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A Worthy Quality

Diversity has become both provocative and vital in higher education. The inclusiveness and openness it invokes are not only essential to broad-based learning, but have long been core values of the United States, where immigrants established a society ultimately organized around the principle that the opportunities of a free society should be available to everyone. At this University, I am proud to say, diversity is not only one of the top five goals of *The Plan for Bucknell*, but a goal we have pursued with conviction.

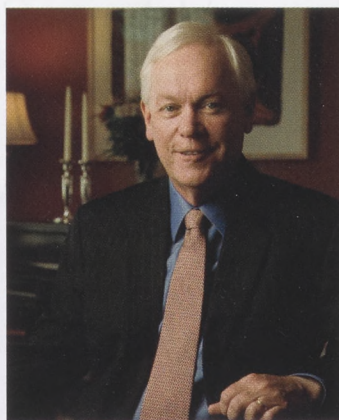
Bucknellians know that we enrolled our first international student only 12 years after our founding in 1846. We enrolled women long before far older peers such as Harvard – as Professor Russell Dennis points out in the Bucknell history course being filmed this year, as discussed in this magazine. Today, we enroll students from across America and the world, of every ideological, religious, ethnic, and personal persuasion.

But it is still not always a given that diversity is intrinsic to a strong university life. As I prepare to conclude my tenure as president this June, and having served in a leadership capacity in private higher education for more than 20 years, I have encountered nearly every conceivable view of the mission of higher education. One flashpoint remains the term “diversity.” It is perceived by some not as a commitment to inclusiveness, but as a euphemism for Affirmative Action or political correctness and thus can invoke the same tensions those terms do.

Enrolling academically qualified students regardless of background, however, is more than a legal and moral imperative; as alumni constantly remind me, it is essential to providing a first-class education. Higher education prepares students not only by how it educates, but also by whom it brings together. Our duty and success in fact are intimately connected, for learning never occurs in isolation.

Bucknell has made much progress. In the last few years, we have become a national leader in private higher education in enrolling Posse Scholars, who are outstanding students from urban areas, as well as in enrolling the best community college transfer scholars. Instead of enrolling students from 30 or 40 countries, as we did only a few years ago, we now enroll students from more than 60. Our faculty diversity has grown too. Meanwhile, in building bridges with the local community and alumni and parent communities worldwide, Bucknell has opened new exchanges of ideas. And through the Bucknell Forum and other campus events, we have increased the range of voices heard on campus about challenging contemporary issues.

This magazine's focus on the impact that Bucknellians have on the world as diplomats is a potent reminder of how important diversity is. It arises naturally in a global society. Such openness has long been a distinguishing feature of Bucknell's history, and remains a quality worthy of a higher education lead —*Brian C. Mitchell, President*



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Letters

BISON KEEPERS

I read, with interest, the back page of the winter 2010 issue that featured the B-Link contest asking for the name of Bucky Bison's employer. It brought to mind that Bucknell University actually had a Bison mascot around 1947, and **Tony Hoying '48** and I were his keepers. (If the bison had been female, her name would have been Nellie.)

We received this bison, Bucky, from **Shirley Shumberger Beiseigel's '49** father who ran a buffalo farm in the Allentown area and had a young buffalo that had been abandoned by its mother. At the time, my wife, Gladys, and I lived on a 400-acre farm in Montandon, owned by Abe and Meida Fairchild, whose two daughters, **Mary Jane '48 [Daughenbaugh]** and **Dotty '50 [Wolford]**, also attended Bucknell. Abe granted me permission to run this bison with his cow herd.

We replaced the rear seat of my Mercury convertible with straw and would take Bucky to home football games. Bucky hated people, especially me, so we got him to chase me into the convertible, closed the doors behind him and dropped the top of the convertible.

Half-time entertainment included Bucky chasing me around the quarter-mile track, possibly setting records. He died the next spring of unknown causes.

Bill Watkinson Jr. '45
Flemington, N.J.

OLDEST LIVING ALUM

As a faculty member and alumnus, I have recently communicated with **Dave Humphreys '96**, who works in the U.S. Embassy in Bangkok and was featured in an article about soldier-scholars last year [spring 2009]. This correspondence reconnected me with Dave's father, **Dave Humphreys '66**, a fraternity brother of mine when I was a student. David '66 tells me that his father, **Paul '28**, is alive and doing very well at the age of 104. Paul was a fraternity brother of my father-in-law, **Charlie White '25**.

Quite a history of Demies (DUs now). David '66 tells me that David '96 is the 34th member of his family to graduate from Bucknell, and many of these graduates have Ph.D.s, MDs or other advanced degrees.

Paul must be one of Bucknell's oldest living alumni, if not the oldest.

Richard McGinnis '68
Lewisburg, Pa.

Ed. Note: After an exhaustive search, our records office reports that Paul Humphreys is indeed the oldest living alumnus that we are able to confirm. To read more about him being inducted into Phi Beta Kappa the year he turned 100, go to www.bucknell.edu/x17830.xml.

MORE ON MOOSE

I'd like to follow up on the letter about **Moose McCormick 1904** in the winter issue. In a recently published book, *The First Fall Classic: The Red Sox, the Giants and the Cast of Players, Pugs and Politicos Who Re-Invented the World Series in 1912* by Mike Vaccaro, Moose is given his just due as pinch hitter during that series.

Jim LaBraico '54
Boston, Mass.

AN ERROR OF THEATRICAL PROPORTIONS

I was surprised and delighted to see myself getting powdered in the full-page photo on page 34 of the winter issue. I'd never seen that photo of the preparation for our performance of *The Mikado* and have added it to my collection of *Mikado* performance photos.

Unfortunately, the photo was mischaracterized. First, the performance was in 1959, not in 1973. Second, it was not a Cap and Dagger production, but was rather a Delta Upsilon "Demie Play," performed by an all-male cast of fraternity brothers. And finally, the performance was in the Lewisburg High School auditorium, as the Coleman Hall theatre had not yet been built.

It was good to be reminded of that long-ago happy experience — to this

day, *The Mikado* remains my favorite Gilbert and Sullivan work.

Herb Bohler '58
Flemington, N.J.

Ed. Note: Bucknell Magazine stands corrected. In addition to Herb Bohler, we also heard from **Robert Harder '59**, who identified **Fred Bioren '59** on the left and **Don Shields '59** in the middle; **Bob Buys '59**, who appeared in the Demie Play as Yum Yum, the third maid; and **Ann Sturgeon Lentz '60**, who remembers the play being held on an uncomfortably warm day in spring 1959. The error occurred when we went to University Archives to research the unidentified photo and found a playbill from a performance of *The Mikado* done by Cap and Dagger in 1973, thus the source of the misinformation. Our University Archivist is grateful to all who contacted us with the correct information.

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News&Notes

Looking Up to Knowledge

Bucknell history course captured for posterity.

By Sam Alcorn

From its founding as the University of Lewisburg in 1846, when a group of Baptists deemed it “desirable that a literary institution should be established in Central Pennsylvania,” to its becoming one of the nation’s top liberal arts institutions, Bucknell University has experienced many changes, all while remaining true to its beginnings as an academic “beacon.”

The Female Institute, 1870



“Remember, it was almost the frontier,” **Russell Dennis ’64**, assistant professor of education, says of Lewisburg in the mid-19th century, when Stephen Taylor, a Bucknell founder, first spied the hill upon which the University would be built.

“From Philadelphia, you came in by canal — four miles per hour — to Montandon,” Dennis says. “Then it was a crosscut across the Susquehanna to Lewisburg. When you looked up, you saw Old Main sitting on the highest piece of real estate in Lewisburg. It was a very symbolic placement of the University. It was the intellectual city on the hill. You were looking up to knowledge.”

Bucknell’s history, culture and traditions, which have guided the University through the years, are captured this semester in Dennis’ Capstone course, “Bucknell of Yesteryear and Today.” This is the seventh and final time Dennis, resident Bucknell historian, will teach the course. He will retire at the end of this academic year.

To preserve and share Dennis’ knowledge of Bucknell’s history, each session of the class is being videotaped and posted online along with dozens of documents and other materials Dennis has assembled for the course. This is the first time Bucknell has provided a course online in its entirety.

The course is divided into four time periods: University at Lewisburg from 1846 to 1886; growth and transformation from 1887 to 1929; the Great Depression,

World War II and its aftermath, 1930 to 1949; and Bucknell in the second half of the 20th century, 1950 to 2000.

"In some ways, it is quite typical of a denominational liberal arts college," Dennis says of the University's 164-year history. "However, in other ways it is quite different."

For example, Bucknell was far ahead of its peers in admitting women, becoming co-educational nearly a century before other universities such as Brown, Dartmouth and Harvard. "Bucknell first admitted females as first-years in 1883, but had the Female Institute from its beginning," Dennis says.

Dennis uses architecture, campus walks and digital archives to give the class first-hand meaning. Students are asked to reflect on how the architecture and physical nature of the campus at different times influenced the form and meaning of a Bucknell education.

He points to the first two buildings on campus, now called Taylor and Roberts Halls, and notes that they were built in an imposing classical Greek style. Both were designed by Thomas Ustick Walter, who was responsible for adding the Senate and House wings and the central dome to the U.S. Capitol building.

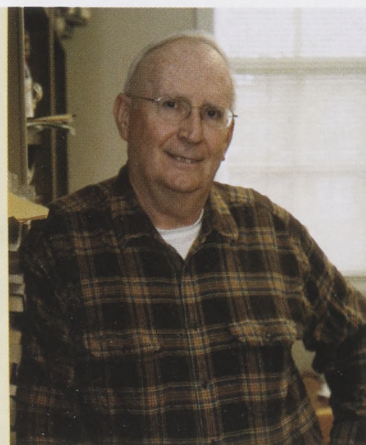
In contrast, the Female Institute was built downhill in an Italianate style, reflecting in part the charge of the institute at the time to be a sort of finishing school for women. Nonetheless, men and women did share classes in the University's earliest days, Dennis notes, although the men and women sat on opposite sides of the room.

Throughout the semester, Dennis asked class participants to "reflect on how their Bucknell education is similar to as well as different from the intent and meaning of a Bucknell education in the past," he says.

Witness to a Half Century of Change

Bucknell alumnus and history professor glances backward.

By Russell Dennis '64



When I arrived on the campus as a freshman with a dink on my head and a hand-lettered sign around my neck, compulsory chapel attendance had just ceased to be a graduation requirement; all physically fit males had to take the two-year basic ROTC course for which a grade was given; all students were required to take two years of physical education for which a grade was given that along with that for ROTC was included in the cumulative GPA; and all students had to pass a swimming test in order to graduate.

Males lived "on the hill" in the male dormitories, while females lived "down hill" in the female dormitories or in the houses along St. George, Sixth, Taylor and Walker Streets. Freshman males had their own cafeteria in their own recently constructed dormitory. Most women were served family-style meals by student servers in the Women's Dining Hall where they had to appear in "proper dress," while upperclass men and a few selected females went through the line at the University Cafeteria and ate at long tables, which probably were the same ones used by the V-12 cadets in the early 1940s. Women had "hours," while men did not. People actually went out on dates, and when men picked up their dates in the women's dormitories, a student receptionist would call the hall phone on the date's floor to inform the girl that the guy was waiting in the lounge. There was only one phone on each floor, which made communication between the sexes difficult at times and which is why many students actually exchanged hand written notes and letters.

Most students smoked cigarettes, and many faculty members smoked either cigarettes or pipes. There were ashtrays in offices and on the tables in seminar rooms, and in the halls were large concrete receptacles partially filled with sand for collecting cigarette butts. Some faculty members even smoked when lecturing in the classroom. Bells rang in the halls and classrooms on the hour to announce the beginning of classes and 52 minutes later to announce the ending. Classes were held six days a week, but not on Saturday afternoons.

While I was a student, the history department changed some of the requirements for the major, adding a course in historiography. Since I had met the requirements for the major that had been in effect when I entered the University, I complained to the chair that this was not fair. He told me that it was. I made an appointment with the dean. I recall his response clearly. He reached for his copy of the catalogue, opened it quickly, and pointed to a well-worn passage, which stated something like, "The catalogue is not a contract between the University and the student." I took the course.

As I look back on a nearly 50-year history with my alma mater, I realize that though social mores have changed with the times, the heart of the University beats just as strong in this century as it has in the past.

To access Professor Dennis' course online, go to www.bucknell.edu/x58158.xml.



New President Announced

John Bravman named 17th president of Bucknell University.

By Molly O'Brien-Foelsch M'98

John C. Bravman, a distinguished professor and academic leader at Stanford University, has been named the 17th president of Bucknell University by unanimous vote of the Board of Trustees. Bravman will begin his duties as president July 1, 2010. He will succeed Brian C. Mitchell, who last year announced his intention to step down from the presidency after six years in the role.

"John Bravman is a highly accomplished teacher, scholar and university administrator," says Board Chair **Kenneth W. Freeman '72**. "He has led many aspects of Stanford's renowned undergraduate programs and is well prepared to guide Bucknell as it moves forward as one of America's finest liberal arts universities. We welcome him with great enthusiasm and anticipation."

For 11 years, Bravman has led Stanford's undergraduate program as the Freeman-Thornton Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education. He also is the Bing Centennial Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, professor of electrical engineering by courtesy and founding dean of Stanford's Freshman-Sophomore Residential College.



John Bravman will take office as Bucknell University's 17th president on July 1.

"It is a deep honor and privilege to be selected to lead such a great institution," Bravman says. "Bucknell has a storied history, with a faculty and staff respected around the country. I am also well aware of the love and enthusiasm it has enjoyed from alumni, parents and other friends who are so important to the education and service Bucknell delivers. I will do everything in my power to prove worthy of the trust that the Board of Trustees and the Bucknell community have placed in me."

Born and raised in New York City and Long Island, Bravman completed his B.S., M.S. and doctoral degrees in materials science and engineering at Stanford, where he has been a faculty member for 26 years. He has received numerous prestigious teaching awards, including the Walter J. Gores Award, Stanford's highest teaching honor. The co-author of more than 160 publications, Bravman is a renowned scholar in the fields of materials structure and analysis, thin-film mechanical phenomena, microelectronic reliability and high-temperature superconductivity. He is expected to join Bucknell's electrical engineering faculty in a tenured position.

As vice provost for undergraduate education, Bravman led the development of new pedagogies, rebuilt Stanford's system of residential education and created the Stanford Summer Engineering Academy for students from under-resourced schools. He has worked

closely with admissions and financial aid to support campus diversity efforts.

Bravman will join Bucknell during the private phase of its \$400 million comprehensive campaign. He played a critical role in Stanford's Campaign for Undergraduate Education, which raised more than \$1.1 billion. He has traveled more than four million miles representing Stanford around the world.

"John impressed us at every stage of our review," says search committee chair and trustee, **Stephen P. Holmes '79, P'06, P'08, P'12**. "John brings sincere passion for undergraduate education to Bucknell, and I am confident that his energy and commitment will resonate with the faculty, staff, students, alumni and parents alike."

Bravman is married to Wendelin Wright, Clare Boothe Luce Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering at Santa Clara University. She is expected to join the Bucknell mechanical engineering faculty in a tenure-track position. Their first child, a son, Cole Keating Bravman, was born April 8, 2010, and Bravman has two grown sons.

For much more about Dr. Bravman, including video interviews, visit www.bucknell.edu/17thPresident.



Q&A

In December, an Ethiopian court sentenced Professor of Economics Berhanu Nega, former mayor of Addis Ababa, to death in absentia for terrorism.

Q: Your colleagues and friends understand that this charge is bogus, but do you hear from others who don't?

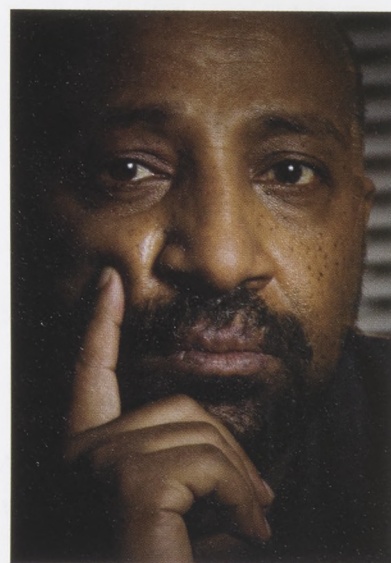
A: I haven't heard from anyone who takes this as a serious judicial decision — only the Ethiopian government and its blind supporters. Even the government knows that the decision of the court is nothing but a reflection of the regime's desires rather than based on any reasonable evidence. It sends a message to the public — there is no court to save you, you live by our rules, if you question our rules, we will do what we want, and no one will stop us.

Q: The death sentence is real, and you were jailed under the Zenawi government. Are you afraid?

A: One of the reasons you struggle for freedom and liberty is because you feel that life isn't meaningful without liberty. I am not worried — not because the government would not try to harm me, but I now live in a society of laws that will protect me. You can't live in fear. If you allow this kind of fear to determine your actions, dictatorships will exist forever.

Q: What sustained you while you were imprisoned?

A: First, the Ethiopian people and their yearning for freedom. While I was incredibly disappointed by U.S. and European policymakers and diplomats when I was in prison, I also was hearing about Bucknell, my colleagues, students and people at other universities supporting freedom. This connection at the human level, that people love and support freedom everywhere, recognizing that freedom is a human condition, is the hope for humanity that keeps you going. It was a source of hope for me when I was in prison, and I suspect for all people fighting for liberty around the world.



Q: What is your hope for Ethiopia?

A: Unless the international community takes the position of outrage as it did in Guinea, the government will not change. The brutality of this regime is mind boggling. This is a government known for committing genocide against its people. Its basic strategy is to stay in power by terrorizing people and by dividing them on primordial grounds. There are several groups fighting against the government. Unless there is a serious intervention, the whole region will blow up. I encourage Western policymakers to recognize what is happening and adjust their policy before it is too late to make a difference. The only credible and durable solution for the region, in my view, is the democratization of Ethiopia.

Bucknell in the News

MOST POPULAR

U.S. News & World Report recently released a new listing of colleges and universities based on their yield rate, the percentage of accepted applicants who enroll in that academic institution in the fall. A high yield rate reflects a school's popularity. With a yield rate of 40 percent, Bucknell tied for the 14th place in most popular liberal arts colleges.

LASER BUILDERS

Assistant Professor of Physics and Astronomy James Higbie was featured in *Technology Review* for his efforts to find a more cost-effective way to measure the earth's magnetic field. His team is building a 20-watt laser that will line up the atmosphere's sodium atoms with the magnetic field. The resulting fluorescence can be used to accurately measure the field.

AUCTIONING HERITAGE

In the spring issue of *The Key Reporter* (Phi Beta Kappa), lawyer **Laina Catherine Wilk Lopez '96** ponders whether victims of state-sponsored terrorism should have the right to force sales of national treasures to satisfy judgments. As one who has filed briefs to protect artifacts from the auction block, she argues artifacts should be preserved.

WHOLE LOTTA SHAKIN'

Jay Vaishnav, assistant professor of physics and astronomy, was quoted in an article on *PhysicsWorld.com* about the European physicists who were the first to witness a trembling particle. Vaishnav believes this discovery will be a major step forward in quantum mechanical simulations, inspiring other research groups to attempt similar feats.

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From Blogs to Books

Student co-authors book about liberal arts colleges.

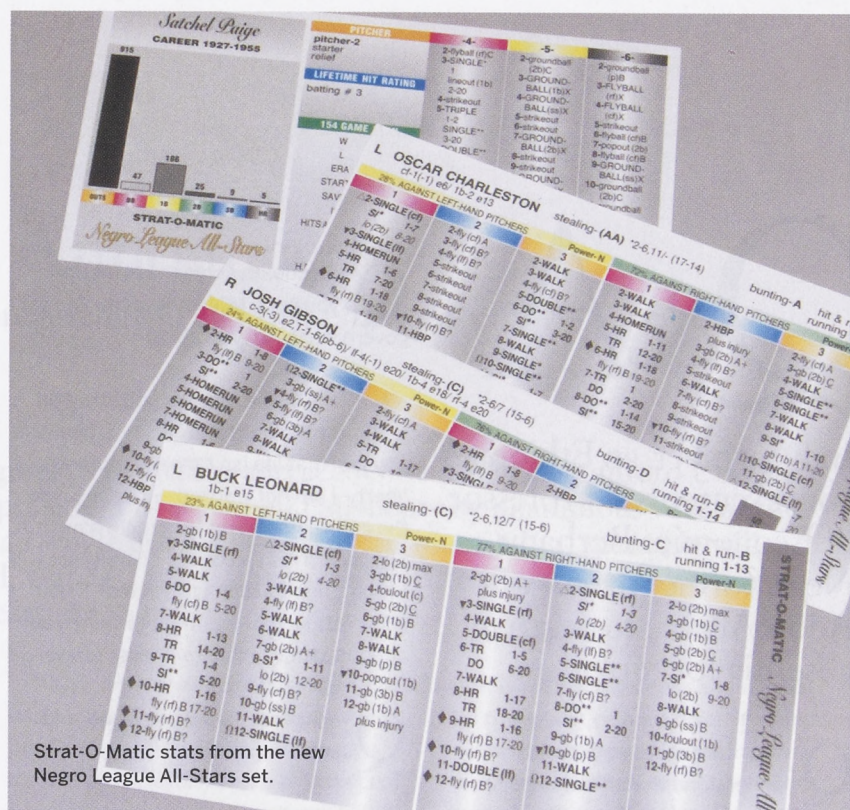
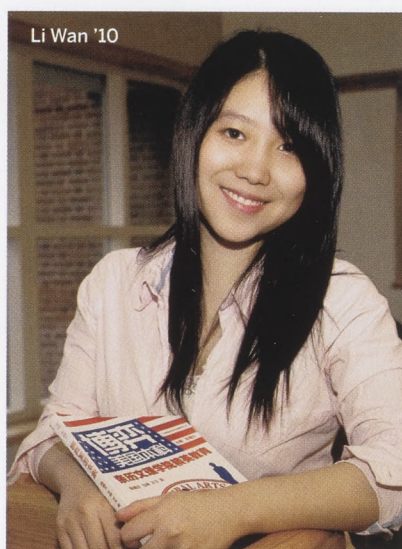
By Julia Ferrante

A mathematics and economics double major from China, Li Wan '10 has co-authored a book about her experiences attending a top liberal arts college in America. She was asked to participate after Yongfang Chen, a senior at Bowdoin College, read Wan's blog.

About 10,000 copies have sold in China since the book was released in July under the title *Bo Yi Mei Guo Ben Ke*, or *A True Liberal Arts Education*.

The book is written almost entirely in Chinese and includes autobiographical accounts as well as reflective essays about the students' experiences at their respective schools.

"A well-rounded liberal arts education teaches you more how to think and learn ... I have learned how to ... be independent and, most importantly, to be dependable," Wan says.



Take Me Out to the Board Game

Strat-O-Matic founder creates a league of his own with new series.

By Rhonda K. Miller

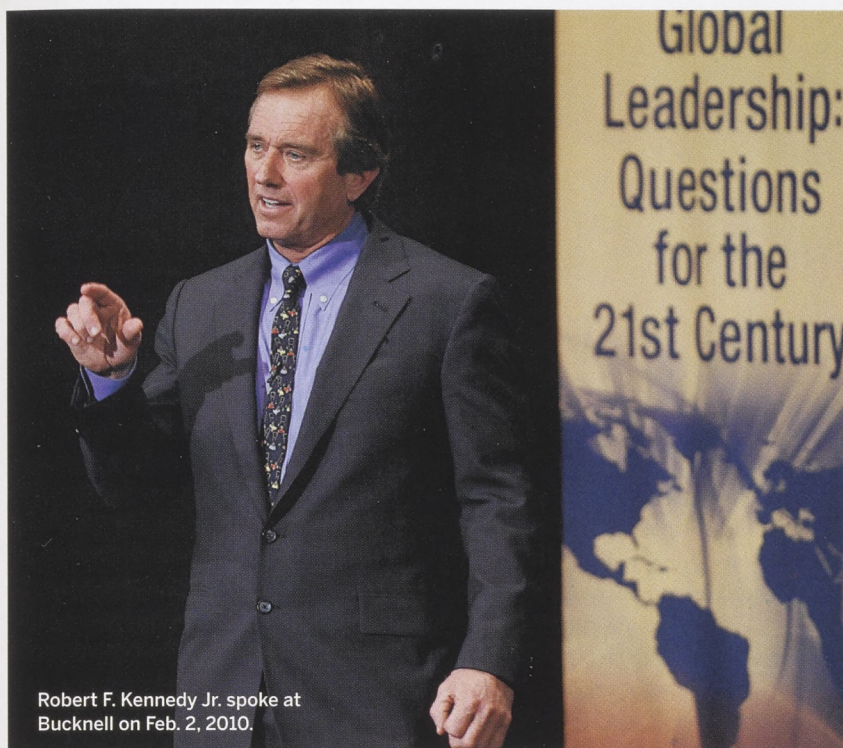
There was a time in baseball's not-so-glamorous past when Hall of Famers like Josh Gibson were prohibited from playing in the major leagues simply because of their race. Gibson died three months shy of Jackie Robinson's entry into the majors in 1947, leaving baseball fans to wonder how the "black Babe Ruth" might hit against "Bullet Bob" Feller.

Thanks to Hal Richman '38 and his Strat-O-Matic game company, baseball fanatics have the chance to find out. Richman recently introduced a 103-card Negro League All-Star set for Strat-O-Matic, a baseball board game that uses dice, cards and player statistics to simulate play. Gamers, who act as team manager and fill their own rosters, role dice and consult the cards for results. The game is the progenitor

of today's fantasy sports.

"As a child, I loved sports, and I was very statistically minded," says Richman, 78, an accounting major who recorded stats for Bison basketball and football. He perfected Strat-O-Matic in the summers between Bucknell semesters, he says. "I was too busy studying or with fraternity [Sigma Alpha Mu] activities to work on it." His invention took off in 1962 and has since created a cult-like following.

Richman says the Negro League set was always his dream. "This is the one piece of history that wasn't there," he says, adding that statistics on black players were non-existent. With the help of Scott Simkus, a baseball zealot, Richman analyzed 3,000 Negro League box scores to create accurate player stats. "It's the greatest contribution I've made to sports-based games," he says.



Robert F. Kennedy Jr. spoke at Bucknell on Feb. 2, 2010.

Making an Argument for the Environment

Bucknell Forum speaker advocates for a green economy.

By Julia Ferrante

Environmental lawyer and best-selling author Robert F. Kennedy Jr. spoke about economic and environmental policy to a packed house at the Weis Center for the Performing Arts in February. Kennedy kicked off the Bucknell Forum spring events with the talk, "Globalization and the Green Economy: A New Vision for American Leadership and Strength."

"Good economic policy is identical to good environmental policy," he said. "A true free market promotes efficiency and the elimination of waste. We need to protect our natural resources."

Kennedy serves as senior attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council, chief prosecuting attorney for the Hudson Riverkeeper, president of the Waterkeeper Alliance and partner in Silicon Valley's VantagePoint Ventures. He also is a clinical professor and supervising attorney at Pace University School of Law's Environmental Litigation Clinic.

He has led successful battles to preserve and protect rivers, fragile land and the New York City water supply. In 2009, *Rolling Stone* named him one of the "100 Agents of Change." *TIME* magazine named him one of the "Heroes for the Planet" in 1999 for his role in helping Riverkeeper restore the Hudson River, a project that led to the creation of more than 160 Waterkeeper organizations around the world. Bucknell alumna **Eliza Smith Steinmeier '98** is executive director at Baltimore Harbor Waterkeeper.

During his talk, Kennedy argued for flipping the current business model so that energy conservation is richly rewarded. "Nature is the infrastructure of our community, and if we want to protect our future and the dignity, enrichment and prosperity of our children, we've got to start by protecting our infrastructure," he said. "We need to change it so that companies get rich by getting customers to conserve energy."

A Familiar Face on the Gridiron

Joseph Susan named head football coach.

By Todd Merriett

After 20 years away from Lewisburg, Bucknell's new head football coach, Joe Susan, has returned. A Bison assistant coach in the 1980s, Susan was named the 26th head coach in the 125-year-old program in January. He is charged with resurrecting a Bucknell program that won its only Patriot League title in 1996. Susan spent the last nine years as an assistant at Rutgers, helping **Greg Schiano '88** turn around a once-struggling Scarlet Knights team into a perennial bowl game participant.

"I have a passion for this place," says a focused Susan. "It is great to be back among friends and I am excited to get going. The familiarity I have with Bucknell, plus the passion that I have for the school and football program made it easy. I am so excited to be back."



Coach Joseph Susan

Building Community

Alumni give back in their hometowns.

By Gigi Marino

In Boston, alumni are picking up trash and debris alongside the Charles River. In California, they are helping to raise funds for multiple sclerosis research. In London, they're donating money and having a bit of fun at a charity pub quiz. This weekend and next (April 17–18 and 24–25), hundreds of Bucknellians across the country — and the Pond — are participating in the second annual Bucknell National Alumni Community Service Event.



The Bucknell Club of Baltimore helped Habitat for Humanity last year.

Says **Joel Berelson '85**, who is coordinating this year's community service event on behalf of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, "Bucknell has a long tradition of volunteerism, both on campus and around the world. We're tapping into that spirit of generosity by engaging people who love Bucknell and want to give back to their communities."

The Bucknell event coincides with National Volunteer Week and is arranged as an activity through the network of Bucknell Clubs. Regional clubs each volunteer to help a cause or organization in their areas.

"We are thrilled that students will also volunteer in Lewisburg. It has been inspiring to see so many Bucknellians come together to make this world a better place," says Berelson.

If you are interested in volunteering next year, contact your local club, log onto B-Link or e-mail Kim Thompson at kato16@bucknell.edu.



ART AROUND THE WORLD

BUCKNELL ARTISTS PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL SHOW.

Last December, three members of Bucknell's art community traveled to the Tianjin Academy of Fine Arts Museum in China, where Professor of Art Rosalyn Richards exhibited 19 new graphite drawings. Richards' China venue included sculptural installations by Deng Guo Yuan, the dean of the Tianjin Academy. Dan Mills, director of the Samek Art Gallery, also opened a solo exhibit of paintings, "Meditations on Empire." Cynthia Peltier, operations manager of the Samek, accompanied the artists to Tianjin. The Samek Art Gallery will present "Strokes and Expressions," an exhibition of Guo Yuan's ink wash paintings and Richards' drawings, January to March 2011. Mills states, "Deng's and Richards' works complement each other in conceptual and perceptual ways. Their art reflects the influences of each other's art and cultural traditions."

