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From Bucknell
to the Battlefield

Exploring a moral pursuit in a time of war.



Scholarships change lives.

Mahdi Woodard '09 is the first member of his family to attend a four-year university. For him, this is both an achievement and a responsibility — much like being awarded the Neuville Family Scholarship to attend Bucknell.

“Being awarded a scholarship means having the opportunity to come to Bucknell, find out who I am and how I want to leave an impact on the world,” says Mahdi, a management major. He’s made the most of his opportunity by tutoring children in the Lewisburg community and co-founding a Common Ground diversity retreat program.

“Mr. Stephen Neuville '57 came to the University and had a positive experience, then donated so someone else could come to Bucknell, be productive and have the opportunity to transcend whatever barriers they had to getting here. In turn, I try to make sure that I’m also leaving a positive mark on the University.”

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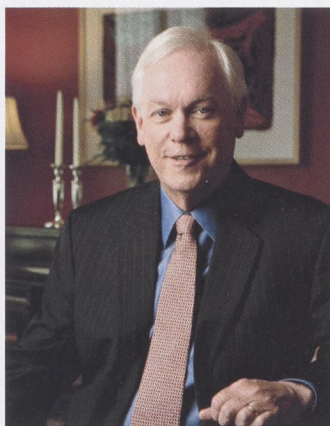
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By Andrew W.M. Beierle

President's Message

Bucknell Leaders Home and Abroad



Bucknell alumni carry the reputation of the University around the world. Bucknellians who serve in the military carry the reputation of Bucknell and the United States with them in a particular way. Joining an all-volunteer armed service, they accept special responsibilities in this time of war. They become more than college graduates looking to begin a career for themselves. They become individuals duty-bound to uphold the oath they take to support and defend the Constitution against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

The cover story in this issue explores the moral, ethical and leadership challenges that accepting this responsibility involves today for Bucknell alumni. Bucknell is proud to have been home to an ROTC program since 1951. Most Bucknell alumni who have entered the military, like those featured in this piece, have done so through this program. Others, though, enlist after college. Either way, they link the names of Bucknell and the United States to leadership and service in a profound and even complex way.

The qualities these individuals embody is symbolic of an attribute for which Bucknellians are widely recognized. It is no wonder that co-existing beside our ROTC tradition is Bucknell's leadership in producing Peace Corps volunteers. Bucknell was this year again named one of the top universities in the U.S. for producing such volunteers.

Today's students are carrying this tradition of leadership and service forward in many ways. Recently, for example, Bucknell was named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll — the highest federal recognition for such efforts and a tribute to the more than 75 percent of our student population who are involved in service in some way. Meanwhile, five Bucknell students were honored for their work addressing difficult global issues, our fraternities and sororities raised \$10,000 for those in need in the Susquehanna Valley, and Bucknell won top honors in the MLK Technology Challenge Contest thanks to a video showcasing the work of nearly 600 Bucknell volunteers and local community members who helped others during this February's MLK Community Service Week.

The service and leadership that today's Bucknellians offer is of many kinds — to the defense of the United States, to the strengthening of communities worldwide through the Peace Corps, and to giving of themselves much closer to home. In these efforts, they demonstrate a commitment to others that is notable in these challenging economic times especially, and we are proud to celebrate them.

Brian C. Mitchell
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Letters

LASTING INFLUENCE

I was thrilled to read the article on the endowment scholarship dedicated to Professor Peterec [Winter 2008]. No one could be more deserving of such communal gratitude.

At the same time, however, I was somewhat saddened that this was the first time I heard of the project, as I certainly would have loved to contribute to its birth as well as be present at the dedication. As an international relations major, I had the honor of taking multiple classes with Professor Peterec, and I can say with sincere honesty that he changed the way I view the world as well as my role and responsibility in it. I consider him to be one of the most positive influences in my life.

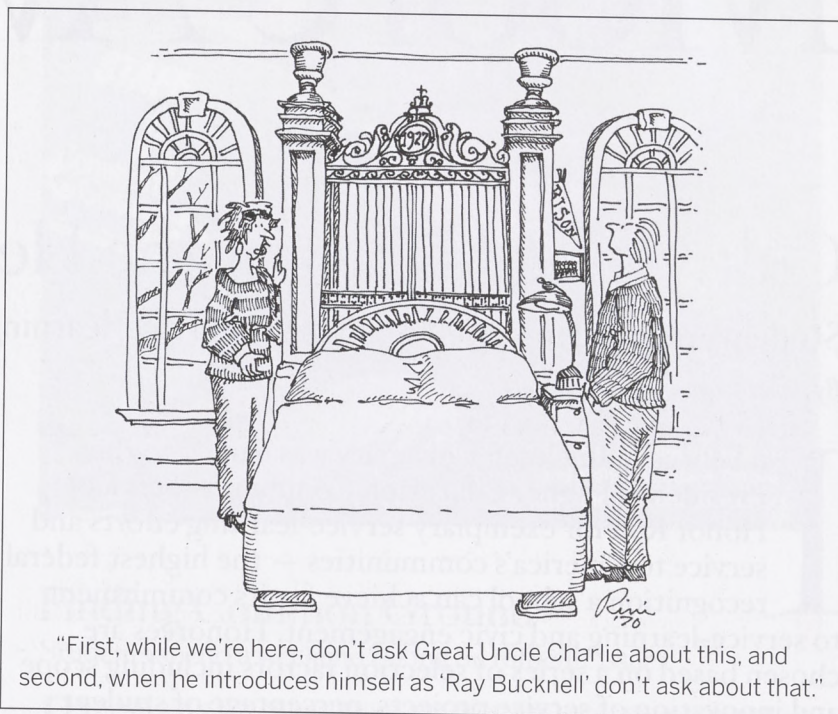
I'd like to extend a thank you to Professor Peterec. He has touched so many with his enthusiasm and passion.

Melanie Bikis '84
East Falmouth, Mass.

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LET US NOW PRAISE FAMOUS COACHES

As a former Bucknell lacrosse player, I've been lucky not only to have worked with Coach Sid Jamieson but also to have stayed in touch with him over the last 20 years. As I and other alumni can attest — and often do — Coach Jamieson is legendary in the Bucknell lacrosse world. In keeping the sport alive in my own family, I've coached my three daughters, and also my son, in the SoCal Lacrosse League in Orange County. Our entire family was elated to have Coach Jamieson attend my son's first game.



"First, while we're here, don't ask Great Uncle Charlie about this, and second, when he introduces himself as 'Ray Bucknell' don't ask about that."

The head coach was so impressed and honored by his presence that he sent a glowing e-mail to all of the parents praising Coach Jamieson, calling him "one of the true legends of North American lacrosse."

His letter reminded me of the impact Coach has had on players outside of Bucknell. Interestingly, the gentleman who wrote the letter was recruited by Coach in the early '90s but decided to attend West Point. He was very honored to have him attend our kids' game and appropriately expressed it. Coach has always stayed in touch with me and many other players through good times and bad. I cannot overstate what an asset and treasure he is to the best of Bucknell tradition and the institution.

David "Dino" Ferrara '87
Coto de Caza, Calif.

BOBSLED MEMORIES

My entire family loved the beautiful and fun e-card Bucknell sent in December. My son-in-law **Jon Leef '88** thought he recognized me in one of the photos showing co-eds on a bobsled. He called

my daughter **Heather McBride Leef '88**, and she called me. I am pushing the sled. **Shirley Schweiker Fagen '49** is in the front seat, and **Betty McBride Boyer '49** is behind her. Seeing this photo again after all these years, I was reminded that women were only allowed to wear pants on campus when there was snow on the ground. My granddaughter, **Kristen Lunny Wolff '05**, thought that was very amusing. The old pictures brought back many happy memories. Thank you, Bucknell, for all the good work you have done and continue to do.

Lorry Yauffman McBride '51
Naples, Fla.

Ed. Note: What is your favorite Bucknell memory? Send your stories to bmagazine@bucknell.edu.

WEB EXCLUSIVES

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- Share Your Own Military Story and Photos
- Photo Gallery: Bucknell Spring Photos You Can Download
- Which Cover Would You Choose?
- Video: Dance Program's 20th Anniversary

Moore Avenue

News&Notes

Cultivating Habits of the Heart

Students respond in record numbers to service-learning initiatives.

By Susan Hopp, Dean of Students

In February, Bucknell University was named to the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for exemplary service-learning efforts and service to America's communities — the highest federal recognition a school can achieve for its commitment to service-learning and civic engagement. Honorees are chosen based on a series of selection factors including scope and innovation of service projects, percentage of student participation in service activities, incentives for service and the extent to which the school offers academic service-learning courses.

Increasingly, on college campuses across the country, students are committing as much time and energy to service-learning as they do to their formal learning. We are in the midst of a generational shift — something as fundamental as the relationship between students and their learning, the application of their learning to the communities in which they live and will work, and the calling for a liberal education to foster civic learning and personal responsibility.

Bucknell is ahead of this phenomenon. A recent local community impact report showed that more than 75 percent of our students are involved in some aspect of service, and 60 percent participate on a regular basis. During the 2007–08 academic year, Bucknell students contributed more than \$200,000 and 52,000 service hours to local, national and international organizations.

Our students want professional satisfaction and success and expect their college education to prepare them for these, but they also hope for something more. Today's students are tomorrow's citizens, and they know there is no opt-out button — they must shape the future they will inherit. High achievers with keen intellects, they are poised to move the spotlight from "me" to "we" through meaningful community engagement on and off campus.

We, as educators and administrators, have a responsibility to inspire in students effective habits of civic engagement, political involvement



Left to right, Oana Peterca '09, Nygel Knighton '09, Juan Alberto López Ruiz MS'10, Winnie Okello '10, Dean Susan Hopp, Alan Ye '11, Jeff Manning '09, Jacquelin Katanéksza '09, Krista Joseph '09 and Lasma Kanele '09.

and a predisposition toward action, rather than apathy. Students need confidence that one person can make a difference, that voting is important in a democracy and that their individual knowledge can be used for the public good, as well as for personal gain. They need a collegiate public square, a supportive laboratory where they practice civic habits.

At Bucknell, this laboratory is both the campus and community. When students extend their learning to the environs of Lewisburg, they practice the kind of civic engagement that will serve their future towns and communities well. As **Stephanie Rink '09** says, "The opportunity to use my skills and talents in the surrounding community has helped me to substantially develop my relationship with the place Bucknell calls home – the wonderful town of Lewisburg. I have come to realize that service to my community not only benefits those I am working with, but also teaches me important lessons that will stay with me for the rest of my life."

Professor of Sociology Carl Milofsky designs courses where students conduct social science research, apply their knowledge to a community issue and become civically engaged through this learning process. His students work in public health settings, prisons and other nonprofit agencies to put theory into action. "None of this would happen if Bucknell as an institution did not value building bridges," he says. "We are located in central Pennsylvania but in some way we also are central Pennsylvania along with our friends and partners. The way we are enmeshed here can't be separated from all of the other connections and partnerships we have elsewhere in Pennsylvania, in U.S. cities and in settings all over the world. The community is within ourselves and in our relationships to people whose lives come to matter a lot to us."



Scott Teagarden '10, left, and Mahdi Woodard '09 are Common Ground facilitators.

Finding Common Ground

Students spend a weekend taking on difficult issues.

Bucknell, along with other colleges and universities across the nation, is taking steps to increase campus diversity and tolerance. Furthering this goal is Common Ground, a program that offers a three-day retreat to facilitate student discussions about race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender and equality.

Spearheaded by **Scott Teagarden '10** and a team of students and administrators, and sponsored by the Dean of Students Office, Common Ground is modeled after a successful program at Duke University. Groups of eight participants and two trained student facilitators engage in activities and watch films like *The Color of Fear* that introduce a sensitive issue. The resulting discourse is usually intense and unfailingly honest — no political correctness allowed. "The idea is to be straightforward about your emotions and respect people for theirs, yet also talk about why you feel this way or why certain words evoke certain emotions," says Teagarden.

Common Ground is tailored to the Bucknell student body and designed to evolve as its needs change. "Common Ground is and will remain student-directed," says Teagarden. "Students are barometers of the campus climate. A quarter of the population leaves and comes in each year. If the program doesn't fluctuate, it will quickly become outdated."

Though Teagarden is pleased with the program's success, he would like the program to have an even broader effect. "We're trying to infuse the activities and conversations that occur at Common Ground back into the campus community," he says. Twenty-one students participated in the first Common Ground retreat over the 2008 fall break, and 48 will attend the 2009 retreat. An additional retreat in the spring is also in the works.

"Common Ground revolves around human connections and this essential desire to feel accepted for who you are," said one participant. The success of the program depends on the power of honest dialogue. And the participants are committed to deepening their understanding of diversity — one conversation at a time.

— Heather Peavey Johns

Q&A

Assistant Professor
of Management
Jordi Comas discusses
social media.

By Gigi Marino

Q: Have online communities affected the way people interact offline?

A: There's a lot of debate about whether or not social media are making people more alienated or isolated. You hear the concern that we're losing the good part of social cohesion. I tend to be less pessimistic. That fundamental urge to connect with others is taking on new forms, and you see these new forms in social media.

Q: Is there a difference between "social media" and "social networking sites?"

A: The term "social media" works better because it encompasses a lot of other things like Wikipedia and other kinds of collaborative knowledge creation. Social media lower the start-up cost for community. The value that people find in these social media is that they provide an extension of what they were already doing.

Q: What are the limitations of social networking sites like Facebook?

A: A lot of social networking sites don't do a very good job of acknowledging various types and strengths of relationships, so, for instance, "friends" become meaningless. What people really want are social networking sites that better reflect how we really network. It's not so much that our behavior is going to be changed by the technology, but that the technology is going to have to re-adapt to our needs if it's going to continue to be valuable.

Q: Has the preponderance of social networking sites reached a tipping point?



A: The tipping point has come and gone. The marketplace has become saturated in terms of creating new online networks, and it's difficult to get people to switch sites. Let's say I want to switch networks: I don't know if I can get all of the people to come with me if I make a lateral move. This is what we call "network lock-in." Facebook may not be the optimal platform for all people, but the way that it grew through clusters of people, it achieved a network lock-in. Plus, new competitors face the problem of asking users to create multiple profiles, which can be a mental chore and time suck. It takes a lot of time for people to recreate their profiles. I'm not the most intense kind of user, and even I have something like 18 profiles in various social media.

Bucknell in the News

ROLL CALL

In these challenging times when most universities anticipate a drop in enrollment applications, Kurt Thiede, vice president for enrollment management and dean of admissions, tells *The Chronicle of Higher Education* that the University's early applications rose by 10 percent over last year. He expects the fall's applications to come in no more than 5 percent behind last year's numbers.

GREENER PAGES

As reported by *In-Plant Graphics*, Bucknell's in-plant facility recently experienced some significant upgrades, both in technology and management structure. As a result, Administrative Services is now "greener" and more productive. The facility has replaced its computer-to-plate system with a metal plate device that is not only more earth-friendly, but also has a higher-quality output.

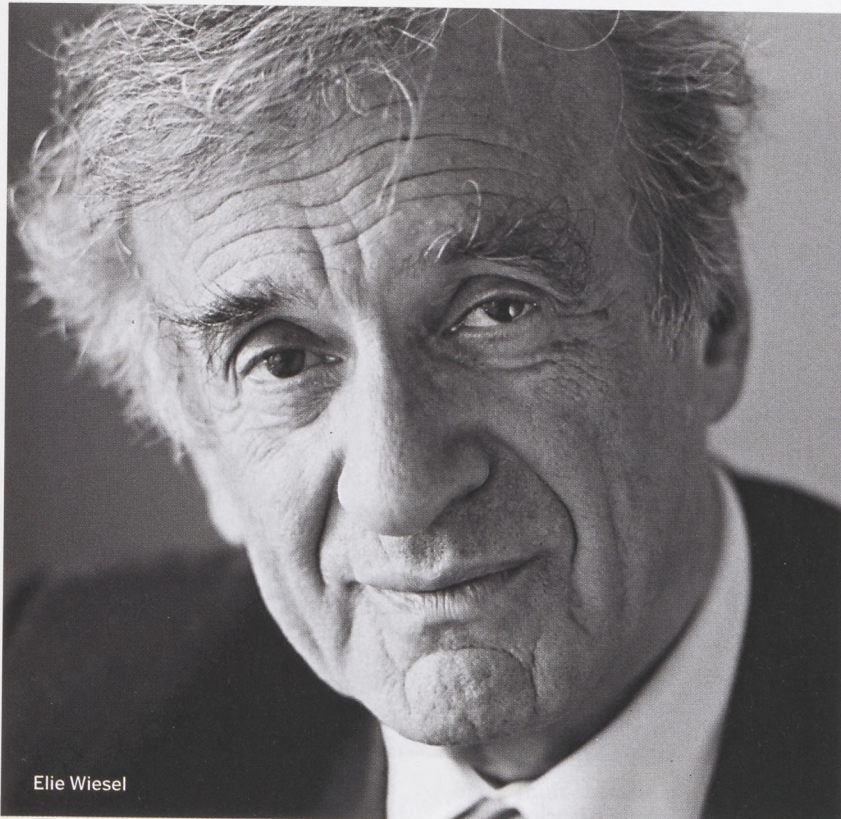
OSCARS IN LEWISBURG

USA Today interviewed Bucknell staff member Ellen Flacker-Darer for an article on local theatres as community centers. Flacker-Darer and her husband attended the Campus Theatre's Oscar Night, America event, which came complete with red carpet. The nonprofit theatre, an integral part of the Bucknell and Lewisburg community, hosted the event as a fundraiser, authorized by the Academy.

BUILDING BRIDGES

Engineering professor Stephen Buonopane was quoted in *Investor's Business Daily* in an article on bridge-builder John Roebling, designer of the suspension bridge over Niagara Falls and New York City's Brooklyn Bridge. According to Buonopane, Roebling set up the first wire-rope manufacturing company in the United States. The Brooklyn Bridge symbolizes American engineering prowess.

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Elie Wiesel

Elie Wiesel Named as Commencement Speaker

Holocaust survivor, humanist and author will address Class of 2009.

By *Julia Ferrante*

Elie Wiesel, a Nobel Laureate honored for his leadership in fighting injustice and his writings as a Holocaust survivor, will deliver the Commencement address during the 159th graduation ceremony on May 17.

"Bucknell is proud to be welcoming to the University one of the foremost advocates for humaneness, a leader and a writer who has provided vivid and potent testimony to the horrors of prejudice and the need for learning and remembering the lessons of history," President Brian C. Mitchell said.

Wiesel is the author of more than 50 books, including the world-renowned *Night*, a memoir of his experience in Nazi concentration camps.

Wiesel has been the Andrew W. Mellon Professor in the Humanities at Boston University since 1976. Previously,

he was Distinguished Professor of Judaic Studies at the City University of New York and the first Henry Luce Visiting Scholar in Humanities and Social Thought at Yale University from 1982 to 1983. Wiesel won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1986 and, shortly after that, he and his wife formed the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity with a mission to "combat indifference, intolerance and injustice through international dialogues and youth-focused programs that promote acceptance, understanding and equality."

"Wiesel's experiences overcoming intolerance and injustice will offer inspiration to students graduating at a time when the country is facing social and economic challenges," said Class President **Alexandra Campbell-Ferrari '09**. "He is a testament to the strength of humanity."

Blast from the Past

75 years ago at Bucknell: 1934

By *Gigi Marino*



- Antique phones to go: "The so called 'crank it yourself' telephones of Lewisburg are doomed."
- The Bucknell Houseparty was held at the Boardwalk in Atlantic City, with special hotel rates, \$5-\$7, which included three meals a day.
- Two Bucknell University Men's Glee Club performances were broadcast over WABC in New York City.
- The Federal Building on the corner of Market and Third Streets, which still houses the Post Office, was dedicated.
- Big talent for the junior prom: Ozzie Nelson played, accompanied by movie star Harriet Hilliard, whom he married the next year.
- The Literature Building on the Quadrangle (now Vaughan Lit) was completed.
- Reunion registration of 300 breaks all previous records.
- President Homer Rainey traveled abroad on the S.S. *Manhattan* to study European educational, social and economic situations.
- The "most memorable flood since 1889" required rescue by boat of downtown restaurant patrons.
- "Old Main stands, even in ruins, as a symbol of our strength of purpose, integrity of character and devotion to the right in the training and education of the youth of today."

Bucknell's First AAAS Fellow

Warren Abrahamson honored by international science organization.

By Julia Ferrante

David Burpee Professor of Biology Warren Abrahamson has spent 36 years studying the perplexing relationship between goldenrod and the insects that choose it as a host plant. His work observing gall flies, beetles and wasps, so named for the bubble-like galls they form on goldenrod as a home for their eggs, can help biologists better understand how plants and animals interact and adapt to natural predators.

Abrahamson was recently recognized as an American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Fellow for his extensive research in this area as well as his work to promote prescribed burns to control wildfires in central Florida. Lately he helps preserve fragile land in central Pennsylvania.

AAAS, a nonprofit organization, is dedicated to the advancement of science



Warren Abrahamson holding a winter gall.

worldwide. In November, it selected 486 fellows, recognizing them for their outstanding research and teaching. Abrahamson was chosen for "distinguished contributions to the field of biology, particularly for discoveries about evolutionary ecology and plant-insect interactions," according to organization officials.

Abrahamson is the first professor at the University to be named an AAAS fellow. He credited Bucknell with supporting his research through the endowment and with giving students the opportunity to assist him.

Abrahamson has published 142 papers and two books. Nearly a third of the papers are co-authored by post-doctoral fellows, masters-level and undergraduate students. He co-authored a book, *Evolutionary Ecology Across Three Tropic Levels: Goldenrods, Gallmakers & Natural Enemies*, (Princeton University Press, 1997) with Arthur E. Weis, who was a Burpee and NSF post-doctoral fellow at Bucknell for three years.

"Bucknell made a huge investment in me," Abrahamson says. "This honor crystallizes the significance of having endowed chairs and of supporting young faculty."

ROBERT LANDRY

RIGHT: PROVIDED BY BATAVIA MUCKDOGS

SHORT STACK

Bucknell has earned a top-25 ranking on the annual list of "Top Peace Corps Volunteer Producing College and Universities." Bucknell is tied at No. 20 among small colleges and universities, according to the 2009 Peace Corps report. In the past 47 years, 240 Bucknell alumni have served as Peace Corps volunteers. Today, 15 Bucknell alumni are serving as volunteers.

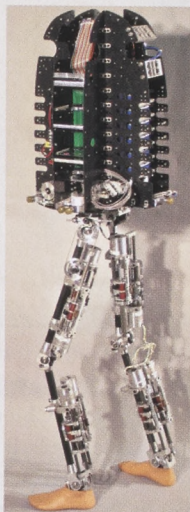
Kiplinger's *Personal Finance Magazine* ranked Bucknell the 11th best value in private liberal arts colleges. "Our rankings spotlight schools with strong academics, attractive prices and generous financial aid," the magazine said. Bucknell, with an enrollment of 3,550 students, is the largest institution in the top 50. The University's ranking rose eight spots from last year's position.

Bucknell won the 2009 MLK Technology Challenge Contest, securing 57 percent of 11,922 votes. The Podsquad's winning video documented the University's MLK Community Service Week, which involved 50 community partners and nearly 600 Bucknell volunteers and community members. Bucknell will receive a \$400 mini-grant through Pennsylvania Campus Compact to support future MLK initiatives.

WALKING TALL

Bucknell will receive \$1.2 million in federal funding for the research and development of bi-pedal military robots as part of the 2009 Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance and Continuing Appropriations Act. Keith Buffinton and Steven Shooter, professors of mechanical engineering, are working with Bucknell engineering students and the Florida Institute for Human and Machine Cognition to develop the two-legged technology. In addition to military surveillance and data-gathering, these robots also can have a role in emergency assistance in the event of natural disasters or terrorist activity. The researchers are assembling their first walking bot.

— Kyle Winslow '09



Bucknellians in Baseball

Five alumni follow the path of Christy Mathewson.

Jason Buursma '08 said scouts from the St. Louis Cardinals did not see him pitch during the 2008 college baseball season at Bucknell. And never mind that the submarine right-handed pitcher has a fastball clocked in the low 80s, which is grandmaspeed for many Major Leaguers. Despite those drawbacks, he made a successful pro debut. He was drafted in the 25th round by the Cardinals last June and reported to the Batavia (N.Y.) Muckdogs in the short-season Class A New York-Penn League. Buursma had an impressive

season in 2008, with a record of 1-3 and an ERA of 2.35 with three saves for Batavia in 23 innings of work.

Buursma is not the only former Bison who played professional baseball in 2008. **Mathew Wilson '08**, who pitched Bucknell past Florida State in the NCAA tournament, had another memorable performance when he took a shutout into the eighth inning against the United States while pitching for his native Canada in the World University Baseball Championships in the Czech Republic in July. Wilson then signed with the Rockford RiverHawks, an independent team in Illinois.

Kyle Walter '06 also played in the New York-Penn League. He pitched for Auburn (Toronto's farm club) and was 3-0 with an ERA of 2.29.

Matt Daley '04 played for the top farm team of the Colorado Rockies as one of four Colorado Springs pitchers who combined for the team's first no-hitter in May. Lastly, **Eric Junge '99**, a former Bucknell standout, pitched this past season for the Orix Buffaloes in Japan.

— David S. Driver



Jason Buursma '08, right, pitches for the Batavia Muckdogs.

Professor DeeAnn Reeder and her colleague Greg Turner from the Pennsylvania Wildlife Commission confirmed the incidence of white-nose syndrome in Pennsylvania bats in a cave in Mifflin County. Reeder is working with state and federal officials and other academic researchers to find out more about the syndrome, which was discovered in 2006 among a dying population of bats in New York.

Five Bucknell University students were selected to join more than 1,000 students from around the globe at the second annual meeting of the Clinton Global Initiative University to discuss solutions to pressing global issues. Bucknell's representatives include **Muyambi Muyambi '11**, **Grace Han '11**, **Molly Burke '10**, **Jacquelin Kataneksza '09** and **Abhay Agarwal '09**.

The Panhellenic and Interfraternity Councils in conjunction with their member sororities and fraternities at Bucknell presented a check for \$10,000 to the HandUp Foundation, a nonprofit dedicated to helping people in crisis in the Susquehanna Valley. Sorority and fraternity members raised the money this past year through the **Million Penny Project**.

From Beijing Dance Academy to Bucknell

Er-Dong Hu offers the dance program a distinctive Asian edge.

By Gigi Marino

“Five thousand leg kicks a day?” “Yes, when I studied at the Beijing Dance Academy,” says Er-Dong Hu (pronounced Are-Dong Who), associate professor of dance, “we did 5,000 kicks every morning at 5:30.” He adds that his childhood muscle-conditioning regime also included sleeping each night with one leg tied over his head to the headboard to increase flexibility. To illustrate the enduring results of his early training, he whips one leg behind his head and rests it against the back of the restaurant booth with the ease of a marionette.

Hu learned and practiced traditional Chinese dance, which he likens to classical ballet, at the academy from the age of 10 to 18. And though he wanted to be a performer like his twin brother, the government decided he would teach. He was among the first generation of Chinese dancers to receive a bachelor of arts, which he followed with an MFA from the University of Iowa.

After performing with the Dayton Ballet Company for four years, Hu was hired in 1994 as the University’s first full-time ballet instructor in the new dance program, begun by the late Danna Frangione (*see related story on the Bucknell*

dance program’s 20th anniversary on pg. 26). Not only did he bring with him an expertise in ballet but also a personal knowledge of Chinese classical and folk dance. He regularly teaches students the water sleeves dance, originally created by the Peking Opera, and the ribbon and fan dances from folk opera. In his 15 years at Bucknell, he also has choreographed 26 performance pieces.

Bucknell, says Hu, is the only academic university in the U.S. that offers the water sleeves dance. “I love that Bucknell has given me the space to do what I love,” he says. “And I love our students. They are enthusiastic and dedicated.”

FACULTY PROFILE

Sharon Garthwaite

Seeing a group of students huddled over a table in Bostwick, scribbling on scraps of napkins and talking excitedly about math, doesn’t at all surprise Sharon Garthwaite, assistant professor of mathematics. For Garthwaite, a number theorist, studying numbers should be a social pursuit.

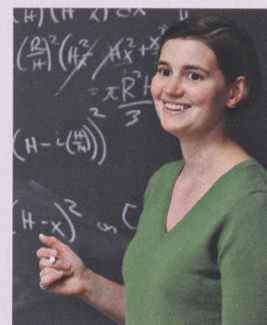
“A lot of people think of mathematicians as old men locked away alone in their attics,” she says. But she’s found that making connections with other mathematicians can open up new research opportunities, both solo and collaborative. For example, Garthwaite and three women she met last year at a conference are writing a paper on the Eisenstein series, which are the building blocks for the special types of functions she studies called “modular forms.”

Studying modular forms can have an immersive effect.

Students begin by asking simple questions about numbers then start to recognize patterns and search for their causes. They are quickly lured into very complicated mathematics.

The temptation is to remain isolated, but Bucknell’s environment encourages connection. “It’s not unusual for students in an undergraduate program in a small setting to get really excited and grab a napkin over lunch as they’re talking to each other,” says Garthwaite. “They say, ‘Oh, wait, I want to show you something.’ The connections they make are sometimes amazing.”

— Heather Peavey Johns





GORDON WENZEL

BILL CARDONI

'Ray Bucknell

Student Life & Sports

The Women's Rowing Team Comes of Age

Focus on growth, journey brings team success.

By Todd Merriett

Twenty-five years ago, the untested Bucknell women's rowing team looked up from the base of a looming mountain of challenge. In seven years, the program attained its coveted varsity status, and now, 18 years later, the summit is finally in sight for the seasoned team.

