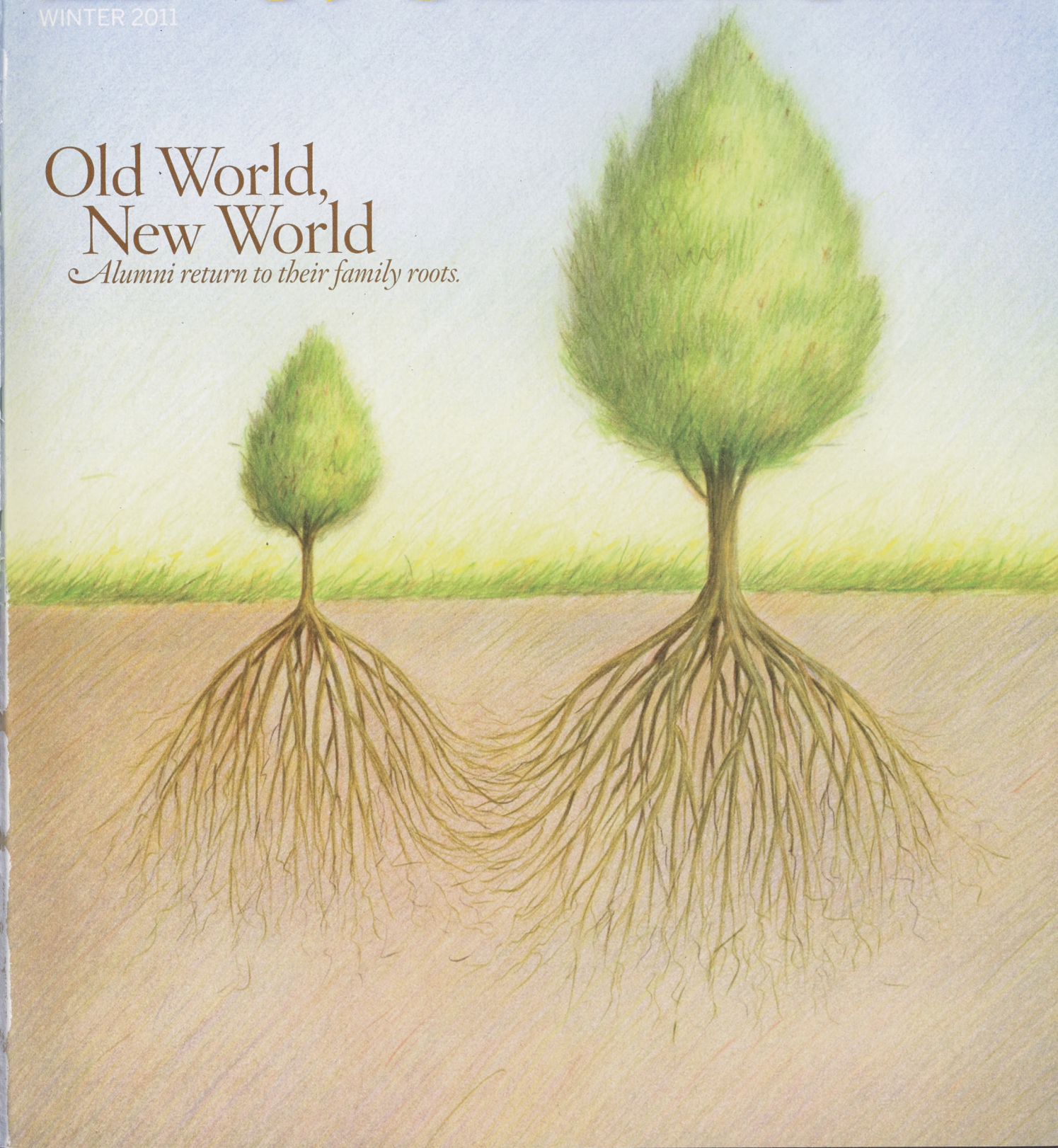


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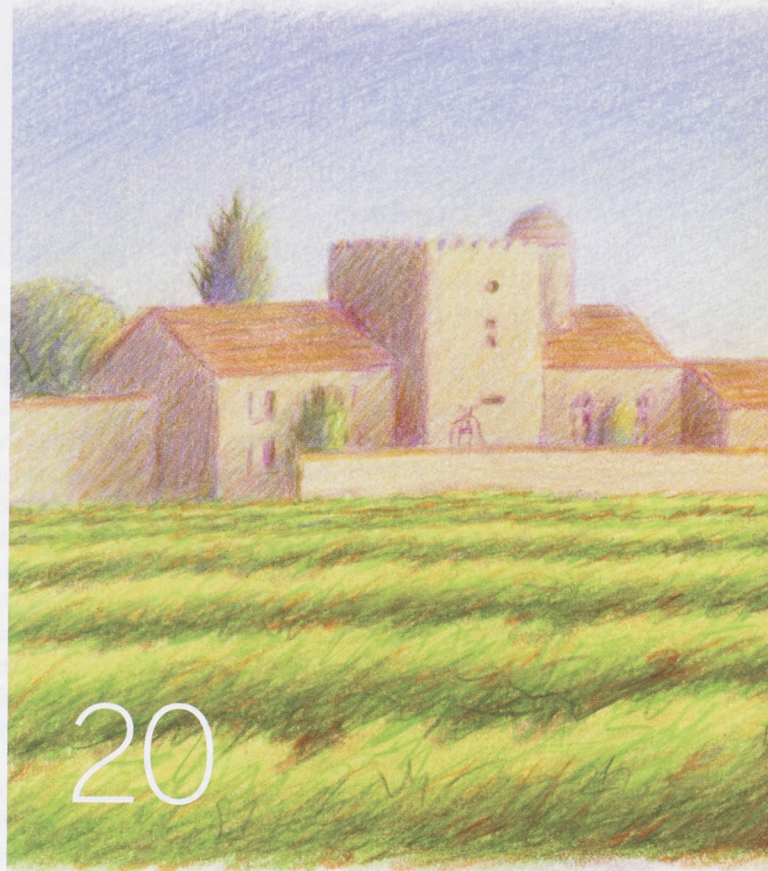
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## President's Message

### Who Are We Becoming?

In his inaugural address, President Bravman considers first purposes.



**W**e will move with the times, as well as help define them, and wherever and however we can, stay ahead of them. We will be open to new ideas. We will strive to lead where leadership is needed. We will aim to make Bucknell better each day for our students, and better for the students, colleagues, alumni, parents and friends of our university of new generations not yet born.

*Who are we becoming?* A home for the sons and daughters who possess new forms of privilege and possibility — those of perception, of the capacity to learn, of the capacity to absorb and sort information readily, meaningfully and proactively. These privileges and possibilities already challenge us in, sometimes, unexpected ways.

*Who are we becoming?* The transitional home for students learning how to apply such skills to help all of us — and indeed themselves — mold a future of global citizenship, of self- and family-fulfillment, yes, even of profitable application of those skills for their own benefit and for the benefit of others.

We are becoming a small part of those interdependent six billion souls who are striving to live a better life, and we are becoming one of the wellsprings that feed the oceans of knowledge and ideas we all will need as we learn, together, how to navigate a very uncertain tomorrow.

For me, the real answer to the question of who we are becoming is found in how we treat one another and in the ways we live up to those highest purposes of a university that have always been at the core of its mission. In the end, at an institution of advanced learning meant to endure, the answer to the question of, “Who are we becoming?” really is, “Who are we?”

Our time here is very special. Our time here also is brief when measured against the life of the institution we share. We have an obligation to carry forward something great. We will get the hard work done, every day, every hour, with focus and commitment. We will set our sights high. And we will achieve the critical, practical objectives that will shape the Bucknell of today and tomorrow, just as those did who came before us. Most of all, in the spirit of the University, I hope we will continue asking, “Who are we becoming?” I hope we will aim to answer it as best as we can in one way: by being together the Bucknellians whom we most aspire to become.