LEFT: COURTESY OF BUCKNELL CLUB OF BALTIMORE. RIGHT: COURTESY OF ROSALYN RICHARDS

SHORT STACK

Bipedal robots could soon be joining students on campus, thanks to mechanical engineer **Keith Buffinton's \$1.2 million Navy grant** and his theory that walking, and therefore navigating obstacles, is a form of controlled falling. Buffinton's team built a partial bipedal robot that they hope will soon be capable of navigating obstacles like stairs and curbs.

Robert Rosenberg, assistant professor of English, has been awarded the prestigious **2010 Literature Fellowship** from the National Endowment for the Arts. His winning novel, *This Is Not Civilization*, was inspired by his experiences teaching as a Peace Corps volunteer in post-Soviet Kyrgyzstan, on an Apache reservation in Arizona, and in earthquake-shattered Istanbul.

Student athletes have teamed up to gain academic honors. Last semester, **240 athletes** earned **dean's list** honors, with at least a 3.5 grade-point average. Included were 41 team captains and 27 student athletes with perfect 4.0 averages. Of Bucknell's 27 athletic teams, 26 earned collective GPAs of 3.0 and higher and 120 students were named to the Patriot League Honor Roll.

Bucknellians Helping Haitians

Alumni, students and staff reach out to help quake victims.

By Andrew W.M. Beierle

So powerful was the mammoth earthquake in Haiti, its shockwaves registered at Bucknell's seismic station in Carnegie Hall.

The 7.0 killer touched the lives of countless Bucknellians, none more directly than **Grace Brown '88**. Brown cheated death when the Port-au-Prince office in which she was developing plans to improve the island nation's judicial system withstood the quake while neighboring structures collapsed. Her room at the Hotel Montana vanished in a cloud of dust.

A resident of quake-prone San Francisco, Brown now has an exit strategy for every building she enters — and a new appreciation for everyday experiences like kissing her 3-year-old son good night.

As Brown evacuated the disaster zone, **James Geiling '78** traveled toward it.

Now chief of medical services at a Vermont Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Geiling had coordinated the emergency medical response to the Pentagon attacks on September 11, 2001. He used the skills honed there to coordinate relief efforts among international nongovernmental organizations in Haiti.

"Believe it or not, the quality of care was exceptional," Geiling says.

On campus, Black Student Union President **Marissa Calhoun '10** organized numerous events to benefit quake victims under the umbrella title "Halos for Haiti." The BSU joined other groups to work toward three goals endorsed by President Brian C. Mitchell: to raise funds for organizations working in Haiti, to keep the Bucknell community informed about the situation and to pursue a "sustainable

initiative" to address Haitians' long-term challenges.

One Bucknellian's plan to improve the lives of impoverished Haitians was underway even before the January 12 catastrophe. **Muyambi Muyambi '11** spent 10 days in Haiti in December 2009 developing a program to distribute free bicycles to transport goods, produce and water. He returned home just two weeks before disaster struck and says the bikes are now even more urgently needed.

For more on Bucknell's Haiti relief efforts, go to www.bucknell.edu/haiti.



The **Best Places to Work** program ranked **Bucknell University** 22nd out of the 50 best large employers in Pennsylvania. Nominees were evaluated by a consortium of business and economic development organizations that includes the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry and the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

Computational number theorist and Assistant Professor of Mathematics **Nathan Ryan** has returned from Uruguay after a semester-long **Fulbright Fellowship** conducting research and teach at the Universidad de la República. Ryan's area of research was on the central values of L functions, which relate to the frequency and distribution of arithmetic data.

New online interviews highlight the expertise of Bucknell professors. "**Ask the Experts**" features a Q&A with expert faculty members on a variety of current news subjects and topics from Haiti to Hip Hop to the economy. A new interview appears regularly on Bucknell's web site every Thursday during the fall and spring semesters at www.bucknell.edu/experts.

Art Appreciation

Roger Rothman makes a case for understanding the visual world.

By Barbara Maynard '88

Articulate and enthusiastic, Associate Professor of Art Roger Rothman inspires his students to appreciate art in new and unconventional ways.

Rothman teaches courses in modern, contemporary and 20th-century art with an emphasis on French Impressionism and Post-impressionism, Cubism, Dada, Abstract Expressionism, Minimalism and Postmodernism.

"Art history is a deeply interdisciplinary field. With it, I'm free to incorporate issues that stem from sociology, religion, philosophy, science and more. It's an ever-expanding field that values experimentation and creativity," says Rothman.

He was drawn to Bucknell by its

proximity to New York City, the undisputed hub of the contemporary art scene, and opportunities to work with "a brilliant faculty ... and bright students."

Rothman expects a lot from his students. His classes go far beyond memorization and identification. Together, Rothman and his students explore the meaning of art and its importance in contemporary society. While his students tackle assignments designed to open their minds and explore artists and their work, Rothman is finishing a book on Salvador Dalí as well as continuing his ongoing research on contemporary art and theory, both of which he considers labors of love.

"Modern art forces you to rethink your values and beliefs. It challenges

your view of how things ought to be and why things ought to matter," he says.

Rothman believes that all students — majors and non-majors alike — gain lifelong benefits from learning about art.

"We live in a world that is more and more mediated by technology, in a world that is visually driven," says Rothman. "Understanding how the visual world works is a skill that I think all individuals of the 21st century are going to need."

"I look forward to teaching a course with a mathematician or physicist so I can return in some way to my earlier passions," he says, of his original life's path.

See more profiles at www.bucknell.edu/x18559.xml and click on "Faculty Stories." 

FACULTY PROFILE

Julie Gates

Assistant Professor of Biology Julie Gates has a fascination with flies, specifically fruit flies. Fruit flies and humans share a surprising number of genes. Seventy-seven percent of mutated human genes that are known to cause a disease or disorder have a close relative in the fruit fly.

"My research focuses on how cells move and change shape as tissues and organs are formed during development. Any insights we gain from the fruit fly will also provide a better understanding of similar processes in other species, including humans," says Gates.

Gates zeroed in on this specialty after a developmental biology class in college that studied how a single cell is transformed into a functioning organism. Today, she studies

a specific protein called Enabled, or Ena for short. Ena and its relatives are so similar that they can function in place of each other across species.

"There also is evidence that suggests my work in the fruit fly may provide insights into the progression of some forms of cancer in humans," she says.

Between research projects, Gates teaches non-major and major biology courses and assists her research students in experiments to examine how the Ena protein helps to form tissues and organs during development.

— Julie Dreese



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LEFT: ROBERT LANDRY, RIGHT: BILL CARDONI

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Student Life&Sports

Small Town, Big Dreams

Senior star jumps at the chance to be a leader.

By David Driver



Kyle Anthony '10 ranks No. 2 in Bucknell history of the triple long jump, both indoors and outdoors.

Kyle Anthony '10 grew up in rural New York, just north of the Pennsylvania line and about 30 miles northwest of Port Jervis. His graduating class was made up of about 50 students, but Anthony attracted the attention of several college track coaches as a state champion in both the long and triple jumps.

He became even more well known after competing in an indoor meet in New York City during his senior year of high school. After another strong showing, Anthony learned that the coach of a major college track program out west wanted to talk to him. But Anthony had already committed to Bucknell and felt there was no reason to explore other options. "I came for a visit in the fall of my senior year," he says. "I really liked the coaches and I really liked the program. I felt comfortable on campus."

Nearly four years later, Anthony ranks among the all-time best at Bucknell. Prior to the 2009-10 indoor season, the English and philosophy major was second in school history in the indoor triple jump (49-7 3/4) and outdoors (49-11 3/4), fourth in the long jump indoors (23-11 1/4) and outdoors (23-10) and sixth in the indoor sprint medley in 3:35.25. "The biggest goal would be to break the school record indoors and outdoors," he says.

Anthony, who plans to attend law school in the fall, also has been a key performer away from the track. This academic year, he is president of the Bucknell Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SACC). "He was really active helping us with various projects

as a junior," says Terrie Grieb, associate athletic director/business and team services. "He helps get the agenda together. Before school even starts, we put together causes for the year." One of those causes has been the involvement of Bucknell athletic teams at the Lewisburg Food Pantry, located at First Baptist Church.

Anthony has been named to the Patriot League academic honor roll and was a 2009 Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholar Award second-team selection. He also played soccer and cross country in high school at Eldred Central and was a captain for two years in soccer, as well as the most valuable player in that sport as a senior. He was a co-captain for one year in cross country in high school and the captain for his indoor and outdoor teams. As one of six children, Anthony is used to being in a leadership role. And that is what he has done during his career at Bucknell. "He is quiet and laid back but approachable," Grieb says. "The teams and kids kind of gravitate to him."

"He leads by example," says head coach Kevin Donner. "He is all about the team. He is a great leader on campus."

MARC HAGEMER

LEFT: GORDON WENZEL, RIGHT: ROBERT LANDRY

It's Her Party

First-year student brings Zumba to Bucknell.

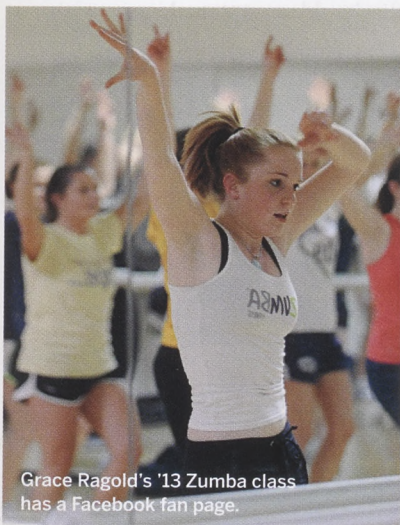
By Heather Peavey Johns

The line of students and staff members stretches down the hall. All turn as a cheery redhead unlocks the door and calls out, "Welcome to Zumba!"

Grace Ragold '13 is the University's first Zumba instructor, and she describes the fitness trend with characteristic enthusiasm: "Zumba is a party!"

Ragold was introduced to the Latin-inspired dance cardio workout at her home gym in New Vernon, N.J., and enjoyed it so much she became certified before matriculating to Bucknell. "I didn't see a lot of group fitness classes offered," she says. So she proposed to recreation services that she teach Zumba on campus, and the idea was approved. She teaches three classes a week.

Her initiative has paid off. Class sizes swell to more than 80. A Facebook page dubbed "Zumba at Bucknell with Grace Ragold" has more than 100 fans. Greek organizations clamor to have her teach it at their non-alcoholic events. Best of all, Zumba has helped Ragold find her way as a new student at Bucknell.



Grace Ragold's '13 Zumba class has a Facebook fan page.

Alison Koellner '12 believes that both numbers and good works add up.



STUDENT PROFILE

Alison Koellner '12

"It runs in the family" is a phrase that could have been coined by Alison Koellner '12. Koellner and her twin sister, Melissa '12, (one of the three sets of female twins in the Class of 2012) dissolved their pact to pursue separate college careers when both applied for, and received, the PricewaterhouseCoopers scholarship and internship through Bucknell's accounting program.

"I'm learning so much more about the principles of accounting. It's not just punching numbers. The principles are always changing, and there's always new information to learn," says Koellner.

The Bucknell experience proved to be more than formative. Koellner found that the small classes in her major equaled individualized attention from the professors, who regularly offer advice and networking opportunities to students. Even the on-campus social activities created opportunities for her to focus on her chosen career: She is the vice president of finance for Alpha Chi Omega. "I'm in charge of balancing the budget, collecting dues and paying the bills," she says. "I get to be on the executive board and stay involved in the inner workings of the sorority."

The New Hyde Park, N.Y., native takes her involvement beyond Bucknell's campus. After a post-Katrina clean-up trip to New Orleans with the Bucknell Katrina Recovery Team, Koellner travelled to Chicago last semester with the student-led Bucknell Inclusiveness Team to help develop diversity at Bucknell by mentoring prospective college students from a variety of backgrounds. Each member of the Inclusiveness Team was paired with a select group of inner-city students for mock lectures and candid discussions about the importance of college. She is still in touch with her students and excited about next helping to expand the Inclusiveness Team to New York City.

She also has expanding career plans, with her sights set on her CPA certification and a position at one of the big accounting firms that will involve world travel. "I want it to be not just a job, but a career."

— Julie Dreese

Legacies

Gifts&Giving

Appointments of Note...Treble and Clef

New professorships reward musical mastery – from hot jazz to cool opera.

By Christina Masciere Wallace

One professor creates operas and “sound gardens” for smartphones. The other studies jazz and social justice. Each exemplifies excellence in teaching and scholarship at Bucknell.

They are Bill Duckworth and Barry Long, the first recipients of the newly created Williams Professorships in Music. Part of a \$4 million bequest from **Ellen Peterson Williams '19**, these endowed positions honor faculty excellence and provide special funding for the pursuit of scholarly interests.

“Endowed professorships allow faculty members to better and more actively pursue their interests and passions, and that knowledge and enthusiasm are returned to students in countless ways,” says Duckworth, who joined the Bucknell faculty in 1973. “The Williams professorships are a strong vote of confidence in the value of the music department and its continued success.”

Duckworth, who will hold the Ellen Williams Professorship through August 2014, has won numerous teaching awards as well as four NEA and NEH fellowships, among other international honors that recognize his excellence as a composer, performer, author and professor. As a postmodern composer, he plans to use the Williams funding for travel in support of his current work, *Sonic Babylon*. This international art project consists of invisible “gardens” of sound that can be heard on mobile devices, such as iPhones and iPod touches, when

visitors pass through the space. *Sonic Babylon* is installed in Australia but will move to North America and Europe over the next several years.

Long’s work, in contrast, focuses on jazz musicians and music intended to help protect civil rights or freedoms. He studies the rich legacies of jazz figures such as Charles Mingus, who spoke out for civil rights; Max Roach, activist and critic of apartheid; and Miles Davis, who supported voter registration and awareness. “You can only imagine what these artists could have done with YouTube,” says Long, who will hold the Samuel Williams Professorship through August 2012 and plans to do archival research in Memphis and New Orleans with his funding.

Long is already using a significant portion of the resources to support the Samuel Williams Colloquia on Jazz and Culture. The series, which is open to the campus community and began in February, examines the relationships between jazz, popular music, race and culture. The first visiting lecturer, Nate Chinen, is a jazz author and columnist for *The New York Times*. The second, Jessica Courtier, is a traditional jazz scholar from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Guests like these,

Long says, give students opportunities to learn about jazz from different perspectives. He hopes to include Bucknell faculty as future series speakers and deepen this interdisciplinary approach to music education, which drew him to Bucknell in 2008.

“I love teaching in a liberal arts environment and placing music in a larger social and cultural context,” says Long, who in 2007 became the first doctoral graduate in jazz studies from the Eastman School of Music. “If I can help students see how music links into different aspects of society, they’re able to start making connections on their own.”

There is one more connection between the two Williams professors. Duckworth is currently co-editing a music text titled *Music iPpreciation*, and Long is writing the jazz portion of the book. It will be produced almost entirely online in a format meant to mimic the playlist of an iPod. Chapters on jazz, classical, rock and world music will offer music selections, listening guides and historical context — a fresh arrangement for traditional scholarship.

For more, go to www.sonicbabylon.com.



The Mind *and the* Muse

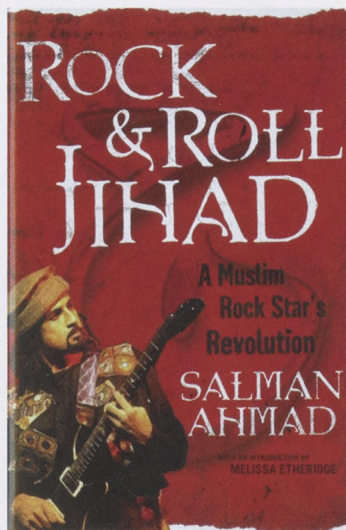
Reviews & Criticism

BOOKS

Salman Ahmad
with Rob Schroeder '92

*Rock and Roll Jihad: A Muslim
Rock Star's Revolution* (Free Press)

In his candid memoir written with guidance from Rob Schroeder, internationally acclaimed Pakistani musician Salman Ahmad takes back the word "jihad" from extremists. Nearly 30 years ago, he was a faithful Muslim enjoying an American adolescence playing in garage bands before his family returned to its native Lahore. The contemporary reality of his homeland greeted him when he played publicly for the first time. "Religious police" took to the stage, destroying his beloved Les Paul. His book recounts how he chose a music career over medicine and established the band that has been called "the U-2 of Asia," Junoon. Stardom has its costs: Ahmad has faced AK-47s, and his music was banned in Pakistan. He has never given up, and today this musician is a UNAIDS ambassador and founder of SSGWI, a foundation promoting interfaith understanding.



Roger Dodd '73

*Media Skills: The
Lawyer as Spokesperson*
(Lexis Nexis)

Cable and satellite television, not to mention the Internet, are shaping the legal spectrum in the 21st century. Awareness of the legal system has risen hand-in-hand with the phenomenon of "instant" news. The court of public opinion cannot be ignored and the successful lawyer must learn how to master it. Roger Dodd and co-author Claudia Oltean have produced a textbook to assist their brethren and law students in mastering these skills. The text is accompanied by a DVD that dramatizes the lessons in good and not-so-good scenarios of an emotionally charged tort case, as well as lectures by Dodd emphasizing the major points of mastering the media encounter.

Marian Wolbers '75

*Uncovering Fashion: Fashion Communications
Across the Media* (Fairchild Books)

Freelance journalism has taken Marian Wolbers around the world and back in pursuit of many subjects, but it is the recent assignment of authoring a textbook for fashion studies that pulls together many parts of her past, from being the granddaughter of a dressmaker, to a model in her college years, copywriter for clothing manufacturing publications and CEO of a sportswear concern, to name just a few of her related experiences.

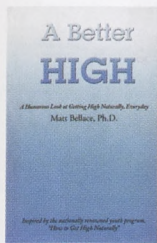


Philip Roth '54

The Humbling (Houghton
Mifflin Harcourt)

Throughout his prolific career, Philip Roth has addressed a variety of conflicts faced by a culture or individuals through the prism of diamond-cut fiction. In his latest novel, *The Humbling*, he returns to a theme that resonates through several recent works. Simon Adler, a 65-year-old actor who has enjoyed a distinguished career, suddenly finds himself completely abandoned by his artistic powers. That is

the problem, he says, and so are the divorce and bad back that contribute to a suicidal depression. His post-hospitalization solitude is interrupted by the arrival of the 40-year-old daughter of old friends, a lesbian trying to mend her own romantic disappointment. They launch into a vigorous sexual adventure that promises rejuvenation, but the words of the younger woman's mother nag in the background: "He's growing older by the day. That's the way it works." Watching Adler struggle with the inevitable is an absorbing meditation on how difficult it can be to find grace in aging.



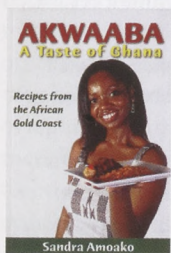
Matt Bellace '96, M'98

A Better High: A Humorous Look at Getting High Naturally, Everyday (Winter Oak Press)

After founding C.A.L.V.I.N.&H.O.B.B.E.S. (Creating A Lively, Valuable, Ingenious, New & Habit of Being at Bucknell and Enjoying Sobriety) on campus in 1993, **Matt Bellace** headed into two concurrent careers that dovetail in *A Better High*. He is a clinical neuropsychologist and a stand-up comic familiar to cable and satellite TV audiences. Whatever hat he wears on a given day, his message is the importance of developing coping skills that keep demons at bay. He examines several examples of natural highs, and not surprisingly laughter and a sense of humor are studied thoroughly.

Sandra Amoako '01

Akwaaba: A Taste of Ghana (Alikobooks)
Never underestimate the connective



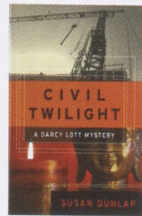
power of food. For **Sandra Amoako**, who has lived abroad for many years, cooking the foods of her native Ghana, West Africa, is a way of staying in touch. For fellow expatriates

and anyone interested in learning about Ghanaian cuisine, she has compiled "down home" recipes that capture the essence of the culture in a book titled *Akwaaba*, which means "welcome." Most of the dishes are prepared using ingredients found on supermarket shelves: nutmeg, peanuts, rice, tomato products, peppers, tilapia and ginger root. Items like fufu flour and fermented cornmeal, available through Internet resources or African grocers, take the American cook into adventurous new territory with easy to follow instructions.

Susan Dunlap '65

Civil Twilight (Counterpoint)
"Civil twilight," writes **Susan Dunlap**

in her latest mystery starring Darcy Lott, a stuntwoman-sleuth, is "the bridge between clear afternoon and the first shadow of dusk, the last time you could see clearly without artificial light." A student of Buddhism, Darcy is still learning to grapple with the ambiguities



that stalk her, like the disappearance of a favorite brother when she was a teen, or her return to the large family fold in San Francisco after years of estrangement. The questions threaten to outweigh the answers before her perspicacity and physical prowess rally to the rescue.

Laura Lopez '82

The Connected and Committed Leader: Lessons from Home, Results at Work



(Living Leadership)

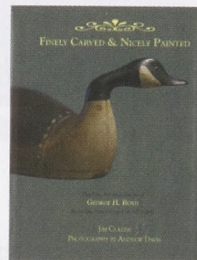
Laura Lopez drove herself to the top of corporate culture by pushing hard for results. She admits that she ignored the deans of business like Peter Drucker, who wrote, "Management is doing things right. Leadership is doing the right thing." When she adopted a child and became a mother at age 44, she abruptly had to learn to let her heart,

not her head, do the talking. Lopez found that she became a more effective team leader when she applied her new parenting skills in the workplace. Her book promotes nurturing strategies in the interest of sustainability.

James Cullen '65

Finely Carved and Nicely Painted (James H. Cullen, Publisher)

George Boyd (1873–1941) could have been a supporting character in *Our Town*. A man who probably never spent a



full day in his life away from Seabrook, N.H., nonetheless enjoys posthumous fame as sculptor of waterfowl decoys prized by expert

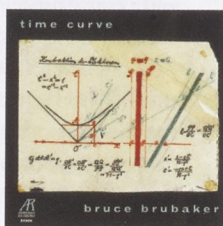
collectors. As a young man, Boyd supplemented his income from shoe-making by market gunning — hunting game birds of the tidal marshes for the Boston market. Early 20th-century conservancy laws shuttered the practice but gave rise to sport hunting, which created a demand for the well-crafted decoys at which Boyd excelled. **Jim Cullen** has collected photographic illustrations, well-documented research and oral history into a striking volume honoring Boyd's legacy.

MUSIC

William Duckworth

Time Curve (Arabesque Recordings)

In 1978, **William Duckworth**, Bucknell professor of music, launched the post-minimalist movement in contemporary classical music with the debut of "The Time Curve Preludes." The compositions have never ceased to fascinate, and their latest expression,



juxtaposed with minimalist Philip Glass' "Six Etudes For Piano," is found on renowned pianist Bruce Brubaker's album *Time Curve*. It is a synergetic combination of pieces that comprise a conversation on the nature of time. Glass' etudes pulse with an urgency while Duckworth's pieces prize individual moments in fluent measures. Brubaker weighted several piano keys to introduce subtle hues and effects in the Duckworth preludes. The result is a listening experience that is pristine as well as thought provoking.

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THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

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BUCKNELLIANS BUILDING DEMOCRACIES

By Theresa Gawlas Medoff '85, P'13

From Afghanistan to Sierra Leone, Bucknellians shape world events.
Read how eight alumni are doing just that.

Afghanistan, says its former ambassador, **William B. Wood '72**, "is a very foreign place." One of the few countries in the world that never experienced colonialism, it also has remained largely undiluted by globalizing influences. Afghanistan has seen the largest refugee flows in the world. It has a 30 percent literacy rate, and the average life expectancy is just 45 years. For the past 30 years, the country has been besieged with war, insurgency and instability.

A professional foreign service officer since 1977, Ambassador Wood is newly posted at the National War College in Washington, D.C., where he teaches members of the State Department, Armed Forces and other civilian employees preparing to assume greater policy and strategic responsibilities.

Wood is the most senior of an impressive number of Bucknellians who work for the State Department in Washington, D.C., representing America to the far reaches of the globe.

He is no stranger to regions of conflict. He served in Uruguay during the brief time it was under a military dictatorship, began his posting in El Salvador at the beginning of a multi-year insurgent threat, and from 2003 to 2007 headed up the U.S. embassy in Colombia, where terrorism and drug trafficking combined to make it one of the most dangerous countries in South America.

Afghanistan is a greater challenge than any of those places, Wood says, and yet it is a challenge we must meet. First and

foremost, he says, because the September 11 Al Qaeda attacks were launched from Afghanistan, and we must defeat the Taliban and stabilize Afghanistan so that they cannot return. And second, because Afghanistan has been an important source of instability in a very volatile area. "From a regional perspective, Afghanistan will be either part of the solution or part of the problem," Wood says.

During his 2007–09 tenure as ambassador to Afghanistan, Wood acted as a bridge between the presidents of the two countries, meeting with Afghan President Hamid Karzai four to five times a week. He was in charge of all civilian officials in the country, working in the political, economic, law enforcement, intelligence and development arenas. He also was charged with ensuring that the civilian and military structures in Afghanistan "shake hands and work well together" — not a trivial challenge in a country with such a large multilateral military and civilian presence.

The initial hope was that with the Taliban removed from power, Afghanistan would be able to heal itself. Good elections and a constitution were a start, Wood notes, but not enough to overcome the effects of three decades of war and turmoil.

While not fully satisfied with what he was able to accomplish there, Wood is proud that despite the threat environment, the shortage of development personnel and the extreme decentralization of Afghanistan, he was able to improve cooperation among local governments, communities and tribes.

THE CONGO: MAPPING FOR HUMANITY

Each month, more than 1,000 women and girls are raped in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and yet they are just some of the victims in a region the central government has long struggled to control. Security forces, rebel organizations, militias and other armed groups have inflicted brutal sexual violence upon the civilian population on a massive scale. "There are thousands of reports of horrible things happening to women and children there," says **Lee Schwartz '76**, "but few of these are being put together systematically in a way that can help achieve justice and accountability."

As director of the State Department's Office of the Geographer and Global Issues in the Bureau of Intelligence and Research in Washington, D.C., Schwartz and his staff are helping to coordinate the process of collecting and reporting on violence in the DRC and — just as importantly — working to link those reports to satellite imagery and other information that might show the movements of militia leaders.

"Linking the geospatial data on things such as gender-based violence with the movements of particular groups and military campaigns brings us closer to determining who bears responsibility for widespread and unchecked human rights violations," Schwartz explains. Such documentation has been used by Schwartz's office in the past to document atrocities in Darfur and to help bring war criminals to justice in former Yugoslavia.

Schwartz, who also holds the title Geographer of the United States, earned a doctorate in geography from Columbia

University and joined the State Department in 1992.

This past fall, Schwartz was honored with the Bucknell Award of Merit, one of the highest awards given to alumni. He credits Dick Peterec, professor emeritus of geography, with being a longtime inspiration and mentor.

Schwartz's office, comprising both geographers and foreign affairs analysts, has broad responsibilities in the State Department. With the digital precision that GPS systems afford, the office is remapping virtually all of the world's boundaries — and making that information widely and transparently available. "A line on a map could represent 100 or more yards on land," Schwartz says. "Knowing exactly where the U.S. government says the border is could help to prevent conflict."

The office is working as well to implement "participatory mapping" tools that make use of cell phone and GPS technologies to map crowd sourcing, social networking and other growing sources of on-the-ground knowledge. Similar technologies are being promoted for use by indigenous peoples to establish land ownership rights, which are lacking in much of the developing world.

The office also is charged with addressing problems that do not fit neatly into the State Department's regional bureaus — refugees, human rights issues and international environmental concerns. His recent focus has been on using geospatial science to promote sustainable development in Africa.

SIERRA LEONE: STABILIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Authorities spotted it in waters off Freetown, Sierra Leone: a Taiwanese-flagged fishing vessel that had just hauled in between \$300,000 and \$500,000 of fish — illegally. West African fisheries are among the richest in the world, but with local governments lacking resources for enforcement, poachers are robbing Africans of their livelihood and damaging the environment in the process. They weren't getting away with it this time.

These particular poachers were seized Aug. 17, 2009, by Sierra Leone authorities and crewmembers of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter *Legare* in a joint operation allowed under a bilateral maritime assistance treaty between the U.S. and Sierra Leone, signed on behalf of the U.S. by Charge d'Affaires **Glenn Fedzer '85**. A World Bank fisheries expert called that first seizure "globally significant" as a strong deterrent for other illegal fishing activities. In addition, Fedzer hopes the fines and penalties imposed are used by the Sierra Leone government to work toward building its own enforcement capacity.

"Profitable and sustainable economic activities are essential to helping fragile states maintain stability, and artisanal fishing communities particularly suffer when their waters are overexploited," Fedzer says. "Many people attribute problems off the coast of Somalia to overfishing, saying that today's pirates are



yesterday's artisanal fishermen, now without livelihoods because their fish stocks have been nearly wiped out by foreign fishing vessels."

Fedzer, who joined the State Department in 1998, has spent the past six years in sub-Saharan Africa — in Gabon, Mali and now Sierra Leone. He currently heads the Embassy in Sierra Leone pending the appointment of an Ambassador later in the year.

There is no typical day at work, he says. In the space of two days recently, Fedzer talked with American students in Sierra Leone studying international nutrition, met with local officials in a remote border town about a road-building project, and represented the U.S. at a ceremony with the Chinese foreign minister and the Sierra Leone minister of education. Another evening he had dinner with the Minister of Energy to discuss solar power in rural communities. Among the other issues Fedzer and his staff are addressing: gay rights, narcotics trafficking, economic development, anti-corruption and political instability.

"People in Africa need and want help, and they want the United States to be involved," Fedzer says. "I really feel like what I'm doing matters."

RUSSIA: RELATING TO COLD WAR RIVALS

John Mark Pommersheim '86 was sitting at his desk in the U.S. Consulate in Vladivostok, Russia, when the news came in: North Korea had just conducted a nuclear test, not far from the Russian Far East city where he was living and working. Whatever had been on his schedule for the day was immediately pushed off. Instead, Pommersheim worked the phones to find out what Russian officials in the area knew about the nuclear test, while his staff set out to gauge local effects and reaction.

Sharing information with the Russians about events in North Korea once would have been unthinkable, but the former Soviet Union — and its relationship with the U.S. — has undergone tremendous changes since the early 1980s. Pommersheim has witnessed quite a few of them.

