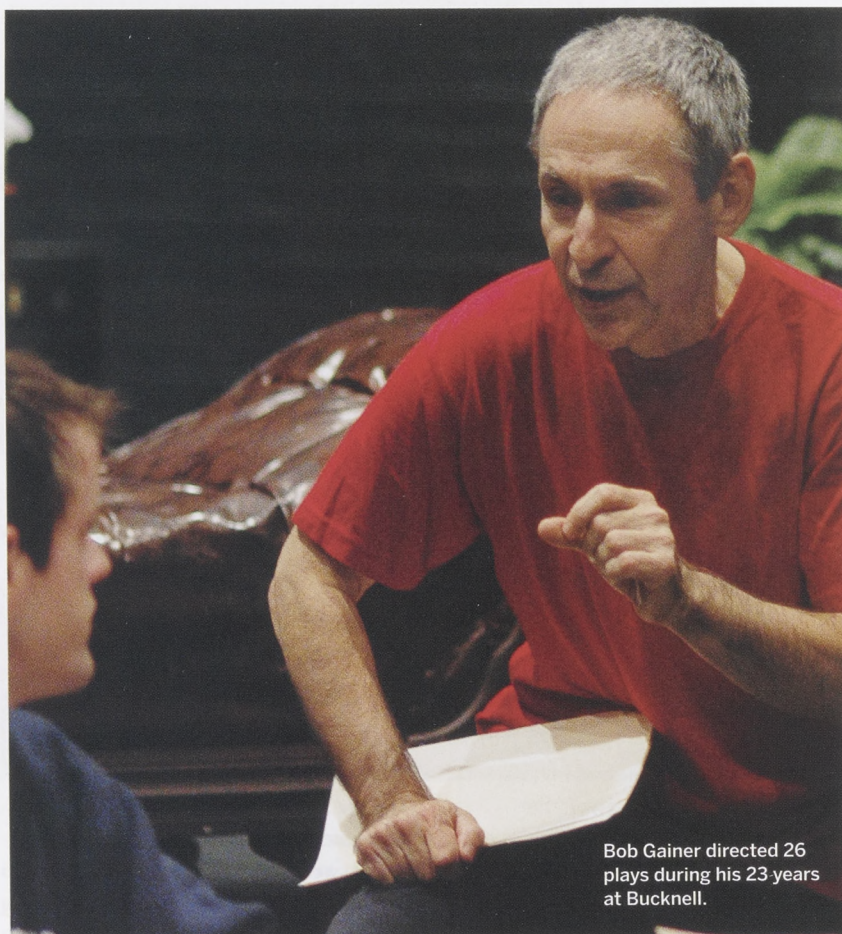
According to Bill Kenny, associate dean of faculty, Hill's teaching never stood still. "Jack's teaching in the department has covered a lot of musical ground — music history, ethnomusicology, composition, performance, and the conducting of the University orchestra, to name just a few," he says. "The thousands of students that have had the privilege of working with Jack no doubt gained a great deal not only through exposure to his breadth of knowledge in the discipline, but also by experiencing firsthand the characteristics of such a fine southern gentleman."

Hill is a recipient of Fulbright and

Exxon Foundation awards and has won numerous composition awards. He has performed in London, Amsterdam, New York, Boston, and San Francisco, as well as at Tanglewood, Ravinia, and Edinburgh festivals.

Bob Gainer taught at Bucknell for 23 years and cites the "family atmosphere" at the University as a wonderful backdrop for the theater program. "Theater is a collaborative art form," he says. "It thrives in a collective community that is mutually supportive and creative. It has been wonderful to work with people who are so passionately committed to theater."

Gainer, who directed 26 plays on campus, says two of his favorite productions were *Never in My Lifetime* and *Spring Awakening*, at the beginning and ending of his Bucknell career, respectively. "It's been an extraordinary experience," he says. "I am very privileged to have had this kind of job. What could be better than to help students develop their creative selves and make art?"



Bob Gainer directed 26 plays during his 23 years at Bucknell.

Allen Schweinsberg's area of interest in mathematical research at Bucknell was operator theory. He advised teams of mathematics students in the prestigious William Lowell Putnam mathematics competition for several years. In 2004, for example, the Bucknell team ranked 10th. The Bucknell Putnam Team has had great success in recent years. Typically, more than 3,000 students from 500 institutions compete.

Schweinsberg also is active in the Seven Mountains Audubon Society, Linn Conservancy, and Sierra Club.

During his time at Bucknell, Peter Kresl's fields of interest and research included the economics of integration, globalization, relations between the United States and Canada, urban economics, and the impact of trade liberalization on national cultures. His publications have focused on the effects of trade on cities, urban competitiveness, and the impact of NAFTA on Canadian culture. He co-authored *France Encounters Globalization* (Edward Elgar Publishing, 2002).

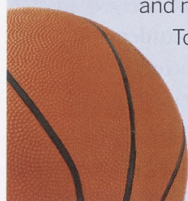


## CHANGE UP FOR FLANNERY AND PAULSEN

As men's basketball head coach **Pat Flannery '80, M'83** retires this month to begin a new fundraising position for the University, Dave Paulsen, who led Williams College to the 2003 Division III national championship, will become Bucknell's 20th head basketball coach.

Flannery became head coach in 1994. In 2005 and 2006, his teams won first-round games in the NCAA tournament, the first two tournament wins in Bucknell and Patriot League history. He has been the most successful basketball coach in Patriot League history.

Paulsen, head coach at Williams, Lemoyne, and St. Lawrence for 14 years, has coached every level of college basketball. His teams won three NESCAC championships and made four NCAA Tournament appearances. Paulsen is a two-time National Coach of the Year.



## From the Horse's Owner

Alumnus recounts Eight Belles and her tragic end.

**D**on Isken '75 attended his first Kentucky Derby this year. Part-owner of Eight Belles, Isken ran the gamut of emotions — from joy to sorrow — when the filly placed second in the world's most famous thoroughbred race and then, minutes later, having suffered post-finish fractures in both front legs, was euthanized. "She absolutely loved to run, and she knew everyone else was supposed to be behind her at the finish," Isken says. "She was playful and affectionate and would allow anyone to pet her muzzle — she'd lick your hand. She loved sweet potatoes, and everyone always commented on her bright eyes that seemed to take in everything. They become like a part of your family, these horses." On the controversy surrounding Eight Belles' tragic death, Isken had this to say: "She proved that she was not only capable of racing with colts, but she demonstrated that she was capable of racing against the best in the world, colt or filly. We've received so many emails from her fans.



The outpouring of support has been overwhelming. Eight Belles was an inspiration."

— Mary Ann Stanton '89

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## SHORT STACK

**B**eginning in July, Bucknell **Chaplain Ian B. Oliver** will serve as senior associate chaplain for Protestant life at Yale University. During his 12 years at Bucknell, he facilitated the hiring of the University's first full-time Jewish chaplain, Bucknell's first formal connection to the Catholic Diocese in Harrisburg, and the forming of the Muslim Students Association. He also helped found the Bucknell Brigade.

**T**eaching awards: **Mike Prince**, professor of chemical engineering — Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching; **Sue Ellen Henry**, associate professor of education — Class of 1956 Lectureship; **Elisabeth Guerrero**, associate professor of Spanish, and **Karl Voss**, associate professor of mathematics — Presidential Awards for Excellence in Teaching; and **Eric Tillman** — William Pierce Boger Jr. M.D. Award.

**B**ucknell claimed the 2007–08 **Patriot League Presidents' Cup**, its 14th in the Patriot League's 22 years. For the second straight year, 17 Bucknell varsity athletic programs received awards from the NCAA based on its latest multi-year Academic Progress Rate scoring of Division I sports teams. Recognized teams posted scores in the top 10 percent of squads in their respective sports.



## Sexy Machines

Bucknell acquires atomic force microscope and drill rig.

**T**wo Major Research Instrumentation Grants from the National Science Foundation are providing Bucknell faculty and students with powerful new tools.

Professor Jeffrey Evans and Assistant Professor Michael Malusis of civil and environmental engineering will use a new drill rig to study underground structures used to prevent hazardous materials from leaking into groundwater. Slurry cutoff walls are commonly built in the soil surrounding potential sources of groundwater pollution, such as landfills and the fly ash ponds at coal-fired power plants. The cutoff walls are considered impermeable to water, but little field research has been done to test that idea.

"Although we've built many of these, we've not done a whole lot of research into how they actually perform in the ground," Evans says. "It's been mostly lab studies, and moving laboratory conclusions to the field is tenuous at best."



Bucknell professors and students tested the new drill rig in April.

While Evans and Malusis are studying methods to keep pollutants out of groundwater, Molly McGuire, assistant professor of chemistry, will use a new atomic force microscope to better understand the fate of environmental pollutants. The microscope, which uses a tiny tip to "feel" the surface of a sample, will enable McGuire to study the structural changes that take place at the molecular level when a pesticide, for example, interacts with different types of clay in the soil.

Erin Jablonski, assistant professor of chemical engineering, will use the microscope to learn about the creation of computer chips of diminishing size, while Tim Raymond, assistant professor of chemical engineering, will examine the shape of aerosols (the dispersion of tiny particles suspended in gas) that are important in climate and medicines.

"Our students are getting to use the premier instrumentation in this category," says McGuire.

— Barbara Maynard '88

**D**avid Scadden '75, a world-renowned researcher in regenerative and stem cell medicine, and **Larry Klock '69**, area manager for Russell Reynolds Associates, Inc., in Chicago, were elected as new members of the Board of Trustees at the Board's April meeting. Scadden also received an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science during the 2008 Commencement ceremony in May.

**J**ulian Bourg, assistant professor of history, received the 2008 Morris D. Forkosch Book Prize for *From Revolution to Ethics*; **Harriet Pollack**, associate professor of English, the 2008 Phoenix Award from the Eudora Welty Society; **Elizabeth Durden**, assistant professor of sociology, a Fulbright to Mexico; and **G.C. Waldrep**, assistant professor of English, the 2007 Dorset Prize for *Archicembalo*.

**T**he annual postgraduate report of activity for the Class of 2007 showed that, of the 93 percent of alumni who responded, **97 percent were employed, continuing their education, or both.** The overall mean salary for the Class of 2007 is \$46,653. Top employers include AmeriCorps, Deloitte, Ernst & Young, Goldman Sachs, JPMorgan Chase, Merck & Company, and the Peace Corps.



## Fire and Ice

Professors look to Alaska's icy debris fans to help explain Mars terrain.

By Sam Alcorn

**B**ucknell University geology professors Craig Kochel and Jeffrey Trop had a hunch. In 2006, while they were in Alaska studying icy debris fans, the two geologists started work on a paper published in May in the journal *Icarus*, suggesting that the terrain of Alaska might help scientists better understand what's happening on Mars.

This spring, the High Resolution Imaging Science Experiment (HiRISE) camera aboard the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter sent back to Earth images showing geologic conditions not only similar to what the two Bucknell scientists had observed in Alaska's Wrangell Mountains, but a surprise as well.

The Mars Orbiter's camera snapped the first-ever images of an active Martian avalanche. The series of four photographs shows tan clouds billowing away from the foot of a towering slope down which ice and dust had just cascaded. The dramatic images generated national press and scientific community interest. The team had asked NASA to point its cameras toward the northern polar region.

Trop explains that the polar region of Mars is similar to Alaska in that both have ice-rich layers along a high and steep escarpment. "This sets up a situation where gravity can act along fractures in the ice to allow pieces to waste off the upper part of the escarpment and cascade to the base as avalanches," he says.

Kochel and Trop ended an October 2007 Geological Society of America "Wet Mars" presentation by predicting that NASA would find similar avalanche deposits on Mars' northern polar escarpments. Where there is ice, there is water.

"Jeff and I saw this and we now have the good fortune of having our predictions realized," says Kochel. "But no one ever expected them to actually photograph the avalanches in action. But they caught four of them. Amazing. The significance of avalanches on Mars is that this is a major active mass-wasting process driven by gravity. This is a major discovery."

Watch a video to see the photos that inspired this research at [www.bucknell.edu/bmagazine](http://www.bucknell.edu/bmagazine). 

### FACULTY PROFILE

#### Peter Wilshusen

For Peter Wilshusen, assistant professor of environmental studies, the whole campus is a classroom. Co-director of the Environmental Center and senior fellow of the Environmental Residential College, he uses his 20 years of conservation and development experience to create an experiential approach to learning. "It's fundamental that students can dig into these issues," he says.

A key opportunity for students has been Bucknell's environmental assessment, which serves as a baseline for the University to "pursue reducing the campus's ecological footprint." He says the assessment, intended to be ongoing, has brought together students, faculty, and staff to research the complexities of Bucknell's environmental impact.

Wilshusen says environmental studies has thrived in the liberal arts culture because of the students' "exposure to different areas of knowledge and emphasis on integrated critical thinking."

His favorite class is Environmental Planning. Students analyze environmental trends in their hometowns to forecast a sustainable community. He says, "They're applying urban and regional planning ideas with a focus on sustainability." Conservation and development must go together, he says, to create positive economic, societal, and environmental outcomes.

— Michelle Dangiuro





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Jeff Trop and Craig Kochel accurately predicted an avalanche on Mars based on their studies of icy debris fans in Alaska.





# 'Ray Bucknell

Student Life&Sports

## Ambassador Athletics

Sports teams help bring Bucknell to the world...and the world to Bucknell.

By Jon Terry

**O**n Nov. 23, 2005, the day after the Bucknell men's basketball team walked out of the Carrier Dome with a 74-69 win over Syracuse, Kim Baxter wrote in the Syracuse *Post-Standard* that Bucknell "is quickly finding out that they're no longer the unknown."

With its recent NCAA Tournament victories over Kansas and Arkansas, a top-25 national ranking in 2006, and dozens of national television appearances, the Bison men's basketball program has helped put the University on the map from coast to coast.

While the hoops teams have received the most exposure, they are not the only Bison programs garnering national headlines. Consider this small sampling of highlights from the last few years:

- May 30, 2008: in its first NCAA tournament win, Bucknell baseball shocks Florida State 7-0.
- March 28, 2008: the women's lacrosse team, featuring a first-year head coach, stuns nationally ranked Ohio State 18-17.
- June 2, 2007: the women's lightweight eight wins the Grand Final at the IRA National Championships.
- March 14, 2006: the Bison men's lacrosse team upsets No. 1-ranked Maryland 7-6 in double overtime.
- November 4, 2003: the men's soccer team snaps the fourth-longest home winning streak in NCAA history, beating No. 2 Maryland 1-0.

While this impressive collection of far-reaching, high-level achievements has helped bring Bucknell to the world, the world has also come to Bucknell to watch Bison teams in action. Large, spirited home crowds have turned out at virtually every campus venue, whether it is to watch the Bison take on Wake Forest in men's basketball, Penn State in women's soccer, or the men's water polo Final Four in Kinney Natatorium. As it celebrates its 14th Patriot League Presidents' Cup in 18 years, Bucknell athletics is determined to keep playing its role as a window to a great University.



Men's lacrosse team celebrates in the snow after upsetting No. 2 ranked Navy in 2005.

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BOTTOM: TIMOTHY SOFRANKO, TOP: BLAINE STIGER



## Good Deeds

Ahmed Kodouda '10,  
SUDO Field Officer

"I was born and raised in Khartoum. I came to the United States when I was nine. Bucknell has twice offered me the opportunity to go back to Sudan through the Bucknell Public Interest Program. Last year, I worked with internally displaced persons (IDP).

"The IDP camps are shantytowns made with mud. The rainy season had come a lot earlier and stronger than expected, causing devastation. In the first week, we distributed 4,000 non-food items in coordination with CARE International. I was engaged and involved with an international effort. It was one of the most rewarding experiences of my life, thanks to Bucknell."

Ahmed Kodouda is again working with the Sudan Social Development Organization (SUDO) this summer and will be studying in London in the fall. Read his blog at <http://blogs.bucknell.edu/studyabroad>.

— Gigi Marino



Amanda Kronquist '10 is pursuing her dream to become a doctor through her neuroscience major and EMT training.

### STUDENT PROFILE

## Amanda Rae Kronquist '10

Amanda Rae Kronquist '10 and Bucknell go together like hand in glove — surgical glove, that is.

Kronquist, who wants to be a pediatric reconstructive plastic surgeon, loves her neuroscience major because it blends biology and chemistry with psychology. "I knew I was interested in the sciences — they have always been my passion — but I really wanted to get involved in other areas of study as well," she says. "I was also interested in psychology. I couldn't have asked for a better major."

The Chino Hills, Calif., native was looking for a small college where she could have one-on-one interaction with her professors. After visiting 13 schools — which included an East Coast road trip with her mother and staying overnight at Bucknell on her second visit to the campus — she decided Bucknell was the perfect choice. "When I walked on Bucknell's campus, I felt like I fit in. All the professors and students I met were so welcoming," she says.

Because Kronquist wants to become a doctor, she recently became certified as an EMT (emergency medical technician). "I really like helping others, and if anything happens, I want to be able to take action immediately," she says. "Being involved with SERV [Student Emergency Response Volunteers] is a great opportunity to pursue that."

In addition to her medical interests, Kronquist is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta and works as a resident assistant with first-year students in Swartz Hall. "I love being a resource for these freshmen. I like putting on programs that allow them to get to know Bucknell better and get involved with the University and Lewisburg."

Kronquist also enjoys introducing prospective students to Bucknell and serves as a tour guide. "It is a great opportunity because it allows me to share my love for Bucknell with others," she says. "I love Bucknell and everything about it, and I want others to see all the opportunities that the University has to offer."

— Michelle Dangiuro



# The Mind *and the* Muse

## Reviews & Criticism

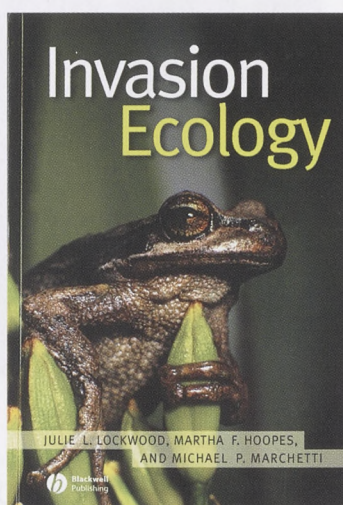
### BOOKS

Michael Marchetti '90

*Invasion Ecology* (Blackwell Publishing)

The study of species escaping their native range by natural processes or human intervention is an increasing concern. As the incidence of plants and animals invading new territories rises, so do the ecological and evolutionary consequences for the planet.

**Michael Marchetti** (University of California–Chico) and colleagues **Julie Lockwood** (Rutgers) and **Martha Hoopes** (Mt. Holyoke) provide an overview of current research in a text for upperclass and graduate study that is too fascinating to confine to the classroom. They explore the dynamics of transport, establishment, risk assessment, and management strategies for a phenomenon that can begin as randomly as a speck of life catching a ride on a hitchhiker's backpack or a ship's keel.

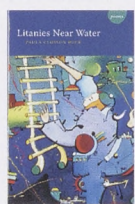


rewards that have spurred dropout rates, held back students, denied high school diplomas, caused teachers to be fired or reassigned, publically shamed administrators, and withheld funding. The necessity of dodging punishments and grasping for rewards has led to a culture of cheating at all levels, where learning and learners come in last and the gap between the advantaged and disadvantaged has widened. The authors cite hundreds of reports underscoring the urgency in their call for reform.

Paula Closson Buck

*Litanies Near Water*

(Louisiana State University Press)

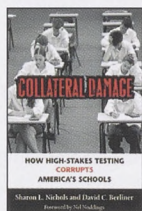


Paula Closson Buck, associate professor of English, has published a second collection of poems that reads like the highly lyrical journal of an empirical scientist exploring the world and what its inhabitants make of it. Her neatly chiseled lines teem with natural imagery and curiosity, often against the backdrop of classical Europe, where the contemporary glint of a bomber droning overhead or a monk gone mad intrude on timeless experiences. "Somewhere, someone lies listening/to what isn't the wind," she writes in "Confessions of the

Natural World," catching the topical raiding the eternal.

Sharon Nichols '91

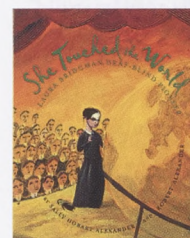
*Collateral Damage: How High-Stakes Testing Corrupts America's Schools* (Harvard Education Press)



Standardized testing is not new to education, but according to **Sharon Nichols** (University of Texas) and colleague **David Berliner** (Arizona State University), the testing mandated by the federal No Child Left Behind Act has consequences that undermine the original intent of the legislation. The annual assessment process is freighted with threats and

Sally Hobart Alexander '65

*She Touched the World: Laura Bridgman, Deaf-Blind Pioneer* (Clarion Books)

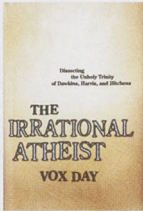


The reason teacher Anne Sullivan could work miracles with Helen Keller is Laura Bridgman. Born 50 years before Keller in 1829, Bridgman was a precocious child who lost her sight and hearing to scarlet fever. Her parents consigned her care to Dr. Samuel Howe, who found an enthusiastic pupil for his developmental work in education for the handicapped. By 12, spirited Bridgman was an international celebrity. Dickens and Darwin wrote about her. She remained a productive advocate for Howe's work until her death from pneumonia in 1889. **Sally Hobart Alexander**, who lost her sight and hearing as an adult, and her husband, Robert, have created an unsentimental illustrated biography for middle school readers, filled with history, scientific notes, and unforgettable people.



**Vox Day (Theodore Beale '90)**

*The Irrational Atheist: Dissecting the Unholy Trinity of Dawkins, Harris and Hitchens* (Benbella Books)

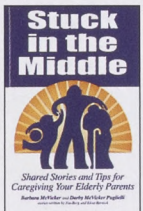


Game designer and Christian fantasy novelist **Theodore Beale's** alter ego is Vox Day, the outspoken Christian Libertarian Internet blogger and columnist.

"All I ask," he says, "is to be left alone to believe what we choose to believe and live how we decide to live." He contends the religion critics are not leaving him alone. In *The Irrational Atheist*, he squares off with them on science, war, violence, history, politics, social issues, and, of course, belief. This is no ground for shrinking violets; Vox Day obviously loves a rollicking good argument and engages the debate full throttle.

**Darby McVicker Puglielli '98**

*Stuck in The Middle: Shared Stories and Tips for Caregiving Your Elderly Parents* (Authorhouse)



Just when she wanted to enjoy her grandchildren, **Darby McVicker Puglielli's** mother, Barbara McVicker, was thrust into the overwhelming job as

caregiver to her own parents, an unpaid position that demanded constant overtime and personal sacrifice across a decade. She navigated finances, laws, health care and, especially, her parents' resistance. Vowing not to put her own children in the same predicament, McVicker drew up a list of resolutions she will honor the day they become her caregivers. The list and knowledge gained from negotiating the rapids of elder care have made her a popular speaker as more baby boomers find themselves "stuck in the middle." Now, she and Darby have enlarged on her presentations with a survival guide that adds moving narratives of others' experiences.

## FILM

**Richard Wormser '55**

*Delta Dreams* (AETN)



The rapper's ode to "Helldown," the boarded up storefronts and the heaps of debris scarring the rural Delta town of Helena, West Helena, Arkansas, are not the by-products of a catastrophic war or storm. They are the vestiges of economic collapse in post-industrial America. What distinguishes this town's fate is the future that is being forged by its eclectic mix of civic leaders through candid soul searching and creative problem solving. **Richard Wormser** and narrator Ruby Dee track this small town's efforts to attract small businesses and tourism, to put its violent past of racial inequality to rest, and especially to make right by its children through improved education and the eradication of poverty. "Hope is our greatest accomplishment," a resident observes. In late May of this year, *Delta Dreams* earned a Silver Award for social documentary at the U.S. International Film and Video Festival.

## MUSIC

**Antigone Rising**

*From the Ground Up* (Lava Records)



powerhouse vocals of lead vocalist Cassidy, and one is officially awed. This

live album showcases the band's unique groove — organically grown of rock, folk, and blues. Recorded in front of an intimate studio audience, the album features sisters **Cathy Henderson '91** (lead guitar, background vocals) and **Kristin Henderson '93** (rhythm guitar, percussion, background vocals), who founded the band at Bucknell in 1989; Dena Tauriello, drums; and Jen Zielenbach, bass. Each track is a musical home run, appealing to the classic rock aficionado and the folk groupie alike.

From the first guitar chord heard on Antigone Rising's *From the Ground Up*, the listener is entranced. Enter the

**Mark Bussler '98**

*Westinghouse* (Inecon)



A test: what one name can be associated with the development of rotating engines, air brakes for trains, the first radio broadcast, alternating current, the power plant at Niagara Falls, car batteries, household appliances, and even nuclear power plants? Answer: George Westinghouse, a self-effacing man who put his products and his workers first, thus earning his enduring reputation as America's greatest industrialist. **Mark Bussler's** documentary follows the life and legacy of the man who was "temperate about everything except work," who propelled the Industrial Revolution and changed the landscape of Pittsburgh and the nation. The DVD, which runs approximately two hours and offers intriguing extra features such as a visit to the Westinghouse Time Capsule, reveals the deeply integrated histories of a genius, industry, engineering, science, economics, and American life.



# Pillars Living

## Nature, the Environment, and the University

Bob Taylor told me about the tundra swans when I came to interview at Bucknell in the winter of 2004. “They come up the Susquehanna by the thousands in late February. Snow geese, too. And big flocks of Canadas.”

We were at dinner at what used to be an Italian place across the river. He shook his head.

“I can’t describe it. It’s something to see.”

Bob, who retired in 2005, is the finest writer to ever teach at Bucknell, and I’m sure he could have described those heart-breaking flights of waterfowl wavering north toward nesting grounds in the low Arctic, using as they have for thousands of years the main stem of the Susquehanna River as a vector.

I’ve since learned that half the time you hear them before you see them. The tundras call a single, low note on a beat like that of a coxswain’s urging during the middle 1,000 meters of a race. The

snow geese, which gleam black and white when sunlight hits them, sound like barking dogs. The Canadas, well, the Canadas honk the way they do, seeming to lack originality compared to their more exotic cousins.

Bob and I were well beyond the usual professional conversation that dominates an interview visit. But we weren’t making small talk. Bob knew me as a writer of place — a nature writer, if I must be labeled — with a strong attachment to the southern Appalachians and to the coast of Maine. He knew that those migrating swans and geese, and that the big, shallow Susquehanna itself — frozen dramatically that winter — are an important part of Bucknell’s credentials. He knew that Bucknell enjoys an extraordinary place in the American landscape and that, as an institution, it has a striking creative and intellectual vantage, no matter what discipline you teach or what you come here to study.

By Christopher Camuto 🍀 Photography by Cardoni







For years, central Pennsylvania had merely been a place through which to drive as I shuttled between Virginia and Maine, writing books about one venue or the other. But every time I crossed the river at Harrisburg, I slowed down as much as one can on I-81 to check out how the bass boats were working the islands and channels of the Susquehanna and to admire the Rockville Bridge. The river looked good, and as I dogged my way across, I used to wonder what was upstream.

Bucknell, it turns out, was upstream.

Bucknell had been practicing the liberal arts above the confluence of the two major branches of one of North America's great, if unsung, rivers for 160 years. Its campus oversaw a rich crossroads of nature and history overseen in turn by those great flights of migrating waterfowl. Bucknell was poised between the struggling world of coal country to the east — where the underground fires of Centralia burned — and the fertile farmland that lies, ploughed into neat furrows, between the modest ridges of the Alleghenies to the west, those curving wisps of mountains bending the landscape along an old arc of orogeny and erosion lathered more than once by glacial till. The site of Bucknell lay in the path of John Bartram's journey to the Iroquois nation in 1743, a peace-making mission by the famous botanist through an area destined to be a zone of complex cultural contact between European settlers and Native Americans.