John Bravman, PRESIDENT

*This text was excerpted from President Bravman's inauguration address. For the full text, the inauguration poem, video of the ceremony, slideshows, audio clips and more, go to [www.bucknell.edu/Inauguration](http://www.bucknell.edu/Inauguration).*

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# Letters

## ALL EYES ON HER

"Wow" is what the photo caption should read for the photo of **Bernice Henry Rathmell '39** and the four girls on p. 34 [Fall 2010]. Bernice and I have been good friends and sorority sisters since we entered Bucknell as freshmen in 1935. When Bernice the drum major led the band into the stadium, the crowd would think, as one, "Wow." She strutted with her head held high, and all eyes in the stadium were upon her. She was the epitome of college life.

Marion Stone Wright '39  
*Holidaysburg, Pa.*

## MAJOR MAJORETTE

I'd like to point out that Bernice was not only Bucknell's first lady drum major, she was the first at any college. My father, Dr. Melvin Le Mon, was director of the band in the '30s and came up with the idea of a drum majorette. Bernice and my mother, **Jane Orwig Le Mon '35**, were close friends at Bucknell and stayed in touch with each other for many years. Jane passed away last year. I remember seeing a clip from *The New York Times* about Bucknell's "girl drum major." The article also compared the performances of the band with that of the football team.

Bill Le Mon '54  
*De Witt, N.Y.*

## SHARED HISTORY

We received our 2011 Bucknell calendar and were thrilled with the historical photographs of both Bucknell and Lewisburg you incorporated into it. We enjoy reading and seeing images concerning the history of both. Thank you so much.

Anne Mitchell Murcek '72  
*Lewisburg, Pa.*

## LGBT SUPPORT

I was very happy to read "The Legacy of a Gay Athlete" by **Sean Coyne '10** ["Last Word," Summer 2010]. The Safe Space program sounds terrific, as was

Sean's creation of the Safe Team program for athletic teams.

I attended Bucknell from 1974-78 and was a four-year member of both the swimming and water polo teams. I was the captain of both in my senior year — when I also won the A.E. Humphreys Multiple Sport Athlete Award. Most importantly, the teams were my family, and many of us remain close to this day. Unlike Sean, I did not come out as a gay man until after college. I remember how scared I was and how difficult it was to understand and to seek out support or guidance. Fortunately, things have improved since the '70s, but dealing with one's sexual orientation in an open, honest and healthy way can still be very difficult for many.

I am so proud of my alma mater for the tangible steps it has taken over the years to support its LGBT students and to encourage a more safe and inclusive campus community. I look forward to more articles.

Jay Fisette '78  
*Arlington, Va.*

## RALLYING ALLIES

Thank you for publishing Sean Coyne's piece on his experiences being a gay athlete at Bucknell and the importance of his political activism for his own — and the University's — development. It is encouraging to see the magazine recognize the challenges with which so many Bucknell students struggle.

We started the Safe Space program in 2004 and in the years to follow, we gave presentations to sororities and fraternities, RAs, classes, faculty, administrators and residence halls about being gay (a better term would be "not being heterosexual") at Bucknell, and how being a "safe space" made LGBT people and their allies more comfortable. I was so nervous standing in front of hundreds of my peers every month, telling them how hurt I was by the homophobia I felt at Bucknell — but I did it, alongside several other brave

students — and I believe that it has made a tremendous difference. In my four years at the University, I saw huge strides in the campus climate towards a more inclusive, welcoming culture. It seems to me that things are getting better every year.

I want to commend the University administration for being open to finding ways to help LGBT students, the faculty and staff who serve as a huge support and resource to the students, the wonderful allies to the LGBT community and especially the courageous students who stand up for their right to feel safe and comfortable at the University. We should all know by now that it's not acceptable for anyone to feel excluded or scared, and we must continue to fight for that position.

Alyssa Schneebaum '06  
*Fresh Meadows, N.Y.*

## CALENDAR ERRATA

Thanks to **Alan Raynor '53** for pointing out an error in the 2011 calendar. The May photo shows a Commencement from the 1940s, not the 1950s. We apologize for this error.

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# Moore Avenue

News&Notes

## Inauguration of Bucknell's 17th President

John Bravman embraces the past and looks to the future.

By *Julia Ferrante*

**B**ucknell University President John Bravman stood before an audience of hundreds of Bucknellians at the Weis Center for Performing Arts during his inauguration Sunday, Nov. 14, 2010, and challenged them to answer one question: "Who are we becoming?" The question is one that faculty, staff, students, alumni and other stewards of the University should continually ask as they seek to preserve Bucknell's traditions while evolving with the times, he said.

"It is a question we inherit and answer not only for ourselves but also to those who shall inherit Bucknell from us," Bravman said. "As you may have heard me say before, a university is one of the few institutions that we expect to endure in perpetuity. Our part in Bucknell's life can only be brief against the backdrop of its continual re-creation, already 164 years in progress."

Bravman's address marked his inauguration as the 17th president of Bucknell. The celebration of the University's academic excellence began on Wednesday with a series of academic talks and performances to highlight the creative and technical talents of Bucknell students, faculty and professional staff.

During the ceremony, which also was webcast live, Bravman stood with his wife, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering Wendy Wright; their son, Cole; and Bravman's sons, Christopher and Matthew, and pledged to "preserve, protect and abide by" the charter and bylaws of the University.

Chairman of the Board of Trustees **Ken Freeman '72, P'08** welcomed Bravman: "There is no doubt he will lead Bucknell in such a way that it advances as a strong and significant contributor to the lives of our students and the quality of society."

The president encouraged the audience to consider Bucknell's past as it contemplates its future. Ensuring the University remains a leader in higher education means anticipating and responding to changes in the economy,

Left to right, President John C. Bravman, Matthew Bravman, Christopher Bravman, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering Wendelin Wright, Cole Bravman, Ken Freeman '72, P'08.





information technology, global connections and demography while remaining open to new ideas, he said.

"I see a university that has moved with the times, and often ahead of them; that has had some of the proudest moments in its openness to new ideas; and that has demonstrated its capacity to lead where leadership is required," Bravman said.

Building on that tradition, Bucknell continues to anticipate change and to prepare students to make a difference in an evolving world, in part by bringing in students from varying backgrounds through the Posse Scholars and Bucknell Community College Scholars programs and through civic engagement experiences such as the Bucknell Brigade to Nicaragua and the Katrina relief trip to New Orleans, Bravman noted.

In the past, University officials have made brave and unusual decisions to meet the needs of the world around it, he said. During WWII, Bucknell revised its academic calendar to allow students to finish their degrees in three years instead of four so that they could serve in the military. When the G.I. Bill was enacted, Bucknell allowed students whose education had been interrupted by war to complete their degrees at the University. As a result, in 1946, enrollment nearly doubled to 2,000 students, 1,200 of whom were veterans.

Bucknell consistently has expanded its curriculum to meet changing needs, Bravman noted. During the Industrial Revolution, engineering programs grew. More recently, neuroscience and biomedical engineering programs were added, and centers for environmental studies and civic engagement were established. The University is implementing a new College Core Curriculum in the arts and sciences.

Bravman commended Bucknell's faculty members for their commitment to teaching and scholarship and for embodying "scholarly habits of mind" that require integrity, civility, fairness and honesty.

"We will set our sights high, and we will achieve the critical practical objectives that will shape the Bucknell of today and tomorrow, just as did those who came before us," Bravman said.

Assistant Professor of Chemical Engineering Erin Jablonski discusses separating oil and water.



## Snap!

Faculty experts explain their research and teaching in record time.

**R**eady, go. In six minutes or fewer, explain how "big lasers" are shining new light on the "tiniest stars." Describe the "philosophy of waiting." Or, tell us how your research became "a matter of life or death." Bucknell faculty members from across disciplines discussed a range of such topics during a two-night set of quick and engaging "snap talks" that kicked off a series of events celebrating and leading up to the inauguration of John Bravman as Bucknell University's 17th president on Nov. 14, 2010.

In planning the inauguration, President Bravman asked a committee of faculty to design several events that would highlight Bucknell's academic excellence and the talents of its students and faculty. These included a panel discussion on the role of liberal arts in higher education, a student-faculty scholarship and research poster session, performances by students and faculty in music, theater and dance and a display of student art.

For the snap talks, faculty were asked to present on pedagogy or on their scholarship and research and to do so in six minutes each. The 17 talks, including one by President Bravman, were followed by lively question-and-answer sessions.