He first visited the country as an undergraduate student of Russian and political science and returned twice for postgraduate studies. He was in Minsk, Belarus, after the 1992 collapse of the Soviet Union, when the newly formed republic was returning legacy nuclear weapons to Moscow's control. He worked on the Russia desk in Washington, D.C., and then returned again, this time to Vladivostok, where he served as the U.S. consul general from 2004 to 2007.

"The Russian Far East is a fascinating place, two-thirds the size of the continental United States," Pommersheim says. "We worked on a lot of different issues, from the large oil projects on Sakhalin Island to U.S.-Russian military-to-military contacts to cooperation on people-to-people contacts between the U.S., mainly Alaska and the West Coast, and Pacific Russia."

In one of his more unusual relationship-building activities, Pommersheim appeared as a guest chef on a Russian cooking program, there to make a "typical U.S. dish." He chose to make Maryland crab cakes — substituting Kamchatka king crab for Maryland blue — and accompanied the dish with Californian and other American regional wines, an increasingly popular U.S. export to Russia.

Fast forward to 2010, when another Bucknellian is serving with the State Department in Russia. The task for **David Fay '86**, a regional English language officer stationed at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow, is to update Russians' views of America.

"From a regional perspective, Afghanistan will be either part of the solution or part of the problem."

"People in Africa need and want help, and they want the United States to be involved. I really feel like what I'm doing matters."

"When a country goes so many years without an election, no one knows where they stand and what to expect."

American studies in Russia had long been taught using one- to two-page excerpts from 19th century literary works by authors like Emerson, Poe and Melville. Fay and his staff provide access to more contemporary teaching materials. A recent DVD, for examples, uses Voice of America and other podcasts to create lessons around human interest stories. The idea, he says, is to build a more encompassing view of the U.S. than that presented in music, film and other popular media.

"Most countries are anxious to have support for their English teaching programs, and we give them that," Fay says. "We bring over American experts, send locals to the U.S. and develop curriculum, materials and assessment tools."

NEPAL: NURTURING DEMOCRACIES

When CNN announced returns on the evening of the 2008 U.S. presidential election, **Anne Bennett '87** watched the coverage in the company of Nepalese citizens invited to the embassy in Kathmandu for an election results party. It was one of a series of election-related events hosted by the embassy for students, academics and younger political party members in Nepal. As a political officer who had previously taught political science at the university level, Bennett was one of the experts called upon to help teach influential Nepalese citizens about U.S.-style democracy.

The lessons had vital relevance in a country that just seven months before had held its own historic election. After decades of political unrest that included reforms and counter-reforms, political assassinations, a violent insurgency and the dissolution of multiple governments, in April 2008 the people of Nepal had elected a Constituent Assembly to serve as a parliament and write a new constitution.

Leading up to that election, Bennett had met with leaders of the various Nepalese political parties and worked with local groups and other diplomatic missions to coordinate sending election-monitoring teams to observe the polls in districts

across the country.

"When a country goes so many years without an election, no one knows where they stand and what to expect," says Bennett, who has since returned to the U.S. to learn Urdu for her next assignment at the U.S. Embassy in Pakistan.

During the same period when Bennett was working to support democracy in Nepal, **Katie Kohn McLain '03** was working for the State Department in Washington, D.C., on efforts to foster democracy in Iraq. As a grants officer for the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor in Iraq, McLain helped to coordinate myriad nation-building projects. "I oversaw grants for voter education, violence prevention, get-out-the-vote campaigns and other grassroots efforts," McLain says.

McLain also administered grants to organizations offering free legal assistance to Iraqis in cases ranging from domestic violence to property disputes to human rights threats, she says.

Since December, McLain has worked for the State Department's Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs with a focus on Central America, a position that draws heavily on the Latin American subspecialty of her international relations major.

THE NEAR EAST: REPRESENTING THE U.S.

The photos coming out of Gaza were heart wrenching: hungry people begging for food, sick and injured without medical supplies, vehicles without fuel and abandoned along the roadside. In an attempt to stop the flow of arms to Hamas during the Gaza War, Israel had tightened its 18-month-old economic blockade, and humanitarian aid was no longer reaching the people.

An Al Jazeera reporter put the question to **Ann Donick Somerset '98**: Why was the U.S. allowing Israel to get away with this?

As the Washington, D.C.-based spokesperson for the State Department's Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, Somerset was

often on camera several times a day during the three-month war in the winter of 2008–09. “There is a widespread belief in the Arab media that the U.S. has a lot of influence over Israel. I kept emphasizing that Israel is a sovereign state and that we do not control its actions,” Somerset says. She also tried to point out that Hamas had a responsibility to care for its people, and that by sending rockets into Israel, it had abdicated that responsibility.

“It was a very challenging period,” Somerset recalls. “During this time we were also trying to end the war as soon as possible and address humanitarian needs. We were coordinating convoys with humanitarian assistance, sending in oil tankers so Gaza would not run out of power and trying to evacuate Americans from the region.”

Somerset began working for the State Department not long after she graduated from Bucknell. Eight years into the job, she already had battle experience. Her assignment as the senior desk officer for Lebanon (another Washington, D.C., posting) had begun just one week after the fighting between Israel and Hezbollah commenced in July 2006. She finished that assignment in 2008 and moved on to the Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs. Since October she has worked as the special assistant to the undersecretary of public diplomacy and public affairs.

Diplomacy, says Wood, is no mystery. It’s something we all engage in individually many times a day, whenever we get two or more parties to agree on a project plan at work or a movie at the cineplex. Of course, the challenges — and the stakes — are much greater for diplomats negotiating with sovereign powers who sometimes have competing goals. The job can be frustrating at times, but in the end, these Bucknellians say, they know they are making a difference. **B**

Theresa Gawlas Medoff ’85, P’13, a regular contributor to Bucknell Magazine, is the 2010 Delaware Press Association Communicator of Achievement.

International Relations @ 25

Bucknell prepares students for global challenges.

The International Relations Program at Bucknell celebrated its 25th anniversary last fall with a special coming-of-age announcement: The program is now a full-fledged academic department.

The International Relations major, in existence officially since 1984 and as an interdepartmental major since 1973, already had set Bucknell University apart from its frame-of-reference and aspirant schools, few of which offer such a major. “We were very fortunate to have people like Professors Tom Travis, Richard Peterec, John Peeler and Robert Beard [all now retired] with the commitment, charisma and foresight to begin building this program back then,” says Emek Uçarer, chair of the department.

“In an increasingly globalized and interdependent world, it is critically important for us to be informed about world events, to understand how the international system works, and to explain and interpret world affairs. IR offerings seek to offer such opportunities.”

Already, 1,200 Bucknellians have graduated with an IR degree, and another 45–50 join their ranks each year, along with a dozen or so minors. The IR curriculum at Bucknell has always had a multidisciplinary approach, with courses drawn from economics, history, geography, international relations, political science and foreign languages. Students have a geographic area concentration as well as an advanced foreign-language requirement. Most study abroad in the region of their specialization.

Beginning with the Class of 2014, the major also requires students to take three courses from a thematic track of their choice: Foreign Policy and Diplomacy, Sustainability and Development or Global Governance and Conflict Resolution.

IR alumni have taken a broad array of career paths, most of which have some international connections, Uçarer says. They have gone on to graduate school and law school, to volunteer commitments like Teach for America and the Peace Corps, and to jobs with the government, nongovernmental organizations, nonprofits and the private sector.

The department also benefits non-majors with courses, programming and outreach designed to get students excited about and engaged in international affairs, including programs sponsored this year in conjunction with the University’s new MacArthur Chair in East Asian Politics.



Emek Uçarer, associate professor of international relations



The membership of Bucknell's Phi Lambda Theta represents the antidiscrimination forces on campuses. In this house varied religions and races live in harmony

The College Fraternity Crisis

By HOWARD WHITMAN

PART 2—DEMOCRACY IN ACTION

SEVENTY-FIVE young men from eleven colleges sweated out a hectic week end in Chicago last May to launch a new national fraternity. They worked night and day. They wrote by-laws, preambles, articles, amendments and resolutions. They tore up pages, rewrote pages. Finally they came up with the constitution of Beta Sigma Tau, a fraternity which opens its arms alike to Christian and Jew, to white and Negro, to rich and to poor.

Having paid their own way to Chicago, the students didn't have any money to spare. They could not afford more than one paid employee to aid in their labors: a nimble-fingered public stenographer. She sweated it out with them, working way past midnight, taking shorthand, transcribing, typing. She was groggy when it was over.

But after she had typed the final version of the constitution—with its pledge of "brotherhood and democracy which transcends racial, national and religious differences"—she had all the pep she needed to say, "Gee! I've never seen anything like this in all my life! Do you fellows really mean it?"

Assured that Beta Sigma Tau was in unmitigated earnest, she gulped, "Well, I want to help, too!

You can keep my pay check! Call it a contribution—I guess I just worked free!"

Beta Sigma Tau, which formally calls itself an "intercultural fraternity," is a dramatic outgrowth of the bare-knuckle battle over discrimination which is being fought on American campuses. This fraternity draws heavily upon the One World philosophy of Wendell Willkie and has attracted scores of college men to whom fraternities for "white Caucasians" or "full-blooded Aryans" are a little nauseating in this day.

By the opening of the fall term, Beta Sigma Tau—without benefit of trumpets' blare—had amassed seven full-fledged chapters, at Ohio State, the University of California at Santa Barbara, the University of Buffalo, Hobart College, Roosevelt College, Baldwin-Wallace and Ohio Wesleyan. In addition to these, four more chapters were busily forming. November saw the launching of chapters at Stanford, the University of California at Berkeley, the University of Southern California, and the University of California at Los Angeles—all within the month.

While most of Beta Sigma Tau's membership is white Protestant, as is the population of the U.S., it includes Catholics, Jews, Mohammedans, Negroes, Chinese and Nisei. John Caldwell, one of the top national officers of the fraternity, happens to be a

Baptist from Texas. Kenneth Woodward, president of the Ohio Wesleyan chapter, happens to be a Negro.

Caldwell, who goes to the University of California at Santa Barbara, said to me, "Maybe my Texas raisin' had something to do with it. Out our way we judge a man for what he is—not for the labels on him." Caldwell had behind him the heritage of the Pecos country, where it once was "justifiable homicide" to shoot a man for asking where you came from and what you had done before you got there.

Eschewing the mumbo jumbo of a secret order, Beta Sigma Tau will gladly tell you that its name stands for "Equality, Understanding, Unity." After the hectic founders' week end last May, the boys wrote:

"Coming as we do from different racial, religious and cultural backgrounds, we are constantly made aware of the dignity and integrity of the individual. As we better understand this concept of equality and do something practical about it, then the unity which is so much needed in our world will come."

In addition to national Beta Sigma Tau, a lusty litter of local antidiscrimination fraternities also has appeared. Union College has a new local named Beta Eta Upsilon. It calls itself an 'anti-

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Odd Men In

One of Bucknell's oldest fraternities
has a history of being inclusive.

By Mary Ann Sigler Stanton '89

Each year, **Thomas Deans '55**, alumni adviser, speaks to the new members of the Phi Lambda Theta chapter of Chi Phi fraternity, and each year he asks them the same question: "How many of you might not have joined a fraternity if not for Chi Phi?" This year, he reports, 19 out of 24 hands went up.

Founded in 1924 out of a deep desire to create a fraternity that encouraged and supported individual choice and diversity in a time that engendered neither on most college campuses, the fraternity possesses a singular character of inclusion that has shaped its past and present and will continue to shape its future. Deans attributes those core values to a group of men at Bucknell who refused to be a part of any organization that denied membership to individuals of different ethnicities and religions.

Brothers from several decades and their special guests celebrated 85 years of brotherhood at an anniversary banquet that took place over Homecoming. Current president **Matt Feder '10** says, "It was really great for the current brotherhood to be able to get together with the older alumni to reflect on what it really means to be a Chi Phi and a Phi Lambda Theta."

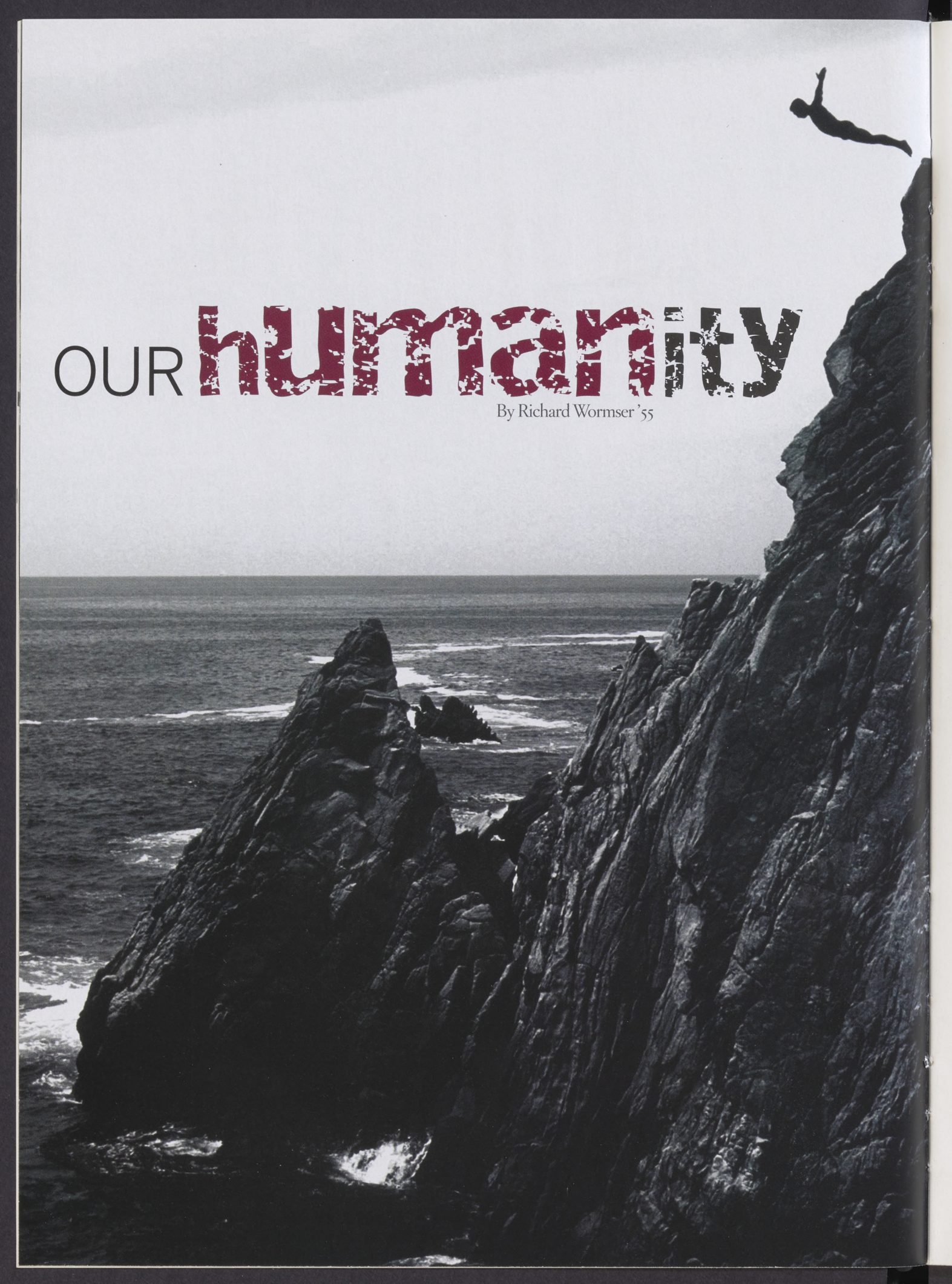
The organization also has a distinctive history, as its genesis began with a group of men affiliated with the Odd Fellows at Penn State University. Then, in 1924, the Phi Lambda Theta chapter formed at Bucknell, and in 1983, PLT joined the Chi Phi national fraternity. Within that history was a journey that included affiliation and disaffiliation with another national fraternal organization that claimed a commitment to diversity but which, in actuality, did not follow that commitment, as well as the election of the first African-American fraternity president. In 1959, **Frank Wood '62** joined Phi Lam as its second African-American member. In his junior year, he was elected president of the organization. Wood recalls, "There was of course racism during that time. There were only four black students on campus and no black professors, but from the time I started at Bucknell I held positions of leadership."

Indeed, as dorm president for Old Main (Roberts) and a member of the swim team, Wood was no slacker in the leadership department. He credits Phi Lam as being "pivotal to my success — the fraternity provided a social structure for me that allowed me to date and go to parties that I might not otherwise have had available. Back then, Phi Lam was an exception to the social order. All the other frats had written local and national rules that prohibited membership for anyone but while males."

In 1963, the year after Wood's graduation, the chapter sponsored a campuswide debate on discrimination at Bucknell. "The student and faculty participants attacked Bucknell's latent discrimination in the classroom, admissions, athletics and scholarship assistance," he says. "The audience filled the basement and living rooms of 203 South Third Street, the fraternity's then-house, and a loudspeaker carried the debate to a large crowd outside on the lawn." In the '70s, the chapter held a historic vote which resulted in the inclusion of women among its ranks. While the fraternity no longer admits women, its alumnae members are afforded the same treatment and communication as the men. Deans is one of the loyal and committed PLT Chi Phi alumni who believe that the fraternity's strength lies in its inherent belief in the value of diversity and acceptance of individualism. He points proudly to the alumni support of the chapter's unanimous vote two years ago to become a safe house for GLBT (gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered) students as evidence of the chapter's commitment to diversity and inclusion.

At the banquet, Deans asked the same question of the 100-plus assembled multi-generational brotherhood that he asks each pledge class. Everyone in the Terrace Room stood, all raising their hands in solidarity with their alumni brothers. **B**

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OUR **humanity**

By Richard Wormser '55

A filmmaker approaching the “Supreme Oblivion” considers how his Bucknell experience shaped his life and his life’s work.

Paul Remmey '53 is dead. Ned Miller '53 also. Fred Locke '54, Leila Feifer McKibbin '53, Rick Richter '55, Jack Sisto '55, Ed Friedman '54. Every new issue of *Bucknell Magazine* comes as a messenger bearing news of classmates whom death has undone. The faces of some, in the full flush of their youth, remain vivid in my mind's eye. The faces of others have detached themselves from their vaguely familiar names, descending into the dark matter of my mind.

Even as the arrival of the magazine brings news of deaths, it also gives life to thoughts of my college days. I enjoy reading the chatty, gossipy Class Notes that bear witness to the bonds of friendship that persist among my former classmates — even though 55 years have passed. Death and the drift of life have long dissolved the bonds I forged at Bucknell. It was through the fellowship of my little band of friends and teachers — Dick Duwors, Al Pierce and **Bill Weist '50** — that helped me emerge from the fury and mire of my life. In their kitchens and living rooms, through debates and discussions arcing from the fall of night to the edge of daybreak, the power of ideas, the passion of ideals and the poetry concealed within the mundane surfaces of existence lay revealed to me.

I absorbed much but digested little. My teachers had set me on what the Chinese call “the right path,” but after college there were no beacons to guide me. Uncertain of what I was to do, I was determined to steer clear of the huckster professions and to avoid becoming a tool of the ruling classes.

I took refuge in graduate school, and then, with my master's degree in hand and a traveling bag on my shoulder, I learned by going where I had to go. In California fruit factories, I packed lemons. In Olympic National Park, I logged in lumber camps; in Yellowstone National Park, I washed nearly 1,000 dishes a day and then served 500 scoops of ice cream a day in Yosemite. I considered exploring the chance to search for uranium in the Utah desert for a year, but reluctantly turned

the discipline and imagination, let alone the talent, to create fiction.

Fourteen months later, Bucknell re-entered my life. My former teacher, Bill Weist, then editor of a small weekly newspaper in Shamokin, Pa., offered me a job as a reporter/photographer in a Pennsylvania coal town. I seized the chance. There, in the circus of small-town life, I struggled to give form, in clumsy prose and concise images, to what I felt about what I saw in this dreary, dying mining town that was so rich in stories.

The journalist's path eventually led to documentary films.

"Immerse yourself in the great variety of life."

it down after I learned that it meant co-habiting with scorpions and rattlesnakes.

Throughout my travels, I encountered extraordinary men and women whose harsh lives were alien to my own relatively secure existence. I listened to their stories, rich in human experience, and learned from them. I set sail for France, ostensibly as a student, but searching for my destiny. Pure happenstance drew me into the gravitational fields of Bill Burroughs and Allen Ginsberg, where I orbited for over a year. I dallied with writing, but lacked

My first film was about mentally disabled children growing up in a state institution in Pennsylvania. Then came the civil rights and the anti-Vietnam War movements, which allowed me to combine political passion with aesthetic perception. Documentary filmmaking gave me privileged access to men and women whose stories were seldom told, whose humanity was rarely recognized and whose struggle to validate their lives in a meaningful way was too often ignored. In the Middle East, I lived among Arab peoples in villages, the desert, refugee camps and in cities, documenting their daily lives with still images. In prisons, I filmed and wrote about men serving life terms for murder, or waiting anxiously on death row,

many of whom were hoping to discover meaning, if not redemption, in the tragedy of their lives. In Pittsburgh, I followed a yearlong struggle of a mainstream, conservative minister, his family and his colleagues as they became radicalized by the political and corporate indifference to the suffering of steelworkers created by the closing of the steel mills. In the South, I spent seven years researching and filming the almost forgotten story of the African-American struggle for freedom during the terrors of segregation between 1861–1954; and then two years telling the story of the efforts of a dying town on the Mississippi River to overcome racial division and economic disaster to resurrect itself.

champion, pitching to a major league baseball team, quarterbacking a professional football team. Zuckerman recognizes the divide between them:

"Suddenly George Plimpton stood for all that I had squandered by removing myself as forcefully as I had to seek asylum from the great variety of life. George said to me, his singular voice rising into spirited confidence, 'It is our humanity. We have to be part of it too.'"

That was the unspoken drift of my teachers' teachings that so profoundly shaped my life: Immerse yourself in the great variety of life. It is your humanity. Be part of it. Have an effect — if you can.

I know, of course, that my journey is without destination, that it has been taken for its own sake

It is your humanity. Be part of it. Have an effect — if you can."

I always felt that what I was doing was irrevocably linked to my teachers, but in a way not yet clear to me. Yes, I had studied sociology, Marxism, socialism, revolution and the dynamics of social change. But what I was seeking was not what had been articulated, but what lay in the realm of the unspoken.

Then, one day, there it was in **Phil Roth's '54 novel *Exit Ghost***. There is a moment where Roth's main character, Zuckerman, compares his self-imposed hermetic existence as a writer to that of (the real) George Plimpton (a real friend of Roth's), who has unexpectedly died. Plimpton was a witty, urbane writer whose approach to non-fiction writing was to immerse himself inside the experience he was writing about — stepping into a boxing ring with a

and will end with the Supreme Oblivion, the end of all journeys. Yet I continue to focus on the work I may hopefully one day accomplish and disregard whatever I have already accomplished. I also teach at a university and try to inspire my students with the passions that inspire me. They are receptive, but they live in hard times that require attending to harsh realities rather than indulging in dreaming. To instill in them the hunger for the world so many of my generation had is hard, which is understandable considering the present condition of the world. But I try. I tell them: "It's your humanity. Be part of it too." **B**

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Class Notes

Alumni Near&Far



Could they have known then that in just a few short years tie-dye and love beads would replace tartan skirts and bobby socks?

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1934

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REUNION 2010

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Ann Orr Deschanel writes, "Your talk about regattas on the Eastern Shore brought back happy memories of when we used to spend happy summer days at large regattas, often with **Eleanor Wermouth Hamsher**. They were all over the Eastern Shore. St. Michael's was an especially charming locale.

"My Australian granddaughter spent a delightful six-week holiday in Colorado. We were together again when we learned about her exciting new job and the joys of her new Queensland environment — especially a plethora of farmer's markets and the availability of fresh fruits and vegetables all year round," Ann continues. "As a former reporter for the Class of '35, I would like to join members of our class with deep thanks for reviving our news on a regular basis. Thank you, Laura." — L.C.

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Here we go again without a single word from any classmates. I still have almost weekly phone conversations with **Clif Siegmeister** in Palm Beach, Fla. He's the same old Clif, but a little sadder having lost his special girlfriend, Selma, who passed away after 15 years in a coma with nurses around the clock. His legs, as for all of us at this age, are not what they used to be. He relies on a little help; however, his 5 p.m. vodkas are still on schedule.

As for myself, I'm still quite mobile, still doing the same things but at a lot slower pace. I am writing to the eight recipients of our class scholarship. All of these guys and gals are demonstratively appreciative of our support and bullish on the future. It is not practical to put their letters in this format, but if any of you are interested, drop me a note and I'll copy you. You should be proud that we have such a large fund and are using it for a good purpose. I strongly mention that any continuing contributions will be gratefully accepted and put to good use.

Please let me hear from you. I know there are still some of you out there. — C.V.

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REUNION 2010

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Greetings and best wishes for all of you in 2010 — the year of our 70th Reunion. May it be good and healthy for each of us. This is an early reminder to plan to attend Reunion, if possible. If not, send me a greeting that I may read to our assembled classmates. Pictures would be an added touch.

Bob Stanton sends a Christmas greeting. He had sent an earlier assurance that the flooding of the Susquehanna River (due to Hurricane Ida) had not reached the retirement residence in which he and other Bucknell seniors reside, as it is far above the river.

A Christmas greeting and a long letter from **Helen Sanders Christian** brings an account of why we had no word from her in 2008. She became ill and was in the hospital from early December to the beginning of February. While not an auspicious start for 2009, things were better from then on. A major event was attending the outdoor wedding of her granddaughter, Liz, in Maryland on a perfect May 2009 day. Liz, a state department employee, and her husband, Alan, live in Paris on a three-year assignment. As you may guess, Sandy regrets that a trip to Paris is not in her plans, but she looks forward to Reunion.

Betty Eyler Kephart sends a greeting and this brief note: "All is well in Bluffton." That's Indiana, for you in the East.

Carol and **O. Warren Higgins'** Christmas letter details a good 2009. Although they felt too much time involved doctors, they did take a Caribbean cruise that included their children and grandchildren. Warren even got a day cruise on Chesapeake Bay with a group of lawyer associates. On a land trip, he visited the Wilmington & Western Railroad and rode in a train powered by the 100-year-old Engine 98. Their son is still in Utah with his family, although he looks longingly back to the Philadelphia area. Carol continues her role of chief worrier and enabler for her family.

From **Evelyn Brooks Farnsworth**, a Christmas card note ending with "take care" and "be happy." Evie, none of us ever expect to catch up with all our intentions for the holidays.

Jeanne Brozman Crawford '39 shared Thanksgiving with her son, while Christmas was spent with her daughter, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She writes that shopping for toys was a fun experience after so many years. A later note enclosed a lovely picture of her great-granddaughter, Ella, who calls her "GG" — a nickname I gave Jeanne sometime after college years. Looking at the letters and the relationship, it is appropriate.

A greeting from Martha and **John Zeller '41** says they are still hanging in there and hope to see some of us at Reunion. Sounds good.

Jeanne Offutt Davis '42 was a little sister to me at Bucknell before transferring to Simmons College. She was part of a close-knit group who lived in Harris Hall and continued with yearly visits, including husbands. She writes that she and **Marjorie Brumbaugh Bush '42** are the last of their group.

Neil and **Marian Weinberger Hartman '42** sent a Christmas letter written by him, as she has serious eye problems. Traveling in 2009 was a family trip to Massachusetts and one to Maryland. She serves as a "friendly visitor" for their cluster of eight apartments at Medford Leas. — A.H.W.

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Stan Williams, Daytona Beach, Fla., received a nice letter from **Stephanie Diegel '11**, recipient of the Class of 1943 scholarship.

My great-nephew, **David Humphreys '96**, was married at the Marine Memorial Chapel in Quantico Va., on Sept. 15, 2009. I can't resist writing about the Bucknellians present, including **Dan '96** and **Jen Kopf Plaxe '96**, **Frank Marcigliano '96**, **Craig '96** and **Megan Allen Holzer '97**, **James Strotmeyer '97** and **Jeff Kroh '96**. David's uncle, **Rev. Doug Sholl '66**, performed the celebration and blessing of the marriage. His uncles, **David Sholl '71** (with his saxophone) and **Robert Sholl '69**, participated in lighting a memorial candle in honor of the Humphreys and Sholl families. David's proud parents are **David '66** and **Debora Sholl Humphreys '67**. Also present were his aunts, **Betsy Neary Sholl '67** and **Becky Sholl Baer '74**, and his cousin, **Matt Sholl '93**. David and his bride, Jill, work in the State Department and are stationed in Thailand. His parents will visit this year.

Dick Gray '42 is in his 16th and final year as board secretary of Presidio Graduate School. It's doing well, with two-year M.B.A. and M.P.A. (public administration) degree programs and a five-month certificate for senior executives, all in sustainable management, with about 90 new students every semester. You can read all about it at www.presidioedu.org. "Sustainability is the main interest," writes his wife, Caye.

I was happy to hear from **Nina Osovick Magilligan**, **Betty Thomas Carson '42** and **Ronnie Greene Byrnes**. A card from **George Rehkamp** reached me addressed to "Janet Bold."

While it was nice to hear from **Les '41** and **Joan Davidson Whitney '40**, I was sad to learn of the death of their son, **Timothy '77**, on Sept. 1, 2009.

Note: Timothy's obituary appeared in the winter 2010 issue.

Marjorie and **Don Hopkins '42** helped their grandson, Eli, 7, celebrate his birthday, along with his parents, with a week in the Western Carolina Great Smoky Mountains panning for gems and enjoying the Cherokees. They also attended another grandson's May 2009 wedding.

Emilie Sherman Sanborn '55 took interesting trips to Peru, Ecuador, Hilton Head, S.C., and the Great Smoky Mountains of North Carolina. She also took a cruise in the western Caribbean.

Jane Griffith attended Bucknell's May 2009 Commencement to see her cousin's grandson graduate. She attended the Rooke Chapel Ringers' January concert in Caldwell, N.J., and raves about them. The Ringers will perform in Haddonfield, N.J., in January 2011, so I plan to attend.

Martha and **John Zeller '41** write that their grandson, **Grant '12**, loves Bucknell. Lewisburg's Fourth of July parade celebrated the community's veterans and was led by three honored guests (in convertibles), John being one of them. — J.B.S.

1944

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Because of deadlines, news can't always be timely. But holiday notes will ever be special and warmly received.