Bucknell was upstream of the once-great freight yards of Northumberland, the hub of an old transportation technology waiting to be rediscovered, and downstream of Williamsport, where some of the largest timber booms in the East had been assembled in the 19th and early 20th centuries, old-growth forest going to market. Bucknell wasn't far, in time and space, from the steel making at Danville and the buggy manufacturing in Mifflinburg, and it lay right smack under a fabulous night sky — especially if you got out into the country. Bucknell was an hour away from the best wild trout water in Penns Creek and other streams but downwind of the acid deposition and polluted air that drift from the Ohio Valley and Pittsburgh. Bucknell was surrounded by fine natural places, wetlands and woodlands rich with biological diversity, but also within reach of areas plagued by acid mine runoff and other forms of groundwater pollution.

At this rich intersection of culture and nature, full of promise and contradiction, Bucknell was studying the classics and dance, deep time and deep space, engineering and business, reading Dickinson and Dickey, Darwin and Thoreau, E.O. Wilson and Gary Snyder amid the still unsolved social and economic problems of small-town, rural-rustbelt America, while the challenges of the burgeoning global village multiplied rapidly.

Bucknell was upstream, perfectly situated between the beauties of nature — that great given celebrated in literature and art since classical antiquity — and the problems of what we now call “the environment.” Hard to say whether those tundra swans that pass solemnly overhead every winter are calling out an encouragement or a warning, but Bucknell University was, in the middle of nowhere, perfectly situated at the center of everything that needs to be studied and taught in the 21st century.

In October of 2004, about 60 faculty, staff, and students gathered in McDonnell Hall to measure the group interest and define their individual stake in a permanent university environmental center, an idea that had stalled several times in the past. That meeting was an imperfect storm of personal and professional enthusiasm for something no one could quite define, a way of pursuing overlapping interdisciplinary interests without creating a bureaucracy that got in the way or duplicated efforts.

In the room that evening was a stimulating — and potentially chaotic — range of interest in what philosophers call “nature” and scientists, “the environment.” In addition to the stalwarts from Bucknell's long-successful Environmental Studies program, there was predictably strong representation from the earth and life sciences — geology, geography, ecology, biology, animal behavior, environmental chemistry, as well as from civil and environmental engineering and the health sciences. But there were also gunslingers from art, the classics, history, philosophy, religion, literature, and creative writing — what later became the “environmental humanities.” And there were strong voices from business, economics, and management.

How to proceed was not clear that evening, and would not be for a year. But there was strong interest in specific environmental issues — with global climate change casting a large shadow —



BILL CARDONI



and in cultural and philosophical questions about the status of nature in an increasingly manufactured and now partially virtual world. There also was a strong collective desire to put the full range of academic disciplines to work on behalf of those issues. Many present wanted Bucknell University not only to take a stronger role in local and regional environmental matters but also to seek a national leadership role in forging new, interdisciplinary connections between environmental problem solving in the 21st century and undergraduate education.

The Bucknell University Environmental Center formally came into existence in early 2005 and proceeded through its infancy driven by a combination of grassroots enthusiasm; the broad guidance of an 18-member steering committee of faculty,



Left, the Environmental Center's Sherry Finkel '10 on the Susquehanna with river guide Jeremy Quant (son of Allan '74 and Betsy Justis Quant '74). Above, tundra swans (photo by Craig Kochel). Below, Ben Hayes, Susquehanna River coordinator. Right, Nygel Knighton '09 in the Grove.



staff, and students; and the leadership of two prime movers — co-directors Craig Kochel of the geology department and Peter Wilshusen of environmental studies. The interest and support of Jim Rice, associate provost, and Dennis Hawley, associate vice president for facilities, was also critical. Within a year, the Center's far-flung ambitions had become three well-defined start-up initiatives — the Susquehanna River Initiative, the Environmental Humanities Initiative, and the Campus Greening Initiative.

From 2005 to 2008, the Center's Susquehanna River Initiative, directed by Ben Hayes, focused on local and regional watershed issues. The watershed is the fundamental geophysical unit for environmental research, teaching, and management, every watershed being a definable ecological and cultural system within its boundaries. Bucknell students and professors had more than enough watersheds in which to muddy their boots and waders: The West Branch drains 7,000 square miles of the Susquehanna's 27,500 square-mile watershed, which represents 43 percent of the 64,000-square-mile Chesapeake Bay drainage.

The Center dug in with hydrologic monitoring, long-term environmental assessments, stream restoration workshops, and a wetland restoration project for Montandon Marsh. Annual conferences on the river have been held, one with a focus on acid mine drainage and, this coming fall, another on agriculture. The Center established the Roaring Creek Field Station, which will become a nationally significant center for watershed science, akin to Hubbard Brook in Massachusetts and Coweeta in North Carolina.





Interdisciplinary courses on watershed systems science and stream restoration are being developed on the back of all this exciting field work, and this aggressive scientific outreach into the Susquehanna river basin has fueled more than a few theses and summer research projects, under the McKenna Grants and the Kalman summer undergraduate research program. Even more interesting work awaits — an ongoing state-of-the-river assessment, a study of historical land-use impacts, a study of Pleistocene flood history of the river basin. Work on environmental epidemiology will connect information on river ecology to issues of public health related to work being done at Geisinger in environmental epidemiology. Acid-mine drainage, agricultural runoff, and impacts from development and road building all need continued study.

A unique feature of the Bucknell University Environmental Center has been its attention to the humanities. There has always been agreement that environmental problems are related to cultural causes and attitudes and that the humanities have an important role to play in shedding light on solutions. The Environmental Humanities Initiative (EHI), spearheaded by Alf Siewers, assistant professor of English, has created the groundwork for programs aimed at bringing the research methods of the humanities to bear on the history of the environment of the Susquehanna region. This includes the Cultures at the Confluence project, which fosters interdisciplinary study of the human history of the region. Patterns of human use of and attitudes toward nature have changed dramatically in the past 500 years, as have patterns of land use. Understanding these interactions and their evolution is neces-

sarily an interdisciplinary undertaking leading to exciting new modes of scholarship and interpretation.

A good deal of this study takes place through student summer internship projects and senior and honors theses on subjects like Native American novelist Linda Hogan, Susan and James Fenimore Cooper, medieval philosophy and ecology, early Irish literature, Islamic literature, Friedrich Nietzsche, and J.R.R. Tolkien — all demonstrating exciting new ways of exploring what is now called the deep ecology of the relation of the human and the natural. Students have interned at *The Daily Item*, specializing in environmental subjects, and helped develop online walking tours of historical sites in Sunbury. The EHI has also forged strong links with the Susquehanna River Heartland Humanities Council, the Pennsylvania Humanities Council, and a wide range of local arts, historical, and community development organizations.

The Campus Greening Initiative has been central from the start. Since 2006, a program coordinated by Dina El-Mogazi, sustainability coordinator, has been working to reduce the University's ecological footprint, to raise the environmental literacy of the student body, to influence the environmental awareness of the University's emerging Campus Master Plan, and to demonstrate institutional ways of practicing sustainability through recycling, solar power, green landscaping, green



The Environmental Center's Katie Ruiz '09 (left) and Molly Pritz '10.





# COLLABORATION AND COMMITMENT

The University and the environment meet on equal terms.

“Sustainability and campus greening efforts have begun at Bucknell in fits and starts for 20 years. But it has been during President Mitchell’s tenure that Bucknell’s environmental strengths coalesced. For example, after he clearly articulated his vision for these programs at Focus the Nation in January, we finally started a Campus Greening initiative.

“In fact, this administration has been adamant about building up our environmental programs and connecting the University in different ways to our surroundings, one being the Susquehanna River. I’ve been trying to capture a connection to the Susquehanna for many years. Back in the early ’90s, I taught a Foundation Seminar, and the project for the class was to set up a road map of how we can reconnect with the river. The administration has frankly revitalized this interest, and we’re working with the facilities office to establish a small landing for kayaks and canoes and put in a natural type of trail, essentially to use the floodplain vegetation as it is and clear out some of the invasive plants. As a part of this program, we will be proposing a small gathering site to honor Native American people who once lived and traveled along the river, based on a design inspired by Onondaga schoolchildren.

“Bucknell is in a unique position for a small school. Among our peers, we have a larger percentage of faculty who teach some area of the environment or use it as a centerpiece of their research. When the idea for the Environmental Center came along a few years ago, people were amazed at how many faculty came out — about a fifth of the total faculty number. Typical environmental programs at universities have engineering, the sciences, and the social sciences. We not only have all these but also the humanities, which is a real strength in the environmental field and a shining star for us.

“A group led by Professors Alf Siewers, Katie Faull, Chris Camuto, and others banded together and started a grassroots initiative dealing with the environmental humanities, which has now blossomed into a third initiative, in addition to Campus Greening and the Susquehanna River Watershed. They’re very active and have a number of projects dealing with culture and river history going. Those interested in watershed and river science are not just interested in the natural history but also the cultural history of the river. It’s a thread that weaves many different people here together.”

— Craig Kochel, co-director of the Bucknell University Environmental Center

building, and other new ideas and new technologies. This initiative recognizes that you can’t preach sustainability without practicing it, and its programs help to demonstrate the emerging ethos of sustainable living.

This initiative has sponsored a Campus Environmental Assessment, conducts an ongoing sustainability assessment of the University, helped organize the hugely successful Focus the Nation teach-in at the end of January 2008, created a Campus Greening Council to aid campus planning, interacts with the Pennsylvania Environmental Resource Consortium, and has co-sponsored two regional conferences on energy savings and storm-water management. Like the other two initiatives, it connects Bucknell University firmly to watershed stewardship. Students have been extraordinarily active in this initiative — through the Solar Scholars program, re-energized recycling efforts, organic gardening, native plant landscaping, environmental literacy, and environmental leadership training.

Now, approaching the beginning of the 2008–09 academic year, the BUEC stands ready to enter a seven-year second phase of growth and consolidation of its programs and ambitions. In addition to dozens of successful programs on the ground, the Center’s first three years of program development were impressive enough to attract a \$450,000 Henry Luce Foundation grant and \$195,000 of federal appropriations. The growing confidence of private and public funding sources in

the long-term vision and day-to-day operations of the BUEC makes it a worthy candidate for seeking a larger, permanent endowment under the umbrella of Bucknell’s next capital plan.

A university is not a museum of ideas. It must stimulate practice in the arts and sciences, in business and in engineering. Intellectually, it ought to be a first responder to the demands of its historical moment. The twin problems of environmental sustainability and of cultural blindness toward what can only be called the *nature of nature* confront us at every turn. Mounting evidence of global climate change suggests that nature and the environment are not optional interests. As universities teach across the curriculum, in disciplines far outside any common definition of environmental awareness, we ignore its laws, processes, and limits at our peril. The initiatives around environmental knowledge at Bucknell promise a new vision at the core of a Bucknell education, to add cutting-edge value to the Bucknell degree, and to contribute to the international pursuit of just, peaceful, sustainable living on this beleaguered planet. 

*Chris Camuto, assistant professor of English, is the author of four books of nonfiction. An active environmentalist for 20 years, he has written numerous essays on nature and the environment for a wide range of national publications. He is working to restore the native ecology of a 78-acre woodland property in western Union County, the subject of a work-in-progress.*



# GATEWAY to the FUTURE

*Five recent graduates reflect on their four years at Bucknell.*

*“As a tour guide, I am often asked my favorite thing about Bucknell. The best answer I can give is that there are so many opportunities here. Over the past four years, I have become a resident assistant, joined the Residence Hall Association, been on the executive board for Habitat for Humanity, participated in numerous intramural sports, joined the concert committee (and met artists such as 311, the Goo Goo Dolls, Kanye West, Ben Folds, and Third Eye Blind), become a tour guide, and used the Career Development Center to set up internships. Bucknell has not only been some of the best years of my life, but some of the years that I am most proud of.”*

*~ Matt Lefurge '08, who is working at PricewaterhouseCoopers.*

*“Coming from Bangladesh, I have been lucky to receive an international student scholarship that has allowed me to become a prominent student leader on campus, have a remarkable academic experience, and meet some great people. I have been able to bring a very different perspective of what the world is like outside the Bucknell bubble, and my efforts at creating a safe and culturally aware environment have been successful because of the help that I have received along the way. I am proud to be a Bucknellian!”*

*~ Naomi Hossain '08, who became engaged to Stuart Hollenshead '07 the evening before Commencement. The couple plans to marry Aug. 2 and move to Worcester, Mass., where she will prepare for her master's in education administration.*

*“The Bucknell experience has been a very interesting one. I was away from home for the first time. The transition was not easy since I am an only child and very close to my family. However, Bucknell helped me to become more independent. The Bucknell community has been a home away from home, and the professors are willing to go out of their way*

*to help. Bucknell has prepared me for almost every obstacle I could face. I am determined to leave my mark in the world and know that Bucknell will be behind me all the way.”*

*~ Kris Collymore '08, who plans to spend the upcoming year preparing to pursue her doctorate in physical therapy by completing prerequisites, studying for the GRE, and volunteering in hospitals, nursing homes, and private practices.*

*“I take pride in being a four-year letter winner and a two-year captain of the Bucknell men's tennis team. Being on this team has helped me mature not only on the court, but also off it. I encourage people to give every snap, every point, and every play their all. I want them to understand that when they put on the orange and blue, they represent something larger than themselves. I tell others that the worst feeling they will experience is not losing, but rather walking off the court or field with regret. For me, studying at Bucknell — and living in the beautiful town of Lewisburg — has been a once-in-a-lifetime experience. I will certainly treasure it as I look back someday.”*

*~ Ben Young '08, who will be teaching 8th grade language arts in Connecticut.*

*“I came to Bucknell an apprehensive teenager with no knowledge of the fabulous experience waiting for me. I started as a cell-biology/biochemistry major but soon found my true calling. I can proudly say I am graduating with a BA in psychology and religion with the hope of working with children in the future. I owe my success to the family I have found at Bucknell. The friends I made freshman year have stayed with me, and the professors have served as mentors who have forced me to discover my own potential.”*

*~ Lakshmi Bhagavatula '08, who will pursue her master's degree in social work at Columbia University.*

*By Rajaa Qadri '10 — Photograph by Ian Bradshaw*





After the Matriculation Ceremony, first-year students walk through the Christy Mathewson Gates to symbolize their entrance to the University. At Commencement, seniors walk out of the gates to symbolize their departure to the next stage of their lives. Shown here, Naomi Hossain '08.







# Historic Relationship, Contemporary Challenge

*Bucknell celebrates the 150th anniversary of its rich relationship with Burma while addressing the complexity of the country's military rule.*



Images of monks demonstrating in the Saffron Revolution of 2007. Nobel Peace Prize winner Aung San Suu Kyi confined to house arrest for her efforts to establish democracy. Impoverished villagers and child soldiers juxtaposed with those of profitable gas pipelines and teak forests producing profits that the people of Burma will never see. Until Cyclone Nargis destroyed much of the southern portion of the country on May 2, these snapshot impressions constituted the world's few glimpses of life in the southeast Asian country of Burma. (Burma was renamed the Union of Myanmar in 1989 by the military junta and is commonly referred to as Burma within the United States.)

But while the terrible destruction the cyclone caused put Burma in the headlines, even now it is difficult to know what is really happening there, in part because of 46 years of strict military rule, in part because of fleeting media attention, and in part because there are few academic programs — in the U.S. or elsewhere — to educate future generations of leaders about the Burmese situation. Though Burma has lacked prominence on the global stage, “There is a need to understand the plight of the Burmese people and a need for more

knowledgeable people on Burmese issues,” said renowned Burma specialist David I. Steinberg, when he spoke at Bucknell on April 17, just two weeks before the cyclone hit. “A small university like Bucknell,” he added, “can play that role.”

Bucknell can play that role because it has the longest connection with Burma, among all United States colleges and universities. This relationship stretches back to 1858, when **Maung Shaw Loo** became the first international student to study at Bucknell and the first Burmese native to study in the

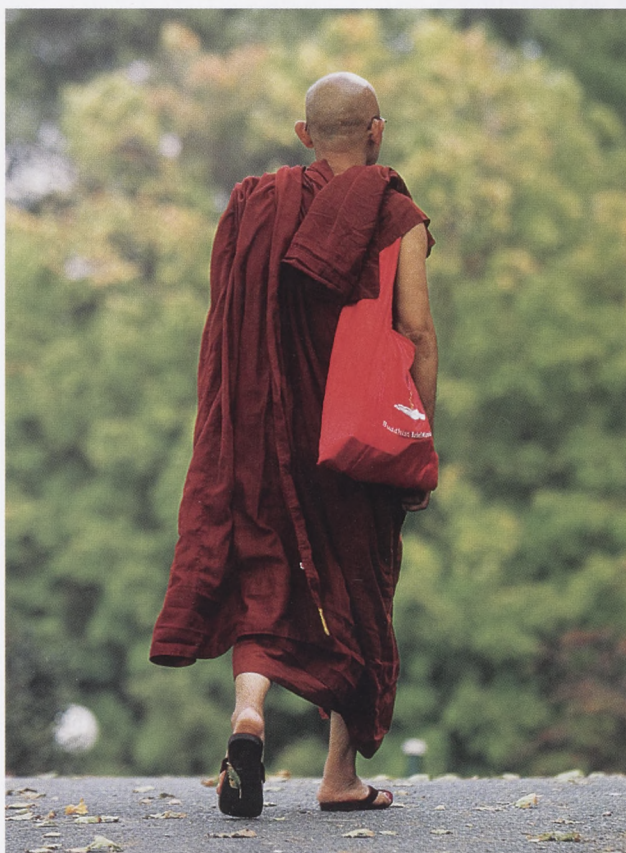
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United States. The historic link continues today. Despite Burma's oppressive government, Bucknell is well known among educated Burmese families for its academic reputation, and Burmese students continue to come to Bucknell to pursue their degrees.

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the beginning of the Burma-Bucknell connection. In celebration, the University hosted "Historic Relationship, Contemporary Challenge," a semester-long examination of Burma from multiple angles. The series sparked discussion about the situation in Burma and prompted the campus community to think about the contemporary meaning and importance of the long Burma-Bucknell connection.

Maung Shaw Loo enrolled in Bucknell at the encouragement of a University founder, Eugenio Kincaid, who had spent many years in Burma as a Baptist missionary. (The Bucknell Board of Trustees made Shaw Loo's education possible by voting to remit tuition and fees.) Though he had traveled thousands of miles from a culture vastly different from that of his fellow students, Shaw Loo was in many ways a typical Bucknellian: a talented student with a vibrant social life, the desire to serve others, and the drive to achieve remarkable success in his career. He joined Phi Kappa Psi fraternity; worked as a gardener and caretaker for Thomas F. Curtis, professor of theology; gave talks on Burmese culture and customs; and attended parties with his friends. After he graduated in 1864, he earned his medical degree and, with a letter of recommendation from President Andrew Johnson in hand, established himself as a physician, educator, and missionary in Burma.



Over the next 140 years, more students from Burma have studied at Bucknell (poor record keeping makes an accurate count impossible). As the number of students from Burma increased, so did interest in Burmese culture and affairs. From 1948 to 1965, the University hosted 17 Burma-Bucknell Weekends, bringing faculty, staff, and students together with dignitaries, scholars, Burmese guests, and officials from the United States and Burma. The events covered topics ranging from public health and education to the roles of women, music, and the arts in Burma. The weekends ended soon after a 1962 military coup in Burma, but Burmese students have continued to study at Bucknell over the years, with renewed interest growing in the 1990s.

In 1998, the University celebrated the 140th anniversary of the Burma-Bucknell connection with a focus semester of a series of lectures and presentations about Burma. The momentum from that semester led to a milestone moment in the history of the relationship: the presentation of the 1999 Commencement address, given in absentia, by imprisoned Nobel Peace Prize laureate and Burmese pro-democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi. In the address delivered by then-U.S. Ambassador to Burma Burton Levin, Suu Kyi praised Bucknell for fostering understanding across geographical and cultural divides.

"The long association between Burma and Bucknell is proof that there remain such constant values as friendship and love of learning, values which have served to preserve the ties between a university in the United States and a country in Southeast Asia for over a century despite the vicissitudes of internal politics and international relations. Bucknell has demonstrated its friendship for Burma in the best possible way, by seeking to promote a better understanding of our country, its peoples, history, culture, politics, and contemporary problems," she told the Class of 1999 and friends and families.

The students who come to Bucknell from Burma today bring with them this same sentiment. Five are enrolled, and two others recently graduated as members of the Class of 2008. The students don't talk politics, nor do they want to discuss the crises and controversies that appear in the media. Rather,



Left: A Buddhist monk visits campus to participate in an October 2007 vigil for Burma. Above: At the 150th anniversary celebration, Burmese students and dancers gather around the Burma-Bucknell Bowl, presented to the University by the president of Burma in 1958.

LEFT: TIMOTHY SOFRANKO. RIGHT: KALIM BHATTI



they believe the best way to educate people about Burma is to start with the basics (for fear of their safety, given the situation in Burma, the students requested anonymity for this article.)

"I want to show people where Burma is on a map and tell them what the culture is all about," says one Burmese student, an international relations major. She and the other Burmese students organized this year's annual Water Festival Dinner, serving traditional Burmese food to more than 200 people in the Bucknell community.

In addition to sharing the art and cuisine of their culture, the Burmese students enjoy talking about their families and religious beliefs with their roommates, classmates, and professors. "We have various opinions in a group," says a mechanical engineering major. "I don't mind sharing my opinions. The students care about us. The professors are nice, and there's very open discussion." Another Burmese student agrees: "There's a genuine interest in learning about you and your experiences here."

*"Reach into another community, another culture, another tribe, anything different. Reach into it, be curious about it, love to learn the differences in the world and make them work. You've got to be ready; it's an interdependent world."*

Even though they love to share their own culture with others, the Burmese students also see their role more broadly in terms of how they can promote cross-cultural understanding and contribute to the educational environment: "International students bring new perspectives that American students do not have unless they get to know people from other countries," says a computer science and engineering student. "You need different perspectives in order to be a globally competent person and leader."

Different perspectives flourished during the 150th anniversary celebration of the Burma-Bucknell connection. The events were organized by a committee of faculty, staff, and students, including students from Burma. The series sought to celebrate the Burma-Bucknell connection; examine Burmese culture, history, and politics within a global context; explore the ways in which educated citizens can respond to the situation in Burma and to issues of human rights and democracy around the globe; and recognize the centrality of global exchange and dialogue to the liberal arts experience.

The series began on March 20 with a fiery speech from Jack Healey, former director of Amnesty International-USA and director of the Human Rights Action Center. In a speech titled "Universal Declaration of Human Rights and Burma Today," the lifelong activist connected the situation in Burma with humanitarian crises around the world. Healey called the Burma-Bucknell relationship a "real, live connection," saying, "The more knowledge you have, the better it is." His advice to students who want to do something to make the world a better place: "Reach into another community, another culture, another tribe, anything different. Reach into it, be curious about it,

love to learn the differences in the world and make them work. You've got to be ready; it's an interdependent world."

On April 4, director Holly Fisher presented her film *Kalama Sutta: Seeing Is Believing*, a documentary based partially on footage covertly taken during a trip to Burma. The film uses various media, including home movies, archival footage, and testimonials from refugees, to examine Burma through an artistic lens. In her post-film conversation with the audience, Fisher said the film is intended to highlight the complex and often frustrating nature of the situation in Burma.

The series concluded with Steinberg's intricate political analysis of Burma over the last 50 years. (Steinberg attended the 1958 Burma-Bucknell Weekend when Ambassador U Win presented the Burma-Bucknell Bowl as a gift from the president of Burma.) At the end of his talk, he raised perhaps the most fundamental purpose of the sustained relationship between Burma and Bucknell: the education of Burmese students. After describing the tragic situation in Burma, he

offered words of hope that he directly attributed to the Burma-Bucknell relationship: "There will be change. I've talked about the sad situation educationally in the country, the exodus of people. You can't run a government with the people that they have. You can't plan, you can't administer. There's got to be a way to begin to train people from within the country, sending them outside to get the skills necessary.

"Here's where Bucknell comes in. There are very few other places that care anything about Burma. It's not a question of liking the government or not liking the government. You're building something for the future, and that is really important. I hope that you will take up that challenge and try to make a contribution to a future Burma and a future Bucknell-Burma relationship."

Only days before the lecture, a Burmese student arrived at a similar conclusion during a casual conversation. When describing why the Burma-Bucknell connection continues to be important, he said, "The fact that Bucknell was that open long ago, waiving tuition and providing students with opportunities to have an education they couldn't otherwise get," he said, "reflects something that Bucknell still provides today. It might have been one person then, but there are a lot more options now for international students. People ask us if we came here to get away. Some of us want to go back and work in our country. We're not seeking asylum. We came here for an education." 

Read about one Bucknell family's long relationship with Burma at [www.bucknell.edu/bmagazine](http://www.bucknell.edu/bmagazine). To help cyclone victims, go to [www.uscampaignforburma.org](http://www.uscampaignforburma.org).







# Full Frame

## Classic Quad

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# Class Notes

Alumni Near&Far



“Abominable!” may have been the word Orgon used to describe Tartuffe’s advances toward his wife, Elmire, as he spied on them from under the table, but Cap and Dagger’s performance of Molière’s *Tartuffe* was anything but abominable. In fact, the 1960s theater group was so good it gave rise to well-known actors David Ackroyd ’62 and Ed Herrmann ’65.

BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES



## 1933

## 1934

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Same old story, haven't heard from a single soul from 1937, and I know there are about 40 of you out there, so again you'll have to hear whatever I dream up.

Ginny and I are fine and still doing but at a slower pace. I do business at my leisure, which keeps me in touch with the real world. Once a week, we deliver Meals on Wheels. I serve on the Chester County board as treasurer, and I'm active on our local TV station doing interviews, the most recent with our state senator. Ginny and I attended the scholarship luncheon and visited with our Class of '37 scholarship recipients. This is always fun

and the chance for a two-way exchange. These youngsters are ambitious and a heck of a lot smarter than we were: an enlightening experience for me. If you are interested in communicating with them, please contact me, and I'll give you all the info you need. I urge you to contact me with any info for future release. — C.V.

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**Bernice Henry Rathmell** was featured in a profile in the Williamsport *Sun-Gazette* on Feb. 20. The article detailed her experiences as a civilian pilot and flight instructor during WWII as well as her role as the first-ever college-level drum major while at Bucknell.

## 1940

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**Elizabeth "Pat" McQuay Parry** sent a card with greetings for those holidays in February and March.

Needing support of a cane or walker, **Helen "Sandy" Sanders Christian** rejoices with all of us

for sidewalks free of ice and snow. She is still driving but enjoys the support of nearby daughter, **Karen Christian Hovey '71**, and son-in-law, **Douglas '71**, for their winter driving help. Although she doesn't make it back to campus frequently, she and **Melvin Jaffe** plan to return for our 70th Reunion. A reminder to all of us to think positively — it is only two years away.

**Bob Stanton** emailed about the format of *Bucknell Magazine* and how pleased he was to read **Martin Alpert's** letter. They were both math majors, and Bob said they worked on assignments together. He also caught up with **Allan Rosenberg '41**.

**Warren Eister** is just about finished rewriting his book or will have by the time you read this. He and Doris are in their retirement home in Silver Spring, Md.