The Bison have put together an unprecedented string of championships in the last few years, but 13-year head coach **Stephen Kish '92**, a former men's Bison rower, cautions that the recent successes are not just the product of current

rowers. The process and the journey that the program has experienced also deserve credit.

"Over these 25 years, the team has continued to grow and develop, and most importantly, as we have grown and matured, we have been able to learn from our past experiences and build on our success," says Kish. "It has never been about reaching a certain goal or having a certain result. We have been fortunate enough to bring home a trophy each of the last three years at our league championship, but that has hardly been the goal."

"Our team is special in that there are so many of us, but we have the one common goal, and that is to keep progressing," says **Page Kannor '09**, one of six seniors.

Under Kish's direction, Bucknell finished just outside of the top-20 national rankings in 2008. Other accomplishments since the program became an official Patriot League sport in 2005 include:

- Three consecutive Patriot League titles
- Two consecutive ECAC Metro Championship titles
- Two consecutive Murphy Cup titles
- 2007 IRA Lightweight National Championship
- 2008 Eastern Sprints participant (finished 8th of 18 teams)
- 2008 Knecht Cup title
- Varsity Eight is three-time Patriot League Boat of the Year
- 2007 All-American (**Katherine Brewster-Duffy '08**)
- Five Coach of the Year awards for Stephen Kish



The women's rowing team turns 25 with moxie.

MARC HAGEMER

LEFT: COMPLIMENTS OF SIGG, INC.; RIGHT: TIMOTHY SOFRANKO

Trendspotter

SIGG bottles: eco-friendly or just trendy?

By Kyle Winslow '09



Swiss engineering may have never tasted so good. The SIGG bottle, in all of its more than 100 stylish designs and 1,000 possible combinations, has taken Bucknell by storm, replacing plastic, bumper sticker-covered Nalgene bottles everywhere. Now you are what you drink: This totally recyclable aluminum container has quenched the thirst of casual campus environmentalists, while providing students with attractive — and even designer — ways to dress up their beverage.

But before you toss your Nalgene into a landfill, make sure you know your SIGG inside out. Several websites claim that the SIGG's inner liner contains trace amounts of the hazardous chemical BPA, although SIGG refutes this claim. Outside, the aluminum SIGG heats up like a teakettle if filled with warm liquid, and sweats with even moderately cold water. And though it's recyclable, you may not want to buy another easily dented canteen — around \$22 a pop — every time it takes a tumble.

A greener alternative? The aluminum Klean Kanteen, though not as sexy, has no inner liner and is 100 percent recyclable.

LEFT: COMPLIMENTS OF SIGG, INC.; RIGHT: TIMOTHY SOFRANKO



Kerry Flanigan aspires to be a professional choral conductor.

STUDENT PROFILE

Kerry Flanigan '09

For **Kerry Flanigan '09**, art is essential to her liberal arts education. Whether it is commuting 20 minutes to Mifflinburg every morning to student teach vocal labs or conducting Chapel Choir on campus, Flanigan has become an expert in balancing the many musical opportunities Bucknell has to offer with her academic career.

Flanigan, a music education major with a focus in conducting, has big plans after Bucknell. "My goal is to be a professional choral conductor, and the best venue I see for that is to become a professor," she says. Having conducted Bucknell's Chapel Choir last year on its tour through Argentina and Uruguay, Flanigan is already experienced.

Participating in the Arts Residential College was an asset for the East Greenbush, N.Y., native when getting her musical start at Bucknell. "The support system helped me realize that it was OK to get into all the arts here," she says. "Between my first year and sophomore year I was most involved — from Beyond Unison a cappella group to private voice, organ and piano lessons."

Flanigan is confident that Bucknell's music program is strong, despite its size. "In my applications to graduate schools for conducting, I wrote about how Bucknell makes me different because I'm strong academically and because I've been surrounded by people in different majors, with different focuses," she says. "It's provided me with skills from a liberal arts setting that I can apply."

Outside of music, Flanigan spends time as a tutor in the Bucknell Buddies program, serving Lewisburg schools.

Her accomplishments at Bucknell have struck a chord with graduate programs such as the prestigious Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N.Y., where Flanigan was recently invited to audition. "Bucknell's music department offers many excellent opportunities to students, which is one thing I don't think it gets enough credit for."

— Kyle Winslow '09

The Mind *and the* Muse

Reviews & Criticism

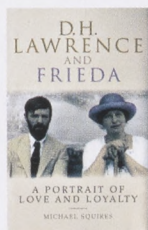
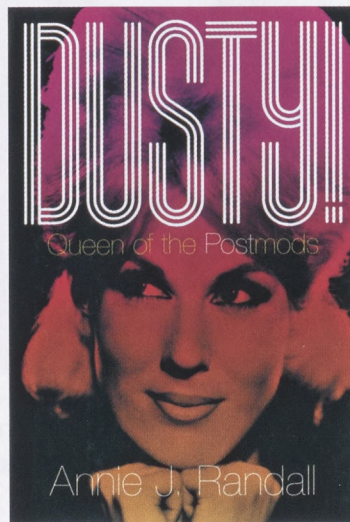
BOOKS

Annie J. Randall

Dusty! Queen of the Postmods
(Oxford University Press)

"Just three notes and you knew it was Dusty," Burt Bacharach said of the singer who rode the first wave of the 1960s British invasion with hits like, "I Only Want To Be With You."

Ten years after her death, Dusty Springfield's look and sound still summon instant recognition and cult devotion. Bucknell Associate Professor of Music Annie Randall revisits the vocalist's exaggerated stage hair, make-up and dresses, and the stiff brew of a throaty voice mixing what had been the unmixable: African rhythms, gospel, soul, jazz, samba, disco, Celtic folk, standard pop and American country. She explores the aftermath of Dusty's disclosures of substance abuse and bisexuality that define the celebrity struggle to own the self, while providing insightful commentary on how one individual can be an agent of change.



Michael Squires '63

D.H. Lawrence and Frieda (Andre Deutsch)
The common perspective of the marriage of D.H. Lawrence (1885-1930) and Frieda von Richthofen

(1879-1956) reduces it to a destructive relationship between a sensitive writer and a domineering woman. True, there were affairs and clashes, but Lawrence scholar Michael Squires uncovers a vibrant, affirmative union in a close examination of primary sources. Studying more than 2,000 of Frieda's letters, many of them unpublished and recently

accessioned by his wife, Lynn Talbot, Squires found a partnership that allowed two willful and restless souls to shrug off social conventions and evolve their visions of life and art. After Lawrence's death, Frieda remained committed to his memory and was instrumental in delivering his work to the world. The portrait Squires draws in *D.H. Lawrence and Frieda* is a compelling narrative rendered in the vivid, fluent voice that marks all of his studies.

Katie Hays '03

Dear Apocalypse
(Carnegie Mellon University Press)
"In various ways we will be taken,"

Katie Hays acknowledges in "The Way of All the Earth," one of the poems collected in *Dear Apocalypse*. Hays, the Stadler Emerging Writer Fellow on campus, senses mortality lurking on the outskirts of experience. She gamely tracks decay or the apocalypse

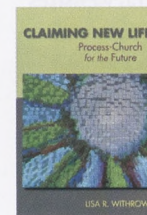


or whatever guise death is wearing today to define it, even taunt it. The ways that nature and landscapes reveal ancient civilizations inspire this poet's curiosity and strike a beautiful counterpoint to the temporal reality of life. The poet's crisp imagery and airy lines are fearless, absent of sentimentality but never grim. This is time well spent in the world, even if, as Hays observes in "It Is Easy Not to See the Mad," "The petals close — /it's true — from too much day."

Lisa Withrow '85

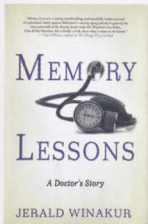
Claiming New Life (Chalice Press)

While the community church is charged with tending to its congregants' inner life, it is not immune to sociological realities. An aging, shrinking congregation is symptomatic of a static church headed towards extinction. Lisa Withrow, a faculty member and



director of the Doctor of Ministry program at the Methodist Theological School in Ohio, calls for the "corner church" in a transitional neighborhood to become a "process-church." In the process-church, leaders consciously engage in self-examination, risk assess-

ment and the search for relevant revitalization that respects tradition. Withrow's text proposes methods of inquiry and survival tactics that honor a vision of God at work in the world, not apart from it.



Jerald Winakur '69

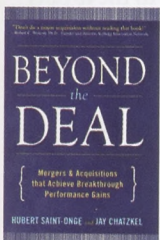
Memory Lessons: A Doctor's Story (Hyperion)

In 2005, geriatrician **Jerry Winakur** quietly published an article titled "What Are We Going To Do About Dad?" in a professional journal. In it, he confessed his unreadiness to cope with his parents' aging and, especially, his father's diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease. When the piece was picked up by the mainstream media, Winakur was thrust forth as a spokesman because his personal experiences and fears resonated with baby boomers. The book he consequently wrote, *Memory Lessons*, is not professional advice but what he personally needed, a memoir that weaves the disparate strands of doctor and child into a coherent journey of understanding and acceptance.

Jay Chatzkel '66

Beyond the Deal (McGraw Hill)

The demise of a big ticket corporate marriage like DaimlerChrysler is a shock to the public but business analysts know too well that mergers and acquisitions fail every day. Organizational strategists **Jay Chatzkel** and Hubert Saint-Onge believe it does not have to be that way.



Their book argues that preventive measures implemented before mergers and acquisitions are executed and a carefully managed transition process can ensure a union's success. The authors provide a step-by-step framework for success, richly illustrated with case studies.

MUSIC

Amanda Brecker '06

Here I Am (Birds Records)



It has been a good year for **Amanda Brecker**. The singer's recording of her song "Novo Lugar"

is the theme for a popular Japanese television show, she released her debut album "Here I Am" in Japan, where it shot to the top of the charts and *Swing Journal* conferred the Gold Disc Award on it. This should not be surprising for those who remember Brecker as a member of Bucknell's co-ed a cappella group Two Past Midnight and the hip hop band Flowdown Street Six. The album features Brecker's assured jazz alto covering songs by Huey Lewis, John Mayer, Norah Jones and other established artists, with a memorable rendering of Reid and Shamblin's "I Can't Make You Love Me." Her own compositions seamlessly complete the CD.

Jonathan Sprout '74

American Heroes 3 (Sprout Recordings)

American Heroes 3 is singer/songwriter **Jonathan Sprout's** ninth album and third in his award-winning series for children celebrating national heroes.



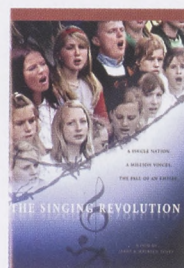
In a rousing blend of folk, rock and musical theatre styling, he spins out narratives for Jane Addams, Elizabeth

Blackwell, George Washington Carver, Cesar Chavez, Milton Hershey, Thomas Jefferson, John Muir, Pocahontas, Wilma Rudolph and Jonas Salk. He catches the essence of each person's challenges, inspiration and triumphs in bright lyrics and melody. The urge to sing along is irresistible. Sprout proves that music for children can be fun, educational and well produced, and the many awards he has earned for this series affirm his vision.

FILM

James Tusty '71

The Singing Revolution (Sky Films)



By the 1930s, Estonia was a thriving Balkan nation with one of the world's largest collections of folksongs. Singing was a part of growing up there, and citizens thronged to choral festivals to celebrate their heritage. When Stalin partitioned Estonia in 1939, it seemed nothing could save the country from Soviet brutality. The people held onto

their music, though, and in 1988 a songfest became the catalyst through which the call for independence was rallied and later realized. Filmmakers **James Tusty**, a dual American and Estonian citizen, and his wife, Maureen Castle Tusty, tell this extraordinary story in a critically acclaimed documentary that draws on historic news footage, interviews and coverage of contemporary Estonian festivals. The three-disc DVD set of *The Singing Revolution* offers many extra features including newsreels, the filmmakers' commentary and K-12 instructional materials.

Legacies

Gifts&Giving

Meeting the Hundred Million-Dollar Mark

The private phase of the campaign yields good results in a bad economy.

By Christina Masciere Wallace

Leanne Freas '50 met David Trout '50 on a blind date in their sophomore year of college. Still exhausted from exams, they married the day after graduation. The couple stayed deeply involved with Bucknell — David served for many years as a trustee — and they were proud to see two children and three grandchildren graduate from the University.

After her husband's death in 2007, Leanne wanted to make a special gift in his memory — “something that the University needed,” she says. When she learned of the opportunity to endow a professorship in French, Leanne was thrilled. A French major, she fondly recalls living in French House and meeting with other students in the home of their favorite professor, Madame Gladys Cook.

The David Morton and Leanne Freas Trout Professorship of French is the first endowed faculty position funded by the comprehensive campaign. Leanne also made a significant gift to endow a scholarship for students of French. “I hope to inspire others to make their own gifts to Bucknell,” she says.

Bucknellians are indeed showing their support — and in record numbers.

While many colleges and universities are struggling with fundraising, Bucknell

is making a strong start in the most ambitious campaign in the University's history.

President Brian C. Mitchell in January announced that commitments to the comprehensive campaign have surpassed \$101 million, or more than one-quarter of the \$400 million goal. More than 26,000 individuals have contributed since the private phase of the campaign began in July 2007.

“These wonderful early results are a testimony to the loyalty of our alumni, parents, grandparents, faculty, staff and friends, and to their confidence in the future of this institution,” Mitchell said. “Their generosity is particularly meaningful in the current economic climate, which has adversely affected fundraising throughout higher education.”

Among the early campaign highlights:

- Scholarship giving, the University's

top campaign priority, has surpassed \$27 million, or more than 25 percent of total campaign commitments.

- New campaign commitments to Bucknell have doubled.
- Seven individual donors, six of whom are trustees or former trustees, have given campaign gifts that total more than \$30 million.

Trustee **Ken Freeman '72**, chairman of the campaign, attributes the campaign's early momentum to the loyalty of Bucknellians and their support for the University's plans.

“There are so many Bucknellians around the world who care deeply about this place — alumni, parents and friends,” he says. “The experience of being campaign chair has given me the chance to see the very high level of loyalty to this institution. We can be loyal in several ways — by giving of our time,



our talents, and our financial resources. It's great to see so many people making financial commitments of significance that will help Bucknell achieve its vision and become an even stronger university."

The campaign, which is expected to continue for six or seven more years, has already resulted in 12 fully funded new scholarships, three endowed faculty positions, and new internships and research funding. Two recently announced major gifts, including Trout's, will also support academics.

Although the global economy has suffered in recent months, Freeman remains confident that the University will reach its campaign goal.

"We are very committed to raising a significant amount of money. Because the campaign is spread out over multiple years, it will absorb fluctuations in the economy," he says. "The early evidence is that in this fiscal year, Bucknell's rate of giving has actually increased, which is really encouraging news."

Time, Talent and Treasure

BUCKNELLIANs STEP UP WITH CAMPAIGN GIFTS OF \$1 MILLION+

- Anonymous (three gifts)
- Jeb '78 and Sally Stoner Bachman '78, P'12 — *campaign vice chairs*
- Bill '62 and Tockey Dearstyne P'89
- Ira Ellis '56
- Dick '67 and Judy Emmitt P'06 — *Dick is campaign vice chair*
- Ken '72 and Janice Freeman — *Ken is campaign chair*
- Norman '63 and Mary Lou Roppel Garrity '64, P'87, '90, '94 — *honorary campaign chairs*
- Bill '62 and Frances Graham — *Bill is honorary campaign chair*
- Kirsten Schubauer '81 and Steven Heinemann P'12
- Steve '79 and Bonnie Bencsko Holmes '79, P'06, '08, '12 — *honorary campaign chairs*
- Deb Juran '71
- Kenneth G. '57 and Elaine Langone P'83
- Gray '51 and Mollie Edwards Rogers '51
- Steffen H. and Athena Rogers
- Robert and Natalie Rooke GP'12 and the Charles Foundation — *Bob is honorary campaign chair*
- Ben Sampson '69, P'96 — *campaign vice chair*
- Myles Sampson '67*
- Leanne Freas Trout '50, P'74
- Ellen Peterson Williams '19*

*Deceased



TAKE US TO THE MOUNTAIN RETREAT

One weekend away from campus has the power to change lives.

"I've learned more about myself here this weekend than I have in any lab," says **Noel Qatarneh '12**.

Qatarneh is a first-year student majoring in cell biology/biochemistry and a Posse scholar from Boston. Posse is a national college-access and leadership program that identifies, recruits and trains outstanding young leaders from public schools in urban areas. "Here" refers to the fourth Posse Plus Retreat held each year in the Poconos. The "plus" in Posse Plus Retreat is the guest of one of the Posse members — now 72 strong in Bucknell's undergraduate population — who has agreed to spend a weekend hashing out the details of difficult questions. This year's topic was education. The 110 attendees discussed both national and personal issues, as well as challenged and dismantled assumptions and stereotypes about those who benefit and don't benefit from higher education.

The weekend trip was made possible by a \$200,000 gift from **Kathryn Vizas '79** and her husband, Robert. She says, "I grew up in a small town with no diversity, attended Bucknell, then moved to Berkeley." Living in California taught her that students who study in multi-ethnic environments have richer experiences, and she wanted to take an active role in supporting the Posse program. "Posse focuses on academics. It's a great program."

— *Gigi Marino*

Making the Music Last

Ellen Peterson Williams leaves a gift that will last in perpetuity.

By Christina Masciere Wallace

In 1919, WWI was ending, Prohibition was beginning and the Chicago "Black Sox" threw the World Series. Here in Lewisburg, a young music student named **Ellen Peterson** graduated from Bucknell. She married Samuel Williams and devoted her life to teaching music in Pennsylvania school districts, and occasionally playing the organ in theaters to accompany silent movies. Her loyalty to Bucknell remained strong throughout the years. Her brother, Rudolph Peterson, taught economics at Bucknell from 1930–52.

To mark her 108th birthday, Bucknell staff and students surprised Williams, then the University's oldest living graduate, with a cake at her Williamsport, Pa., nursing home in fall 2007. She wore the School of Music medallion she'd received at her graduation as students serenaded her with the alma mater.

After Williams died last year, it was the University's turn to be surprised: Her estate included a \$4 million bequest to the music department. Her gift, which will endow two professorships and a related research fund, plus two merit scholarships, counts toward the \$400 million comprehensive campaign.

Williams' bequest is both a direct benefit for Bucknell academics and an inspiring example of loyalty and thoughtfulness, says President Brian C. Mitchell. "She never forgot her roots at Bucknell," he says. "We are extremely grateful for her generosity and extremely proud to be part of an institution with



such a distinguished history of making a difference in the lives of its students. Now, 80 years after Mrs. Williams graduated, she is making a difference for Bucknell with gifts that will benefit the University in perpetuity."

Professor Lois Svard, chair of the music department, describes the gift as a selfless act of kindness. "We've been very fortunate to receive many wonderful gifts over the years, including our Sigfried Weis Music Building," she says. "Bucknell has real strength in music, and this is another marvelous example of the generosity of people who care about Bucknell's music program."

It was a poignant final gesture from the Bible-quoting music teacher who had no children of her own but was beloved by generations of students, including **Robert Long '58**. He remembers trick-or-treating at her house as a youngster in Renovo, Pa.

"She always made us come inside and sing while she played the piano before she'd give us treats," Long says. He sang bass in the high school chorus under her direction and later joined the chapel choir at Bucknell. Her encouragement left an indelible impression on Long, now 72, who still sings solos at church.

The transformative power of good teaching, which Williams experienced at Bucknell and shared with Long and so many others, is a hallmark of Bucknell. At a recent reception to celebrate the Williams gift, Provost Mick Smyer reminded the music faculty of their influence on students. "Mrs. Williams' Bucknell experience inspired her to devote her life to music education," he told his colleagues. "Sometimes we don't know the importance of the teaching we are doing today." The audience of faculty members broke out in applause.



Paul Judge '97 on street patrol in Baghdad, Iraq.

conscience & Consequence

By Andrew W.M. Beierle

BUCKNELL
SCHOLAR-
SOLDIERS
IN WAR TIME.

LIKE MOST AMERICANS, Paul Judge '97 was caught off guard by the events of September 11, 2001. He had begun a new job in a new state only the day before, and he and his wife, Sarah Glanville '97, had not yet moved into their new home. As American Airlines Flight 11 sliced into the north tower of the World Trade Center, Judge was some 850 miles south, near Savannah, Ga., doing errands related to his relocation.

"I thought, 'Wow, that's kind of crazy,'" he says.

As universally shocking as the events of 9/11 were, they had a far greater and more immediate impact on Judge than on the average American. Judge's new job was with the Third Infantry Division at Fort Stewart, Ga., where he had been sent to train for a six-month rotation to Kuwait as part of a cooperative security mission. After hearing the news bulletin, Judge instinctively returned to his base office, where he and his superior officer monitored accounts of additional attacks: United 175. American 77. United 93.

"Then the phone rang," Judge recalls. "They told us to lock down everything, to draw whatever ammo we had and to be ready for we didn't know what. I'm not sure how quickly the rest of the nation made the transition to 'We're now at war,' but I can tell you that for us it was about 30 minutes from 'This is crazy! What's going on?' to 'Get your guns. Something's not right here.'"

Eight years earlier, when Judge enrolled in the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) as a Bucknell freshman, he did not anticipate a lengthy or particularly challenging military career. Although it was not his only motivation, he saw his participation in the ROTC program largely as a way to help pay for college and to further his career goals.

"I was a civil engineering student, and I always saw myself going into construction management," he says. "I knew I would get a technical background from Bucknell, but ROTC would give me the leadership and management skills I would need to work with people."

Called to active duty immediately after graduation, Judge deployed to Bosnia in the spring of 1998 as a scout platoon leader responsible for ensuring that the stipulations of the Dayton Peace Accords were being observed.

"While in retrospect it was not a dangerous environment, we still went out on patrol wearing Kevlar and body armor, in up-armored vehicles, with weapons locked and loaded," he says.

After a three-month tour, Judge returned with his unit to its base in Louisiana.

"If you asked me at the time, I would have told you I was doing my three years and getting out," Judge says. "But after the deployment and a couple of jobs, I decided I wanted to be a company commander, which is a big benchmark for Army officers. I thought I would do that and then get out after maybe five, six years. But after 9/11, any thoughts of, 'Well, I'm just going to do my time and get out' were gone. Being in the Army took on a whole new meaning.

"Before September 11, our training was basically 'conceptual': 'One day you *might* go to war.' Afterward, our training became a lot more focused because we had a specific enemy we were

preparing to fight. This wasn't training for training's sake. We were now going to a place where people were going to try to kill us, and we needed to be able to defend ourselves. We matured very quickly."

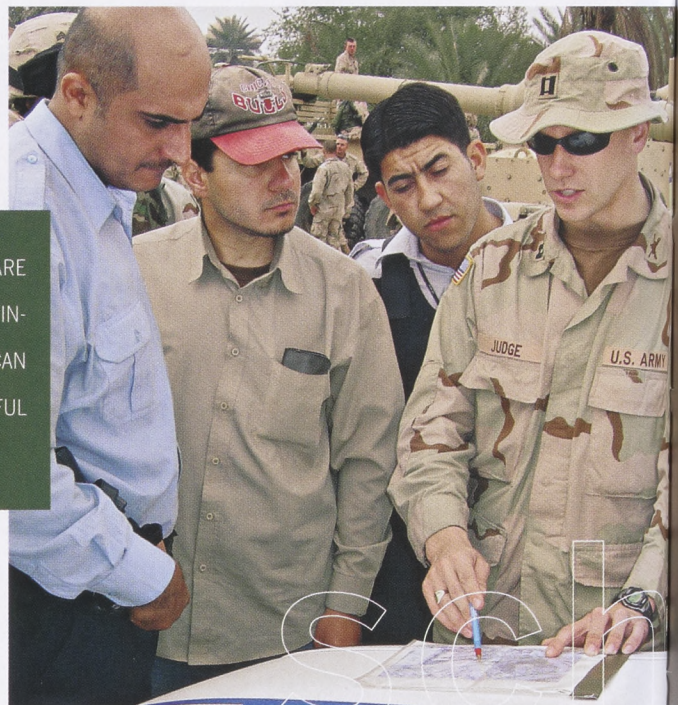
The current occupation of Iraq is the most prolonged American military engagement abroad since the Vietnam War, and its consequences have prompted a national debate of an intensity unknown since that divisive era. On college and university campuses, one aspect of that conversation focuses on the role and value of scholar-soldiers, among them those, like Paul Judge, commissioned annually by Bucknell's ROTC program.

While views are moderating, the perception that the values of the Army are inconsistent with those of the academy, birthed in the heat of antiwar protests of the late 1960s and early '70s, still dogs today's ROTC programs. ROTC students at Columbia University, where the program was banned in 1969, still must travel to Fordham University in the Bronx for their military studies.

On the other hand, administrators at Connecticut's Wesleyan University have welcomed returning veterans to campus via the Military Veterans Endowed Scholarship Fund, which provides financial aid for up to 10 former active duty service members annually. And the Wesleyan student newspaper, the *Argus*, proposed that "students view the recipients of these veterans' scholarships as scholars, not just soldiers."

While total numbers remain relatively small, overall enrollment in Bucknell's ROTC program is expected to rise as much as 66 percent in the fall with the arrival of the Class of 2013, the

"WHAT WE NEED ARE WELL-ROUNDED INDIVIDUALS WHO CAN MAKE THOUGHTFUL DECISIONS..."



largest Bucknell scholarship class since at least 1993, according to Director of Officer Education Lt. Col. Bob Oreskovic. He's not certain what impact the nation's war status has had on recruitment efforts or what else may be responsible for the increase. Funding for generous ROTC scholarships is plentiful, he says, but that alone does not explain the rising numbers.

"What amazes me is that I don't have 20 students outside my door every day applying for a scholarship," Oreskovic says. "The product we offer is valuable whether we are a nation at war or at peace, whether students are on scholarship or not."

Those who share a connection through the Bison Battalion, a consortium of ROTC units from Bucknell and neighboring colleges, are linked not only by experiences common to all students — academics, athletics, social and fraternal organizations — but also by the traditional values of military service: duty, honor, country.

"Cadets come with values. We don't have to *instill* them," Oreskovic says. "They want to serve their country and they know that 'giving back' is more than just donating blood every six months."

For **Katie Urosevich '07**, military service is a family affair. Her father, William, is a retired Army colonel, and her older brother, Alex, a Lycoming College graduate who trained in her ROTC unit, now awaits a promotion to captain and deployment to Iraq or Afghanistan.

"It was never something my dad said we had to do," Urosevich says, "but he would talk to us like we would serve, because it's such a great thing to do."

Urosevich says that individual members of the Bucknell community reacted differently to her enlisting. Dean of Engineering **Jim Orbison '75** was among those who expressed

admiration for her decision. Orbison's oldest son, **Ryan '07**, a former member of the Bison Battalion, is now on active duty as an officer with the Army's First Infantry Division and scheduled for deployment to Iraq or Afghanistan later this year.

"I have a high regard for people, including students, who serve others, individually or as a society," Orbison says. "The young men and women who choose to enter the military, and especially those who enter a service that may well result in their deployment into armed conflict, are brave. Those young men and women are quite literally willing to risk their lives to serve and protect others. Even if they never experience combat, military life is demanding physically, mentally and emotionally, the compensation is minimal, and the knowledge that they may 'go in harm's way' is always with them."

"Reasonable people can agree or disagree with our presence in a given armed conflict; regardless, our military personnel whose lives are at risk in that conflict deserve our support."

Of his own son's choice, Orbison says, "As his father, yes, I worry about his safety now and will worry far more when he is deployed. But the choice of entering the military was his to make; I respect that choice, and I am exceedingly proud of him."

Conversely, Urosevich says, some on campus questioned her decision. "People think that a military career is your Plan B. But that's the opposite of what it really is. Bucknell (ROTC) was a stepping stone to go to my plan A."

For his part, Oreskovic takes an approach that tries to mediate the two potentially contradictory ethos. "I'd rather someone take a class in Latin than in American military history, because they are going to get the military side of their education later, on active duty," he says. "What we need are well-rounded individuals who can make thoughtful decisions."

LEFT: BLAINE STIGER. RIGHT: SHUTTERSTOCK

LEFT: IAN BRADSHAW. RIGHT: LIU JIN/AFP/GETTY IMAGES



Paul Judge has served three tours of duty in Iraq. He achieved his goal of becoming a company commander before separating from the Army in August 2008 with the rank of major. His service in Iraq parallels three distinct phases of the conflict:

the 2003 invasion, the unfolding of the Iraqi insurgency in 2005 and, most recently, the surge to help bring American involvement in Iraq to a culmination.

His first deployment, initially envisioned as a six-month mission to Kuwait, came a year to the day after the events of 9/11. Shortly thereafter, United Nations inspectors began the push to investigate whether weapons of mass destruction were in Iraq. By early 2003, the build up of combat forces in Kuwait made clear to Judge that an invasion of Iraq was imminent.

"We were in the next phase," he says. "And as it became obvious that we were going to war, we knew the only way home for us was through Baghdad."

Judge crossed the border from Kuwait to Iraq in March 2003, traveling north toward Baghdad west of the Euphrates River. Judge rolled in to central Baghdad on April 11, two days after jubilant Iraqis brought down the statue of Saddam Hussein at Firdos Square.

"The regime was toppled. We had won. We were high-fiving on the objective. Someone else was supposed to be worried about the next phase of the operation. We all expected that somebody, somewhere, had the Iraqi version of the Marshall Plan."