Emma and **Elmo Pascale** had their usual busy year. A highlight was the wedding of their granddaughter, Rachel, followed closely by earning an M.D. from Yale. According to Elmo, "We still have occasional formal duties. There were Wellness Center moments with Ella swimming 20 laps three times weekly at the indoor pool. I followed a routine of agility while enjoying a bagel and chit-chat in the lounges."

Roy and **Meg Meston Breg** keep a busy routine, too. She finally stepped down as their church Women's Fellowship program planner but continues with two other church commitments. They sing in the choir each Sunday.

Sy Bernstein writes, "Overall 2009 was a good year for learning to live the life of a senior single. In April a grove of 36 olive trees was dedicated in Shalom Park in memory of Clemmie. During my park walks I enjoy sitting on 'her bench,' which contains a memorial plaque. In May, at a church ceremony, nine trees were planted in her honor on the church grounds. Our family is very proud of these two living memorials."

Mimi Reed, wife of our late president **Henry "Duke" Reed**, sees **Bob Bartow '43** and his wife once in a while. After a silence of several years, she was pleased to hear once again from **Ken Warren** at Christmas.

Ret. Brig. Gen. **John Debarr** had a front-row seat to watch his wife, Georgia, perform in a Christmas production. "He sang, too, when he joined us in *Silent Night* at the end," she writes. They live in an Air Force retirement village in Riverside, Calif. He is the senior Marine there.

"**Anne Howland Knudson '46** is the Bucknell friend I hear

from most," writes **Mary "Tippy" Miller**. "She's still in her big house in Watchung, N.J. I'm happy in my apartment, have made friends here in Cincinnati and enjoy being near some of my family. My son moved from Jacksonville to Knoxville and it's nice having him closer. I still miss the warm weather."

Doris Lutz Boswell '42 writes, "I'm still active in my volunteer work at a retirement home and I'm still driving (locally)!"

Dud '46 and **Jean Newsom Waldner '46** had a year filled with family gatherings, visits and a special event. "In May 2009 we celebrated our 65th wedding anniversary by hosting a 'Depression Party' for about 70 friends," they write. "Our guests caught the spirit and came appropriately dressed. There were at least three selling apples for 5 cents. Table prizes included Spam and 'victory garden' tomato plants."

Our age group seems to have cut back on traveling, and exotic jaunts are no longer reportable items. Mary Jane and **Fitz Walling '46** say their trip of 2009 was to Chambersburg, Pa., for her 55th reunion at Wilson College.

Most of the holiday news was pleasant, but there was one very sad note: the sudden death of **Burney Brown Runkle's** husband, Bill, last fall. I think I can speak for '44 in offering belated sympathy to Burney and their children, **Dean Runkle '77** and **Barbara Runkle LevKoy '79**, and their families. I'm certain I can for the six of us who started out with her in 1940 on Larison's third floor elevation. Love, too, Burney.

The only new address is for **Dick '47** and **Dilly Dillenback Moore '46**. They're at 4 Antigua Circle, Englewood, FL 34223, after 28 years in Maine.

So you'll know they have their wits about them, the following have been in touch, though sans news: **Gini Cushing Hughes**, **Janet Leach Messman**, **Bob** and **Kay Marshall Morris**, **Dick** and **Annie Fetterman Gutekunst**, **Bill** and **Donna Perry Crage**, **Doris** and **Lee Psaty**, **George Haines '43** and

my old roomie, **Carol "Cuz" Day Allen**.

May you all enjoy the promises that come with spring. Love and peace. — H.R.B.

1945

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Bucknell Magazine is searching for a reporter for the Class of '45. Please contact us if you are interested. Please direct your news for the next issue to classnotes@bucknell.edu or Class Notes, *Bucknell Magazine*, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

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With the hope of receiving news from 1947ers, I asked Heather Johns, our alumni news editor, to send me the e-mail addresses of members of our class. Before this issue of *Bucknell Magazine* is published, I hope to hear from some of our 59 e-mailing classmates, who I have begun to contact.

Happily, the Honor House "round robin" flew in December 2009 bringing news from **Grace Deissler King**, our class' *L'Agenda* editor; **Bobby Messer Hale**, our round robin coordina-

tor; **Ruth Richardson Bullock**; **Tamara Gurvitch Goldman**, *Bucknellian* co-editor with **Roger Haddon**; **Lois Miller Tandy**; **June Stott Matthews**, **Helen Klauder Bohs**; **Gloria Child Goelz**; **Mollie Wolfinger Woehling** and your reporter. Family events, reading, traveling, volunteering, new hobbies, art, remodeling, health concerns and maintaining contacts with friends were expressed interests. Prayers for world peace were high on the list of concerns. — J.M.R.

1948

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I hope your Christmas was wonderful. We spent our holiday with our daughter, **Jill Brown Waters '82**, her husband, **Jack '79**, and their daughter, Jennifer. A huge snowstorm hit Virginia, but we made it.

A welcome Christmas letter arrived from **Trudy Vogel Graham**. She has done some traveling this year, including a walk on the platform overlooking the East Grand Canyon — that was a sight to behold. I'm sure, Trudy. Unfortunately, sometime later she fractured her left shoulder blade. I hope the sling is off! Thanks for your news.

As always, our friend **Helen Hayden Nelson** writes a newsy letter. She has recuperated from a knee replacement and carpal tunnel, and traveled to Massachusetts and Florida. She does her usual quilting, bowling, needlework and tennis — when she can find a partner!

From Arizona comes a holiday card from **Anita Coleman Steiner**. She and her husband spend seven months there and come back to Pennsylvania when it warms up. Good idea, Nita.

As a follow-up to my reporting on **Mary Edith Moyer Stevens** in the winter 2010 issue, M.E.'s husband and she write that she is comfortable in her rehabilitation/nursing facility. But she

would really enjoy a note from one of us '48ers. I think we can do that, M.E.

In response to my plea for news, **Ruth Williamson McKee** says Christmas cards provided news from **Peggy Rowe Harrison**, **Betty Winkel** and Helen Nelson. Thanks, Ruthie.

Patricia Hungerford Lancaster dropped me a note. She keeps in touch with **Cliff '49** and **Eleanor Sipler Gross**. She's still historian for her home city and won a nine-hole golf tournament. Go Bison! — J.G.B.

1949

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Nick Daviduk, who was at our 60th Reunion, made his annual fall trek to New England. He started in New Jersey and drove up the Hudson River Valley into Vermont's snow-covered mountain peaks where he visited the Vermont Marble Quarry.

Another highlight of Nick's trip was a visit with former class reporter **Howard VanDine** and his wife, Janet, in St. Albans, Vt. Howard had an amazing recovery from his accident. Returning home, Nick crossed Lake Champlain into the Adirondack Mountains, through Lake Placid, Saranac Lake and the Pocono Mountains.

Cliff Reims lives alone, still drives, does his own shopping and attends as many performances of plays, musical events and operas as he can. He retired in 1986 as head of the voice department and director of the Auditorium Theater of Roosevelt University in Chicago. He and his wife, Georgette, moved to Fairhope, Ala., where he had a grand time for 15 years directing opera and choruses, singing and teaching part time at the University of South Alabama. Georgette became ill and died three years ago. Cliff moved back to the Chicago area to be nearer to his children. He

says he had enjoyed our 50th Reunion but was unable to get to our 60th, as he was ill and unable to travel. He hopes to get to the 2010 Reunion. His address is 5550 Abbey Drive, Apt. 1J, Lisle, IL 60532.

Marion Mayfield-Johnson's address is 11 Wakefield Drive, Apt. 2408, Asheville, NC 28803-4149. She has lived in Asheville since June 1989. She and her husband loved it out there (a great place, I might add), but he died in September 1998. She has lived at the Episcopal Retirement Community since April 2003. (I moved to Aldersgate in Charlotte in July 2003.) She is glad she made the move when she did, as she has developed mobility problems. Another Bucknell couple, **Victor '54** and **Diane Slifer Scott '54**, lives there. When they see each other they say, "Ray Bucknell!"

Marion says she loved to travel all of her life and is grateful for the opportunities provided by the Foreign Service. She is grounded and thinks her best days may have been in the 1950s-90s. Plane travel is awful and Asheville has no passenger train service. She can still drive, but not far. She has her 18-year-old cat, Dolly (I have a 9-year-old cat, Houdini). She likes Deerfield so she is a happy camper.

I am doing quite well (I have back problems). I keep exercising and still like Aldersgate. There are so many nice people here. The main problem is that they are dying off. I guess that stands to reason since we don't come to places like this until we are quite old. Happy 2010 to all. — C.M.D.

1950

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Thirty-eight years after graduating from Bucknell, **Nancy Hitchcock Lange** earned her master's degree in library science at Drexel University. She's retired but busier than ever. She volunteers at a public library and serves as a librarian for a church and choir. She also sings with a choir and two choral groups, and volunteers in the surgical recovery room at Abington Hospital, acting as a liaison between that room and a lounge where families wait. Nancy's daughter, Heidi, lives in nearby Lansdale; her son, David, is in Philadelphia, where Nancy makes her home; and her son, Richard, lives in Niceville, Fla. We were greatly saddened to learn that Nancy's daughter, Lisa, died of ovarian cancer in 2005. She was 47.

Alice Windeknecht Totten '52 was on campus Oct. 23, 2009, when the University celebrated 125 years of co-education. She had a great visit with **Bill and Ruth Castner Rusling '52** during lunch at Larison Hall and saw many other familiar faces. The anniversary events included panel discussions as well as shared memories of alumni, faculty and staff, and the celebration ended with a dedication of a new 125 courtyard on the Academic Quad. Alice also participated in Bucknell's Institute for Lifelong Learning, joining a class of 16 studying the Great Depression. She truly enjoyed hitting the books again, being back in a classroom and meeting some great people.

I had a delightful phone call from **Joseph Klose '52**. He made many trips to Milton during his four years at Bucknell, often visiting two adoring aunts who cooked up some unforgettable Sunday dinners for him. He reminisced about the Arrowhead (still open and still famous for their pig-in-a-blanket sandwiches), the Hotel Milton (closed and for sale), the Old

Mill (gone), Hafer's Bar (gone), the Alhambra (gone) and, in Lewisburg, the Burger, the Bison and the Campus Theatre (all open for business). Joe has a long-ago memory of **Max Coots** seated quietly at the Burger bar, contemplating a beer. On the wall behind him there was a picture of a rather dapper fellow with a caption that read, "O-Fume Pabst in a Pensive Mood." Joe remembers well that wonderfully funny tabloid, *The Squirrel*, and would like very much to hear from anyone who shares those memories. Mail will reach him at 122 Larchmont Road, Elmira, NY 14905.

Northumberland County judge **Samuel Ranck** retired in 1996 after 20 years of service, then returned to the bench and served 13 more years as senior judge. He adjourned court for the last time in 2008. He keeps busy in and around his home on Boiardi Lane in Milton. He has many memories of Bucknell, one of which involves, "World Lit. class with Dr. Mildred Martin and all those papers" he had to write. Sam's golf clubs are retired but he enjoys reading and spending time with family and friends.

A record-setting snowfall measuring four inches greeted **Dick and Jane Kohler Coleman '52** when they made a trip from their home in Ohio to Pennsylvania in mid-October 2009. It was such fun finally meeting my co-reporter and his lovely wife. Although the autumn leaves of red and gold were bedimmed by the weather, our little get-together couldn't have been brighter. — P.W.

Right on! At Bucknell, **Patty Wagner** would be up on the stage singing contralto solos while I was in the orchestra pit blowing trumpet. We never met while matriculating, but I distinctly recall her vocal musical talent and mellifluous voice.

John and Barb Renninger Shott '55 are holding out in Las Vegas, Nev., where a grandson keeps them busy.

Betty and **Bill Adams** live in the RiverWoods retirement community near good old

Lewisburg. They volunteer at the Route 15 Susquehanna Visitors Center. That's not all — for three evenings in December 2009 they placed luminarias throughout the community, with much help from others. One requirement is that helpers be able to bend down, light the candle, then get back up and continue on. She led a party for donors and he prepped the milk jugs.

Up the river in Wilkes-Barre, **Tony Bartoletti** does business as Parson Insulation Sales Co. He says he has no spare-time activity because he has no spare time. He flew in a B-25 out of Okinawa and New Guinea in WWII.

Down the river near Sunbury, in the "better late than never" department, **Al Bogart** bought himself an HO Gauge train outfit three years ago and whiles away the time perfecting his layout. He served in Europe during WWII in an Army armored unit.

We talked to **Ray Stuempfle's** wife, Valdessa, to learn that he is in the Balanced Care Nursing Home in Bloomsburg, Pa. She and the four Stuempfle children are pleased with the care he receives there.

Frank Stasenکو lives down Mt. Union way. He is active around the house and plans to play some golf after a full recovery from a hip operation. His wife, Ellen, passed on last year and he takes pride in doing some routine cooking for himself. Plus, he is frequently fed by his son and daughter, who live in the area. — D.C.

1951

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Thanks to several of you I have my usual infusion of news from Christmas cards and letters. I also add my thanks to **Dick Rogers**, from whom I received a nice, newsy letter, which I will quote. "I retired at the end of

1985 as president and COO of Syntex Corp., having spent my entire post-Army career in the pharmaceutical industry," he writes. "Since retirement, Helen and I have spent a lot of time traveling the world, but even more time with our progeny — we have six daughters, 22 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. At Christmas this year there were 46 of us for dinner! We are also much committed to our church family in our Missouri Synod Lutheran church." He is 80 years old and has been married for 57 years.

I had cards from two former roommates. Joe and **Claire Harth Troler** still play bridge, bowl and garden. They are also computer literate and have fun with that.

Janice Lissenden Impara sends news that she is moving. She was between locations when she wrote her letter. Her new address is 446 Lori Lane, Ashland, OR 97520. She leaves Gaithersburg, Md., for this adventure and we wish her happiness in her new location. She will have children nearby. Her big trip this year was to Peru with her son, Peter.

I also heard from **Lena Garro McCloskey**. She and **Lee '50** are still in Farmington, N.M., and have many activities with their sons and their families. They have seven (if I counted right) great-grandchildren. Their sons arranged a reunion in October 2009 at Invincible Lodge in Idaho Springs, Colo., and they had a fine time with seven states represented. Wow!

We also had a card from Joan and **Don Betty**. He says they are anticipating a move in 2011 to a retirement facility.

Our two daughters visited **Ray** and me from London, U.K., and Carlsbad, N.M. They are a big help to us and we appreciate them. — B.L.S.

1952

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It is said by Swinburne that, "Blossom by blossom spring begins," which was true for Phil and **Carolyn Knies Erdle** in spring 2009. Their granddaughter, Kate, graduated from Notre Dame in May; their grandson, Troy, graduated from high school in June; and 31 members of the Erdle family gathered Memorial Day weekend by the Big Thompson River in Loveland, Colo. The purpose was to attend the wedding of their grandson, Brian, and Erin Mick. Check the wedding picture on B-Link (www.b-link.bucknell.edu) in the '52 photo albums. The Erdle/Schultz family reunion was the next gathering when relatives came to Colorado from New Jersey, Pennsylvania and California for the memorable event.

Spring 2009 was equally exciting for **Don and Molly Tompkins Manning**, who welcomed Cole Douglas, son of Douglas and Melissa Manning, on March 22, 2009. Don readily admits to being deeply smitten by his new heir. "Come on over to grandma and grandpa's for Sunday dinner" is a weekly ritual, since the young family live a little way down the road. Another arrival for the Manning clan occurred on Nov. 28, 2009, when their granddaughter, Lauren, married Erik Mihulak. Photos of the beautiful bride and her husband can be seen on B-Link. The wedding was performed in New Orleans, where the newlyweds live, work and go to graduate school. Lauren's sister, Whitney, lives and works in Cincinnati, where she is busy with two jobs and cares for her special friend, Charlie the Chihuahua. The Mannings managed time in June 2009 to sandwich between events one Elderhostel trip to "Taste the Foods of Vermont." They stayed at a charming inn in the town of Brandon, convenient for taking advantage of sensational weather to explore many interesting sights. However, the main focus was to sample the unique cheese and other food produced in the Liberty state. Regardless of the pleasure in visiting states around the

country, Florida remains the ideal choice of home for the Mannings. They love its long golf season, volunteer activities at the hospital and church, welcome mat waiting for friends and family to come on down, and proximity to their little grandson, who daily brings them pleasure beyond belief. Can life be any better for senior living?

Betty and **Gene Cobaugh** enjoyed all of 2009 because it was a quiet year with no hurricanes! Their usual marathon air travel to be with family was limited to a trip to Alaska for their grandson, Daniel's, graduation, which included an exhilarating cold cruise to spot killer whales and explore glaciers. Their son, Mike, and his family, who live in Paris, reversed roles by returning home to Florida for three weeks' vacation. Two quick driving trips to Pennsylvania in October and December 2009 verified some genealogy studies that uncovered cousins Betty had never met before. A social highlight for the Cobaughs was a wonderful three-day wedding in Atlanta for Steve's son, Justin, and his southern bride in October 2009. Christmas in North Carolina with Steve and his family completed the Cobaughs' annual travel itinerary. At home in Florida they sing in the choir, and she teaches bible studies and designs and creates costumes for church stage productions. He plays in the Broward Symphony Orchestra and is energized by his CPA practice. Is it true that some '52ers never retire?

Jack and **Ellie Childs Lewis** remained home in State College during the mild 2009 winter. He sang with the State College Choral Society and she played in the Nittany Valley Symphony. At the end of the music season they drove to Cape Cod to see her family, and then headed to Williamsburg in June 2009 to celebrate his 87th birthday. Unfortunately, since that trip he has battled a chain of serious blood infections that required a long recuperation. He is slowly winning the fight

toward good health and looks forward to a healthy 2010. We wish them the best success in finding a magic bullet to speed up his full recovery.

Spring 2009 for **Bob and Lu Swetland Carman** meant attending the college graduations of two grandkids: Andrew from Harvey Mudd College in California and Anna from Taylor University in Indiana. A reunion of former students and staff from the Christian Medical College in Vellore, India, drew them to Clear Lake, Texas. Side trips to NASA and a cruise on Galveston Bay gave them a perspective of a state never before visited. August 2009 was reserved for family gatherings and quiet respites at Leech Lake, Minn. Lu reiterates that there is no place like their cozy home in Golden Valley, Minn., where they hunkered down for the rest of the year.

Their daughter, Betsy, and her husband, David, are in Chennai (formerly Madras), India, representing the American Baptist Church. Betsy continues her divinity studies online from Bethel Seminary. Her brother, Chuck, is a software architect developing nuclear medicine imaging systems. He and his wife, Susie, live in California. Their son, Jim, and his family live near Lu and Bob, who are lavished with pleasures when involved in the grandparent roles offered them.

The University Baptist Church has become a spiritual home for Lu and Bob. They are choir members, she is in charge of the church library and volunteers to feed the hungry every fifth Friday. He has outreach responsibilities for the church council. The community benefits from their active involvement with a local peace and justice group that holds weekly vigils on a city street corner to end the war.

Spence Coleman continues to actively advocate for justice and compassion for senior citizens. He was installed as president of AARP Catonsville, Chapter 421, the oldest chapter in Maryland. His third time as president, fifth year in office

and serving Catonsville for 21 years earned him the title of Grand Old Man. Chapter 421 celebrated its 40th year with a cruise on Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Three citations from the state and country governments were awarded to the Maryland chapter at the anniversary. During his tenure, he served as vice president, secretary and director. He writes the chapter newsletter, maintains the website, arranges monthly programs and reports news of interest to members. A loyal volunteer of AARP, he has long advocated for lifelong learning and improved lifestyles for America's seniors.

The fame of Baltimore's white marble-step row houses was made known to me when my teaching career began in Towson in 1952. However, I was not aware that the nickname "Bawlmer" is a spoken term of endearment for the city. My thanks to Spence for his holiday greetings, published by Homerun Graphics, which captured Bawlmer's unique charm on his Christmas card. There seem to be many cherished towns that are given a derivative name. Do you know any? Is your hometown one to write about? — R.C.R.

1953

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While I have your attention: The Bucknell Philadelphia area luncheon for the women of the great Class of 1953 is scheduled for April 28, and the location will probably be the same as in previous years. If you have not yet made a reservation, please contact me at CHKILO@verizon.net by April 23.

From **John Manbeck**: "Our traveling schedule has been downsized as a result of the economy, flight charges and the foreign exchange rate. But we managed to get out to Santa Fe to look at a new condo we invested in, and up to Maine (and

INVESTIGATIVE MEDICINE

Theodore Bayless '54 was born in Atlantic City into a family with a keen interest in medicine. While at Bucknell, he met his future wife, **Jaye Nides '54**, who inspired and motivated him in his career.

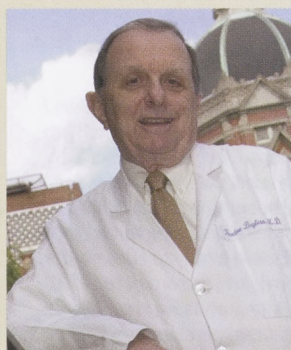
In the early 1960s, a fellowship brought him to Johns Hopkins, where he began an academic "triathlon" of patient care, research and teaching, culminating in a named professorship of medicine. Over the course of this career, he has treated more than 5,000 patients suffering from a variety of gastrointestinal disorders. In each case, he has spent 90 minutes doing preliminary evaluations, a rarity in the field.

The time and investigative depth evident in this diagnostic platform led to discoveries revolutionizing patient care. Bayless was able to recognize that lactose intolerance was a genetic trait by studying patients with milk intolerance. This research inspired the innovation of lactose-hydrolyzed milk, "a commercial product for the millions who are lactose intolerant," which received the Franklin Institute Nutrition Medal in 1987.

Much of Bayless' work is with adolescents and adults suffering from Crohn's disease. Again, genetics proved essential in charting and improving patient outcomes. He was able to recognize disease patterns that recurred in families. One particularly grateful family provided funds to establish a genetics laboratory. Research generated from this facility helped to locate the main gene responsible for Crohn's Disease, verifying many of Bayless' observations. Today the medical community has isolated more than 30 gene mutations, and new medications derived from this research are helping countless individuals to lead lives of greater ease and comfort.

A former patient, Richard Danzig, who served as Secretary of the Navy, recalls Bayless in this way: "There is about him a kind of warm humanity and careful reflectiveness, concerning both the individual patient and the general disease. An interest in both is by no means universal among good doctors."

— Maria Jacketti



Campobello) on an Elderhostel/Exploritas intergenerational week in letterboxing with our granddaughter, Emma. Then my seventh book came out in August 2009, *Historic Photos of the Brooklyn Bridge* (Turner Publishing), the same week as the Brooklyn Bridge appeared on the cover of *The New Yorker* and a week before I received unsolicited publicity from Ben McGrath in "The Talk of the Town" section of the same publication. Numerous book talks followed." John, did you notice a review of the book in the winter 2010 issue of *Bucknell Magazine*?

"Then *New York City By Bus and Subway* (Iamco Publications), where I wrote a tour of Brooklyn Heights, hit the newsstands," he continues. "In October 2009, we welcomed **Ralph '54** and **Tozia Beckley Hemecker '57** and Harry and **Cindy Luks**

Martin '54 to an afternoon 'brupper' and social get-together at Shawnee, Pa. In November 2009, we flew to Long Beach to visit our young grandson, Max. Then, inspired by Ken Burns' National Parks series, on to Yosemite for Thanksgiving with an Elderhostel/Exploritas week. (Better in colder weather than with summer crowds.) That leaves us with two weeks in May for our annual Santa Fe visit. And my weekly column in *The Brooklyn Daily Eagle* goes on and on and on (so far)."

Nancy Boyer Danahy is pleased that her granddaughter, **Abigail Crane '13**, has chosen to study at Bucknell. That's a third-generation Bison for that family. Nancy's two daughters are **Deborah Hennel '80**, a class reporter, and **Gretchen Hennel Crane '84**, Abigail's mother, Nancy, hopes Abby's younger sister, Rachel, a high

school junior, may also decide to attend Bucknell.

Nancy was not the first in the family to attend the University. Her great-grandmother's brother, Judson Philips, attended the predecessor to Bucknell, the University at Lewisburg. After Nancy earned her master's of education from Pitt, she taught elementary school for 18 years. Her three children, including her son, David, are all teachers — although they began their careers in entirely different areas. Nancy was active for a number of years as a volunteer tutor in a program for female offenders. After witnessing the excellent results Abby received from the University's pre-college workshop for high school students, which is held for children and grandchildren of alumni each spring on campus, she highly recommends the program. Workshop leaders follow the

students through their college selection process. She is still active in Pittsburgh helping in her church. She also keeps in close contact with Charlie and **Sue Appleyard Martucci**.

Ralph Cargo writes that, after graduating with a degree in commerce and finance, he went into the Navy for two years followed by graduate school at the University of Pittsburgh. From there, on to Bell of Pennsylvania (now Verizon) for 35 years, where he worked in operations and later as director in the labor relations department before retiring in 1991. During that time he worked in Pittsburgh, Reading, Philadelphia and New York (with AT&T). He has been retired going on 19 years and lives in Pittsburgh. He winters with his wife, Audrey, in Florida and has taken a few cruises. He spends a lot of time doing church volunteer work and fishing with his son, Steve, in Canada and Florida. He also sees his daughter,

Cathy Marks P'13, and two grandchildren, **Meghan '13** and **Jonathan**, who were born shortly after he retired. He is proud that Meg is at Bucknell and enjoyed going through the college search process with her while she was at Pine Richland High School. She is in the School of Management majoring in accounting, and is thoroughly engrossed in and enjoying her first year.

How nice that **Dick Landis**, from way down in Arkansas, has been e-mailing lovely Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year greetings. When I respond with a thank-you, he fills me in a bit. "We're having a tough winter here. It snowed but the usual Ozarks melt isn't appearing," he writes. "I heard from **Downey Stances** and **Ed Williams**. They're complaining about global cooling." Yes, and I wonder how the snowbirds endured the January chill.

The tradition continues. **Bobbie Roemer Gibb** and I meet for lunch in Maplewood, N.J., while I am in the area visiting with my family for a long Thanksgiving weekend. This year I was pleased that she and

George '58 were able to come from their home in Chester, N.J., for the visit and lunch. We enjoyed a leisurely, chat-filled, delicious lunchtime. How many years has it been, Bobbie?

There is news of **Walt** and **Izzy Beers McConnell**. First, of course, is all the usual hiking, biking, skiing, camping, etc. But they are always into something new. While in Egypt, they were camel riding, ballooning over the Colossus of Memnon and the Valley of the Kings, climbing the narrow steps and ladders in the great pyramid of Cheops and then restfully riding on a boat up the Nile. They had their usual trip to Hawaii and a stay in the Berkshires. They attended 60th reunions at their high schools, the Tin-Can Sailors' gathering in Portland, Maine, and Walt's 50th Jefferson Medical School reunion. Family gatherings were nestled among those larger events. They are especially pleased to be grandparents of **Cameron McConnell '13** and keep up the Bucknell tradition.

Walt continues on the Alumni Board of Directors. He is most excited that the documentary *Money-Driven Medicine*, for which he was an executive producer, is making the rounds. He's been on several panels to discuss it. Portions of the film have been on *Frontline* and *Bill Moyers Journal*. Perhaps it will be in a theater near you; check the website at www.moneydrivenmedicine.org. — C.H.K.

1954

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My apologies for a lack of news in the winter 2010 issue. **Glen '52** and I were involved in moving to a retirement community.

Our annual tournament with **Jim '52** and **Syd Sherwin Mellinger '52** was adjusted for physical reasons. Instead of vigorous games of table tennis and billiards, we all thoroughly

enjoyed rousing games of dominoes! Our daughter, Linda, joined in the competition.

Caryl "Cullie" Colvin Pigg writes about her 13 grandchildren, three step-grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She looks forward to an alumni group starting up in the Richmond area and stays in contact with **Bobbie Grant Palmer** and **Louise "Rickie" Richers Rydberg**.

She also mentions the death of **Mary Lou Mayer Brooks**. They went to junior and high school in Williamsport, Pa., and Bucknell together.

Note: Mary Lou's obituary appeared in the fall 2009 issue.

Spencer Coleman '52 writes to tell us about the life of Audrey Knoepke, who passed away on June 7, 2009. They were married for 20 years and remained on good terms after their divorce. They exchanged cards and e-mails, and occasionally would get together. Both remarried. She completed her master's at the School of Social work at the University of Maryland and retired as a social worker in 1992. She was active in many community affairs and enjoyed traveling, gardening, Ikebana, hiking, swimming, aerobics and computers. She was preceded in death by her husband and is survived by a daughter, son, stepdaughter, sister and two grandsons.

Dee Christopher McNair writes about a summer 2009 reunion of 13 of the 17 women who lived in Hulley House their senior year. They gathered with their husbands in June at Point Pleasant, N.J. Ron and **Joy Mackwell Brady** hosted the event. In attendance from Texas was **Sandy Whipple Dietzen**, along with **Charlie** and **Connie Jenrich Arnholts** from Florida. Nick and **Bev Geake Muto** traveled from Cape Cod. From Connecticut came Tom and **Alice-Mae Buell Suits** and Al and **Lora Doody Koenig**. Art and **Nell Manning Gilmore** came from Virginia. Charlie and **Nancy Martin Brubaker-Whitall** arrived from Delaware. Pennsylvanians included Bill and **Mary Jane Rhodes Wilson**, Wally and

Jill Kriebel Evans and Harry and **Cindy Luks Martin**. Jerseyites were Dee and her husband, Irv, and Howard and **Jan Sandford Smith**. Their next reunion will be in May, hosted by Alice-Mae in Storrs, Conn.

Sadly, in October 2009, one of the 17 passed away.

Mary Lou Herrmann Baxley is survived by husband, Charlie, five children and three grandchildren. — B.M.A.

Note: Mary Lou's obituary appeared in the winter 2010 issue.

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Ed Titus faithfully sends along his Christmas letter every year. A year ago he had some unexpected surgery and I'm happy to report he's completely recovered. He says he has disgustingly good health, so he had to learn some skills associated with being a good patient. He's enjoyed many good times with his children in New Jersey and Connecticut. He has not added a dog to his life after the loss of his beloved Katie. He had looked forward to a reunion at Muskingum University last June, where he had been dean, but unfortunately had to cancel at the last minute. He is looking forward to attending our 55th Reunion this June. Ed and his son, Rick, visited Frederick, Md., where they went to Mt. Olivet Cemetery and several family homes, including **Marian Kennedy Titus'** grandparents' home in the historic district.