**Jeanne Brozman Crawford '39** wrote. She's trying to keep straight my grandchildren and great-grandchildren, which is a delightful job for all of us as we get older. She sent me a lineup of her children and grandchildren. We are avid readers and constantly recommending titles back and forth.

**Jeanne Offutt Davis '42** was my little sister one year at Bucknell. She lived in Harris Hall, and a group of them became close friends, continuing to get together over the years. Her daughter brought her for a short visit, and we covered many years in an hour or so. Jeanne's husband, William, died in February, and I had the good fortune to know him. Jeanne also brought news of **Anne Randle Waldner '42** and **Marjorie Brumbaugh Bush '42**. — A.H.W.

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Bucknellians here at Medford Leas CCRC enjoyed a visit with Dan Clark, assistant director of gift planning at Bucknell. At our coffee shop, **Alex Webb '44**, **Stanley Brush '48** and **Bob Hambleton '49** lunched, talked about our Bucknell days and heard about the campus today.

From **Debora Sholl Humphreys '67** we hear, "We will miss (son) Colin (Captain **David Colin Humphreys '96**, USMC) at Christmas, but **Dave Humphreys '66** and I will spend a few days with him in early January in D.C. while he is on a break from his new opportunity with the State Department. He is on a one-year engagement with the Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan. Since leaving the Marine Corps after a 10-year commitment, he has found a way to serve the country as a diplomat. We are learning more about our world, government and government service through his dedication."

About their two dads: "Dave's dad, **Rev. Paul Milton Humphreys '28**, in Northampton, Mass., and (Deb's) dad (**Jack Sholl '37**, in Scarborough, Mass.) continue to amaze us with the aplomb with which they take life. We were back to visit Dave's dad in December, who, at 101, does a great impression of the Energizer Bunny. We will both be with Dad Sholl, 93, in Clearwater, Fla., for a winter break in January."



## Alumni Near&Far

**Dot Sonn '44** emailed that **Dot Bunnell Palmer '44** died on March 9 after some years of poor health. She and Dot had lengthy phone conversations over the years. They met yearly at a restaurant in Bucks County with other KDs, including **Jane Griffith, Frannie Reeder Brenner, Marian Hack Barr** and **Molly Baush Hill '46**.

**Betty Baush McCrow '44** is in a small home near her daughter Anne in the San Francisco area.

I plead, classmates, send me news. — J.B.B.S.

## 1944

### REUNION 2009

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To Gigi Marino and her staff, congratulations and thanks on all aspects of this new magazine — a truly classy publication. Doesn't it make you want to send in some news? We were on page two of Class Notes in the last issue, so it would be best to act soon.

**Dot Sonn** called early in March with news of **Dot Bunnell Palmer's** death. Sincerest sympathy goes to her three children and her sisters **Catherine '43, June '45** and their families. Dot was preceded in death by her husband, **Bill Palmer '43**.

While it's wonderful to talk with classmates, it's not pleasant when the call is to extend the sympathy of '44. That was the case with **Gini Cushing Hughes** upon my learning of the death of her husband, Penn. Our sincere condolences go to her, the three children and their families.

Unfortunately there is one more obituary, that of **Betty Miles James**. Her death came only a few weeks after Dot's. They were both KDs.

Keep-in-touch letters were welcome from **Betty Evans Franklin** and **Mary Lou Tripp**

**Miller**. The latter moved two years ago from South Carolina to Ohio and was concerned about the drastic weather change but is content being closer to children and grandchildren.

Doris and **Lee Psaty** have been checking in from Sarasota, but in March the call was from Seattle. They're considering a permanent move there to be near their M.D. son, Bruce, and his family. They've taken an apartment for a few months to determine if it's possible to give up Florida's temperature and make the Northwest a permanent abode. Answer next time.

May your summer be happy and your autumn plans include some football games. Homecoming will provide a few

familiar faces, and they'll be extra pleased to see yours. Consider it, please. Love and peace.  
— H.R.B.

## 1945

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**Phoebe "Furb" Follmer Bacon** receives activity reports on our class scholarship. Furb is impressed with our current recipient, a young woman preparing for a career in teaching. Her letters reflect a sincere

sense of gratitude and an eagerness to get on with her intended profession. Thanks to all who have contributed to our Class of '45 scholarship fund.

**Gabriel and Dottie Thomas Fackre's** co-authored, *Christian Basics*, published by Eerdmans years ago, is on YouTube, of all places. Go to YouTube.com and type in "Fackre." Also in the awesome category is an up-to-date survey of theological trends reported in their newsletter, *Theology and Culture Newsletter* 47. For 40 years these two have been keeping in touch with former students at Andover Newton Theological Seminary, Boston, and other colleagues. Talk about "continuing education."

Your class reporter wants to

## SPORTS ILLUSTRATED PIONEER

During her journalism career, which spanned five decades, **Margaret "Peggy" Thompson Fischer '46** helped President Harry S. Truman write his memoirs; befriended men such as Joe DiMaggio, Grantland Rice, Bing Crosby, and Rocky Marciano; and gave readers an intimate view into the rise of America's space program in the 1960s.

Fischer perhaps is best known for her role at *Sports Illustrated*, where she was considered a pioneer, as one of three women chosen to help publish the first issue that hit newsstands Aug. 16, 1954, for a mere 25 cents. As an undergraduate, she majored in journalism, wrote for *The Bucknellian*, and ran the yearbook before graduating and applying her skills to a small newspaper in New Jersey. Before long, Fischer was hired by Time, Inc., where she wrote for *Life* and later was asked by Harry Luce to help start *Sports Illustrated*.

After Luce died in 1967, Time's board of directors forced Fischer out, according to her son Arno. "In the '70s, women were not supposed to be heads of corporations, so they fired her," he says.

Fischer spent the next phase of her life as a consultant for large corporations such as IBM and Xerox, using the skills she learned as a reporter to identify consumer tendencies and help companies develop products by anticipating how technological advances would impact the world. Back in the '70s and '80s, she speculated that computers, then the size of a typical garage, would one day fit in your lap. She once told her son that, based on research, she believed TVs one day would hang on living room walls.

In her prime, Fischer was known as a workaholic who traveled the globe. Her work put her on a first-name basis with some of the most influential people of her time. Today, Fischer is retired and lives comfortably in her hometown of Greenwich, Conn. — Izzy Gould





hear from you, but please don't wait until you have written a book. Sporting a new hip? Brag about it, and I will pass it along. Gloria and I enjoy life-long learning classes during our winters in Sun City Center, Fla. (e.g., "Thank God for Evolution" and "From Mecca to Manhattan," both sponsored by our local United Community Church). This summer our focus is Gloria's total hip replacement. If this one on her left is as successful in increasing mobility and reducing pain as the replacement on her right was two years ago, we shall be very thankful. — W.W.

## 1946

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**Nat Moss** sent a card saying he had a knee replaced and then broke a hip. He calls himself the Energizer Bunny and just keeps going and going. A lot of us are like that, Nat, so don't give up.

A wonderful surprise came from **Andy Howland Knudson** last month: a note, the first since graduation. She said **Harry '47** passed on in 2006, and last August she went to California to sing at a wedding on the shore of Lake Tahoe. I can remember Andy singing for us so well at school; it was always a treat. In September, she and daughter, **Anne '74**, went to the Himalayas, but they got sick in rural China and ended up in a hospital. To quote, "No English and one doctor for the whole hospital. We shall never forget that experience and are glad to be back home and recovered." She keeps in touch with **Carolyn Berkheimer Rosser**, **Betty Hess Jelstrup**, the **Moore**s and

the **Millers**. And now all of us! Thanks so much, Andy.

I read in my Alpha Chi Omega news that **Betty Hadfield Sylvester** passed on in January. I haven't seen or heard from her in 20 years, but I will let you all know if I hear anything from her family.

News should reach me, **Dawn, Peggy Fisher, Pat Hill** or **Jenny Wiltz** by July 15, Oct. 15 or Jan. 15 to go into the respective issues of *Bucknell Magazine*. Have a wonderful summer and all the best. — E.O.A.

## 1947

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We were saddened to hear from **June Stott Matthews** that her husband, **Eugene**, passed on March 24. Several years ago, Gene joined our former class reporter, **Gloria Child Goelz**, and me to provide news for Class Notes. Many of our class will remember Gene. June would appreciate hearing from classmates; her address is Villa at Morlatton #306, 1180 Benjamin Franklin Hwy. East, Douglassville, PA 19518.

I hope to have more news for the summer issue. I'm learning to use B-Link, an alumni website that connects you with "all things" and people related to Bucknell. There is an alumni directory that might help us connect with others from our "continuing" Class of 1947. Try using it, and please email, phone or write your discoveries to me. — J.M.R.

## 1948

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Summer is upon us — send me a postcard from where you are

enjoying the sun — and a picture!

I have a new address for **Edmund A. Brummer**: w4rtz@cox.net.

Since I am writing this article way before our 60th, I can only tell you about classmates with whom I have been in touch: **Gladys Kurtz Anderson** said she couldn't be with us this time, but she would be with us in spirit. She is retired, belongs to two book clubs and sees her grandchildren whenever possible.

I talked to **Florence "Kandy" Kreitler Davis**, and she said that she and her husband, Walt, were planning to go.

**Bob Guempel** and his wife, Jeanne, were definitely making the trip to Lewisburg — really loyal couple.

In the *Bucknell Reunion News*, the following were signed up to go: **Joie LeBarr Hardie**, **Anita Coleman Steiner**, **Bob McLaughlin** and **Marion "Mack" Wohlhieter**.

I hope to see more of you — I will write up our Reunion for the fall issue. Go Bison! Go 48ers! — J.G.B.

## 1949

### REUNION 2009

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It is with sadness that I report the death of **Jack Garrison**, 91, on Feb. 5. His wife of 63 years sent me a copy of his obituary. He served in the Army and Air-corps during WWII and received the Distinguished Unit Badge with clusters, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and four clusters as well as other medals. He completed 51 missions with the 451st bomb group in Europe. After graduating, he received his MS in business from Columbia University. Before retiring, he was manager of marketing services at J. Wiss & Sons in Newark, N.J., and

after he retired, he taught as an adjunct professor at William Paterson University. He is survived by his wife, Rita, two sons, one daughter and three grandsons. He lived in Little Falls, N.J., and volunteered in local geriatric hospitals since the late 1970s.

I have not gotten any communications from members of the Class of 1949. However, **Donna Spencer Johnson** and husband, Walt, stopped to see me about a month ago. I showed them around my retirement community, and they took me out to lunch. They were on their way back to New Hampshire from a trip to Florida. I believe they had quite a bit of snow up there when they got home.

Please, Class of 1949, send me some information. Do you realize our 60th Reunion will be next year? It doesn't seem possible. We are really old fogies now. — C.M.D.

## 1950

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I met **Elizabeth Bryant Lotto** in the fall of 1946. We were freshmen attending a "mixer" in Tustin Gymnasium. Everyone had a name tag and a card for autographs. The object was to meet as many classmates as possible, exchange autographs and make note of first impressions. Liz and I exchanged cards, and I would soon learn that my first impression of her was right on the mark. She was sincere, thoughtful and had a droll sense of humor. We went though rush week together. When that hectic, wonderful week was over, we became sisters in Pi Beta Phi, enjoying four



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unforgettable years at Bucknell. News of Liz's passing on Jan. 27 has greatly saddened the Class of 1950. We extend deepest, heartfelt sympathy to our fellow classmate **Paul Lotto** and the entire Lotto family.

I hadn't seen **Richard Williamson** in almost 58 years, but when he appeared at my door and asked if I recognized him, I thought I did. "Where do you live?" I asked. "Turbotville," he responded. "Williamson," I guessed. "Yes," he replied. "Dick Williamson." And so began an afternoon of reminiscing. So many years, so much to share; it took two visits before we caught up with each other.

Dick graduated from Wyoming Seminary. After hitchhiking home to get parental permission, he enlisted in the Navy in 1944 and served two years with the Naval Amphibian Forces (Gator Navy) during his Atlantic tour of duty. Bucknell came next. After graduation, his dad asked him what he was going to do. "Work for you," was his response. This he did, going to work at Williamson Wholesale Meats in Turbotville. After his dad left this earthly place, Dick managed the family business in his father's name until he sold it in 1982. He worked at a halfway house, was director of a halfway house in Lewisburg and originated a detoxification program at Muncy Valley Hospital for alcoholics and the chemically dependent. Dick married his high school sweetheart, Evelyn, in 1947. They are the parents of daughter, Pamela, who is a graduate of the University of Phoenix, and son, Samuel, who is a graduate of Gettysburg College. Grandson Jordan is a student at Texas State University. He and Evelyn live happily in the home they share with Arthur, their 80-pound Airedale, in Turbotville.

**Don Manning '52** writes that a group from the Southwest Florida Bucknell Alumni Club gets together for lunch several times a year. At their December luncheon, they enjoyed meeting Jill Abrahamson from the Office of Alumni Relations and Amy Badal,

assistant dean of students. Others present were **John and Marge Lawler Rickard '51**, **Carsie Taylor Gridley**, **Leanne Freas Trout**, **Larry and Joan Schwartz Saphier**, **Les Murray**, **Don Davidson** and **Dave Grimm**. Don reports that "life down here in Florida is good."

**Alice Windeknecht Totten '52** tracked me down after learning I was in the area. We had a delightful visit together and hope for many more.

**Al Borelli '49** sent me a recording he made of Liszt's *Hungarian Rhapsody #4*. At the time I received it, he was preparing for an all-Liszt concert at Brown University. Also from Al, a copy of his book, *East Fork Revisited: A Memoir*, a nonfiction work published by Stone Pine Books. It includes tales of growing up in the mountains of Central Pennsylvania in the 1930s, his years at Bucknell and his musical career and original art. It's a wonderful book; I hope you have an opportunity to read it. You'll laugh, you may cry and you'll probably say, "I remember when ...."

The Class of 1950 extends deepest sympathy to Bessie and **William Ruhl** on the passing of their son, John, on Feb. 14. John's private dental practice served residents of the Lewisburg area for more than 30 years.

I was privileged to hear **Brian Ganz**, son of **Paul Ganz '54**, in a piano concert at Rooke Recital Hall on March 1. An acclaimed pianist and winner of several major piano competitions, Brian has appeared as soloist with orchestras in Russia, London, Tokyo, Verona, Helsinki and the U.S. Playing the music of Beethoven and Chopin, he received a warm Bucknell ovation. — P.W.

The annual Delta Upsilon alumni gathering came off as usual this spring at Marina Jack in Sarasota, Fla. Attendees included Helen and **Bill Martin**, **Wally Boswell '49**, **Bob Sprout '49**, **John '48** and **Carol Van Alen Sprout** and **Lee '51** and **Nancy Rose Hanna '49**. — D.C.

## 1951

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**Irene K. Myint Jensen** gave the lecture, "The New India," at Lenox Community Center in St. Louis Park, Minn., on Feb. 26. Her lecture was a short overview of British colonial rule and nationalist leaders, including Mahatma Gandhi, Nehru and Manmohan Singh. She is professor emerita from Augsburg College.

## 1952

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Do you agree that "there is nothing new under the sun, but only that which has first been forgotten?" It was not a first time for **Jack** and **Eli Childs Lewis** to drive between Lewisburg and State College in a harrowing snowstorm when they returned home from the memorial service for Betsy Powers. Stories, poems and music from family and friends portrayed the beautiful tale of our much-loved friend. Gary Sojka spoke of her creative life being a romance play of unbounded love for her family, the arts, Bucknell and Lewisburg. Eli remembers asking Betsy at the reception honoring her in October, "Do you still make the delicious biscuits that made you legendary when we were students?" She had replied, "No, because the kitchen is always a mess." Betsy will be missed by her Bucknell family.

When **Joy "Mibs" Davis Edelman** learned about my leadership participation in a conference at Arcadia University (formerly Beaver College), she revealed that her mother had been a student at the school when it was called the Beechwood School. We marveled that

this fact was first disclosed 56 years after rooming together. Joy enlisted me to hand deliver a fragile 1911–12 school picture catalog, which the Davis family owned for 96 years. Arcadia alumni were delighted with Joy and her daughter, **Karen Edelman Willem '77**, for contributing this valued acquisition to the archives, which commemorates 155 years of Arcadia history. Joy thoughtfully remarked, "My mother loved Beechwood and would want the pictorial journal to be permanently housed at Arcadia University."

Bill and I attended the 56th National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C., as guests of Fuller Seminary. We were among 4,000 attendees who formed a diverse congregation with the purpose of renewing a common spirit of world community. Our breakfast table included visitors from Puerto Rico, Germany, France, Maryland and Massachusetts. The keynote speaker, Ward Brehm, chairman of the African Development Fund, described his ministry of compassion to impoverished people. President Bush briefly shared his statement of faith. The crowded room overflowed for nearly two hours with a sense of blessing and peace as we sang, heard scripture, listened to faith statements and prayed.

**Jean Lowry Scarr** renewed a family tradition at graduation when Jean's grandson, **Robert Blakemore '08**, became the sixth generation descended from **Robert Lowry 1854** to graduate from Bucknell. Bob's mother, **Lynn Scarr Blakemore '79**, and his father, **Jeffrey Blakemore '78**, along with his aunt Gail and cousin James represented the Lowry clan. Many '52ers met him at our 50th reunion when he was beginning his college search. Congratulations, Bob, for a choice well made. Jean missed the Emeritus Reunion but was pleased that Bob was selected to be an ambassador for the weekend. Traveling to D.C. and NYC kept Jean from returning to Lewisburg so soon after graduation.



Note: See p. 7 for a Q&A with Bob, Lynn and Jean about their Bucknell legacy.

Well-seasoned travelers **George '51** and **Lorna "Tink" Hulings Gravell** boarded the Holland America ship *Prinsendam* at Ft. Lauderdale and made it a home at sea for two and a half months. The voyage began through the Panama Canal, continuing by the west coast of South America and navigating Cape Horn, with the compass set toward Antarctica. The Gravells were fascinated with the huge icebergs, sea lions at play, seals, penguins and flocks of birds that paid little attention regardless of how close they flew to alert observers. The ship sailed by the east coast of South America, via interesting stops at the Falklands Island, Buenos Aires and Rio de Janeiro. Next was a detour to navigate two thirds of the Amazon River to spend the night in primitive housing before piranha fishing and hiking in the jungle. The sailing adventure ended with Devil's Island, Barbados, Puerto Rico and return to port at Ft. Lauderdale. Tink and George knew upon disembarking that without question this experience was the "trip of a lifetime."

The long-awaited *Bucknell Magazine* may actually be a reincarnation of *Bucknell Alumni Monthly*, first published in 1920. Whether new or rebirthing forgotten memories, the Office of Communications has earned loud plaudits for the overall quality, creativity and impressive reader-friendly design. Alumni board of directors in the 1990s envisioned such a magazine when future plans were addressed; this magazine has made that dream come true.

I apologize to **Ellie Pigman '55** and **Bonnie Aspinwall '54** for proofreading skills that prevented the correction of a spell-check misspelling in the winter issue. The twain between the eastern and western Pennsylvania spellings of "**Mackie**" failed to meet. In the future, easing the spelling communication glitch can be solved in a timely manner on B-Link, the

new online alumni community. B-link is a convenient way to narrow the gaps between events and magazine publication. Did you jumpstart reunion news or the Association of the Arts and Scholarship weekends? Again, the Office of Communications has become the glue to strengthen the Bucknell bond. At last count, there were 2,000 members of the B-link community who agree. — R.C.R.

## 1953

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By the time you read this, our 55th gathering will be a memory. This column, however, was completed in April, so news of Reunion will appear in the next issue. At the 50th, we cheered so loud and long because we set outstanding records for attendance and giving. And our party on Saturday night was such fun. Thank you cheerleaders and skit authors and performers!

Another memorable reunion was our 35th. That year, **Bobbie Roemer** roomed with **Joan MacBain Stettler**, but soon she met her Tri Delt sister, **Bette MacDonald Becker**, who introduced Bobbie to her cousin, **George Richard Gibb '58**, who was on campus for his 30th Reunion, and the romance began. They were married Aug. 20 of that year and will be celebrating their 20th anniversary about the time you read this. George, originally in the Class of 1955 (known then as Dick), had interrupted his college to join the Marines and serve in Korea. The happy couple may not be at Reunion this year because of a conflict with a grandson's wedding. Oh, choices. Happy anniversary, Bobbie and George.

On a snowy, slushy evening in February, a friend and I stopped by a Bucknell Club of Philadelphia wine and cheese gathering at the Mayer Art

Gallery to see the art of Neil Anderson, former professor of art at Bucknell. I was pleased to chat with **Bridgette Mayer '96**, the gallery owner, and with the artist. His work is colorful and inventive. Neil is no longer directly connected with Bucknell, but he lives in Lewisburg. **Kimberly Hallman '04** arranged the evening, and the attendees on that wintry evening were mostly newer alumni of the college. It was a delightful encounter.

That same evening, as I was dashing to catch a train into the city, I was wearing my warm orange and blue wool hat with "Bucknell" written across the front. A young man spoke to me and said that he might attend Bucknell and if he did, he would be the third generation to attend. As I hurried past, I asked if he had a relative in the Class of '53, and he did not know. The next day I had an email from **Anna "Mimi" Fussell Lang** who said the nice young man was her grandson. Mimi's daughter, **Amy Lang Simms '86**, is the middle generation. Amy and her son, Harrison, live nearby. Harrison may be a member of the Class of 2013. Mimi and her husband, Eben, sold their home in Wayne and moved to a new retirement community, Shannondell, near Valley Forge.

**Gay Dunbar Stoner** has her winter home in Boca Raton. She and her husband had lived in many locations, the last one before retirement being Buffalo. They maintain a summer residence across the border in Canada and their winter home in Florida. After graduation, Gay received her physical therapy degree at Pitt and worked for a few years before rearing her three daughters. The children and grandchildren are now scattered. Gay said the last time she was on campus was for the graduation of her daughter, **Susan Stoner Brown '78**. Gay cannot attend Reunion this year because of a conflict with a grandson's high school graduation; grandparents do have priorities.

**Bob and Ramona Rogers Larrabee** live in Derwood, Md.,

where they continue to be active. Mona enjoys being a chime player and choral singer in her church and is a member of the Heart of Maryland Chapter of the Sweet Adelines chorus. She attends SA competitions and entertains by singing at local venues. Bob uses his BSEE and MS in mathematics from Bucknell, his master's and doctorate in physics from MIT and an MBA from Rider College at three different locations. He assists a fifth grade science class, tutors and mentors suspended high school students and tutors inmates studying for their GED at the county correctional facility. He is a guest researcher since retiring from The National Institute of Standards and Technology 14 years ago. Their son, David, is a physics professor at East Stroudsburg University, and their daughter, **Susan Larabee Albohn '79**, lives in Morgantown, Pa. Their grandson, Daniel, will enter college this fall. (At the present time, April, he is "wait listed" for Bucknell. Good luck!). They have three younger granddaughters. Bob and Mona were among the first to sign up to attend this year's Reunion!

Some of us are moving. **Trudy Knutzen Powelson** sold her home in Bridgewater, N.J., to her son and has moved into a senior community, Canal Walk, in Somerset, not far from Bridgewater. The location makes it possible for her to maintain her church, family and business activities from her lovely brand new home. A win-win.

Since retiring from his position as dean in a military academy in Missouri, **Frank and Ann Lewis Meredith** have lived in Rehoboth Beach, Del. They selected that area because they had vacationed there, and the location places them near their daughters, one in NYC, and **Eleanore Meredith '81** near Washington, D.C. Frank remains active with the Military Officers Association of America and enjoys visiting various JROTC high schools to present MOAA awards. They are busy with projects for their church and take courses at the Southern



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Delaware Academy of Lifelong Learning. They have had wonderful trips to all of the Canadian Maritime provinces, the Baltic countries and an Elderhostel trip to the Svalbard Archipelago north of Norway, where polar bears, walruses and reindeer sightings enthralled them. They highly recommend the trip even though their ship recently sank in the Antarctic. They have enjoyed several luncheon visits with **Betsy Gibson Franklin** and her husband who live in Washington, D.C., and come to their summer house in Rehoboth Beach often. Ann and Frank also were early signers for Reunion.

In 2004, **Ed Axelrod** retired after 40 years as an orthopedic surgeon at St Vincent's Hospital in NYC. He sold his house in the Riverdale section of the Bronx and moved into the East Village of Manhattan. Ed enjoys the culture: the classes at Juilliard, NYU and the New School. He is an opera buff and an avid bicyclist. For the last several summers he has cycled abroad in Denmark, Belgium, Holland, the Czech Republic, France and New Zealand. Ed has been widowed for 15 years, has two daughters and three grandchildren. The eldest, a granddaughter who is a junior in high school in Farmington, Conn., is planning to apply to Bucknell. Ed was signed up for Reunion.

**Nancy Boyer Danahy** has quite a Bucknell family. Her daughter **Deborah Hennel '80** is the class reporter for that year, and her other daughter is **Gretchen Hennel Crane '84**, whose daughter, Abigail, hopes to be in the Class of 2013. All three of Nancy's children, including her son, David, are following her lead as teachers. Nancy received her master's from Pitt and taught for several years. She was looking forward to Reunion with her roommate, **Sue Appleyard Martucci**, and Sue's husband, Charlie. Sue's daughter built a large addition to her home so that Sue and Charlie, a retired college professor of social work at St. Mary's

College in Notre Dame, Ind., are comfortably situated in Chesapeake City, Md. They had a wonderful trip to Australia and New Zealand in a small group with Gate1 Tour Company last year and are looking forward at Christmas to going to Indonesia where their grandson, a ship captain, will take them to Thailand. Added treat, a great-grandson is there. Bon Voyage!

Also, among the folks who signed up early for Reunion were **Bud and Bobbie Tredenick Bretz '52**, **Wayne Diller, Jane Brown Maas, Maury Mufson, Don '57** and **Doris McCroddan Soule** and, of course, **Walt and Izzy Beers McConnell**. News of the 55th Reunion will be in the next issue.

**Berda Stout Rittenhouse** received the Pioneer in Arts Education Award at the first statewide conference for the advancement of arts education in New Jersey. She is the director of arts education for the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. — C.H.K.

## 1954

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**Holton Confer** is another member of the zipper club: Last year his aortic valve was replaced. He is feeling well again and works as director of corporate communications with the Golf Instruction Club Network.

**Pat Pratt Knodel** read with great interest the news that **Joan Herrmann McKinney** and husband had moved to a retirement community in Warminster, Pa. Pat guessed correctly where Joan had moved and added that she and her husband moved to another community in Glen Mills, Pa., which is managed by the same company. They are

very happy with their choice. They still spend winters in Fort Myers, Fla.

**Sue Hopson Harrison '55** phoned to report the death of her husband, **Art**, on Nov. 25, 2007. Sue and Art met the day after she arrived on campus, and it was love at first sight. They were married for nearly 55 years and had five children. Art was a member of Delta Upsilon and graduated from Bucknell with five honoraries. It seems, from this report, that the number five was a significant one for Art. Sue also mentioned that she thought the new format for our magazine is "wonderful."

Receiving *Bucknell Magazine* prompted **Bud John Swengel '50** to call the Aspinwalls. He lives in Altamonte Springs, Fla., and spent three weeks in Lewisburg. He asked about the results of the Informal Annual Tournament between the Aspinwalls and **Jim and Syd Sherwin Mellinger '52**. This time, the Mellingers and Aspinwalls were more evenly matched; the Mellingers won the billiards title, and the Aspinwalls won the ping-pong contest. — B.M.A.