"After three tours, I figured any commitment that I had to the service of the nation had probably been fulfilled. If the nation calls, and there is an emergency and people are needed, I'll be there. But right now, I am hoping to spend a little time with my family."

Consistent with their lives as scholar-soldiers, Bucknell alumni serving in the military also express both pride and concern about U.S. involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"What's done is done," says **Major Christopher Whelan '95**, who served in Iraq from 2007–08. "We took action in Iraq and Afghanistan. Once we started that, we set our course. In my opinion (and my opinion only), that put a moral obligation on our nation not to leave these countries until they were in a position to manage their own affairs with a stable government, democracy or not. Therefore, I think that the State Department, in conjunction with the Armed Forces, should remain in Iraq and Afghanistan until such time as they have that stable government. However, we should only be present in a sovereign foreign nation with their consent, so continuous work must be done at the executive level to ensure that our presence is warranted and desired by that nation."

Major David Humphreys '96 served 10 years in the Marine Corps. As a helicopter gunship pilot, he played an intimate role in the invasion of Iraq. "We all felt a great deal of pride participating in such a historic event and, with what we knew

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It became clear to Judge during his second deployment that no such plan existed. He returned to Iraq as a company commander in January 2005 to conduct operations, which involved not only capturing insurgents but strengthening Iraqi Security Forces and empowering local civic leaders. During his third deployment, in January 2007 with the 82nd Airborne, his frustration level increased.

"It started to wear on me just a bit, because at that point everyone was talking about getting out. I didn't want to get out of Iraq because we were losing soldiers; I wanted to get out because we'd done what we could do there. We'd set them up as best we can. It is time for us to move on."

At the end of that 15-month tour, he decided to resign his commission, although he continues to serve as an operations officer at the Vermont National Guard Regional Training Institute, where he offers Afghanistan-bound troops the benefits of his combat experience.

at the time, felt we were helping to protect our country," he says. "We also were comforted by the looks of pure joy on the faces of the Iraqi people, who greeted us then as liberators."

Humphreys left the Marine Corps in 2006 and recently returned from a year in Afghanistan as a Foreign Service Officer. "During my time in the Marine Corps, I saw first hand the outcome of failed diplomacy," he says. "I felt I could take that experience and possibly prevent some of the horrors we had experienced. This was a difficult transition for me, and I felt a lot of guilt for having left my Marines. Most of my friends had returned to Iraq, and some did not come home."

During his tour in Afghanistan, Humphreys worked with the military's Provincial Reconstruction Teams, assessing project requirements and their effects, and interacting with provincial and tribal leadership. "I was amazed at the primitive, yet deep culture of the Afghan people," he says. "Many of the young Afghans I worked with took enormous risk to do their part to



From left to right, Lt. Col. Bob Oreskovic; Class of 2008 2nd Lts. Connie Barko, Andrew Callahan, Stephen Chronowski, Nicholas Lazzarevich, Charles Smith and Robert Yauger.

end the violence that grew in my year there. Although it's clear that much work remains, I'm proud of our successes and humbled by the amazing work being done by Americans so far from home in what I feel has become another forgotten war."

Matthew Bogdanos '80, a colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves and New York City homicide prosecutor, received a Bronze Star for counter-terrorist actions with the Marines in Afghanistan shortly after 9/11 and a National Humanities Medal for later tracking and recovering treasure stolen from Iraq's national museum. Author of *Thieves of Baghdad*, he warns that a failure to reconcile the military and civilian worlds will lead to calamity.

"If we limit the honor and physical courage of the warrior ideal to an isolated subculture of military, police and firefighters, focusing entirely on those virtues, we risk cultivating doers less tolerant of different lifestyles or ways of thinking," Bogdanos wrote in a recent op-ed in the *The Washington Post*. "If, on the other hand, we limit aesthetic appreciation to the world of academics and economic elites, never encouraging them to roll up their own sleeves, we risk fostering thinkers great on nuance, but subject to paralysis by analysis."

Oreskovic believes this soldier-scholar model has great value, that the ability to reason out complex decisions makes for better soldiers. But even in the Army there sometimes is

an antipathy toward soldiers who are perceived as being too scholarly. "It's difficult in Army culture to balance the scholar-soldier ideal and even more so in a time of war," says **Major John Richards '95**, a civil engineering major currently stationed at Camp Taji, Iraq, who earned master's degrees in engineering management and civil engineering while serving in the Army.

"Those who are not as scholarly often do not view those who pursue scholarly activities highly, regarding them as weak or not warrior-like," he says. "My hope is that recent events and examples of the leaders who have succeeded show the value and importance of being a scholar-soldier. The complexity of today's operating environment and the challenges before us of not only fighting an insurgency but also establishing essential services, such as water, sewer and electricity, governance and commerce, demand a leader who possesses a broad knowledge beyond the art of war. To me, this validates the scholar-soldier model." **B**

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"CADETS COME WITH VALUES. WE DON'T HAVE TO INSTILL THEM. THEY WANT TO SERVE THEIR COUNTRY. THEY KNOW THAT 'GIVING BACK' IS MORE THAN JUST DONATING BLOOD EVERY SIX MONTHS."

Dancing to Many Beats

Bucknell's dance program holds a distinctive place in the liberal arts university.

From the meticulous synchronicity of ballet to the high-energy choreography of jazz and the emotive genre of modern, dance at Bucknell has been a vibrant part of the curriculum for 20 years. Though the faculty has changed and talented students have come and gone as the years have passed, the program continues to stay exciting and inspire new talent — and new audiences. This spring, the Bucknell Dance Company will celebrate the dance program's anniversary with gala concerts on April 25 and 26.

The program got its start when Danna Frangione, an expert in modern dance and jazz forms, was hired as the University's first tenure-track dance professor in 1987.

"Given her incredible breadth of knowledge about dance and culture, she was the perfect person to start a dance program," says Bob Gainer, professor emeritus of theatre and dance. Frangione's interest in modern as well as classical dance forms led to a much more diverse program than available at many universities. She built a program of great reach and, though she passed away in December of 2002, her inspiration remains.

"She had a vision," says Er-Dong Hu, director of the dance program. "Most colleges surrounding us are modern. We are the one that has balanced ballet, modern and jazz."

Kelly Knox, assistant professor of dance, arrived in 2003 to fill the modern dance slot left open by Frangione's passing, while Dustyn Martincich, a jazz dance specialist and assistant professor of dance, arrived in 2008 to fill an important vacancy. Together with Hu, they make sure the Bucknell program continues offering a distinctive blend of specialties. Today, the University's dance minor, first offered in 1991, offers classes in all levels of ballet, modern dance and jazz; master classes taught by visiting artists; and extensive student choreography opportunities and Showcase as well as Dance Company performances.

Most of the students entering the program don't have plans of becoming professional dancers. Instead, they find a comprehensive curriculum at the University that allows them to explore their love of dance even as they prepare for careers in medicine, engineering, education and finance. The caliber of the program, in fact, has grown with the recent addition of Merit Scholarships.

"It was very important to me to find a college with an excellent dance program. That's what brought me to Bucknell," says merit scholar **Katie Culver '09**, who along with **Ally Haseltine '09**, is a student choreographer featured in the gala. Culver majors in education and psychology and is eyeing a career as a guidance counselor. "It wasn't enough for me to have a really good dance program but not academics. I wanted both. Bucknell was perfect."

"Bucknell having such a reputable dance program as just a minor factored greatly," says **Alex Fredas '09**, who plans on becoming a doctor. "Coming to Bucknell with its diverse faculty and having professionals coming in to do master classes — I would never have been able to do this at another institution."

In fact, Hu notes, Bucknell's dance offerings are distinctive in the liberal arts university. He points out that *Dancers* magazine highlighted Bucknell as one of the few schools in the country that offers Chinese dance. "We offer the best minor in the world," he says. "No one can compete with us."

Perhaps one reason the program continues to thrive is the excellence expected of all the dancers, whether their careers lie on stage or not. "I'm not training them to be professionals," says Knox, "but I'm treating them like they are."

It is an approach that has served dance at Bucknell well for a quarter-century, and counting. **B**

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By Barbara Krohn • Photograph by Gordon Wenzel



Reading the River in Four Dimensions

BY KATHERINE FAULL

A Bucknell professor
discovers the hidden life of
a local Indian settlement.

A drive to the local mall doesn't usually involve a trip back in time almost 300 years. But for me, the short journey from Lewisburg, along the Susquehanna River and past Tedd's Landing, down Route 15 to Shamokin Dam, has become resonant with words and images from the early 18th century. It was a time when today's Sunbury was colonial Pennsylvania's Shamokin, the most important Indian town in the province, a trading post and the "capital of the Woodlands Indians."

Although I have lived in the Susquehanna Valley for nearly 25 years, until just a few years ago I was unaware of the rich and untapped history of local Native peoples captured in the settlement diary of Shamokin written by Moravian missionaries. Chief Shikellamy, the Iroquois regent overseeing the human and material commerce of the confluence of the river, invited the Moravians to Shamokin, and the Moravians kept an account of day-to-day happenings in a settlement diary.

Three years ago, Jenny Stevens '07, a student working with my colleague Alf Siewers, on a project to create an online mapping of Sunbury, approached me and asked what I knew about the Moravians in Sunbury — nothing, but my curiosity was piqued.

The online catalogue of the Moravian Archives in Bethlehem confirmed that there was material there, and off I went to hunt it down. What I found completely redefined my own research.

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During the Colonial period, Moravian missionaries from a small Protestant church founded in 1722 by the charismatic Count Nicholas von Zinzendorf were known as friends of the Native Americans and, therefore, suspect to the British. Arrested on charges of spying for the French and aiding and abetting Native peoples against the British, at least five of the missionaries who lived in Shamokin were adopted into the Iroquois nation in 1745. David Zeisberger, one of the most famous missionaries and early ethnographers of the Native Americans, was given the name Ganousseracheri, meaning "On the Pumpkin," and adopted into Turtle Clan of the Onondago [sic] in 1745. Early entries of the Shamokin diary written by the young Zeisberger during his first mission reveal an emerging fascination and sympathy for Native American culture and language.

The settlement diary from Shamokin is in bad shape. Some of the pages are crumbling, the manuscript writing is, in places, indecipherable and there are big gaps in the years of the mission's existence (1744–55). But when I think back to the conditions of its production, written by the light of a candle or tallow lamp, in a tent or a hut, no desk with an inkwell or blotter, after a day's ride or walk through the forests and snow, my frustration melts away. What remains is amazement that we have this record of daily life here at the confluence. And what did that life look like?

The Shamokin diary is unique among the mission diaries of the 18th century in that Shamokin itself was not a mission settlement built by the Moravians, but rather represented a surprising moment of enterprise and entrepreneurship in the

Moravian mission to the Native Americans. The Indian town of Shamokin pre-existed the advent of the Moravians as a trading post. In the first half of the 18th century, it was also the seat of Chief Shikellamy, the Oneida vice-regent sent by the Iroquois to oversee political treaties with the British as well as the trading post. Initial attempts to establish a mission there, undertaken by Christian and Agnes Post in 1743 and Martin and Anna Mack in 1744, were difficult in that the nature of the place, a confluence of trade and cultures, meant that the population was not stable. Repeatedly, the mission diary of those first years tells of bands of warriors passing through who disrupted the quieter lives of the Delaware men and women occupied with hunting for skins and meat and growing corn on the island in the river (today, Packer Island). The near failure of the mission was averted through the agreement between Mack and Shikellamy that the Moravians would establish a blacksmith's shop in Shamokin to service the guns of the Indians.

The diary of the mission station in Shamokin tells a vivid story of the confluence of cultures. It describes the missionaries' regular visits to the settlements of Delaware women on Packer Island, daily suppers with Shikellamy in the Moravians' log home (built where the present day Northumberland Historical Society now sits), trips up and down the Susquehanna and its islands to speak with the men of the Delaware, the Tutelos and the Shawnee, whose lives were regulated by hunting for meat and skins to trade. The passing of time was marked not by the Gregorian calendar but by the shedding of bark (a good time to build a hut or a canoe), the presence or absence of food, the height of the water, the depth of the snow. An earthquake in the early hours one January morning in 1750



Professor Katherine Faull

shakes Shamokin's inhabitants out of bed. The dearth of seed drives families back into Iroquoia, away from the encroachments of the Europeans into hunting grounds.

The diary also casts light on the more personal side of colonial life. Whereas the printed records of the Pennsylvania Archives reveal the official workings of the colonial governments' agents, mediators, interpreters and traders among the Native people of the area, the words of Native Americans are recorded in the daily log of the Moravian settlements, as they come to the missionaries with their concerns, their petitions, their advice and their plans.

Notably, as Chief Shikellamy lay dying, David Zeisberger remained at his side, recording his last moments (see excerpt, right). In addition, the lives and words of women, both European and Native, which have long been excised from accounts of European negotiations with the Native Americans, are detailed here in accounts of the conversations, primarily pastoral in nature, with the Delaware women who lived and farmed on Packer Island. There are repeated requests for help with food, seed, lodging, the building and maintenance of fencing, and plowing the fields, all of which are answered. With an empathy uncharacteristic for many European settlers, the Moravian men and women shared their resources of food and knowledge with the Native people, just as the Native people did with them.

But most startling are accounts of cultural encounters that occur between the parties on an equal footing. In 1754, when, just months before the outbreak of the French-Indian war, the missionaries describe their journey along the North Branch of the Susquehanna, the river is seen as a place of cultivation, plenty and great natural beauty. Here, the Shawnee come to greet their European visitors, invite them to a sweat lodge and conclude the evening with songs and music from Europe. The words are translated into Delaware and Minisink; the music, performed on two violins, is contributed by the Shawnee.

At night, as I squint and pore over the scribbles and scrawl of a manuscript that often resists decoding, pictures, words and sounds come alive again, and stay with me whenever I look at the landscape of the confluence, a landscape that now presents itself in four dimensions, with the echo of the past hovering there, revealing a life of complexity and community on the river. 

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Historical artifacts crafted
by Richard Bonham
of Lewisburg, Pa.

Shikellamy's Death

On [December] 4th Brother

Anton and David visited the Swatane [Chief Shikellamy] and found him to be so weak that he could no longer walk by himself and could no longer hear well. In other ways he was very friendly and watched us with love, but could speak very little. We brought him some tea and bread, which he enjoyed greatly.

On the 6th day, David visited the Swatane early in the morning and brought him something to eat and drink. He said, however, that he could eat and drink nothing, and that he could no longer hear anything, only speak a little. We saw that he would not live much longer. Around midday an Indian woman came and said to us that he was close to going home. David went to him and stayed with him. But there was a terrible wailing of lamentations, for everyone, old and young, wept incredibly about their old father. He spoke no more, and looked at David with friendship and smiled, and finally passed away quite contentedly. We now felt in our hearts that we should plead with the Little Lamb that He should grant a place in his Side Hole for him, and were able to believe that he would do the same.

Excerpted from the Journal
of the Shamokin Mission
by diarist David Zeisberger,
1748, translated by Professor
Katherine Faull.



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ALUMNI HOUSE

Bucknell Blossoms

Each spring, University Avenue transforms into a bower of pink and white promises, reliable and yet surprising.

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1896

When the University opened its doors to women 125 years ago, who could predict that **Mary Wolfe 1896** would grab the opportunity, become one of the nation's first female psychiatrists and, years later, rouse the Bucknell student body to form a suffrage club? The only hints here of her remarkable, pioneering journey lie in Mary's calm gaze, the slight smile playing at her lips and the open book in front of her.

1933

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1934

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Col. Sanford Barcus, ret., writes, "I last visited Bucknell to attend our 70th Reunion in June 2004. My wife, Nan, accompanied me but, alas, I was the only member of our class in attendance. We flew in from Arizona to find a beautiful expanded campus with a number of new structures. It was a nostalgic weekend which we thoroughly enjoyed."

1935

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We are very sorry to report that **Jean Hagenbach More** passed away on Dec. 27. She was a dedicated class reporter for 12 years, and she will be missed. Please see her obituary in the In Memoriam section.

1936

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My pleas for help go unanswered, as apparently only two other classmates are around: **Clif Siegmeister** and **Joe Weightman**. I can report that they are both doing okay — which, at our age, is all you can hope for.

I talk to **Steve Stephanou '38** on a regular basis. He is now grounded and must rely on others for wheels. His spirits are good; he's the same old Stevey.

I keep in touch with **Walt Weidemann '39**, who is in assisted living at Brandywine at Longwood, Kennett Square, Pa.

There is a concentration of 11 alumni in Hershey's Mill on Kennett Way: **Jim '55** and **Barbara Wills Flynn '55**, **Don '56** and **Nancy Shepler Richards '56**, **Bill '57** and **Cynthia Orr Cline '60**, **Anne and Jerry McLaughlin '59**, **John '61** and **Leone Russell Yerkes '60**, **Virginia "Ginny" Fisher Vogel '40** and me.

Very nearby on Eaton Way, we have **Joe '52** and **Maralyn Murphy Ortlieb '54**. My apologies to numerous alumni not mentioned who live in Hershey's Mill.

Ten students receive financial support from our Class of '37 Scholarship Fund. I receive letters from all recipients expressing gratitude for our support. Here is a typical line from one student: "I cannot begin to tell you how much this scholarship means to me. Without this funding I would not be able to attend this fantastic university." This has to make

you feel good and desirous of continuing support. — C.V.

1938

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From **Bob and Annabel Kreider Schnure**: Bob began 2008 with a heart attack, with fortunately no heart damage. They are enjoying volunteering and taking advantage of pool and exercise amenities at Kirkland. Annabel had a small garden, which yielded bushels of tomatoes. They had a week at Chautauqua, N.Y., with their daughter, **Barbara '72**, and her family in their nearby apartment. Two family weddings in September were great weekends. Annabel and Bob celebrated 90th birthdays in the fall. They wish all good health and happiness.

Evelyn Brooks Farnsworth reports being in touch with **Dottie Oakes McRae**, hashing over "old times" as both are graduates of Summit High School in New Jersey. Evie is still promising that long letter,

but just hearing from her is important.

Betty Eyer Kephart writes that her health is good and reports on the arrival of her first great-grandchild, born in May, which is exciting news.

Betty McCormick Ackley wrote from Normandy Farms Estates, where she and Norman moved eight years ago — a wise decision and close to the homes of two of their daughters. When Norman died two years ago, Betty downsized to a one-bedroom apartment. Her daughters planted a small garden that gives her great pleasure. She volunteers typing the monthly *Normandy News* and serves on the Culinary Committee. She spoke of the pleasure of having a great-grandniece, **Eliza Smith Steinmeier '98**, graduate from Bucknell. Eliza is the "waterkeeper" of Baltimore's Inner Harbor, Md.

Ruth "Trink" Trinkaus Dolbier sent warm Christmas greetings.

Gwen Rohman Crellin says at 92 she is "not doing too bad," which is the best that can be said for most of us. She hopes all is well with me, and I'm passing that on to all of you.

Elsie Van Nort McShea's first Christmas letter told in poetical form of the genealogical story I reported in the Fall 2008 *Bucknell Magazine*. In the fall she taught a Bible Study at a retirement community in Rydal Park.

From **Peggy Bortz Andrews**, a corrected address: 9605 Northpointe Blvd., Apt. 1019, Spring, TX 77379-3524. Her new e-mail address is peggy@entouch.net. Peggy's move from Onion Creek was aided by her daughter, Susan, son, Richard, and his son, Randy. Peggy says her two-bedroom apartment has welcomed her old furniture, and it feels like home. Although she kept her car, she only drives locally. I quote, "Bridge is disappointing, and mah-jongg does not exist." Can't win it all, Peggy.

I received two Christmas letters from **Carl Bennett**. In January 2007, Carl remarried Marjorie White, a longtime

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acquaintance. In April they moved to 100 Timber Ridge Way, NW, #7115, Issaquah, WA 98027. Carl wrote of their many trips, including 2007 Homecoming at Bucknell. The rather serious health problems that attacked both of them, including open-heart surgery for Marge in spring 2007, presented no significant problems in 2008. They added cruises to Mexico and Alaska to their travel experiences. Plans for 2009 include a possible trip to visit Carl's grandson, who will spend his senior year of high school in a South American country.

Carol and **O. Warren Higgins'** Christmas letter told of an outstanding 90th birthday celebration. A trip to Northland at Flemington, N.J., involved Carol, Warren, their son, Ray, and grandson, Brandon. Warren was invited by the elementary school where their grandchildren, Carolyn and Adam, attend to speak about the Slave Docket, a program sponsored by Warren's local bar association. He received 82 thank-you cards from those who attended, each individually written or designed. Way to go, Warren.

Warren Eister is also looking at a 90th birthday come March. He is revising his book.

Helen Sanders Christian sent a justifiably late Christmas greeting. In early December she learned she had a non-cancerous stomach tumor, which was removed surgically. The result is general weakness and a need for rehab. Her 90th birthday was celebrated with family and friends at a luncheon arranged by her daughters, Joyce and **Karen Christian Hovey '71**. All her grandchildren made it home for the celebration.

Tammy Brawand, academic assistant in Bucknell's history department, picked up on **Bob Stanton's** reference in the winter issue to **Frank Funair's** 98-yard return of the opening kickoff in the 1938 Bucknell-Penn State game, which we won. She wrote, "Frank Funair was one of my most wonderful teachers at Johnsonburg Area High School." She said he was an outstanding teacher and a

friend of her father, a dairy farmer.

Dottie Smailes Nutt '41 sent greetings from Pinehurst, N.C., where she is a resident at Quail Haven Retirement Community. Her daughter, Kathy, and her husband live in town about 12 miles away. From her list of visitors, I would guess North Carolina is not as far from friends as she feared.

A welcome card from Martha and **John Zeller '41** says they are holding their own.

A note from **Jeanne Brozman Crawford '39** says she is looking forward to the days getting longer. Her holidays were spent in Seattle with son, Mel, and family.

From **Jeanne Offutt Davis '42**, a note that her family keeps her busy, as well as delighting in all the activities of her children and their families. Her third great-granddaughter has joined the family.

Marian Weinberger Hartman '42 and Neil celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary in August. Their traveling is restricted these days and increasingly local, as Marian is more dependent on a walker. They are both active in their retirement community, Medford Leas, as well as with the local Friends Meeting House.
— A.H.W.

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Our 2008–09 scholarship recipient is **Stephanie Diegel '11**. She attended Maryvale Preparatory School and comes from Lutherville-Timonium, Md. Her intended major is electrical engineering. Thank you, Linda Reinaker, steward of endowed funds, for informing us and for the invitation to the annual Scholarship Day celebration April 25.

For Marjorie and **Don Hopkins '42** of Pinehurst, S.C., 2008 took them on a cruise through the Panama Canal and visits to Nebraska and Minnesota. One grandson graduated from kindergarten and another from the University of Michigan graduate school; he goes on to be engineering officer aboard Coast Guard Cutter *Forward*. Their granddaughter is in her final year at UNC Law School. Their grandson, Malcolm, will marry this spring.

Emilie Sherman Sanborn '55 of Dayton, Md., writes of their travels since 2007. "In March we went to southern Africa where we saw amazing and diverse scenery from a Land Rover. On the pontoon boat trip we were attacked by a hippo, which pulled the boat down into the water and severely bent the metal railing before letting go. It was one of the most frightening experiences of our lives." Then came Argentina and a flight to Ushuaia, and on to Antarctica. Last March they visited China; next is the Galapagos.

Nina Osovick Magilligan, from San Francisco, Calif., writes that she "still drives her car," which was stolen in May. The thief was apprehended and prosecuted and the car was recovered. Nina attends the Music Teachers meeting and the Etude Music Club every month. "Still love my Unitarian activities, the monthly Sunday meeting, the Poetry Group," she writes. "We have lots of activities

here, movies of all kinds. A new resident wants to start a book review program." Her son lives in Pasadena, Calif., her daughter and granddaughter in Australia, and her grandson "is still in the U.S. Navy. He left Iraq in good health. He is back in Hawaii but in a few months he is supposed to be shipped to California. Hurrah!"

Caye and **Dick Gray '42** celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary this year. Caye says, "Fifty-one M.B.A. students graduated from Dick's Presidio School of Management in June with a commencement address by Larry Brilliant, M.D., head of Google.org. We are in our eighth year at the Tamalpais Retirement Residence, where Dick chairs the staff scholarship program. Except for a fly-in by bats into his office here on the 10th floor after the window cleaning, it's a very congenial place to live."

Neil and **Marian Weinburger Hartman '42**, of Medford Leas, N.J., celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary this year, which included a trip to Columbus, Ohio, to visit family. Marion's activities at Medford Leas include discussion and meditation groups and being the Friendly Visitor for her cluster of eight apartments.

Clint and Marcia Herrgesell Hegeman of State College, Pa., encourage the women from WWII era to celebrate at Bucknell's Co-Education Weekend March 21–22, 2009. Their Christmas note said they visited family in Virginia, Arizona and Maine.

Martha and **John Zeller '41** of Lewisburg write that their grandson, **Grant '12**, is a first-year student at Bucknell. They spent a weekend in Philadelphia and heard their son-in-law sing the bass role in Handel's "Messiah" with the Philadelphia Orchestra at the Kimmel Center.

Ronnie Greene Byrnes of Vero Beach, Fla., visited her family for the Thanksgiving holiday. "If it weren't for the worry of summer hurricanes, living in Florida is the greatest," she writes. "I'm watching five or six dolphins 'playing' in the Indian River (the intra-coastal)

and watching beautiful yachts go by — far more exciting than seeing snow plows. I was delighted to see **Bob '42** and **Isabel 'Ding' Clark Puff** last spring. They stopped to see me on their way to visit their son, **Bob '67**, who lives in Vero. I see **Betty Newell Broomell** and **Dan '42** and **Marjorie Hopwood Richardson** quite often." Ronnie later sent me a lovely tribute to Marjorie, who passed away Jan. 2.

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

Jean Williams Watson '45 writes from Columbus, N.C., "We're snug and comfortable in our retirement community, Tryon Estates, in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The staff is wonderful, very competent and caring, and our fellow residents (whom Jim calls 'inmates') are great people. We still own our house in Land Harbor, and we went there often this summer."

David '66 and **Debora Sholl Humphreys '67** son, Captain **David "Colin" Humphreys '96**, returned safely from a year-long stint in Afghanistan with the State Department. He was the liaison between the military, the state department and the provincial reconstruction teams. He came home on furlough about every three months. Colin is learning Thai in preparation for his next posting in Bangkok. Dave and Deb are team leaders with the Palm Verdes Land Conservancy to maintain trails and do other restoration projects. Dave is dean at Los Angeles Harbor College. He's been back to Massachusetts several times to see his dad, **Rev. Paul Humphreys '28**, 102 years young. Dave has also taken up the guitar. Deb continues to love her work at the Aerospace Corp. Daily yoga, not-so-daily running and the Air Force gym keep her humble and strong enough to keep up with their grandsons and work-related travel — mostly to D.C. and Colorado Springs. They write, "Our grandsons live only a 10-minute walk from us, so we're having a great time with

them many afternoons after school." — J.B.S.

1944

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The holiday notes become more special each year. I wish there were space to print them all to cloak you in their warmth.

The one from **Ella and Elmo Pascale** had a picture of Ella and then-campaigning Barack Obama. "When Obama came to James Madison University Convocation Hall in October we joined 15,000 people in celebration," writes Elmo. "There, for a few moments, Ella stood with him for a lovely photo. He smiled as they shook hands." Elmo's cello, which languished in attics for 41 years, was repaired last year and once again produced 'Greensleeves.' Both Pascals work in their church and enjoy special times with Mennonites.

It is with sincere regret to share this report from **Ralph Franklin** about his wife, **Mary Elizabeth Evans Franklin**. "On Oct. 22 our beloved Betty passed away," he writes. "She leaves a loving family and many friends around the world. What a gal!" She and Ralph were married in Singapore in 1948 and lived in the Philippines and Brazil before returning to the U.S. in 1954. Along with Ralph, she is survived by four children and their families. Betty was a faithful correspondent and I'll miss her.

Note: Betty Franklin's obituary appeared in the Winter 2009 issue.

A phone call from **Dom Chirico '49** brought word of the death of his wife, Catherine, and that of **Alex Pulianas '50**.

With a beautiful poem, the children of **Joan Waterman Sarjeant '46** announced her death on behalf of their dad, Alex. Joan's Christmas message had

always been in clever verse, and her children continued the tradition, each with their own poem. Joan's oldest child, Dwight, gave his life in Vietnam. She and I were sisters in Phi Mu and she'll be missed.

Note: See Joan Sarjeant and Alex Pulianas' obituaries in this issue's In Memoriam section.

Burda Murphy Fink's holiday note included word that her son, Paul, died suddenly last summer.

To the families of those listed above, sincerest sympathy from the Class of '44.

Roy and Meg Meston Breg continue their volunteer church activities, including the choir. They celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary while at the University of Chicago, where grandson Ron received a Ph.D. in math.

Many of us have given up extensive traveling and arduous activities, but write wonderful personal notes. Those thoughtful ones would want you to know they're fine, even though they might have slowed down. Among them are **Ruth Smith Mendes, Dud '46** and **Jean Newsom Waldner '46**, **Janet Lawlor Hauk**, **Bob and Kay Marshall Morris**, **Helen and Gus Cadwallader**, **Bill and Donna Perry Crage**, **Lucia and Jim Ham '47**, and my old roomie **Carolyn "Cuz" Day Allen**.

In case you didn't notice, the heading in red letters says REUNION, a reminder that our 65th is in the offing. Keep that in mind, please. From **Julie and Gene Cowell**, "Will try to make Reunion if the old tennis legs can do it." You'll keep them company, won't you? Hope to see you in May. Happy springtime. Love and peace. — H.R.B.