Fred Olessi continues to make his semiannual, month-long trip to Spain and Italy. This particular trip is meaningful and necessary because in Rome he said goodbye to a friend of 25 years who was very ill. Artistically, this year has been a very good one. He prepared and filmed

the play *Socrates*. The film had its local premiere at Rider University in November 2009 — then on to local television and, hopefully, film festivals.

Phyllis Marcuccio ran for mayor on a platform of change in Rockville, Md., in November 2009 and won! Congrats Phyllis!

Nancy Green Gates writes that this is a year of change, but she's not talking politics. She was writing from Florida but was back in Boxford on Dec. 14, 2009. The biggest reason for change is her lack of a driver's license, to be restored on Dec. 25, 2009. Boxford is not the place to be without a driver's license. The cause is a medical mishap last June with no one hurt, thank goodness, and she feels certain that all is well now.

Elaine Ruggieri writes of a fabulous two-week Mediterranean cruise she took in August 2009 on the Oceania line. She also added a P.S. for domestic tourists: Beware of bed bugs in NYC hotels. Look beneath mattresses, around upholstered furniture and in closets. Although she was "comped" for her two-night stay and sneak attack, she itched for two weeks afterward and worried that she might have brought home some "hitchhikers" in her suitcase. She didn't.

After long years off the radar screen, **Art Rosenbloom** sends his news. He is a non-practicing lawyer turned litigation economist and works at Charles River Associates, a consulting firm. He lives in Manhattan with his wife, Evelyn Kenvin, who does estate restructuring as a consultant to a New York bank. Between them, they have five children and nine grandchildren, seven of whom live within two miles of them. Both have slowed down a bit and travel a lot, including a Nile River cruise. He is in contact with his roommate, **Marv Winston**, who practices on eastern Long Island with his son.

Mike Goodrich writes that he is giving serious thought to attending our 55th Reunion in June.

Helen Glisson Maddux went to her daughter, Susie's, for her

birthday and Thanksgiving in Colfax, Wash. She returned for Christmas, also. She is doing well and loves where she lives in Newport, Ore.

Nancy "Val" Valentine Terrel '52 sends along her wonderful Christmas newsletter. Last winter she and **Steve '52** voyaged via Costa Lines to the Canary Islands, with three ports of call in Africa. On the return to Italy they visited the Madeira Islands and three European ports. In June 2009 they spent a month in South Africa. To celebrate her sister's 50th wedding anniversary, they all took a cruise aboard the *Sapphire Princess*. Her sister's whole family was on board. The Terrill family was committed to university or job positions, but they came to a gala party in Anaheim. Steve and Val are docents at the Living Desert. She is in the butterfly house and he handles and shows animals. She also volunteers at the church thrift shop. He plays golf and she is trying to get her swing back with the ladies group.

The Evans family is still adding grandchildren. Our daughter, Day, had baby girl No. 3 in June 2009 and I flew out from Maine to help. This makes three aged 3 and under — Olivia, 3, Beatrice, 2, and Tally, 7 months. Keeps one busy. — B.B.E.

1956

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John McKee writes that 2009 was a year of staying close to home. His wife, Rita, had many surgeries as a result of a puncture wound received during a colonoscopy. She is healing well and they are looking forward to traveling again in the future. He also shared photos of them taken at Brookside Gardens, his grandchildren, sunflowers and tomatoes from his garden, and a beautiful winter scene after a December 2009 all-time record

snowfall of 18 inches.

Herb and Peg Maddock Kopp report another milestone. They became great-grandparents to Isaiah, who was born Feb. 13, 2009. Also, they took a trip to the Galapagos Islands.

A Christmas card from **Bette Skow Kenzie** shares that she was in Florida for three weeks in January and in February she, too, traveled to the Galapagos Islands. — P.G.H.

1957

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Sadly, I report the passing of **Sally Botsai's** husband, William McKay, on Nov. 12, 2009, at the age of 89. He joined the Army in 1941 and served in the infantry, Army Air Forces, Signal Corps and Office of Strategic Services during WWII. In 1962 he retired from the Army as a Lt. Colonel and worked for the National Security Agency. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery on Feb. 3. Our condolences and prayers are with Sally, who was Bill's wife for 32 years. — D.H.H.

1958

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Marie Mastorakis notes a trip to Greece with Gus Zades in May 2009 as one of the highlights of the year. She describes her retirement life as "wonderful." She participates in many community organizations, including United Way, Friends of the Cranford Library, College Women's Club, the Wednesday Morning Club and Cranford Historical Society, for which she is a trustee.

Mel and **Merle Holden Winstead** spent Christmas

2009 at home with their whole family. Their daughter-in-law is a superior cook. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at home, where their children, Deborah, Charles and Ellen, gave them a memorable evening. Ellen married John Gordon in the beautiful lower garden of the house the Winsteds had rented months before, serendipitously, in La Jolla, Calif.

Jim and **Robbie Eads McIntosh** had a year of many get-togethers with friends and family. She planned a surprise 80th birthday party for him. Visits from their sons, Pete and Ron, were a great surprise. Their son, Ian, was in Mexico on a motorcycle trip and was unable to attend. Robbie and Jim spent Christmas in Colorado with Ian, his wife and family. Another special trip took place for their 50th wedding anniversary in September 2009.

The McIntoshes participate in book discussions, choir, tai chi and the Florida orchestra. Also, in their Dunedin area, they go their separate ways. She does quilting, makes greeting cards and attends calligraphy classes. He writes books, the first of which can be reviewed at www.blurb.com/bookstore/detail/361944.

As I read a number of 50th wedding anniversary celebrations, I think of **Dick's '59** and mine, held in September 2009 with our immediate family at the shore home of **Jane Scheifele Frassenei** in Ocean City, N.J. Our fourth grandchild, Gwenn, born May 13, 2009, entertained us all! She is the daughter of Tom and **Carole Reed Trainer '97**. We try to visit their Philadelphia suburban home at least once per month.

Among a number of lovely family photos sent by Alex and **Carol Davies Aronis** was one of their latest grandchild, Natalie Grace, 1. Her birthday is New Year's Eve.

In addition to pursuing their interest in music in the Wilmington, Del., area, **Bruce '56** and **Barbara Cox Dittmar** vacationed for 10 days at their favorite beach condo, the Island Vista in Myrtle Beach, S.C., in

October 2009. They visited their son, Brian, his partner, Paul, and special pug, Moe, over Thanksgiving weekend. Brian cooked a great meal for his family and Paul's, who joined the holiday celebration in San Francisco. He continues to work on interior and graphic design projects. In January 2009 the Dittmars celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Harry and Dabbie Bartleson Erikson enjoyed a number of activities in 2009. They traveled north to celebrate his mother's 96th birthday and to the home of their son, **Jeff '83**, in Virginia. His son, Casey, is a freshman at James Madison University in Virginia. The Eriksons also spent a day at Disney with their granddaughter, Nachole, from North Vancouver, B.C.

Harry and Dabbie, since moving to Sun City Carolina Lakes, Indian Land, S.C., are able to spend much time with their daughters, Lisa and Dawn. They enjoy time with their friends in Englewood, Fla.

Don and Jane Vetter King took a number of trips last year. They flew from their Cape Coral, Fla., home to their condo in Frisco, Colo. They fly, too, to visit their son, Steve, and his family in Illinois. They traveled via train with a narrow gauge steam engine in Colorado and New Mexico with six college friends. Part of the trip was by houseboat on Lake Powell. One trip by car took them to Williamsburg, Va., to learn that region's history. Another car trip took them to Cincinnati for Thanksgiving with their daughter, Diana, and her family.

Holiday wishes from **Bill and Phiddy Gilman Scott** include news about their 50th wedding anniversary celebration in June 2009. They spent a week in Jamaica with their whole family. In August 2009 they took two granddaughters for a week's vacation to New York's Finger Lakes and to the Canadian side of Niagara Falls. In October 2009, they traveled to Rome, where they started a 12-day cruise around Italy and Dubrovnik, Croatia.

They live busy lives between Villanova, Pa., and Naples, Fla. She is active in the Philadelphia orchestra committee, Junior League, church council, Suburban Garden Club, bridge, tennis and three book groups. He serves on the church council, takes piano lessons, plays tennis and paddle tennis, and fly fishes. Both play some golf and tutor second-graders in Naples. — N.J.R.R.

1959

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If you missed our 50th Reunion last May, there are extra photos of the Bertrand Library clock tower and music CDs from our era. If you would like to receive one of these "favors," please contact Kim Allen at kballen@bucknell.edu or 570-577-3625.

Bill and Mona O'Neill
Sharkey vacationed in September 2009. "It took three flights to get there, but we arrived in Kalispell, Mont., in late afternoon, with enough time and daylight to get to our hotel, Lake McDonald Lodge on Lake McDonald, in fabulous Glacier National Park," she writes. "Glacier Park is a treasure, certainly off the beaten path, but well worth the trip. Unfortunately we didn't spot any famous white long-haired goats, but we did have a rare sighting of a mountain lion. The big cat was crossing the road as we came off a hiking trail to McDonald Falls. He looked at me and I looked back. When Bill hit the remote for the car, he did not bolt but continued to cross the road into the woods on the other side. I was not scared, just amazed about seeing him. We made a big day trip to the National Bison Refuge. As Bucknellians, we had to see this place." After their trip, they met up with **Penn '53** and **Dee Pieper Shelley** and Steve and **Betsy Kilbury Foster** at Homecoming.

Rhoda and **Brad Green**, who

live in Telluride, Colo., found a nice spot in La Jolla, Calif., at the water's edge to spend part of their winters, as they enjoy running on the beach. In September 2009, she ran The Imogene Pass Run, which is a 17.1-mile point-to-point mountain race within the western San Juan mountains of Colorado, running along a route which connects the towns of Ouray (7,810 feet) and Telluride (8,820 feet) by way of the 13,120-foot Imogene Pass. She broke the record for women over 70 years old with a time of 5:30:06.

Janice Marie Bunting
Bertram's husband, Charles, had his sixth book published. *Bikini Wednesday* is the title story in a collection of eight stories. For details check out his website at www.charleshbertram.com.

Joan Perego Thayer writes, "Our entire family was together for Thanksgiving; we were able to get a family picture for the first time since 2001. The grandsons have changed a lot!"

Charlie Taylor reports, "Suzanne and I have wintered in Scottsdale, Ariz., for 20 years. We get away from the desert heat by going back to Camp Hill, Pa., for six months of cooler weather. I have had several lunches with Janet and **Pete Lindholm**. He and I have been married about the same amount of time; my, how 52 years have sailed by. It's hard to believe my life revolves around golf. What a waste of time except for the vitamin D rays for good health. Suzanne and I are planning to be golfing in Williamsburg this summer."

Donna Gay Kaplan e-mails, "Mel and I returned home Dec. 16, 2009, from a cruise to the southern Caribbean and decided it was too cold here, so we left for Bradenton, Fla. Our cruise was a family event to celebrate the successful recovery from cancer surgery last year of Mel's son, who is 50 and cancer-free. We are so grateful."

Betsy and Jack Erhard celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 26, 2009. "All our children (four) and grandchildren (eight) gathered

from points near and far," he writes. "Prior to their arrival, we went into Manhattan to have champagne and oysters at the Oyster Bar in Grand Central Terminal, where we departed 50 years ago for Montréal on our honeymoon. We also saw *South Pacific* and the usual touristy sights in the Big Apple. In October 2009 we took a 14-day eastern Mediterranean cruise visiting many ports. We especially enjoyed two days in Israel, two days in Malta and the picturesque village of Taormina in Sicily."

Liz and Jim Hall of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., spent the winter in Palmetto Hall, Hilton Head Island, S.C.

Ellen Killebrew e-mails, "Ed and I had a great trip to Australia and New Zealand in November 2009, including a helicopter to a glacier, sailing an America's Cup boat in Queenstown and a terrifying ride on the Sho Cat River in a jet boat with skimming outcropping of rocks and 360-degree turns. Awesome!"

Jack Matthews writes, "Retirement continues to be great and overall it has been a very good year. My health remains reasonably good and we have traveled extensively. Also, I play quite a bit of golf. My wife and I spent Thanksgiving week on a Wind Star Caribbean Cruise out of Barbados. Most importantly, our son-in-law (a naval aviator) returned safely from Iraq in December 2009. Tim and Amanda are settled into their home in Jacksonville, Fla. We are hoping to visit them and my sister in Tampa."

Carol Metcalf Keenhold sends, "Ron and I are in Florida for three months. It was nice to get out of the cold New England winter weather for a while. This is a new venture for us. So far so good! We are hoping to visit **Herbie and Marty Taylor Wright**, who are not far from us here in Florida. We were sorry to miss the Bucknell-Dartmouth basketball game in Hanover. Best to all for a happy new year."

Marilyn Mumford M'59 won two horseback riding lessons in a public television auction in

spring 2009. The sponsoring stable, Fox View Farm, is in Lewisburg. She hadn't taken lessons since she was 12, but off she went to Fox View and after the first two lessons she was well and truly hooked. Her favorite horse, Skittles, undertook the challenging task of training her rider, and Marilyn has been riding ever since.

E. Rachel Hochman '92 writes, "My mother, **Elaine Chazen Hochman**, passed away on Aug. 17, 2009. However, she made it to the 50th Reunion of the Class of '59. Going to Reunion was an important goal for her. I know she reserved energy for her visit and received a lot of pleasure from seeing you all and being on campus one last time. Elaine is survived by her husband; her son, **Lawrence Hochman '86**; her granddaughter, Leah; and me." Her family has erected benches in her memory at two nature preserves and her students are planning to erect one as well. She was a survivor; she fought her cancer for eight years. During those years she traveled to many national parks, Peru, Mexico and the Galapagos Islands. She bicycled, hiked and snorkeled with her husband of 49 years. Together they raised money for the American Cancer Society by bicycling 25 miles each year for six years in the annual American Cancer Society charity bicycle rides. She always lived her life with joy and continued to live her life to its fullest despite the difficulty of cancer treatments. She supported local theater companies, grew beautiful houseplants and gardens, kayaked, hiked, cross-country skied, loved to visit museums, traveled, read books, knitted and gave herself completely to friends and family. She will be sincerely missed.

Note: Elaine's obituary appeared in the winter 2010 issue.

Molly Wolford Hamilton e-mails, "It is very sad that **Joan Criswell Zanfagna** has died. We were classmates at Lansdale High School in Pennsylvania prior to being at Bucknell together. We will miss her a great deal." — T.E.D.

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

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I received an e-mail from **Ron Kaiser**. Contact him at 9 Red Rock Road, Mountain Top, PA 18707-9187; 570-868-6096; or rkais@pa.metrocast.net.

He sent lots of photos of his family and two sailboats on Lake Nuangola. Unfortunately, Class Notes doesn't include pictures; they have to be uploaded at www.b-link.bucknell.edu.

"My career spans 39 years, most of which was in Philadel-

phia," he writes. "At the beginning I was an artillery officer at Fort Sill, Okla. The rest of the time was spent in property and casualty insurance as an underwriter with Continental National American. Then I was a field man with Aetna Casualty Co. Next I became a risk manager with Lavino Shipping Co. Because of the size of this risk, we created a so-called Captive Insurance Co. and wrote the insurance of our own company in Bermuda. Subsequent to all this (about 25 years), I worked as a consultant at Hudson International in Philadelphia, an accumulation of about 300 engineers and scientists who worked principally for the loss and claims departments of many insurance companies.

"Next came the retirement phase. We built a home on Lake Nuangola, near Wilkes-Barre. The winters are beautiful but they are a little long, so we try to sneak out to Florida or Arizona

for some respite. Golf and sailing fill our days. I can't imagine when and where we would fit in work!" Ron and Pat do get to campus periodically (it's only 60 miles from their home). — J.S.H.

1961

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It's well past the holidays and the crocuses have wilted away, but as I am writing it is still *cold*. Not too cold, though, to welcome some news from **Dina Lipman Mawhinney '63**. She wished me a happy birthday. All I will say is that it is unique being born on 1-2-34. First one to get my age gets the cigar.

She, her husband, Bob, and I were laughing at the fact that we are football fanatics and that

our "pretty paltry pigskin prognostication efforts were patently unproductive" as we tried to dope out the point spreads during 16 weeks of the NFL football season. Bob is at the two-year anniversary of his kidney transplant and is doing fine.

Dina frequently talks to **Mary Ann Adams Degraw '63**. We three e-mail often and have a ball discussing the wonders and vagaries of the Golden Years, which we should realize happened back in the SEM and Seventh Street House and with the boys of Lambda Chi!

Dina's daughter, Ginger, has blessed her with two wonderful grandkids, Emma and Jack. Everyone's heart's delight.

I also heard from **Linda Seasholtz Ruth**, who is happily retired in Pittsburgh with her husband, Bill. They always report a very merry Christmas with the visit of their daughter, Kelly, from Connecticut. They have always enjoyed a very nice

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avocation of carving and painting duck decoys. She also had a ball with their grandson, Nolan, 5, who is the perfect age to enjoy the holidays. (Hey — is there anyone out there who does not believe in Santa?)

Lin keeps in contact with **Debbie Haines Read** and reports that she has three boys and many grandchildren (as normal as normal gets).

Of course, all of this is mundane compared to yours truly, here in Cortlandt, with my chronic neck, shoulder, finger and back pain — sitting here waiting for some news. Now, don't get misty, but do start to think about 2011 and our *big* 50th. Let me know what you plan to do, who you plan to see. Can I contact anyone for you?

Before I sign off, I would like to add a little anecdote from the home front. In the winter 2010 *Bucknell Magazine*, I really appreciate the fact that so many alums (in letters to the editor and in many articles) tell of the profound effect Bucknell has had on their lives, their families, etc., and how it has affected their intellectual pursuits. While this is absolutely true and I do not make light of it, I wonder how many of you are, at our tender ages, taking care of a 3-year-old grandchild 60 hours per week? Not having much time, due to need for sleep, before 9 p.m., I wish to note that my continuing intellectual pursuits are dominated by iterations of such notable TV classics as *Spongebob Squarepants*, *Curious George*, *Max & Ruby*, *Sid the Science Kid* (well, OK), and the indomitable *Wow Wow Wubbsy*. So, bear with me if you think my articles are somewhat childish! Until next time, my best. — B.B.

1962

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Dave and Ruth Liming Ackroyd
'65, although still located in

Montana, continue to do a great deal of traveling. Their plan is to spend January and February in Venice, and then on to Cat Island in the Bahamas in March to visit his brother and his wife, who have a home there. This past year took them to Sicily. They managed to fit in a visit to see both daughters and sons-in-law in San Diego, in addition to travels to Pajaro Dunes, Calif. He also mentioned an independent film called *The Best Bar in America* that's making the rounds of the film festival circuit. It can be viewed at www.bestbarinamerica.com.

As always, **Dave and Dian Embury Goss** have had a very busy and "interesting" 2009. He was elected president of the local Albemarle Plantation Home Owner's Association and was successful in transitioning the Plantation to new ownership. They participate in choir and chorale rehearsals and performances, Bible study discussions and golf. His Rotary involvement, part-time work as economic development director for the county, chamber of commerce board member, and chair of church council certainly keep him busy. She continues to be involved with Stephen Ministry, spiritual gifts leadership and prayer shawl ministry. Their eighth grandchild, Kellan Embury, was born to Laurie and Geoff Goss on May 8, 2009.

But, the "big news" is that during a trip to Costa Rica in November 2009, while visiting a rain forest, Dave became acutely ill. A tour guide drove him to a clinic in town, where doctors quickly assessed the situation as "pretty serious." With no hospital nearby, he was transported by ambulance to the nearest facility more than two hours away. Without going into all the gory details, he had surgery and woke up with fewer intestines than he had before. The biggest issue was the life-threatening infection that had spread throughout his body. He spent seven days in the hospital and finally returned home the day before Thanksgiving. He says the one big lesson learned was that one should never leave

the country without international health insurance. Costa Rica did not accept Medicare, so all charges had to be paid in cash. Yikes!

I had a nice chat with **Margie McLean Smink**. She and **Bob** are happily ensconced in their lovely golf community home in Ft. Myers, Fla. I reported his retirement from active practice at Lankenau Hospital in the winter 2010 issue, and she explains that he still participates in the residency and student teaching program at Lankenau. He also remains involved in some clinical research projects, which were already in progress at the time of his retirement. She accepted the position of national president of the Church and Synagogue Library Association, effective July. Since they're spending more time in Florida, they are becoming more involved in their community. She volunteers in the local public library (a story about that follows), plays golf, tennis and bridge, participates in book clubs, entertains and is becoming involved in church library and music programs. Of course, he continues his love of golf, bridge and piano, as well as being involved in church activities. The Sminks spent the holidays traveling to visit their three sons, daughters-in-law and eight grandchildren.

Now, the public library story I mentioned. One day, as Margie was volunteering as a greeter at the library, a man and woman walked in. The woman looked at her and said, "Oh my goodness. It's Margie McLean!" That woman was **Brooks Passmore McNeal**, who was there with her husband, Dick. I find it incredibly flattering that Brooks recognized her after so many years! What's your secret, Margie?

Marie and **Steve Sugar** have said goodbye to Maryland and hello to Pennsylvania — Lancaster, to be exact. As he leaves his University of Maryland teachings, he plans to "focus on writings, and Marie relocates her notable fiber art talents to the land of quilts." They look forward to one-floor living and the closer proximity to their grandchild in Narberth.

The Sugars' new address is 1314 Quarry Lane, Lancaster, PA 17603.

My Christmas season was predictably busy with singing. Once again, I was privileged to participate in four Westminster Presbyterian church choir Christmas concerts. They were absolutely spectacular, with 110 voices and a 30-piece orchestra. **Beverly Anderson McCausland** attended one of the concerts, and then on Dec. 22, 2009, we traveled to Lancaster to participate in a Christmas carol sing at the home of Bill and **Betty Burrows McCoy**. It was so great to see them both, but the most memorable aspect was the fact that her mom, who celebrated her 100th birthday on June 14, 2009, robustly accompanied us on the piano. She is amazing!

I received an e-mail from **Joan Fetter Bondi** reminding me of **Nancy Dwyer Kolb's** latest honor. She was named to Abington High School's Hall of Fame, category of education, for her work as director of the Please Touch! Children's Museum in Philadelphia — the culmination of a long career. She brought the museum into the 21st century and made it a must-see. Our congratulations go out to her for a job well done. Joanie's husband, Pete, was also named to Abington's Hall of Fame in the early '90s (government category), and later his brother, **Ed Bondi '70**, joined him (category of science). Ed is a dermatologist at Penn.

I rejoined the ever-growing distinguished ranks of the unemployed. Unlike losing my 16-year position at Crozer-Chester Medical Center, however, this was no surprise. So, the hunt is on once again, but with one big difference: This time I'm looking for something on a part-time basis, which would be perfect. Hopefully, by the time you read this, the whole situation will be remediated. Stay tuned. — B.K.S.

1963

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The long-awaited second Brickmeier baby boy was born Jan. 22 in Atlanta. Ryan James missed being a birthday buddy to 96-year-old great-grandma Gerb by 12 hours.

Sue Robertson Cunnold's husband, Derek, whom many of us knew from Reunions, died suddenly while playing an ALTA tennis match in April 2009. The tennis club had no AED device, which might have saved him. Since then, she has made sure AEDs were placed in all 40 police patrol cars, town hall and places of worship, plus tennis and swim clubs in her area of Georgia. Fortunately, her three children and three grandchildren live nearby for support.

At Christmas, Sue and the family took a Disney cruise. She is busy with Girl Scouting, which took her to Seoul, Korea, in September 2009 for the 25th anniversary of the Olave Baden-Powell Society. Other highlights included her 50th high school reunion in Pittsburgh, traveling to London for a family wedding and an earlier trip with Derek to Jordan and the Holy Land.

Jan Cupp Camp drove through Bucknell in September 2009 while in Milton for her 50th high school reunion. On the same trip, she had a wonderful visit with Mel and **Donna Gay Kaplan '59** of Mt. Gretna, Pa. Having retired on June 30, 2009, Jan treasures time spent with friends and family. She continues the quest to address dyslexia by serving on the board of directors of the Tennessee branch of the International Dyslexia Association. In fall 2009, she took a cruise to Bar Harbor, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Quebec and Montreal.

Dick Fidler continues dining out, listening to music, attending concerts, watching Bucknell games on TV and having family

adventures. The father, brother and Dick trio enjoyed a Bucknell Ringers concert at a local church. He also had a congenial lunch with Luanne Kerlin from the alumni office. He went to Lewisburg in April 2009 to lunch with Dr. Sturm and Professor Willeford, hosted by Julie Smith, wife of Dr. C. Willard Smith, and his daughter, Annette. Dick saw Dr. Smith as a mentor after whom he modeled his teaching style.

Dick Coleman Brown attended his Bel Air, Md., reunion and saw high school friends for the first time in 50 years.

Darryl and Sigrid Christensen Novak '64 continue their great family reunions, thanks to her organizational prowess. He took another mission trip with church friends to Tennessee and attended his 50th high school reunion in October 2009. He continues supporting the Foundation for Diabetes Research and serving on the Bucknell Engineering Alumni Board, while also going to work every day.

Dennis '61 and Andrea Becker Rittenhouse cherish music, travel and their granddaughter, Helenka. He is a beekeeper and maintains an organic garden, while also working for Habitat for Humanity. She describes the Polish Christmas they had, with help from their daughter-in-law, Magda, including Polish traditions, food and a Christmas Eve ritual of "the blessed Oplatek," the Christmas wafer known as the "bread of Unifying Love." Their daughter, **Beth '91**, and her husband were on their way for a New Year's visit from California.

Bucknell's 2009-10 Annual Fund campaign is nearing the end. In spite of economic difficulties last year, Bucknell's Annual Fund was the most successful ever, with our class contributing \$114,000 toward the total. Who would you like to remember or honor? It need not be a Bucknellian. If you have not done it yet, do it at www.bucknell.edu/gifts. — W.S.B.

1964

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I was delighted to receive a friendly hello from **Bob Adolph**, who lives in Bee Branch, Ark., and **Donnie and Bobbi Plantamura Rodgers**, who live in Cordova, Tenn., a suburb of Memphis.

After a 16-year career with Xerox followed by entrepreneurship, Don says he flunked retirement and started two businesses: a business brokerage firm and a retail liquor store, which he and Bobbi run with their two sons (www.trinitywine.net).

Carol Vincent Famariss absolutely loves skiing and being in the cold in the winter. Somerset, Pa., is still her home, though she will do a quick trip to the Florida Keys in March.

It was a treat to hear from **John Smart**. He and his wife, Lynn, live in Bonita Springs, Fla.

Ricky Fox Brown is in Destin, Fla., and plans to go visit her good friend **Wendy Peyman Eckert** in Vero. They might even drive over to Naples and visit **Karen Abel Jones**. Amazing!

Trail-markers of orange and blue balloons helped about 50 Bucknell alums find their way off U.S. Route 41 to the Bay House for the first alumni event in Naples, Fla., on Jan. 20. It was organized largely by **Jeff '63 and Teddy Furst Martin and Paul '62 and Kathy Meara Sullivan**, with help from **Norm '63 and Mary Lou Roppel Garrity, Flossie Graber Watt '66 and Karen Jones**.

Looking younger than springtime was **Barbara Post Walton '63**, who resides in Naples for a few months each winter with her husband, Ed. **Corbin Wyant '58**, retired editor of the *Naples Daily News*, held court and worked topical news events into the conversation.

Others on hand included **Dottie Gough '61, Jim '52 and Syd Sherwin Mellinger '52, Gerri and John Poccia '63, James "Terry" Carlson '59, Cliff '70 and Linda Lawrence Nuttall '69, Martha Green**

Mead '57, Bill '58 and Phyllis Gilman Scott '58, Susan and Nelson Smith '58, along with brothers **Bill '65 and Chuck Weidenfeller** and Chuck's wife, **Jackie Pearson Weidenfeller '66**.

Owner of a fabulous local restaurant, the Turtle Club on Vanderbilt Beach, **Mike and Carolyn Morton Moore '65** served as unofficial hosts for the evening.

Other attendees were **Albert "Mike" Seigfried '65, Pat and John Matthews '65, Bill and Janet Martin Welch '67, Carol and Fred Shehadi '54, John Macaniff '62, Alan '56 and Sally Berry Christenson '56, Dave and Bette Skow Kenzie '56, Clyde and Lorry Yauffman McBride '51**. It was delightful that **Leo Zacks '09** could join us.

Hopefully this will become an annual event, so please let the alumni office or me know if you are in the Ft. Myers, Marco Island, Naples area. — B.W.S.

1965

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Ed and **Carole Gilbert Rockland** spend half the year in Palmyra, Pa., and half in Chandler, Ariz. In addition to the warmer winters, Chandler offers convenient access to their grandson, Jackson, 1. She enjoys visiting with Bill and **Susan Clark Ryan '66**, who purchased a home in Tucson, Ariz. Carole says she and **Ervene Gulley** had been promising to get together for the past 40-some years and never made it happen. Ervene's death in July 2008 after a long battle with cancer made her more determined to make a real effort to keep in close touch with friends.

Stephanie Downs Hughes received the Studs Terkel Humanities Service Award from the Illinois Humanities Council in

Naperville. She was nominated by Naperville Mayor George Pradel for her significant contributions to the community in promoting understanding, cooperation and peacemaking through diversity dinners, Just Views (a monthly film-anchored issues discussion group) and as a United Nations envoy through U.S. Servas. Way to go, Stevie!

Forty-four years after graduation, **John Polk** has been reconnecting with Bucknell friends. After receiving a master's from Michigan and serving with the Marines in Vietnam, he returned to marry his wife, Bonnie, live in Arlington and graduate from Georgetown Law School. He practices law both in government and private practice, and amuses himself working in political campaigns. Making up for lost time, he organized a mini-reunion in Lewisburg last Halloween with **Bob Pringle '66**, **Jeff Speirs '66**, **John '66** and **Jane Beers Gervais '66**, **John Schumacher '66** and **Connie Timm '66**. During Thanksgiving week, he continued his trip down memory lane connecting with **Bob Cashman**, who practices law in San Francisco. John has accepted the challenge of organizing the program for our 44th Reunion. If you would like to help with the class dinner or hospitality suite, please contact John directly at jwp@albo-oblon.com.

I hope to see many of you June 4-6. — L.H.T.

1966

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Happy 2010 to the Class of '66. Don't hesitate to drop me a line with an update on what you are up to these days.