## 1955

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**Helen Glisson Maddux** wrote on her Xmas card that she would be going to daughter Susie's family in Calgary, where there would be 11 people, four cats and one dog. Always fun there. She planned to see her Missoula family in the early spring. Doctor son, Tod, is working hard and loves it.

After I hung up with **Lydia Hines Rittinger**, she emailed me some more news. While visiting their new grandson, William Henry, and family in San Francisco, they had lunch with **Atsuko Yamamoto MA '56**, who has been living in Anchorage for many years,

where she taught in the university and public school system. She and her husband, **David MS'57**, moved to Alaska to teach many years ago. Unfortunately, he died very young and she stayed on. She has moved to a retirement village near San Francisco to be close to her daughter. She keeps up with several Bucknell graduates and credits Bucknell with her best memories.

**Pat Groff Herschok '56** received a note from **John McKee '56** saying that **Phyllis Marcuccio** was elected to a second term on the Rockville, Md., city council.

**Mike Goodrich** reports a good 2007. He got significant field work done and made progress in curatorial work in the university insect collection.

**Nancy Valentine Terrill** sent her usual wonderful Xmas newsletter. In January 2007, she and **Steve '52** went to Egypt and Jordan. They were on the Nile for a week. Jordan was a big surprise: Amman is a very modern city and Jerash is a buried Roman city they are still rebuilding. Petra was astonishing — an ancient city hidden in the desert. They visited Mount Nebo and went to Wadi Rum, where Lawrence of Arabia fought the Arabs during WWI. In March, they went to Greece and spent a week on the mainland and cruised Mykonos, Santorini and other islands, ending in Crete. In July, they went to St. Petersburg, Arctic Wilderness, Lapland, and cruised the Norway fiords on a coastal ferry. It was the most beautiful cruise they had ever taken. Val's hand has gotten better, and she's back to her old routine. This is her 15th year at the living desert and in the butterfly house. Steve had his 80th birthday on Christmas Day 2007. They celebrated Thanksgiving weekend with all the bells and whistles. They, like many of us, are so fortunate to enjoy good health, and their children and grands are all "A-OK."

**Elaine Ruggieri** wrote in October that she was home from her South African safari after two weeks away. The



safari was fabulous and hard to describe in email. They were a group of six, one a friend from Darden. They did game drives through three reserves: Chazen, Pilanesberg and Marakele. She and her friend ended in Cape Town, a beautiful city if you ignore the "flats," a large section of shanty, corrugated shacks on the outskirts for poor Africans. Cape Town has history, oceans, coves and bays, wineries, mountains and good shopping.

At this writing on April 15, I'm looking forward to Reunion. Daughter, **Bobbie Evans Turner '88**, is coming back for her 20th, so she and I are driving to Bucknell on May 30. Looking forward to it, although I have no idea who will be there since it isn't our year. As to news for the next issue I have two items — that's all, so hope some of you heed this and send me some news.

Lastly, I received an email from Colan Vance, son of **Jane Jones Vance**, telling me that Jane passed away Feb. 19 from ALS. Surviving are her husband, John, four children and four grandchildren. All of us extend our warmest sympathy to Colan and his family. — B.B.E.

## 1956

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**Joanna Randolph Rott** organized a luncheon at the Atlantic Grille in Palm Coast, Fla., for several members of the Class of '56 and their visiting out-of-town guests. Those in attendance were **Barb Bauer Tanner**, **Janet Replogle Roberts**, **Margie Marshall Lawler**, **Jane Sutherland Harley '60**, myself and several guests from Pittsburgh and Mt. Lebanon, Pa. Good food, lively conversation and reminiscing about our Bucknell days made for a pleasant afternoon. The following week we again met with our husbands at Barb Tanner's home for her annual

Valentine's Day dinner. Bucknellians **Ellis Harley '59**, **Jack Kennerdell** and **Bob Hershock '57** joined the group.

**Liz Rufe Jackson** writes that her "news is the new estate of widowhood. After 50 years, the light of my life has gone out, and when I looked around, I saw 11 rooms of STUFF. So I have learned to use Sam's digital camera, sign up with PayPal, and have won my first star on eBay. I have great friends and an even greater family and am happy to report that widows are not shunned as I had thought, but life is full of reconnections and the newness of the steps ahead."

**John McKee** sent me an email covering a trip he and his wife, Rita, took with the Bucknell group who went to the Galapagos with biology professor Warren Abrahamson and his daughter, Jill. **Dick Benton '58** and his wife, Valerie, were also on the trip. Many species of birds, sea lions, marine iguanas, sea turtles, Galapagos penguins and manta rays were sighted. The glass bottom boat provided views of various types of fish. In true gardener fashion, John tasted a wild tomato after being assured by the botanist that it was safe to eat.

An email from **Bob and Lorraine Soresi Tweed**: "Bob is playing quite a bit of golf. He serves on many community committees and sings barber-shop. He is president of his barbershop chapter this year and is having fun. I hit a bump in the road at the end of October. I had a stroke, not a TIA, but a real stroke. Fortunately, I have recovered almost completely except for one strange thing. I lost my sense of taste. If anyone out there can tell me why, I would appreciate it. I am still serving on Village Council. I was elected Mayor Pro Tem (Vice Mayor) and due to the illness of our Mayor, have been in charge for a month and a half now."

Jo Rott writes that "**Mary O'Connor Harris**' (Pi Phi) husband, Ken, passed away in January after a long illness requiring nursing home care. They made their home in

Chesterfield, Mo., where they raised their two daughters. Jo remembers she met Ken only once in the early sixties. The occasion was when Ken and his best man arrived at the Rotts' home in Willow Grove, Pa., during a record snowstorm to marry Mary before a justice-of-the-peace. Following a champagne toast and light refreshments the Harrises took off for their honeymoon and a devoted life together that lasted for 40-plus years." — P.G.H.

## 1957

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**Bob Fitzsimmons '58** and his wife, Carolyn, hosted a reception at their North Scottsdale home to honor Sid Jamieson who served as Bucknell's only lacrosse coach from the program's inception in 1968 until his retirement in 2005. Upon his retirement, Jamieson ranked 10th among all lacrosse coaches with 242 career victories, including four straight Patriot League titles from 2000 to 2003. He was named the USILA National Coach of the Year in 1996 when he led the Bison to a perfect 12-0 season. In his 40-year career at Bucknell, Jamieson was active in on-campus issues, winning the prestigious Burma-Bucknell Bowl, given for "outstanding contributions to intercultural and international understanding." Sid's love for Bucknell was evident in his remarks to us at the party.

Among the alumni attending the Fitzsimmons' party for Sid was **Lou Kissling '71**, one of the best players in the history of Bucknell lacrosse. He was named an All-American Lacrosse Player in 1970 and 1971 and is in the Bucknell Hall of Fame. Other Bucknellians at the March gathering included **Jon Eschinger '69**, **Barbara Puff '69**, **Andy Dzurinko '65**, **Bill '56** and **Carol Wanamaker**

**Lenker, John '56** and **Dot Hund Hayes, Carl Nablo '82** and **W. Hughes Ulrich '90** and his wife, Elizabeth.

Sadly, I report the passing of **Elizabeth O'Neill Swarr** on March 3. Betsy was born in Hanover and lived with her husband, **David '54**, in Malvern, Pa. Her memorial service at the Paoli Country Club was a beautiful tribute to her devotion to her family. She was a Girl Scout leader and homeroom mother. She enjoyed golfing and bridge, was active in Pi Beta Phi sorority and thoroughly enjoyed traveling with Dave in their RV. They were in their home in Florida when Betsy died. — D.H.H.

## 1958

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It is mid-April in Lewisburg, and spring seems to be showing her colors at last.

I received an interesting account of a Bucknell-sponsored trip enjoyed by **Richard Benton** and his wife, Valerie. They visited Quito and Guayaquil in Ecuador and spent five days cruising the Galapagos Islands. Forty-two Bucknellians, including Richard's longtime friend and fraternity brother, **John McKee '56**, and his wife, Rita, were part of a wonderful travel experience. Warren Abrahamson of Bucknell's biology department added much class to their adventure with his on-board lectures and PowerPoint presentations. Some younger alumni were former students of Abrahamson's.

Richard closed his letter by saying that he hoped to see a lot of classmates at Reunion. The same wish was expressed to me by at least two dozen Bucknellians. Our 50th was the big one! — N.J.R.R.



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## 1959

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The Reunion of the Class of 1959 will be Thursday, May 28, to Sunday, May 31, 2009. Plan to be there. **Mona O'Neill Sharkey**, [sharkbill@comcast.net](mailto:sharkbill@comcast.net), and **Willi Rilling Stahura**, 508-653-8443, [wstahura@comcast.net](mailto:wstahura@comcast.net), who co-chair Reunion, would like us to make a note on our calendars. If you are interested in volunteering, please feel free to get in touch with them. I would like your email address so that we may send you future messages for class reporting

and about Reunion planning.

**Bob McClay** says, "I saw announced the passing of our classmate **Marv Porter**. Marv and his roommate, **Jim LaRue**, lived across the hall from **Bob Kluge** and me in East College during part of our sophomore year. Marv was the friendliest guy that I ever met till then or since. He had a ready smile for everyone he met and always was ready to regale you with the latest travails of the Boston sports teams. As soon as he spoke his first word, you knew he was from New England — Nashua, N.H., as I recall. No one called him Marv. He was known to all of us as "Hubie," a moniker probably hung on him by roommate Jim. He and Jim were such upbeat guys, a trip to their room always left one in a sunny mood. It's a sunnier place, I'm sure, wherever he is now."

**David Bakish** writes, "The book I wrote about comedian

Jimmy Durante, which was in print 12 years as a hardcover and a finalist for an Association of Recorded Sound Collections award for its research and depth of discographical information, was recently reissued in paperback by McFarland, a company that specializes in show business books. This means more positive reviews in specialty magazines and increased royalty checks. I can now treat friends to chicken grillers at Wendy's or Burger King."

**Tony Lucas** emails, "Ellena and I are celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary this month. We are having a series of dinners with our family and friends at various locations. We are in Hilton Head, S.C. We will leave for our home in the Adirondack Mountains this weekend. We will first stop at our place on the Chesapeake Bay to spend time with our grandson. I have been playing a lot of tennis at Hilton Head. Ellena enjoys her walks on the beach and the many other activities that are available here. We had a lot of snow this year, which was great for winter activities. However, we had enough snow and decided to head south for a warm weather vacation. We are still in good health and continue to try to live life to its fullest."

**Richard Perlman** says, "On Saturday, May 10, **Herb Kallenberg**, **Mike Litman**, **Paul Franklin '60** and I, together with my wife, [met] for lunch in NYC. We do this perhaps two times yearly when Mike comes to town from Pittsburgh. This is renewing old acquaintances, and of course, telling old tales. **Myron Sugerman** usually joins us, but this time he will be a no show."

**Elaine Chazen Hochman** says, "We spent a lovely winter commuting between Miami and the Dominican Republic, lots of sun, exercise and reading, also a little sightseeing. We spent three days in Key West, interesting area, and enjoyed Hemingway's cats! Last trip to Texas, we celebrated my 70th and Ben's 74th with a Smithsonian trip to Big Bend National

Park. We had a geologist and botanist with us so we leaned about the geology of the area, which is an old volcanic basin, besides the local flora and fauna. Enjoyed good hikes, friends and good food! As the optimist and planner, I made reservations for our 50th weekend. We plan to do the Philadelphia cancer ride in July again. Last year, we were among the top 25 fundraisers out of 4,000 people. We hope to do as well again this year. Stay well and hopefully we will see all next June."

**Jean Nardi Benning** writes, "**Miriam Mendelson McRobb** was anticipating the wedding of her daughter Jane in April. Last year this time, Mir's news was the arrival of her first grandchild, so her family is happily expanding."

"At a breakfast on campus in April, I sat next to Harry Garvin, the world lit professor I adored, and had a wonderful time talking with him. He and **Jack Wheatcroft '49**, who were two of my favorite professors, both live in Lewisburg as emeriti. We conversed in Italian and talked about the Fulbright year that Garvin spent in the early 60s teaching American lit. at the University of Naples. We also discussed **Philip Roth '54**, whose appearance at graduation was coming up. Garvin said that people ask him what he did to teach Roth to write. His answer is that nobody taught Roth to write. Not Harry, not Jack Wheatcroft and not Mildred Martin, all of whom were influences on Roth in the '50s. Roth taught himself to write, says Garvin, who modestly claims only to have introduced the author to some great literature and to have helped him to exercise his considerable intellect."

"At lunch the same day, we sat with **Anne Prosser Post '56** and her husband. I couldn't remember why Anne looked so familiar to me until she reminded me that she was the snack bar lady for the freshman women's dorms in '55-'56. Those of us who lived in Carey House called her the 'hoagie lady.' We had a good laugh remembering how Bucknell



'locked us up' at 8 p.m. on weeknights our freshman year. We could not leave the dorm. Some of us got hungry between dinner and 10 p.m., so Anne's appearance every night on every hall between 10-11 p.m. with her basket of sandwiches was very popular. Her arrival brought us out of study in our rooms for a little socializing before bedtime.

"Remember also the hated telephone duty on each women's hall? So that the unfortunate people who lived next to the only phone on each floor, located in a booth, would not have to answer the phone all the time, we made up lists and took turns. The phone rang so incessantly on a large hall that the woman on duty would park a chair near the booth and study there.

"Anne Post was the props chairman for many a Cap and Dagger play, staged then at Lewisburg High School. I reminded her that I had served on one of her props committees. The title eludes me, but then many things elude me these days! All I remember was that my job was to paint gray cotton tights with loops to look like armor for knights. Anne easily topped my story. A live goat, she said, was once needed for a play. She stabled it in the basement of Larison and neglected to tell the head resident, Martha Zeller, who was dean of freshman women that year, was awakened during the night by the sound of bleating coming from below her room!"

**Richard "Bart" Bartholomew** writes, "I've just been elected to the Board of Directors of two Greenwich organizations, The Retired Men's Association of Greenwich and the Salvation Army. The RMA has about 250 members. We focus on fellowship, service and volunteerism. I particularly enjoy our weekly program of local and nationally known speakers. More information can be found at [greenwichRMA.org](http://greenwichRMA.org)."

**Dodie Vogeler Jackson** emails, "It's not the best of news, but there is a happy ending. I lost my job at the

florist/gift shop. However, I had seen troubles coming and had an application in to be a school crossing guard here in Westfield. So, yes, now I am one of those grannies holding up the stop sign to let the kiddies cross the street — I am happy doing it. It is an outdoor job and there is plenty of people contact — I am just a sub until the end of the school year. Hopefully I will get a post of my own in September. In the meantime, I am getting unemployment payments for the first time. I really love all this time to myself, and my garden is benefiting as are all my knitting, quilting and reading projects."

**Janet Macnair Price** says, "Dick and I are attending his 50th reunion at West Point and then leaving from New York, flying to Finland and Estonia before boarding a small ship in St. Petersburg for a Russian River Cruise ending in Moscow. This happens at the end of May into June and we're very excited."

**Ann Hardy Sharp** emails, "So sad, the death of **Ann Norris Snyder** on March 30 from non-Hodgkin's lymphoma."

**Joan Perego Thayer** writes, "My oldest grandson, Richard, will graduate from New Smyrna Beach High School on May 25. He will attend Florida State University. Ted and I and our daughter, Laura, and our youngest son, Will, plan to attend. Our oldest son, Bruce, and his sons are involved in baseball games that weekend. In June, Ted will teach at the Kendall Betts horn camp in New Hampshire; I will be finishing out the school year. In July we plan to do a bus tour in Ireland and return home on the Queen Mary II. We sailed on her in December and loved the planetarium, guest lecturer Robert Burgess, naval historian, and amazing library."

**Betsy Kilbury Foster's** computer-savvy husband, Steve, emailed the following: "We had a very interesting experience in Naples Florida this past February. Here's the story: I was in Publix and had a Bucknell T-shirt on. A fellow came up to me in the check-out

line and said I must be a good guy if I was wearing a Bucknell shirt. It was **Al Christenson '56**. Al was originally from Verona, and when Betsy matriculated at Bucknell in the fall of 1955, he called her and invited her to the Kappa Sig house. I had dated Al's sister after they had moved to Glen Ridge. Small world. At the time, **Penn '53** and **Dee Pieper Shelley** were vacationing in Marco Island, so we were all invited to Al and **Sally Berry Christenson's '56** club for dinner. A good time was had by all — five Bucknellians and one Wesleyan man."

**George**, aka "The Rev," and **Bonnie Callahan** write, "After just shy of 50 years in the 'front row trenches' of ministry, I have finally retired. At 71, I decided it was time to devote our remaining time to our children, grandchildren and some time to smell the roses. I had retired the first time back in '98, but after a few years of doing interim work for the denomination, I felt the nudge to start another church. We started one here in the mountains of Georgia, and after four years and four months of a wonderful 'final fling,' retired as of the first Sunday in May. We hope to travel to Michigan and Maine this summer for several weeks — if we can afford the gas! We have been to Israel 18 times in the years gone by and plan to return this spring for another 12-day pilgrimage. Anyone who might desire to visit Israel in 'five-star' fashion, let us know. 770-893-1206. We now enter that autumn season of our lives with the possible mission ministry of spending time in Africa ministering to the orphan HIV children. We shall see."

**Dee Pieper Shelley** emailed, "Penn '53 and I enjoyed visits with some Bucknellians while in Florida this winter. We had a delightful afternoon and evening with Steve and **Betsy Kilbury Foster** and Al and **Sally Berry Christenson '56** in Naples. We caught up with **Susie Blasier Butler** and her partner Larry Bock. Susie always says, 'welcome to paradise.' In June, **Mir Mendelson McRobb**

and **Annamarie Neff Anderson** and I will enjoy *Jersey Boys* in NYC."

**Ted and Barbara Du Puy** enjoyed a trip to Ashville, N.C., where we stayed with friends and toured the spectacular Biltmore Estates. We then ventured to Franklin, Tenn., to do child care for my son's three children, which is always most delightful when they are in good health. — T.E.D.

## 1960

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**Ellis '59** and I just got home from Florida, and fortunately we have lots of news for this issue. We got to spend time with **Ted '59** and **Barbara Boger Leshner**. They are such fun, and we always enjoy time with them. In February, **Doug Grigg '59** and his friend, Bambi, came to Palm Coast and stayed in the same community where we live. It was good to catch up with Doug.

**Peg Beckman Goff** writes, "I must have missed the news about your kidney transplant. How wonderful to have a healthy kidney! Last year, I had a corneal transplant after being blinded by a long-term infection caused by lymphoma. Long story short, I'm well and have a new eye. The wonders of modern medicine — aren't you glad you didn't live a hundred years ago? Since we're western folk now, we seldom see Bucknell buddies. However, we had a great visit with **Ched** and **Rachel Robbins Mertz** in October. Spent a few days on the Oregon coast and got caught up on family and a few Bucknell friends. I've been remiss in keeping up with classmates, so greetings to all and in particular, hi to my music department cronies."

**Sally Thornthwaite Fazenbaker** writes, "Every winter we see **Pat West Batson**, and we talk about Bucknell. We talk about quitting smoking many years ago, and how glad we are



## Alumni Near&Far

that we did. Pat and Dave live half the year here and half in Vermont; Dean and I spend the entire year here in Palm Beach Gardens. Things have really grown up in the 40-plus years we have been here, but we will stay. Keep busy in your retirement years."

Our class lost a dear person, **Dick Whitney**. This email is from **Frank Regan**: "Richard C. Whitney passed away on Dec. 9, 2007, at Meadowbrook, Pa. Whit was a stockbroker for Oppenheimer & Co. in Jenkintown, Pa. **Jim Brady** and I attended the services for Whit on Dec. 13. He was a kind and giving person, and he loved Bucknell. It has been said that Whit never was known to have said an unkind word about anyone."

**Jack Eachus** has been busy with classmates this winter. He wrote on Feb. 13, "My last two weekends were all Bucknell '60. The weekend with the football teammates could not have been better. After cocktails and dinner on Friday, **Tony Rinaldo** took the microphone with the band at the Boardwalk. Saturday's lunch was at Alabama Jack's in the Keys. When we returned to the house, **John Bergfeld** joined us. He was at Bucknell on Friday for a tribute to former athletic trainer, Hal Biggs. Triage was set up, and Dr. Bergfeld was examining and diagnosing Rinaldo's knee, **Larry Mathias'** back and my shoulder. It was funnier than the pictures. **Clint Gilkey's** flight was cancelled in Buffalo due to wind and snow. Telephonic visits were made by Gilkey, **Ray Hettche** and **George Salinger**. Coach Rod Oberlin was our mystery guest and added a lot to the party. There were picture boards and DVDs of games. **Neil Murphy's** wife and daughter died this year. He was here for meetings with the Department of Treasury. So the underlying motive was 'in support of Neil Murphy.' It was successful." Jack's second weekend was with his DU brothers: "**Jim Scura** was a gracious host for the DU '60 brothers at Sebastian Inlet, Fla., for the third straight year. Attendees were

Jim and Dee Scura, Jack Eachus, **Tony Bruno**, **Chuck Ernst** and his wife, Joyce, **Hank** and **Carol Bachschmid Pulizzi '61**, **Bill Curtiss** and his wife, Pat, **Mim Thom**, Pledge Master **Art Saunders '57**, **Ted Treadwell**, **Marty Holmes**, **John Ayre** and his wife, Ana. **Dave Murdock** made a telephonic visit."

The following came from Neil Murphy: "I'm sure that you have already heard about the Bison '60 Football Reunion at Jack Eachus' place in Florida. In attendance were John Bergfeld, Larry and Joyce Mathias, Tony Rinaldo, **Bill Bauersfeld ('Flump')**, **Jim Brady**, **Larry Claycomb** and his wife, Anne, and **Bob Patzwall**. Jack and his wife, Delores, were both gracious and tolerant hosts. On Feb. 23, I went from Richmond to Norfolk to see the Bison basketball team play Old Dominion University in one of the bracket-buster games. Also in attendance was our classmate **Henry Livas**. Bucknell kept it close for much of the game, but ODU was too strong, too many big bodies. On March 1, I went to the Diamond in Richmond to see the Bison baseball team play my employer, Virginia Commonwealth University. VCU has had a strong baseball program with a number of players going to the major leagues. Bucknell swept them in a double header with a strong offensive performance. I saw one of the Bison hit a grand slam home run in the first game. There was a pretty good turnout of Bison fans, but no others from the Class of 1960. I am also pleased to note that there is a Bucknell Club of Richmond in the formative stages."

I thank Peg, Sally, Frank, Jack and Neil for taking the time to write. Also, on behalf of our class, I want to extend our deepest sympathies to Neil on the loss of his wife and daughter. — J.S.H.

## 1961

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The daffodils are up, the forsythia and magnolias are blooming, but I'm still wearing sweaters. I dare not complain, since we in the Mid-Atlantic states managed to escape with a relatively easy winter. I finished the winter in style with my annual 10-day visit with my sister and brother-in-law at their lovely home in Naples, Fla. The weather was spectacular, and the biggest decisions each day dealt with things like, "Shall we sit on the beach, by the pool or go shopping?"

Imagine my surprise when I opened my mailbox and found a huge manila envelope with the return address "Langford/UF School of Music." In addition to a CD of the University of Florida Jazz Band was a copy of *Encore*, the UF School of Music news-letter, and a cover letter from Gary. I'm talking about fellow music major, **Gary Langford**, who writes that prior to retiring at the end of spring 2007, he was selected as the co-teacher of the year for the entire University of Florida. The article was impressive, and I will fill you in on the highlights. Arriving at UF in 1971, Gary directed the jazz bands, directed and wrote all the arrangements for marching band, directed the concert bands, taught jazz history and jazz improvisation, served as the professor of trumpet, held the position of assistant director of the school of music and served as interim director of the school of music. By the time he stepped down as marching band director in 1996, he had written more than 450 arrangements. According to Gary, he's "had students on Broadway and in Woody Herman's band, and one was the conductor of the national tour of *Les Miserables* for several years." Over the years, Gary has released five recordings with the UF jazz bands, and a

sixth was recorded in May 2007. Among his finest memories were appearances at the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans and the bowl game at the end of the 2005 season when Nebraska crushed the Gators and their national title hopes. However, he got his reward when the Gators dismantled Ohio State to claim the 2006 National Championship.

A recent email from **Beverly Anderson McCausland '62** said that her daughter, **Julie McCausland Muio '91** and her husband, Sam, welcomed their second daughter, Sophie Claire, on March 31. Sophie joins sister, Gabriella, 2. In addition to being mom to Gabriella and Sophie, Julie is an emergency room physician in Pittsburgh.

I hope this note finds all of you in good health and enjoying life. Please send me an email with your news, no matter how insignificant it may seem to you. I guarantee your classmates will love hearing from you. — B.K.S.

## 1963

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I am sure you are expecting Reunion news, but due to publishing dates and Class Notes deadlines, you will have to wait some more.

As I write this, Reunion is still in the planning stages. Our program chair, **Doug Williams**, and gift co-chairs, **Dick Fidler** and I, are working on faith that the Class of 1963 will be strongly represented at Reunion both in their presence and in their gifts to the Bucknell Fund.

If you were not there, you were missed. If you were, you can attest to the power of nostalgia. Until my next column, see the Bucknell website or B-Link for coverage of Reunion. — W.S.B.



# 1964

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*Bucknell Magazine* is searching for a reporter for the Class of '64. Please contact us if you are interested. Please direct your news for the next issue to [class-notes@bucknell.edu](mailto:class-notes@bucknell.edu) or Class Notes, Bucknell Magazine, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

Sadly, I begin by reporting the death of a dear classmate, **Paul Himmelsbach**. Paul was the musical soul of Kappa Sigma and could often be found at the piano playing the melodic songs that were such a welcome contrast to the rowdy fare of many frat parties. **Mike Andrews** attended his memorial service in Florida and expressed to Jane, Paul's wife of more than 40 years, how highly regarded he was by those of us who knew him. Paul's love of music continued through his life, and Jane tells of cleaning the kitchen after dinners accompanied by Paul at the organ. In addition to his wife, Paul is survived by sons David and Steven, his mother and two grandchildren. Farewell to one of the really good guys.

Also lost to us is **Cleve Fredricksen '63**, forever frozen in my mind as the cute guy who waited on our table when our freshman hall group went to the SAE house for dinner. Condolences to our classmate **Beverly Simon Fredricksen** and their children.

On a brighter note, Yvonne and **Mack Day** moved themselves and 800 boxes from Lake Forest, Ill., to Asheville, N.C., where they have settled into a "wonderful old house" in an area where they previously lived for many years. In September, **Dennis Gale** and I were at the wedding of their eldest son, **Jamie '97**, to

Deirdre Murdock at Little Compton, R.I. It was a beautiful day and a picture-book setting. Mack, who completed eight years on Bucknell's alumni board in June, stays in touch with many classmates and is taking up golf in retirement in order to take on **Larry Kash**. I'd love to be official scorer on that match-up. Mack and Larry created a Bucknell scholarship some years ago to honor their close friend Mike Andrews after Mike's serious injuries from a car accident. The scholarship is dedicated to a student majoring in biomedical engineering, and many Kappa Sigmas and others have contributed. Mack says, "It is fun to watch deserving students benefit from it — a sign of age, I guess, but the honest joy received is something all of us should take to heart."

After reading in the winter issue of *Bucknell Magazine* (and don't you love the new format?) that **Mike Rudell** is John Grisham's entertainment lawyer, I wasn't surprised by the mention in *The New York Times* that John le Carré's new publishing contract was negotiated by his lawyer — guess who? None of us who knew Mike is surprised at his success, but to an author groupie like me, this is like learning someone you once knew is playing in the World Series. Way to go, Mike.