In "Engineering Design outside the Bubble," Charles Kim, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, shared how student projects designed to help those struggling "to meet basic human needs" fostered deeper learning and a greater sense of civic responsibility.

Harold Schweizer, professor of English, in "A Philosophy of Waiting" explained that "waiting is an essential condition for ethical and aesthetic insight" and "therefore an integral part of a liberal arts education."

In "Using BIG Lasers to Study the Tiniest Stars," Katelyn Allers, assistant professor of physics and astronomy, described how such technology was helping with the discovery and understanding of brown dwarf star twins.

And Tom Cassidy, associate professor of mathematics, talked about how his research evolved from studying abstract structures called non-commutative rings to analyzing something more tangible — demographics on mortality and population growth. Thus his talk's title: "How My Research Became a Matter of Life and Death."

—Tom Evelyn

Videos of the talks are available at [www.bucknell.edu/snaptalks](http://www.bucknell.edu/snaptalks). 



# Homecoming 2010

By Heather Peavey Johns

Nearly 2,000 alumni, students, faculty and staff reconnected on Bucknell's campus Oct. 28–31, 2010, to celebrate the Orange and Blue at Homecoming. Many alumni leadership groups met and held events, including the Alumni Board, Black Alumni Association, Engineering Alumni Board and Association for the Arts. Faculty, alumni and students shared information on new department initiatives at Academic Village. More than 60 families participated in alumni admissions events for 8th- through 11th-graders.

Six were inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame: Rose Ewan, a coach and administrator at Bucknell for 25 years; **Kirk Foulke '62**, a two-time All-American tackle and member of the 1960 Lambert Cup football team; **David White '83**, a track and field walk-on who became one of the finest distance runners in school history; **Jeff Hilk '86**, one of

the all-time leading scorers in Bison water polo history; **Charles Cole '88**, a dominant cross country and distance runner; and **Lynnette McBride '91**, one of Bucknell's all-time best women's sprinters and long jumpers.

Additionally, four alumni were honored for their contributions to Bucknell and the world. **Paul Wice '64** received the Bucknell University Distinguished Citizenship Award (posthumously); **Peter Kadens '00** received the Bucknell University Distinguished Citizenship Young Alumni Award; **Richard Humphrey '74** received the Association for the Arts Academy of Artistic Achievement Award; and **George Pierson '84** received the Bucknell Engineering Alumni Association (BEAA) Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award.

See Homecoming slideshows at [www.b-link.bucknell.edu](http://www.b-link.bucknell.edu).



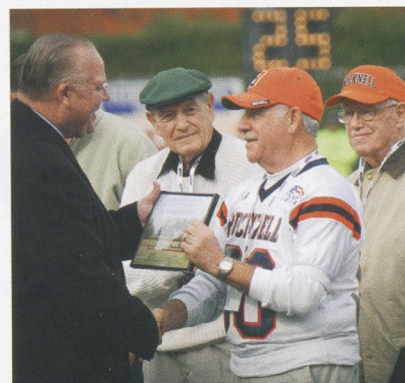
Elizabeth P'11 and Michelle Beck '11



Alumni award winners



Student poster session



## Celebrating a Championship

Memories of one of Bucknell's finest football seasons were revived at Homecoming 2010 as the University celebrated the 50th anniversary of winning the 1960 Lambert Cup, the first of two Eastern Small College championships earned by Bob Odell-coached teams.

The reunion brought together 30 players and coaches from a team that posted four shutouts and out-scored opponents 117-14 while closing a 7-2 campaign with five straight victories. In the ensuing 50 years, only one Bison team has won more games.

The celebrated season brought regional and national attention to Bison football, the latter mainly through the exploits of the late **Paul Terhes '61**, a first-team Little All-America and All-East quarterback and the first in a long line of Bucknell athletes who have appeared in *Sports Illustrated's* "Faces in the Crowd" feature.

Terhes, one of the finest Bison players ever, is joined in the Bucknell Athletic Hall of Fame by Odell and five teammates who were on hand for the celebration: **Tom Alexander '62, P'87**; **Ron Giordano '63**, team captain **Mickey Melberger '61, G'14**; **Dick Tyrrell '63, P'88** and **Kirk Foulke '62**, who was enshrined at ceremonies that weekend. In addition, **Rick Elliott '61** was honored with the annual presentation of the Bison Club Award.

— Brad Tufts



# Q&A

Olympic hopeful Ariel Farrar-Wellman '08 has lived and breathed competitive kayaking since she was 10, but her brief sojourn into rowing at Bucknell while studying history reaped unexpected rewards.

By Heather Peavey Johns

**Q:** You live at the Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, Calif., to prepare for the 2012 Olympics. Just how grueling is your training schedule?

**A:** It's a full-time job, but you could say that a regular 9-5 job is just as grueling. You spend eight hours a day working hard at whatever it is you do. Everybody works hard, I'm just lucky enough to be working really, really hard

at something I've loved since I was 10 years old. I have the disadvantage of not being paid for it, but it's still completely worth it.

**Q:** Why did you take a break from kayaking to row at Bucknell?

**A:** Kayaking is a lot like rowing; kayakers just face forward. Bucknell has a very good rowing program. I ended up having to stop rowing before my college career was over, which disappointed me, but I had a back injury that would have eliminated my chances of kayaking at the Olympics. I lived with the girls who were in my freshman boat for my entire four years. It was really great to have a coach and a team that supported what I was doing, even though there's no such thing as a university kayaking program. This is as close as I could get.

**Q:** How did academics fit into your plan to become an Olympic sprint kayaker?

**A:** Bucknell has a very competitive academic atmosphere. Everyone is trying to be the absolute best in class, competing against their classmates. That's exactly what you have to learn when you're competing as part of a team. You



have to know how to be competitive in something that you care a great deal about so you can achieve more than you would have ever thought possible.

**Q:** You want to compete in the four-person sprint kayaking team for the United States in 2012, but most of your training is done in a single. How does that fuel the competitive fire?

**A:** Kayaking is a very technical sport, and much of that is learned in the single. Competitiveness within a team is also a part of what promotes excellence throughout the team. It builds character to compete against someone who you are also rooting for.

For more information on Farrar-Wellman's Olympic bid, search for "USA Women's K4" at [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com).

## Bucknell in the News

### WELL BALANCED

Assistant Professor of Biomedical Engineering Katie Bieryla's research on balance in older adults was profiled in the *Saturday Evening Post*. Bieryla used the Wii Fit to help improve clinical balance measures. In just three weeks, a marked improvement was noted in nursing home participants who performed exercises for 30 minutes three times a week.

### BAT DEMISE

White-nose syndrome, a spreading fungus responsible for the widespread death of bats in the Northeast, and the people leading the conservation charge were the subject of an article in *Popular Science*. Master's candidate Sarah Brownlee was interviewed for her involvement in Professor DeeAnn Reeder's renowned research lab.

### VALUE-BASED

Bucknell University ranks 24th on *Kiplinger's* Best Values in Private Colleges report. *Kiplinger's* ranked the top 100 schools based on the value of the education students receive at each institution. Criteria for the ranking included graduation rate, student per faculty ratios, aid from grants and average debt at graduation.

### ESSAY APPEAL

Admissions officers from some of the country's top colleges and universities told *The New York Times* blog "The Choice" what catches their attention in admissions essays by potential first-year students. Dean of Admissions Rob Springall recalls particularly memorable essays from his days at the Rochester Technical Institute and Cornell.

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## Playwright Named Janet Weis Fellow

Edward Albee will examine the 'American Scene' at Bucknell.

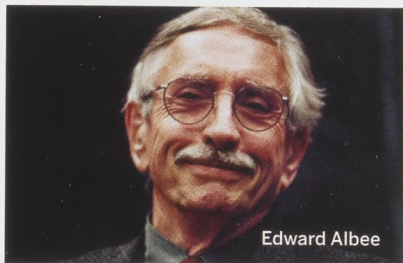
By Kathryn Kopchik

Edward Albee, a three-time Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright and author of *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*, has been named the 2010 Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters at Bucknell University.

Albee, the first playwright to receive the award, will give a talk at 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts at Bucknell. The event will be free and open to the public.