Jeff Speirs writes, "I've retired. God is a bit annoyed with me for having taken so long to discover what he created me for (retirement), but probably

THE ORIGINAL GROUND POUNDER

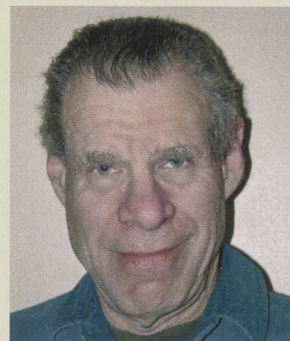
Historically, the honor of running the first marathon belongs to a Greek soldier Pheidippides. As a messenger delivering news of victory over Persia in the Battle of Marathon, he inspired a sport that still reaches the pinnacle of Olympic glory. According to legend, he ran 150 miles to Athens in a scant two days. While he was able to deliver his words of triumph to an eager audience, the messenger dropped dead from exhaustion after delivering his announcement. It is no wonder then that marathoners fascinate sports enthusiasts, as they seem to accomplish the impossible.

Attorney **Matthew Jaffe '63** could make Pheidippides proud. In 1976, the U.S. Marine Corps established the Marine Corps Marathon, a race covering the Washington, D.C., area. To date, only four runners, including Jaffe, have participated in every run since 1976. The elite group calls themselves the "Ground Pounders." While at Bucknell, the attorney-to-be was a wrestler. He also discovered **Mike Ekiss '64**, a passionate runner, who helped extend Jaffe's cross-training. He began with relatively short three-mile runs. Within a decade his conditioning rose to a level allowing him to take on his first marathon. To date, Jaffe, 69, has run 33 Marine Corps marathons, as well as other marathons and shorter races.

A member of an aerobically oriented family, he currently has a new interest, race-walking, another sport with ancient and venerable roots. His wife, Karen Weiss, a medical doctor, bikes back and forth to work, covering some 34 miles a day. Their four children also have participated in running, no doubt inspired by their parents' feats.

Jaffe says that running has improved every aspect of his life. "Running makes life better and allows you to get frustration out of your system." He plans to run 50 Marine Corps marathons, a goal that will take him into his 80s. He says, "I'd rather die than not do this!"

— Maria Jacketti



better late than never. I have been publishing presidential biographies since 1990, all of which can be found at www.APBPress.com and better retail outlets everywhere. OK, maybe not everywhere.

"My wife of all these many years and I went to England this past summer to walk Hadrian's Wall — from Wallsend on the North Sea on the east coast to Brownsea-on-Solway on the Irish Sea on the west coast. If anyone is up for an 85-mile walk I recommend it highly as a vacation destination. And, unlike my trip back to Vietnam in 2008 with **John Schumacher**, no one was detained by military police."

Jack Finnerty checks in with the following: "It's only been 45 years since our (ice) hockey team played Rutgers in New Jersey. I don't remember the score, but for a bunch of guys who had to buy their own uniforms we did OK against a varsity team from a big state school. We might have won if

we practiced more than once a month." We started the team as a club in 1963 and it is still going strong. We need a Bucknell Ice Hockey Rink.

"I am a trial lawyer working primarily in Boston," he continues. "I got an e-mail from **Tom O'Neil**, who was at B.C. Law School with me. He's still with the I.R.S. in Hartford."

Norm Olson chimes in with this note: "I was in a car accident last spring with a deer at 80 mph. Fortunately, I won and the deer lost. So did the car. My grandson is going to the USAFA next month. **Pam McKinley Herrera** and I are still close, as we continue to parent the kids, etc. I've been doing some consulting work using my background as a media director."

Chris Rojahn writes, "**John Uhler** is one of the unsung heroes of our class, and has had a superb and highly effective career as a judge in York County, Pa. He has presided over a broad range of important and

highly visible cases over the years, has served as president judge, was the lead judge during development of the York County judicial center (a superb new facility that he shaped and for which he was the primary visionary), and has devoted his career to making decisions that have effectively led troubled youth into better lives (see www.inyork.com/local/ci_14128058).

"My family and I spent the day with **Jim** and **Carol Schultz Rawson '67** in Miami (South Beach) en route home from a vacation in South America. They spend their time in residences in Kansas, Florida and Connecticut and are having a wonderful retirement. I'm busy as ever with my career and three young kids: Spencer, 9, Ginevra, 11, and Jonathan, 13." — P.E.

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Arthur and **Alexandra Zimany Day** are retired. They live in a small town 30 miles west of Boston but escape New England winters to a timeshare in Aruba for a couple of weeks and spend summers at a cottage on a lake in New Hampshire. They have three generations of golden retrievers and plan to breed their youngest. Alexandra keeps busy by volunteering in the emergency department at the local community hospital and as a pet therapist at a local hospice and nursing facility. She also consults with the Board of DECconnection, a group of former Digital employees.

Doug Spencer is in his 42nd year of teaching mathematics to adults in the Army and young people in high school. He's been in Hopatcong High School in New Jersey since '85, only seven miles from home. He's

married to a Bible teacher and women's ministries person, with two adult boys.

John '68 and Sue McRae Petura moved from West Chester to the countryside northwest of Coatesville, Pa., in 1998. She continues to work as a music therapist across three counties, and as the organist and choir director of Trinity Episcopal Church. His environmental engineering consulting firm, AEM, Inc. (Applied Environmental Management), is in its 22nd year.

In 2003, her mother, **Dottie Oaks McRae '40**, said farewell to Lewisburg, her home of 67 years, and came to live with them. They enjoy frequent visits from their son, **Kenyon '97**, daughter-in-law, Erin, and two precious granddaughters, Maeve, 2, and Cara, 7 mos., who live in Pennington, N.J. Their daughter, Maree, and son-in-law, Scott Vahue, live in Rochester, N.Y., where she works for Paychex. Their granddaughter, Steffy Vahue, has begun her studies at Mansfield University.

For years, they made annual trips back to Bucknell for the Christmas Candlelight Services

and the spring Scholarship luncheon, but Dottie is 91 and they rely on Maree and her family to celebrate that glorious service with Bill Payn and the Rooke Chapel Choir. They send best wishes to all their friends in the Classes of 1967 and 1968 and many more from her father's 43 years on the music faculty at Bucknell. Their roots run very deep in Lewisburg and Bucknell, and a large part of Sue's heart still lives there. Contact her at spetura@aem-inc.com. — S.H.S.

1968

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Thanks, **Louise Powell Whitney**, for such a great job and diligent reporting. I have a big act to follow and hope I'm up to the challenge, but please feel free to kick in a few paragraphs when the mood strikes you. I apologize in advance for leaving a name off that should or adding one that shouldn't be there.

Ginny Beck Klute has taught and lived in Sarasota, Fla., since 1985. She enjoys her tennis friends, going to the beach and traveling, as well as being with her two grandchildren, who were in Sarasota but moved back to Albuquerque. She stays in touch with other Kappas, including **Carol Dewolf Helsel**, who is in Knoxville, and **Susan Garabrant Nason**, who is in the Boston area.

Jane Weinik Silberstrom, Tammy Silvernail Jones and Ginny got together for a few days in the Keys. Jane is retired from teaching English in the D.C. area and enjoys cruising the world with her husband, gardening and cooking. Tammy is in the Columbia, Md., area and plans on retiring soon from an investment company.

They are all in touch with **Patti Burke Kuhn**, who lives in York, Pa., and bought a home in Florida near Ginny. She still sky dives, does acrobatics and performs in dance competitions.

Ginny and I, along with **Bob Rovegno, Jim Morgan, Jim Reese '69, Stephen Yeatman** and host **Shelley Weisberg** — along with a few others — hiked in, spent two nights and hiked out of the Grand Canyon a couple of years ago.

I connected with **Bob "Bart" Bartunek** and **Bob Brush** in Kansas City last winter. Bart lives in Johnson County, Kan., and practices law, focusing on business and real estate. He served as my guide while I was there and shared some examples about how the economic downturn is affecting the area. Bob (nickname omitted) lives in Kansas City and retired from Hallmark.

Mark and Sue Cassidy Lankford are in touch with a batch of classmates, including **Susan Weingartner Elko** and her beau, Alan. Sue hosted several Tri-Delts at her Long Beach Island getaway, including **Nancy McGoury Keber, Lenore Mariani Milner, Mary Jones Miller, Marty Lee Horn** and **Judy Tamm Morton**. They were joined by **Penny Flaherty '69, Jane Chidester Fioravanti '69** and **Bob Boucher's** wife, Mary Lou.

There seem to be a large number of Bison roaming around the Green Mountain state. I thought I would mention a few of them periodically, starting with **Tom '74** and **Carol Vitz Wells '74**. They are good friends of mine and the quintessential image of Bucknell sweethearts. He does not lack energy and practices law in New Jersey, commuting there from his home in Bristol, Vt. They have three lovely, capable daughters, each along their own career path. Carol and Tom are very active and community-minded local residents. He serves as chair of the Bristol Town Planning Commission and she is chair of the Bristol Selectboard, in addition to being involved in a number of civic organizations. When they first moved to Bristol, they owned Deerleap Books, a very popular independent bookstore. They are also involved in several international charities, including one that

provided books for third-world residents and one that helped establish positive change in Haiti long before the earthquake.

I will report on other Green Mountain Bisons in future columns. — G.V.

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1970

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Bill Scheffler (scheff@optonline.net) and **Richard "Ernie" Ernest** (ernie@crownmetal.com) are serving as the 40th Reunion gift co-chairs. If you would like to volunteer to call a few friends about supporting Bucknell, please get in touch with them.

Bill Morris writes, "I'm still living (that's No. 1). I live in Pennsylvania but not around Pittsburgh, I'm still married (but not to No. 1), still working. (Not in my own practice as of two years ago, as it had been since 1978, but for the local hospital and only in gynecology.

"All four children have finished high school. Three are out of state and the youngest is still in college. The two girls are married, sorry to say, but the boys are wise and single. Bill, 31, teaches English at Piedmont Community College in Charlotte. He went to Duke and got his master's at George Washington in D.C., but prefers the warm climate of the Carolinas. Yes, he wrestled (as I did at parties at the house!), but he was much better than his forbearer. He set his high school mark of career wins and continued in college.

"Amelia, 28, my oldest daughter, married two years ago and also preferred arts to science in school, getting her master's in creative writing at UNC after a bachelor's at Hopkins.

"A second marriage — to Delma, a wonderful woman who puts up with me — and two more kids. Margaret, 22, is prematurely married (in my opinion) and lives in Virginia Beach after getting a bachelor's at Thiel College in Greenville, Pa. (her mother's alma mater). My brightest offspring is Paul, 21, a computer engineering major at Penn State Behrend at the top of his class.

"As to me, I nearly died two years ago due to a bad mitral valve (which has been replaced thanks to a previously healthy cow from California). Other than that I'm doing fine. That was the reason my private practice was closed, by the way. An aside: Solo OB-GYN for 30 years is not recommended by one who knows.

"I got an M.D. at Pitt in '74 and did my residency in OB-GYN in Pittsburgh at Magee, finishing in '78. Married in '74 to a classmate (female) at Pitt, but we parted in '87, residual being my two oldest kids. She still practices pediatrics in Pittsburgh, but we had moved to Meadville, Pa., in '81, where I remain.

"My dad moved here in '73 after his re-marriage and died in '83. However, for those brothers who talked to her at length on the house phone in the late '60s, my mother, Thelma, is still with us at 86, doing 'as well as can be expected at that age' and still living in Pittsburgh.

"P.S.: I definitely can't find **Bob Nicholl**. Definitely."
— L.H.D.

1971

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Barry Sapolsky lives temporarily in Tampa while undergoing a bone marrow transplant for chronic leukemia. **Joann Ewing Sapolsky '73** is his support person throughout the ordeal. He is inclined to retire this summer from his position as full professor of communication at Florida State University after 33 years. Their children, Max, 24, and Lauren, 29, are doing well.

Stephen Schier writes, "I visited Israel in late February 2009 after my last visit there more than 19 years ago. On March 1, 2009, I flew to Madrid and toured Toledo. It was my third visit to both countries. In October 2009 I returned to France for a fifth time. I found the French to be rather friendly. I'm finishing the third level of Italian at my union in NYC. Having grown up in 'Guy Lombardo Country,' it's no wonder. On Nov. 15, 2009, I attended a conference in NYC about Raphael Lemkin. I spoke briefly to **Peter Balakian '73**, who presented and showed a film at the conference." — M.J.K.

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Bob Jennings and **Barbara Bott** celebrated 35 years of marriage by moving into their environmental home on the Allegheny River. Their address is P.O. Box 325, Foxburg, PA 16036. The home has geothermal heating and cooling, and they

hope to have solar panels generating electricity in the future. On July 19, 2008, they celebrated the wedding of their older son, **Keith Jennings '03**, to **Deanna Schnepf '04**. Among the many Bucknellians in attendance were Bob's brother, **Tom '75**, and his wife, **Nancy Buccini Jennings '75**. — S.L.C.

1974

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It was a whirlwind year for **Bill Pere**. In the January 2009 issue of *Music Connection Magazine*, he was named "One of the Top 50 Innovators and Guiding Lights of the Music Industry." In April 2009, General Mills unveiled a special edition Cheerios box featuring 10 hunger-fighting heroes, as named by Wakefern Foods, Inc. Bill was one of the 10 featured on the box (see www.billpere.com).

In June 2009 he released a book, *Songcrafters' Coloring Book: The Essential Guide to Effective and Successful Songwriting* is the culmination of 30 years of research and interaction with more than 10,000 songwriters, from aspiring beginners to top hit writers (www.songcrafterscoloringbook.com).

His national book tour last summer had stops in Nashville, Boston and on the West Coast. He donates a portion of proceeds from sale of the book to social service programs through Local United Network to Combat Hunger (www.lunchensemble.com).

Also, see the 1968 column for some news about **Tom '74** and **Carol Vitz Wells '74**. — N.C.

1975

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Carol Malesardi Litwak and **Hank Fellows** are leading the class gift committee for our 35th Reunion. They are looking for class gift committee volunteers. If you are willing to make one or more telephone calls on behalf of the class, please contact Carol (jlitwak1@nycap.rr.com, 518-462-5215) or Hank (hfellows@fellab.com, 404-586-2050).

Carol has created a "Bucknell Class of '75" group on Facebook. Search for "Bucknell 35th Reunion" and join the group to reconnect with our classmates.

Reunion events begin Thursday, June 3, and the committee is planning some special entertainment and activities. Make your plans and start praying for a weekend with no rain! — N.Q.B.

1976

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Doug Robison writes that, as of Jan. 1, he became the judge of the 393rd Judicial District Court in Denton County, Texas. Those in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, *beware!* Reach Doug at cowboylaw@verizon.net. — M.S.G.

1977

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Harriet Edelman Bonnell was elected to the New York Blood Center's board of trustees. — E.L.S.

1978

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Judy Courtney Watts says her daughter, Emma, is a freshman at Penn State, main campus. Her son, Lucas, 12, is an active sixth-grader. She has been with Deloitte for nine years and is international tax senior manager.

Congratulations to **Jay Fisette**, who was re-elected to the Arlington County Board with 66 percent of the vote. He was appointed chairman of the County Board on Jan. 1.

Congratulations are also in order for **Rick Strouse**, who joined the Phillies as vice president and general counsel. Prior to joining the Phillies he was a senior partner with the Philadelphia-based law firm of Ballard Spahr. After Bucknell, he graduated from Duke University Law School. He and his wife, Jan, live in Bala Cynwyd, Pa. with their two daughters, Maggie, 14 and Hanna, 12. I'm definitely seeing a DU reunion at a ballgame this summer! Not to mention a lot of calls to Rick from "old" friends when our Phillies make it to the World Series again. — K.M.A.

Congratulations to Rick for landing the sort of job that's every boy's dream. I will be happy to root for his team anytime, unless they find themselves facing the New York Yankees again!

This past fall, **Lisa Poulin** and **Anne Fredsall Micheline** planned a wonderful weekend for a fortunate group of classmates. Our first stop was Harpers

Ferry, W.Va. A guide dressed in period costume, including a full beard, took us from "Jefferson's Rock," a peak in the Blue Ridge Mountains above the town where Thomas Jefferson was said to have called the view, "Worth a voyage across the Atlantic," to the river bank where the Potomac meets the Shenandoah and the site of John Brown's Raid.

We also visited Antietam, Md., which on Sept. 17, 1862, was the site of the bloodiest battle of the Civil War.

Anyone who knows those of us who went along with Lisa, Anne and me — **Sally Stoner Bachman, Donna Anderson Bold, Joann Coates, Nancy Seidensticker Faux, Judy Albert, Nancy Chandler Koglmeier, Ann Breitenfeld Langtry, Wendy Pangburn and Pam Heller Shassian** — will not be surprised to hear that it also involved some "lighthearted" activities. We stayed in lovely Shepherdstown, W.Va. It has great restaurants, shops and more than one place to enjoy a cocktail! — J.M.P.

1979

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Greetings from Israel.

I got an e-mail from **Steve Bass**. We were first-year hall-mates in Trax Hall. He lives with his family in Portland, Ore. His older daughter is a freshman at the University of Washington and his younger daughter is a high school sophomore. He is president and CEO of Oregon Public Broadcasting, which is a near statewide network of five television stations and a dozen radio stations. He took up the clarinet again and plays for the Oregon East Symphony. They call it the "most remote full symphony orchestra in America." He is in contact with **John McCoskey** and **Rob Andrews**. Reach him at smb9220@comcast.net.

Robert Sanker, a Martin House hallmate from my senior year, writes from Rockville, Md. My parents and his parents retired to Hilton Head, S.C., so we are practically related. He has a dental practice in Rockville. His older daughter attends the University of Maryland in College Park and his younger daughter is a high school junior who is considering Bucknell. Bob joined the dean's faculty at the University of Maryland Dental School in Baltimore, a volunteer program for experienced dentists who help with mentoring and teaching. He is looking into a similar volunteer dental program in Jerusalem. When you visit Jerusalem, Bob, call me and we can have lunch together. Reach him at bobjays@aol.com.

John Weitz works at ANCO Environmental Services consulting for private clinics. His wife, Gail, is in the choir and leads Yom Kippur services at their synagogue. Their daughter, Erica, is a senior hospitality management major at UCF in Florida and their son, Jeff, is a freshman at Richard Stockton College in Atlantic City majoring in biology. They are very involved in athletics, like their parents. John and I had some great runs when we attended graduate school at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. How long ago was that, John? He writes that he heard from **Dick Werther**, who works at DentaMax in southern Michigan, coaches hockey and completed a 100-mile bicycle ride.

Our middle son, Binyamin, was bar mitzvahed in December 2009. My parents and my brother flew to Israel for the big event. Needless to say, I was the only Bucknell alumnus in attendance, but I know you were all there in spirit. I am teaching European history advanced placement for the second year to 10 high school students from a Jewish day school in NYC. The students are here for five weeks on an exchange program. After an absence of nearly 20 years, I really love being a teacher again. Thanks to professor emeritus Mark Neuman and my other

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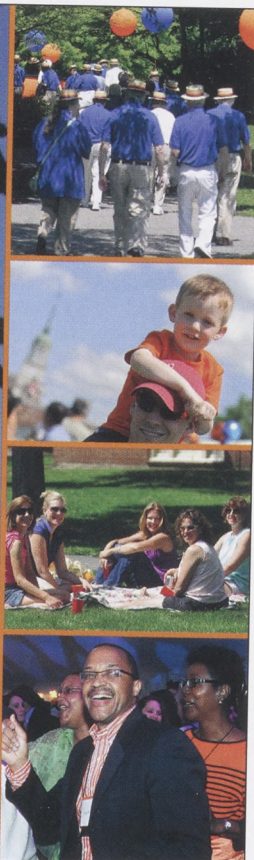
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Finally, I am searching for
my first-year and sophomore
roommate, **Dave "Doc" Bleuher**
'83. If any of you have knowledge
of his whereabouts, please send
it to me. I promise to give you
a tour of Israel when you visit.
— A.S.

1980

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Joanne Schmoll "broke her
silence" and filled me in on
her "up and down life" since
graduation. "After being a poor,
starving, nomad artist for many
years, I am happy to say that I
bought my first home in northern
Virginia right outside of D.C.,"
she writes. "I even have room
for houseguests, so please
come. I continue to sing and
perform having finished a

production of *Adding Machine*
— *A Musical*, where I played
Mrs. Zero. *The Washington Post*
referred to me as 'satisfyingly
irksome,' and that's actually a
compliment. I wrote a show
to honor the work of women
songwriters from Tin Pan Alley.
It received its world premiere in
February 2009, will be produced
in Washington state next fall
and is being considered for
production at other theaters.
Finally, I am halfway through
the application process to be
a Foreign Service officer. I hope
to be a public diplomacy officer,
finally using my undergraduate
degree to do cultural work in
embassies and around the
world. I hope to see you at the
Reunion. I can be reached at
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Through my sister, **Gretchen**
Hennel Crane '84, I got news
from a Carey House pal, **Hide**
Kanakubo '83, who found her
on Facebook. He is in California
and keeps in touch with **Jack**
Gerard '82. We wonder what
has happened to **Jim Carson**.
I'll get more about Hide for the
next issue, and perhaps Jim will
have checked in by then.

Don't forget to make your

Reunion reservations to join
classmates back on campus
the first weekend in June. It's
always fun and the University
always puts on a great party. I
hope to catch up with you then.
— D.L.H.

1981

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Bob Hanlon sends news of
some major life changes. His
position at Dow Chemical
(formerly Rohm & Hass) was
eliminated effective Dec. 31,
2009, after 10 years. He accepted
an offer from MIT to become
director of the Department of
Chemical Engineering's Practice
School Station at Mawana Sugar
Works outside Delhi, India, for
the months of January through
April. He is back in Philadelphia
and pursuing several new job
opportunities. He continues
work on his book, tentatively
titled *Chemical Engineering*
Fundamentals and History.

The second Underground
Kress news is that **Ted Limpert**
(who was Bob Hanlon's high
school classmate, if I remember
correctly) was named a city
court judge for Syracuse in
November 2009. He continues
as a colonel in the New York Air
National Guard and served for
two weeks in that capacity after
being named the judge. That
makes at least two judges in our
midst — the other one I know of
being **Stuart Berger**. Does DU
have the corner on this market
or do we have others?

The final accomplishment of
a classmate is a really fun one.
News came to me that **Valerie**
Ceva fulfilled a lifelong dream
on Thanksgiving Day 2009 by
serving as a balloon handler in
the Macy's Thanksgiving Day
parade. She wore an orange
jumpsuit and helped guide Dora
the Explorer along the way. I
did have my eye peeled for her
while watching the parade but
the cameras never panned over
to the handlers.

Some nice holiday cards
with pictures arrived from **Julie**
Roberts Hynes showing her
gorgeous twins, and another
from **Beth Conboy La Bonty**

with an oceanside picture of her family.

Remember to start planning for our 30th Reunion in 2011! — C.C.R.

1982

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The holiday season brought a note from **Lynn Koenig Heinlein**. It was great to hear from my fellow 4th West hallmate! She lives in Park City, Utah, and works in development for Westminster College in Salt Lake City. Between work and play, their four kids and two dogs keep her and her husband, John, busy. Last year they visited the Yucatan, Bear Lake and Las Vegas. This year college hunting is on the horizon! She

can be reached at lheinlein@westminstercollege.edu. — B.G.K.

1983

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I received **Bob Hein's** annual Christmas card. He and his two girls look wonderful in their formal attire. He actually mentioned the "R" word in his update. Can we possibly be that old?

In November 2009, **Jim '82** and I celebrated our 25th anniversary (a few months late) with a long weekend in Charleston. The first neighborhood child was also getting married there that weekend, so we had lots of fun celebrating with our friends and neighbors from Alpharetta.

My former modmate, **Laurie Holben Fine's** son, **Andrew '11**, is in Prague. He is doing his spring semester there with a program associated with NYU. He is an official blogger for Bucknell. Read the spring study abroad blogs at <http://studyabroad.blogs.bucknell.edu/>.

I started my final semester of graduate work. I am happy to be finishing up, but not exactly relishing the idea of a job search. (Remember staying up until all hours of the night typing those resumes on an actual typewriter, praying you didn't make a mistake at the very end? I actually hauled the typewriter into the bathroom of our mod so I didn't keep my dear roommates awake with my typing and the cursing that inevitably went along with it!) Our daughter, Sarah, and I will graduate in May and "senioritis" is already permeating the house. — T.T.E.

1984

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Stephen Doty published a book, *365 Random Thoughts in the Style of Wittgenstein, Lichtenberg & Carlin*. It's a combination of philosophy and humor, available at Amazon.com.

Robbie Weaver Schuldt started 2009 with three snowy races in January: Resolution Run, Frigid 5-Miler and Bushwacker's Nightmare. She was on a relay team for the Pittsburgh Marathon and ran in a total of 11 races last year, including The Spirit of Pittsburgh half-marathon in November. She joined Fleet Feet Sports Pittsburgh in April 2009 as the director of marketing and helps out in sales. In addition, Robbie

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found the time to teach 100 hours of fitness classes in 2009 and worked as a volunteer emergency medical technician for more than 200 hours. Check out her website at www.fitnesswithrobbie.com.

George Pierson was appointed CEO of Parsons Brickerhoff, a planning, engineering and program and construction management organization. He continues with his responsibilities as president and COO of the company's Americas division — G.D.T.

1985

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Many of our classmates have sent updates in preparation for Reunion No. 25! Where has the time gone? You should have received information in the mail from Bucknell or you can check B-Link (www.b-link.bucknell.edu) for more information. Reunion is June 3–6.

Peter Fosl co-edited *Philosophy: The Classic Readings* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2009) with David Cooper of Durham University. It's the largest volume of selections from the history of philosophy yet published. *My Philosopher's Toolkit*, co-authored with Julian Baggini, is coming out in a second edition (Wiley-Blackwell, 2010). It's been translated into six foreign languages. Peter is a professor of philosophy at Transylvania University in Lexington, Ky.

Mike and **Nancy Draudin Hafers** stopped to see her roommate, **Debbie Freeman Brant**, for their annual visit in summer 2009 on their way down to vacation on the Outer Banks. They arrived the day before he set off for a 10-hour drive down to Atlanta, taking their oldest daughter, Jackie, for her sophomore year at Georgia Tech. Krissy is in her senior year

at Thomas Jefferson high school, so they are about to begin the college search all over again.

Nancy still trades Christmas cards with some other Delta Gammas — **Diane Parrish Hibbard '84**, **Donna Hemme DeSousa '84**, **Debbie Wild Lafond '87** — but would love the chance to get together to see them more often. She stopped working at JP Morgan about seven years ago and is busy volunteering at her girls' school, getting involved with the PTO and teaching as an adjunct professor at Bergen Community College. She has been a substitute teacher in the district for two years and hopes to be hired to teach math at either the middle or high school level next year. She got her certification through New Jersey's Alternate Route Program.

While subbing, Nancy had three "Bucknell" moments. The first involved subbing in the Wyckoff school district, where she lives, and having the daughter of **Christine Trum Lupi '87** in class. They were DG sorority sisters, and Chris has twins who are at the middle school where Nancy's triplets are in eighth grade.

The second was when she filled in for a home economics class at the middle school. Nancy had a boy in class wearing a Bucknell sweatshirt. When she asked him who went to Bucknell, he said practically everyone in his family had: grandparents, aunts and uncles. His name was Luke Troast. The last name sounded familiar, so she asked him what his aunt and uncle's names were, figuring they might be around her age. He replied, "**Doug and Joanie Walberg Troast**." Joanie and Nancy had taken "art in the dark" and studied together for the final.

The third Bucknell "small world" happening involved Nancy's husband, who coaches an ice hockey team called the Ramapo Saints and draws kids from northern New Jersey and southern Rockland County area and practices at Sportorama in Monsey. His team played in a tournament last March in Hershey, Pa. One afternoon

they ran into some of the parents of the kids her husband coaches in the lobby of the hotel, and he mentioned to one of the dads that the area reminded him of Lewisburg and Bucknell. The dad then said, "I went to Bucknell!" That's when Nancy began to look at him more closely. Turns out it was **Paul Kapoian**. He knows her freshman roommate, **Marsha Hunt**. "We ran through other people we know: **Doug Nelson**, **John Suglia** (who I also went to grammar school with in Old Tappan, N.J., ironically)," she writes. "It was so much fun tossing out names and reminiscing. I can't wait for Reunion. It was so much fun catching up the last time."

Peter Gordinier says "hello" from Bergen County, N.J. After 13 years, he left Smith Barney in April 2009 to work for Wells Fargo Advisors. His title is vice president, investments and he is located at 1 Johnson Ave., Hackensack, NJ 07601. He can be reached at 201-996-1767 or peter.gordinier@wachovia.com. He ran into Sigma Chi brothers on two separate occasions. "One day I was chatting with a colleague," he writes. "Then he turned around. I was staring into the face of **Jeff Shaner '86**!" It turns out his office is very close to Pete's, so hopefully they will see more of each other.

"The next day I was in the regional branch office in Summit, N.J., when I heard a very familiar voice," Pete continues. "When I looked up to match the face with the voice, there was **Rob Ibrahim '84**. It turns out he had transitioned to Wells Fargo Advisors the same time I had and happened to be in Summit that day to tie up a few loose ends." They had a great conversation, exchanged cards and promised to stay in touch. No matter how much time passes, the friendships made at Bucknell remain as strong as ever!

Steve Hawtof was named vice president with Gannett Fleming, an international planning, design and construction management firm. He's manager of the Baltimore, Md., office transportation group.

H. Vernon Leighton's daughter, Elizabeth, will be off to college this fall. She will attend Northland College in Ashland, Wis. He is coordinator of liaison services and government documents at Winona State University Library.

Lisa Withrow was named professor in the Dewire Chair of Christian Leadership and director of the doctor of ministry program at Methodist Theological School in Ohio. She joined the faculty in 1999.

Darlene Slavinsky Kober joined Baxter Healthcare as director, global marketing at Baxter's headquarter offices in Deerfield, Ill., after five years at Danaher Corp. She recruits MBA students at her graduate alma mater, Kellogg School of Northwestern University, and volunteers with high school students encouraging them to consider Bucknell as part of the Bucknell Women in Engineering program. She lives in Barrington, Ill., with her husband, Brian, and two daughters, Kelsey, 15, and Lindsey, 12. She can be reached at Darlene.Kober@gmail.com.

Joel Berelson sends greetings from Washington, D.C. In November 2008, he started a four-year term on the Bucknell University Alumni Association Board of Directors, along with **Bob Scott**. Bob serves on the Finance Committee and Joel is on the Clubs/Young Alumni Committee.

Reunion is around the corner. I hope many of you will be there. The other common comment is: How can it be 25 years? Time does fly.
— C.R.T.