In case you missed the last issue or are in denial, this is my next-to-last column, and no one has come forth as our new voice. Trust me, we need someone new and different. It's fun; it's only four times a year; and sometimes you get cool freebies for being an official Bucknell volunteer. Think about it. — D.S.K.

# 1965

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Two women from the Class of 1965 continue to make us

proud. Let's hear it for our elementary education majors!

**Sally Hobart Alexander's** eighth book, co-authored with husband, Bob, has been chosen as a Junior Library Guild selection. *She Touched the World: Laura Bridgman, Deaf-Blind Pioneer* is a biography of the first successfully educated deaf-blind person, 50 years before Helen Keller. Without sight, hearing, smell or taste, Laura Bridgman became the blueprint for future generations of the deaf-blind and all disabled people. Becoming blind at 26, Sally Alexander earned a master's degree, married, worked full time and raised two children, while swimming, kayaking and living a full life. She began writing books, hoping to expose readers to difference as well as the value of diversity. She teaches in the MFA program at Chatham University in Pittsburgh.

*Note: Her book is reviewed in this issue on p. 17.*

**Susan Johnson Zellman** was elected chairman of the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority Board of Trustees. A Sussex County Freeholder, she is executive director of the Housing Partnership, a United Way Agency based in Dover. She is a representative to the Lake Musconetcong regional planning board, a member of the Sussex County planning board, founder of the Sussex County planning awards and a member of the Sussex strategic growth advisory committee.

**Linda Haigh Tozier** was elected to a second two-year term as regional director for the Middle Atlantic Region of the American Association of University Women. Her territory includes Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia. — L.H.T.

The writing and illustrations of **Sharon Gilfillan Wooding** were featured in a show at the First Parish Church Gallery in Weston, Mass., in January. She is the author and illustrator of many children's books, including *Arthur's Christmas*

*Wish* (Atheneum Publishers) and *The Painter's Cat* (G.P. Putnam's Sons).

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So, what's happening in your life now that it's been over 40 years since we've graduated? Sending news about yourself for Class Notes is a good way to connect to Bucknell colleagues. We'd like to hear from you. — S.H.S.

**Betsy Neary Sholl** was the featured poet at "Potluck and Poetry" on Dec. 6, 2007, in the Lincoln Academy Dining Hall in Newcastle, Pa. Named Maine's third Poet Laureate in 2006, she teaches at Stonecoast Writers Conference, the Frost Place and Vermont College and has written eight books of poetry.

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**George Benson**, president of the College of Charleston, received an honorary doctorate of humane letters from The Citadel. He was the 2008 graduate college commencement speaker.



# 1969

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William Indruk was nominated by his peers as an exceptional emergency physician in *New Jersey Monthly Magazine's* "Top Doctors" edition. Indruk is attending emergency medicine physician at the Summit Medical Group. He is a diplomat of the American Board of Emergency Medicine and a fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians.

**G. Richard Garman MS'69** became a fellow in the American College of Health Care Executives, a distinction held by only 7500 healthcare executives in the nation. Garman is the executive director of the Wayne Memorial Health Foundation and served as CEO of Wayne Memorial Hospital from May 1994 to August 2001.

**Jeffrey and Shelley Satuloff Hirshberg '71** were named outstanding volunteer fundraisers of the year at the National Philanthropy Day luncheon in Buffalo, N.Y. He writes, "We have three children: Danielle, who lives near Philadelphia and works for Merck, is the mother of our two grandsons; Jeremy, who is completing his Ph.D. in organizational behavior and lives in San Diego, and Jacob, who lives in Buffalo while he completes his education."

# 1970

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Two new additions to the leisure class.

After 32 years as a court reporter for the state of New Jersey, **Gayle Garrabrandt** has retired. She notes, "It's nice to have extra leisure time to work on the house and to be able to stay up late without worrying about getting up early in the morning. I'm trying to learn to play bridge — never had the time or the patience to learn before. Now I have the time, but I don't know about the patience." She adds that she still gets requests for transcripts — some eight years old — but she's enjoying her freedom and is considering doing some volunteer work with Literacy Volunteers. You can reach her at 28 Silverside Road, Lakewood, NJ 08701.

Joining Gayle and the rest of you enjoying the good life is **Walt Molawka**, who has taken his retirement to a Georgia state of mind. He writes, "After a couple of years of contemplating retirement, on May 1, I finally did it. My wife of 31 years, BJ, and I have traded the Boca home for a mountain cabin in Blue Ridge, Ga., the Jag for a Jeep, south Florida traffic for tranquility, corporate life for community activities, and a heavy international travel schedule for more time spent with BJ, our daughter, Michele, and our two grandchildren, Brianna Marie and Riley James Walter. That said, I will not be completely business-idle as I have agreed to provide water technologies consulting services to my employer of almost 30 years, Parkson Corporation, and will selectively market

those services to other companies via my own company. Still, there will be lots of time for off-roading adventures with the Jeep, hiking the numerous nearby National Forest trails, traveling, etc. Life is definitely good. I look forward to seeing classmates at our 40th Reunion in a few years." You can reach Walt at 344 Buckridge Road, Suches, GA 30572 or at [wam2700@aol.com](mailto:wam2700@aol.com). — E.R.

*The Best of the U.S.* list of best professionals in the country selected **Stann Givens** for inclusion in the 2008 edition. He has practiced law in Tampa, Fla., for 34 years and is president of the divorce litigation firm of Knox & Givens.

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**Bill Kinney** reports that he has a new mailing address, 252 Eatoncrest Drive, Suite B, Eatontown, NJ 07724, in case anyone wants to mail him small, unmarked bills. Otherwise, his email address is [ReinsurEsq@aol.com](mailto:ReinsurEsq@aol.com).

Did anyone see that Bucknell's triple overtime win over Navy in the Patriot League

basketball tournament made Len Berman's "Spanning the World" segment on the *Today Show*? Bingo!

**Jon Sprout** continues to write, perform and record songs for children, their teachers and families. He is working on his third CD of songs about American heroes. Jon performs at over 100 schools per year, including **Dee Trout Ledgerwood's** school in Park Ridge, N.J. Visit his website, [jonsprout.com](http://jonsprout.com), to see his newsletters and concert schedule. He can be reached at Sprout Recordings, 121 Rugby Drive, Langhorne, PA 19047-8502.

After living for many years in Boca Raton, Fla., **Richard Saltz** has moved to Sherman, Texas, where he was recruited to join a multi-specialty group practice (TexomaCare) to start a new gastroenterology service at the Texoma Medical Center. Their son, Joshua, was accepted for law review at Florida Coastal School, and their twin daughters, Jessica and Jamie, graduated from the University of Florida at Gainesville and expect to be heading off to law and dental schools, respectively. He can be reached at 1014 Memorial Drive, Suite #216, Denison, TX 75020 or [rsaltz@thcs.org](mailto:rsaltz@thcs.org).

**Jean Hinlicky '72**, the First Harris J.C., wrote to say she misses her freshman girls. "I have our hall photo on my home office desk, and I think of you more frequently than you would imagine. Like when I saw Karen's photo as a drum majorette in *Bucknell World* some months ago. I saw the name 'Meloy' somewhere unrelated and thought of Beth. All of you course in and out of my memories. As I experience my fifties, I find myself wanting to reconnect a bit. I would love to hear from and about all of you." Email: [jean.hinlicky@gmail.com](mailto:jean.hinlicky@gmail.com).

I got back to Bucknell a few weeks ago for the first time in more than 20 years. My son, Hunter, who is a high school junior, is doing the college tour thing. So here is big dad, former Frisbie king at Bucknell, showing his kid around. Start to drive down fraternity row and woops,



there's a building in the way. Back up and sheepishly find my way around it. "That wasn't there before." So let's try driving by Swartz Hall. Woops, dead end. "That wasn't there before." Well, you get the picture. The college tour guide was much more helpful than I was. We ran into Gerry Commerford in the student union building. He said he has been with Bucknell for 39 years. It was great to be back. Hunter loved it, too!

**Tony and Mary Vasselli Revenis** have become official empty nesters with all three kids away at school. Mary is a neonatologist at Children's National Medical Center and Tony is director of contracts at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. They live at 3121 Rolling Road, Chevy Chase, MD 20815. Email: mrevenis@cnmc.org.

**Susan Macintosh Houts** passed away on June 26, 2007, after a long and brave struggle with cancer. She is survived by three children. — N.W.C.

## 1975

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**Cliff Thornberry** writes, "I am an empty nester after raising my son Brandon, 26, who lives in Nashville, Tenn., and is in the music business (what else!), and my daughter, Karyn, 20, who is a sophomore at Penn State Behrend, and playing varsity water polo there. After living in the Pittsburgh, area for these many years, I have relocated to the picturesque village of Quechee, Vt., where I am enjoying downhill cross-country skiing and looking forward to participating in New England triathlons in the summer. I am employed at Eastern Bridge, a division of Canam Steel Corp. in Claremont, N.H., as plant manager." Cliff would love to hear from Bucknellians who live in New England (or elsewhere for that matter). He can be

reached at tricliff@yahoo.com. His mailing address is P.O. Box 562, Quechee, VT 05059. — N.Q.B.

**David Scadden** has been elected to the prestigious Institute of Medicine, which analyzes health issues and makes policy recommendations. He is the director of the Massachusetts General Hospital's Center for Regenerative Medicine. He is co-director of the department of developmental and regenerative biology at Harvard University and Harvard Medical School, and he is co-director of the Harvard Stem Cell Institute. He is also the

Gerald and Darlene Jordan professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School. He was awarded an honorary doctor of science degree from Bucknell during Commencement in May.

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## LIFELONG GEOGRAPHER GETS NATION'S TOP SPOT

When most people think about geography, they envision maps, hemispheres, longitude, and latitude. For **Lee Schwartz '76**, geography is much more: it's a gateway to international issues like human rights, refugee movements, and climate change.

Schwartz became Geographer of the United States in April 2007, after serving in an acting role for over two years. He also is the director of the State Department's Office of the Geographer and Global Issues.

Since the office was established in 1921, the Geographer's charges have changed dramatically. "It used to be primarily mapping and boundary analysis," Schwartz says, "but once most of the world's major boundaries had stabilized and been mapped, we had to branch out and do different work to remain relevant." In the past few years, the office has worked with other federal agencies and NGOs to respond to the 2005 Pakistan earthquake, the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami, and the crisis in Darfur.

Schwartz's office has centered its efforts on emergency responses to humanitarian disasters, which involve digital mapping, imagery analysis, and fieldwork operations designed to deliver relief to vulnerable refugees and displaced persons. He recently returned from leading a three-week, 15-person delegation to nine countries in Africa for the State Department.

Schwartz's interest in studying geography at Bucknell was sparked by Professor Richard Peterec, with whom he traveled to Egypt and Russia. Inspired by Peterec's passion for geography, Schwartz earned a master's degree and doctorate from Columbia and taught for several years at American before joining the State Department. He notes that Peterec "probably still views my decision to leave academe and join the government as a sell-out!"

Schwartz spent a year in Moscow as a Fulbright scholar, studying the importance of national homelands in the former Soviet Union. Originally contemplating studying anthropology, he decided on geography and has made his mark. He has no regrets: "Once I started," he says, "I loved it." — *Brian P. Watson '01*



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I am writing and submitting this column on April 15; hope everyone got a refund!

With Reunion only six weeks away, I thought it fitting to send congratulations to our classmates whose children are following in their footsteps as part of the Chips Class of 2011: **Bob and Regina Ciatto Bryson** (daughter, **Catherine**); **Sandra Boehmer Fry** (daughter, **Emily**); **Randy Hinrichs** (daughter, **Kristen**); **Glenn Miller** (daughter, **Rebecca**); **Susan Kveton Mitchell** (son, **Alexander**); **Janet Schroth Hislop** (daughter, **Emily**); **Anne Baker O'Connell** (daughter, **Elizabeth**); **Clifford Reiter** (son **Joshua**); **Howard Smith** (son, **Howard**). Since acceptance letters went out a week ago, please write

and let me know if your son or daughter will be part of the Class of 2012.

I received a great email from **Bob McGrath** right after the deadline for the last issue. Since then, he has been involved in planning Reunion activities, including the procurement of some very fine California wines for our get-together Friday night.

According to Bob, he and his older son Jim, 16, "participated last summer in our Boy Scout troop's Philmont Trek. Philmont is a national scout reservation in northeastern New Mexico. This trek involved a 10-day, 60-plus mile backpacking expedition. It is quite an achievement to keep up with a crew of 15-to-17-year-olds who want nothing better than to see you cave and beg for mercy. As of present writing, all my bodily systems are still functioning; they must be since I hear many of the parts grinding and making

other funny noises." Bob's younger son, Mike, is 14, and he has been involved in scouting, too. Bob, his wife, Linda, and their two boys live in Los Gatos, Calif., and he has worked for Xilinx in San Jose, Calif., for the past 20 years. His email closed with the following update: "I have gone back to school, of sorts, having added a project management certificate to my credentials. It seems that all the institutions of higher learning that I have attended start with the letters 'B' or 'S.' So next time you are inclined to think education is all BS, it really is for me. Otherwise, I spend my spare time taking music classes at the local community college, in the Lake Tahoe area with family and friends or just at home fixing things (computers, pool filters, etc.). A good friend of mine has bought a winery in the Sierra foothills, and I'm considering investing in his expansion (hopefully ensuring at least a few good bottles of wine in my retirement)." Hence, the great wines coming our way for Reunion. Bob can be reached at [kahunabob@verizon.net](mailto:kahunabob@verizon.net).

Other than that, my inbox has been quiet. I'll be back at Reunion with notebook in hand; I intend to catch up with everyone there. — K.M.A.

**Ronald Barrett** was appointed in January to the board of directors for CoNCERT Pharmaceuticals, Inc. He is CEO, co-founder and director of XenoPort, Inc., a biopharmaceutical company that develops products for the potential treatment of central nervous system disorders.

**Peter Davis** submitted the following tribute to **Peter Kondrat**: "Peter Kondrat, editor of *The Bucknellian*, raconteur of the world, (and subject of as many stories), friend of musicians and writers, famous and struggling, talented and plodding, the hip and the downtrodden, died April 8, at the age of 52, in Brooklyn. He embraced the world and argued against it; an earnest social activist, comically messy around the edges, with hipster energy and

ironic cool, a man who lived out loud, he is the father of four divergent and independent thinkers, three daughters and beloved son, and is survived by his parents, brother, sister and hundreds of friends from all walks of life, and had plans to marry again this spring; an educator, writer and world traveler, whose commentary on the human condition, in his orgasmic, sophisticated style, will be missed."

## 1979

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**Steve Sunderhauf** and his wife, Lori, wrote to advise the birth of their second daughter, Adelaide, on Oct. 29, 2007. Addie joins big sister, Skylar "Skye," 4. They have been in McLean, Va., since 1999. Steve works for Pepco Holdings managing a regulatory dept for the utility group. After graduating, he went to grad school at Carnegie Mellon and worked in California for Pacific G&E. He then moved to D.C. and earned his J.D. at George Washington University. Steve notes that Lori's dad was a Bucknellian, graduating back around 1930. Steve is in touch with several Bucknellians, including **John Weitz**. A belated congratulations to Steve and Lori.

**Brooke and Margit Besseney Williams '81** were in New York enjoying a 'Broadway week' with their two children — and visiting Margit's folks. We had a fun time catching up at *Junior's* in the theater district. Brooke was sporting some winter whiskers to go with the M.D. title. He really wears them, he advises, to keep warm as he continues to find new and exciting ways to enjoy water sports in Tampa, Fla., where they live. His new passion is para-board-ing. Yep, just what it sounds like.

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**Greg Grego** and I corresponded but missed each other for lunch in NYC that same week as he had plans to be visiting from China. Greg lives in Brussels, works in Shanghai and travels to the U.S. on business. I have stopped complaining about my commute.

I returned from a two-week vacation in Egypt with my wife, Lucille. It was a 25th wedding anniversary trip, so no kids. It was a wonderful trip. If you think you would like to visit Egypt but are worried about the political climate, stop worrying and go. Very safe, very friendly and — despite the weak dollar — very inexpensive once you are there. We were on an organized tour. This I do recommend. — M.M.

New Jersey Congressman **Rob Andrews** challenged Senator Frank Lautenberg for the Democratic nomination in the June 3 primary.

**Steven Bass** played the clarinet in the Oregon East Symphony's performance of Elgar's Violin Concerto and Stravinsky's Firebird Suite at Pendleton's Vert Auditorium on Feb. 12. Bass is the CEO of Oregon Public Broadcasting.

## 1980

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The last edition with news of wayward **John Riger** brought thanks from him and comments from others. **Andy Besser** wrote to him and had news about **Todd Whitaker**, **Dan Fratini** and **Jeff Borsuk '79**. If you are curious about these folks or others John might know, his email is johnriger3@mac.com.

**Melinda Molyneaux Edwards** writes, "It was great to read about Riggs. He used to hang out on 3 1/2 with **Molke** and **Andi McGlincy**. I have a daughter in the freshman class — **Catherine**. It took an adjustment period, but she has settled in nicely.

Many of her friends are from California, which seems odd, given that we had so few members of our class from the west. There are several people from our class with children in the freshman class. Catherine's hallmate, **Tom Bernardi '11**, is the son of **Ron** and **Beth Shackelford Bernardi**. **Lisa Ogren Gadsen** has a daughter, **Emily '11**. **Tom** and **Joanne Burek Wiggin** have a daughter, **Kelsey '11**. And **Kendra Asplundh Haines**, has a son, **Lee '10**." I have been to campus several times and enjoy my stays at the Hampton Inn on Route 15. It is surreal to be back in a place that feels very much the same as it did 30 years ago. The food is still great; the campus is in pristine condition and the kids appear to be happy. I feel comfortable with my daughter at Bucknell. I saw **Alexa Gilleran Quinn** and **Alyce Andrews** in New York at Christmas. It was nice to chat with them and meet Alexa's daughter, Kelly, who was looking at campuses in the NYC area, something I have never done with my children — none are that adventurous.

"I ran into **Bill Crane** in the Jadwin Gym at Princeton, where my son was playing squash against Yale. We had a great time chatting it up about Reunion and Bucknell. It is always good to see old friends and to meet their children." Melinda claims that her life of kids, school, family, etc. is "boring," but that's pretty much most of our lives, I'd guess. Sadly, she lost her father last year and is learning about "parenting" parents, something that some of us will have to do as the years go forward. Thanks, Melinda, for keeping in touch. If anyone wants to compare "boring" lives, her email is mommy22658@comcast.net.

I was fortunate to see **Jon Krause** in New York after seeing *Sunday in the Park with George*, where he is the stage manager. Interesting that he works on a Sondheim production. I remember his singing such songs at coffeehouses on campus, often with **Joe Fantuzzi** on

keyboards. We all knew him in Cap and Dagger shows, but he is happier behind the scenes where he's worked on various shows over the years. In March, he and **Kathy "KB" Breitenfeld** celebrated 29 years together (20 years married); they split their time between their pad in Manhattan and their upstate place in the woods. KB retired from drumming a few years ago and is a graphic artist with Fiewel & Friends, part of MacMillan publishing. Jon doesn't get back to campus often, but his email is jkb4825@verizon.net if you'd like to touch base.

News arrived from **David Ilsley** who lives in Massachusetts, where his three children keep him busy in addition to his "paying" jobs. He writes, "We run heli-hiking trips in the summer. It's a family vacation that sure beats the lines at Disney World. I am also a financial advisor, managing people's stock portfolios, and I run a small video production company, Sport Productions, that specializes in extreme sports." So if you need help with your stock portfolio, making a video or escaping with Canadian Mountain holidays, email David at david22@yahoo.com.

And now I think I'll agree with Melinda above. Life does seem "boring" next to some of these classmates. The column needs more input from the "boring" folks. My own life has been pretty normal — teaching, parenting two high schoolers, beginning to look at colleges, amongst many other activities and the never-ending house chores. Bucknell is not on the college list for my eldest, although she will participate in the college prep workshop for alumni children, which is held on campus in June, so we'll see. In addition to that run to Lewisburg, I will also be on campus in May for my mother's, **Nancy Boyer Danahy '53**, 55th Reunion. Gosh, I've been attending those gatherings since I was 9. But still, it's always nice to return "home."

Have a great summer.  
— D.L.H.

**Ann Malcolm Bidelsbach** married Cindy Myers on March 21.

**The Rev. Anne Robertson** was the featured speaker at the LivingFaith 2008 event at Elm Street Congregational Church in Southbridge, Mass., on Feb. 17. She is a United Methodist clergywoman and serves as Executive Director of the Massachusetts Bible Society.

## 1981

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Hope you are all enjoying a fun summer full of friends and family. No doubt many of you are preparing to send one of your children off to college for the first time (Word is that **George Kangos'** and **Peter** and **Jane Treichler Howard-Johnson's** sons are in the freshman class at Bucknell). May that not be too traumatic and may they love their college experience as much as so many of us enjoyed our days at Bucknell.

I TOTALLY dropped a ball over the past months and want to extend my deepest apology to **Bruce Markert**. He wrote to me in 2007, and somehow I misplaced the email, so he very kindly wrote again what was up, so he gets top billing in this edition of our column.

Bruce wrote that in addition to a fine education, "Bucknell provided many fond memories: fresh dorm room on 4th Trax, winter track, Chem Eng classmates, basketball games at Davis Gym, Za's, Middleswarth potato chips, the Death & Dying class and Sigma Alpha Mu, where brothers in my class included **Kerry Davis** and **Chris Merrill**." Loved that opening because I'm sure others share some of those memories. And I have great memories of Kerry who had an incredibly dry wit and was a great friend of my childhood and Bucknell friend **Alex Hryncewich**.



## Alumni Near&Far

Bruce celebrated 27 years with GE on Dec. 10, 2007. Wow! He even beat our own **Chris Brown** in the GE longevity department. He worked at the plant in his hometown during summer and winter breaks from Bucknell and then relocated with the company to Jacksonville, Fla., after graduating. He's a department staff engineer for Unison Industries, part of GE Aviation. Bruce's wife, Lucy, is a 1982 graduate of Cornell and is director of human resources for Website Pros. They will celebrate their 26th anniversary in June. They have three children, Megan, 20, Scott, 19, and Andrew, 15. By the time you read this, Bruce will have become a grandfather as Megan was expecting her first child in May. Scott is at the University of Alabama in civil engineering and Andrew is in high school "majoring in football."

**Mary Kealey Freesmeyer** sent news of a promotion to VP, engineer lead, at JP Morgan/Chase. She continues to visit Disney World (just returned from her 20th trip). She recommends a visit for anyone who is still young at heart. Mary's in Ohio and would love to reconnect with any Bucknellians in Ohio (mary.t.freesmeyer@jpmchase.com).

That's it for this issue. — C.C.R.

**David Brond** was named associate VP for external relations at the University of Delaware. He had been VP of marketing and planning at the University of Maryland Medical System in Baltimore since 1998. He lives in Forest Hill, Md.

## 1982

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Since 2003, optometrist **Abby Dunlap Quinn** has been traveling to San Juan del Sur, Nicaragua, to provide eye care. Her daughter, Olivia, began traveling with her in 2004 and

just received a five-year award from Wilton High School for dedicated volunteer services.

## 1983

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Sorry to say that a hard drive crash in April caused me to lose an update from **Steve Treser**. I do remember that Steve and his family live in Virginia, and he had gone back to school at Virginia Tech. Steve, please resend your email. I promise I will take better care of your information this time.

Not sure if I will be attending our 25th Reunion in June. I decided, after a quarter of a century away, that I would go back to school myself. I have been accepted at Georgia State University (just a few blocks from our son, J.C., at Georgia Tech). I'll be pursuing my master's in secondary education so that when I graduate in 2009, I can teach high school social studies. The program begins in early June, so my Reunion plans are up in the air. I am a bit nervous as to how this will all go; I was the only one in my interview group of a dozen candidates who submitted a writing sample on actual paper, written with an actual pen. I was also the only candidate who needed reading glasses. I keep hoping "life experience" means something.

If I don't see you, hope you had a wonderful time at Reunion. — T.T.E.

**Julia Perine Hagar** married Eric Wills Orts on Dec. 28, 2007. She is a software development manager at SEI in Oaks, Pa., and he is the Guardsmark professor of legal studies and business ethics at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

**Todd Buchholz** was featured in an article in the *Rancho Santa Fe Review* on Jan. 10. He is touring in support of his novel, *The Castro Gene*.

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Dilworth Paxson partner **Thomas Biemer** has been selected as a Super Lawyer in the 2008 Corporate Counsel Edition. He is a member of Dilworth's litigation department, co-chair of its e-commerce group and a member of the firm's executive committee. He served as a moderator at the Patent Law Symposium for Financial Institutions in NYC. He focuses his practice on financial services, securities, trademark and parent infringement, RICO, class actions and contract issues.

**Jeffrey Chambers** has been named senior vice president of human resources for PRA International, a leading clinical research organization. For eight years prior to joining PRA, he was vice president of human resources for SAS, the world's largest private software developer.

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I hope you are enjoying the summer with friends and family. If you get together with any other Bucknellians as part of your vacation, please send in an update. My mailbox has been pretty empty lately.

**Lois Miller Kenward's** email says, "Just thought I would give an update since I have been out of the Bucknell scene for quite some time. After 17 years of working at Ford Motor Company as an engineer, launch manager, program manager and planning manager, I have taken a leave of absence to accompany my husband, Jerry, to a new job in Germany. With our three children, Sam, 8, Sophia, 7, and Hailey, 5, we live in Cologne. We have been here since last summer and will be staying three years. Our children have been attending a brand new international school where they are learning in three languages. What an adventure and quite thrilling for us to watch their progress — and learn along the way. I want to be a kid again so I can go to their school."

"We are taking this opportunity to spend time with Jerry's extended family, who live in England. We are planning many great vacations and weekend getaways to see as much of Europe as we can while we are here. We welcome guests and do quite a bit of entertaining of Ford travelers from the U.S. who are in the area on business. We can be reached at [barfl@aol.com](mailto:barfl@aol.com) and our mailing address is Am Lindenweg 50, 50933 Cologne." — J.D.C.

**Elizabeth Avery** married Alex Bullock on March 15.

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## 1989

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**Beth Bryant Carroll** left Towers Perrin after 10 years to head up a new division of an entrepreneurial venture — the Cygnal Group. She designs sales compensation plans and offers administration services to help companies with ongoing plan management and governance. In April, she spoke on sales compensation design at the Synegy Conference in Orlando. Beth can be reached at beth.carroll@cygnalgroup.com, through Facebook and through LinkedIn. She would love to network with Bucknellians about sales compensation design or administration. She lives in New Lenox, a suburb of Chicago, with husband, John, and his children, Matt, 15, and Mark, 12, and Beth's children from her marriage to **Andy Burkholder '90**, John, 12, Katie, 7, and Ellen, 4. In their spare time, the couple runs a karate business for 200 students — www.carrollsmartialarts.com.

**Keith Hawkins** rejoined Goldman Sachs in 2006 as a system architect in the technology division. He and his wife, Sin-Kuen, have two sons, Matthew, 9, and Eric, 5. They have lived in Colts Neck, N.J., for 12 years. Keith serves as an EMT on the local first-aid squad. He keeps in touch with **James and Mendi Dickerson Lowe '90** and **June Stratton Hembling**. Keith can be reached at khawkins@alum.bucknell.edu. — R.L.B.