1945

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Gabe and Dottie Ashman Fackre and **Bill Webster** swapped stories via e-mail

during the weekend of President Obama's inauguration. Both were involved in voter registration in the South. Gabe recalls "registering black voters in 1964 in Canton with the Klan taking shots at our Freedom House." Bill did not get involved until March 1965 at Selma. Neither Bill nor his campus ministry colleagues at Indiana University needed their sleeping bags after the first night in Selma, as the sheriff had "special accommodations" for them.

Your class reporter looks forward to hearing from classmates, especially via e-mail. — W.W.

1946

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I received a letter from **Dud** and **Jean Newsom Waldner** and was happy to hear that Jean is okay. They are not traveling as much but did get up to Shelter Island to see their son, Peter. In June they went to Tryon, N.C., to see **June Franks**. Their family members are in Kenya (**Jay '69**), UNC Greensboro (**Deborah Waldner Guttentag '71**), Pittsburgh, Canada and Jordan, not to mention several colleges in the U.S. It is always a special treat to hear from the Waldners.

I visited **Carolyn Berkheimer Rosser** in Williamsport, Pa. Her husband is having a difficult time with Parkinson's, so life is daily care for him.

I lost my younger grandson on Oct. 10 when he was struck by a car while testing a motorcycle he serviced where he worked. It has been a great loss for us, and he was only 20.

May the new year bring lots of good news from you all. Please write. — E.O.A.

1947

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Hearing from longtime friends via e-mail, Christmas cards or a telephone call always adds a special spark to the day. The Honor House Round Robin is still flying, thanks to **Barbara Messer Hale**.

One of my roommates, **Millie Valentine Painter**, has been a weaver for many years. I visited her in New Canaan, Conn., and saw her 36-inch loom. She has woven scarves, baby blankets, afghans and ties. The scarves are beautiful and wear like iron.

Millie learned from **Ruth Gay Frederick** that the Frederick Farm in Lewisburg has been sold, and a developer will build condominiums there. Millie and her late husband, **Robert Painter '48, M'52**, lived in the Frederick Farmhouse while Bob was studying for his master's in chemistry. They and others rented rooms in the farmhouse. Millie has five adult children who each have a son and a daughter. She says, "That makes 22 at the 'Family Fun' Reunion."

Living into our eighties is a gift. Please let your classmates know how you are spending these special years. — J.M.R.

1948

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I think our *Bucknell Magazine* is great, don't you? Congratulations to all who work so hard; we appreciate it.

Christmas brought a few cards, including one from **Gloria Burkhardt Cowdrick**. Her address is 300 Hahnemann Trail, Apt. 48, Pittsford, NY 14534-2359.

Trudy Vogel Graham sent a lovely letter of her travels to our 60th Reunion, which she said

brought back such wonderful memories. I second that.

From **Robert Guempel** came the good news of yet another granddaughter who will attend our Bucknell. 'Ray Bucknell! Jim and I visited Jeanne and Bob this past summer — a beautiful home for great Bucknell people.

From **Helen Hayden Nelson** came her usual newsy letter and a picture of some of her scattered family. Helen still quilts, is chair of a bowling league and gets out on the tennis courts. Amazing, Helen — just watch out for your arthritic knees!

A card from Scottsdale, Ariz., arrived from **Anita Coleman Steiner** and her husband, Stan, who were at our 60th Reunion. They stay out west until the end of April — what a great way to enjoy retirement, Anita.

A welcome e-mail from **Ruth Williamson McKee** arrived, with a new address: 50 Columbus Ave., Apt. 803, Tuckahoe, NY 10707. Thanks, Ruthie. See you at our next Reunion.

To all of you: Please send me a postcard from your next visit to anywhere. We all look forward to the news. 'Til next issue, Go Bison. — J.G.B.

1949

REUNION 2009

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I do have some class notes to report, finally. **Nick Daviduk**, in October, said he was recovering from a knee replacement and decided to see the foliage in New England. He and his friend had lunch in Burlington, Vt., with **Howard Van Dine** and his wife, Janice.

I heard from Howard shortly after he visited with Nick. He has been busy "getting educated." He earned an M.Div. (master of divinity) and a D.Min. (doctorate of ministry) via distance learning from Vision International Educa-

tion Network. Health kept him from receiving his degrees in sunny California, but they were sent to him.

I heard from **George Gerber**, who is retired from Vishay but is a board member of Bluebeards Castle in St. Thomas. He does odd jobs for the company and tackles chores around the house. His wife of 37 years, **MaryEl Banta Gerber '51**, died in 1988. George is married to a Mexican lady who speaks mostly Spanish. They visited Bucknell and went to his 65th high school reunion in Pittsburgh, Pa. He lives in Bonita, Calif. His twins went to Bucknell; **Georgia '77** graduated with great regard for Professor Lasansky. (She does bronze statues for parks, etc., from her foundry in Whidbey, Wash.) All in all, George is a happy camper.

I received an obituary notice for **Betty Ibach Emery**.

Note: Please see Betty's obituary in this issue's In Memoriam section.

I also heard from **Donna Spencer Johnson**. She and Walt took a River Boat Cruise on the Danube with friends and, as usual, had a jaunt to Florida. They stopped here and took me to lunch. They are planning on coming to our 60th Reunion.

My children gave me a wonderful 80th birthday party Feb. 12 here at Aldersgate with over 100 residents attending. My daughter, Holly, is an event planner, and she made the arrangements. We had a slide show covering a good share of my life put on by my son, Doug. My daughter, Kathy, her husband, Bill, and my grandchildren, Mandy and Chris, also helped. My older grandchildren, Megan and Kevin, were both in college and could not attend.

I took a 13-day trip to Ireland with my husband's sister, Darl, in September. Before that I spent several days with Doug at his home in Philadelphia. I have been in good health (other than a bad back and miscellaneous other stuff) and I still compete in swimming. I plan on coming to Reunion in late May. Earlier in May, Megan will graduate from George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

I know of several classmates planning to come to our 60th Reunion besides Donna and me. **Alice Bogdanoff Miller** said she was hoping to come. I hope all who are able-bodied will try to attend. It amazes me to even imagine a 60th Reunion. Wow! — C.M.D.

Doris Gorka Bartuska received the Distinguished Service Award, the highest honor bestowed upon members of the Allegheny Medical Society. She is the 23rd Pennsylvania physician to win the award.

1950

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Frank Greenwood left Bucknell with a bachelor's in economics. He cleared USC with an MBA in 1959, and achieved a Ph.D. at UCLA in 1963. He worked for Texaco at home and abroad, later entered academia to teach and then went on to computer system management. He lives in Farmington Hills, Mich., and teaches college-level online classes as a retirement activity.

After a two-year moratorium on fraternity activities, the Delta Upsilon fraternity was reinstated in 2006 under the leadership of **Lloyd Jones '72**. Serving with him on the board of the DU fraternity, aka The Demosthenean Club, were nine alumni ranging from the Classes of '52 to '92. They included **Marshall Goulding '52, Bill Swartz '54, Jim Urda '56 and Art Saunders '57**. Give a hand to the '50s decade! The chapter house, owned by the University, has been named Demosthenean Hall. The new chapter has established itself on campus, and has already brought back the Demie Play. — D.C.

Charis Taylor Gridley writes that her 80th birthday was celebrated with a family dinner complete with "a cake with lotsa candles." She was presented with a lively Shih Tzu puppy, Simon. Carsie says they have great fun together. "Walking with him," she adds, "is probably good for this octogenarian."

C. Robert Wright moved to Ridge Court in Lewisburg. During our early December conversation, Bob recalled when he and **Bill Pepperman**, both civil engineers, traveled to Washington, D.C., to take the civil service test. They keep in touch when Bill returns to his roots in Milton. He had a wonderful career planning road construction before retiring in 1980. Other than some problems associated with arthritis, Bob has enjoyed excellent health. He looks forward to living in his new quarters in Ridge Court, where he can let professional chefs do all the cooking.

I chatted with **Alice Windeknecht Totten '52** before a breathtaking concert presented by the Hungarian Virtuosi Orchestra in Bucknell's Weis Center. Alice looks great, keeps busy and, avid reader that she is, usually has two or three books by her side.

Dick Williamson had me in stitches when he described his experiences with some physical therapy. He's doing just fine and doesn't need the expensive cane he ordered from the National Geographic Society.

Al Borelli '49 is stateside after a piano concert tour in Great Britain. Playing the music of Franz Liszt, he received great reviews from large and appreciative audiences. Bravo, Al!
— P.W.

1951

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Dave Kahn writes, "I don't have any grandchildren to report about (my sons know what to

do and are doing it, but aren't generating offspring)." Dave is the author of books about codes and ciphers and described an interesting trip last year to the archive of the Foreign Office in Berlin. He promises to report on it in the appropriate scholarly journals. — B.L.S.

1952

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Bucknell '52ers are living the 21st century vision. Betty and **Gene Cobaugh** have committed to harmonize their eighth decade by reading and tasting everything, meeting everyone, traveling everywhere and accepting every experience. In 2008 they traveled to Germany to celebrate their granddaughter Tina's 10th birthday, then to Alaska for Michael's high school graduation and their son, Tom's, promotion to full colonel in the Alaska Air National Guard. A July family reunion cruise through the eastern Caribbean was followed by an October Rhine River cruise to honor Betty and Gene's 80th birthdays, and to observe Mike's promotional move to Paris. The family gathered in Florida for Thanksgiving.

Carolyn Knies Erdle and Phil welcomed most of their family home in Colorado for the holidays. Five adult children, Ann, Nick, Patti, Terry and Marti, appear together smiling for the Erdle Christmas greeting. A confirmation photo of Terry's sons, Mitch and Jack, with Carolyn and Phil endorses their message of holiday harmony.

Elinor "Eli" Childs Lewis and Jack attended his 65th reunion at Case Western with eight other classmates. The Lewis family assembled in State College to help Jack's brother, Dave, blow out his 80 candles. Hospitality flowed for the Penn State football fans. Octogenarians claim the privilege of substituting TV for serious cheering when

the weather turns wet, cold or snowy — which was the case for the final game with Michigan.

The deck of a Regent ship was a special learning space for **Joy Davis Edelman's** cruise to the Cook and French Polynesia Islands. Joy, an experienced hot air balloon traveler, reports that she was just fine through each swell of the turbulent seas. Our adventuring classmate enjoyed her seafaring journey beyond expectation.

Elderhostel advocates **Don** and **Molly Tompkins Manning** vicariously stretched their post-University borders by virtue of their granddaughters. Honors student Whitney graduated from Ohio State University and plans to apply to graduate school after working in Cincinnati. Lauren graduated from Notre Dame then used her architecture studies at Habitat for Humanity. She is pursuing a master's degree in urban planning at New Orleans University. Don and Molly uncovered unexpected appreciation for western and classical music in two Elderhostel weeks at Opryland and Auburn University, Ala. The prelude and encore to the event was playing on a Robert Trent Jones Golf Course before and after the Magic Music program. When at home, Molly and Don are involved in church leadership programs. She is a "buddy" to a special needs child and sings in the choir. He serves as a trustee. They volunteer weekly at the hospital for wheelchair duty and ambulatory care.

Marianne Colville Parkinson and her husband, Bruce, have been loyal Bison fans since their daughters, **Janet Parkinson Haufler '79** and **Jean Parkinson Kozicki '76**, joined the Bucknell family. I am always pleased when the Parkinsons and **Floyd '50** and **Barbara Kaiser Henderson '51** join me at the annual Athletic Hall of Fame breakfast to honor former Bucknell athletes. This energetic interest in Bucknell sports fuels the opportunity to renew all University relationships.

Plaudits to **Spence Coleman** for his ongoing contributions, which are the fruit of dedication

directed toward the welfare of elder citizens.

Heather Peavey Johns, a writer and editor based in Danville, Pa., has become alumni news editor for *Bucknell Magazine* and coordinator of the alumni website. We welcome Heather to our Bucknell family.

Jean Lowry Scarr's life is influenced by her teaching career and her grandchildren. **Robert Blakemore '08** is a medical researcher. Laurie, an Ohio State graduate, works at McGraw Hill in New York City. Stephen is at OSU, Ryan is at Lehigh, Tyler is a high school soccer player and Holly is a temporary caregiver for pets. Allie, 15, is mentored by Jean's knowledge of opera, and Brandon, 10, is nurtured by her early love for sports. Jean wrapped herself in a blanket and endured the cold rather than miss a summer production at Glimmerglass in Cooperstown, N.Y. A detour to Broadway to see the revival of *South Pacific* with her family at Thanksgiving preceded her favorite route to attend Berlioz's *Damnation of Faust*. Jean's opera safari finished at the Met to enjoy three more performances. Jean lost her sister and frequent travel partner, Diane Fradin, to a rare form of cancer. It is with deep regret we send Jean and her family our sincere sympathy.

Alice Windeknecht Totten wrote during an ice storm that **Marianne Thurnall Laffy**, a Eucharistic minister, died last fall. Our sympathies to Marianne's husband, Joseph, two daughters, six sons and six grandchildren. Marianne was preceded in death by her sister, **Nancy Thurnall Meyer '55**.

A memorial service for **Lois "Chloe" Lehr Worth** was held at Gwynedd Square Presbyterian Church, Lansdale, Pa., on Sept. 22. Chloe was an avid golfer and gardener and longtime member of the Ambler Colony Club. She and **Elizabeth "B.G." Myers Waters** often returned together for Reunions and parent events. She is survived by her daughters, **Susan Worth McLaughlin '80**, Nancy Pine and Carolyn Hannum, and four

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grandchildren. Additional information about Chloe and Marianne is printed in *Bucknell Magazine*, Winter 2009, In Memoriam, p.60. — R.C.R.

1953

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Our class has lost another outstanding member. **Ned Miller** died suddenly at his home in Albuquerque, N.M., on Dec. 7. **Jane Brown Maas** recalls, "He was larger than life. I will always remember him for his memorable parts in *Cap & Dagger* plays, *Captain Shotover* in *Heartbreak House* with **Nancy Schreiner Hubley** as his daughter. The Sewer Man in *Madwoman of Chailot* with **Philip Roth '54** as the Ragpicker, me as the Madwoman. Ned and I had lunch in New York in the fall, and although he wasn't looking as well as usual he was full of plans for expanding his business into the digital arena, for travel with Anita and for pro bono work in New Mexico. Ned's glass was always not just half full, but full! I know we will all miss him." **Ed Williams** also recalls, "I can remember our senior year *Cap & Dagger* bit *Knickerbocker Holiday* with **Downey Stances** in the lead, Ned always in some bit part and me bringing up the rear in the chorus. Harvey Powers made a comment during the critique about Downey and me doing our own thing in the middle of one of the scenes. Then there was that skit we put on for our 50th. I asked Ned to play one of the parts. He did one of the off-scene characters and complimented me on the way the skit worked out. You are right — he will be missed." Our sympathy to Anita and the family.

Note: Please see Ned's obituary in this issue's In Memoriam section.

Following graduation from Bucknell where he was also very active in *Cap & Dagger*,

Louis Groenheim received a master's from Columbia and did graduate work in public health. After serving in the Army in Germany, he's spent most of his life consulting for nonprofit organizations. He established new chapters of the Jaycees, advocated and implemented changes for handicapped adults and recommended new swimming pools. He credits his master's degree and the GI Bill for providing the impetus for his good works. He says you can't do it alone and credits his family for helping him.

Ed Williams had a nice trip to Charleston, S.C., last year for the consecration of a good friend as the Episcopal Bishop of South Carolina. He spent a few days visiting with **John Sippell** then drove to Naples to spend a week with his brother. It was a grand trip combining several good visits.

Frontiers, a University of Tennessee Graduate School of Medicine publication, published a superb profile of **Alan Solomon**. For the past 40 years, he has served as head of the Human Immunology and Cancer/Alzheimer's Disease and Amyloid-Related Disorders Research Program at the UT Graduate School of Medicine. He underwent four more years of clinical training and another four years of research training at the NIH National Cancer Institute. He and his team are working with an experimental imaging agent to develop new diagnostic and therapeutic strategies for this family of complicated life-destroying ailments. If they are successful, it will be an invaluable diagnostic tool. He is not considering retirement, thank goodness, because he says his patients keep him motivated. He is proudest of being named an American Cancer Society Clinical Research Professor in 1992. He was chairman of the committee to build the Knoxville Art Museum and serves on boards of the theater, the arboretum and the botanical garden. He enjoys being a stonemason on his property and gardening and hiking. Please don't retire, Alan.

Bucknell publishes a list of the Legacies who are attending the University. This is the first year I have been privy to it because my grandson, **Andrew '12**, is a freshman. Also on the list are **Bob and Nancy Field Dederer** whose granddaughter, **Katherine '09**, is a senior. When I spoke to Bob and Nancy in Colorado, I learned that both of their children, **Ann '79** and **Jeffrey '77**, Katherine's father, also graduated from Bucknell. Bob and Nancy retired about 20 years ago when Bob sold his New Jersey specialty manufacturing business, which he owned with **Frank Vanderhoof '55**. They moved to Snowmass, just down the road from Aspen and home to one of four major ski mountains in the area. Their house is at an elevation of around 8,300 feet. They still enjoy skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, exploring the mountains and such, "although at a much slower pace," Nancy commented. Wildlife is on their doorstep. Literally. Bear, deer, elk, fox, bobcat and more wander through their yard. They have to keep their doors locked to prevent break-ins of wildlife, not people. Bob volunteers at the County Library, and Nancy at the Music Festival and the local thrift shop. They rarely leave their valley. "Just too lazy," Nancy said (but maybe it is just too beautiful). They hope to return to Bucknell this spring for granddaughter, Katie's, graduation.

Talk about Legacies. One can hardly top the Lowry family. **Welles "Norwood" Lowry's** grandfather, Welles J. Lowry, enrolled at Bucknell in the 1860s, but when he learned there was no premed program he transferred and graduated from Jefferson Medical College in 1872. Norwood's father, **W. Norwood Lowry '22, M'23**, earned his doctorate in physics at Cornell and was the chairman of the Bucknell Physics Department. After Bucknell, Norwood graduated from Thomas Jefferson University Medical School and was a psychiatrist at Wernersville State Hospital, near Reading. Nor and his wife, Shirley, celebrated their 50th

wedding anniversary in December and are in the process of downsizing and moving to a cottage at Phoebe Berks Village, Wernersville, Pa., a continuing care retirement community. Their son, **Steven '82**, and his wife, **Peggy Hattings Lowry '81**, are the parents of two Lowry students on campus: **Robert '09** and **Kerry '12**. Norwood's cousin, **Robert Stanton '40**, gifted and established the W. Norwood Lowry Scholarship at Bucknell. Good luck, all you Bison.

Colman Abbe is the inspiration behind and is leading the funding for an exciting new Jewish studies program at the University. More information on that program and on Colman's generosity and his activities will appear in future issues of *Bucknell Magazine*.

A video on B-Link (www.B-Link.Bucknell.edu) shows the responses last May by classmates **Walt McConnell** and **Takeo Shiina** after receiving awards for loyalty and outstanding achievement in a chosen profession. There was another opportunity to see the video on a University e-mail asking for nominations for this year's awards. View the speeches and give another cheer for those two outstanding men and for our great Class of 1953. — C.H.K.

1954

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The October pool/ping pong tournament between **Jim '52** and **Syd Sherwin Mellinger '52** and **Glen '52** and **Bonnie Mackie Aspinwall** proved to be a good tournament for the Mellingers. They won both titles and are the reigning champs until next October.

Ben '53 and **Jan Shreck McKeel** enjoyed a Disney cruise with the whole family in 2008.

They also did the Danube Cruise and had the added surprise of meeting up with **Maurice Mufson '53** and his wife, DeDe. They enjoyed catching up on the past 55 years.

Honey Rhinesmith Baker '44 sent news that **Peter Ciolino** died on Jan. 3. Peter was a highly regarded judge in New Jersey.

Fred Locke passed away on Jan. 25. Fred was the *Army One* pilot during the Kennedy presidency. He lived in Lehigh Acres, Fla., and was very active in community affairs. — B.M.A.

Note: Please see obituaries for Peter and Fred in this issue's In Memoriam section.

1955

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Christmas has come and gone, and the New Year is upon us with all its hopes and dreams. Some of you sent your news and for that you know I am very grateful.

Nancy Green Gates writes of a 10-day trip with her Florida church to Greece and Turkey. Nancy had two cataract removals and one wrinkled retina was surgically "unwrinkled." All has gone well. She just has glasses hanging around her neck or on her nose 98 percent of the time.

Betty Elliot Butler says three events this year brought special joy into her and **Linwood's '52** lives. The first was seeing their first grandchild, Lindsey Rogers, graduate from college in early May with honors from Vanderbilt. In November came a visit to the Treat Farm in Orange, Conn., to see Lindy's cousins, whom they had not seen in over 30 years. From there they made a surprise visit to Marblehead, Mass., to celebrate their daughter Cynthia's 50th birthday and share Thanksgiving. Several friends and family members

joined them in Nantucket during the summer and fall.

Suzie and **Mike Goodrich** are doing well, and he continues his research and curatorial work in entomology.

Helen Glisson Maddux writes that she canceled a Christmas trip to see her daughter, Susie, due to bad weather. So, she gave a party and was asked out for Christmas Day and several other times. It's not as wonderful as family, but her friends are great. Helen loves where she lives in Newport, Ore.

This was a big year for **Jim and Barb Wills Flynn** — 50 years wed and 75 years young for both (in June for Barb and December for Jim). They had a 50th anniversary party at their club in Hershey's Mill, Pa. Bucknellians attending were **Don '56** and **Nancy Shepler Richards '56**, **Tom '54** and **Jo Steinbright Elsmann**, **Joan Collison Murr**, **Ruth and John Carson**, and **Ben and Bette Lerch Vasta**. In August, they spent a week in Harbor Springs, Mich., with family. They spent a day on Mackinaw Island ending with a dinner at The Grand Hotel — and it was truly "grand!" Barb says, "How about those Phillies winning it all in October!"

One of the joys of this job is to pick up the telephone and hear a completely unexpected voice from Bucknell. Last week, there was **Burt Talmage** calling. I had not seen or heard from him in 53-plus years. Burt reported his 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 8, 2008, at the Shadowbrook in Red Bank, N.J. Burt and Jane live in Atlantic Highlands, N.J., where he was a guidance counselor until his retirement. Jane still does administrative work for the school system. They have two sons and four grandchildren. He mentioned that former and present Bucknell football coaches attend a yearly luncheon at Bahrs Landing in New Jersey, managed by **Ray Cosgrove '62**. Burt was in the Class of '53, but before his last semester he injured his knee and went into the Army and served two years in Korea.

He returned to finish his last semester and graduate with our class.

By the time you read this Reunion will be upon us, but I must report about going to Bucknell in '08. Our daughter, **Bobbie Evans Turner '88**, flew in from Denver for her 20th Reunion, so Bill and I drove her to campus. We arrived for lunch, so Bill and I sat at the emeritus table. **Ruth Castner Rusling '52** joined us — she was a sorority sister of mine back when, so we had a good time reacquainting. After lunch we marched up the hill to convocation at the Weis Center. I walked with **Charlie Vogel '37** (92 years young!), who comes back every year. Among those I saw were **Marjorie Boote Heine '53**, **Bill '56** and **Carol Wanamaker Lenker '57**, and **Ed '58** and **Martie Lauver Samek '60**.

Well guys, this is it until I write news again in June for the fall issue. So, you know what that means. — B.B.E.

1956

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Anne Harris Dawson writes, "In July 2007 Bruce and I moved from our home in Chatham, N.J., where we had lived for 45 years, to Carleton-Willard Village, a life-care community in Bedford, Mass. We live close to our daughters, their husbands and our grandchildren. It was quite a change, but we are settling in and like it very much."

A note from **Bette Skow Kenzie** says she has had the pleasure of seeing quite a few Bucknellians in the past year in Easton, Md., Naples, Fla., and Nantucket, Mass. A partial list included **Joe and Claire Hammond Eberhart**, **Carol Wanamaker Lenker '57**, **Chuck Parsons '58**, **Cub Wyant '58**, **Bob '58** and **Nan Von Glahn Biglow '58**, and **Bill '58** and **Phyllis Gilman Scott '58**. She

has also seen classmates **Elizabeth "Betty" Kiehl Skweir**, **Shirley Laffin Bartholomew** and **Leo Eisner**. "Blest be the (Bucknell) ties that bind."

Rev. James Leo writes that he sees **Bill Martens** and **Russ Mayer** "on frequent occasions and we spend a week with our wives together in Aruba in February, at which time we laugh too much, eat too much and drink too much. We brag about our victories in the Sem during our college days, but none of their stories are true — with the exception of mine. I also see **Warren '54** and **Lydia Hines Rittenger '55**, who live in Cincinnati — two of my role models to this day." Jim is retired, but he speaks in area churches and works for a family foundation. His wife, Patsy, is part-owner of Academic Arrangements Abroad, a travel company based in New York City that arranges trips to museums throughout the world. His younger son, **Jason '88**, is rector of Calvary Church in Cincinnati and his older son, Jonathan, is a dean at a medical school in Tennessee. Jim and Patsy have five active grandchildren. Jim would love to hear from some of his classmates.

In a Christmas letter **John McKee** writes that he and his wife, Rita, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends. Since that time Rita has had many health related problems but is slowly improving.

Barb Bauer Tanner arranged for several members of the Class of '56 to gather for lunch and a reconnection after the end of summer. The gathering included **Joanna Randolph Rott**, **Margie Marshall Lawler**, **Jan Replogle Roberts** and myself. There was much catching up to do, and it was great to once again be with longtime friends. Barb is a great-grandmother to Noah and Annabell. Any more great-grandmothers out there?

Our sincere condolences to **Ginny McCully Straub**, whose husband, **Pete '55**, died on Dec. 23, 2008.

Note: Please see Pete's obituary in this issue's In

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Memoriam section.

I'm looking forward to hearing from more of you in the months ahead. — P.G.H.

1957

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I'm writing this column on Jan. 21 with my heart full of gratitude and hope as we move forward with a new administration and a fresh start for our government and our country.

Art Saunders competed in the Lancaster, Pa., Senior Games in the 70–74 age bracket. "It was like going back through a time warp, as it was the first time in 50 years that I raced on a track," he says. "I came in second in the 1,600 and first in the 3,000. My time dropped dramatically in this year's freestyle and won me a gold medal. I managed a silver in the 50-yard backstroke. I felt particularly good about swimming, as I have never been on a team; I ran for Bucknell in my college days. Trying to keep this old body in shape." Wow. I'd say he's achieved much more than keeping in shape.

Hugh Browning sent two articles. The first, "Thanks for Health Insurance," describes his heart surgery to replace his mitral valve and perform two bypasses. Hugh's "present project" is *Rhonda's World: Photographic Vignettes of a Doll*, a draft largely completed before heart surgery. It is intended for adults and will be promoted on the Internet once a contract is settled with a publisher. Hugh's e-mail: lynntbah@earthlink.net.

Enclosed in **Bill Ringkamp's** Christmas card was a great photo of Bill taken at the base of Mt. Whitney in an area called the Alabama Hills. He and his girlfriend explored every lake they could get to on the entire eastern Sierras. He spent the summer kayak fishing and says it is the "most fun."

Ruth Ann "Rootie" Myers

moved from Vermont to Orr's Island, Maine. She wrote in her Christmas card that she retired and is living on a beautiful piece of land near Brunswick. She writes, "I feel like I'm 'home.' I've made some wonderful new friends, many of whom like me are 'from away' — what in Vermont we used to call 'flatlanders.'" Thanks for sharing your good news; it sounds wonderful and very peaceful.

Thanks to all for sending news. I encourage everyone to contribute to our column. — D.H.H.

1958

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Marie Mastorakis, in her holiday greeting, said how heartwarming it was to see the return of so many classmates. She spoke for many of us regarding our wonderful 50th Reunion in '08.

In addition to greatly enjoying our Reunion, **Bob Haslam** and **Jan Bull Borden** noted some great times with family and friends at vacation spots in Maryland, South Carolina and at the family cottage in Mt. Gretna, Pa.

Clark '56 and **Ann Moore Workman** sent a great photo taken on July 4, 2008, when four of their families met in Pittsburgh, where the Workmans spend summers. For the Christmas get-together, they traveled to their daughter, Lauren's, in Indiana. From there it was off to their winter quarters in Spring Hill, Fla.

Bob and Diane Austin Johanson enjoyed Christmas at home in Rochester, N.Y. They traveled to Denver and Albuquerque to visit their children and families during the Thanksgiving holidays.

The Christmas holidays were travel time for Mel and **Merle Holden Winstead**. They were with nine family members in La Jolla

and at many San Diego attractions during their six-day stay.

Bruce '56 and **Barbara Cox Dittmar** share their musical interests. He takes violin lessons and plays in the Wilmington Community Orchestras, while Barbara takes flute lessons and plays with the flute choir. In June, the Dittmars enjoyed their first visit to Hawaii, where they stayed in Oahu and Maui with sons Brian and Paul.

Alex and **Carol Davies Aronis** included several photos with their holiday greeting. The photos highlighted a few of the Aronises' stops as they traveled home to Cincinnati from their year in France, during which time Alex served as interim pastor at the American Church in Paris.

Jim and Roberta Eads McIntosh added new hobbies to their busy schedules. Jim enjoys writing poetry. Bobbie works at quilting clothing for grandchildren and making greeting cards. They mentioned an interesting Elderhostel "local trip" near Fort Myers, Fla.