1986

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Eva and **Chris Van Houten** have a new son, Christopher John, born on Oct. 23, 2009. The family can be reached at 141 Hampton Road, Pittstown,

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Scott Slifer is senior vice president of business development and marketing at Altisource Portfolio Solutions S.A.

Deb Lonzer writes, "Lizanne Hurst and I spent a few days at Bucknell in December 2009. The Candlelight Ceremony was outstanding and we did some great Christmas shopping in good old Lewisburg. The Mercantile and Purity Candy brought back fabulous memories! I'm both enthusiastic and shocked that 'Za's hasn't changed at all — nor has its pizza! I'm still trying to find **Sang Hak Shin**, so if anyone knows where he is, let me know." Contact Deb on Facebook or send me an e-mail and I will forward to her.

Sarah Jacobs-Helber writes, "I follow you and **Robb** on Facebook and enjoy hearing about your exploits. I am still living in Richmond, Va., with my husband, Steve, and my two kids, Lauren, 11, and Stevie, 6. I started working for Bostwick Laboratories in November 2009 as a leader of one of their clinical genetics groups. I head up the clinical genetic testing related to cancer biopsies and cancer clinical trials. Steve is still a photographer for the Associated Press. I stay in touch with **Marie O'Brien Salamone** and **Amy Kamenick Dodson** through e-mail and love seeing what my fellow alums are doing on Facebook." — J.D.C.

1987

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Sean Stevens was appointed director of cell biology at Anap-tysBio, Inc. in San Diego, Calif.

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Thanks to social networking (aka Facebook), I have some news and information to share on some of our classmates. **Maureen Sullivan** has taken a new position with her long-time employer, The Institute of Peace, in Washington, D.C. She is the alumni relations specialist.

Scott Brighton is chief executive officer of Artemis Software.

Angela Gilbert, doctor of psychology, joined Booz Allen Hamilton as an associate.
— R.L.B.

1990

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We're only a short time away from our 20th Reunion. You will be able to find out all the information about Reunion, as well as register for the event, at www.b-link.bucknell.edu. You can also contact **Jeff Dorst** or myself on Facebook. We've set up a Facebook page devoted to the Class of 1990 and Reunion. Also, please send us your photos for the class dinner slideshow.

Woody and Denise Moody Woodbury welcomed their second child on Nov. 12, 2009. Grace Ellen joins a brother, Danny, 3. Denise and her family

live in Manhattan. She has worked for Bloomberg for 13 years and is a manager in their sales department. She plans on attending Reunion, along with **Deb Tarantino**, **Gretchen Althoff**, **Louisa Hall Quarto** and **Karen White Salon**. — L.M.O.

1991

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I had the treat of teaching a lesson in my son, Robbie's, second-grade class in January about our family tradition of writing New Year's wishes. The children wrote one wish for this year, i.e., "I want to be a better soccer player," and one wish for 10 years from now — which will be when they graduate from high school!

Karen and Frank Hamer are celebrating the arrival of their eighth and ninth children, two boys adopted from Ethiopia on Christmas Day 2009. "Yonas, 5, and Abi, 1, are adjusting well and love playing in the snow where we live south of Denver," he writes.

Kelley McBreen Napoli writes, "It was great to read about how all of our classmates celebrated the big 40. I wanted to write to you about how a group of us celebrated. In June, **Chris Schneider Pimblett**, **Karen Purcer Coushaine**, **Eileen Von Esch Farina**, **Lauren Kiehn Duffy**, **Christie Mann Benjamin** and I spent a weekend at the vacation home of **Christie and John '88** on Lake Gaston in North Carolina. It was for ladies only and we had a great time. We plan on doing it again next year and hope those that couldn't come this year will be able to join us. We plan to open it up to spouses next year!

"All of us are doing well. I live in Stroudsburg, Pa., work as a physical therapist and have three kids. **Chris** works at her children's school, has three boys and lives in Rockville, Va. **Karen** has two little boys and is home with them after having

worked for many years with Travelers. She lives in East Gramby, Conn. **Eileen** has three kids and stays home to take care of them. She lives in Somers, N.Y. **Lauren** has four kids and has earned her nursing degree. She lives in Glenside, Pa. And **Christie** put her job as a vet on hold to take care of her three kids. She lives in Cary, N.C."

Mead Briggs writes, "I work as an investment specialist for the Private Wealth Management group at JP Morgan out of Morristown, N.J. In my spare time I am involved in local politics, having been elected to the governing body of Long Hill Township as the deputy mayor. In this role I serve on the planning board and finance committee, am chairman of the Board of Health and liaison to the fire departments and first aid squad. My wife, **Andrea**, and two children, **Katherine** and **Mead**, are all doing well." — J.C.R.

1992

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Jeremy "Jay" Gross and **Lynn Oeschger** plan a summer wedding in Massachusetts. He runs PMA Consultant's King of Prussia, Pa., office and she works at Pfizer in Collegeville,

Pa. He was inducted to the Bucknell Hall of Fame for swimming and lives in Limerick, Pa. — A.M.D.

1994

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Matt and **Erin McCorkle Harcourt** welcomed their daughter, Anna Choonyee, over Memorial Day weekend in 2009. She was born in Busan, South Korea, on Sept. 3, 2008. She joins Jack, 6, and Will, 4, who love having a little sister in the house.

Steve and **Wendy Myers Eder** welcomed their first daughter, Madison Leigh, on March 3, 2009. Wendy works at Sanofi-Aventis, where she has been for 10 years.

Lorie Lepley Parks writes, "I completed my first half-marathon in June 2009, and my husband and I raced our first triathlon together in August 2009. The next weekend our daughter, Caitlin, 8, completed her first junior triathlon! We finished the summer by running the Maine half-marathon in Portland, cheered on by our loyal fan club, our children: Caitlin and twin boys, Luke and Ryan, 4. We are still happily busy as optometrists at Maine Eye Care Associates. I am in the Waterville office and Mike travels to our satellite office in Pittsfield. He also makes the long trek two hours north to our office in the tremendously underserved area of Greenville several times a month." — S.A.S.

1995

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Happy spring, Class of '95! Are you ready for Reunion? I sincerely hope every one of you will make the trip back. It's going to be a great time!

Rachael McClennen and Gina Escamilla proudly announce the birth of their second child, Elias, on Nov. 3, 2009. He is "healthy and beautiful."

My husband, **Chris**, and I spent New Year's Eve with **Dave** and **Colleen Taylor Lukens '94**. We were joined by Dave's high school friend, Vaughn, and his lovely wife, **Karen Root Hunsicker '92**. A great time was had by all.

We also were fortunate to have a quick lunch visit with **Brian** and **Jennifer Carkeek Ochs** in January. It was so nice to see them and catch up on life (as well as we could with five kids in tow). We miss all of our Bucknell friends who live so far away. — J.B.B.

1996

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Michele Sheehan married Nicholas Dmytrow in Glandore, County Cork, Ireland, on Halloween 2009. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Brian Bernberg**, **Jackie Bourne**, **Rita Devlin**, **Kim Gallina**, **Kristen Dunker Williams** and **Tim Oleksy '94**. The couple honeymooned in Spain. She is a senior editorial marketing manager for Scholastic, Inc. in NYC and he is an officer with the NYPD. They reside in Orange County, N.Y. She can be contacted at mich_sheehan@yahoo.com.

Molly and **John Newman** joyfully announce the birth of their first child, Lucy Elizabeth, on July 30, 2009, in Palm Springs, Calif. John is dean of students and poetry instructor at Idyllwild Arts Academy in California. Write him at jnewman@idyllwildarts.org.

Holly Hinchman Reignor and her husband moved to

their new home at the end of September 2009. The day before the moving van arrived, they found out she is pregnant. They are expecting their second child in late May. She would love to hear from friends, and her new address is 758 Hinchley Run, West Chester, PA 19382. She can still be reached at hereigner@verizon.net.

Joanna Conard married Christopher Erwin on Dec. 5, 2009, in Lake George, N.Y. "My father, **Walter Conard '67**, walked me down the aisle," she writes. "**Jennifer Elder Brady** was one of my bridesmaids. In attendance was **Denise Bachmura Cathro**. We live in Albany, N.Y." She can be reached at jconard@nycap.rr.com. — B.S.

1997

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1998

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Congratulations to Joe and **Jeni Watkins Watson**, who welcomed a son, Luke Richard, on Jan. 8. He joins his happy sister, Leah Grace, 3. Reach Jeni at jeni_watson@yahoo.com. — H.M.L.

1999

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David Bronfenbrenner '00 and **Tria Tyler** were married on May 10, 2009, in Saint Clairsville, Ohio. Alumni in attendance were **Eric '00** and **Caryn Lee Bronfenbrenner '00**. They held a wedding reception on Oct. 3, 2009, at their home. Alumni in

attendance included Eric and Caryn Bronfenbrenner, **David '97** and **Julie Sweitzer Granger**, **Lisa Allen Hawken '97**, **Heather Suhoskey '97**, **Rebecca Travers '98**, **Chris Nowakowski '00**, **Audrey Myers Parker '00**, **Lori Allen '00**, **Dana Carr '01** and **Jen Curley Hart '00**. David and Tria relocated to Painted Post, N.Y., from Berkeley, Calif., where he completed his doctorate in materials science engineering at the University of California. He is a development scientist at Corning Incorporated and she is a medical laboratory scientist at the Corning Hospital. Reach them at tria.dave@gmail.com.

Charlene Vai Herndon's husband, **Jonathan**, was promoted to vice president for natural resources with the Harvard Management Co. He also celebrated his 10th year of service with HMC this past July. "We are excited about the arrival of our third child, due in May," writes Charlene. "Our boys, Bradley, 4, and Wyatt, 2, are also looking forward to the new addition."

Clay '00 and **Melissa Siemionko Helpinstill** welcomed a little boy, Jake Hudson, on Sept. 1, 2009. He joins Sadie, 2, who loves being a big sister. They live in Richmond, Va., and can be reached at melissaandclay@verizon.net.

On Sept. 27, 2009, **Rick Dolce** married Kerri Stanley at St. Michael Parish in Exeter, N.H. The ceremony was followed by a reception at Wentworth by the Sea Country Club in Rye, N.H. In attendance were **Brian** and **Kelly Dolnik Mazzei**, **Tim** and **Kelly Jensen Guild**, **Brett '00** and **Julie Artabane Cooper**, **Allison** and **Patrick Welsh '00**, **Krista McCabe '01**, **Bernadette Schmidinger '05** and **Susan Stoner Brown '78**. The newlyweds reside in Middleton, Mass., and enjoy New England. Reach them at fdolce@hotmail.com.

Kate Murray Donadoni and her husband welcomed Emily Kathryn to their family on Oct. 7, 2009. "Meagan, 6, and Molly, 4, love their new baby and are a big help," she writes. "We moved to accommodate our

SKILLS — DANCE, MARKETING

Jelani! Exclaim it. Feel its inner poetry. *Jelani* is the Swahili word for "mighty" or "powerful." While at Bucknell, **India Branch '03**, along with three other student-dancers, created a dance group that bore this potent name. The exultant syllables might well be a mantra for Branch's career in New York City's arts community today. Born in Harlem, she learned about Bucknell through one of her high school mentors at the Institute of Collaborative Education, a progressive high school, located on 14th Street in Manhattan. She believed Bucknell could extend the educationally rich and personalized atmosphere of her high school.



For Branch, who is the marketing manager at New City Center in Manhattan, dance is life. While at Bucknell, she was able to combine her love of dance with the practicality of economics and marketing. She felt it was very important to participate in a serious and challenging dance program, and that is what she found in Bucknell. However, when she began her studies, African dance was not a part of the University's offerings. To Branch, the movements of African dance are "fluid and low to the ground, showing respect for the Earth, the environment." She feels that this style of dance has much in common with ballet, as it tells stories of everyday life.

Serendipitously, Branch forged a way to share her own knowledge of West African dance with a community eager for cultural expansion. With a collaborative effort from fellow students, *Jelani* presented its creative work at the Black Box Theater in 2002. Since her Bucknell days, Branch has continued her dance outreach through The Fall for Dance Festival every September, during which time 20 dance companies perform six programs over a period of 10 evenings. A ticket for each performance costs only \$10, a real New York bargain, says Branch, who is both a skilled dancer and marketer.

— Maria Jacketti

larger family but can still be found in Ashburn, Va."
'Ray Bucknell! — L.Z.

2000

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Brian and Erin McKenna Evanoka enjoy life in Boston as a family of three. They welcomed their daughter, Avery McKenna, on Feb. 27, 2009.

Alex and Marnie Yorke Kramm welcomed their first daughter, Amelia Eloise, on April 1, 2009. They love life in NYC with their little "April Fool."

Becca Stevens married Brian Nell on April 18, 2009. The ceremony was at St. Philip

Parish, close to the couple's home in Norwalk, Conn., with a reception at the Inn at Longshore in Westport, Conn. Bucknellians in attendance were the maid of honor, **Trisha Taylor**, as well as **Linda Steele VanSickle**, **Tara Eberhardt McKee '96** and **Bill '67** and **Linda Lawrence Hendrix '68, P'00**. She is a senior project manager for Holm & Associates, a real estate owner's representative firm, and he is a senior accountant for CitationAir, a private aviation provider.

Jennifer Ross and Lee Alexander are happy to announce the birth of their son, Benjamin David, on July 30, 2009, in NYC.

Alex and Jen Smardon Douville welcomed a son, William Robert, on Dec. 30, 2009. She teaches in Montgomery County and the family resides in Rockville, Md.

David Carpenter married Jacob Thompson on Jan. 16 in

Woodstock, Vt., in the garden terrace room at the Woodstock Inn. In attendance were **Jennifer Schmermund**, **Danielle Yannece**, **Amy Gilday** and **Tim Parrott '99**. David is an associate for Broadway producer Dede Harris. He can be reached at david@dedeharrisproductions.com. — M.E.R.

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Will and Julie Mallis Hassenplug welcomed with excitement their first baby, William "Cole" Colvin III, on Aug. 3, 2009. They reside in Baltimore, Md.

Heather Mann married Alex Buzick on May 9, 2009, in Washington Crossing, Pa.

Melanie Kasper was a bridesmaid. Heather graduated in May 2009 with a doctorate in measurement and statistics from the University of Maryland and is a research scientist at Educational Testing Service in Princeton, N.J.

Christiane Schuman Campbell, an associate in the Philadelphia office of international law firm Duane Morris, was named chair of the trademark subcommittee of the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Section on Intellectual Property Law.

Rohan Duggal married Barnali Biswal on Nov. 29, 2009, in India. They live and work in NYC.

Paul and Tracey Sochor Van Dillen welcomed their first child, Sarah Elizabeth, on Sept. 22, 2009. He works for a financial firm in NYC and she is an attorney in Florham Park, N.J. — H.P.

2002

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Amy DeAngelis Druzak earned a master's of education in May 2009 from Edinboro University in Pennsylvania.

Peter Seuss and Claudia Reuben married in August 2009 at the Pierre in New York. He is a managing director and a founder of Lincoln Square Capital Management in NYC. She is in medical school at New York University.

Trip McMahon writes that **Tyler Wynn** was married in September 2009 to Maura Coyle at the Shady Brook Farm in Yardley, Pa. The wedding party included the groom's brother, **Tom Wynn '98**. The newlyweds honeymooned in Panama City Beach, Fla. They reside in Philadelphia, where he continues work toward his doctorate in biochemistry and molecular biophysics.

Katie and Jacob Ferry announce the birth of their son, Nathaniel Jacob, on Aug. 18,

2009, in Wayne, Pa. His sister, Anna, loves her new baby brother. Jake works as an environmental engineer for ERM.

Jennifer and **Adam Clark** welcomed their first child, Leila Grace, on Dec. 28, 2009. The family lives in Boston, where he works as a behavior therapist for children with autism and will finish his master's in May. She is an occupational therapist working in the public school system.

Drew and Adrienne Schober **Fyock** proudly announce the birth of their second child, Marley Lorraine, on June 22, 2009. Marley joins her brother, Mason Dale, 3. The family of four happily lives in Pittsburgh, where Drew is a technical consultant for Sage Software and will graduate with an MBA from Duquesne University in May 2010. Adrienne is the organizer of a large moms group and involved with the local water polo team. He can be reached at fyockm@gmail.com and she at amfyock@gmail.com.

Tony and Whitney Sittig **Lukasavage** welcomed their first child, June Taylor, on June 2, 2009. He accepted a new position with West Penn Allegheny Health System as a senior software engineer in its Technology Innovation Department, and she enjoys her role as a stay-at-home mom while continuing her volunteer work with the local no-kill shelter, Animal Friends. They live in Pittsburgh. — M.P.

2003

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Amanda Sundquist, Tricia Bileski and Aimee Gallagher held a reunion in Las Vegas. Amanda is a lawyer residing in the Philadelphia area. Aimee continues to travel the world, works on public health policy and resides in Washington, D.C. Tricia is a corporate finance manager for Coty, Inc. in NYC

and purchased an apartment which she is renovating.

Jim and **Piper Murray Wright** welcomed a son, Brendan, in August 2009. Brendan's Bucknell aunts, **Lauren Hill** and **Meaghan Harrigan**, came out to meet him and Piper has returned to work at Victoria's Secret.

Bobby Myerow writes, "Chris Robinson, aka 'King Ding-a-Ling,' was an absentee owner this year. We assume he is still living, despite not responding to any league communication. That being said, after eight 'solid' years, his team is being auctioned off. Sources say **John 'D.J.' Klaus** may split from **Thomas 'Hotsauce' Guintini** after the co-owners of the Jersey Giants had a domestic dispute. Word on the street is that **Ross 'Big Hoss' Fairbanks '04** and **Timmy 'Dukes' Donohue** are in the mix. Insiders say the franchise may be valued at a whopping \$350, despite having a terrible existing roster. Co-commissioners **Jon Riskin '04** and **Jim Freeman** released the following statement: 'Stelios Saffos Shmafos.'"

James Fisher became engaged to Ann Curry on Dec. 5, 2009, in New Canaan, Conn. The couple plans to get married in summer 2010.

Allison LaFleur Pilquist writes, "My husband and I welcomed our first child, Colin Anthony, on Jan. 5."

Matt Riggins married Daniela Renfroe on Oct. 24, 2009, in Philadelphia. He earned his MBA from Georgetown University in May 2009 and is a nonprofit consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton. They opened a speech therapy business last year called Capitol Speech, and live in Arlington, Va.

Blake and **Lisa Sechrist Staker** welcomed a baby girl, Maya Bea, on Dec. 4, 2009. She joins her brother, Cole, 2.

Richard Beblo reports, "I finished my doctorate at Pitt in December 2009 and started my new job at the Air Force Research Lab in Dayton, Ohio, on Feb. 1. **Diana Scheerbaum '05** and I also bought a house in Dayton."

Christine Charles writes, "I was married on June 6, 2009, at Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Hoboken, N.J., followed by a lovely reception at Chart House in Weehawken, N.J. **Ronni Ginsberg** and **Alyson Steckbeck** were bridesmaids. **Morgan Paige Sklar, Reva Mulchandani, Sara Figoski, Michelle Beardslee Davis** and **Lauren Hill** were all in attendance. My husband, Chris Ziobro, and I honeymooned in St. Lucia at Ladera Resort, where we ran into another honeymoon couple: **Catherine Crews** and her husband! The year 2010 will be equally exciting, as we will welcome a baby boy named Christopher at the end of May. We will continue to reside in Hoboken, N.J."

Trip '02 and **Lainey Faulkner McMahon** are thrilled to announce the birth of their daughter, Mason Grace, on Oct. 29, 2009.

India Branch was promoted to marketing manager at New York City Center, a performing arts theater in midtown Manhattan. She also purchased her first co-op apartment in Harlem with her boyfriend and is in training to run her first marathon in NYC this year.

Amanda Kaufman Regnier writes, "My husband, Michael, and I welcomed our daughter, Alice Miriam, into the world on Oct. 13, 2009. She is our first child and is a delight. We remain in Brooklyn, where I am a trusts and estates attorney."

Joshua and Brandi Porter Sanders welcomed a little boy, Joshua, on Nov. 15, 2009.

Aaron Casagrande reports that **Sarah Stark Casagrande** completed her doctorate in epidemiology at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health this past summer and serves as a post-doctoral fellow at the Johns Hopkins Medical School. She celebrated her accomplishment with family and friends, including fellow Bucknellians **Nikhil Menon, Jeffrey Dasch, Trevor Gibson, Darrell Perry, Matt Albrecht '04** and **Myra Oneglia '05**.

Scott and Linda Voll Roe welcomed a baby boy, Landon Jeremy, on Jan. 17. — P.N.J.

2004

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Lara Hanson received her MSW from Fordham University and passed her licensing exam.

Aug. 8, 2009, was monumental day for two best friends in the Class of 2004. **Dave and Liz Zollner Cook** welcomed their son, Parker Duncan, into the world. The Cook family resides in North East, Md., and plans to move to St. Petersburg, Fla., early this year.

Also on Aug. 8, 2009, at a 2 p.m. ceremony, Liz's dear friend **Maura McEwan** exchanged marital vows with Louis Fierro in Charlottesville, Va., beside attendants **Lisa Manning** and **Meaghan Casey**. Adding to the joy of this celebration was the presence of Bucknellian housemates of 219 S. Sixth St., **Michelle Wilkinson** and **Theresa Newhard**. Also present was **Adam Vidoni**, who unforgettably announced, "It's a boy!" just before Maura was first announced as Mrs. Fierro.

Sarah Kiser and **Albert Marquardt** were married on Aug. 15, 2009, in Dallas, Texas. They met during first-year orientation after being assigned to the same dorm, Malcolm I in Swartz Hall. Bucknellians in the wedding party included **Courtney Jones, Sarah Greenwald, Michael Shover, John Henry Jackson** and **Joe Glenn**. She is an attorney practicing business litigation at Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, a mid-Atlantic-based firm. He is an engineer with Whiting-Turner. They live in Baltimore, Md. — J.P.

2005

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Curtis Bolig, commodity manager of integrated supply and auxiliary systems for BAE Systems, was recognized by Cambridge Who's Who. He is working toward a master's in business administration at York College of Pennsylvania.

Esch and Erin Grim McCombie welcomed their first son, William Wesley, on November 2009. They live in Austin, Texas, and plan on moving back to the East Coast in the coming year.

This holiday season, I had the pleasure of attending two Bucknellian weddings.

Julia Woodard and Bob Tripple were married in Houston, Texas, on Dec. 18, 2009. Jamie Slupe was in the wedding party. Also attending were Dan Muchler '04, Elena Gregorio, Katy Vertigan, Tim Eggebroten, Jeff Bloch, Gabe Murtaugh, Jake O'Donnell '06 and me.

Melinda Kummer and Jason Rubinstein '04 were married in Norfolk, Va., on Jan. 2. "Friendship grew to love after we met while editors at *The Bucknellian*, and we maintained our relationship over the miles and under the sea," she writes. Andrea Dill '03, Stephanie Chin Whitesel '04 and Emily Izbicki were bridesmaids and the maid of honor, respectively. Justin Schwartz '04, a Phi Psi brother, was a groomsman. Emily Yoder '06 shared her vocal gifts during ceremony at the lighting of the unity candle. To chanting of "Ray Bucknell," all of the alumni present at the reception gathered for a photograph: Rachel Laskow '03, Rob Decker '03, Jane Fulton '04, Denise Chaykun '04, Laura Gillaspay '04, Allison Kasic, Melissa Karmondy, Lisa Marks '06 and I. Jason fulfilled his commission to the Navy as a nuclear submarine

officer and started at Duke in the Fuqua School of Business in fall 2009. Melinda graduated with a master's in government from Regent University in May 2009 and works for Booz Allen Hamilton as a senior consultant. She works with a former engineering classmate of his, Christine Keenan Holland. They bought a house in Durham and have enjoyed seeing Natalie Casp Gominger '02. The happy couple is contemplating staying in the Mediterranean after their March honeymoon to Greece.

John Peters and Julia Schmidt were married on Sept. 12, 2009, in St. Louis. "Thomas Swanson served as best man and Alexandra Schmidt '08 was our maid of honor," she writes. "We were honored that so many of our friends and family could attend, including the following Bucknellians: Katherine McDonnell '94, Mimi Margaretten '96, Kevin Plosser, Morgan Jones, Brad and Kelly Colgan Van Schooneveld, Andrew Musgraves, Auston Beck, Elliot Benoist, James Danforth, Elizabeth Gilman, Amy Ketcham, Jonathan Longabaugh, Lanyn Clark '06, Peter Boxx '06, Brandon Pierce '06, Maureen Carey '06, Tim Rei '07, Ellen Fure '07 and Jackson Noel '08. We honeymooned in Tanzania, the Seychelles and Paris and are happy to call the Upper East Side our home."

Griffin Brungraber and Chezzie Wendin '04 were married Sept. 27, 2009, on the beach at Nantucket Island, Mass. Diana Gehlhaus Carew '04 and Wil Fang were members of the wedding party. Other Bucknellians in attendance included Jamie Clouser '03, Kellan Ilse, Oshan Wickramanayake, Kyle Goodwin, Devin Cooch, Joel Bettner, Catherine Webster, Sean Adam Freeman '06, Steve Ignatosky '06, Patrick O'Malley '07 and Kyle Rosendale '07. The honeymooners took a "mini-moon" through five National Parks in the Southwest. A longer trip to Australasia is planned for after Griffin's graduation from UCSD.

Kim Fowler got engaged on Oct. 17, 2009, to Joseph Charnitski. A June 2011 wedding is planned.

Chris Fellabaum and Rachael Garrison were married Dec. 12, 2009, in front of their families in Denver, Colo. A second celebration is planned for May on the East Coast.

Michelle Miller married Matthew Bonanno on Sept. 19, 2009, in Bethany Beach, Del., with many friends and family in attendance at St. Ann's Catholic Church, including Kim Fowler, who was in the bridal party. Also joining the happy couple as the celebration continued at an oceanfront hotel in Rehoboth Beach were Carolyn Pacala Wethington, Erin Morsheimer, Jessamyn Katz, Nick '04 and Laurie Seeley Carrozzino, Tracey Perry, Cole Ciesnolewicz, Dana Pratt and Chris and Rachael Fellabaum. — M.D.

2006

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Kristen Reichardt and Sheldon Tan were married on Aug. 22, 2009, at Round Hill House in Washingtonville, N.Y. The wedding party included best man Matt Hallowell '04 and groomsmen Todd Bauer, Mike Reynolds and Mark Kretzer. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii. They live in Hoboken, N.J., and work in the financial industry. — J.S.

2007

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Joe Zanetti and Cathy Kruesi were married on Oct. 17, 2009, in Downingtown, Pa. They live in Fairfax, Va., where he works for Lockheed Martin and attends John Hopkins for his master's in systems engineering and she works for the Aerospace Corporation. The wedding party

included Stevie Eveland, Jon Backhaus, Gui Batista and Laura Householder '08. Other Bucknellians in attendance included Mike Casenta, Sarah Griffith, Patrick Shoemaker, James Crawford, Alex Vienckowski, Meghan Mulcrone, Kendra Read, Patrick Lynch, Greg Mokodean, Ross Hays, Lauren Kelly, Kerry Flanigan '09, Tom '80 and Patrice Martau Hartnett '83, and Professor Dave Kelley and his family. The wedding colors were, appropriately, blue and orange.

Karen Guarino and Carl Marchioli were engaged on Oct. 10, 2009. He proposed on the Quad and they celebrated with Danielle Bastine and Brody Selleck. A September 2011 wedding is planned.

Lindsay Sailer and David Zygmunt '06 were engaged in June 2009 and will be married on Sept. 5. She teaches history at Westwood Regional Jr./Sr. High School and he is a senior associate at Pricewaterhouse Coopers. The bridal party includes Laura Wilkinson as maid of honor, Kevin Zygmunt as best man, and Travis Lan '06, Andrew Fowler '06 and Jeffrey Fernandez '06 as groomsmen.

Kira GaNun writes, "In January I started a job with Philadelphia Teaching Fellows. For the next two years I'll be teaching high school special education math in high-needs schools in Philly. It should be an adventure!" — J.C.

2008

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After a year and a half as an assistant, I am happy to announce that I am the new managing editor at Taylor & Francis Group, a publishing company in Philadelphia.

Katharine Eckert graduated from the University of Edinburgh in Scotland on Nov. 27, 2009, with a master's in creative writing. Amanda Fernandez works at Ultra Chemical, Inc. in Red

Bank, N.J., and plans to attend graduate school for a master's in graphic communications.

Peter Friedman is engaged to **Sarah Thalhamer '11**.

Kristina Kask graduated from the University of Manchester in the U.K. with a master's in translation and interpreting studies.

Antoinette Klatzky started a new job in December 2009 at Sarah Lawrence College as community partnerships placement coordinator.

Dave Mante works in Philadelphia and was promoted to an assistant engineering position at Turner Construction. This past fall he placed 16th in a Greater Philadelphia bodybuilding championship.

Mindy Harris and **Derick Haas** will get married on May 14 in Shamokin, Pa.

David McDermott was accepted into Commonwealth Medical College in Scranton.

Stephen Parker married **Katherine Lahner '09** at Rooke Chapel on Aug. 8, 2009. They live in Monroeville, Pa., and he works for Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Melissa Ravely secured an internship at Ohio State University's Science and Engineering Library. Once completed, she will graduate from Kent State University in May with her master's in library and information science.

Brittany Vogt has lived in San Diego since August 2009 and is the office manager and customer services coordinator for XLNT Foods Corp., the oldest tamale producer in America. She tells me that her boyfriend, **Eric Jorgenson**, is the brewer's assistant at Lightning Brewery, a small but up-and-coming microbrewery in Poway, Calif. "Before this, we were helping my parents build my family home into a bed and breakfast in Jonesborough, Tenn.," she writes. "We did tons of renovations and landscaping. It's set to open this year as a wedding venue. We also traveled up and down the East Coast and Midwest, and spent some time in Belize and Guatemala."

Will Moyer and **Brett Miller** are going to China for a year to

teach English. They're looking forward to seeing **Rosy Kim**, who has lived in China since shortly after graduation. — L.C.

2009

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Those of us in grad school include **Edward Bauer**, who is pursuing a master's in geology with a focus on sedimentology at New Mexico State University.

Greg Zarski is at Stanford working on a master's in structural engineering with a focus on computational mechanics while rounding up funding to pursue his doctorate there. He writes that he's met the love of his life.

In the Midwest, **Laura Chernak** is in a biomedical engineering doctoral program at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She devotes her research there toward ultrasonography and children with cerebral palsy.