Albee describes his 28 plays, written over a period of four decades, as "an examination of the American Scene, an attack on the substitution of artificial for real values in our society, a condemnation of complacency, cruelty and emasculation and vacuity, a stand against the fiction that everything in this slipping land of ours is peachy-keen."

Bucknell established the annual Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters in 2002 to honor and recognize individuals who represent the highest level of achievement in the craft of writing within the realms of fiction, nonfiction or biography.



Edward Albee



Alex Lyras '92 plays six different characters in *The Common Air*.

## The Air Out There, Here, Everywhere

Alumnus brings his award-winning one-man show to Bucknell.

By Kelly Anzularovich

**T**he *Common Air*, a one-man play written by Alex Lyras '92 and his writing partner, Robert McCaskill, opened in Los Angeles in 2008 and won a number of awards, including the *LA Weekly* award for best solo performance. The piece had an off-Broadway run in 2009, and in September 2010, Lyras performed the piece at the Tustin Studio Black Box Theatre.

The play explores themes from truth, secrets and reality to post-structuralism, chicken, technology and radicalization through six different characters, who are stranded at the JFK Airport during a potential bomb scare. Every character discusses his perceived reality, while the next character serves as a mirror of that narrative, spinning a strange, chaotic web of everyday human experience and connection.

Lyras, a philosophy major who wrote and directed his first plays as a member of Delta Upsilon, says, "I am still mining all that philosophy for the writing I do because those are the big ideas. I think that all writers are trying to say one thing clearly, over and over again."

Paula Davis, chair of the Department of Theatre and Dance, says, "the performance of *The Common Air* at Bucknell provided a great opportunity for both faculty and students to see the current work of an alumnus who is creating challenging new forms of theatre. Students were inspired by both Alex Lyras' performance and his workshop to think about ways in which they can invent and pursue their own careers in theatre and film."

Lyras also has appeared in Showtime's *Californication* and a number of films.



# Expanding a Longtime Partnership

The Campus Theatre becomes an official part of the Bucknell campus.

By Julia Ferrante

**B**ucknell University and the Campus Theatre are expanding their longtime partnership to secure the future of the historic landmark on Lewisburg's Market Street. For several years, the University has assisted and provided financial support to the Campus Theatre.

With the new arrangement, Bucknell will take formal financial responsibility for the theater building, while the Campus Theatre organization will maintain authority over the theater's programming, including film schedule, events and other cultural offerings.

In partnership with the Campus Theatre LTD, the University is applying for state economic development grants that would pay for improvements to the theater and would continue to allow the theater to operate itself as an independent nonprofit organization.

To be eligible for these grants, the University must have a controlling ownership interest in the theater. The



theater's nonprofit community board will remain responsible for day-to-day operations.

"For years, the Campus Theatre and Bucknell have had a great working relationship that has benefited the entire community," says Campus Theatre Executive Director Ellen Flacker-Darer. "The expanded partnership allows us to continue to pursue much-needed renovations so that the

theater will continue to serve as an important cultural resource in the greater Susquehanna River Valley."

The Campus Theatre partnership is part of a continuing effort of the University and Lewisburg to work together and improve the town-and-gown relationship. As part of that effort, the Barnes & Noble at Bucknell University bookstore opened this past summer.

## Academic West

Five alumni wielded shovels, and President John Bravman drove a front-end loader to break ground on the infrastructure for Academic West's South Farm Village site, part of the *Campus Master Plan*. Preliminary construction is slated for early spring.

For video of President Bravman's earth-moving performance, see [www.bucknell.edu/x65321.xml](http://www.bucknell.edu/x65321.xml).



President John Bravman

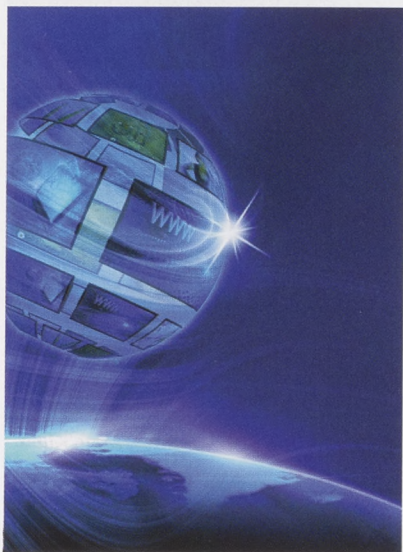


## Curriculum for the Global Market

School of Management offers four new majors for a changing marketplace.

By Lindsay Machen '11

The Bucknell University School of Management will launch a new curriculum featuring four new majors in fall 2011. The majors are interdisciplinary, incorporating courses from across the University to prepare management majors to address the complex challenges of the 21st century.



“One of Bucknell’s strengths is the integration of traditional liberal arts and professional programs,” says Provost Mick Smyer. “The School of Management’s curriculum embodies this integration — both in the courses that the school offers and in its integration with offerings from throughout the College of Arts and Sciences.” This innovative approach to management education is, he believes, distinctive among undergraduate programs.

School of Management students in the Class of 2015 and beyond will be able to choose from:

### ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This program will prepare students to make sound financial and accounting decisions while also helping them to understand the broader economic and political contexts in which these decisions are made.

### GLOBAL MANAGEMENT

Students will learn how to lead organizations in a world with increasingly complex flows of goods and capital. They will gain proficiency in another

language and study the various dynamics that shape business in a global system.

### MANAGING FOR SUSTAINABILITY

Students will understand the managerial challenges involved in realizing environmental, social and economic sustainability, from local to global levels.

### MARKETS, INNOVATION AND DESIGN

This program looks at the creative, analytical and technical processes that result in the images, products and services that shape culture. Students will learn quantitative and qualitative techniques for identifying consumers’ needs, and they will gain experience transforming ideas into reality.

Each major leads to a bachelor of science degree in business administration. A core curriculum shared by all four majors aims to ensure that Bucknell management graduates are firmly grounded in the science of management and that they will be competent, creative, technically skilled, thoughtful and inspired.

## SHORT STACK

Bucknell University engineers took **third place in November’s national ChemE Car Competition** in Salt Lake City in a test of the nation’s best to design, build and power a vehicle using alternative fuels and innovative materials — the highest finish since the competition started in 1999. Bucknell students took first place in four of the 10 poster competition categories.

**The Bucknellian** was awarded **Gold Medal** status for the fall 2009 run and the spring 2010 run by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association (CSPA). The paper was evaluated on concept, presentation and general operations. Of a maximum score of 1,000, *The Bucknellian* received 947 and 953, respectively. There were 9,460 Gold Circle Awards entries.

Bucknell senior linebacker **Travis Nissley '11** was named a **National Football Foundation (NFF) National Scholar-Athlete**. He also was a finalist for the Campbell Trophy, recognizing the best scholar-athletes in the nation. As an NFF National Scholar-Athlete, Nissley will receive an \$18,000 post-graduate scholarship. He is the second Bison to be an NFF National Scholar-Athlete, joining **David Berardinelli '93**.



## New Bucknellians on the Block

Alumni club events welcome recent graduates.

By Julie Dreese



“People kept asking me why everyone in the bar seemed to know each other,” says **Cordy Elkins '08**, president of Boston’s Bucknell Club. The club’s fall 2010 welcome event for recent graduates attracted a crowd of more than 100 Bostonian alumni. “I’m pretty sure by 9:30 p.m. there wasn’t one person in the bar who had not gone to Bucknell,” says Elkins.

Across the globe, 42 Bucknell Clubs help alumni, students and friends of Bucknell network through local events within specific geographic regions. Each September, clubs organize welcome receptions for recent graduates. In 2010, more than 600 alumni across the country and around the world, from Boston to Bangkok, attended welcome events organized by 20 local Bucknell Clubs, doubling 2009’s participation.

The Bucknell University Alumni Association’s (BUAA) Board of Directors, the BUAA’s Clubs and Young Alumni Committee (CYAC) and the Council of Club Presidents served as co-sponsors

of last year’s program. Thanks to new BUAA funding, local clubs were able to host welcome events on a larger scale. Working with Alumni Relations staff members Kim Thompson and Cheryl Kunkel, participating Bucknell Clubs welcomed recent graduates with appetizers and spirit packages of orange and blue pompoms, buttons and balloons. For Elkins’ Boston gathering, Thompson helped organize an online pre-registration and a growing menu of appetizers as the RSVPs poured in. “It was triple the attendance we have had for such events in the past, and we were extremely grateful to the Alumni Board for providing a round of appetizers,” says Elkins.