Harry and Dabbie Bartleson Erikson also enjoyed some Elderhostel travel. In 2008 they went to Glacier National Park in Montana and Jekyll, St. Simons and Sapelo Islands. Last summer they sold their longtime summer home in Greene, N.Y. They refer to their home in Sun City Carolina Lakes, a village in Indian Land, S.C., as their new southern "northern home." They moved there in November and stayed through the family's Christmas festivities. After the holidays they moved to their winter location in Englewood, Fla.

Don and Jane Vetter King enjoyed Christmas with their daughter, Diana, and family at their winter home in Cape Coral, Fla. They spent family time at their summer condo in Frisco, Colo., to celebrate July 4. In November, the family was in the Chicago area giving thanks. Their son, Steve, and his family live there.

George Meyers and his wife, Sandy, had a weekend visit from **Frank Bingman** and his wife, Linda. The Bingmans traveled from their winter home on

Longboat Key, Fla., to the Meyers' home in Belleair, Fla. The four had dinner at Bern's Steakhouse in Tampa and were joined by **Stratton White** and Barbara Becker. Whitey felt especially honored to be with arguably the two best boxers in Bucknell's history: namely, Frank and Stratton. During the summer the two couples see each other in Harrisburg, Pa.

Please remember to send in your '09 news. Your travel, hobbies, families and other areas of your lives are interesting to classmates. Thank you for your efforts. — N.J.R.R.

Note: Norma would like to correct a misidentification in her Winter 2009 column. Bill and Phyllis "Phiddy" Gilman Scott enjoyed a night out with Bob and Pat Reish Hemphill '59, not Pat Wenk Strachan '57. She hopes her friends will forgive the error.

Barbara Long Cottrell found a half-page advertisement for Bucknell printed in a 1923 publication from Muncy High School among papers belonging to her father, **D. Eugene Long '29**, and passed it on to the University. "I returned for my 50th Reunion," she writes. "Two sons, **David '83** and **Stephen '89**, have carried on the tradition."

1959

REUNION 2009

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The Class of '59 is having its 50th Reunion May 28–31. The Reunion Committee headed by **Mona O'Neill Sharkey** and **Willi Rilling Stahura** has planned a stellar, fun-filled event. I hope to see you all there.

It is not too late to contribute to the Bucknell Fund. We are striving to attain 85 percent participation of the Class of '59 this year. The Fund Committee co-chairs, **Sylvia Beauregard**

Van Cleave, Robert Bowman, Robert Harder and Ann Hardy Sharp, and Bucknell realize your assets have been compromised, but so have the school's assets. How much you give is up to you, but to make our goal we need you to contribute.

Melinda Hauser Davis and her family opened the Hauser Estate Winery in the historic area of Gettysburg, Pa. Check out the website at www.hauserestate.com. She invites all classmates to visit on their way to or returning from Reunion. Contact her at hauser07@embarkmail.com. Melinda is looking forward to this big 50th Reunion event.

Doug '58 and Ruth Gortner Haggan became great-grandparents on Jan. 13, when Jackson Douglas was born. Ruth suffered an automobile accident and heart attack on May 29. "We missed Doug's 50th Reunion, our granddaughter, Bethany's, graduation and several planned trips," she writes. "Thanks to good care, cardiac rehab and many prayers, I'm pretty much back to normal and have gotten back into most of our church and camp activities. We had a great time in October with my brother and sister-in-law at a B&B in Hocking Hills, Ohio. We are looking forward to seeing many of my classmates (and Doug's, too) at the Reunion in May."

GINNY EMMITT CHITWOOD e-mails, "Although I've never been to any of our previous Reunions, I'm going to make the 50th. I'm looking forward to reuniting with my former roommates and other friends."

John Matthews is in his 15th year of full retirement. Jack golfs in the summer and last year went deer hunting and took two fishing trips to Canada. "With six children and eight grandchildren there is always something going on or something that needs to be done," he writes. "My philosophy is enjoy life while you can."

Anne Clark Eyerly e-mails, "In June I traveled with my daughter, Susan, and her daughter, 11, and twin boys, 9, on a three-week vacation trip

to Chicago and California." Her daughter, Susan, gave birth to a boy on Nov. 19. They had a terrific Christmas with the family and are gearing up for the Reunion trip in May.

Alan Reubel writes, "Our Friday night dinner will be held at Larison Hall and will be a very casual event — so if you're going to be there, don't over-dress. Come prepared to schmooze and have some fun talking about the good old days."

Andy and Jane Roudabush Cahn e-mail, "Plans for our Saturday night dinner in the Terrace Room of the Elaine Langone Center are in the works. We are hopeful President Mitchell will join us for part of the evening. If our class achieves 85 percent giving participation he will provide a special champagne toast."

Ann Hardy Sharp states, "The fun of renewing friendships from our Bucknell days is upon us again as we of the Annual Fund Volunteer Committee make our phone calls to classmates. We hope that everyone is looking forward to a weekend on campus May 28-31. We are hoping for a huge turnout and a very large financial gift to the University. Can't wait to see everyone again. Take care and stay healthy in the interim."

Sue Wellar Elinsky writes, "As a committee member it's been nice to reconnect with classmates for the big 5-0. **Emil '58** and I always enjoy returning to Lewisburg, and this year will be especially nice. The beautiful rolling hills of Pennsylvania will be a welcome sight in May."

Janice Bunting Bertram still teaches private piano lessons out of her home. "Our three children are in Seattle, Wash., Columbus, Ohio, and Williamsport, Pa.," she writes. They've traveled to western U.S. parks, Canadian maritime, Maine, Ireland, Rome, Israel and the Greek Islands. "We live close to the beach and often have our breakfast there," she writes. Janice's husband, Charles Bertram, is the author of *Chipped Beef on Toast* (S.O.S.), a book about his time in the service.

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I received the following e-mail: "I'm **Richard Sacks**, Class of '59, former Sammie. I am a professor of radiology at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. I received my M.D. degree from George Washington University School of Medicine and did my residency in San Francisco, Calif. I have three children, six grandchildren (all very bright — grandpa pride). Also had two wives and counting — currently single (listen up, ladies). I live in Bethesda, Md. I am very grateful to Bucknell for the education and encouragement that I received while being on campus. I have also (almost) regularly been sending in yearly contributions to support our alma mater." Contact him at 5225 Pooks Hill Road, Suite 111 South, Bethesda, MD 20814; macdoc@bellatlantic.net; 301-493-5335.

Jane Adams Mathewson writes, "We spent Christmas in

St. Augustine, Fla., with a son and grandchildren. I completed my calls for Reunion before I left and fully intended to complete this as soon as we returned. Oh well, retirement is much too busy!"

Jim Gasprich e-mails, "Moving to the Grand Caymans because of a new president of our great country without experience certainly is news." Jim maintains an office in Sarasota and looks forward to Reunion. "Obviously I am attending," he writes. "I still wear my Bucknell watch from our 30th Reunion and constantly get positive comments on how attractive it looks."

George Callahan states, "I hope many of our class can return to the Reunion. I am going on a strict diet starting a week before so I look like I did 50 years ago. There will be a special service of 'remembrance' for all of our class gone to their

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heavenly reward. **Don Booth, Jim LaRue** and I will be leading the service. **Bonnie Steele Callahan '60** and I are doing well." They have three daughters and sons-in-law and seven grandchildren. "To all our classmates, plan to come back in May as we celebrate and remember the 'good old days' — for those of us who can still remember," he says.

Bill and **Jean Nardi Benning** were in Rome in October for a program commemorating 25 years of Elderhostel programs in Italy. They walked the cobblestones and hills to see "every Roman Forum, every Bernini sculpture and every Caravaggio painting," Jean swears. In August they enjoyed the Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Ore., then drove down the California coast to San Francisco. While in Humboldt County they drove the 70-mile Wildcat Road. "It's a challenging drive on a two-lane road, which for one stretch is nothing but gravel and for another has cows in the road," writes Jean. "But we are so glad we did it." — T.D.

1960

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Ellis '59 and I were in Palm Coast for the winter. I received two e-mails that had come after the deadline.

The first was from **George '59** and **Bonnie Steele Callahan** and reads, "**Joe Bellace** and his wife, Louise, enjoyed a dinner hosted by **Dick '63** and **Gail Kille Tyrrell '64** on stress-free Hilton Head Island in April. **Victor Manuele '62** and his wife, Paula, were also part of the activities. Topics of conversation included Phi Gam, Phi Psi, the coming election and golf. We all enjoyed the evening.

"Our daughter, Patti's, new book was launched June 2, 2008, in Atlanta. The book launch party will benefit children's scholarships for writing

classes at the Margaret Mitchell House. Check out her website at www.patticallahanhenry.com for more details."

The next e-mail was from **Marilyn Pearce Salchert**. "I'm inspired to write because of your question, 'What's wrong with the rest of you?' in the excellent new *Bucknell Magazine*," she writes. "Good question, Jane, but are you sure you want our answers? What was wrong with me was a severely arthritic hip, but I finally had a total titanium hip replacement a couple of months ago. For the first time in six years I'm able to walk again, pain-free, cane-free and medication-free." Non-medical news from Marilyn and her husband, George, includes their first trip to Hawaii on an Elderhostel program.

Marilyn also writes that their former next-door neighbors in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., **Joyce Anderson Nielsen '61** and her husband, Eric, moved to North Carolina near Southport. And they visited with **Debbie Davis Henderson** and her husband, Tom, when they were vacationing at one of the local golf resorts.

An e-mail from **Babs Good Reynolds** came in just under the wire. "On a visit to relatives in Gilbertsville, Pa., **Bob '62** and I joined my Bucknell senior year roommate **Marilyn Peck Campbell** and her husband for a fireside dinner at the renowned Cab Frye's Tavern in Pam, Pa.," she writes. "Linnie and I are proud to report that the Kappa letter with photos still makes the rounds of the 15 in the pledge class. Back home in Maryland, I'm still active on the board of the Republican Women of Anne Arundel County, and we continue to enjoy life on the Chesapeake."

I am doing very well. I have been truly blessed with a very healthy kidney that functions beautifully.

I thank Bonnie and George, Marilyn and Babs for writing. Why don't the rest of you send me your news? — J.S.H.

1961

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I was happy to hear from a few classmates. I am afraid too many of our class could not e-mail for lack of funds to gear up their laptops or desktops. Computer ink costs a fortune, so I have to try to remember what you say rather than print a copy for reference. Just kiddin', but times are tough.

Jim Bannar tells me he and his better half, Doris, are still in good health, as least physically, and they will spend the month of March in Florida. Jim turned 71 last December and says his goal is to live long enough to be a burden on the government after they have taken all his money.

Mary Ann Adams DeGraw '63 noticed my new address and asked if Cortlandt Manor is a good name for the poorhouse. If so, she will be arriving by boat since it is paid for, and wind is free (unlike some of the hot air we have been getting from the economic and government sectors). She spends some time caring for her mother (God bless her), who is 91. Mary Ann cannot believe I have turned the big 75 and thinks that was the speed limit on the turnpike on Jan. 2 (my birthday; I am one of the few left born on 1/2/34).

I heard from **Dan '64** and **Georgia Gillis Goodman '64**. Dan has "nothing new" except that they were blessed with their first grandchild, Jack Donovan, on July 10, 2008, via their youngest son, Scott, and his wife, Kelly. Dan suggested his first name as the middle, but was overruled. He thinks Jack would be a shoo-in at Lambda Chi (at least in the '60s) as Jack Daniel. He is hoping to resurrect our annual Homecoming group this fall (and what a fun group it was).

I am doing okay for an old fogey. This past fall I became an ace pigskin prognosticator by winning out over 25 other

hopefuls in picking NFL games over the 16-weeks season. My winning percentage was around 58 percent, which is better than the pros. The second place winner was **Michael E. Benevento '93** — that's the Phi Gam and not the Lambda Chi. I still can't believe there were two Michael Beneventos in the Class of '93. I am good friends with the first Michael's dad, John. So, the Bucknell contingent strikes again. Go Bison.

Hoping you are all well and hanging in there. Have a nice summer and please contact me before my eyes...t leaves me and my hands start sshshaking. — B.B.

1962

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My Christmas season was the predictable combination of last-minute shopping, concerts, parties and a trip to Pasadena, Md., to spend Christmas Eve and Day with my daughter, Kristen, son-in-law, Skip, and grandsons, Brendon, 15, Connor, 13, and Devon, 11. Even though Devon no longer believes in Santa Claus, we were up before dawn to dive into the presents under the tree. This certainly makes for a very long day, but who's complaining?

This year I received only two Christmas newsletters: one from **Dave** and **Dian Embury Goss**, the other from **David** and **Ruth Liming Ackroyd '65**.

In 2008 Dian and Dave performed in the Albemarle Chorale, entered golf tournaments and attended their 50th high school reunions. Dave is busy in the community, and their son, Geoff, and his wife, Laurie, are expecting another child in late April or early May. They also visited with Dian's Bucknell roommate, **Yanna Asch Saari**, and her husband, Len, while in Florida.

Speaking of retirement, the Ackroyds' biggest news is that

Ruth is retiring. Dave thinks her decision was made on the basis of two months she spent last summer with daughter, Abby, and her family, Sam, 6, and Max, 4, in Carlsbad, Calif., and daughter, Jessica, the mom of Lily, 7, and Ava, 4, in Granite Bay, Calif. Dave acted in the independent film *The Best Bar in America* and in the Alpine Theater Project's *Yuletide Affair* and *The Full Monty* productions. While Dave did not go "the full monty," he did get down to his briefs. He says taking off his clothes in front of 400 people was great motivation to perform "an exercise regimen no 68-year-old should even think about." He also played Olympia Dukakis' evil brother in an adaption of Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. He and Ruth plan to travel to Venice in February while he teaches theater, after which they'll spend a week in Sicily. Please note their new mailing address: P.O. Box 9041, Kalispell, MT 59904.

It was with great sorrow that I read in the Winter 2009 edition of *Bucknell Magazine* about the passing of our classmate **Dick Cranford**, who lived with his wife, **Sandy Adams Cranford '63**, in Raymond, Maine. Both Dick and Sandy had been in several of the musical organizations while on campus, and my sympathies go out to Sandy and her family.

Once again the plea goes out to all of the Class of '62 to be in touch. Here's to a happy, healthy and prosperous '09.
— B.K.S.

1963

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As I write this column, hopes are sky high for a better future, as Barack Obama is inaugurated as our 44th president.

I asked **John DeSanto** for some news on his life since

Bucknell, where he was a Phi Lamb majoring in civil engineering. After graduating he enlisted in the Coast Guard, attended OCS and then managed renovation of the base infrastructure and buildings of the CG Reserve Training Center at Yorktown, Va. In 1967, he moved to Pennsylvania and worked for Air Products & Chemicals near Allentown. He retired in 2002. He has been married for over 40 years to Margaret, and they have two daughters and two grandchildren.

Janet Cupp Camp sold her townhouse and purchased a one-story home. She spent substantial time renovating the home before moving in. Janet hopes the favorable terms of her new purchase will make her feel that she has made lemonade out of the lemons of the current economy.

Jay Faberman moved from Bethel, Conn., to Cincinnati with his wife, Ellen, some years ago in a business move. Having retired, last year he received an offer in the form of a long-term opportunity to consult back in the Bethel area. He has been traveling between Ohio and Connecticut. Jay and I got together over coffee before the holidays, but time has been tight since then.

Carol Schellman Lapp retired from the Medical College of Georgia School of Dentistry after 30 years. Carol and her husband, David, celebrated her retirement with a cruise. Carol likes having more time to visit their grandchildren in Chapel Hill and Houston.

Polly Mitchell Savidge's daughter, Lucy, manages fundraising and special events for Wistar Institute Cancer Research Facility on the UPenn campus. She planned events honoring Sam Donaldson, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, Sen. Arlen Specter and Robin Roberts, co-anchorwoman of *Good Morning America*.

John Frangiskakis retired last summer following minor surgery, just in time for his 401k to become a 200.5k. He and his wife, Sharon, live in Perry Hall, outside Baltimore. They have

five grandchildren. Bucknell friends can reach John at jfrangiskakis@comcast.net.

Darryl and Sigrid Christensen Novak's '64 holiday greetings included photos of all the Novaks except them! Darryl worked on an Appalachian Mission trip in 2008 along with others from their church. Since then he has had rotator cuff surgery and at this writing is still in therapy. Sigrid retired from *Matters* magazine in December but keeps busy.

Dennis '61 and Andrea Becker Rittenhouse enjoy family visits to and from their son, David, and his wife, Magda, and Helenka, 5, as well as their daughter, **Beth Rittenhouse '91**, and her husband, Nikku. Andrea sings in her church choir, does theological research and leads a Bible study at a local senior center. Dennis is beekeeping and making music.

Dick Fidler talks of family events, additions to his giant CD collection, work on his computer, eating in restaurants with family and friends and being a dedicated Bucknellian. In addition to joining me as 2008–09 co-chair of the 45th Reunion gift campaign and attending Reunion, he also served on an admissions office seminar panel for prospective applicants. Coming to Lewisburg allows Dick to stay at Ward House and visit Country Cupboard for his favorite corn pudding, baked beans, salmon cake and rice pudding.

Dick Coleman Brown tackled hand-sanding 2,400 saltillo tiles in a home renovation project this year. His wife, Cecily, a nurse, is lobbying for a move to Kanab, Utah, where she can work and volunteer at the Best Friends Animal Sanctuary. Dick cannot imagine moving their 22 cats and his mother-in-law 1,500 miles and hopes this is just a passing fancy.

Don't forget to give a gift to the Bucknell Annual Fund for our class at www.bucknell.edu/giving. Dick and I continue to co-chair the 2008–09 effort and count on you to help toward our goal of \$145,000. Final statistics for 2008 find us

halfway there. Keep the news coming. — W.S.B.

1964

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Remember, our 45th Reunion is May 28–31. Please call at least two friends and make plans to attend this Reunion together. I know it is incomprehensible that 45 years have passed since graduation, but we're still around, active and lookin' good. Let's get together and celebrate. Staying in the dorms is cheap, easy, convenient and much better than staying in motels all over town. We'll ask the alumni office to do blocks of rooms in proximity. **Carolyn Goss Willis** plans to be at Reunion, as well as **Marilyn Heit Reverchon**. Come on! Get on board.

Dee Sherman Kash and **Linda Klein Smith** found a shopping mall about halfway between where each was in California and had a great visit. Linda continues to run the Vogue Doll Company, which she and her husband, Jim, own along with a sporting goods import company run by Jim and his son.

I was thrilled to get a letter from my KKG little sister **Margaret Stanley '66**. She and her husband, Tom Bleakney, live in Seattle overlooking Puget Sound and the Olympics. Mimi retired in June after years working in the health insurance industry, and she and Tom visited French Polynesia, India, Ecuador and the Galapagos, the Adirondacks and Santa Fe in this last year. She occasionally sees **Judy Glancy Hillow '66** and **Linda Wentworth Kapp '66**.

I see the gorgeous and talented **Sally Hobart Alexander '65** regularly. I was thrilled when perusing the book, *Pittsburgh Born, Pittsburgh Bred*, to see her name among the 500 residents who have made a

difference in the city. The book was published by the Heinz History Center to commemorate Pittsburgh's founding 250 years ago.

That's all the news that's fit to print. See you in May! — B.W.S.

1965

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Andy Dzurinko's book, *The Power of Optimism, Insights to Personal and Professional Growth*, is in its third printing with Dragon Press. A terrific article about him appeared in the Dec. 7, 2008, *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*. Andy coached football at the high school and college levels for many years. He lives in Tempe, where he is a chartered life underwriter and chartered financial consultant. His next book, *Laugh and Live. Be Happy, Be Healthy*, will be published this year.

Linda Donaldson Kedenburg is thankful for her complete recovery from another scary episode of losing consciousness last November. She and Rick have resumed their adventures with the Audubon Society. Thank goodness!

After many Januarys volunteering to host a Bucknell extern, I was delighted to have **Elliot Franz '11** spend two days in my children's center. Elliot is an engineering major who happens to enjoy working with young children. I was surprised to learn that he lives in Larison Hall (I guess it's no longer for freshman women). The children and my staff thoroughly enjoyed his great sense of humor. I was sorry to see him leave before the children could start chanting, "Pittsburgh's going to the Super Bowl!" — L.H.T.

1966

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"Ah, Bucknell. Off of thee we're thinking." I had a pleasant visit in Sausalito, Calif., near my home, with Dan Clark, assistant director of gift planning. I am always impressed with the professionalism and dedication demonstrated by the folks charged with keeping Bucknell well funded. I was also impressed with Bucknell students. A snapshot: the Class of 2011 has an average incoming GPA of 3.66, 94 percent were in the top 20 percent of the senior high school class and 81 percent were in the top 10 percent. Bucknell continues to be regarded as one of the top universities in the country, and has gained strong recognition here on the West Coast.

Alan Hanford (hanford@rochester.rr.com) writes, "I think I am the only '66 mechanical engineer who has made a career in the health club business. Safe bet as there were only 14 of us, but it has been very rewarding." He still owns the club and keeps an office there, but has handed over operations. "My son, 23, works for me, and my daughter, 27, works in NYC in children's book publishing. She graduated from Vassar and is very independent," he writes. Alan's charity project, Rochester Community Bikes, repairs used, damaged bikes and donates them to church groups, immigrants and others in need. "We will provide over 600 bikes this year, which doesn't come near meeting the demand," he writes. Golfing and ski trips to Montana, Colorado, California and even Alaska have been crossed off his "bucket list." He invites classmates visiting Rochester to a free workout and a round of golf.

Jim Dusenbury (825-225-3592) called to wish me luck, as he had enjoyed being the class reporter a number of years ago.

He is retired from owning an independent insurance agency in Carmel, N.Y., and spends most of his time with his wife, Joan, at their bayside home in Sarasota, Fla. Both their children, **Diana '98** and **Adam '04**, loved their Bucknell experiences. Jim is very busy with weight-lifting, jogging, reading on the beach and volunteering at a nearby wild animal habitat that rescues large animals, including lions and tigers. Jim stays in touch with his fraternity brothers and has visited with **Jeff Fenstermacher**, **Tom O'Neil** and **Joe Enos**.

Eric Steinberg (smithberg716@comcast.net) received his Ph.D. in philosophy from Columbia in 1974. "While pursuing my degree, I began teaching at Brooklyn College. This eventually led to my becoming department chair and associate provost," he writes. He met his wife, Adele, while she was a financial aid counselor there and they married in 1984. They retired a few years ago to the Gulf Coast in Sarasota. "We both enjoy life in what is virtually a nature preserve, with numerous species of shore birds and the occasional alligator in the pond in back of our condo," he writes. "Through the years I've kept in touch with **Bob Kurzweil**. He lives in Cherry Hill, N.J., and is an attorney on the New Jersey State Commission of Investigation. I also met another friend from Bucknell days, **Patrick Mertens**, an executive recruiter, for the first time in over 40 years in Boston."

Carl "Dick" Pace (Dick.Pace@Maritz.com) is director of research consulting with Maritz Research and resides in Riverside, Conn. He represented our class at its 40th Reunion as the lead fundraiser and presented the class gift with great dignity. He writes, "My life is active and I have no complaints." His son, Greg, 30, lives in San Francisco and Dick sees him often on his travels. His son, **Richard '99**, 33, lives nearby in Greenwich with his wife, Jen. His wife, Mary, is still a travel agent. This year is their 35th wedding anniversary.

"All of the following Fiji brothers attended my son, Rich's, wedding, and we had a blast," he writes. **"Edward 'Bub' Morgan** retired at 50 after a long career as a mortgage investment banker with Bear Stearns. He lives on a farm in New Hampshire with his wife and three great boys. The oldest son went to the Naval Academy and is in flight school training to be a helicopter pilot. Bub spends most of his time growing cabbage. Last year he netted \$27.68 from his cabbage sales.

"Roland 'Cappy' Capone retired from Aon, where he did time with math formulas and risk management. He also owns some insurance agencies in Boston that he hasn't visited in a few years. I often play golf with Cappy in the summer and his game suffers, probably because we spend 18 holes laughing.

"Bently Elliott continues to be a tireless Bucknell supporter and has been on the board for many years. There are not too many Bucknell sporting events Ben does not attend. He works for John Thain of Merrill Lynch as one of the best speechwriters in the country. He has four wonderful kids, two of whom graduated from Bucknell. In fact, his daughter, **Meredith '00**, is getting married in May.

"Jack and Judy Berk Dorr live in Montclair, N.J., and have a beautiful granddaughter and three great kids. We always meet in Florida each winter when Judy visits her mother and I visit my aunt and uncle, who are both friends of Judy's mom. The real reason I go to Florida? To get Jack out of the house with all those women so we can play golf and drink some rum punches. Judy continues to be active in the Jewish Women for the Republican Party.

"Thomas 'Jeff' Traub is also retired and spends his time with his beautiful wife, Denise, between the Poconos and an incredible log cabin in the mountains of Idaho. He is still very active in art, music and poetry, and spends most of his time fishing and going to NASCAR races (with me). He

has four kids and a bunch of grandkids.

Jim Marcille continues to be one of the more handsome guys ever to graduate from Bucknell and lives in Denver, where he loves to golf and climb 14,000-foot peaks. Last summer we attended the wedding of his daughter and, as usual, had a great time. Jim invited us (Bub, Jeff, etc.) to a golf tournament the day before the wedding. It was a great event except that Jeff, Bub and I had to pay for it. Nothing changes. Jim spends much of his time with his wonderful wife of 1,000 years, Donna, and their grandkids.

"I also see **Richie Epstein**, and from time to time have e-mail chats with **Sandy McArthur Hannum**, **Edmund 'Jerry' Thimme**, **Edgar 'Bart' Frame**, **Steve Patterson** and **Townley Larzelere**."

Martin "Jock" and Barbara Egee Vincentsen dated during their years at Bucknell, and have lived in Westfield, N.J., ever since. "We are still working and, given the collapse of the economy, may work forever," they write. Barbara has an architectural firm and Jock is a construction manager at his firm. They have two children, **Kirsten Vincentsen Wolfe '98** and David, and four grandchildren. They play golf in Westfield, at their cottage in Pennsylvania and in South Carolina, where they hope to build a house on a deepwater marsh just south of Charleston. "We bike in Italy, France, Canada, Brazil and, of course, here in the States," they write. "We wish all a very happy new year and would love to see anyone who has the inclination to fish, hunt, walk in the woods, cross country ski or golf."

Bill Katz was in dental practice for 36 years until he retired, then switched to teaching. "When I retired, I realized I wasn't going to do what I had planned all the years before: fish and play golf everyday," he writes from the mountains of northern New Jersey. "I look at retirement as doing the things that you couldn't afford to do all of the other years because you had to support a family."

George Stanton is wrapping up his 40th year at Columbus State University and is looking toward retirement. He reports that his wife, **Susan Merritt Stanton**, is well, and they have three grandchildren.

Bob Nysten and I exchanged e-mails about his exciting and productive life. "Here's 25 years, fast," he wrote. "**Katharine 'Kit' Hopkins Nysten '67** has been my best friend since 1964. Our daughter, Cassie, has lived with us for two years and has three jobs, including copywriting for Random House. She wrote the jacket copy for my book, *Guts: One American Guy's Reckless, Lucky Life*, which Random House will publish. Our family moved years ago from Austin to western Massachusetts, trading sunshine for snow. We started *New England Monthly* in '83. Years later we sold the company to some nice Canadians. I co-founded Beliefnet.com in 1999, sold the company to Fox for a pile of dough. Helped raise money for another company whose public face is www.everydayhealth.com. Met 'Lamb-Choppers' **John Rindlaub '65**, **Dick Stewart '65** and **James Dunn '65** in John's posh golf retreat in Idaho last fall."

Then from Dick Stewart, a close friend and fraternity brother of Bob's, I learned of Bob's passing. "Bob Nysten had quite a life, and he fought cancer like a true warrior," he writes. "He endured eight major operations in the four years he battled cancer. This summer Grace and I stopped in Ashfield, Mass., to visit with Kit and Bob. They loved their house, which is located on 200 acres in the woods. Bob reveled in the wild rides on his four-wheeler through the wooded trails around his home. All of us will miss his wit and sense of humor, which never left him, even during his more difficult days when he was battling cancer."

I remember Bob for the humor and insights he brought to the numerous English Lit. classes we shared, of which he was one of the smartest and most astute members. Years later, his visits on behalf of his

publications to the NYC and San Francisco advertising agencies where I worked were memorable and pleasant. — P.E.

Note: Please see Bob Nysten's obituary in this issue's In Memoriam section.

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"Spring has sprung, the grass has riz, I wonder where the flowers iz?" Ogden Nash hit it right on the button for those of us living where the snow and cold seem interminable. Our son, Jim, who lives in Fairbanks where the temperature has been running 600 below zero, puts things in perspective: "We had a heat wave, Mom — the thermometer got up to -100!"

Mark Kolman says he's sorry he missed Reunion but sends his thoughts along. He and wife, Susan, moved to Scottsdale, Ariz., in July and love it. "I still work full time telecommuting to my law firm in Washington, D.C., but the climate in Arizona is much better for my health," he writes. "I had a second cancer this year and my old broken hip really aches in the winter. Our oldest daughter, Maggie, also moved to the Valley of the Sun. Married last summer, she and her husband live about 30 minutes from us. Our son, Noah, played professional hockey in Germany this season, but will spend summers with us in Scottsdale." He encourages classmates to come visit for a round of golf or great sightseeing: cacti, red rocks and amazing mountains. Contact Mark at

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Karen George Watson did attend Reunion, and your reporter had a wonderful time catching up with her. She and John are still in Guilderland, a suburb of Albany, N.Y., and retired several years ago. "Our daughter and her husband, Seth and Maureen Kingsley, live in the Los Angeles area and have two children, Maya, 3, and Hunter, 6 months. Maureen is an editor for Canon Communications. Our son, Matt, is a Navy lieutenant stationed at the Brunswick, Maine, Naval Air Station. He and his wife, Tricia, have two boys, Jack, 3, and James, 1." When not traveling to Ireland, Scotland, Alaska, Utah's national parks and Florida, Karen also enjoys volkssporting, mah-jongg, water aerobics and a book group. "We get back to Bucknell occasionally, staying in that area when we take in a Penn State football game," she writes. "Yes, John is an alum of that 'other' central Pennsylvania school." Contact Karen at karen1@hotmail.com.