**Stuart Udell** was featured as a business profile in the *Times-Tribune*, Scranton, Pa., on Nov. 25, 2007. He is the CEO of Penn Foster, Inc., a provider of consumer-based distance education. He is also the vice chairman for the National Dropout Prevention Center Network.

## 1990

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**Debbie Bashian DeBettencourt** let me know that she, **Amy Fauth MacIsaac**, **Steffi Hartwell**, **Melissa Bradley**, **Stephanie Bohnen Vaccaro**, **Dana Edwards**, **Sue Cuddy Donahue** and **Suzie Egolf** celebrated their 40th birthdays at Riu Palace in Cancun, Mexico, this past February. "We enjoyed the 'Best Hag Ever' golf tournament, snorkeling in six-foot swells, water aerobics, muchos food and drink, beach and pool with swim-up bar, but especially catching up with each other ... and our Mexican cabana boys."

**Laura Belter Shannon** was inspired to write because of my recent house party raid story. She writes, "I, too, was at Kappa Sig that night and was one of the unlucky ones shepherded to the state police station. It was about 4 a.m. when they finished processing everyone, and we were stuck in Milton with no way to get back. I think **Rob Marsh** was the great pal who picked us up in the middle of the night. The worst part for me? The next day was Mother's Day. I remember calling my parents, wishing my mom a happy Mother's Day, and then having to say, 'Oh, by the way, guess what happened last night?' My dad had a terrific sense of humor about the whole thing, but mom was not so amused." Laura lives in northern Virginia with her husband, Brian, and kids, Bailey, 7, and Dean, 4. "I've been doing finance/administration for a small security software company for almost 12 years now, and am lucky to be part time since having kids. I see **Julie Huboi Pinella** and occasionally **Karen Accardi Epstein** at dinners organized by the Kappa Alpha Theta NoVA alum chapter, but I know there are other Bucknellians (and Thetas!) in the NoVA area — I'd love to hear from them." You can reach Laura at

lshannon@norman.com.

Finally, **Kathleen Bauersfeld McGuigan** writes that she and her husband, John, had a baby girl, Fiona Margaret, on Dec. 27, 2007. Fiona joins big brother, Jack, 2. Kathleen is still of counsel to Goodell, DeVries, Leech and Dann in Baltimore and can be reached at kab@gdldlaw.com. — D.R.

**Taryn Peppo** and her family were featured in the *Daily Record*, Morristown, N.J., on Dec. 2, 2007, for the success of her janitorial service and supply company, Manhattan Maintenance Company. Taryn is the president and CEO of MMC, which services such clients as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Prudential Center in Newark and the Department of Defense.

## 1991

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Happy spring to you! This spring brings a new professional beginning for me. In February, I resigned as managing director, human resources for Ambac and completed my work there in April. I decided to pursue chief talent officer/chief human resource officer roles closer to home in Greenwich, Conn. I had been at Ambac for 10 and half years and truly value all that I learned there. I am enjoying the job search and looking forward to landing an exciting new opportunity. Please note my new email address above.

**Carla Davison** and her husband, John, welcomed twins, Sydney Rose and Ethan Francis, on Nov. 18, 2007. They join big brother, Logan, 5 1/2. The Davisons live in Phoenixville, Pa., and Carla works part time with her husband at their family business in Real Estate — Croft Appraisal Services and PhillyHouse.com.

**Maryann Parrish** and her husband, Jim, had a baby girl, Isabella Maria, born Sept. 14,

2007. Isabella joins big brother, Matthew, 3, who is crazy about his baby sister. They baptized Belle in November, and **Joy Gibson Rota** and **Chris Krol Gause** made the road trip to Long Island for the occasion. Maryann is thoroughly enjoying motherhood and just started back to work part time as a clinical research nurse.

**Larry Benedetto** and his wife, Silvina, had their third child, Mina Chloe, on Feb. 29 — a leap year baby. Mina joins twin brothers, Jack and Cameron, 2. Larry works for Brandywine Global Investment Management in Philadelphia.

Look forward to hearing from more of you soon. As always, would appreciate any feedback you have on the column. — J.C.R.

**Kristin Lynch** married Thomas Jeanson on Feb. 2.

## 1992

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**Allison Engelhardt** writes, "I was married on June 9, 2007, to Robert Popeo Jr. Our wedding was on Oyster Harbors, Cape Cod, and there were several Bucknellians in attendance: **Russ '93** and **Christine Braniff Brink**, **Steve Cappelli**, **Jennifer Antos Deane**, **Karen Lynch Ghaffari**, **Kate Pence Labbe**, **Kristin Gundersen Longobardi**, **Michael Malin**, **Kimberly Maxwell Brown '93**, **Blake Stuart**, **Tracey Tomchick** and **Peter and Kara Forosisky Vitanzo**. We cannot forget to mention father of the bride, **August Engelhardt '59** and his close college friend, **Ralph Nill '60**." Congratulations, Allison! **Keith and Nikki Cheyney Krezminski** announce the birth



of Carter Meade on Oct. 22, 2007. Carter joins big brother, Peter Wallace, 2.

**Jill Trimbath** writes, "My husband, Jeff, and I are proud to announce the birth of James Joseph, born on April 4, 2007. His big sisters, Sarah, 4, and Katie, 2, adore him, and they all keep our lives very busy."

**Jason Glazer** shares that 2007 brought lots of change in the Glazer household. The family welcomed their second daughter, Olivia Zofia, on May 30. She joins big sister, Willa Madison, 3. Jason left Bear Stearns institutional equity sales after almost nine years and joined Dahlman Rose & Co. in May as the head of equity sales. Dahlman Rose is an investment bank specializing in the energy supply chain and marine transportation, co-founded by classmate **Ernie Dahlman**. In addition to the new baby and the new job, Jason moved into a new apartment. He can be reached at 303 East 57th St., Apt. 30F, N.Y., NY 10022, 646-840-0569. Jason's wife is from Poland, and he writes that "we still manage to go over twice a year to visit family, so anyone ever looking for Polish travel ideas, please let me know."

**Sharon Chappell Klein** and husband, Chris, celebrated the birth of their twin sons, William Joseph and Alexander James, on Oct. 8, 2007. William and Alex join their big sister Caroline, 2. Sharon can be reached at sharon.klein@comcast.net. — L.B.B.

**William Pisano Jr.** was chosen as one of the *Baltimore Business Journal's* 2007 "40 Under 40," 40 up-and-coming professionals under the age of 40. Pisano is the director of branch operations for the Baltimore office of Stephen James Associates.

## 1993

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I hope everyone had a great time at Reunion. Unfortunately, my family was unable to attend as we are expecting our second child this summer, and I wasn't able to travel to Lewisburg from Chicago at that point.

**Megen Karakelian LaVine** writes, "Last fall, my old roommate and current neighbor, **Robin Stutman Kelly**, and I walked in the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk in Philadelphia and its suburbs and camped for two nights on the Belmont Hills Plateau. Together we raised nearly \$10,000 for breast cancer research and education. Thanks to our Bucknell friends who supported both of our efforts! It was amazing to be part of such a wonderful event."

**Melissa Herr Rubin**, her husband, Jason, and big sister Anya, 2, welcomed Chelsea Laurel on Dec. 18, 2007.

**Rob Roseborough** writes, "My wife, Jessica, and I are proud to announce the birth of our third son, Bradley Griffin, on Nov. 20. Bradley's older brothers, Bobby, 3, and Brian, 2, are excited to have their new brother home. Everyone is healthy and doing well."

**Matt Pesacreta** writes, "My wife, Rosie, and I welcomed our fifth child, Ava Grace, on June 11, 2006. She joins older brothers Matt, 10, Denis, 9, Mark, 7, and Thomas, 4. We got lazy for a couple of years but are thrilled with our latest addition. Ava has been to her share of football, basketball and baseball practices. We live in Mt. Lebanon, Pa., about five minutes away from my sister, **Sheila Pesacreta Halter '91**. She and her husband, Jordan, have two boys, Owen, 2, and Miles, 1. Sheila received her master's of library science and works at the Carnegie Library in Pittsburgh. I am a nephrologist near Pittsburgh, having joined a private practice after my training was completed about three years ago. My group partnered with a national dialysis company, Liberty Dialysis, and has opened seven dialysis clinics in western Pennsylvania within the last year. I am the medical director of the Liberty

Dialysis Clinic in Chippewa, Pa. Our family is looking forward to returning to Bucknell for our 15-year Reunion next year." Matt can be reached at m.pesacreta@verizon.net.

**Christopher Balent** writes, "This past summer, my wife, Jeanne, gave birth to our second daughter, Sabrina Noelle. The whole family is doing well. I am managing the North American IT Operations of IKEA, making the world safe for Swedish furniture. I started my own IT and business consulting firm. We are living in Collegeville, Pa., and continuing our efforts to help Rottweiler rescues, this time driving to North Carolina to adopt our second Rottie, Jade. Hope to see everyone at Reunion!" Christopher can be reached at balentcj@earthlink.net.

**Dara Paulis Huber** writes, "My husband, Ben, and I welcomed Daniel Titus to the world on Nov. 29. He joins big sister, Megan, who is 20 months as of Feb. 14. We are doing well and living in Timonium, Md., where I am enjoying being a stay-at-home mom."

**Jacquelyn Dinielli Cerasuolo** writes that she relocated to southern California in August 2007 and has reunited with **Kris and Briana Alves Lichter** and their twins, Arden and Tristan, who live in San Diego. Jacquelyn practices law part time for a firm in NYC and spends the rest of her time raising her two sons, Ryan and Troy. She was not able to attend Reunion 2008 because her third son was due in June. She keeps in touch with **Chris and Stephanie Wagner Ketchum**, who became parents to a beautiful little girl, Isla, in February 2008; **Kim Bulow Grogan**, who lives in Connecticut and keeps busy with four children; **Stacey Flattery Dropinski**, who lives in New Jersey and has one daughter, Sarah; **Jessica Jones Frissora**, who lives in Connecticut and is busy with four children; **Mark '94 and Roxanne Jardin Sordi**, who live in Delaware with their three daughters; **Andrea Larsen Hayden**, who lives in Houston, Texas, and has one

daughter, Kaitlyn; and **Shelley Pleune O'Brien**, who relocated to North Carolina and has two sons. — A.M.D.

**William Berlin** was featured in a profile in the Youngstown, Ohio *Business Journal*. Since 1998, Berlin has been a principal and manager of information technologies with Beard Financial Services. Prior to joining Beard, he was an adjunct professor at the University of Cincinnati and IT Web designer for the McMicken Arts and Sciences Department of UC.

**David Scott** and his wife, Anne, welcomed their third child, Abigail, on Nov. 16, 2007. She joins Shannon, 6, and Ryan, 4.

## 1994

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Yasser and **Lena Salam Elguindi** welcomed their daughter, Sophie, on January 17. She joins big brothers Zak and Ramy. Lena says she and her husband are happy, but in desperate need of sleep.

**Deb Zapotocky Rizzi** sends news of a new job for **Scott Chesky**. In February, Scott was promoted to vice president of strategic development at InfuSystem Holdings, Inc. Of the promotion, MSN Money says, "In this newly created position, Mr. Chesky will spearhead InfuSystem's business development strategy, focusing on identifying and evaluating acquisition candidates, joint ventures and strategic alliances."

**Nicole Dretar** is working for the federal government as a legal advisor for the Office of Patent Legal Administration at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

**Dave and Amy DeCristofer Dearing '97** welcomed their first child, Andrew Harris, on Feb. 11. They live in Lancaster,



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Pa., and Dave began a job last fall as a mechanical engineer for a company in Boyertown, Pa. Amy will return to work part time as a speech language pathologist for an early intervention agency in Lancaster. They plan to introduce Andrew to Bucknell at Homecoming this year. Perhaps he will be a future Bucknellian, Class of 2030. — S.A.S.

**Sherry Robinson M'94** has been granted a Fulbright Scholarship for 2008–09. She will be teaching and conducting research in Honefoss, Norway. She is an associate professor of business at Penn State, Hazleton.

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Happy summer, Class of '95. I hope this finds you all well.

**Hope Toole Schwalls '95** sent news of her wedding. "Michael Schwalls and I were married on Oct. 27, 2007, in Fort Worth, Texas. Bucknellians in attendance were **Michele Fullmer** (maid of honor), **Stephen and Brandy Robertson Naughton** and **Brian Barone**. Following our wedding, we had a wonderful honeymoon in Maui, Hawaii." Hope was "also fortunate to see **Melanie Sawicki Michetti** this past August at a bridal shower held in my honor." She works as an aeronautical engineer senior at Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company in Fort Worth. Email: hatbu1995@yahoo.com.

**Paula Lyons Castano** writes, "**Bridget Dean-Hammel, Kelly Corr, Kristen Bardeen-Westley** and I (former roommates and longtime friends) keep in touch and see each other as regularly as possible. Bridget lives in Haddonfield with her husband, Drew, and their beautiful children, Madison and Aidan. She is the vice president of Black Rock, Inc. Kelly graduated from the University of North Carolina

Medical School in May and will be doing her residency in medpeds. She has had offers from several hospitals and will be moving shortly. Kristen lives in Stuttgart, Germany, with her husband, Kevin, and is excitedly expecting their second child." Paula and her husband, James, live in Tyson's Corner, Va. She has a conditional appointment as a special agent with the FBI. However, she had a minor setback when she had reconstructive surgery on her knee (the same one that gave her trouble in college). Email: paula\_castano\_2006@yahoo.com.

**Jennifer Meybaum** sent me several newsy emails for this column; she and her husband, **Ken**, have a lot of Bucknell contacts. Jennifer reports, "While on vacation in Cabos, Mexico, in February, Ken and I ran into **Ketan and Juliet Litterer Majmudar** by the pool. It was wonderful to catch up with them. God is so good. What are the chances they would be on vacation at the same place at the same time in this big world? They had their son Carter, 2, with them. Juliet is pregnant again and due in July. They are living in Mexico City." Jennifer later wrote, "Last fall, at Riverwood Community Chapel in Kent, Ohio, Ken and I were assisting a class called 'Christianity Explored.' After talking with a young couple in my small group, the husband and I discovered that we both went to Bucknell, graduated the same year, lived in Smith Hall freshman dorm and lived on the 3rd floor of Smith Hall. **Brian Pekarek** and his wife, Dawn, attend our church. They live in Munroe Falls, Ohio. Brian is assistant director of admissions at Kent State University. We enjoy getting together with them whenever possible." Finally, Jennifer reports that "**Jeff and Jen Leeper Hancock** announce the birth of their son, Nathaniel John, on March 10. Nathaniel joins older sister, Caroline. The Hancocks reside in Fairfax, Va." Email: knj\_meybaum06@yahoo.com.

On a personal note, my

husband, **Chris**, and I visited Bucknell with our three boys in February for the Bucknell vs. Army basketball game. We spent the weekend with **Dave and Colleen Taylor Lukens '94**, their daughter **Katie, Matt and Wendy Schwieger McTammany** and their children, Kassie and Robby. It was great fun despite Bucknell's loss. I'm sure the bookstore was glad to see us come — we came home with a lot of Bucknell gear. We ran into **Katie Malague '94** after the game, which was such a great surprise. Katie lives about an hour from us at home, but we only seem to see her when we are at Bucknell. Dave and Colleen are living in Conshohocken, Pa. Matt and Wendy live in Lewisburg, Pa., where Matt is a professor at Bucknell.

I also had the privilege to work as a facilitator for **Beth Archer Mooney's** nonprofit organization, Learning to Lead, when she ran a day-long seminar, "Girls Take Charge" for our local middle and high schools in March. It was a great program designed to encourage young women to focus on their intellect and abilities as leaders. Chris and I were so happy to catch up with Beth (it had been far too long!) and to finally meet her husband, Colin. They live in Kennett Square, Pa., with their three beautiful children, Keelyn, Joseph and Claire. Interestingly, Colin went to high school with **Tara Hughes**, and he fondly remembers the summer pool parties they shared.

Finally, I have my own "small Bucknell world" story to share. Our youngest son, Nathan, had surgery in February at Children's Hospital in Washington, D.C. We had the great fortune to find Dr. Rahul Shah to perform the surgery. During his rounds after the procedure, Dr. Shah noticed Nathan's Ohio State University football (a prized possession) on his bed and asked if either Chris or I had attended OSU. We told him that we both went to Bucknell, and he immediately asked if we knew Ketan and Juliet Majmudar. We were pleased to say we do know them, and he was quite pleased

to tell us that Ketan is his cousin. We took it as further proof that we had made the right decision to have Dr. Shah perform Nathan's surgery. We were also happy to visit with Katie Malague who lives a couple of miles from Children's Hospital when she came to see us there. By the second night, we were all getting a little stir-crazy, and Katie provided a very welcome reprieve from trying to entertain a 19-month-old, post-surgery, in the hospital.

I hope you all enjoy the warmth of summer. If you have news to share, please be in touch. — J.B.B.

## 1996

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Summer has finally arrived, and hopefully the warm weather and long days will provide you the opportunity to reunite with fellow Bucknellians.

**Sara Allen Davenport** lives a busy life with her husband, Scott, and three young children. Sara's baby, Hudson, was born in August 2007. He joined his two older brothers, Luke Ryder, 2, and Jackson, 6. After anchoring the morning news for NBC in Houston, Texas, for several years, Sara serves as national vice president with Arbonne International. She writes, "I love that I get to work from home and can be here to raise my three boys on a daily basis. No more waking up at 2 a.m. to do the news!" Sara welcomes contact from fellow Bucknellians at thedavenport@myarbonne.com.

**Dru Sweinhart** and Kristen Fink married on Oct. 6, 2007, in Mishawaka, Ind. Groomsmen included **Brian Geren** and best man **John Hoffman '95**. For their honeymoon, Dru and Kristen took a 10-day Caribbean cruise, the highlight of which was scuba diving on the coral reefs around the island of



Bonaire, Dru works as a technical manager with Carpenter Company, and Kristen is an emergency services coordinator at Madison Center in South Bend. The couple lives in Osceola, Ind., and Dru can be reached at [sweinhart73@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sweinhart73@sbcglobal.net).

**David and Laura Hock**  
**Phillipps** welcomed a son, John Dunwoody, to their family on Dec 2, 2007. He joins big sister, Emily, 2. Laura and David live in Greenwich, Conn. David works at Starwood Hotels and Resorts in finance, and Laura stays at home with the children. They welcome email, between diaper changes, at [lauraphillipps@hotmail.com](mailto:lauraphillipps@hotmail.com).

**Jeffrey Alexander** and his wife are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Jordan Lee, born on Feb. 5. Jeff works in fixed income at Citigroup in NYC and can be contacted at [jeffrey.s.alexander@gmail.com](mailto:jeffrey.s.alexander@gmail.com).

**Jill Wenzel Jacoby** and her husband, Neal, along with their daughter, Adeline Lily, 2 1/2, are thrilled to announce the arrival of Dublin Guinness, born Feb. 25. Jill and Neal reside in Pittsburgh, Pa., and would like to extend warm wishes to their friends near and far. The Jacoby family welcomes email at [smilejmj@yahoo.com](mailto:smilejmj@yahoo.com).

**Raymond Slaughter** and wife, **Carolyn Mangan '95**, welcomed their daughter, Evelyn, in August 2007. Evelyn joined big brother, Marcus, 2 1/2. Ray, Carolyn and family live in Hamden, Conn., and can be contacted at [slaughterrl@yahoo.com](mailto:slaughterrl@yahoo.com).

We look forward to hearing more great news from our fellow Bucknellians, so keep the updates coming! — B.J.S.

**Nikol Gruning** married Jeff Thompson on Oct. 20, 2007.

## 1997

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Matt and **Melissa DiBiccario Howitt** welcomed daughter, Allison Mariah, on July 22, 2007.

## RECONSIDERING THE SUN

**Amy Millen '96** is taking a closer look at the sun. Specifically, she is studying the connection between vitamin D and breast cancer. For years, public health officials have warned people to avoid the sun to prevent skin cancer. Now, mounting research hints that some sun exposure, and the vitamin D that the skin makes while soaking up rays, may help prevent a number of health problems, including breast cancer.

"We've been told to stay out of the sun and now the message may be changing," she says. "It's an interesting question from a public health perspective."

Millen, a nutritional epidemiologist and assistant professor at SUNY at Buffalo, is using data collected by the Women's Health Initiative Observational Study to look for a correlation between where a woman lives and her risk of breast cancer.

She has found that women who reported spending more time outside were less likely to have developed breast cancer. So far, however, she has found no relationship between breast cancer risk and how sunny an area is at a woman's region of residence.

In a separate project, Millen is studying genetic variation in the vitamin D receptor, which together with the active form of vitamin D can affect the expression of genes related to cell growth regulation.

"This has made a lot of people think, 'Could genetic variation in the vitamin D receptor affect risk for different cancers?'" Millen says. Using data from the Western New York Exposures and Breast Cancer Case-Control Study, she is asking whether women with different genotypes of the vitamin D receptor are more or less likely to have breast cancer.

At Bucknell, she worked in Sally Nyquist's cell biology laboratory, an experience that she says helped prepare her for graduate school and beyond. Says Millen, "Any sort of research experience is good because it teaches you the same set of tools that you use throughout your research career — how to ask questions and how to problem solve." — *Barbara Maynard '88*



They reside in Austin, Texas, where Melissa is an elementary school reading specialist (but taking some time off to be with Allison). Matt is vice president of product engineering at Lombardi Software. Email: [melissahowitt@hotmail.com](mailto:melissahowitt@hotmail.com).

**Jeff and Missy Hauck Bryan** had another baby girl on Oct. 22. Her name is Molly Rae, and big sister, Paige, ADORES her. Missy also started repping a line of designer baby accessories called, "darling droolers" ([www.darlingdroolers.com](http://www.darlingdroolers.com)). "The company is actually owned by **Tucker Walton's** sister-in-law. If any Bucknellians have children's boutiques and would like to carry our line, they can

contact me. The designs are really fresh and fun — it's a great way to make a little extra money to pay for wardrobes for two little girls." Email: [missybryan@hotmail.com](mailto:missybryan@hotmail.com).

Tim and **Lida Ryan Ward** welcomed Caroline Pierce on March 4. Lida is enjoying life at home with Caroline and her big sister, Charlotte, who is 3. The family moved to Darien, Conn., last summer where they've had a lot of great Bucknell alumni encounters.

Ben and **Kim O'Connor Adams** welcomed their first child, Chloe, on Aug. 10, 2007. They are living in Darien, Conn. — S.B.

## 1998

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**Ann Donick** and **Joseph Somerset '97** married on Aug. 25, 2007, in Pleasant Valley, N.Y. Bucknellians in attendance included Ann's brother, **Michael '01**, and his wife, **Julie Karwan Donick '01**, **Rebecca Tunstall, Ellie Guttilla, Kim Beers, Gretchen Benton Meyers, Gary St. Hilaire** and **Dan Swartz**. Gretchen travelled all the way from London with her new adorable son, Lincoln



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Texter. Joe and Ann live in Washington, D.C. Ann works for the State Department and Joe is with CapitalSource Finance. They can be reached at aedonick@hotmail.com and joseph\_somerset@hotmail.com.

Congratulations to **Brian Melgaard** and his wife, Amy, who welcomed their third child, Grace Anne, on Nov. 13, 2007. Benjamin, 6, and Caitlin, 3 1/2, are very excited to be big brother and sister and are doing a great job helping to take care of their little sister. Brian can be reached at bmelgaard@paperpro.com. — H.M.L.

**Willie Hill Jr.** married Miladys Bocachica on Oct. 5, 2007.

## 1999

### REUNION 2009

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As our 10-year Reunion approaches, many of us are entering the next chapter in our lives. For some, that next phase is parenthood — there are quite a few baby announcements in this issue. Thank you for sharing the latest news in your life. 'Ray Bucknell!

Brent and **Carli Snyder Younce** welcomed Bradley Alden on March 22, 2007. He joins big brother, Will, 3. They live in Devon, Pa., and Carli can be reached at carlisnyder@yahoo.com.

**Lydeell Simmons** and his wife, Dawn, welcomed Riley Janoi, a beautiful baby girl, to their family on March 23, 2007. They live in Norwalk, Conn. Lydeell works at Pitney Bowes as a real estate manager.

On July 20, 2007, **Danielle Donolli Schneider** and the late Thomas Scott Schneider welcomed a beautiful baby girl, Savannah Scott. Mom and baby are doing well and having a blast together. They will be moving from the Outer Banks,

N.C., to Gettysburg, Pa. Danielle's husband of almost two years passed away in February 2007. She can be reached by email at ddonolli@hotmail.com.

**Rebekah Zinn** received her Ph.D. from the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine program in cellular and molecular medicine. She and her husband, Ali Fokar, welcomed their first baby, Leilah Safia, on Sept. 11, 2007. Rebekah is taking time off to spend with Leilah. They live in Columbia, Md.

**Cameron Pae-Martin Adams** married Charles Corman in an afternoon ceremony on Sept. 15, 2007, in McDonald, Ohio. Cameron earned a veterinary degree from the University of London in 2004. She is an associate veterinarian at The Animal Hospital on Mt. Lookout Square in Cincinnati, Ohio. Drew is a quality assurance engineer with GE Aviation. Following their honeymoon, the couple will reside in Milford, Ohio, with their Tennessee creek dog, Marylan, and their goldendoodle, Mollie.

**Lindsay Founds** writes, "I married Christopher Kelly on Oct. 20, 2007, in Morristown, N.J. **Lucy Pollio, Katie O'Neill McFadden** and **Jeanne Futuyma Zimmerman** were in our wedding party. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **JP McFadden '98, Pete '98** and **Kate Fink Gorman** and **Susan Wildemore Meyer**. Chris and I live in Warwick, Bermuda, and enjoy every minute of it. We love visitors, so if anyone has plans to visit Bermuda, they should let us know." Email: lindsay.founds@gmail.com.

**PJ and Tracy Kutch Wright** welcomed their first child, Kevin Robert, on Nov. 20, 2007. They live in Fanwood, N.J., and can be reached at tracy.wright@yahoo.com.

**Rachel Rauschberg Colquitt** writes, "My husband, Jon, and I would like to announce the birth of our daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, born on Dec. 13, 2007 (my birthday also). I am enjoying some time off work to be at home with Sarah. I work as a family nurse practitioner in a private practice in northern

Virginia." Rachel can be contacted at rar5x@yahoo.com.

**Kristen Zuber Duffy** writes, "My husband, Andy, and I welcomed Carson Andrew into our family on Dec. 14, 2007. We are thrilled to be parents, and he is a wonderful little boy. We live in Pottstown, Pa., and I work at Merck."

**Christopher '00** and **Heather Cunha Amato** welcomed their first child, Alexander Vincent, on Jan. 13. Mother and baby are both doing well and thriving. Heather, who completed her doctoral degree in counseling psychology in October, is taking an extended maternity leave from her clinical work but is writing a chapter for the *Handbook of Multicultural Counseling* and working on a book about the psychological impact of recurrent miscarriage. She plans to teach at Fordham University in the fall. The family lives in lower Manhattan. Email: hacunha76@msn.com.

**Sean and Lynne Tessier Singer** welcomed their daughter, Gwendolyn Laela, on Jan. 28. Lynne completed her MBA from Rutgers University in 2005 and works for Prudential Retirement. Sean completed his master's in computer science in 2004 from Columbia University and works for Sparta Systems. They reside in Monroe Township, N.J. — L.Z.T.

**Lauren Schmierer** married Daniel Riley on Sept. 1, 2007. Lauren works as a marketing consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton in McLean, Va., and Daniel is a marketing specialist with NPR in Washington, D.C. They reside in Alexandria, Va.