The welcome events have grown in popularity with local clubs, notes **Paul Straton '87**, co-chair of the Council of Club Presidents. “One reason is that the Alumni Board, specifically through the [CYAC], has been encouraging local clubs to hold events if there are sufficient number of new alumni

moving into the area,” he says. The BUAA Board also helps the University and Bucknell Clubs organize the Nationwide Community Service events each spring, to correspond with National Volunteer Week.

*For more information about regional clubs in your area, please visit the Classes, Clubs, Networks page in B-Link or contact Kim Thompson at [kim.thompson@bucknell.edu](mailto:kim.thompson@bucknell.edu) or 570-577-2189.*

TIMOTHY SOFRANKO

**Z**artman Construction Inc. of Northumberland, Pa., won an **Associated Builder & Contractors 2010 Excellence in Construction Award** for the renovation of the historic downtown Lewisburg property that houses the Barnes & Noble at Bucknell University bookstore. The company took first place in the restoration and renovation category for the circa-1900 Market Street property.

**F**our Bucknell University teams battled head-to-head in the “**Battle of the Brains**” computer programming competition in November at Wilkes University in Scranton, Pa. Bucknell’s “Team” finished best — second among 25 local teams and 17th among 157 teams from the mid-Atlantic region. Bucknell will receive a plaque that will be placed in Dana Engineering’s front hallway.

**N**ine Bucknell students and their advisers participated in the **USA Science & Engineering Festival** Oct. 23–24, 2010, on the Mall in Washington, D.C. The Bucknell booth, “Robot or No-bot? Featuring Mousy the Junkbot & Friends,” offered a game show about what exactly makes something a robot. The team demonstrated three robots and gave away Mousy the Junkbot in a drawing.



## The Bee's Knees

Dancer and choreographer Kelly Knox looks to nature for inspiration.

By Barbara Maynard '88

Associate Professor of Dance Kelly Knox revels in the creative cross-pollination of ideas that occurs at a liberal arts university. After reading in *The New Yorker* that honeybees are the only non-human dancers, she spent time with Bucknell's honeybee expert, Associate Professor of Biology Elizabeth Capaldi Evans.

Capaldi Evans took her to an artificial colony. Knox then worked with nine students and her "talented design colleagues" to create a half-hour collage on all things bee, from the making of honey to colony collapse disorder (a mysterious plague decimating hives)

to flowers. "I think it resonated with the audience because there was this factual world, this scientific world, behind the piece," she says.

Before coming to Bucknell, Knox taught for two years at a conservatory in Turkey, where she learned how to train dancers for a professional career. Knowing how to keep students challenged while working at crucial but mundane drills has served Knox well at Bucknell, where she relishes the same interdisciplinary collaboration with her students that she enjoys with her colleagues.

"They might be classicists or scientists, and they can bring that into the creative process or into the classroom in a way

that we can learn from each other," Knox says. "I can use these other fields to make dance more exciting for them."

Whether she's working with colleagues, students or children, Knox loves and fosters a sense of community and shared accomplishment in her studio, where all dancers learn from each other. "Dance can be an empowering experience that resonates in other aspects of life," Knox says. "Imagine people working together, learning from each other, cheering each other on as they develop and take risks, whether in a banking career or a relationship. Imagine that I get to do this for a living while wearing sweatpants and playing great music. Not a bad way to spend one's life energy, right?"

### FACULTY PROFILE

## Chipper Dean

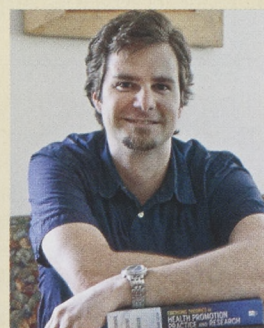
As much as psychologists would like to develop one model that applies to all behavior choices, heat-of-the-moment decisions probably have different factors coming into play than cold, light-of-day decisions. For instance, Assistant Professor of Psychology Chipper Dean says, the decision whether to have sex or whether to wear a bicycle helmet.

Current models of decision-making point to several factors that influence what an individual will do in a given situation. According to the theories of reasoned action and planned behavior, attitudes, social norms and self-efficacy all predict an individual's intent to behave a certain way.

Intent is one thing; action is another. "The relationship between intent and behavior is not as strong as people would

like it to be," Dean says. To move the theory from predicting what an individual intends to do to what that person actually will do, two more factors have to be considered: environmental factors and skills and abilities.

Dean's research focuses on understanding how all these factors determine why adolescents make risky health decisions. "Understanding which factors are most important for a given behavior could not only improve our theoretical understanding of health decision-making, but also could tell us how to help kids make better decisions," he says. — Barbara Maynard '88









# 'Ray Bucknell

Student Life&Sports

## Artistry On and Off the Court

Women's basketball star has a balanced, extraordinary career as a student and an athlete.

*By Adam Hinsbaw '09*

**F**orward **Cosima Higham '11** is co-captain and a key player on the women's basketball team. She's also a dean's list student majoring in art history. Higham grew up in Brooklyn, N.Y., in a family with an affinity for the fine arts. Her father teaches film and manages the theatre department at Poly Prep Country Day School; her mother designs costumes for Broadway shows and teaches costume design at Virginia Commonwealth University; and her brother is a sculptor. Higham's passion for art is practically genetic.

She has been an ardent museum-goer all of her life. "There's something about seeing a work of art up close," she says. "It makes you connect to the piece."

When she attended a summer sports camp at Poly Prep in the fifth grade, she connected to her own innate talent for basketball. Higham eventually led Poly Prep to four Ivy League basketball titles and four New York State Athletic Association of Independent Schools Athletic League championships. She was also a three-time All-Ivy League selection.

At Bucknell, Higham excels in her areas of passion. On the basketball court, she is known for her athleticism and rebounding and for dominating matchups against opposing teams' forwards. In the 2009–10 season, she was third on the team in points at 8.8 per game and second in rebounds at 7.1 per game. As for art, Higham interned at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts this past summer. She hopes to find a full-time position in the education department of an art museum after she graduates. Like her family members, she expresses herself through painting.

Higham believes her experience at Bucknell has prepared her for the next step. "Being a student athlete has built a sense of personal responsibility in me," she says. "It has taught me how to balance commitments, and I know that I am prepared for my future after graduation because of it."



Cosima Higham '11 earned her 10th career double-double against Niagara on Nov. 28, 2010.

ROBERT LANDRY

LEFT: ROBERT LANDRY, RIGHT: COMPLIMENTS OF PAUL BRAZINSKI '11



# Civil Servants

Students inspire movement to restore manners.

By Gigi Marino



In the wake of disturbing national events involving bullying and discrimination, and increased attention to the social climate on Bucknell's own campus, **Michael Davis '13** created a Facebook page called Bucknell's Movement for Manners (M4M) with a group of like-minded friends. Davis points out that he had hoped to spark an initiative that would take on a life of its own, not start a student group that required organization. His success is measured in numbers. Within 24 hours of launching, M4M attracted 400 members; within a week, that number doubled.

"M4M is essentially an active petition," says Davis. "When you join the movement it is assumed that you believe in the following four statements: We stand for a safe campus, both physically and emotionally. We stand for respecting others. We stand for treating others as we ourselves would like to be treated. We stand for taking responsibility for our words, and actions."

Davis feels strongly that this movement should be student-driven. "I wanted my fellow classmates to see what an idea and some initiative can do for an environment," he says. "I wanted people to know that there was a positive force against the negative. I think we succeeded in doing just that."

*To join M4M, you must be a member of Facebook. Search for M4M to bring you to the page.*



On location at the archaeological dig at the Athenian Agora.