It was good to hear from **Bill Vollmer**, whose note begins with the refreshingly optimistic phrase, "Life is good. We continue to enjoy the life style in Florida — shorts, T-shirts, flip-flops, walking or biking to the gym, library and food store." Despite this idyllic life, Bill adds, "I came out of retirement to work part time for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to work on the Pollution Prevention program. I also serve on the Cocoa Beach Code Enforcement Board and as a member of the Cocoa Beach revision commission." Bill's wife, Lydia, travels for work as well as pleasure, and this past fall spent time in Peru. Their daughters, Allison, Jessica and Dana, are doing well. Last summer Dana and her son, Brendan, visited from their home in Phoenix, Ariz. (Another Arizona enthusiast?) Watching his grandson experience the beach and boardwalk was wonderful. Bill concludes, "If you get to Florida, you must stop by to see us." Contact him at hvollmer@bellsouth.net.

Alumni Near&Far

Alan Richardson was appointed to the board of directors of MicroPlanet. After graduation, he went on to earn his doctorate, cum laude, from the University of Michigan School of Law. Before retiring at the end of 2007 as president and CEO, he worked for the American Power Association (APPA) for 30 years. Since then he's been the chair of Eka Systems Advisory Board. He's also a published author and has testified before U.S. House and Senate committees and administrative agencies. He and his wife, Julie, have been married 38 years. She too is a graduate of Michigan School of Law. They have two grown sons, David and Peter. Alan writes, "After more than 35 years living in the D.C. area, Julie and I moved to the Sun Valley area of Idaho this past summer. We're both semi-retired — that is, we still have some professional and business activities that we pursue — and spend time skiing (downhill and cross country), hiking, fishing, biking and traveling." Contact Alan at richardsonah1@gmail.com.

Thanks for getting in touch. Now it's your turn to write. Make my day. — L.P.W.

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Robyn Oltmanns married Bob Turrill Nov. 2, 2008, on Captiva Island, Fla. Bob retired after 37 years in the restaurant business. Robyn will retire at the end of

the academic year after a long career teaching math at Boulder High School. The newlyweds reside at 6154 Old Brompton Road, Boulder, CO 80301.
— L.H.D.

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Dave Henry was promoted to president of Kimco Realty Corp. Based in the New Hyde Park, N.Y., office, he will direct the company's overall business plans and continue his role as vice chairman and chief investment officer. Prior to joining Kimco, he served at G.E. Capital Real Estate for 23 years. He earned an MBA from the University of Miami. He lives in Greenwich, Conn., with his family, which includes a daughter, **Elizabeth "Libby" '12**, a happy freshman at Bucknell. Send congratulatory messages to Dave at dhenry@kimcorealty.com.

Steve Schier writes that he has submitted his original screenplay, *Buckle Up*, to the Agency for Performing Arts (APA). The period piece is set in 1967–71 in New York City, Lewisburg and Cambridge, England. APA is a talent and literary agency representing performers and writers. In case anyone is wondering if they are in the screenplay, Steve can be reached at 135 E. 54th St., Apt 9G, New York, N.Y., 10022-4508.

Col. John Maietta sends us all best wishes from Iraq, where he has begun a one-year volunteer active duty tour with the Army Reserve. He writes, "I'm helping advise the Iraqi Interior Ministry (local and national police) on how to improve their public information and strategic communication capability as

they transition to full responsibility for the country's internal security. I've done previous peacekeeping assignments with the National Guard in Bosnia and Kosovo, but this will surely be the most exciting opportunity of all — at a time of both risk and reward for the emerging democracy of Iraq and its long-suffering citizenry. I'll be 60 when I return home early next year — retiring from the military and then figuring out 'what I want to be when I grow up!'" — E.R.

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Karen Norris married Vincent DeAscentis, the love of her life, on May 16, 2008, at Paoli Presbyterian Church with a group of 40 friends and family in attendance, followed by a formal reception at the General Warren Inne in Malvern, Pa. The couple enjoys country living six miles west of the city of Coatesville and loves to travel. Karen is a systems engineer at The Vanguard Group, and Vince enjoys a part-time job after retiring from Unisys. They can be reached at karenlnorris@comcast.net.

Peter Balakian's book on the Armenian genocide, *Black Dog of Fate: A Memoir*, was published in an updated 10th anniversary edition that includes two new chapters. Since its original publication, *Black Dog of Fate* has won numerous awards and has come into wide use in college and secondary school curricula around the country. Peter also has completed work as a trans-

lator of *Armenian Golgotha*, to be published for the first time in English by Knopf in April.

Robert Chrencik was appointed the president and chief executive officer of University of Maryland Medical Systems, a network of nine academic, community and specialty hospitals throughout Maryland.

Nancy Grden, executive vice president of Amerigroup Corp., will lead the newly established Amerigroup Public Policy Institute.

Barbara Reimensnyder Duncan received the Brown Hudson Folklore Award last year from the North Carolina Folklore Society for contributions to the study of North Carolina folklore. She has also published two books, *Origins of the Milky Way and Other Living Stories of the Cherokee*, from University of North Carolina Press (a book of Cherokee folktales) and her first book of poetry, *Crossing Cowee Mountain*, from New Native Press. Barbara still works as education director at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian in Cherokee, N.C. Her children, John and Pearl, are 22 and 15, respectively. — S.L.C.

1974

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Jim Bolognese has taken his early retirement benefit from Merck after 32 years as a staff statistician. Jim joined Merck in 1976 after receiving his master's in statistics from the University of Florida. He has joined Cytel, Inc. as senior director for clinical trial services. Jim lives with his wife, Debbie, in Woodbridge and Cape May Court House, N.J., and continues to enjoy golf, poker, hiking and the beach — not to mention his professional career as it continues with a new employer. Reach him at jbolognese3@comcast.net.

James Bennett accepted a position as CFO of Monessen Hearth Systems Co. in Paris, Ky. Monessen makes pre-fab fireplaces and acquired Vermont Castings, a manufacturer of high-end wood burning stoves. He and **Jackie Hiemstra Bennett '75** will move from Huntersville, N.C., where Jim had been CFO of Home Décor, Inc.

I am please to report that my son, Hunter, was accepted early decision to the Class of 2013. To celebrate, we conducted a ceremonial passing of the torch (or in this case, a Frisbee) from father to son on Christmas day. And the beat goes on. — N.C.

1975

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Peter Murtha shares the following update about his outdoor adventures with fellow Class of 1975 alumni. Doesn't it make you want to join in the fun? Enjoy!

"In July the Second Penitential Manly Man Funfest (MMF2) — another week-long wilderness paddling trip — took place on the Middle Fork of the Salmon River in Idaho. (Observant *Bucknell Magazine* readers will recall MMF1, a perilous sea kayaking trip in the Discovery Islands of British Columbia's Orca-infested waters with myself and other Class of '75ers **Wil Cunningham**, **Bill Johnson**, **Stephen Shirk** and **Brad Stetler**.) After narrowly averting multiple disasters in B.C., it was clear that steely-eyed, strong-jawed, survival-oriented and distinctly younger 'Nellians — cool hands on the rudder, so to speak — would need to augment Team MM1. Enter big wave surfer, **Bob Wagner '76**, supported by inveterate outdoorsman **Lee Benedict**, famous for his oxygen-unassisted ascent of Kittatinny Peak (the highest mountain in New Jersey) and for the first successful expedition

via penguin-sled to the South Pole. With our insatiable desire to learn, our expedition could not set forth without a professor, and why not the best? Bucknell's own Professor **John Rickard** completed us. We arrived in Stanley, Idaho, to be greeted by the Sawtooth Range, a compact but craggy, snow-capped hiker's paradise — something of a 'Tetons in a Pocket.' As we couldn't reach agreement within the group on who would set up our latrine, we employed a highly recommended outfitter to handle that task (along with having our tents erected before we paddled into camp, setting up the nightly sushi bar and fluffing the down comforters on the beds of those Manly Men with the luxe package). The trip was extreme fun with gorgeous scenery, great whitewater for our paddle rafts and inflatable kayaks, excellent guided cut-throat trout fishing, hot springs and waterfalls, cliff jumping, evening games between our crew and the guides (Whiffle ball with a well-chosen tree branch) and spectacular night skies — all mercifully far from the closest 'in range' Blackberry. Around the final evening's campfire, Professor Rickard cemented our vaunted status with the rafting crew through his crafty and inspired limericks commemorating them. The sole trip downer was seeing first-hand how the ravages of climate change have emboldened mountain pine beetles' rapaciousness — leaving vast swaths of naked landscape, as though a huge wildfire had swept through, sparing nothing. With luck, we all look forward to sufficient testosterone to infuse further adventures come summer 2013." — N.Q.B

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I hope everyone had a great holiday and New Year's resolutions are still being kept. I must start with news that has me grinning from ear to ear. My daughter, Jean, was accepted early decision to Bucknell and will be a member of the Class of 2013, following in her beloved grandfather's footsteps (**Eugene McDonald '49**) — and in her (at this age) not-so-beloved mom's steps. I have heard that **Lisa Morrison Bogan's** son, Ben, and **Marshall Allegra's** son, Paul, will be joining Jean this fall. I know there are others and will be many more after the spring admissions process, so please contact me and let me know your good news. Family Weekend looks to be fun. I still can't get over it — I will have '78, P'13 after my name.

While I am on the subject of legacies, congratulations to classmates whose children are part of the Chips Class of 2012 and are finishing up their freshman year at Bucknell already: **William (John and Sara Stoner Bachman)**; **Matthew (Michael**

Cherewka); **Derek (Walter '76 and Andrea Stephanides Craig)**; **Phillip (Stuart Cubbon)**; **Peter (William Davis)**; **Mark (Mark Figgie)**; **Christine (William Kobza)**; **Scott (Seth and Barbara Farnham Paradise '77)**; and **Karen (Steven and Julie Ross Silbermann)**.

Barbara Campbell Lofink M'80 sends notice that her third novel, *Foxfire*, was published in February. It is the final book in her fantasy trilogy, *Trickster's Game*, which began with *Heartwood* (2005) and *Bloodstone* (2006). Please visit her website at www.barbaracampbell.com to read excerpts from her books or say hi!

Barbara also writes that a mini-reunion of Cap & Dagger alums took place last May at **Deb Leopold Weitz's** house in Kensington, Md. Bucknellians in attendance included Deb, Barbara, Richard Isackes, **Sharri Harris Wolfgang**, **Ray Birks '75**, **Bob Mulderig '76**, **Ed Rhubart '76**, **Kirk Davis '77**, **Melanie DeFelice Samouhos '77**, **John Graboski '77**, **Michael Kamtman '77**, **Wendy Miller Claus '77**, **Rory O'Moore '77**, **Arnold "Buck" Ross '77**, **Lane Ziff '77**, **Kathleen Kennedy Dennis '70**, **Douglas Allchin '79**, **Vicki Juditz Kirschenbaum '79**, **Bill McCloskey '79**, **Laurie Neff '79** and **Virginia Porter Graboski '79**. Barbara uploaded a photograph of the attendees to her profile on B-Link (www.B-Link.bucknell.edu).

William Clifford was named to the 14th edition of *The Best Lawyers In America*. Bill, a Bethel Park, Pa., resident, has practiced law for over 25 years, concentrating in construction and surety law. He serves on the American Bar Association Fidelity and Surety Law Commission and the Construction Industry Forum. He received his J.D. from Duquesne University in 1981.

Prior to writing this column, I learned of **Harry Gray's** death this past summer. Harry was larger than life at Bucknell and, according to a wonderful article about him, he remained so these past 30 years. The article

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Please keep in touch. — K.M.A.

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To paraphrase George Washington's letter to the Continental Congress in the play and movie 1776, "Class of '79! Is anyone there?" It remains very quiet on the correspondence front.

After 25 years of class reporting by the hardworking

Jeff Brown — and with my five-year anniversary approaching this summer — responsibilities at home and work prevent me from actively seeking out material for this column. If anyone would like to volunteer to take over, I am pleased to take requests. It has been fun, but I think someone else might have time to do a better job. Please note the change of e-mail address.

All is well at home with my family and me. While 4Q08 was tough on just about everyone, I am happy to say that the Marrons were able to build new memories together in 2008. In August we took a river tour on the Danube from Budapest to Nuremburg. It is a great way to see parts of Hungary, Austria and Germany. Maybe I will see you at Reunion. I have not yet made it to one. But, I am an optimist. Write.

David Miller and his wife, Karen, are moving back to Princeton, N.J. He writes that he will begin an academic appointment as director of the Princeton University Faith & Work Initiative. Dave will be working to establish, build and lead this new endeavor, while also teaching business ethics and other courses through Princeton University's Department of Religion. He continues as president of the Avodah Institute. Welcome back to central New Jersey, Dave and Karen. — M.M.

1980

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One theme in recent news from classmates is reflection on our age (sorry to remind everyone), pursuing the meaningful things in life and treasuring friendships, especially those from Bucknell.

Cheryl Weinschenk Freye, still in Maine, is proud of her gardening talents and Creative Memories business. Her e-mail address is freye@fairpoint.net.

I enjoyed **Dave Robeson's** musings about turning 50 and being a casual observer of the latest trends — including clothing, piercings and tattoos common to the younger "folk." With great joy he recounted the week that he, his wife (aka **Linda Stein Robeson**) and kids spent with other Bucknell friends on the North Carolina coast. Dave writes of the many half-century celebrations "complete with obligatory aging gags" and further rejoices that despite our ages, "the notion that all of

these friends have covered much of the journey with us brought the essence of those friendships into utter focus." They still live in Severna Park, Md. Linda's e-mail is lvj4@hotmail.com. Thanks, Dave, for the thoughtful words.

Another classmate for whom the ocean brings delight is **Pam Price Cooper**, whose home is in Hilton Head, S.C., where she describes her many "transitions" — to the U.S. (she's lived almost totally outside the country since graduation), to one daughter in college and another applying, to growing and changing relationships, a new puppy, volunteer tutoring in a local Boys and Girls Club and dedicating time to exercise. In her words, "I thrive on the rut in my life." Pam invites classmates to visit her and reminds everyone that it's closer than Paris, Bogota, Japan or Rio, where she's lived over the years. Make your reservations at pjcooper432@yahoo.com. I wish I had the peaceful existence Pam describes.

And from the "left coast," **Elaine Christo Watkins** writes that she and her husband, Tracy, sold their Sedona, Ariz., home to grow organic produce in Oak Creek. They have a fruit orchard and have begun growing wine grapes. Their college sons think they are crazy but are slowly appreciating the lifestyle, which also includes homemade cheeses, mesquite pods which are milled into flour, and soon chickens. Elaine writes, "I'm nearly at the end of a 25-year teaching career. I never thought my English degree would be anything but fun, but alas I've been an English and history teacher for most of my adult life (after getting an MBA in finance and teaching at a business college for four years back in the '80s). I work at Sedona Red Rock High School and have one of the best views anyone could wish for. My students also built a raised bed garden right outside our classroom this past fall, so I've got them hooked on the organic, locavore salad movement, too.

"The Bucknellians I stay in touch with most often are

Susan Alexander Pansius, **Debbie Anderson Apruzzese** and **Gari Demas Fairweather** (my roomie)." Sue and her husband, Bruce, live in Riverton, N.J., with their two boys, who like to visit Arizona and play in Elaine's creek. Deb and her husband, **John**, have two daughters, one of whom, **Dana '10**, attends Bucknell. "Both Sue and Debbie called me within a month of each other a few years ago, announced they were having mid-life crises and planned to leave their corporate careers," writes Elaine. "Both went back on their own terms as consultants, creating some very interesting jobs for themselves. (Maybe they'll hire me as a chicken consultant so I can supplement my teaching pension in a few years?) Gari has been a book editor since we graduated, and she and Jack also have two daughters. They still live in Summit, N.J., and are working with service dogs in addition to their own puppies. If anyone is out in Sedona and wants to go on a hike, e-mail me at ecwatkins2@gmail.com. Or if you're on the Oregon coast, I might be there sitting on my deck with a glass of Evolution from the Sokol Blosser Vineyards and watching the ocean."

Thank you, Elaine, for the news about yourself and others. You have truly heavenly home locations.

On a sad but inspirational note, I received information from **Caryn Hartglass** about **Chris Ambler's** death from Lou Gehrig's Disease (ALS). She writes, "Chris' death is hard to shake. I was friendly with him in college, since we were Chem Es together. My freshman roommate, **Tamera Warmkessel Durocher** remains in touch with his wife, **Bethany Subin Ambler**. Tamera suggested we visit last year and I am glad we did. Chris was in a wheelchair, and it was hard to understand his speech. But he had a peaceful, cheery disposition. I don't know how he did it, but I was in awe. We continued to correspond by e-mail and he was always upbeat and positive." Words of sympathy can be sent to

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Happy spring. — D.L.H.

1981

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I am trying to stay up on all of the new technology (don't I get points for *trying*?!) and I have joined Facebook. I have been "friended" by **Jim Hollen**, **Bob Hanlon**, **Joe Cardillo**, **Mary "Beth" Conboy La Bonty**, **Susan Atkinson Noack**, **Pat Mitchell**, **Chris Brown**, **Debbie France Smesko** and **Jane Boulden**. It's been fun to send notes to each other and it reminds me that we are all connected forever, thankfully, because of our Bucknell years.

John Diffenderfer sent his always-hilarious Christmas letter and series of pictures. He still lives in Jakarta, Indonesia, and his holiday letter is single-spaced in about 6-point font! John, don't you know the majority of your 50-year-old friends cannot read 18-point font?! He looks *exactly* the same as 28 years ago, which is more than I can say for most of us. Living around the world agrees with him.

Julie Roberts Hynes sent a cute picture of her twins, Jack and Maggie.

Janis Huber Bond sent a picture of her stunning daughters, Lauren and Jeanette. Lauren is a freshman at the University of Delaware and loving it. She is in the university's 350-person marching band, which marched in the inaugural parade. Janis reports that she runs into **Dave Brond**, as he is the vice president of communications and marketing there. (Dave, we'd all love to hear from you.)

Beth La Bonty deserves the "nicest member of the Class of '81" award for sending me a gift card to Starbucks out of the blue. She writes, "Thank you for being the *best class*

reporter ever!!" Can't you just see Beth's smiling face when I tell this story? You're the best, Beth. Thanks. And no, I am not soliciting more gifts. You all have given me enough over the years.

Gwyn English Nielsen says her daughter's father passed away suddenly in June and "thanks to my closest female friends from Bucknell —

Deb Hennel '80, **Laurie Weeks Thomas '80** and **Sarah Lynch Evancho**, the funeral was actually a lot more tolerable." Later in the summer Gwyn and her daughter went to look at colleges in the Philly area and saw **Theodore "T.J." Wilkinson**. In late 2008 Gwyn got together with some Cap & Dagger alumni in NYC, including T.J., **Barry Fishel**, **Pat Pedro**, **Jon '80** and **Kathy Breitenfeld Krause '80**, **Jackie Krull '83**, **Dave Polsky**, **Al Haines** and **Cynthia Lempert Hoyer '82**. It turned into a girls' night out with **Vicki Juditz Kirschenbaum '79**, **Barb Campbell Lofink '78**, **M'80**, **Sarah Evancho** and **Laurie Thomas**. They wound up at Sardi's at a table next to actor **Daniel Radcliffe** (Harry Potter!). Gwyn's closing comments say it all: "Thank God for Bucknell because I could not have met such great people anywhere else on the planet. I feel very blessed indeed."

I got a nice e-mail this week from **Rick Shand P'12**, whose daughter **Lyndsay** is in the Class of '12 with so many other classmates' kids. She competed on the swim team (along with **Chris P'12** and **Kim Cooke Brown's P'12** son, **Tom '12**) and is very happy in Lewisburg.

My dear friend, **Cathy Barton Zales'** son, Scott, was accepted early decision at Bucknell and will be in the Class of '13. Cathy, her husband, Steve, and their sons, Scott and Greg, live in New Canaan, Conn., and look forward to seeing old friends back on campus in the fall. — C.C.R.

1982

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Anthony Costa was appointed as acting commissioner of the Public Buildings Service (PBS) of the U.S. General Services Administration in December. He has received several honors for outstanding performance, including the Walter Washington District Champion Award presented by Leadership Greater Washington in 2008. — B.G.K.

1983

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Between my high school student teaching assignment and graduate classes at night, I don't have much free time. I haven't even seen **Sara Allen Lepkofker**. Keep me posted on your activities! — T.T.E.

1984

REUNION 2009

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Looking forward to seeing many of you at Reunion in a few months. We hoped to be living in Lewisburg by then. Unfortunately, with the housing downturn, what we have is a building lot on Glencoe Road and an architect. Here's hoping for a spring seller's market and being under construction in Lewisburg by May!

Roberta "Robbie" Weaver Schuldts was certified as an emergency medical technician and taught over 100 hours of

fitness classes. She also participated in Race for the Cure, The Great Race, the Turkey Trot and Deer Slayer Challenge. Check out her website at www.fitnesswithrobbie.com.

Tom Burke moved with his partner, Greg, to North Stamford, Conn. "This past summer, on our way to Erie, Pa., for a niece's wedding, we had dinner in Lewisburg with **Ken Paulhamus** and his lovely wife, Loretta," he writes. "Ken enjoys his life as a pastor in a nearby church and, hard to believe, but his three boys are nearly full-grown to college age — with one already in school, if I remember correctly. Where do the years go?"

He is also in touch with **Curt and Kim Lewis Smith**, who moved to Lewisburg. "Kim told me she enjoys being close to her family and is up for a visit if we can find our way to Lewisburg again," he writes. "With Reunion coming up, who knows?"

Tom was co-author of an article published in the October 2008 issue of *Water Quality Products* titled "Small Spaces, High Filtration: The future of carbon block technology." His contact information is on B-Link. — G.D.T.

John Squires joined the Chadbourne & Parke LLP law firm as a partner in the intellectual property practice.

1985

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Tammy Singleton-English was elected to serve as a council officer for the 2008-2009 term of Solo and Small Firm Practitioners' Section of the Allegheny County Bar Association. She was also selected for membership on the American Bar Association Advisory Panel. Tammy is an estate attorney, CPA and owner of Singleton-English Law Offices.

Steven Hawtof was named vice president of Gannett Flem-

ing Engineers and Architects, P.C., in Baltimore, Md. He is manager of the firm's transportation group and a member of the American Society of Highway Engineers.

1986

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Please take a moment to connect with old friends and classmates by sending in a letter or e-mail. Thanks! — J.D.C.

1987

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I am sure we are all busy with work and family but I haven't received any news for several months from anyone in our class. If you haven't written in awhile, please send an update! — L.C.H.

1988

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Jason Shafron was promoted from counsel to member of the law firm Herten, Burstein, Sheridan, Cevasco, Bottinelli, Litt & Harz LLC in Hackensack, N.J., and New York, N.Y. He continues his practice in business law and litigation, employment, construction, real estate and government law. He also serves as a commissioner of Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority and as a member of the Board of Trustees of the UJA Federation of Northern New Jersey.

1989

REUNION 2009

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Winter has brought lots of snow and skiing in our part of western New York. I hope to see many of you at our upcoming 20th Reunion. For those of you on Facebook, there is a group called Class of '89 20th Reunion.

Coleen and **Scott Brighton** live in Austin, Texas, with their children, Cameron, 7, and Julia, 5. Scott was promoted to president of Trilogy, an enterprise software and Internet services company. He sees the occasional classmate and had a reunion with former Midnight Mask bandmate **Steve Nunziata**, who lives in San Antonio and plans to attend Reunion.

Jaime and **John Bellace** welcomed their first child, Olivia Rose, in October. They hope to reconnect with other classmates with babies at Reunion. Reach them at jvbellace@yahoo.com.

Mark Walter is publisher for the Storage Media Group at TechTarget in Needham, Mass. He also organizes and participates in triathlons. I can spell "triathlon," which is almost as impressive.

Randy Faust and his wife, Natalie Cekleniak, live in Short Hills, N.J. Natalie is a reproductive endocrinologist. Their children are Amanda, 7, Zack, 5, and Alex, 2. Randy works in the asset management industry for Huston Associates and can be reached at rfaust@huston-associates.com.

Chris Armstrong exhibited 15 new oil paintings at The Morrison Gallery in the Old Barn section of Kent, Conn. — R.L.B.

Note: See alumni profile on Chris Armstrong on page 53.

1990

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Happy spring! I graduated from the Naval Postgraduate School in December with a master's in security studies. What an honor to share the stage with so many of our service men and women — a truly moving experience. It only served to confirm my chosen career path devoted to public service. I completed my thesis, something I never want to undertake again!

Theresa Cimino Amantea and her husband, Scott, welcomed a son, Brandon Scott, who joins his sister, Maggie Rose, 3. Maggie and Brandon see "Aunt" **Hayley Perry Romano** and her family whenever possible. Theresa has worked for former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger since graduating. Reach her at 25 Dante Place, Waldwick, NJ 07463.

Fellow DG suitemate **Heather Harrison** shares news of her engagement to Gary Moran, a jazz pianist and music professor at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia. "We met over 10 years ago and never forgot each other," she writes. "He proposed to me over Christmas in a hot-air balloon over the Tucson desert. I am a managing partner at Lyle + Umbach, a custom luxury furniture manufacturer in Manhattan. I landed this sweet job in September after being an optician for 13 years." Congrats to the happy couple.

Another DG suitemate, **Leslie Tindall Morgan**, is a third-grade teacher in Lititz, Pa., and has a whopping one-mile commute. Her son, Brooks, 8, loves playing soccer, baseball and the mandolin. Her daughter, Kendall, is enjoying ballet lessons but looks forward to her first season of T-ball. You can reach Leslie on Facebook.

Both Leslie and Heather report that **Sonya Krawczel Matza** had a baby girl, Freya, this year. Sonya's love of travel

DOWN BY THE SEA

Artist **Chris Armstrong '89** credits Bucknell with giving him a multitude of career options. He says, "Coming out of Bucknell, with its rock-solid faculty, gave me more than one trajectory from which to choose."

In a timely nod to the current campus master planning process, Armstrong comments, "Bucknell allows students a valuable incubation period for work and inspiration, particularly in its setting. As the campus has evolved, it has consistently and wisely recognized the power and value of its aesthetic."

When asked about his most influential Bucknell experience, he speaks warmly about his semester abroad in Florence studying art and art history. Living in Florence, a city that Armstrong says "has benefited greatly by fostering its aesthetic legacy," was life-changing for him.

Armstrong is known for his stunning seascape paintings, many of them oversized to accommodate the vastness of his subject, which engulfs the viewer. His love of the sea drew the Armstrong family to live in Gloucester, Mass., America's oldest fishing port.

"Every day, I have contact with the ever-changing dynamics of the ocean," he says. "I paint the sea not only as I see it but as I think it. The process of creative production requires one to be disciplined, specifically with regards to generating and focusing of energy."

Armstrong received his MFA from NYU, where he won the school's MVP award and exhibited at Washington Square East Galleries. In addition to his formal training and education, Armstrong also had the benefit of learning from his late father, **David Armstrong '69**, an accomplished and widely collected artist. A 2007 article in *The Boston Globe* describes the younger Armstrong's work as "amazing realist paintings." Recently, his work was selected for the U.S. State Department's 'Art in Embassies' program, and corporate collectors include Fidelity Investments. Armstrong's paintings can be seen at www.armstrongartists.com.

— Mary Ann Sigler Stanton '89



means Freya has more stamps in her passport than the average 40-year-old. Congrats Sonya!

Former Vedder hallmate **Cheryl Levene Feinstein** is still living and working in the Big Apple. Her girls are 4 and 7. Cheryl works part time as a marketing consultant about 15 to 20 hours a week. She loves being a mom.

Fellow DG **Gretchen Kamp DiChiro** reports that she lives in Westwood, Mass., with her two girls, Jessica, 9, and Dana, 5. She has worked for Shaw's Supermarkets for 13 years. Gretchen reconnected with **Michelle Palovick Leister '91**, **Sue Graver** and **Jennifer Burns Galilea** in Philadelphia. She

caught up with **Becky Siegal Swartzbeck** in Williamsburg, Va., over the summer. She and **Paula Hong '89** also drove to Amherst to visit **Jacquelyn Reilly '89** in her new house.

Brad Kurkowski has lived in London for 10 years. He is a lawyer for White and Case doing international corporate finance. Brad says he sees **Kim Cahill '89** since she comes to London frequently. He has seen **Irma Cordisco Leary** in D.C. He also visited with **Bill '89** and **Kim Baker Shultz** and their two adorable daughters, Hannah and Paige. Brad reports that the Bucknell-in-London Club has become quite active under a new president, and he has

taken on a role in liaising with the University in building up and revamping their Bucknell study program in London. Go Brad! He can be reached at bkurkowski@whitecase.com and bjkurko@post.harvard.edu.

Suzanne Joiner Jewell plans to go back to teaching, but now stays home in Maryland with her two girls. Her younger daughter, Kiersten, goes to full-day kindergarten in the fall. Her daughter, Kristina, is in first grade. Suzanne competes in triathlons and races — including a half-marathon. Way to go, Suzanne! I'm tired just thinking about what you do.