Eric Nguyen is also at the University of Wisconsin-Madison working on a doctorate in biomedical engineering. He works in William Murphy's bioinspired materials laboratory.

Jeff Manning is in a student affairs in higher education master's program at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He is also doing an assistantship in the Office of Residence Life there.

Sheena Czipri is in Chicago at Roosevelt University for a doctorate in neuropsychology.

Tanya Roth is in her second semester at Columbia. She's starting a mentor training program called Roots and Wings, in conjunction with a local foundation. The program provides life instruction for aged out of foster care youth.

As for law school junkies, **Chris Yamaguchi** attends Seton Hall University School of Law in New Jersey.

Down in Florida, **Rachel Casas** is in her second semester at the

University of Miami School of Law.

Katsie Calhoun attends Chicago-Kent College of Law and plans to work for a small firm in Chicago this summer.

Katie McDonald attends Dickinson School of Law in Carlisle, Pa.

Laura Crawford attends law school at Catholic University and lives in Washington, D.C., with **Rebecca Cottrell** and **Laura Meditz**. Both work in the District.

Some classmates are on salary. **Rich Potocek** is a project manager for Mainline Solar in West Chester, Pa.

Jenny Guempel teaches kids how to communicate orally at the Summit Speech School, a preschool for hearing impaired children in New Providence, N.J.

Jessica Gonzalez is an associate analyst for Ethicon, a Johnson & Johnson company, in its Financial Leadership Development Program.

Yabei Chen teaches dance at Northfield Mount Hermon School, a boarding prep high school in western Massachusetts, and directs its junior dance company.

Just outside of Philly, **Kevin Overholt** is an accountant/auditor at a small public accounting firm in Abington, Pa.

May Naldo landed an assistant to the director gig in November 2009 at the Posse Foundation in D.C., where she had been working previously as temporary support staff. Congrats, May!

Several of us are keeping pace in *The City That Never Sleeps*.

Nathan Cho interned as an associate at a small startup hedge fund called Inmost Partners, LLC doing trade monitoring and bookkeeping. He took on a position in the operations division at Goldman Sachs.

Kevin Thant also lives in NYC and works as a software engineer at a financial data company on Wall Street called Interactive Data. He builds web applications for delivering real-time financial information to banks and financial institutions.

Lisa Prasto is a field engineer at Weeks Marine, Inc. and works on the Willis Avenue

Bridge Project, a \$650-million construction project in the city.

Emily Huber works for PricewaterhouseCoopers as an assurance associate in NYC.

Matt Masone, **Adam Johnson** and **Ray Hernando** live in Hoboken, N.J. Matt works at Deloitte & Touche, Adam is at a financial services firm called Ipree and Ray is an assistant teacher at Steven's Cooperative School in Jersey City.

Also dabbling in the city's famous fashion life, **Gaby Yatkowsky** works for Gilt Group in women's contemporary and designer ready-to-wear.

Getting into the political scene, **Andy Logan** is a staff assistant for Kansas senator Sam Brownback and **Scott Gosnell** is a legislative correspondent for Texas congressman John Culberson. Both gentlemen live in the Capital.

Those of us juggling jobs and further education include **Mike Morena**, who is pursuing a master's in mechanical engineering at Ohio State University while developing commercial jet planes in General Electric's aviation division. He lives and works in Cincinnati.

Meredith Chambers teaches high school Spanish while getting her master's in education at the University of Maryland.

Those of us "taking a year off" include **Alexandra Hulme**, who went to Nicaragua last summer as a TA for Bucknell in Nicaragua. She also interned in Washington, D.C., at the Society for International Development and spent the winter between Boston and Killington, Vt., teaching skiing and training for the Boston Marathon. She is waiting to hear from grad schools to begin a master's in public health in the fall.

Ryo Sueda and **Whitney Henry** live outside of Philly in Manayunk. They are trying to get into nursing, and Whitney has been accepted into Drexel's accelerated BSN program, ACE.

Kelly Frazier spent a month in Bulgaria last summer on an archaeological dig and is applying to grad schools for museum studies with an emphasis on artifact restoration.

Wayne Li works as a lab manager at the Kimmel Cancer Center at Thomas Jefferson University in Philly. Next fall Wayne begins medical school at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Margaret Graham interns at *ARTnews*, an arts magazine based in NYC, and is applying to grad schools.

Kim Fishbach teaches dance and works at a deaf school as an assistant teacher in Queens, N.Y. She hopes to attend a professional doctorate in clinical psychology program next year.

Around the world: **Jess Kertz** and **Allie Kukucka** live in El Puerto de Santa Maria, Spain, and work as English language and culture assistants for the 2009–10 school year. They teach through a program called CIEE; Jess spends her days in secondary school and Allie teaches nursery school.

Meanwhile, in Paris, **Allie Simonetti** is studying for a master's in French civilization and culture at Middlebury College.

Across the pond, **Jeffrey Watumull** is studying mathematical linguistics at the University of Cambridge, U.K., while also pursuing research in evolutionary linguistics at Harvard. Impressive, no?

Couples! Our favorite kind of news. **Richard LaFredo** and **Star Haupt** plan to tie the knot.

On Christmas Eve 2009, **Sarah Surgala** accepted a romantic proposal by **Scott Wasilko '08** on the Bucknell Academic Quad. She is pursuing a master's in higher education and student affairs at the University of Vermont and working at the alumni office there, as well.

Jennifer Byers and **Matt Saunders** got engaged on Jan. 16 in Indianapolis and plan a 2011 wedding. She works in the office of admissions at DePauw University in Greencastle, Ind., while he works for General Electric in Erie, Pa.

Stephany Danilack and **Nathan Contrella** are also engaged, planning for summer 2011 nuptials. She is pursuing a master's in psychology at Boston University and he is working on his doctorate in

chemistry at the University of Chicago. — S.K.

IN MEMORIAM

1934

E. Raymond Smith, Martinsburg, Pa., on Nov. 17, 2009. A Phi Gamma Delta member, he was a 1937 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy and the former owner, operator and pharmacist of the Philadelphia Drug Store. He worked as a pharmacist for Altoona Hospital and Valley View Home before retiring in 1994. Survivors include two daughters, four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

1935

Charles Capper, Corry, Pa., on Jan. 18. He received a bachelor's from Georgetown College, attended Crozer Theological Seminary and served as pastor in many Baptist churches. Survivors include three children, 13 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Ruth Carhart Shaw, Camp Hill, Pa., on Nov. 5, 2009. A member of Kappa Delta, student government, Pi Mu Epsilon, *L'Agenda* and *New Order*, she was a public school math teacher. She was predeceased by her husband, **Robert '32**. Survivors include three children, including **Barbara Shaw Darling '65** and **Robert Shaw '66**, eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

1936

Jane Youngman Herald, Turbotville, Pa., on Jan. 4. She retired from Turbotville National Bank, where she worked for 32 years.

1938

George Porter, Gaithersburg, Md., on Jan. 20. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha, he received a master's from American University in 1949 and served in the Air Force during WWII. He received the silver medal award from the Department of Commerce in 1973 and retired in 1974 as director of personnel at the National Bureau of Standards after 35 years of federal government service. Survivors include his wife; two daughters, including **A. Lee Porter Madigan '67**; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

1940

Donald Reese, Castle Hayne, N.C., on Oct. 24, 2009. A member of Pi Mu Epsilon, he retired from the Pennsylvania Power and Light Co. Survivors include three nephews.

1941

John Laudenslager, Annapolis, Md., on Dec. 27, 2009. He earned a master's at Penn State University, was commissioned in the Naval Reserve and served during WWII and the Korean War. He was executive officer of the Naval Research Unit at Penn State, served as senior psychologist at the Naval Academy and co-authored several leadership textbooks. He was head of the Psychology Branch of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in Washington, D.C., before retiring in 1968 with 26 years of active service. He chaired the psychology department at the University of Baltimore and was director of Mental Health in Calvert County, Md. Survivors include his wife, two daughters, four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

1945

Vera Grove Rishel, Northumberland, Pa., on Nov. 8, 2009. She studied at the University of London, England, worked at the Merck Co., Cherokee Plant and was a host and commentator for WCNR Radio in Bloomsburg, Pa. Survivors include nine cousins.

1947

Helen Bosch Reiber, Urbandale, Iowa, on Nov. 6, 2009. She was a medical technician. Survivors include her husband, **Robert '49**, four children, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

1948

Elizabeth Bowler Appelbaum, Newtown, Pa., on Oct. 30, 2009. A member of Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Beta Kappa, she earned a master's at Smith College. She helped establish the Crossing Cooperative Nursery School and was a founding member of the Hopewell Township League of Women Voters. Survivors include her husband, **Robert**, and four children.

William Douglas, Urbandale, Iowa, on Dec. 17, 2009. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, Omicron Delta Kappa, Tau Beta Phi and Chorale. He graduated from Pittsburgh Xenia Seminary and served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. He worked as an electrical engineer, Presbyterian minister and missionary and a computer technician. Survivors include his wife, **Nancy Bishop Douglas '49**, three children, seven siblings and three grandchildren.

Robert Sundry, Durham, N.C., on Dec. 18, 2009. He was a member of Delta Upsilon, student government, Pi Delta Epsilon, *L'Agenda*, *The Bucknellian* and Chorale. He worked for the Associated Press as a journalist and news executive

for more than 30 years. He was predeceased by a daughter, **Robin Sundy Tingle '87**. Survivors include his wife, a son, **John Sundy '83**, four grandchildren and a sister.

Carlos Tang, Panama, on Dec. 27, 2009. Survivors include his wife, three children, including **Digna Tang de Ng '91**, and six grandchildren.

1949

Elden Steward, Coal Township, Pa., on Oct. 24, 2009. He served in the Army during WWII and was an engineering technician for the Department of Commerce, National Bureau of Standards, before retiring in 1977. Survivors include a son and two siblings.

Charles Stults, Hightstown, N.J., on Nov. 25, 2009. A member of Phi Kappa Psi and the soccer team, he served in the Army before being honorably discharged in 1946. He was secretary and treasurer for Allen & Stults Co., Inc. Survivors include four children, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

William Wagner, Winfield, Pa., on Jan. 14. He served in the Army Air Force and founded W.M. Wagner Sales Co., Inc. before retiring in 1987. Survivors include three daughters, a sister, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Frank Walk, Paradise Valley, Ariz., on Oct. 27, 2009. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, he served in the Army during WWII. He earned his master's from the University of Delaware and worked as a teacher, high school principal and superintendent of the Mifflin County Pennsylvania School District before retiring in 1980. Survivors include three sons, four grandsons and a brother.

1950

Henry Collins, South Plainfield, N.J., on Jan 5. A *L'Agenda* member, he served in the Air

Force during WWII and worked as an engineer for General Motors for 30 years. Survivors include three children, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

LeRoy Richardson, St. Petersburg, Fla., on Nov. 2, 2009. He served in the Army Air Corp during WWII and retired from Susquenita High School, where he was a guidance counselor and administrator. Survivors include his wife, four children, 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

1951

F. Alan Davis, Walpole, Maine, on Jan. 14. He was a member of Cap and Dagger, Phi Gamma Delta, *L'Agenda* and *the Bucknellian*. He served in the Army, Marine Corps Reserve and retired as a Colonel from the N.Y. Air National Guard. He earned a master's from the University of Michigan and held various positions with the American Cancer Society for 26 years before retiring as vice president for public affairs in 1993. He was predeceased by his first wife, **Rachel Heim Davis** and sisters **Carol Davis Hart '38** and **Margaret Davis '40**. Survivors include his wife, four children, five grandchildren and one great-grandson.

James Eiswert, Payson, Ariz., on April 1, 2009. He served in the Army Air Corps and was branch manager of Sherwin-Williams in Sunbury, Pa. Survivors include his wife, six children and 10 grandchildren.

Peggy Russell Hess, Selinsgrove, Pa., on Dec. 28, 2009. A *L'Agenda* member, she worked as an elementary teacher in the Selinsgrove Area School District for more than 30 years. She was predeceased by her husband, **Charles '52**. Survivors include three sons, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

1952

Baisel Eveland, Littleton, Mass., on Dec. 28, 2009. A member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and *L'Agenda*, he retired from Digital Equipment Corp. in 1992. Survivors include his wife, two sons, two stepchildren and eight grandchildren.

Martin McKibbin, Baltimore, Md., on Dec. 6, 2009. He was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and the baseball, football and basketball teams. He was a longtime teacher at the McDonough School in Baltimore, Md., and earned a master's at Harvard University. In 1986 he was inducted into Bucknell's Athletic Hall of Fame. He was predeceased by his wife, **Leila Feifer McKibbin '53**. Survivors include three children and four grandchildren.

George Polinko, Sicklerville, N.J., on Sept. 4, 2009. A member of Phi Eta Sigma, Pi Mu Epsilon, Tau Beta Pi and *Engineer Magazine*, he served in the Navy during WWII and worked for General Electric Co. Survivors include his wife, son and granddaughter.

1953

Gerald Brown, Lynn, Mass., on Jan 2. A member of Delta Mu Delta and ROTC, he served in the Air Force and was a stockbroker and accountant. Survivors include his wife and three children.

Robert Burnash, Roseville, Calif., on Dec. 2, 2009. A member of Phi Lambda Theta, Delta Mu Delta and WVB, he attended the Naval Post Graduate School and served as a flight aerologist with the Navy Hurricane Squadron and at the Fleet Weather Center. He helped develop award-winning forecasting techniques and received many awards, including the NOAA Outstanding Public Service Award in 1978 and the American Meteorological Society's award for Outstanding Service for a Weather Forecaster in 1979. He was predeceased by

his wife, **Jeanne Mack Burnash**. Survivors include six children and 12 grandchildren.

1954

Joan Hamilton Bockstiegel, Hampton Bays, N.Y., on Dec. 6, 2009. A member of Phi Mu, *L'Agenda*, *the Bucknellian* and Christian Fellowship, she graduated from Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School. She was a legal secretary, bookkeeper and treasurer and assistant director of the Adult School of Upper Montclair until her retirement in 1992. Survivors include her husband, two children, eight grandchildren and five stepchildren.

Robert Kenworthy, Peabody, Mass., on Nov. 10, 2009. A member of Cap and Dagger, Chorale, Christian Fellowship and *L'Agenda*, he served in the Army and worked as an analyst with the Computer Usage Co. in Washington, D.C., and Connecticut General Life Insurance Co. Survivors include his wife, three children, including **Steven Kenworthy '88**, two grandchildren, four stepchildren and nine step-grandchildren.

1955

Sandra Miller McAleer, Berwyn, Pa., on Dec. 10, 2009. She earned a bachelor's at Cornell University and worked for Lankenau Hospital in Philadelphia as a registered nurse. Survivors include her husband, three children and four grandchildren.

James O'Brien, Cornwell Heights, Pa., on Dec. 13, 2009. A member of Phi Kappa Psi and the football team, he served in the Army and was inducted into the Holy Spirit High School Hall of Fame. He worked as a controller, executive vice president and general manager of various tracks in the thoroughbred racing business. Survivors include his wife, six children, and 13 grandchildren.

1956

Richard Ulp, Camp Hill, Pa., on Nov. 29, 2009. He was a member of Theta Chi, Omicron Delta Kappa, Pi Mu Epsilon, Sigma Pi Sigma, Tau Beta Pi, *Engineer Magazine* and the American Society of Civil Engineers. He earned his master's at Cornell University and was a retired civil engineer. Survivors include his wife, four children and four grandchildren.

1958

Roger Bixby, Wilmington, Del., on Dec. 19, 2009. A Phi Kappa Psi member, he served in the Army and had a career in real estate. Survivors include two children and two grandsons.

Richard Evoy, Estell Manor, N.J., on Oct. 30, 2009. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, *LIT Magazine*, the *Bucknellian*, Concern and Action, ROTC and Christian Fellowship. He was a graduate of the Admiral Farragut Naval Academy, served as a first lieutenant in the Army and owned Evoy Enterprises. Survivors include his wife, three children and 10 grandchildren.

1959

Joan Criswell Zanfagna, Falls Church, Va., on Nov. 23, 2009. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Sigma and *L'Agenda*. Survivors include her husband, two children, four grandchildren, a brother-in-law, **Richard Beatty '62**, and a nephew, **Scott Beatty '93**.

1960

Ronald Jensh M'62, Haddonfield, N.J., on Jan. 20. He was a member of the economics and pre-medical societies, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Concern and Action, WVBU and Chapel Choir. He earned his doctorate

at Thomas Jefferson University and spent his 22-year career there as an anatomy instructor and research associate in radiology until he retired in 2004. He wrote two books and received Bucknell's Achievement in a Chosen Profession Award in 1997. He is predeceased by his wife, **Ruth-Eleanor Dobson Jensh '62**. Surviving are two daughters, including **Victoria Jensh-Cummins '91**, and three grandchildren.

Peter Kline, Douglas, Alaska, on Nov. 3, 2009. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, he served in the Army and was employed by Price Waterhouse & Co. before joining an accounting firm in Juneau, Alaska, in 1965. He served on the State of Alaska Board of Public Accountancy from 1967-75. Survivors include his wife, five children and seven grandchildren.

Arthur Rudmann, Annapolis, Md., on Oct. 27, 2009. A member of the American Society for Mechanical Engineers, he worked for NASA. Survivors include his wife, **Janice Staley Rudmann '61** and three children.

1961

Nancy Shaffer Huffington, Bluffton, S.C., on Nov. 4, 2009. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega, Panhellenic Council, Concern and Action, *L'Agenda* and the *Bucknellian*. She was a proofreader and owned Lease Source South, an equipment leasing company. She was predeceased by her parents, **Robert '25** and **Mildred Houseman Shaffer '24**. Survivors include a brother, **Robert Shaffer '56**, two children and a granddaughter.

Larry Roman, Big Rapids, Mich., on Dec. 15, 2009. He was a member of the American Institute for Chemical Engineers and the basketball team. He played semi-professional basketball and was an engineer. Survivors include his wife, three children, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

1962

Donald Brubaker, Watkins Glen, N.Y., on Oct. 30, 2009. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, he owned a construction company. He was predeceased by his father, **Donald Brubaker '29**. Survivors include two daughters, four siblings, including **William "Jim" Brubaker '60**, two grandchildren, and nieces and nephews, including **Dina Brubaker Pully '90**, **Samuel '92** and **Brett Brubaker '93**.

1963

Edward Place, Bridgewater, N.J., on Sept. 5, 2009. A member of Sigma Chi, student government, WVBU and the soccer team, he earned a master's at New York University. He was an accountant and retired in 1998. Survivors include four children and six grandchildren.

1964

Richard Burns, Danville, Calif., on Dec. 18, 2009. A member of Phi Kappa Psi and student government, he worked for Pan Am, Sears and Levi Strauss and owned several Midas Muffler franchises. Survivors include his wife, two sons and two grandchildren.

Paul Wice, Tiburon, Calif., on Nov. 15, 2009. A member of Theta Chi and ROTC, he received his master's from American University and his doctorate from the University of Illinois at Urbana. He was an award-winning teacher and writer, and political science professor emeritus at Drew University. Survivors include three children.

1965

Anne Bergstedt Farkas, Rochester, N.Y., on Dec. 19, 2009. She was a Delta Zeta, Phi Sigma and band member. Survivors include her husband.

1969

Nancy Johnson Angland, Boonton, N.J., on Nov. 7, 2009. A member of Cap and Dagger, Alpha Chi Omega, Theta Alpha Phi and Christian Fellowship, she worked for Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co. She was predeceased by her mother, **June Carter Johnson '43**. Survivors include her brother and numerous nieces and nephews.

Laurence Winters, Fairfield, Conn., on Oct. 12, 2009. A member of Kappa Sigma, Republicans Club, ROTC and the lacrosse and wrestling teams, he served in the Army and earned his master's from Columbia University. He worked at PepsiCo and several financial institutions. Survivors include a son and two siblings.

1971

Robert Worthen, North Andover, Mass., on Dec. 25, 2009. He was a member of Delta Upsilon and the swimming and diving, water polo and lacrosse teams. He earned his master's at the Tuck School at Dartmouth College and was president of Worthen Industries. Survivors include his wife, two children and two grandchildren.

1981

Jay Montfort, Fishkill, N.Y., on Jan. 13. He was president of Montfort Brothers, Inc. Survivors include his wife, four children, father, stepmother and brother.

1998

Melissa Kupferberg, Middletown, Md., on Nov. 7, 2009. She earned a bachelor's from Texas A&M University and a master's from Arizona State University, and was an investigator for the Department of Justice, Office of the Federal Public Defender, Middle District of Florida.

Survivors include her parents, a brother, aunts and uncles.

2001

Dana Carr, Horseheads, N.Y., on Dec. 15, 2009. He was a member of the Leadership Institute, Catholic Campus Ministry, and the cross country and track and field teams. He was inducted into the Horseheads High School Hall of Fame and was a project engineer at Epco, Inc. Survivors include his wife, parents, sister, grandmother and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

2002

Adam Ackley, Selinsgrove, Pa., on Dec. 13, 2009. A member of Phi Kappa Psi, Alpha Lambda Delta, and many volunteer organizations, he was a 2005 graduate of Syracuse College of Law and worked for the Bureau of Prisons. Survivors include his wife, son, parents, two brothers, including **Scott Ackley '04**, two grandmothers, and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

MASTERS

James Ayre M'47, Carlisle, Pa., on Jan. 1. He received a bachelor's from Mansfield State College in 1936 and was a teacher, high school principal and superintendent. Survivors include his daughter and several nieces and nephews.

William Barger M'79, Lewistown, Pa., on Dec. 28, 2009. He earned a bachelor's from Shippensburg University and was a teacher and principal in the Mifflin County School District for 31 years. Survivors include his wife, three children and nine grandchildren.

Paul Bower M'64, Daytona Beach, Fla., on Dec. 20, 2009. He served in the Army and earned a teaching degree at Lock Haven University. He was a special needs teacher and

principal before retiring in 1984. Survivors include three daughters and four grandchildren.

Thomas Carr M'60, Kingston, Pa., on Jan. 2. A member of Cap and Dagger, he earned his bachelor's at East Stroudsburg University and was a professional educator. Survivors include four children and five grandchildren.

Boyd Earl M'58, Kingston, Pa., on Nov. 25, 2009. He earned a bachelor's from Wilkes College, a doctorate from Penn State and served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. He was a professor emeritus at Wilkes University. Survivors include four children and four grandchildren.

Eugene Evans M'53, Carlisle, Pa., on Jan. 8. A member of Kappa Psi, he received a bachelor's from Dickinson College. He served in the Navy and was a championship coach of various sports, including basketball at Bucknell from 1962-64. He is in the Dickinson College Sports and South Central Pennsylvania Sports Halls of Fame. Survivors include his wife, three children, five grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Mary Ellen McWilliams Kessler M'46, Lewisburg, Pa., on Jan. 12. She received her bachelor's from Bloomsburg University and taught business English at Danville High School before retiring in the late 1980s. She is predeceased by her husband, **Donald M'52**. Survivors include a son, granddaughter and numerous nieces and nephews.

Paul Mulford M'49, Deltona, Fla., on Oct. 17, 2009. He was a science teacher after serving in WWII and graduating from Mansfield State Teacher's College. Survivors include his wife, a daughter and two grandchildren.

Harold Swisher M'52, Lititz, Pa., on Nov. 3, 2009. He received a bachelor's from Bloomsburg University and attended Temple University. He was a teacher at Lititz High School and served as principal at Warwick High School until his retirement in 1983. Survivors include his wife, a son and numerous nieces and nephews.

Donald Walter M'58, Lititz, Pa., on Dec. 25, 2009. A Sigma

Pi Sigma member, he graduated from Susquehanna University, served in the Navy and taught physics at Bucknell before working for 30 years for Bell Telephone in various engineering groups. He retired in 1988. Survivors include his wife, three children and five grandchildren.

FRIENDS

Charles Baird P'72, G'11, Skillman, N.J., on Dec. 26, 2009. He was chairman and chief executive officer of INCO Ltd. and spent 18 years in international finance with Exxon. He served as assistant secretary of the Navy (financial management) and under secretary of the Navy. From 1976-82 he served as chairman of the Board of Trustees of Bucknell University, which awarded him an honorary degree in 1986 and the Stephen Taylor Medal for Extraordinary Service to the University in 1995. Survivors include his wife, **Norma White Baird '46**; four children, including **Stephen '72** and his wife, **Susan Martell Baird '72**; eight grandchildren, including **Emily Baird '11**; a brother and two sisters.

Doris Behnke G'93, G'97, Paramus, N.J., on May 28, 2009, and **Howard Behnke G'93, G'97**, Paramus, N.J., on Oct. 28, 2009. She was a teacher's aide and retired in 1988. He was an excavating contractor. Survivors include a son, grandchildren **James '93** and **Laura Behnke Linderman '97**, and a great-grandson.

Eleanor Karnow, Lewisburg, Pa., on Sept. 7, 2009. She served as a secretary for the biology and English departments until her retirement in 1973. Survivors include three children, including **Susan Karnow '71**; a sister; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

B. William Nelson, Lewisburg, Pa., on Dec. 27, 2009. He graduated from New York University and enlisted in the Army Air Corps and served in WWII. He worked for American International Group, General Reinsurance Corp. and retired

as vice president in 1992. Survivors include his wife, **Mary Angstadt Nelson '51**, a son, eight children and eight grandchildren.

Gordon Peck, Lewisburg, Pa., on Jan. 8. He graduated from Penn State University in 1978 and was a systems administrator for information technology systems there. He also worked at Bucknell and K.B. Aerotech. Survivors include his wife and three children.

Shirley Satteson, Lewisburg, Pa., on Jan. 7. She worked for Bucknell Dining and retired in 1997. Survivors include three children, five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Shirley Smith, Lewisburg, Pa., on Nov. 22, 2009. She worked as a secretary for 30 years supporting economics, management and the dean of business administration before retiring in 1986. Survivors include five children, 15 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Eugene Van Tamelen, Stanford, Calif., on Dec. 12, 2009. An internationally known organic chemist, he was a professor at Stanford University. Bucknell awarded him an honorary doctorate in 1970. Survivors include his wife, three children and five grandchildren.

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ABBREVIATION KEY

P - Parent
GP - Grandparent
GGP - Great-grandparent
M - Masters
H - Honorary degree

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How I Made My Alma Mater Matter

Reconnecting with Bucknell through the Posse Scholars program.

By Sylvia Sukop '82

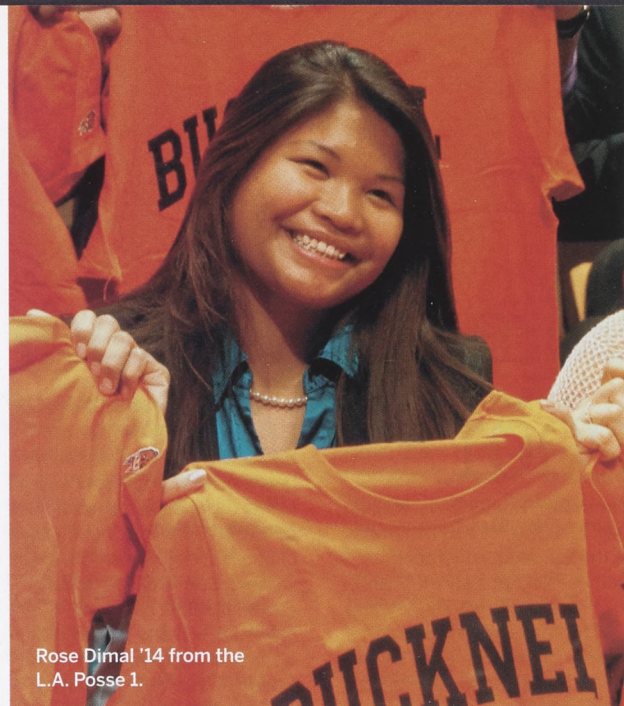
For some, whether you're five or 25 years out, your relationship to your undergraduate *alma mater* is tethered by little more than a bullet point on a résumé. This was certainly true in my case.

I grew up in Pennsylvania, graduated from Bucknell in 1982 and lived seven years each in Boston and New York (plus one year in Germany on a Fulbright Fellowship) before settling in Los Angeles in 1997. Since then, my East Coast life has receded ever further in the rear-view mirror.

Over the years I didn't think much about Bucknell. I never attended a Reunion, and I didn't look up classmates on Facebook — well, okay, except for an old flame from senior year, long since married with children. Only once did I venture out to a mixer for Southern California that happened to take place at a bar near my neighborhood. In the dimly lit room, it would have been difficult to find people I knew among the 50 or so attendees, but it didn't matter; I knew no one, and there was no one to help break the ice. The experience only widened the gulf between Bucknell and me.

Then last summer, I learned that Bucknell was preparing to choose 10 Los Angeles public high school students to receive four-year, full-tuition scholarships through an exciting partnership with the Posse Foundation. Each year, Posse Foundation affiliates in seven American cities identify public high school students with strong academic and leadership potential who may be overlooked by traditional college selection processes. In teams — or Posses — of 10 students each, supported by scholarships, mentors and each other, students achieve a 90 percent graduation rate, well above the national average. Since its founding in 1989, Posse has sent 3,100 Posse Scholars to 37 colleges and universities throughout the country.

Discovering this new connection between my home-state alma mater and my adopted West Coast city electrified me. I pictured two bright lights pulsing on a giant map of the



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United States, one in Lewisburg and one in Los Angeles, and a stream of positive energy circulating between them — and myself a part of that, not only because I have lived in both places but because I was invited to participate in the Posse selection process.

Last fall, I joined dozens of other local volunteers in helping to winnow the L.A. applicant pool from more than 2,300 down to 160 finalists for 80 Posse scholarships to eight colleges and universities that partner with L.A. Just before Christmas, Bucknell officials visited L.A. to meet the University's 20 finalists and, in an unusual move, were able to award scholarships to 11 (rather than the usual 10).

In January I attended the Posse award ceremony in the elegant auditorium of the Colburn School of Music in down-

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town L.A. along with hundreds of proud family members and teachers. Throughout this spring and summer I will serve as a volunteer writing tutor for the college-bound L.A. Posse Scholars. Come September, 11 of them will enter Bucknell's Class of 2014, joining

85 fellow Posse Scholars from Boston and Washington, D.C., who are already at Bucknell which is one of only two American universities that has enrolled Posse Scholars from three cities.

I will be rooting for them all as they navigate life in their new community, my old community. And I will look forward, in a few short years, to welcoming them into the far-flung circle of Bucknell alumni who sooner or later find ways to give back.

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