**Jennifer Loyden** married John Potter on Aug. 18, 2007.

## 2000

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**JB and Sara Gans Blue** welcomed their first child, Tucker Leo, on Nov. 20, 2007.

Kevin and **Amy Brillinger Pole** welcomed son, Jack Douglas, on Dec. 25, 2007. Jack was the first Christmas baby born in central New York. He certainly is the best present two people could ask for. They live in Dewitt, N.Y., and can be reached at amypole@twcny.rr.com.

Congratulations to **Beth Slaby**, who will complete her law degree from DePaul University College of Law in May 2008. She can be reached at bslaby44@gmail.com.

**Jennifer Klein** is engaged to Neil Bui. They reside in San Francisco. Their wedding is scheduled for June 14, 2008, in Paris, France. **Lea Kilraine** will serve as maid of honor.

**Heather Kavana Darlington** and husband, Andrew, welcomed their first son, Nolan Wright, on Jan. 30. He weighed in at 8 lbs. 4 oz. and was 21.5 inches long.

**Sara Varni** and Victor Bright are engaged. The happy couple resides in San Francisco, where Sara works at salesforce.com. The wedding is set to take place in Napa Valley, Calif., on Sept. 20, 2008.

**Eric Keber** and his wife, Beth, were blessed with their first child, Helen Katherine, on April 18. The Kebers reside in Alexandria, Va., and enjoy their new role as parents. Eric can be contacted at eric\_keber@yahoo.com. — M.C.E.

**Kerry Germain** married Michael Seager on Feb. 22.

**Janine Brown** married Robert Meluso on Nov. 24, 2007.

## 2001

**HEATHER D. POLLARD**  
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On Dec. 7, **Alexis Kaufmann** and **Chris Herron** became engaged in Charleston, S.C. They live in the West Village in NYC, where Alexis works for Abigail Kirsch, a catering and events company, and Chris works for Wachovia. They plan to marry in 2009.



**Kate Marr Juergens** and her husband, Scott, welcomed their first child, Lucy, to the Bay area in December. They live and work in San Francisco — Kate as a first grade teacher at the Cathedral School for Boys and Scott at Broadpoint Securities. Congrats, Kate! (All of Lucy's '01 "aunts": **Krista McCabe**, **Eileen Kennedy deVries**, **Molly Reichard Brown '02** and **Alexis Kaufmann** are happily volunteering for diaper duty.)

**Patricia McGrath** writes, "**Justin Brubaker '02** and I became engaged on Aug. 24, 2007. We're planning our wedding at Rooke Chapel for Oct. 4. In April, we both moved to the Philadelphia area from Fort Wayne, Ind. Justin is a mechanical engineer for Conifero Solutions in King of Prussia, and I work as an Architect for Venturi, Scott Brown & Associates in Philadelphia."

**Cy Rubel** married Douglas Acord of Sarasota, Fla., on Oct. 12, 2007. The ceremony and reception were held at the Casa Monica Hotel in St. Augustine, Fla. The bridal party included maid of honor **Nicole Connor Taylor**. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Cassie Ward** and **Jennifer Herbert Decker**. Cy graduated from the George Washington University on May, 18, 2007, with an MBA and works as a marketing manager for Verizon Communications. Doug works in federal law enforcement and serves in the Army Reserves. The couple resides in Ashburn, Va., with their two dogs.

On a personal note: I became engaged to Alex de Gortari on March 6 in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. We are planning a Dec. 21, 2008, wedding in Denver, Colo. We both work in finance for Molson Coors Brewing Company, where we met. My contact information is above. Thanks for all the class notes I have received over the past seven years. Please keep them coming. — H.D.P.

**Patrick Ring** married Vanessa Passaro on Feb. 17.

**Jessica Sinni** married David Barcelo on Nov. 17, 2007.

## 2002

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**Rita Neufeld** writes: "After seven years of dating, I married Adam Gregory on Aug. 5, 2007. Maybe it was all those long trips to visit me at Bucknell. Bridesmaids included **Lori Fallgren Repko** and **Neda Bagheri**. I have been teaching kindergarten for six years in Roxbury, Conn., and Adam is a network administrator for a consulting firm in Norwalk. I will soon have my master's degree in special education from Western Connecticut State University. I'd love to hear from friends (rita@adamandrita.com)."

**Janelle Weaver** writes, "I am getting married to Mark Foster (Northern Illinois University graduate '97) on March 1, 2008. I am very excited to see some old friends from Bucknell there. I attended **Sofia Abraham's** wedding on Nov. 3 to Abraham Hardee, whom she met in medical school. There was a great group of Bucknellians in attendance, and we are all very happy for Dr. and Dr. Abraham-Hardee."

**Amy Dietrich** writes, "I completed my MBA from Rutgers University Camden School of Business in December 2007 and started a new job at Pepsi Bottling Group in Piscataway, N.J. I'm always looking to reconnect with other Bucknellians, so if anyone in the area would like to get together, my email address is amydietrich@gmail.com." — M.P.

**Shannon Wood Walker** married Brad Blaisdell on Jan. 5. She has a son, Phineas, 3, and works as a special education teacher.

**Kate Rounsley** married Vincent Kishbaugh on March 1.

**Kelly Gordon** married **Paul Maier '01** on Sept. 15, 2007.

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## 2003

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**John Roache** writes that he and his wife, Sheila, (LeMoyne College '01) welcomed a red-haired baby girl, Stella, on April 8. John serves in the Army and is stationed at Ft. Hood. He is stateside.

**Emily Monahan** writes, "Jason Geist and I were married on March 29 in Pittsburgh. **Erin Zsolcsak Smith** was a bridesmaid, and **Jennifer Bower**, **Joy Dickson** and **Mary Schoen** were also in attendance. We live in Holiday Park, just outside of Pittsburgh."

**Marcy MacMillan** graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Veterinary School in May. She plans to move to the Washington, D.C., area with **Brian Armusewicz** and their two dogs.

**Erin Zsolcsak** married Matthew Smith on July 15, 2006, in State College, Pa. Emily Geist was a bridesmaid, and **Dorothy Cleaver** was in attendance. The couple lives in Bellefonte, Pa.

**Boakai Lalugba**: "I am still in Bourg en Bresse, France. Our team is in first place in the Pro B League of France. If anyone will be in Lyon, France, or Geneva, Switzerland, shoot me an email: [boakai@alum.bucknell.edu](mailto:boakai@alum.bucknell.edu)."

**Grace Annis** writes, "I got married Feb. 16 to Shawn Clifford

on a perfect winter day. A great group of Bucknellians helped us celebrate the best day of our lives (not to mention tore it up on the dance floor), including **Hillary DePiano '02**, **Steve Pinciotti '02**, **Krista Reisdorf '02**, **Donna Brennan '02**, **Misty Trezona '02**, **Nicole Sizgorich '02** and **Jim Leahy**. And of course, my dad, **Jay '76**, walked me down the aisle. We went to the beautiful island of St. Maarten for our honeymoon and one day, while walking into a restaurant there, a current Bucknellian's dad noticed our Bucknell gear and stopped us to say hi and take a picture. I always seem to run into fellow Bucknellians or their relatives wherever I go, and it's great — the pride in Bucknell we all share is something special. We're back home in Connecticut, where I'm working for Apelon, a medical terminology consulting company in Ridgefield, and Shawn and his family opened a True Value hardware store in Bethel. Also just wanted to say congratulations to **Kate Kelly** and **Julianna Pietak '04**, who both got engaged, and extend continued wedding planning good-luck wishes to **Lauren Scott '04** and **Chris Rivera '02**, and my fellow Larison 3 hallmate, **Helen Shen!**"

**Gary Carruthers** writes, "The thing I miss most [about Bucknell] is the Homecoming football game. I miss playing in front of 10,000 screaming fans and the energy and excitement the crowd gives the team. I am working as a financial advisor





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**AARON CASAGRANDE, Class of 2003**

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**Resides:** Baltimore, Md.

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for Smith Barney in Jericho, N.Y., and I am engaged with the wedding set for February 2009."

**Joe Marut** writes, "I reported to Fort Benning, Ga., for Army Basic Training in September and graduated at the end of November 2007 as a member of Alpha Company, 2-47 Infantry Regiment. I moved across post to officer candidate school and entered Echo Company, Class 302-08, where I was a distinguished military graduate and was commissioned as a second lieutenant, branched field artillery, on March 6. I'm stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., through September for the basic officer leadership course (Phase II) and the field artillery officer basic course." — P.N.J.

**Amir Sadaghiani** was appointed to the criminal prosecution and criminal evidence committees of the New York State Bar Association. He is the assistant district attorney for Orange County and a 2006 graduate of the University of Notre Dame Law School, where he was student body president.

**Melina Glynn** married **James Hefelfinger** on March 1.

**Emily Pefanis** married **Mark Ziegler** on March 1.

**Megan Joseph** married **Thomas Giuntini** on Dec. 30, 2007.

**Cpt. Jenny Schlack** married **Justin White** on Oct. 7, 2007.

## 2004

### REUNION 2009

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**Leslie Shevlin** married **Warren Long** on Aug. 25, 2007. She received her master's degree in medical science from Arcadia University and works as a physician assistant at Yale New Haven Hospital.

**Sandi-Jo Galati** was invited to join Alpha Omega Alpha, a national honor medical society,

She is a fourth-year medical student at Drexel University College of Medicine.

**Jacqueline Klock** married **Lt. Jeffrey Hogan** on Nov. 17, 2007.

**Elizabeth Zollner** married **David Cook** on Oct. 13, 2007.

## 2005

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**Brigitte Brousseau** married **Edward Korkuch III '04** on April 21, 2007.

**Ashley Aiken** married **Michael McDuffee** on April 6.

**Catherine Webster** discussed her role as a member of the Office of Surface Mining/AmeriCorps Volunteer in Service to America at the quarterly meeting of the Schuylkill Headwaters Association on Feb. 26. She helps workers monitor and maintain treatment centers and oversees construction sites.

## 2006

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**William Minehart** accepted a research position with Oxford University. He will be studying Antbirds in the Peruvian Amazon outside of Porto Maldonado from June to December 2008. To contact him or read about his experiences, visit <http://williamminehart.blog.spot.com>. — J.S.

## 2007

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**Janelle Nodhturft's** editorial, "Buy Flowers, Consider the Workers Who Picked Them," appeared in *The Daily Item*, Lewisburg, on Feb. 12. A meeting

with flower workers on a trip to Colombia inspired the piece, which detailed their inhumane working conditions and called readers to advocate for their rights. Janelle is pursuing a master's degree in international peace and conflict resolution at The American University. She is involved with Colombia, Latin America and Africa advocacy.

## 2008

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Congratulations to all of my classmates in the Class of 2008! Everyone has such exciting plans. I'm the Class Notes reporter for our year, and at press time, I didn't have any definite plans. Since I haven't found a job yet, I'm considering going back to Nantucket with my boyfriend, **Dave Allen '06**, to be a nanny, which will be a fun way to delay the real world. If you have any news to share in this column or any job offers for me, send me an email.

**Amanda Allen** is spending the summer researching international environmental issues with Professor Amanda Wooden in Central Asia before going to Villanova Law School in the fall.

**Katie Asmundson** will attend University of Wisconsin, Madison, to earn her master's degree in geo-environmental engineering.

**Caitlin Baffa** will be working at Ernst & Young in Manhattan in their tax service.

**Nina Baker** will be working at the law firm Kirkland & Ellis in NYC as a litigation case assistant.

**Dean Campbell** is going to Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine for a Ph.D. in their biochemistry cellular and molecular biology program.

**Lauren Cheever** is pursuing her doctorate in hydrology at the University of Florida.

**Kathleen Conti** is engaged to **Ryan Burke**, and the couple plans to marry in the summer of 2010. She will pursue her

master's in education at Rutgers University.

**Jenna Crimaldi** will pursue her master's and educational specialist degree at James Madison University.

**Brittany Durbin** is joining the executive trainee program at Lord & Taylor on Fifth Avenue in NYC.

**Ariel Farrar-Wellman** will work for one year in policy think tanks before moving with her boyfriend (Princeton '09) to the Olympic Training center in Chula Vista, Calif., where they will train for the Sprint Kayak Olympic Team to compete in the 2012 Olympics.

**Sara Fenstermacher** will attend the graduate program in neuroscience at Harvard University.

**Christine Ghilain** will be a research assistant for a multi-site project for Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She will be identifying early symptoms and warning signs of autism in high risk infants. She will also be preparing for a dual M.D./Ph.D. program.

**Jen Grant** will attend medical school at Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM) in Blacksburg, Va.

**Nikki Haines** is pursuing her Ph.D. in neuroscience and cognition at University of Texas at Dallas.

**Mindy Harris** will be in the Class of 2011 at the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

**Allie Hills** will attend Brown University for her master's degree in elementary education.

**Doan Huynh** will pursue a Doctor of Optometry (OD) degree at the Illinois College of Optometry in Chicago.

**Kelli Jensen** will be working for PricewaterhouseCoopers in Hartford, Conn., and will marry **Stephen Peters '07** on July 26. **Kimberly Kane** will be a marketing associate for MBMS/ Perioperative Services in Newark, Del.

**Jayne Kubat** is in the class of 2012 at the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine.

**Rosy Kim** was selected as a recipient of the Critical Language Scholarship through the U.S. State Department. She



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says, "They will be paying for my flight, board, tuition, stipend and everything else for me to learn Chinese over the summer. I'll be in Suzhou from June 4 to Aug. 15, then traveling to Beijing to see the Olympics."

**Joe Kuterbach** will be working for BASF as a PDP chemical engineer.

**Laura Leviski** will be attending the University of Virginia for a master's in speech language pathology.

**Colleen McKeown** is engaged to Alex Szathmary and is looking forward to a Nov. 28 wedding.

**Lauren Passilla** will be working as an auditor for Ernst and Young in Philadelphia starting in October 2008.

**Mike Rakszawski** has accepted a position in the Engineering Leadership Development Program at Lockheed Martin in Moorestown, N.J. He also hopes to travel to Sydney, Australia, this summer with the Catholic Campus Ministry Association to assist the U.S. bishops and attend mass with the pope for World Youth Day.

**Amanda Rifkin** will be in the analyst and client engagement program, a rotational leadership program at Vanguard in Valley Forge.

**Cristina Settar** will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Professional French Master's Program.

**Stephen Smith** is heading to the University of Rhode Island's Graduate School of Oceanography in Narragansett, R.I.

**Mike Thiry** will be working in the operations management leadership program at GE in Erie.

**Greg Wissman** will be working at Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc., in Harrisburg.

**Gillian Young** is planning an August 2009 wedding to Joseph Bruno, and upon graduation she will be working in Newark, Del., for JMT Engineering.

**Ali Zimmerer** has been accepted to the Peace Corps and is going to South America.

Upon commissioning as a Second Lieutenant in the Army on May 17, **Robert Yauger** will be assigned to the 49th Quartermaster Group, stationed at

Fort Lee, Va. The 49th Quartermaster Group is the only petroleum and water group in the active Army.

### IN MEMORIAM

## 1919

**Ellen Elizabeth Peterson Williams**, Williamsport, Pa., on April 9. The University's oldest living alumna until her death, she taught music for 42 years in Cresson, Ambler and Renovo. She taught band, orchestra and chorus, produced operettas and played for the church. Surviving are several nieces, including **Patricia Hause Fry '60**.

## 1925

**Grace Matz Fritz**, Allentown, Pa., on April 11. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. She knitted socks for soldiers in WWI and worked as a hospital dietician in Philadelphia and Camden. During WWII, she worked for the American Red Cross, teaching home economics and using home canning to preserve produce from their Victory Gardens. Preceding her in death was one niece, **Mayann Fritz '52**. Surviving is one son.

**Rebecca Milliken Wedell**, Amarillo, Texas, on Sept. 14, 2007. She taught in the New Mexico school system for more than 20 years. Preceded in death by her husband, Roy, she is survived by three children, 15 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

## 1926

**George Reed**, Washington, D.C., on May 1, 2007. He was a member of Theta Chi.

## 1931

**Helen Jones Alexander**, Walnut Creek, Calif., on April 9, 2007. She was a member of Phi Mu.

**Bess Piercy Tippet Boyd**, Richfield, N.C., on Nov. 20, 2007. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. Surviving are two children, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**Virginia Cowell Bristol**, Kennett Square, Pa., on March 22. She was a member of Phi Mu. She was preceded in death by her brother, **David Cowell '27**.

## 1932

**Shirley "Sherm" Merrill Leavitt**, Elizabeth City, N.C., on March 19. He was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon and Phi Mu Epsilon. He was the manager of the undefeated 1931 football team. He worked for U.S. Steel and W.H. McKee. Preceding him in death was brother, **Willard '37**, and cousin, **Howard Krausser '84**. He is survived by his wife, three daughters, seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

**Mary Reese Shorts**, Emlenton, Pa., on Feb. 24. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Arthur '30**, and brother, **Fred '39**. Surviving are a daughter, **Linda Shorts Patz '58**, three grandchildren and two great-granddaughters.

## 1934

**Helen Showalter Evans**, Lewisburg, Pa., on April 7. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi. She met her perfect match, **Harold Evans**, at Bucknell, and the couple wed on June 15, 1940. Harold served in the Army during WWII, and the couple moved extensively until the end of the war, when they settled permanently in Mifflinburg. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Harold '36**, sister **Thelma Johnson Showalter '29**, and cousin **Dorothy Showalter Straub '31**. Surviving are one

daughter, **Carol Evans Iddings '68**, and two grandchildren.

## 1937

**John Lenker**, Aliquippa, Pa., on April 23. He was a member of Alpha Chi Sigma. He worked as a metallurgical engineer for J&L Steel Corporation for over 40 years. He was the oldest charter member of the Hopewell Lions Club, receiving the Milestone Chevron Award, and was a Melvin Jones Fellow, the Lions Club highest honor. Surviving are two daughters and two grandsons.

## 1938

**Frances Jacobs Tausig**, Arlington, Va., on Feb. 17, 2007. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi. Surviving are four children, two grandchildren and one sister.

**Margaret Gordon Thirkield**, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Feb. 11. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. She worked for Burpee Seed Company in Philadelphia and as the office manager of Main and Company, now KPMG, in Pittsburgh. She volunteered at Upper St. Clair Hospital for over 25 years. Surviving are one brother, six nieces and nephews and eight great-nieces and nephews.

## 1939

**Doris Kroether Kearney**, Greenlawn, N.Y., on June 6, 2007. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta. Surviving are two children, two grandchildren and three nieces and nephews.

## 1940

**Robert Herzfelder**, Boca Raton, Fla., on March 27.

**Edward Kandle**, Palm Beach, Fla., on April 19. He was a member of Delta Upsilon and Pi Mu Epsilon.



**Jerome Vogel**, Woodbridge, N.Y., on Jan. 20, 2007. He was an Army veteran of WWII, serving overseas as a head of a field hospital. He received his doctorate in dentistry from the University of Pittsburgh and practiced for more than 50 years in Woodbridge before retiring in 2001. Surviving are two children and two grandchildren.

## 1941

**William Askey**, Williamsport, Pa., on April 11. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Phi Alpha Delta and Phi Eta Sigma honor society. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII and was promoted to Major while on inactive status. Askey received his J.D. from the University of Pittsburgh, School of Law, in 1951. He was appointed part-time U.S. Commissioner from 1964 to 1971 and part-time U.S. Magistrate in 1971, a position Congress later renamed Magistrate Judge. He received many awards including Proclamation in 1992 of William H. Askey Day in the City of Williamsport. Surviving are his wife, one daughter and one granddaughter.

**George Goodman**, Warwick, N.Y., on March 7. He was a member of Sigma Chi. He served in the Navy in the South Pacific during WWII and was awarded the Asiatic Pacific Victory Medal and the American Theater Medal. He worked as a purchasing agent for Lehigh & Hudson River Railroad and Conrail. Surviving are his wife, four children, 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

## 1942

**John Arthofer**, South Holland, Ill., on Feb. 17, 2007. He was a member of the baseball and soccer teams. Surviving are his wife, one daughter, three grandchildren and many cousins.

**Mary Ellen "Meo" Oesterle Haw**, Orange City, Fla., on April 2. She was a member of Pi Beta

Phi. She graduated from the Yale School of Nursing and was a public health nurse in South Dakota and Minnesota for 10 years at Mount Olivet Rolling Acres School, Muriel Humphrey Residences for the developmentally challenged and Planned Parenthood Clinic in Minneapolis, Minn. Preceding her in death was her father, **Rev. Eric Oesterle '16**. Surviving are one daughter and two grandchildren.

**Margaret Benson Faires Putman**, Durango, Colo., on Feb. 10. She served in the Navy during WWII as a member of Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service. She earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and worked with Raytheon in Washington, D.C. Surviving are three children and two grandchildren.

## 1943

**Ruth Howley Barnes Seaton**, Gladwyne, Pa., on Jan. 1. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. Surviving are three children, seven grandchildren and one brother.

**Shirley Higgins Brown**, Lincolnton, N.C., on Feb. 9, 2007. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Russell E. Brown '47**. Surviving are two children.

**Elizabeth Sourber LeMasters**, Tamaqua, Pa., on March 19. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi. She worked for Winston and Lippincott Publishing, Philadelphia, where she was in charge of the leather book binding division. She was a social worker for the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare, and she assisted her husband with their jewelry store. They also operated a gift shop at Heisler's in the Lewistown Valley. Surviving are her husband, two sons and four grandchildren.

**Marian Sheaffer Montfort**, Gorham, Maine, on Dec. 22, 2007. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. Surviving are three children.

**James Richardson Moore**, Strasburg, Va., on Feb. 15. He was a member of Delta Upsilon and Phi Mu Epsilon. He worked for Englehart Minerals and Chemicals as a chemical engineer. Surviving are four children, 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

**Robert O'Connell**, Crewe, Va., on Dec. 1, 2007.

**Carolyn Jane Farra Smith**, Northumberland, Pa., on March 12. She and her husband owned and operated a Lincoln-Mercury auto dealership. They sponsored a semi-pro basketball team called the Sunbury Mercuries. She worked as a designer/consultant with Marcella Nace Interior Decorators and later with John Dagle Jewelers, both in Sunbury.

## 1944

**Alvin Robert Blattner**, South Portland, Maine, on March 30, 2007. He served in the 28th Fighter Group of the Army during WWII. He graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in industrial design. He was an interpreter and cultural advisor for senior staff in central Europe, France, Rhineland and Africa. He worked at Price Brothers, Corn Products Company, Chemico, Stone and Webster Engineering and Foster Wheeler Energy. He became a self-employed technical consultant also affiliated with Continental Translation Services of New York. Surviving are two children, two grandchildren.

**Betty Miles James**, Washington, D.C., on March 18. She was a member of Kappa Delta. She was one of the first female reporters at *The Washington Star*. She joined the newspaper toward the end of WWII. Surviving is one cousin.

**Dorothy Elizabeth Bunnell Parker**, Paramus, N.J., on March 9. She was a member of Kappa Delta. She was preceded in death by her husband, **William Palmer '43**. Surviving are three children, six grandchildren and two sisters, **June**

**Bunnell Richards '45** and **Catherine Bunnell '43**.

**Robert Ungard**, Parkman, Ohio, on April 16. He was a member of Delta Upsilon. He worked in research at Eastman Kodak in Rochester, N.Y. and for Wisconsin Power and Light as a liaison and salesman. He attended graduate school at Wheaton College where he met his wife. He worked for E.I. DuPont in industrial sales in California and Ohio, switching careers in the late 70s to insurance and financial planning at Lincoln National Life Insurance. Surviving are his wife, four children, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## 1945

**Louise Magill Downes Wilson**, West Chester, Pa., on Feb. 14. She was a member of Kappa Delta. She was preceded in death by her brother, **Frank Jr. '39**. Surviving are her husband, four children and niece, **Linda Owen Weinmann '62**.

**Elsie Wilson Young**, Lewisburg, Pa., on March 5. She was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Donald '33**. Surviving are children **Catherine Young Platusich '70** and **Donald Jr. '71**, and cousin, **Margaret Duvernet Byrnes '60**.

**King Snyder**, Elmira, N.Y., on Feb. 27. He served in the Navy during WWII. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon. He earned a medical degree from Temple University Medical School. He practiced in obstetrics and gynecology. Surviving are his wife, six daughters, seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and three siblings.

**Sylvia Cliffe Williamson**, Lansdale, Pa., on March 11. She was a member of Phi Mu. She had a varied career in business for over 40 years. Surviving are four children, including **Deirdre Williamson Benson '73** and **Debra Williamson Loupos '77**, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



## 1946

**Elizabeth Hadfield Sylvester**, Clinton, N.Y., on Jan. 30. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. She and her husband, F. Richard, lived in Ticonderoga, N.Y. The Baird House Bed and Breakfast on Fountain Street in Clinton was Betty's "retirement" career. Surviving are four children and three granddaughters.

**The Rev. Elwood C. Zimmerman**, Mechanicsburg, Pa., on March 16. He was a graduate of Lycoming College and Wesley Theological Seminary. He was a pastor within the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church. He was superintendent of the New Cumberland District and was the administrative assistant to Bishops Felton May and Neil Irons. Surviving are his wife, two children, two grandchildren and one brother.

## 1947

**Louise Horn**, Allentown, Pa., on Feb. 3. She was a member of Delta Zeta. She worked for many years for Automatic Devices Company. Surviving are a niece and nephew.

**Eugene Matthews**, Douglassville, Pa., on March 24. He was a class president, president of Phi Gamma Delta and co-captain of the football team. He was a second lieutenant in the Navy in the Pacific during WWII. He received a master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh and was sales manager for the Mid Atlantic Region of Cannon Mills. He served as a member of the Pottsgrove School Board. Surviving are his wife, **June Stott Matthews '47**, three children, including **J. Stott Matthews '84**, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

## 1948

**Carl Shonk Lyons**, Lyons, Mich., on March 18. He served as an Army medic in Europe

during WWII. He worked as a research biochemist for Merck in Rahway, N.J., and earned his Ph.D. at Rutgers University. In 1966, he became a professor of biochemistry at Central Michigan University. Surviving are two children, 10 grandchildren and one brother.

**Mary Havens Roberts**, Indialantic, Fla., on Nov. 9, 2007. She was a member of Phi Mu. Surviving are her husband, daughter, **Amy Roberts Lacy '76**, and two grandchildren.

**Nida Poteat Sileo**, Ormond Beach, Fla., on Jan. 26. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi. She earned a master's degree in computer science at Nova University. She and her husband directed a community center for the underprivileged. In 1956, she began her 32-year teaching career in Dade county schools. She volunteered to move to an inner city school when the schools were desegregated. She was preceded in death by a brother, **The Rev. Wallace Poteat '47**, and her husband, **Nicholas '49**. Surviving are two sisters, four children and 14 grandchildren.

## 1949

**Judith Martin Bosak**, Silver Spring, Md., on May 18, 2007. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Surviving are two children, three grandchildren and one sister.

**Mary Elizabeth Skinner Cavender**, Charlotte, N.C., on March 27. She was a member of Alpha Phi. She moved to the Philippines where she met her husband. She moved to Charlotte in 2000. Surviving are three children, two half brothers, one cousin and two grandchildren.

**Jack Garrison**, Little Falls, N.J., on Feb. 5. He served in the Army and Army Air Corps during WWII, seeing action as a tail gunner with the 451st Bomb Group, 1st Army Air Force in Italy. His name is inscribed on the National Aviation and Space Exploration Wall of Honor at the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C. He received his MS in busi-

ness from Columbia University. He was manager of marketing services at J. Wiss & Sons in Newark and taught as an adjunct professor at William Paterson. Surviving are his wife, three children and three grandchildren.