That's all for now, folks. Remember, we have a Reunion

Alumni Near&Far

coming up next year. Time to make those reservations at Lewisburg hotels. — L.M.O.

1991

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This is a special year for our class — we will be celebrating our 40th birthdays. I kicked off 2009 with a ladies luncheon for 25 dear friends and relatives in celebration of my birthday in late January. My husband, Rick, hosted the wonderful event at l'escale restaurant in Greenwich, Conn. I feel so very blessed to have such wonderful people in my life, and some of my fondest memories are with my Bucknell friends.

Charlene Jasinski Heslin writes, "I am thrilled to announce the birth of our newest love, a daughter, Eve Savoie, on Sept. 2. She joins sisters Ruby, 4, and June, 3, who couldn't be happier. (The older girls did not want a brother, but have plans to buy Daddy a 'boy dog' so he won't be lonely)." Congrats to Charlene and Grant!

Beth Sawicki Regan writes, "Hi there, it's Beth, Vedder 2 East frosh year, if memory serves me correctly. My husband, Andrew, and I had our second daughter, Rachel, on Oct. 13. Her sister, Caitlin, 2, has adjusted quite nicely to her new role. We are getting ready to head out to the 'burbs, so our search will begin in earnest some time in the spring. As much as we love living in NYC, we figure it's time for us to take the leap. Andrew's legal search company, Empire Search Partners, is having a very successful third year. I've been able to stop working to be able to stay home with both girls." Congrats to Beth and Andrew!

Matthew Mackie Pigman married Emily Sullivan at the Sea Ranch Lodge in Sea Ranch, Calif. Bucknellians on hand were his mom, **Ellie Mackie Pigman '55**, brother and best

man **Paul Pigman '80** and sister **Megan Pigman Faloni '89** with their families and friends. Matthew and Emily reside at 51 Albion St., San Francisco, CA 94103 with Sophie, 11, and Harold, 8. "It was a timeless wedding with bagpipes and Matthew and his son, Harold, in kilts and Emily in a vintage gown," writes Ellie. Contact them at mackiebuilder@mac.com or 415-286-3456. Congrats to Matt and Emily!

Looking forward to hearing from fellow classmates in 2009! — J.C.R.

1992

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Life in the Saffle household continues to be crazy as ever with three kids going in a million different directions. Special education issues with respect to Alex, our son with autism, never seem to end. In January we skied in Vermont at Smugglers' Notch and had a wonderful time. We return each year; the resort has a wonderful adaptive ski program for Alex. With all three kids in ski camps, **Jim** and I ski all day and have lunch.

As always, if anyone is planning a visit to Cape Cod, we'd love to get together. Please keep your news coming! — L.M.S.

1993

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Morgan Woods Kerridge writes, "My husband, Ron, and I had a baby girl, Lydia Ruth, on

June 26, 2008. I quit practicing corporate law to stay home and take care of her (which is really fun, but much harder work than practicing law). I can be reached at morgan.kerridge@gmail.com."

Kiran Mishra Smith writes, "My husband, Matt, and I added a few more ladies to the Smith household. Naiya and Lily were born on Aug. 15 and join their sister, Jaya, in all-out mayhem in our house."

Nathan Kumar was born Aug. 16 to thrilled parents **Jeff** and **Jackie Shriver Ganguly**.

Andy and Ellen "Nelle" Deeming Bush welcomed Ella Jane on Dec. 2, 2008. Owen, Addie and Ben are happy to have mom and baby Ella home — everyone is doing really well! — A.M.D.

1994

REUNION 2009

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It is hard to believe it has been almost 15 years since we graduated and that our Reunion is only a few months away. Hopefully many of you are planning on making the trip back to Lewisburg to see the campus and catch up with old friends.

Best of friends **Craig Twiste** and **Joanne "Chica" Ferguson** lost touch after school. Ten years and sheer happenstance later they were reunited through an old friend. After four years of reminiscing, Twiste and Chica are engaged. Joanne's e-mail is jferguson@destinationpuertorico.com.

Ben and Jennifer Berkenstock Suit announce the birth of their fourth son, Andrew Dominic, on Aug. 25, 2007. He joins brothers Nathan, 7, Nick, 7, and Benny, 4, in their very full house in Abington, Pa., outside Philadelphia. E-mail them at jbsuit@hotmail.com.

Jean Maloney Burneo and her husband, Gaston, welcomed their third child, Emilio Gaston, on Aug. 23, 2007. He joins sister Micaela, 5, and brother Sergio, 3. Jean says life is much busier, but everyone is enjoying Emilio and their larger family. She is enjoying staying home with the kids.

Three other Hulley girls also welcomed baby boys in 2007 — and they all arrived within six weeks of each other! **Chad and Stephanie Starzec Moore** had their first baby, Walter Dexter, on Aug. 19, 2007. Steve and **Karen Maresca Lukas** welcomed their second son, Zachary Charles, Aug. 23, 2007, as well. Brother Stephen, 4, is excited to have a new playmate. **Brent and Roberta Miller Paul** welcomed their first baby, Brodie Arthur, on Oct. 4, 2007. All the boys are doing well and their moms are already planning for the 2029 and 2030 Bucknell graduations. — S.A.S.

1995

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Happy spring! I hope this finds you well and thawing out from the cold of winter.

Jason Schaeffer writes, "I moved back to New York City after seven years in San Francisco and caught up with a few friends in the city, including **Steven Lewis**, **Jesse Mann**, **Steve Rizzo**, **Lee Guzofski '94** and **John 'J.D.' Moriarty '94**.

"This summer I was in Sonoma, Calif., for a Delta Upsilon brother's wedding. **Scott Connors** married **Christine Leong '99**. My father, **Jeff Schaeffer '64**, also a DU back in the day, conducted the ceremony. My sisters, **Jennifer Schaeffer '99** and **Jill Schaeffer Hetherington '92**, were in attendance. Scott and Christine's wedding was held at B.R. Cohn Winery in Sonoma Valley with a beautiful reception under

the olive trees on the estate. Groomsman included me, **Nick Bijur**, **Bret DeBenedictis** and best man **Bill Connors '94**. Bridesmaids included **Jennifer Leong '02**, **Jen Sands Miller '99**, **Genny Konz Pennise '99**, **Molly Haverty '99**, **Jody Weiss Sargeant '99**, **Aimee Fusco Kish '98** and **Leah Freeman '97**. Other wedding guests were **Sean and Amanda Butcher Tierney**, **David Milesi**, **Greg Skibiski '96**, **Tom '97** and **Karen Horn Welch '97**, **John Scarborough '98**, **Mike '98** and **Bridget Hannon Thomas '98**, **Pete '98** and **Kate Fink Gorman '99**, **Haley Futterknecht '99**, **Bryan and Stacey Scullin Lang '99**, **Emily Kwass '99**, **Nate Roberts '99** and **Adam Tucker '99**. The after-party in Sonoma Square was a raucous affair! Scott and Christine live in San Francisco and we get together on occasion in both NYC and SF." E-mail Jason at jason_schaeffer@hotmail.com.

Jason Snyder writes, "I attended the wedding of **Keelan Cleary '07** and **Danielle Brown '05** in Cape May, N.J. Other Bucknellians in attendance included **Molly O'Brien-Foelsch M'98**, **Ryan LeBreton '00**, **Craig Ciekot '99**, **Keith DiMarco '99**, **Kristen Koenigsbauer '00**, **Jennine Witherup Fochler '00**, **Andy Taylor '00**, **Monique LeBlanc '02**, **Carrie Walker M'05**, **Laura Wray-Lake M'04**, **Joanna Bosch '05** and others. Keelan works at Bucknell as a senior technology support project specialist, and Danielle is in her last year of nursing school.

"I also attended Molly and Brian Foelsch's wedding at Rooke Chapel. Many of the same guests from Keelan and Danielle's wedding were in attendance, and the wedding party included **Meredith Field '04**. Molly works at Bucknell's Division of Communications as a senior writer.

"In July, Anne and **Cris Necocha** welcomed their first child, Milo. The happy family lives in Arlington, Mass.

"In July, I visited **James and Amy-Beth Hird Martin '98** at their family's vacation house in Amelia Island, Fla. James is

deployed in Afghanistan as an Army physician until February. Amy expects their second child in late February.

"In October I saw **Katie DeBonville** when she visited Bucknell during Homecoming weekend. Later that week I visited with Jen and **Greg Norton '96** at a conference in Orlando, Fla. Greg works for Lockheed Martin, and he and Jen live just outside Orlando. It was great to catch up, as I hadn't seen him in over 10 years.

"In December and January I traveled with friends to Thailand and Vietnam." E-mail Jason at jcsnyder@bucknell.edu.

Jon '97 and **Kimberly Sheaffer Slusser** joyfully welcomed their first baby, Ellianna Elizabeth, on May 15. They lived in Broken Arrow, Okla., for four years, where Kim worked in her first pediatric clinic after her medical residency. In 2007 they trained at Rhema Bible Training Center to become missionaries. They moved to Botswana, Africa, in January, where they serve Light of the World Ministries. Kim works in a Baylor Pediatric HIV/AIDS clinic and writes, "We really miss seeing all our Bucknell friends and hope to get to a Homecoming one of these years. After all, that is how Jon and I met in 1999." They welcome e-mail at kimberlyslusser@hotmail.com or jon.slusser@gmail.com.

Andrew and Heather Whitaker Clark are happy to announce the birth of Bridget Caroline on April 5. She joins brothers Gavin, 5, and Liam, 2. Heather writes, "The boys adore Bridget. Three young kids make a household very busy but a lot of fun, too." E-mail her at heatherwclark@hotmail.com.

Jennifer Mowery Meybaum writes, "**John Stith** dropped by my home in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, for a surprise visit while attending his family reunion in Akron. It had been nine years since we had seen each other. It was a fun visit, with John getting to meet my two boys. He lives in Greenbelt, Md., with his wife, Windy, and two sons.

"Katie and **John Richards** welcomed their third child,

Karlee Manseau, on Feb. 23, 2008. She joins older sister, Emme, and brother, John. John was deployed to Iraq for a year." E-mail Jennifer at knj_meybaum06@yahoo.com.

Kais and Donna Carter Jabrani welcomed their first child, a sweet baby girl named Sarah Louise, on Nov. 23. E-mail Donna at dlcarter104@yahoo.com.

I've had a lot of fun catching up with **Shawn Barger** and he asked me to include the following news: "The last time I spoke to you, I believe I was deployed to Iraq. Funny thing, I have just finished my three month training and am heading to Iraq after the New Year begins. My wife, Becky, and I still live in Bethlehem. Our daughter, Emily, is 6 and our son, Mark, is 3. He was born while I was in Iraq the last time. My deployment will last one year and this should be my last, due to the fact that I will retire from the Army in 2010. I am a missile systems repairman for the Army, but I also work on radios and other electronics." Shawn welcomes friends to keep in touch by e-mail at shawn.barger@us.army.mil.

James Ruiz announced his engagement to Katherine Miketa. The couple is planning an April wedding at Heinz Chapel in Pittsburgh.

Stephen Caruso completed the Level II examination of the Chartered Financial Analyst program, which measures the competence and integrity of financial analysts, portfolio managers and investment advisers. He joined Caruso McLean & Co., Inc. in 1995 and was promoted to chief investment officer in 2005.

Rob and Kelly Bennet Seiler welcomed their third child, Maclain Robert, on May 20. He joins sister, Jordon, 6, and brother, Bennett, 2. Kelly writes, "He was born on what would have been his great-grandfather, Robert's, 86th birthday. Weighing in at 10 lbs., 1 oz., he's our 'runt.' We still live in Austin, Texas." E-mail Kelly at kellyseiler@hotmail.com.

Belinda Hsu writes, "I am doing very well here in wintry

Massachusetts. The biggest news is that **Patrick Hook** and I got married at Rooke Chapel on June 14. Patrick's best friend, Eric Starr, was his best man and my sister, Cynthia, was my maid of honor. We were very lucky to have all of our siblings and a few other family members in the wedding party. There were some Bucknellians in attendance. Donna Jabrani, Kimberly and **Sanford 'Sam' Pallotta**, Sarah and **Tom Palaia**, **Karen Taylor Riddick**, **Jason Hach**, and Vania and **Barbara Rose O'Connor '89** all made the trip to Lewisburg. Sam did us the honor of participating in the wedding as one of the readers. It was a truly wonderful weekend and it was really fun being back on our beautiful campus. Patrick and I are living in Watertown, Mass. He graduated from Albany Medical College in May and started his residency at UMASS Memorial Healthcare Center in July. I work for an investment firm in the Back Bay area of Boston in their tax reporting group. It is a very nerdy, geeky, non-glamorous job, but I like it. Coincidentally, my coworker is Barbara O'Connor." E-mail Belinda at beehsu@alum.bucknell.edu.

On a personal note, I went to Bucknell for a very wet Homecoming this fall. It was a joy to spend time with my dear friend, **Jody MacArthur Johnson**. We had a great lunch in the Fieldhouse with **Katie Malague '94** and several of her colleagues from the alumni board. I really enjoyed catching up with **Paul Straton '87** and meeting **Debbie Jancek '99** and **Bill Krokowski '84**. They are a fun group. Jody and I had coffee downtown with **Carol McLaughlin Kennedy '96** and **Beth Morilla Miller**. Carol and her husband, Eric, live in Lewisburg where he is a professor in Bucknell's engineering department. Carol moved from D.C. and still commutes to her old job there (and works from home part time, too). It must be love! Beth and her husband also live in Lewisburg and were anxiously expecting the birth of their third child later that month. I enjoyed

A VOICE FOR THE STAGE AND THE CLASSROOM

Kiersten Drumm Whitehead '98, a second-generation alumna, is singing Bucknell's praises ... among other things. The mezzo-soprano is a founding member of the Forgotten Opera Company, a Washington, D.C./Baltimore-based production company dedicated to making opera accessible to everyone. She also works full time in the education department for Imagination Stage, the largest youth theatre on the East Coast, where she heads up musical theatre programs and teaches students from 3 to 18 years classes in music, theatre and early childhood development.



"My passion for teaching has grown since I left Bucknell," says Whitehead. "I believe passionately in the power of the arts to teach, and plan to continue my career as a teaching artist, working with arts-integration in classrooms and afterschool programs." Her work with both the Forgotten Opera Company and Imagination Stage have provided Whitehead with the ideal platform to make opera and the arts accessible to new generations and new audiences.

When she is not teaching, Whitehead sings with local D.C. companies and has most recently been doing oratorio work with local choirs and symphonies. "I especially enjoy 'trouser roles,' where I play a young man, because it really stretches me acting-wise," she says. Her favorite role to date is that of Cherubino from *The Marriage of Figaro*.

Whitehead credits her work with the Bucknell Opera Company and Professors William Payn and Catherine Payn for helping her choose her path as singer, leader and teacher. "Both Dr. Payn and Dr. Payn had a huge influence on my career path, providing excellent role models as professors and professional musicians," she says.

And her parents share in the credit for helping her choose Bucknell. **John '70 and Susan Hood Drumm '71** met in Chapel Choir. With that family history Whitehead admits, "I had been saying I would go to Bucknell since I was 3. It felt like home from the moment I moved onto campus."

She and her husband, Todd, live in Riverdale, Md., where they have both taken on a new role as parents with the birth of their son, Jeremy, in August. — Julie Korbar

Pavlichko, Susan Gruner, Matt and Cindy Stake Chartrand, Arawan Gajajiva, Chris Roome and Caryn Richman Polin. The newlyweds reside in Chantilly, Va., and work in the area.

George Howanitz and his wife, Eileen, welcomed their third child, Addison Anna, on Dec. 6. Her brothers Dylan, 7, and Adam, 4, were very excited to meet their sister and have been helping out immensely.

I am coming to the end of my five-year surgical residency at Georgetown University Hospital. In July, I move to the Big Apple to train in a fellowship program for an additional year in breast surgical oncology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. — S.B.

1998

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In July 2005, **Stephen Holst** married Hillary Tucker in Breckenridge, Colo. Attending were **Corinne White Warner '52, Jill Kriebel Evans '54**, mother of the groom **Nancy White Holst '60**, brother of the groom **David Holst '94, JoAnn Malloy Elias**, and **Jerry and Nicole Welch Walters**. In March Stephen and Hillary had a beautiful baby boy, Benjamin. They live in Denver, Colo., and Stephen can be reached at stephen@holstonline.us.

Leslie Leeman Uhl and her husband, Trevor, are excited to announce the birth of their son, Carter Ahrens, on Jan. 27. Leslie and Trevor moved out of NYC and bought a house in Fairfield, Conn. They continue to work in their hedge fund jobs in the city (Leslie part time and mostly from home). She can be reached at LeslieLUhl@yahoo.com.

Kira Apse married Jeremy Dies, a graduate of Cornell University, on Aug. 23 in Boston, Mass. Bridesmaids included **Betsy Stortz Socci** and **Rachael Eversfield Gaulin**.

catching up, remembering old times and discussing politics with Katie, Paul and Jody. It was a great weekend.

Husband **Chris** and I were pleased to spend New Year's Eve with **Dave and Colleen Taylor Lukens '94**, their daughter, Katie, and Katie Malague. What a fun group of people to help usher in the New Year.

I hope that you will all continue to send such great, newsy updates. It is really fun to have news to report. Take care and enjoy the spring. 'Ray Bucknell!
— J.B.B.

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John Boger and his wife, Anja, welcomed their second child, Lily Isabel, on Dec. 17. Lily's brother, Sam, 3, loves having a little sister other than she "cries too much" and "doesn't talk." John finishes his gastroenterology fellowship this coming June at Walter Reed. He reports that he and his family will likely stay in the D.C. area at Ft. Belvoir in

northern Virginia, which will be the start of his eighth year in the Army. — B.S.

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Jodi De Ronde married Damon Kressin in an October beach ceremony in St. Pete Beach, Fla. **Chrissy Carlow Decker** was her matron of honor. Other Bucknellians attending were **Scott Decker, Cari Vanderslice**

Other Bucknellians attending were **Scott '97** and **Chrissy Carlow Decker '97**, **Robert '00** and **Amy Turnshek-Reiss**, **Jennifer Parks**, **Laurie Schmidt '99** and **Nick Stone '99**. Kira is a genetic counselor at Harvard Medical School and Jeremy works for IBM. The couple resides in Boston.

Brad and Anna Kricka McLaughlin welcomed their third son, Patrick James, on Nov. 12, 2008. Patrick joins his brothers, Alex and Andrew, who adore him. They live in Charlotte, N.C., and Brad is a senior vice president of marketing at Bank of America.

Congratulations to Susan and **Dave Purcell**, who welcomed a son, Luke Thomas, on Nov. 25, 2008. Luke joins his brother, Brendan. — H.M.L.

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Harmon Lutzer and his wife are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Evan Marc, on July 5, 2008. Harmon and his family live in Port Jefferson, N.Y.

Jason and Tracy Marek Nitché welcomed a son, Blake Charles, on May 14, 2008. They are enjoying a year in Ohio while Jason completes a fellowship in sports medicine at the Cleveland Clinic. They plan to return to New Jersey this summer. Reach them at nitchreja@yahoo.com or tnitch9@yahoo.com.

Alyson Kienle Munn and her husband, Michael, welcomed their first child, Camryn Elizabeth, on Aug. 27. Michael works in lower Manhattan and Alyson enjoys spending time with Camryn at their home in Mahwah, N.J. Reach Alyson at alysunkienle@hotmail.com.

R. Shane Kagan and his wife,

Denelle, welcomed their first child, Olivia Grier, on Dec. 25, 2008. They were thrilled to receive this Christmas present.

Gayle Birkelund Kalvert and her husband, David, welcomed their first child, Penelope Brit, on Nov. 17, 2008. They live in Redondo Beach, Calif., and can be reached at gkalvert@yahoo.com.

Alexandra Baum gave birth to her third child, a beautiful girl named India, on Oct. 29, 2008. Her two brothers, Leo and Thomas, are thrilled. Alexandra lives with her husband and children on the island of Mallorca, Spain.

'Ray Bucknell! — L.Z.

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On June 28, 2008, in Glastonbury, Conn., Wyatt Hallgren and **Meredith Mickel** were married by **Rev. Bruce Johnson '70**. The wedding party included maid of honor **Suzanne Bell**, bridesmaid **Jenny Sue Schlack White '03**, and **Shanna Ferrara DiStefano** and **Violetta Shayevich Ham** as readers. Also attending were **Lois Ranck Johnson '71**, **Jenna Aurand Scott**, **Jaclyn Kuhn Zanella**, **Christopher Stevenson '01**, **Dan Brillhart '02**, **Lindsay Dills '03** and **John "Garrett" Carlough '04**. The Hallgrens enjoyed a honeymoon in Bermuda and live in Fairfield, Conn., where Wyatt teaches physical education and Meredith teaches second grade.

Tracy Thiffault Pizzi and her husband, Michael, welcomed their first child, Matthew James, on Sept. 7, 2008. They reside in Belmont, Mass.

Katie O'Shea Rivas and her husband, Victor, welcomed a baby girl, Fiona Kathryn, on Sept. 27, 2008.

Andy and Kristen Penix Holt announce the birth of Henry Tyler on Nov. 3, 2008, in

Louisville, Ky. Kristen practices health law at Frost Brown Todd LLC and Andy is completing the M.D./Ph.D. program at the University of Louisville.

Katey Twombly Ryan and her husband, Sean, welcomed John "Jack" William IV on Dec. 13, 2008.

Douglas McCormick is engaged to Christy Veihdeffer. The couple resides in Erie, Pa., where Douglas works at The Travis Law Firm, and Christy Ann is a dental hygienist. — M.C.E.

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Sara Reiss married **Kris Laufer** on Sept. 13, 2008, in North Salem, N.Y. Attending were **Kelly McManus**, **Robin DeMarco**, **Mickey '00** and **Jennifer Mooney Sala**, **Brooke Kaplan**, **Mark Knysh**, **John Vogt**, **Nevine Shahine Webster**, **Lauren Bayly**, **Sara Lowman**, **Alexis Kaufmann**, **Chris Herron** and **Krista McCabe**.

Christina Napp Lindsey writes, "On June 23 we welcomed our second child, Clara Grace. She joins her brother, Chesson Thomas. We are all doing well and preparing for our move to Texas, where I will stay at home with the kids and my husband, Chris, will continue to practice law."

Ashley Blaschak became engaged on April 11, 2008, to **Marcus Stout**, a Vanderbilt graduate, in Washington, D.C. They were joined by their families and friends, including **Nichole Blaschak Crawford '97**, **Tiffany Elia**, **Kate Happel**, **Christine Eckert**, **Brett-Marie Russo**, **Katie Yingling** and **Megan Hargadon**. Marcus is president of Golden Moon and Tigerwing Tea Companies and Ashley, after graduating from Villanova with two master's degrees, is a freelance editor. They are planning a May 16

wedding in her hometown of Williamsport, Pa.

The Toronto Argonauts signed linebacker **Kevin Eiben** to a three-year contract extension, retaining the three-time CFL All Star through the 2011 season. — H.D.P.

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Nicole Sizgorich is engaged to **Erik Stahl**. The two will be married July 25 in Wayne, Pa. Nicole teaches high school math at Lower Merion High School and Erik is a revenue service analyst at Quest Diagnostics.

Caryn Weydemeyer Kelley writes that **Kristin Pisano Landman** will also be a bridesmaid in **Jacqueline Yang's** autumn wedding to **Brett Rogosin**. — M.P.

2003

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Amy Curlett Martin writes, "On June 14, **Travis '04** and I were married by Rev. Ian Oliver in traditional Bucknell fashion at Rooke Chapel. The wedding party included best man **John 'Dominic' Romany '04** and groomsmen **Michael Dubbs '04**, **Adam Vidoni '04**, **John Harner '04** and **Todd Curlett '00**. Bridesmaids included **Christine Howard '06** and **Emily Uhlman '05**. **Heather Shaw '05** was an usherette. **Sandi Maro '06** performed beautifully as the soloist and my cousin, **Kate Latimer '10**, was a reader. Other young alumni included **Scott Howard**, **Kristen Rafuse**, **Rich Moore '04**, **Emily Thede '04**, **Nate Clark '04**, **Dave '04** and **Liz**

Alumni Near&Far

Zollner Cook '04, Kim Cocoros Sacra '04, Katherine 'Kathe' Woodside '04, Adam Clark '05, Corrine Morgan '05 and Ashley Shaw '08. Also attending were my parents, **Phil '72** and **Susan Latimer Curlett '73**; my uncle, **Scott Latimer '77**; **Lynne Cooper Howard '73**; **Cheryl Cooper Shaw '73** and our photographer, **John Gardner '72.** We honeymooned in Antigua and live in Belchertown, Mass., where Travis works as a process engineer at Cytec Industries and I work as an assistant director of admission at the University of Massachusetts Amherst."

Audrey Esteban and **Jonathan Ditzler** were married April 19, 2008, in Convent Station, N.J. **Lauren McLaughlin McNutt** was the matron of honor and **Allison Hysong, Greg Barchuk** and **Sean McNutt '04** were in the bridal party. **Aaron Bates, Brian Albert, Joan Wendler '04, Jen Bunch '04** and **Ben Rupert '02** also helped celebrate. Jonathan is an environmental scientist at URS Corporation and Audrey is a communications systems engineer at Lockheed Martin. They live in the Philadelphia area.

Elizabeth Oesterling married **A. Phillip Owens III** Sept. 20, 2008, in Williamsburg, Va. Bucknellians in attendance included bridesmaid **Andrea Tucker, Jill Warker, Claire Hamilton** and **John Purcell.** Beth and Phil met while getting their Ph.D.s in toxicology at the University of Kentucky. They reside in Raleigh, N.C., where Beth works for the U.S. EPA.

Claire Hamilton is engaged to **Ryan Gilbert**, who proposed in Virginia Beach a day before Beth Owens' wedding. They live in Colorado and are planning a fall wedding.

Jennifer Foster's fiancé, **Alston "Tony" Feaster**, popped the question on New Year's Eve. He is a WVU graduate and a petty officer first class in the Navy. The couple met at the Defense Intelligence Agency, where they both still work, and are planning to wed next spring after Tony separates from the Navy.

Matt and Jennifer Wrigley Kawczenski welcomed their first baby, **Luke Matthew**, May 23, 2008. Matt works for the Harman Group in King of Prussia, Pa., as a structural engineer. Jennifer is with Olympus as a sales rep in the industrial microscope division.

Amy Marvel was selected from 1,700 American teachers to participate in the Japanese Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program. At the three-week cultural immersion experience in Japan, Amy attended seminars in Tokyo and visited elementary, middle and high schools, universities and a board of education in Nagasaki.

Amy Jones writes, "I had a baby boy on Aug. 13. His name is Benjamin Ryan. I'm still working at Bucks Dermatology Associates as a physician assistant and am married to **Geoffrey Jones.** We live in Fort Washington, Pa."

Leilani Shughart Reeder and her husband, **Tim**, added a fourth member to their family. **Kaia Renee** was born on Nov. 19, 2008, and joins a brother, **Eli**, 3.

Justin Blanding is engaged to **Kristen Zeigler.**

David Cohen is the general counsel at DCMI, an investment/financial planning firm in Dallas, Texas. He coaches a sixth-grade select basketball team and Highland Park High School's JV team. He is in touch with **Boakai Lalugba, Dan Blankenship, Louis "L.J." Petroni, Brian Werner** and a cast of other alums, including former coaches **Pat Flannery** and **Don Friday.** He is excited to see how Boakai's mission to "settle down," mentioned in previous Class Notes, is progressing.

Jamie Liberto Baleno '02 writes, "My husband, **Stephen**, and I welcomed **Olivia Marie** into the family on Dec. 2. She was born two years and one day apart from her brother, **Angelo.** We are all doing well and very excited for the newest addition to our family."

Bobby Myerow reports, "**Jimmy Freeman** married a lovely lady named **Channing Lovejoy**, who is better than he

is at golf. The wedding in Newport Beach/Laguna Niguel was a bash to be remembered, as **John Klaus** relived his techno dance party moves on the floor with the likes of **L.J. Petroni** and his lovely wife, **Mary, Stelio Saffos, Jonathan Riskin '04, Conrad '02** and **Erin Whyte Caplin '04,** and **Tom and Megan Joseph Giuntini**, aka 'Mrs. Hotsauce.' The highlight of the night was when an elderly man fell off a chair and broke his nose and **Brad de Voogd's '04** camera. **Steve Feather** could not make it to the wedding but he wrote a magnificent poem to Channing about his life at Bucknell with **Jimmy."**

Amanda Martin is engaged to **Justin Starling.** She lives in Jersey City and is in the last stages of finishing her doctorate in clinical psychology at Rutgers University and graduates in May.

Michele Lenzi is engaged to **Bryan Blades.**

Todd Warmington will marry **Kathleen Jordan '04** on May 9 at Rooke Chapel. Included in the wedding party are **Adam Lord** and **Eric Storm**, as well as **Elizabeth "Elsbeth" Fager '04, Kendra Johnston '04, Jennifer Mellon Peterson '04, Rachel Snyder '04** and **Kristen Tsou '04.**

Michelle McCotter finished an internship with Servant Partners in L.A. in June. She was hired by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and will work with students at Penn State University this fall. She lives in Mifflinburg, Pa., and will move to State College in February.

Kristen Barton Eyler writes that **Alicia DeFail** and **Andrew Baumberger** were married Nov. 15, 2008, in Pittsburgh, Pa. Bridesmaids included **Kristen, Hannah Young LeCount, Cristy DiMaria, Jenny DeRita** and **Carrie Jenkins.** Groomsmen included **John Bartholomew, Andrew Datt, Paul "Baxter" Datt, Scott McElhone** and **Bill Overbaugh.** The couple spent a week in Mexico afterward to celebrate and live in San Francisco.