## STUDENT PROFILE

### Paul Brazinski '11

As a first-year student in Professor Kevin Daly's introductory Greek civilization course, **Paul Brazinski '11** often told himself, "Someday, I'm going to be part of the archaeological dig at the Athenian Agora." Less than three years later, he was at the birthplace of democracy, assisting with a dig. "To be a part of that, to be working where Socrates and Pericles once walked, was incredible," he says. "We found a lot of pottery shards, some Byzantine coins and animal bones, and some days there would be special finds, too, like attic red figure pottery or Turkish pipes."

Brazinski, a four-year offensive lineman for the Bison, selected Bucknell for a number of reasons — he liked the football team and its coaching staff, and he especially valued the emphasis they put on academics. He also took comfort in the fact that he would not have to select a major until his sophomore year. He need not have worried, though; he found his calling early on.

"I really enjoyed that first course, so I asked Professor Daly what it takes to become a classics professor," Brazinski recalls. Following Daly's advice, Brazinski has studied Latin and ancient Greek and has participated in digs in Italy as well as Greece. He is writing his honors thesis in classics about a Greek Orthodox church he learned about while studying in Greece his junior year. While in Greece he also volunteered at the Ancient Corinth Museum. He is now applying to graduate schools.

In addition to football, Brazinski's eclectic mix of activities at Bucknell include dancing in the Choreographer's Showcase, cofounding the Classics Club with **Wenonah Nelson '10** and serving on the University's Committee of International Education. "I didn't start dancing until I was in college, and I liked it so much that I kept studying ballet and jazz," he says. "At Bucknell there are so many opportunities for new experiences."

— Theresa Gawlas Medoff '85, P'13



# Legacies

## Gifts&Giving

### Green Scene

New professorship boosts environmental studies.

By Christina Masciere Wallace

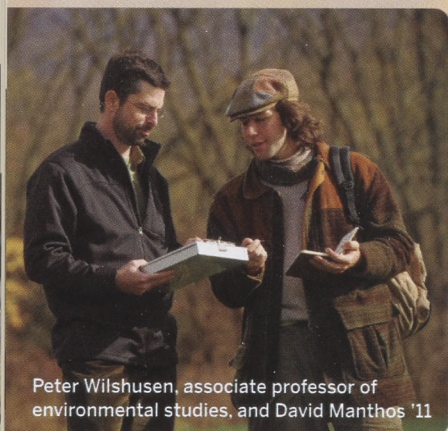
**D**avid Ekedahl '56, P'79, a retired General Electric global consumer finance chairman, is intrigued by environmental issues. He's even more intrigued by the myriad academic approaches to the subject. To strengthen Bucknell's resources in this area, he and his wife, **Patricia Ekedahl P'79**, recently established an endowed professorship.

Peter Wilshusen, associate professor of environmental studies, was selected as the first recipient of the David and Patricia Ekedahl Professorship in Environmental Studies. The position provides him an annual stipend of \$5,000 for three years.

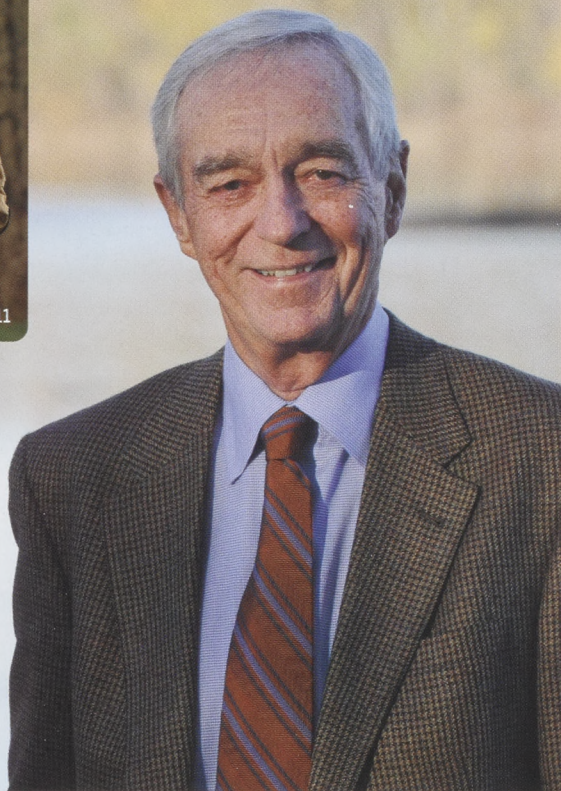
"This was a great opportunity to support multidisciplinary learning as well as the Environmental Center," says Ekedahl, a trustee emeritus. "I'm impressed with the faculty and their breadth of expertise and various skills, like social science, engineering and biology. We wanted to do something to help their projects advance a little bit faster."

Provost Mick Smyer expressed gratitude for the Ekedahls' generosity and foresight, noting the importance of endowed academic positions to the University's future. "A partnership like this one is critical for our current and future faculty recruitment and retention efforts," says Smyer. "We have a great pool of talent in environmental studies, an area that is increasing nationally. Having a named professorship, with the funds and honor that go with it, helps ensure that we have the resources to attract and retain the best possible teacher-scholars."

Wilshusen, who joined Bucknell in 2002 and co-founded the Environmental Center, is a social scientist who focuses on environmental policy and planning. He is wrapping up a 10-year study of agrarian land use in Mexico. The professorship has already helped him transition to his current projects, which include



Peter Wilshusen, associate professor of environmental studies, and David Manthos '11



David Ekedahl '56, P'79

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teaching in the inaugural Semester on the Susquehanna program and initiating, with student researchers, a regional study of land-use planning.

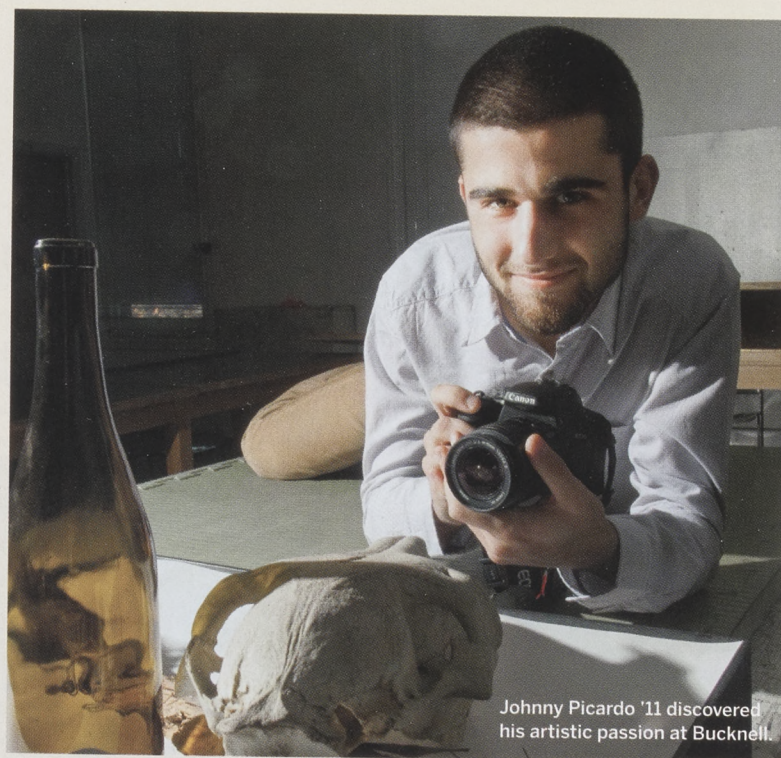
"I'm very thankful for this award, which will support travel costs for my students and me and help to produce research grants," says Wilshusen. "These can be leveraged into bigger funding for more projects involving more students. The impact of the professorship has great potential."

Wilshusen was a natural choice for the appointment, says Smyer. "Peter embodies the intersection of scholarship and student learning," he says. "He is an acknowledged scholar in the international community of environmental studies, and he will provide his students with opportunities to work on environmental issues in a global context, both in class and in research apprenticeships." Those students include **David Manthos '11**, whom Wilshusen advised last fall on an independent project that examined the effect of development on a local stream.

"I'm looking forward to working with him this spring and creating a sustainability index that analyzes environmental policy of local governments in the Susquehanna watershed," says Manthos, a geography major who plans to pursue his own career in academia. "Bucknell provides exceptional opportunities for undergraduates to be involved in the research community. It's inspirational to contribute to the knowledge and understanding of environmental issues."