**John Loughhead Jr.**, Lewisburg, Pa., on Feb. 23. He was a member of Kappa Sigma. He served in the Air Force. He received his M.D. from Jefferson Medical College in 1954 and worked as an OB-GYN and surgeon for both the Reading and Evangelical Community Hospitals. Surviving are his wife, seven children, including **John '79, Michael '81 and Mary '85**, and 13 grandchildren.

**Robert Lowry**, Montoursville, Pa., on Feb. 14. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. He worked at General Electric & Co. until he returned to Williamsport, where he was president of the Lowry Electric Co. Surviving are his wife, five children, including **Jill Lowry Duster '95 and Matthew '97**, and three grandchildren.

**Pauline Wright McCoskey**, Rockville, Md., on Feb. 22. She was a member of Delta Zeta. She was a self-employed artist, working with paint, sculpture and mixed media. She won an award in a Montgomery Mall art show in 1979 and discussed her work in 2006 at the Brookside Gardens Spring Conservatory Display and Sculpture Show. Surviving are two sons, including **John McCoskey '79**, and two grandchildren.

## 1950

**Richard A. Jones**, Philadelphia, Pa., on Feb. 2.

**Raymond Martin**, Trucksville, Pa., on April 1. He was a member of Tau Beta Pi. He served in the Navy. He worked for Brown Instrument Co., in Philadelphia, and in 1953, he married Joan Lee Woodruff, of Norfolk, Va. The couple then moved to Hartford, Conn., where they both worked in the jet aircraft engine design

laboratories of Pratt and Whitney Aircraft. He founded Martin and Fladd Consulting Engineers and later merged with Kenneth N. Rogers Consulting Engineers to form Martin Rogers Associates. Surviving are his wife, five children, including **Kurt Martin '90**, 10 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

**Edward Pioch**, Charleston, W.Va., on Jan. 10. He served during WWII with the 413th Infantry Regiment, 104th Division, Timberwolf, from June 1943 to 1946. He worked for 35 years as an electrical engineer with Appalachian Power Company. Surviving are his wife, two children and one granddaughter.

## 1951

**Arvid Anderson**, Oxnard, Calif., on April 17. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon. He was a WWII veteran. He also attended Indiana Technical College and Clemson University. After completing a master's degree in mechanical and aerospace engineering, he took a position at Point Mugu Naval Missile Test Center. Surviving are his wife, two children, four grandchildren and three great-granddaughters.

**Joanne Hopkins Berkheiser**, Albany, N.Y., on Dec. 29, 2007.

**George Woodward Jr.**, Columbus, Ohio, on March 30. He was a member of Chi Phi. He served in the Army Air Corps in WWII. He was a contract administrator with North American Rockwell, Jeffrey-Dresser Mining Co. and Battelle Memorial Institute with over 45 years of service. He was preceded in death by brothers **Evan '58 and Melvyn '53**. Surviving are his wife, two children, one grandson, three siblings, including **Henry '63 and Mary Woodward Beringer '53**, and many nieces and nephews.

**Herbert Zearfoss**, Villanova, Pa., on April 8. He was a member of Theta Chi. He was in the Navy Reserve as an administrator in Washington, D.C., and was discharged as a lieutenant



commander. He earned a law degree from American University and was a partner in private practice until becoming an attorney for Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Co. In 1968, he was elected a state representative and served five terms until 1978. He returned to Fidelity Mutual as vice president and then went to Provident Indemnity Life Insurance. He was an attorney for Teleflex Inc. He was preceded in death by brother, **Wilson '53**. Surviving are his wife, three children, including **Timothy '81**, five grandchildren and cousin, **Kenneth '54**.

## 1952

**Thomas Balog**, Pittsford, N.Y., on March 8. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He served as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army Corps of Engineers. After his retirement from General Railway Signal as VP of Human Resources, he taught at the Graduate Business School of RIT as an adjunct professor. Surviving are two sons, two grandchildren, four siblings and several nieces and nephews.

**Marilyn Fisher Lentz Barden**, Charlotte, N.C., on March 21, 2007. She was a member of Kappa Delta. She graduated with honors from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and taught home economics and English for the Charlotte Mecklenburg School System, Fort Bragg and Queens College. Surviving are four children, six grandchildren, one sister and numerous nieces and nephews.

**William Frazier Jr.**, Lafayette Hill, Pa., on March 23. He was a member of Delta Upsilon. Surviving are his fiancée and friends.

**Maxine Hammer**, Los Angeles, Calif., on March 5, 2007. She was a member of Phi Alpha Pi. Surviving are one brother, two nieces, four great-nieces and nephews and six cousins.

**Margo Ketay Rauch Krupp**, Williamstown, Mass., on Jan. 13. She was a member of Phi Alpha Pi. She earned her bachelor's degree in radio and theater arts

from NYU. She was program coordinator for the Highland Park YWCA; head of fundraising for the Illinois ACLU, Chicago Youth Centers, and Chicago's public television station, WTTW; and director of marketing and public relations for two Chicago law firms, Sidley & Austin and Schiff Hardin & Waite. Surviving are two children, one grandson and many cousins.

**John Whitman**, Philipsburg, Pa., on Jan. 23.

## 1953

**Susan Simpson Anderson**, San Diego, Calif., Jan. 8. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. She received her master's degree from the University of Arizona and worked as a high school teacher. She was the daughter of the late Hon. Richard Simpson, a member of the U.S. House of Representatives. She was preceded in death by sister, **Barbara Ann '53**. Surviving are her husband, four children, five grandchildren, one sister, three aunts.

**Joseph Gobbo**, King of Prussia, Pa., on April 13. He was an Army veteran of WWII, serving in the infantry as a Private First Class in the southern Philippines. He graduated from the American Music Academy in NYC. He worked as an electrical engineer for the former G.E. Company in the aerospace division in King of Prussia and Philadelphia. Surviving are his wife, three children, four grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, a sister and many nephews and nieces.

**A. Reid Leopold Jr.**, Lewistown, Pa., on March 17. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon. He was a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and served as a medical doctor in the Navy for two years and in Lewistown for 41 years. He was in a private practice with Leopold, Gardner and Creighton. They later formed the Lewistown Geisinger Medical Group. He was the Mifflin County Coroner for 32 years. Surviving are his wife, Karen Christine

Doyle Leopold, five children, including **Suzanne Leopold Cummings '81**, eight grandchildren and one brother.

## 1954

**Ray Crossley II**, Silver Spring, Md., on Feb. 15. Surviving are his wife, three children, four grandchildren and two sisters.

**Gabrielle Kramer Goldfinger**, Bushkill, Pa., on Feb. 15, 2007. Surviving are one son, two grandchildren and one sister.

## 1955

**Barry Greenspan**, Port Charlotte, Fla., on July 27, 2007.

**Donald Main**, Perth Amboy, N.Y., on Jan. 15. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi. He served in the Army Medical Corps in the Korean War. He was president of Industrial Luncheon Inc. for 55 years. He was president of Mainco, Inc., and president of Mainline Coffee Service. Surviving are two brothers, three nieces, two nephews, 13 great-nieces and nephews and one great-great-niece.

**Charles Taylor**, North Las Vegas, Nev., on Nov. 8, 2007.

**Irwin Ufberg**, Kingston, Pa., on Nov. 5, 2007. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Mu. He earned his J.D. from Duquesne University. He was preceded in death by his uncle, **Max '30**. Surviving are his wife, five children, three siblings, including brothers **Harold '59** and **Murray '64**, and four grandchildren.

## 1957

**Rabbi Benjamin Hollander**, Jerusalem, Israel, on Feb. 9. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Mu. Surviving are his children and grandchildren.

**John Hunter**, Ellicott City, Md., on Feb. 4. He was a member of Delta Upsilon. Surviving are his wife, three children, including **Faith Hunter Kimberling '92** and **Erin Hunter Jennings '92**,

three siblings and three grandchildren.

**Elizabeth O'Neill Swarr**, Malvern, Pa., on March 6. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi. Surviving are her husband, **David '54**, three children and five grandchildren.

## 1959

**Karl Dall**, Lebanon, Pa., on Feb. 8. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha. He graduated from Temple University School of Dentistry. Following a two-year tour of duty with the U.S. Navy at NAAS Meridian, Mississippi, he continued his dental career at Danville State Hospital. Surviving are two children, including **Anne '88**, four grandchildren, one brother and four nieces.

**Ann Norris Snyder**, Springfield, Pa., on March 30. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. A homemaker, she was a swimming instructor at the YMCA of Eastern Delaware County in Lansdowne for 30 years. She was a member of Chapter O of the Philanthropic Educational Organization for 40 years. Surviving are her husband, two children, five grandchildren and one brother.

**Janet Beitman Whitney**, Perkasie, Pa., on April 9. She was a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha. She was a teacher in the Central Bucks School District. Surviving are two children and three grandchildren.

## 1960

**Robert Young**, Englewood, Fla., on Sept. 28, 2007. He was a member of Kappa Delta Rho. He was an Army veteran and a retired mechanical engineer. Surviving are three siblings and many nieces and nephews.

## 1961

**Marilyn Morgan Stalnaker**, Lioniger, Pa., on April 18. She was a member of Kappa Delta.



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She taught for many years in the Ligonier Valley School District. Surviving are her mother, her husband, three children, three grandsons and a sister.

## 1962

**Ruth Headley McHugh**, Missouri City, Texas, on Jan. 1. She retired from ExxonMobil as an administrative assistant after 23 years of service. She was a retired Pastor of Tree of Life Ministries in Houston. Surviving are her husband, three daughters, four grandchildren and two siblings.

## 1963

**William Landsiedel**, Glen Falls, N.Y., on Feb. 1. After earning a graduate degree from NYU, he began his career as a guidance counselor at Queensbury High School. Surviving are his mother, his wife, three children, including **Laura '93**, four grandchildren, two siblings and many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

## 1964

**Alfred Cabral Jr.**, Gastonia, N.C., on Dec. 27, 2007. He was a member of the football team. He received his bachelor's degree from Purdue University, his MBA from Governor State University and his doctorate from NOVA. He was vice president of GD Searle and Pfizer, president of A.L. Pharma and founder and president of Carolina Technotics. Surviving are his mother, his wife, four daughters and five grandchildren.

**Paul Himmelsbach**, Port St. Lucie, Fla., on Feb. 2. He was a member of Kappa Sigma. He was vice president of administrative services with Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company. Surviving are his mother, his wife, two sons, two grandchildren and one sister.

## 1965

**Douglas Garber**, Utica, N.Y., April 29, 2007. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon.

## 1968

**William Adams**, Bradford, Mass., on March 2. He was a member of Phi Lambda Theta. He earned his Ph.D. in chemistry at Lehigh University. He was a professor of chemistry at Salem State College. Surviving are his wife, two daughters, two siblings and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

**Gregory Switlik**, High Falls, N.Y., May 23, 2007.

## 1972

**John Simpkins**, Oak Ridge, Tenn., on April 9. He was a member of Kappa Delta Rho. He lived in many locations across the country and settled in East Tennessee in 1987. He was a manufacturing engineer until retiring in 1992. Surviving are two daughters.

## 1973

**Maryanne Eshelman-Townsend**, Wyncote, Pa., on March 19. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. She received her master's degree and doctorate in psychology from Temple University. She was president of Eshelman & Townsend, Ltd. marketing research firm. As president of Hamlyn Senior Marketing and a member of the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, she specialized in market research for continuing care retirement communities. Surviving are her husband, two brothers and two nieces.

## 1975

**Bruce Van Allen**, Denver Colo., on March 15. He was a member of Kappa Delta Rho. He received his master's degree from the University of Texas in geology and mineralogy. He was an avid mineral collector. As a mineral analyst and exploration land manager for Tenneco Minerals, he was instrumental in Tenneco Minerals donating 100,000 acres of mineral interests in New Mexico and Oregon to the Nature Conservancy. Surviving are his mother, two daughters, one sister, one aunt, one uncle, one nephew and two great-nieces.

## 1978

**Peter Kondrat**, New York, N.Y., on April 8. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

*Note: See the Class of 1978 column for more information about Peter Kondrat.*

## 1981

**Alison Dickard Corvington**, Wyckoff, N.J., on Dec. 24, 2007. She was a member of Delta Gamma.

**James Thomas**, Toms River, N.J., on March 14. He was on the men's track and field team. He received his master's degree from Manhattan College. He worked for Shell Oil in Malaysia. He founded the JCT Education Center in Jakarta, Indonesia, for English language study. Surviving are four siblings and several nieces and nephews.

### MASTER'S

**Lloyd Swartz MA'37**, Mount Lebanon, Pa., on March 10. In 1934, he earned a BA in mathematics from Susquehanna University. He taught science and mathematics at Liverpool High School and taught mathematics at Bucknell. He retired

as a nuclear engineer for Westinghouse, Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory at West Mifflin. He was preceded in death by his wife, **Leslie Minor Swartz MA'36**. Surviving are three children, four siblings, eight grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

**Andrew Magill Sr. MS'48**, Sugarloaf, Pa., on Feb. 6. He was a pilot with the Army Air Corps during WWII. He taught science at Crestwood High School. He worked in and the insurance industry and was vice president of Columbia Accident and Health Insurance Company. He pioneered the field of self-insurance and was the founder of NEP Administrators, Inc. He owned Magill Agency and Magill Associates. Surviving are four children, including **Edward '77**, five grandchildren, two siblings and several nieces and nephews.

**Theodore Besanceney MS'49**, Mansfield, Pa., on March 26. He served in the National Guard. He taught in a one-room schoolhouse at State Road and taught math and coached at Camptown. He was the principal in Genesee, where he also started the volunteer fire department. He served as principal at Mansfield High School. Surviving are two children, six grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

**Clarence "Hank" Green MS'49**, Williamsport, Pa., on Feb. 23. He served in the Navy during WWII. He taught and coached in the South Williamsport Area District and the Williamsport Area School District for 40 years. He was best known as the head wrestling coach at Roosevelt Junior High School. Surviving are his wife, four children, 14 grandchildren, including **Donald Shump Jr. '00**, and two siblings.

**Glenn Lurger MS'49**, Mechanicsburg, Pa., on Feb. 23. He served in the Army in WWII. He received a B.S. from West Chester University. He was a teacher and guidance counselor in the Williamsport Area School District for 31 years after teaching in Hughesville for



seven years. Surviving are two children, six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

**Louis Greco MA'50**, Lansdale, Pa., on Dec. 19, 2007. He was a WWII veteran assigned to the "Hell on Wheels" 2nd Armored Division. He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Scranton. Surviving are his wife and several nieces and nephews.

**Frank Marhefka MS'50**, Mifflintown, Pa., on March 17. He served in the Navy during WWII. He taught physical education teacher at Catawissa High School and later was the principal at Meshoppen High School before moving to Mifflintown in 1953 and starting his career with the Juniata County School District as the guidance counselor and assistant principal. Surviving are his wife, two daughters, five grandchildren, one great-granddaughter and one sister.

**Fred Fritz MS'52**, Dallas, Pa., on March 10. He served in the Army during WWII. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Scranton and received his doctorate from Delaware University. He worked for Hercules Inc., in research for over 35 years and was awarded several patents for his innovations. Surviving are six siblings, 17 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

**Robert Slonaker Jr. MS'52**, Lewisburg, Pa., on April 3. He served in the 11th Armored Division under General George Patton. His division entered near the end of the Battle of the Bulge and helped to liberate concentration camps in Belgium, Germany and Austria. He earned a Ph.D. from Iowa State University and taught chemical engineering and material science at Bucknell for 38 years. He received the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching, was elected a Fellow of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and was a member of the Bucknell Engineering Alumni Association. He laid the groundwork for the first study abroad program in England and Australia for junior students in

chemical engineering. Surviving are his wife, **Gloria Roth Slonaker '56**, two sons, including **Mark '85**, three grandsons and one sister.

**Jacob Azain MS'53**, Santa Barbara, Calif., on Feb. 7. He was a veteran of WWII and the Korean War. He served as director of the Devereux School from 1971 to 1986. Surviving are his wife, two children, seven grandchildren, one brother and several nieces and a nephew.

**William Brown MA'55**, Duncannon, Pa., on February 9. He served in the Army Air Force for during WWII. He was the elementary principal at Susquenita School District from 1952 to 1978. Surviving are his wife, seven children, 13 grandchildren, one great-grandson and seven nieces and nephews.

**Mary McCall MA'56**, Camp Hill, Pa., on Feb. 26. She was a Latin teacher at the former John Harris High School. She was a graduate of Immaculata College. Surviving are cousins.

**Gary Pflugfelder MS'57**, Fayetteville, N.Y., on April 7. A graduate of Lock Haven, he was a general agent for Aetna Life Insurance Company. Surviving are his wife, two sons and two grandsons.

**Moris Quint MA'57**, Gettysburg, Pa., on Dec. 15, 2007. He served as a Marine in WWII and Korea. He received his bachelor's degree from Muhlenburg and kicked the winning point in the one and only Tobacco Bowl. In 1964, he became principal of Gettysburg High School, where he remained until the early '80s. Surviving are his wife, two children, two grandsons and four siblings.

**Theodore Morris MS'70**, Williamsport, Pa., on March 4. He served in the Navy as an electronics technician. He received a bachelor's degree in education from Lock Haven University and was part of the Lewisburg school system from 1966 to 1995. Surviving are three children, two sisters, one aunt, seven nieces and nephews and several cousins.

**Kenneth Schnure MS'77**, Milton, Pa., on Feb. 24. He

taught fourth grade at Picture Rocks, became assistant registrar at Bloomsburg and then became registrar. Surviving are his mother, three siblings, seven nieces and nephews and two great-nieces.

## FACULTY, STAFF AND FRIENDS

**Anne R.S. Dainoff**, Philadelphia, Pa., on March 20. During her 25 years at Bucknell, she worked as a secretary for the sociology department. Surviving are three sons, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Mary Moore Davis**, Elizabethtown, Pa., on March 11. She worked for Bucknell's Student Health Services for 23 years, retiring in 1984. Surviving are three children and five grandchildren.

**William H. Dunkak Jr.**, Scottsdale, Ariz., on Jan. 11. He enlisted in the Navy in 1944 and became an ensign in the Naval Reserve. He graduated from Yale in 1947. A former Trustee and honorary degree recipient, he retired from Merrill Lynch as vice president in 1985. He is survived by four children and five grandchildren.

**Martha "Marcie" Henry**, Lewisburg, Pa., on March 3. She worked as a school aide and served as a job coach for special needs individuals. She was last employed at Bucknell in catering. Surviving are her husband, two daughters, five siblings, 11 nieces and nephews and a large number of great-nieces and nephews.

**Richard Russell**, Columbus, Ohio, on April 26. He graduated from OSU with both his bachelor's and master's degrees. He was a member of Sigma Chi. He was a veteran of the Army, third armored division, Ft. Knox. He was a teacher and swimming coach at Upper Arlington Schools and the swimming, golf and football coach at Kenyon College. He was an associate professor and men's head swimming coach from 1968 to 1994, and established the

Bucknell water polo program. He founded the Collegiate Water Polo Association in 1970, which includes over 230 teams. He won numerous conference championships in both swimming and water polo and competed in the NCAA's many years. As a result of his consistent success, he was the first Bucknell coach to record more than 100 victories in two sports. Upon his retirement, he was elected into the Bucknell Hall of Fame as well as the Collegiate Water Polo Hall of Fame. Surviving are his wife, two children, four grandchildren, one brother and three nieces and nephews.

**John Zurfluh Jr.**, Millersville, Pa., on March 30. He served in the Air Force Strolling Strings in Washington, D.C. John took his love of music and made it his life path, serving as faculty at Franklin & Marshall, Elizabethtown College, Bucknell University and Susquehanna University. He was a member of the Harrisburg Symphony, Hershey Theater Orchestra and the Harrisburg String Quartet. Surviving is one daughter.

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## Education Without Borders

An international relations major puts her knowledge to work in the Dominican Republic.

By Linell Stabler '05



In January of 2005, during my senior year at Bucknell, I traveled to Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic to observe the activities and projects of Avanzada Comunal Enseñando y Sanando (A.C.E.S.), an organization I learned about from a colleague back in the States. In particular, I was to observe a one-day medical outreach activity in one of Santo Domingo's many slums. As I prepared for my "observation visit," I imagined sterile clinic exam rooms, orderly waiting rooms, and quiet professionals calmly dispensing their wisdom and treatments.

I couldn't have been more wrong. In the first five minutes, I heard the screams of a young dental patient, as several of her teeth were pulled without the benefit of Novocain while three adults held her down in a kitchen chair. I watched a teenage mother cuddle a vitamin-deficient infant in her arms, and I smelled the stench of infection and the lack of hygiene. The "clinic" was a shabby concrete room where religious services were sometimes held, the "waiting room" was the busy street outside, and the "professionals" were harried doctors who struggled to consult with hundreds of impatient sick men, women, and children. The chaos was a far cry from the sane halls of Bucknell where I had planned this trip.

As an international relations student at Bucknell, I felt that I had the intellectual preparation for the poverty that exists in much of the world. But the reality in the Dominican Republic steamrolled that "head" knowledge and completely engaged my heart and soul. I knew immediately that this place, these people, and this organization would be part of my future.

On my return to the States — and before graduation — I became an advocate for my new friends in the DR and inter-

ested enough other Bucknell students in the A.C.E.S. projects to start an A.C.E.S. student organization. The idealistic energy of Bucknell's environment was a perfect incubator for the birth of new health initiatives and classroom projects in those Santo Domingo slums. Not only that, the Bucknell enthusiasm sparked the beginning of an off-campus A.C.E.S. organization

in Williamsport, Pa., my hometown.

Nowadays, students and professionals, business owners and residents are becoming inspired by the vision that I saw on that first observation trip in 2005

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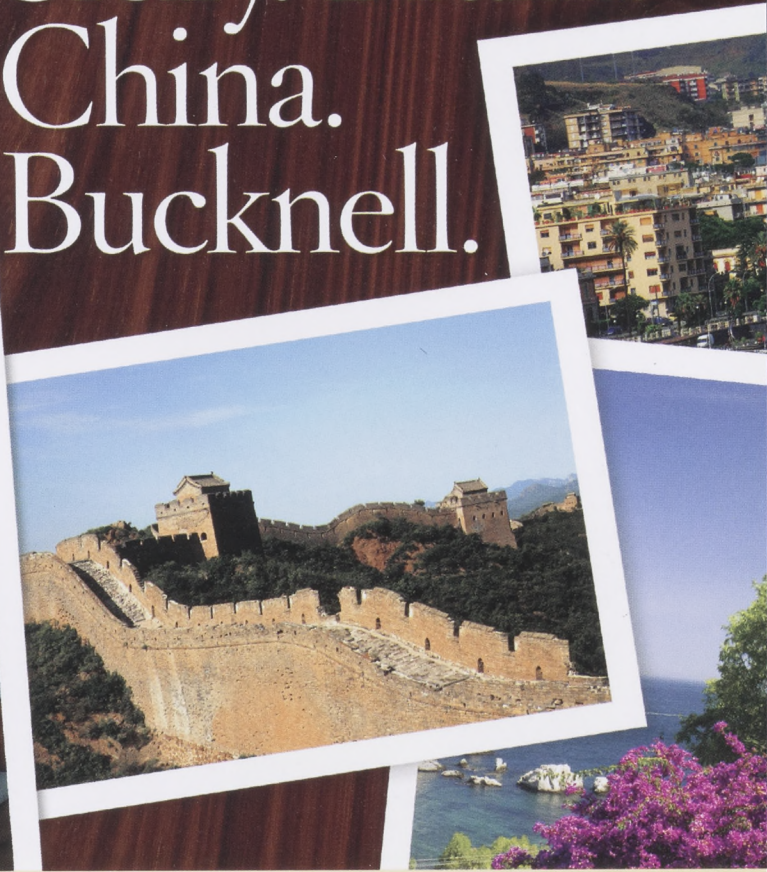
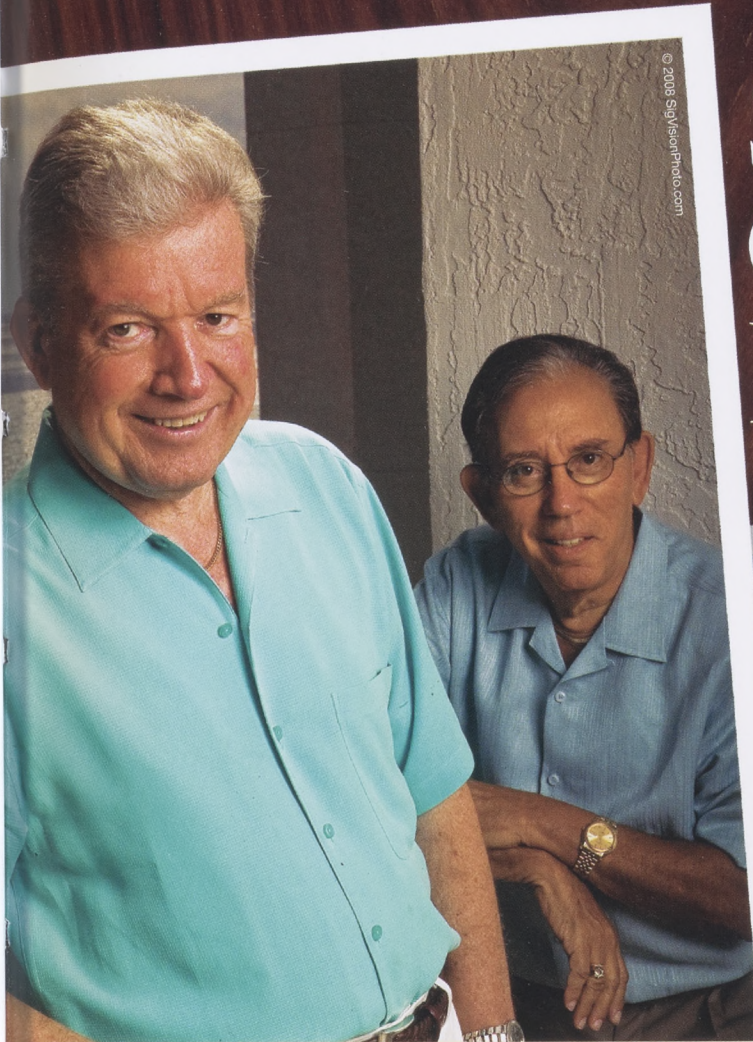
— the possibility of making a difference in quality of life for one community at a time in one of the poorest areas in this hemisphere. Service trips, fundraising, lectures, and donations are becoming habits as people are learning about the incredible potential of the combination of head knowledge and heart-centered compassion for the people of the Dominican Republic.

Bucknell made it all possible. As a Bucknell alumna, I will be forever grateful for the preparation that Bucknell afforded me — it provided a springboard for the work of my life.

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# Sicily. Brazil. China. Bucknell.



*It's hard to keep track of George D. Clark '63 and Joseph Bonanno these days. Careful retirement planning has allowed them to pursue their passion for world travel and constant learning.*

**But whether they're exploring Egypt or the south of France, their hearts have settled on one place: Bucknell.**

George and Joe wanted to share their love of books and education with as many students as possible. To meet these philanthropic goals, they have planned a bequest that will create a named endowment to provide funding for library materials in perpetuity. As a bonus, they retain gift flexibility and will gain significant tax advantages.

"The library is the core of scholarship on campus," George says. "Our gift will benefit the vast majority of students, which is important to us."

Their Bucknell legacy will last – no matter where their journeys take them.



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