Helen Shen Tarrach writes, "**Kent** and I are expecting our firstborn, a baby boy, in April.

We look forward to welcoming him into the world and to introducing him to all of his amazing Bucknell aunts and uncles."

Morgan Paige married **Ron Sklar.** Morgan is an associate brand manager in the Chicago office of Unilever.

Kate Kenner married **Bart Langlois** Nov. 8, 2008, in Charleston, S.C. Bucknellians in attendance included **Kate's** parents, **Richard '72** and **Robin Hummel Kenner '74,** who was matron of honor. Also on hand were **Richard Kenner III '08, Erika Reed, Meghan Harrigan, John Kenner '88,** and **Bill and Piper Scalzi Overbaugh.** Kate and Bart live in Charleston and honeymooned in the Virgin Islands.

Greg Fitzgerald and **Alison Landgraf** were married Oct. 18, 2008, in Gainesville, Va. Many Bucknellians attended, including bridesmaid **Kaity Brokaw,** best man **Juan Pedro "JP" Garcia-Tunon,** groomsman **David "Chris" Yantz,** ushers **Amanda Kaufman Regnier** and **Laura Baldwin Yantz '02,** and **John Purcell, Jill Warker, Evan '02** and **Miriam Sand Pfleger '01, Donny Whipple '04, Adam Turbett '04, Andy Frey '04, Melanie Ghiz, Jolene Hart, Blaire Zeiders, Jessica Ryan, Barrett McVary, Greg** and **Alisha Lang Green '05, Bridget Belvin, Niki Heck, Ben '02** and **Carolyn Conduct Boisvert '02, Phil Marcus, Dan Muchler '04** and **Jen Geiling '04.** They've moved into their new house in Alexandria, Va.

Stuart Taylor writes, "After earning my master's in mechanical and aerospace engineering, I moved to McKinney, Texas, to work for a small software company. My wife, **Theresa,** and I celebrated our one-year anniversary on the Riviera Maya in Mexico. We added to our family this past fall with our new black lab, **Roxy.** I have nearly completed a full year of working as an engineer for Raytheon within its Network Centric Systems company."

Justin Schwartz '04 is the ride manager for Hollywood Rip Ride Rockit, a new roller coaster set to open at Universal

Jessica Glenn '08 found her job through **B-Link**



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— Jessica Glenn '08, environmental studies major



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Studios Florida this spring.

Aimee Gallagher writes, "After years of long-distance dating, **Emily Smith '04** and **Sean Elliott '04** tied the knot on Aug. 22 at Belhurst Castle in upstate New York. The outdoor ceremony overlooking Lake Seneca was beautiful. Bridesmaids included Aimee and **Bozena Morawski '04**. Emily and Sean shared their day with two generations of Bucknellians, including Dave and Liz Zollner Cook, Kaity Brokaw, **Kacy Peckenpaugh '04**, Louise Kunkel Brokaw '72, **Bob '04** and **Kelsey Cook Jannarone '05**, **Ray P '04** and **Sue Nelson Elliott '72**, **P '04**, **Tim Van Houten '04**, **Brian Roberts '04**, **Bryan McLaughlin '04**, **Todd Smith '04**, **Jocelyn Dautel '05**, and **Scott '73** and **Karen Reid McCombe '72**. Emily and Sean live in Washington, D.C., where she works as a consultant and he is finishing his Ph.D. in

international relations. You can reach Emily at chloe998@yahoo.com and Sean at seanelliott121@yahoo.com." — P.N.J.

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Lindsay Morton finished her master's in psychology at

Villanova University last spring. She and **Jeff Montagna** live in Albany, N.Y., where she is completing her Ph.D., and he works as a network engineer. "While I lived outside of Philadelphia, Jeff and I were able to meet up with **Andrae 'Corey' Mayo** and **Steve Utke**, who are both doing great in their careers," Lindsay says. "I also spoke with **Kate Stiteler**, who moved to New Orleans after graduation and is still happy living there."

Merryl Geisse and **Leslie Niswander** live together in San Francisco. "We love our lives," says Merryl.

High school sweethearts **Erin Hicks** and **Tom Schaible** were engaged Nov. 14, 2008. The couple lives in West Chester, Pa., where Erin, who received her master's in education from Villanova University, is a chemistry teacher. Tom, a graduate of Lehigh University, is a lead software developer for Johnson

& Johnson. They plan to wed in October.

Lauren Mihalic is engaged to **Matt Dunne**, a graduate of Virginia Tech. She graduated from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and is a judicial clerk in the 25th Circuit Court of Virginia. **Matt**, a graduate of the University of Virginia School of Law, is an associate at the law firm of Wharton, Aldhizer & Weaver. They plan to wed May 23.

Julie Bellizzi married **Brandon Scuffins '06** Oct. 4, 2008. Bucknellians attending included **Suzanne Alphin**, **Lauren Stanoszek** and **Emily Thiel '07**. She works at the American Type Culture Collection in cell biology and is pursuing a master's in biotechnology. "I am happy to report that Lauren, a third-year medical student, is excelling as usual," says Julie. "Suz moved to Seattle earlier this year for work and we miss her greatly out east." — M.D.

2006

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Bethany Iero married **Ryan Wise** July 12, 2008, at Rooke Chapel with 28 Bucknellians in attendance. Bridesmaids included **Kim Baxter, Cory Downes, Melissa Hendricks** and **Allison Robl '05**. Groomsmen included **Cameron Sterner, Nicholas Schwientek** and **Mike Weigley**. A reception followed at the Lewisburg Hotel. The couple resides in Baltimore, Md.

Joel Buckman and **Jessica Beasley** are engaged. Joel surprised Jessica with a ring when they visited Bucknell on Oct. 11, 2008. They are living in Burlington, N.C., while Joel finishes his third year at Duke Law School, and Jessica completes her internship for an M.Ed. in school psychology at UNC Chapel Hill. After they graduate in May, they will move to Jacksonville, Fla., where Joel will clerk for a federal judge. They are planning an October wedding and look forward to the busy year ahead. — J.S.

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Bryan Bzdek is pursuing his Ph.D. at the University of Delaware's Center for Critical Zone Research, an interdisciplinary environmental center.

Jessica Glenn and **Rayna Mayo** are planning a spring 2010 wedding in their home state of Maine. Jessica says, "He told me if gas ever got below \$2 he would propose to me, so when it hit \$1.99 he popped the question."

Amy Hofmann is in her sec-

ond semester at the University of Maine–Orono working toward a master's in animal science while combining her research with the social work department. She says, "I am focusing my research on horses, looking at equine behavior and the use of horses in animal-assisted therapy sessions for patients, particularly veterans, suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder."

Erin Hozack is excited to start working on her master's in contemporary art at Sotheby's Art Institute beginning in September.

Heath Hullihen is engaged to marry Christianna Carter on May 2.

Elizaveta "Liza" Kabanova accepted an offer for a summer externship with the Honorable Arthur L. Alarcón, senior judge of the United States. "I am really excited to stay in Los Angeles over the summer to extern in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit for Judge Alarcón and to gain insight into the federal court system," she writes.

Amanda Kreger became engaged to Nick Heckman on Dec. 23, 2008, while visiting their families in Pennsylvania. They live and work near Seattle, Wash.

Connie Low is in London working for Deutsche Bank as an IBO control hub analyst, a year-long internship. She loves the opportunity to travel around Europe.

David Lopera writes that he is working at Bunim/Murray Productions as an assistant story editor on *The Real World* and previously worked on *Project Runway*, season six, as a logger and researcher. He is a part-time DJ and makes time for independent filmmaking, his longtime passion.

Sarah Ort married Joe Temple in July, 2008. They live in Fort Collins, Colo., where Sarah teaches French at Preston Middle School and snowboards on the weekends. She says, "Bucknellians are always welcome to visit and stay at our house in Steamboat for some Colorado mountain fun."

Mike Rakszawski attended the 25th Annual Leadership Conference of the National Catholic Student Coalition in Atlanta, Ga., and completed Technical Development Curriculum I in the Lockheed Martin Engineering Leadership Development Program.

Melissa Ravely is the inventory supervisor at a Border's bookstore in Columbus, Ohio, and is in her second semester at Kent State University pursuing a master's in library and information science.

Deborah Sandler and **Benjamin "Jamie" Haseltine '07** were engaged in December.

Matt Saylor is an eighth-grade history teacher at Lewisburg Middle School.

Ashley Shaw is researching sharks as an intern at the Mote Marine Lab in Sarasota, Fla.

Allison "Ali" Zimmerer works at the Department of Homeland Security. — L.C.

nieces and nephews. Her husband, **George '34**, preceded her in death.

1935

Jean Hagenbach More M'36, Pekin, Ill., on Dec. 27, 2008. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega, Sigma Tau Delta, *L'Agenda* and *The Bucknellian*. She was a high school English teacher, wrote a column called "Remember When" for the *Pekin Daily Times* and was a class reporter for 12 years. She is survived by two children, nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Joseph Rhubright, Laceyville, Pa., on Jan. 13. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta, played basketball and was the last surviving member of Bucknell's 1935 Orange Bowl champion football team. He was inducted into the Carbon County Sports Hall of Fame in 1995. After retiring from Atlas Powder Co., he worked for the Environmental Resources Department of the State of Pennsylvania until retiring in 1980. Survivors include two children, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

IN MEMORIAM

1930

Christeen Cornely, Hollidaysburg, Pa., on Jan. 21. A member of Phi Mu, she was predeceased by her sister, **Margaret Cornely MacNab '33**, and is survived by nieces and nephews.

1932

Anna Weigold Mussina, Dundalk, Md., on Dec. 15, 2008. She was a member of Phi Mu and a Bucknell Club Committee volunteer. She completed her graduate work at Johns Hopkins University. She was head of the English department in Milton, Pa., schools and later was English department chair for junior high schools in Baltimore County, Md. She also served as a member of the opening faculty at North Point before retiring from General Stricker Junior High School in 1976. Survivors include one son and numerous

1937

Laurence Welliver, Binghamton, N.Y., on Nov. 5. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha.

1938

Doris Scharfenberg, Fort Worth, Texas, on Jan. 4. A member of Cap & Dagger, Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Lambda Delta and Chorale, she received Bucknell's Achievement in Chosen Profession Award in 1972 and was a Board of Trustees emerita. She received a master's from New York University, an honorary doctor of laws from Muhlenberg College and an honorary doctor of humanities from Lafayette College. She

retired from the National Broadcasting Co. in 1980 after receiving Freedom Foundation Awards and nine Emmy awards, among others.

1940

Geraldine Frame, Gladwyne, Pa., on Jan. 14. A member of Concern and Action, *The Bucknellian* and Cap & Dagger, she was treasurer for the family business, Monarch Manufacturing Works, Inc. Survivors are two children including **Edgar "Bart" '66**, seven grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren and a sister.

1941

Richard Kedersha, Melbourne, Fla., on Oct. 8, 2008. He served in the Navy in WWII and retired with a rank of commander. He was a registered pharmacist and earned two master's, as well as a Ph.D. in business administration. He served on the faculty of Rutgers College of Pharmacy for more than 30 years, coached its basketball team to several championships and retired as a full professor and chair of the business administration department. Surviving is his daughter, **Nancy Kedersha '73**.

Richard Lichtermann, Cordova, Tenn., on Dec. 23, 2008. A member of Cap & Dagger, Phi Kappa Psi and *L'Agenda*, he was a retired commander in the Navy and predeceased by his wife, **Marie Roversi Tydings '40**, and a son. Survivors include two children.

1942

Anne Randle Waldner, Charlottesville, N.C., on Dec. 23, 2008. A member of Delta Delta Delta, Theta Alpha Phi and the Bucknell Club Committee, she served in the Navy during WWII as a W.A.V.E. She was prede-

ceased by her husband, **Craig Waldner '40**, and is survived by five children, one sister, 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

1943

Marjorie Hopwood Richardson, Vero Beach, Fla., on Jan. 2. A Delta Delta Delta member, she was active with *L'Agenda* and Concern and Action, and met her husband, **Danforth '42**, on a blind date. They established the The Danforth K. and Marjorie H. Richardson Scholarship for students demonstrating financial need. Survivors include her husband, three daughters, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

1944

Gordon Brownell, Salem, Mass., on Nov. 11, 2008. He was a member of Delta Upsilon and received his Ph.D. from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). During WWII, he served in the Navy Research Group to develop acoustic devices to detect deep-sea mines. Gordon was professor emeritus of nuclear science and engineering at MIT. Survivors include his wife, six children, a brother, **Roscoe '42**, and seven grandchildren.

Ronald Macpherson, Bloomington, Ill., on Dec. 17, 2008. He was a member of Delta Upsilon and the Navy V-12 Program. He was also a Class of '44 50th anniversary volunteer. He was a WWII Navy veteran, earning the rank of lieutenant junior grade and serving on the U.S.S. *Livermore*. Ronald was an electrical engineer for General Electric Co. for several years before retiring. Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, two sons and daughters-in-law, eight grandchildren, one sister and two brothers. He was predeceased by his wife.

1946

Joan Waterman Sarjeant, Orange City, Fla., on Nov. 7, 2008. A member of Phi Mu, student government, band and Chorale, she was a fourth-grade teacher. She was predeceased by a son, who was killed in Vietnam, and is survived by her husband, four children and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

1947

Glenn Hawkins, Redding, Calif., on Dec. 20, 2008. A WWII veteran and decorated Boy Scout, he taught high school mathematics for 25 years. Survivors include his wife, five children, 10 grandchildren and a great-grandchild. He was predeceased by his father, **Orwill '13**, and his mother, **Marian Harman Hawkins '14**.

A. Thomas Wilson, Lewisburg, Pa., on Feb. 22. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha, he served in the Navy during WWII and earned a degree in law from Washington and Lee School of Law. In 1974 he became a president judge and he retired in 2006. Survivors include his wife, **Doris Ranck Wilson '43**; three children, **Michael '71**, **Martin '76** and **Kathleen Wilson Norris '78**; a sister; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

1948

Robert Vanderlin, Montoursville, Pa., on Dec. 4, 2008. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon and the Navy V-12 Program. He was an ensign in the Navy from 1944-46. A graduate of the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, he practiced pediatric medicine in Williamsport for 40 years. Survivors include four sons, one sister, 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

1949

Carmen Zetler Clayton, Monroeville, Pa., on Dec. 15, 2008. Survivors include two daughters, a stepdaughter, a sister, four grandchildren and a great-grandson.

Betty Ibach Emery, Lewisburg, Pa., on Sept. 4, 2008. A member of Delta Zeta, Chapel Choir, she was a class reporter for four years and an administrative assistant in the chemistry department at the University of Vermont for more than 20 years. She was an officer in the Navy, served in the Korean War and was buried at the Naval Academy. Survivors include two sons and nine grandchildren.

William Gaus, Deerfield Beach, Fla., on June 19, 2008. He served in the Navy during WWII and was an attorney. Survivors include his second wife, two children, three grandchildren and two siblings.

Edward Glover, Columbus, N.C., on Nov. 28, 2008. A member of Phi Kappa Psi and Chorale, he was senior vice president of Morrison, Inc. and served as treasurer of the Hilton Head Symphony Orchestra. He was predeceased by his brother, **Donald '41**, and is survived by his wife, **Shirley "Rae" Schultz Glover '49**, his son, **Bruce '80**, a daughter and four grandchildren.

Raymond Mechak, Annapolis, Md., on Dec. 4, 2008. He was predeceased by his wife, **Irene Koniecko Mechak '46**, and is survived by 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

1950

Barbara Jespersen, Mount Pleasant, S.C., on Jan. 13. She was a Kappa Delta member and a teacher. Survivors include her husband, four children and eight grandchildren.

Ralph Jones M'51, Inverness, Fla., on Jan. 19. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Mu Epsilon and band, he was a class reporter and a retired Navy brigadier general. The former

dean of the college at Valley Forge Military Academy, he was a published opera reviewer and critic. Survivors include his wife, a daughter and three grandsons.

Alan Lagergren, Barrington, R.I., on Dec. 16, 2008. He was a member of Theta Chi. He received his master's in business administration from Indiana University. He was a Navy officer co-pilot and navigator during WWII. Alan was a CLU and deputy underwriter for the former Equitable Life Assurance Company for 31 years before retiring in 1980. Survivors include his wife, two brothers, one sister-in-law and several nieces and nephews.

Clement Majcher, North Myrtle Beach, N.C., on Dec. 18, 2008. A member of *L'Agenda*, he was an Army veteran and retired from General Electric Corp. after 30 years of service. Survivors include his wife, two children and two grandchildren.

Alex Pulianas, Baltimore, Md., on Nov. 2, 2008. A member of Sigma Chi and football letterman, he earned a master's from the University of Maryland. He was predeceased by a brother, **George**, and is survived by his wife, three children and seven grandchildren.

Rev. Irene Melhuish Sprague, McPherson, Kan., on Feb. 19. A member of band and chorale, she was an ordained minister and served as a captain in the Salvation Army. She was a social worker and substitute teacher, and wrote several books of poetry. Survivors include her husband, five children, 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Robert Sterr, Lancaster, Pa., on Jan. 9. A member of Phi Kappa Psi, he played semi-professional basketball and served in the Army. He worked at the Pentagon for eight years, then at RCA. Survivors include his wife, **Margaret Mesics Sterr**, two children and two grandchildren.

1951

John Minnich, Little River, S.C., on March 21. A Tau Kappa Epsilon member, he is survived by two children, three grandchildren and a brother.

Richard Riley, Phoenix, Ariz., on Nov. 8, 2008. A member of Kappa Sigma, he was an Army veteran and served in WWII. Survivors include his brothers, **John '42** and **William '40**. His mother, **Ethel Heiter Riley '16**, died in 1991.

Donald Stevenson, Lewisburg, Pa., on Dec. 28, 2008. A member of the Debating Club, he was a veteran of WWII. He retired after 30 years as a regional sales manager. In addition to his wife, survivors include six children, 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Beverly Hall Waite, Haiku, Hawaii, on Oct. 2, 2008. A member of NAACP, *L'Agenda* and Concern and Action, she was a retired farmer. She is survived by her former husband, **Ralph '52**, two daughters and a granddaughter.

1952

Joan Turnbaugh Sullivan, Venice, Fla., on Jan. 31. She was a member of Delta Delta. Survivors include her husband, Frank, two children and three grandchildren.

Daniel Woodside, Marlton, N.J., on Nov. 4, 2008. He was a member of the American Chemical Society, Phi Lambda Theta, Phi Eta Sigma, Pi Mu Epsilon and *L'Agenda*. After graduating cum laude, he earned a Ph.D. from Rutgers State University. He was predeceased by his father, **Wendell Woodside '24**.

1953

Hugh Brown, Bel Air, Md., on Aug. 15, 2008. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Chorale, he was a class officer and engaged in ROTC. He

earned a master's in computer science from Johns Hopkins University, and was predeceased by his wife, **Ruth Zimmerman Brown**.

Bernie "Bunny" Ball Himes, Fairfax, Va., on Jan. 2. She was predeceased by her husband and a son and is survived by a son, a brother, two nephews, four great-nephews and many cousins.

Mark Jacobson, Glencoe, Ill., on Dec. 18, 2008. A member of the debating club and Cap & Dagger, he is survived by his wife, two brothers, including **William '62**, two children, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Richard Klemm, Willow Street, Pa., on Jan. 11. He was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Sigma Chi, Phi Eta Sigma, Pi Mu Epsilon, Tau Beta Pi and *L'Agenda*. He earned a master's from New York University and served as a corporal in the Army during the Korean War. He retired in 1981 from AT&T to become vice president of finance for GTE and was later named executive vice president, portfolio management, for Warburg Pincus Investments. He and his wife, **June Christ Klemm '54**, operated the Boxwood Inn bed-and-breakfast in Akron, Pa. Survivors include his wife, three children and six grandchildren.

Ned Miller, Albuquerque, N.M., on Dec. 5, 2008. He was a member of Cap & Dagger, Sigma Alpha Mu, *L'Agenda*, *The Bucknellian*, WVBV and the baseball and basketball teams. He was a certified life underwriter, past president of the New Mexico-EI Paso Leukemia-Lymphoma Society and New Mexico Council for the Humanities, and a member of the board of the New Mexico Holocaust Museum. Survivors include his wife and children, Jonathan and **Alison '87**.

1954

Hon. Peter Ciolino, Little Falls, N.J., on Jan. 3. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, *The*

Bucknellian and *L'Agenda*, he was a Superior Court assignment judge, attorney and member of the New Jersey State Judiciary for 30 years. He graduated from the Fordham University School of Law and served in the Army. He was an adjunct professor at Seton Hall University. He retired from the judiciary in 1997 to re-enter private practice. Survivors include his wife, sister, three children and six grandchildren.

Fred Locke, Lehigh Acres, Fla., on Jan. 25. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, *The Bucknellian*, *L'Agenda* and WVBV, he played soccer and rugby. He was a helicopter pilot in Vietnam and received the Distinguished Flying Cross. He later flew *Army One* during the Kennedy presidency. Survivors include his wife and four children.

1955

Peter Straub, Hampton, N.J., on Dec. 23, 2008. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Interfraternity Council, *The Bucknellian* and *L'Agenda*, he was captain of the golf team and played intramural sports. He attained the rank of captain in the Marine Corps and was a stockbroker with Paine Webber. Survivors include his wife, **Virginia "Ginny" McCully Straub '56**, three children, eight grandchildren and a sister.

1956

Ralph Hoffmann Jr., Vienna, Va., on Dec. 4, 2008. A member of Kappa Sigma, Cap & Dagger, WVBV, Chorale and *L'Agenda*, he was an ROTC commissioned officer. He was a Broadway dancer, stage manager for the Washington National Ballet, chief of Wolf Trap Farm Parks' division of performing arts and the artistic administrator of the Kirov Academy of Ballet. Survivors include his wife, two daughters and a brother.

1958

Oliver Clowe M'59, Mississauga, Ont., Canada, on Oct. 3, 2008. He was a member of Phi Lambda Theta and an ROTC commissioned officer. Survivors include his wife, **Carol McMahon Clowe '59**, and one son.

1959

Jeanne Ferris Ryan, Newport, R.I., on Nov. 28, 2008. A member of Cap & Dagger, Kappa Delta, *L'Agenda*, WBVU and *The Bucknellian*, she was a board member of the Huntington Theatre Company and the Newport Music Festival, among others. She was a Boston landmarks commissioner, Massachusetts film commissioner and a founding member of the Boston Theatre District Association.

1960

Timothy Booser, Renton, Wash., on Aug. 4, 2008. He was a member of Kappa Delta Rho and the Economics Society.

Joseph Petrelli Jr., Branford, Conn., on April 7, 2008. A member of the Pre-Medical Society, Psychology Club and Lambda Chi Alpha, he graduated from the Georgetown University School of Dentistry. He was a captain in the Air Force. Survivors include his wife, two children, two brothers and many nieces and nephews.

Kenneth Wightman, Woodstock, Ga., on Jan. 11. A member of Delta Upsilon, Omicron Delta Kappa, *The Bucknellian*, *L'Agenda* and Chorale, he was a wrestler. Survivors include two daughters.

1962

Larry Carson, Dallas, Pa., on Jan. 24. A member of Theta Chi, he had a long career with Sandoz Pharmaceuticals, was an Eagle Scout Troop leader, a volunteer fireman and ambulance member.

Survivors include his wife, three children including **Holly Carson Mayer '86**, six grandchildren and a brother.

Richard Swope, Virginia Beach, Va., on Dec. 20, 2008. He was a member of the Debating Club and Phi Kappa Psi, and played soccer and basketball. An infantry captain in the Marine Corps., he graduated cum laude from Washington and Lee University Law School and practiced law for 30 years. He was predeceased by a brother, **Charles '53**, and is survived by a daughter, **Dawn Hall Apgar '88**, two grandsons, and two ex-wives, including **Karen Glass Hall '63**.

1966

Robert Nylen, Ashfield, Mass., on Dec. 23, 2008. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha and *The Bucknellian*, he was co-founder and publisher of the *New England Monthly*. He earned a Bronze Star and two Purple Hearts while serving in Vietnam. He co-founded Beliefnet.com and Waterfront Media, and his first book, *Guts: One American Guy's Reckless, Lucky Life*, will be published posthumously in May. Survivors include his wife, **Katharine Hopkins Nylen '67**, and a daughter.

1967

Carl Stahl, West Nyack, N.Y., on May 12, 2008. He was a member of Theta Chi and an attorney. Survivors include his wife, two children, a sister and two grandchildren.

1968

Richard Mauro, Spring Garden Township, Pa., on Dec. 30, 2008. A member of Phi Lambda Theta and band, he served in the Navy and was a drum instructor at the Navy School of Music. He later worked as a professional jazz drummer. He began his

chiropractic practice in 1983 and owned the Eight Stones yoga studio. Survivors include his wife, two children, a sister and a granddaughter.

1969

Margaret Crowson Brooks, Lenexa, Ky., on Nov. 11, 2008. She was a member of Cap & Dagger, student government and Mortar Board. She taught secondary school and was later the curator of education for the Johnson County Museum of History. Survivors include her husband, **Harry '67**, and one daughter.

1986

James Owens, Edina, Minn., on Jan. 4. A member of the Economics Society and Phi Kappa Psi, he was a swimmer and water polo player. He was a mechanical engineer and a triathlete, who raced for cancer survivors. He earned an MBA from Northwestern University and received Bucknell's Service to Humanity Award in 2006. Survivors include his wife, son, mother and five siblings.

1987

William Holloway III, Austin, Texas, on Jan. 8. A member of Alpha Lambda Delta, he was a dean's list student and received the W. Norwood Lowry Prize in 1987. He earned a master's in non-linear physics from the University of Texas and worked at National Instruments before leaving to specialize in web and software design. He was co-chair of the Travis County Green Party and a volunteer counselor for a rape crisis center. Survivors include his parents, a sister and two nephews.

1993

David Treston, West Hollywood, Calif., on Dec. 29, 2008. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Eta Sigma and *The Catalyst*, he was a dean's list student, resident assistant and alumni admissions representative. He received a juris doctor at Cornell University and was director of business affairs at Cinevolve Studios and a founding partner at Treston & Redmond. He created Top Ten Media Vend, Inc. and founded consulting group Mehav Day. Survivors include his mother, **Myrna Hage Treston '57, M'90**, and three siblings.

FRIENDS

Margery Huston Freas P'74, Amelia Island, Fla., on Jan. 26. She served in the Coast Guard and earned degrees at York Junior College, Millersville University and Virginia Commonwealth University. She and her husband, **Arthur '48**, established the A. Guy Freas Scholarship. Survivors include her husband, four children including **Donald '74**, seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, three step-great-grandchildren and two brothers.

Karl Hartzell, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., on Dec. 5, 2008. He was former dean of Bucknell University and Cornell College. Survivors include his wife, three sons, one granddaughter and two great-granddaughters.

ERRATA

We apologize for inaccurate information in the obituary for **Elaine Lamping Dailey**. It should have read: Elaine Lamping Dailey, Arvada, Colo., on Aug. 29. She is survived by husband, **John '74**, her parents, two brothers, a sister, two daughters, a grandson and numerous nieces and nephews. She was a homemaker and wedding coordinator — and so much, much more.

Gift of the Magi 101

A class assignment yields an unexpected gift for a grieving family.

By Sharon Campbell and Judy Harris

For nearly four years after suffering a stroke, our mother, Theresa Mack, lived in River-Woods, an assisted-living facility in Lewisburg, Pa. Shortly after Christmas this year, she developed a blood clot, and the family was told that she would die within the week. Family members stayed with her around the clock. She was lucid for only two more days before we lost touch with her completely.

After she passed away, we began the sad business of sorting through the last of her personal belongings. In her room, we found what we thought was a CD of Christmas music that the nurses had brought in to comfort her. To our surprise, we soon discovered that it was a DVD of an interview. There was our mom, staring back at us on the TV, laughing, recalling her life and at times telling old stories so clearly it was hard to believe she'd had a stroke. We were too stunned to cry. Rather, we laughed with her on the video. The origin of the DVD was a mystery, but it was the best Christmas present we've ever received.

With a bit of digging, we soon learned that Bucknell students from a Management 101 course had been assigned to produce a documentary recounting memories of WWII. Unbeknownst to everyone in the family, our mother was one of the interviewees. The students had given each interviewee a DVD to share with their families.

Like many stroke victims, she had become dysphasic, turning her words inside out and sometimes not making sense at all. People asked us, "Why didn't she tell you about the video?"



Truth is, we didn't know what we were going to hear from her, or what was real and what wasn't. That's what makes some of the video hilarious. She told the students she lived in a coal mine, and the dust was flying everywhere. Then she'd say, "No

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that's not right, that's not right. I lived in a house in Scranton." She told many stories, but real or imagined, they were all funny and touching. She would roll her eyes and make the gestures that she always did. Seeing the video was like having her in the room

with us. We never thought we'd see her happy again.

These students had no idea what kind of gift they were giving, not just to us, but also to our family. We made many copies of the DVD and gave them to family members at her funeral. The last memory her grandchildren and great-grandchildren was of Grandma lying in bed. Now, we're all able to laugh with her again. We have worked at Bucknell for many years, but never before have we felt such appreciation for the Bucknell family.

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A Cornerstone Conversation



CHARLIE VOGEL '37 <

At Bucknell in the '30s

Now in his 90s

Big band and swing

Jacket and tie

Wrestling and swimming

Sold silk stockings door-to-door

Supports Bucknell scholarships every year

> BRIDGETTE MAYER '96

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Now in her 30s

Punk and reggae

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