The Ekedahl professorship takes full advantage of Bucknell's interdisciplinary expertise in environmental studies, says Smyer, who added that the University's work in this area is further distinguished by the fact that it has been largely driven by faculty. "It's a gift that will continue to reverberate and have positive impact on the quality of our faculty," he says. "Fifty years from now, it will still pay off."

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Johnny Picardo '11 discovered his artistic passion at Bucknell.

## A New Path

Family scholarship supports eclectic interests.

When he arrived at Bucknell, **Johnny Picardo '11** didn't consider himself an artist. But it didn't take long for him to realize his true passion. "I took an art class and found I was really passionate about art-making," he says. "There are so many opportunities in the arts here, and I immersed myself in them when I got to Bucknell."

A studio art and education major and co-captain of the track and field team, Picardo comes to Bucknell from Rochester, N.Y., with the help of the Oristaglio Family Scholarship. Established in 1999 by **Stephen Oristaglio '77**, the scholarship is awarded to students with demonstrated financial need, with preference for varsity scholar-athletes who have an interest in the arts.

"Being a recipient of the Oristaglio Family Scholarship is a wonderful honor," says Picardo. "It would be difficult for me to attend school and still be involved in extracurricular activities without such support."

Oristaglio had students like Picardo in mind when he created the scholarship. "Financial need and a diversity of interests are the main criteria," says the former Bison basketball player, who enjoys the arts (he started the Etruscan Press, a nonprofit publishing company, with classmate **Phil Brady '77**) and began playing and recording music actively over the past decade. "A broad range of experiences has been valuable in my life, and it's certainly a valuable part of a liberal arts education."

Picardo credits support from his scholarship, the Bucknell Public Interest Fund (BPIP) and his professors for gaining confidence and experience in the art world. Picardo completed an Association for the Arts BPIP-funded summer internship last year at the Rochester Contemporary Art Center and has exhibited his work at the Los Angeles Center for Digital Art and the Center for Fine Art Photography in Colorado. He also works at the Samek Art Gallery on campus. "The gallery has really amazing shows every semester," he says. "It's a great resource for students."

Picardo is applying to graduate school, where he hopes to use the tools he's acquired at Bucknell to turn his passion for art into a profession. "I've realized that the path many artists take isn't necessarily the path of a business or engineering major," he says. "You have to make your own path."

— Heather Peavey Johns



# The Mind *and the* Muse

## Reviews & Criticism

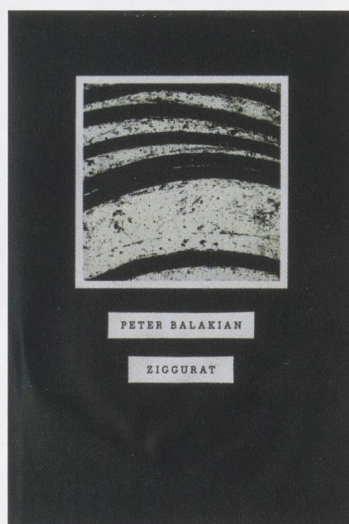
### BOOKS

Peter Balakian '73

*Ziggurat*

(University of Chicago Press)

Quoting Sir Leonard Woolley's *Ur of the Chaldees* in the epic centerpiece of his new volume of poetry, Peter Balakian poses the question of the purpose of Ur-III ziggurats, or Mesopotamian towers, and whether they were inspired by new religious concepts or "merely the final stage of a long architectural development." The imagery serves as an inspired portal for considering the significance of the World Trade Center bombing and September 11 on global and personal levels. Balakian similarly addresses Vietnam, Cambodia, Sarajevo and Armenia, stopping occasionally to observe personal experience and the concurrent artistic zeitgeist. Writer and human rights activist Carolyn Forché says of *Ziggurat*, "What Balakian has achieved here is a brilliant assimilation of the historical, philosophical, political and psychological."



journalism careers but returned to her creative roots in 2000, developing her poetry. The fruits of the last decade, many of which first appeared in literary journals, are collected in *Always Looking Back*, a volume that is at once a debut and a retrospective. The opening lines of the titular poem — "Weekends. I approach my yard with tools/and a mission, meaning to find:/Amelia Earhart. Meaning. Peace of mind./Bits of my lost selves" — become a gateway through which she explores memory and the overlooked details of everyday landscapes. Keating is enthralled with the power of poetry to express wonder, frustration, love and humor and wields it with confidence and energy.

John J. Kaminski '96

*Mista (Authorhouse)*

"Ka-what? I ain't sayin' that." Thus began John Kaminski's teaching career in 2002 in the Twilight program in Jersey

City, alternative evening education for the kids for whom regular school was not working. Kaminski, a product of the comfortable suburbs, came to Twilight not out of

idealism but because he needed a job — and all he asked was to be addressed as Mr. Kaminiski, not "Mista." In his memoir by the unwanted name that stuck, he relates the daily battles and occasional triumphs of teaching English to students with backgrounds of unspeakable violence and poverty. Kaminski, who later transferred to a suburban high school, writes briskly and with candor, bringing the gritty realities and glimpses of possibility in inner city



John Wheatcroft '49



*Telling Tales*

(The Wessex Collective)

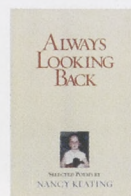
The title of Bucknell professor emeritus John Wheatcroft's new book, *Telling Tales*, throws out several associations: oral traditions, telling lies, tattling, myth-making ... all of which the author plays off in 10 strikingly original short stories that bend the rules of fiction. The first and last are metafictional meditations on inspiration, voice, character and the creative process. They frame an interior of characters in times of war, social change and personal loss that variously

make meaning as best they can. Soldiers, veterans, postal workers, rivermen and others are retrieved from anonymity and made remarkable through love and art. Wheatcroft delivers prose that is contemporary yet seasoned with traditions that reach back to the original urge to craft stories.

Nancy Keating '75

*Always Looking Back*

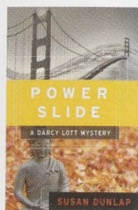
(Pangaea)



Nancy Keating never let go of the inspiration of Bucknell's poetry seminars. She graduated into advertising and



schooling to life. Readers will be reminded of the films *To Sir With Love*, *Dangerous Minds* and *The Freedom Writers Diary*, but *Mista* is its own spirited story.



### Susan Dunlap '65

*Power Slide*

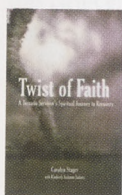
(Counterpoint)

A student of Zen Buddhism mixing a career as a stuntwoman with sleuthing on the

streets of San Francisco would not seem to reconcile, but **Susan Dunlap** makes it work in her latest mystery series. Like all of Dunlap's heroines, Darcy Lott is complicated, a cool professional battling messy personal demons which come out to play in *Power Slide*. Darcy's Zen training helps her stay focused and in the moment, skills that prove essential when her prodigal colleague and romantic interest blows a stunt, nearly killing her. That's just the beginning; soon she is uncovering his problems while under pressure from her five older siblings to finish her own long-standing quest to find their long-lost brother. Dunlap neatly braids the themes of family ties and burdens of the past in her latest book.

### Kimberly Lohman Suiters '92

*Twist of Faith* (Tate Publishers)



On May 3, 1999, a deadly F-5 tornado, the highest measured strength, devastated a swath of Oklahoma. In its wake, Carolyn Stager and her daughter, Christi, who

was seven months pregnant, lay gravely injured. Carolyn was scalped in the devastation; Christi would eventually lose the baby. In the decade that followed, they endured many challenges on the way to recovery. **Kimberly Lohman Suiters**, an anchor and reporter for WRC-TV, the NBC affiliate in Washington, D.C., was a reporter for KOCO-TV in Oklahoma City when she covered the storm and Stager's ordeal. She co-authored *Twist of Faith* with Stager, who is now a civic leader, entrepreneur and Christian motivational speaker.

### Trisha Torrey '73

*You Bet Your Life! The 10 Mistakes Every Patient Makes* (Langdon Street Press)

In the current health care crisis, patient advocate **Trisha Torrey** warns, Americans are at great risk of misdiagnoses and inappropriate treatment if they are not proactive about their care. She learned this first-hand when she was diagnosed with a rare, fatal cancer and nearly underwent a grueling chemo treatment. Only when she began asking questions and demanded second opinions



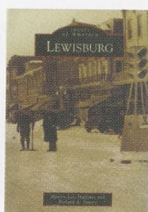
did she learn that she was not sick. In *You Bet Your Life!*, she draws a dark picture of a dysfunctional system driven by profit in which the patient inevitably loses. She

recommends strategies for communicating with doctors, mastering insurance plans, researching and keeping track of medical records. Ultimately she recommends the power of preventative health to limit the need for medical care in the first place.

### Lois Huffines

*Lewisburg* (Arcadia Publishing)

With historic homes and buildings that stretch from the banks of the Susquehanna River to the Bucknell campus, Lewisburg seems frozen in time. In fact, it is a dynamic community that has seen



many changes since its founding in the late 18th century, as attested to in the profile produced as part of Arcadia Publishing's popular "Images of America" series. Local

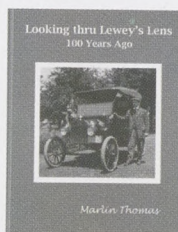
historians **Lois Huffines**, professor emerita and former Bucknell administrator, and Richard Sauers, an author and museum director, set narrative to previously unpublished photographs from private collections and local historical organizations. The pages document the rise of the canal industry, the railroad, Bucknell University and the nearby federal penitentiary. Market

Street changes from a dirt road to its 21st century face, and is seen in times of flood, fire and celebratory parades. Lewisburg has welcomed the world but keeps its small town charm.

### Marlin Thomas '61

*Looking thru Lewey's Lens 100 Years Ago* (Aardvark Global Publishing)

**Marlin Thomas** moved away from his



native Central Pennsylvania to Virginia after graduating from Bucknell, taking with him a trove of local historical treasure: original

photographic postcards produced by his father, Lewis Donaldson "Lewey" Thomas (1883–1949). From 1906 to 1915, Lewey produced photographs of local scenes and residents using a 1903 Eastman view camera with glass dry plate negative film. Realizing that many of the subjects have passed on or vanished, Marlin published 68 of the pictures. He added historical notes on the images and the complicated process by which the pictures were produced, assuring that this part of the American experience will not be forgotten.

### Paul Heimer '93

*Li'l Earth* (Maple Road Publishing)



**Paul Heimer**

was inspired to become a publisher after seeing the text and watercolors

that his wife, Patricia Solner Heimer, created to explain the solar system and environmental issues to children. Their collaboration has produced *Li'l Earth*, a book of uncommon quality for children featuring sophisticated illustrations of the planets even as the text personifies them. At bedtime, thirsty and itchy with overpopulation, Li'l Earth can't sleep, so he and best friend Moon set off to visit all the others, who gently but factually explain why they cannot help. Fortunately, the Sun has some timely advice.





# Fine and Time

By Brett Tomlinson '99

*Vineyard manager and owner Aline Baly '02  
follows practices set forward centuries ago.*

• Illustration by Greg Becker •

Château Coutet sits at the center of a 95-acre plot in the countryside southeast of Bordeaux, not far from the point where the Ciron River meets the Garonne, an artery that flows from the heart of France's wine country to the Bay of Biscay. For centuries, wine connoisseurs have treasured the region's vines, including the ones that surround this 13th-century stone house. They bear the Sémillon, Sauvignon Blanc and Muscadelle grapes that supply a livelihood for **Aline Baly '02**, her winemaking family and about two dozen year-round employees.

Baly, who joined the family business fulltime after earning her MBA at Northwestern University in 2008, walks the two-mile perimeter of the property each day she is on site. Sometimes she slips out in the morning, when the fog settles so thick and low that it makes the local roads nearly unnavigable by car. On other days, she takes her break after sharing a family-style lunch with the workers who tend the vines. Occasionally, she saves the walk for dusk, when the sun casts a golden glow over the estate — a light that reminds her of watching sunsets from the top of Freas Hall.

"Every day looks different," Baly says of the vineyard. "It's growing, and it's beautiful. I feel very, very lucky every day that I walk through it."

While relishing the natural splendor, Baly also feels the stress of a winemaker. She's attuned to all the things that must go right to make a memorable vintage — particularly for a

Barsac, the sweet, golden appellation that Coutet produces. To grow grapes with the right sweetness and composition, vintners in the Sauternes region rely on *Botrytis cinerea*, a naturally occurring fungus nicknamed the "noble rot," to attack the vines and drain some moisture to sweeten the grapes before they are harvested.

Baly serves as the face of Château Coutet's brand for much of the year, traveling to tastings in Asia, North America and Europe to share her wine's virtues with restaurateurs, journalists and wine enthusiasts. But listening to her explain the *Botrytis*, it is clear Baly is more than just a marketer.

While the vines need moisture to get the fungus started, she says, too much rain can wash it away. And *Botrytis* is "a bit of an anarchist," she adds, growing with little regard for consistency. Pickers have to pass through each row of vines several times, selecting grapes by hand. The process stretches from late August, when the fog and fungus first settle in, to mid-November, when the last grapes are picked. For parts of that time, Baly dons a green jumpsuit to help manage the harvest teams.

"People say, 'Wow, you're in the wine business — there's so much luxury,' and there are certain sides of my job that are fantastic," Baly says. "I get to go to fantastic restaurants and meet individuals who love wine and have traveled so much and seen so much. But the other part of it is that I'm in agriculture. If I have bad weather conditions, I don't have wine. And I often feel like my job is really to link agriculture to this wine, this luxury good."





To those who  
knew Baly at  
Bucknell, a life

in the wine industry might seem like a curious path. On campus, she studied economics and international relations and lived in the Global College. She also was active in CALVIN & HOBBS, the University's substance-free activities group. While she now drinks wine regularly, Baly notes that like everyone in the industry, she does her share of tasting and spitting as well.

Born in France to French parents, Baly spent nearly all of her childhood in the United States, after her father's job had been transferred to Massachusetts. But at home, Baly's mother aimed to maintain a sense of tradition and heritage. The family spoke French around the house and dined on a mostly French diet. There were a few exceptions, like American-style turkey dinners on Thanksgiving, accompanied by a bottle of Château Coutet.

Baly spent summers in France visiting relatives, including her uncle and paternal grandfather, who

*"I often feel like my job  
is really to link agriculture  
to this luxury good."*

ran the Château Coutet vineyard. Her grandfather had come to the wine business relatively late in life, purchasing Château Coutet as a retirement venture a few years before Aline was born. But the vineyard itself has a deep heritage, with wine production on the estate dating back to the 1640s. Thomas Jefferson wrote a glowing review of Coutet in his wine journal,

calling it the best Sauternes from the Barsac region. In 1855, the vineyard was designated "first growth" in an influential classification of French wines that still holds sway today.

Baly knew about Château Coutet's heritage and enjoyed her trips to the vineyard, but she hadn't given much thought to joining the family business. Her parents wanted her to follow her own path, and she did, working for a life-sciences company after Bucknell and then returning to business studies at Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management to expand her marketing and operations skills.

At Kellogg, Baly began to think seriously about working for Château Coutet, believing that she could add a new perspective to the internationally distributed brand. So she arranged to spend a summer in France, learning the ropes alongside her uncle Philippe to find out whether their management styles were compatible. (Baly's father, Dominique, also helps run the business but continues to live in the United States.) After that trial run, Baly went back to Northwestern for her second year and made plans for a more permanent return to France.

Just a few days after finishing business school, Baly arrived at Château Coutet wearing sneakers and a backpack, looking very much like an American college student on a semester abroad. "I unpacked my suitcase, repacked my suitcase and was off to Russia for my first tasting mission," she says. With help from a few new friends, she was able to find her way in the wine industry relatively quickly.

Today, Baly's work blends Old World tradition with a modern business sense. At French vineyards, workers care for the vines by hand and rely on dry farming (no irrigation). Save for a few conveniences like stainless-steel tanks and mechanized wine presses, the winemaking process at Château Coutet is much the

same as it was three centuries ago. In other aspects, though, Baly and her family take advantage of 21st century perks like a worldwide distribution network and "just in time" labeling. (Each importing country has its own standards for what information must appear on the label.)

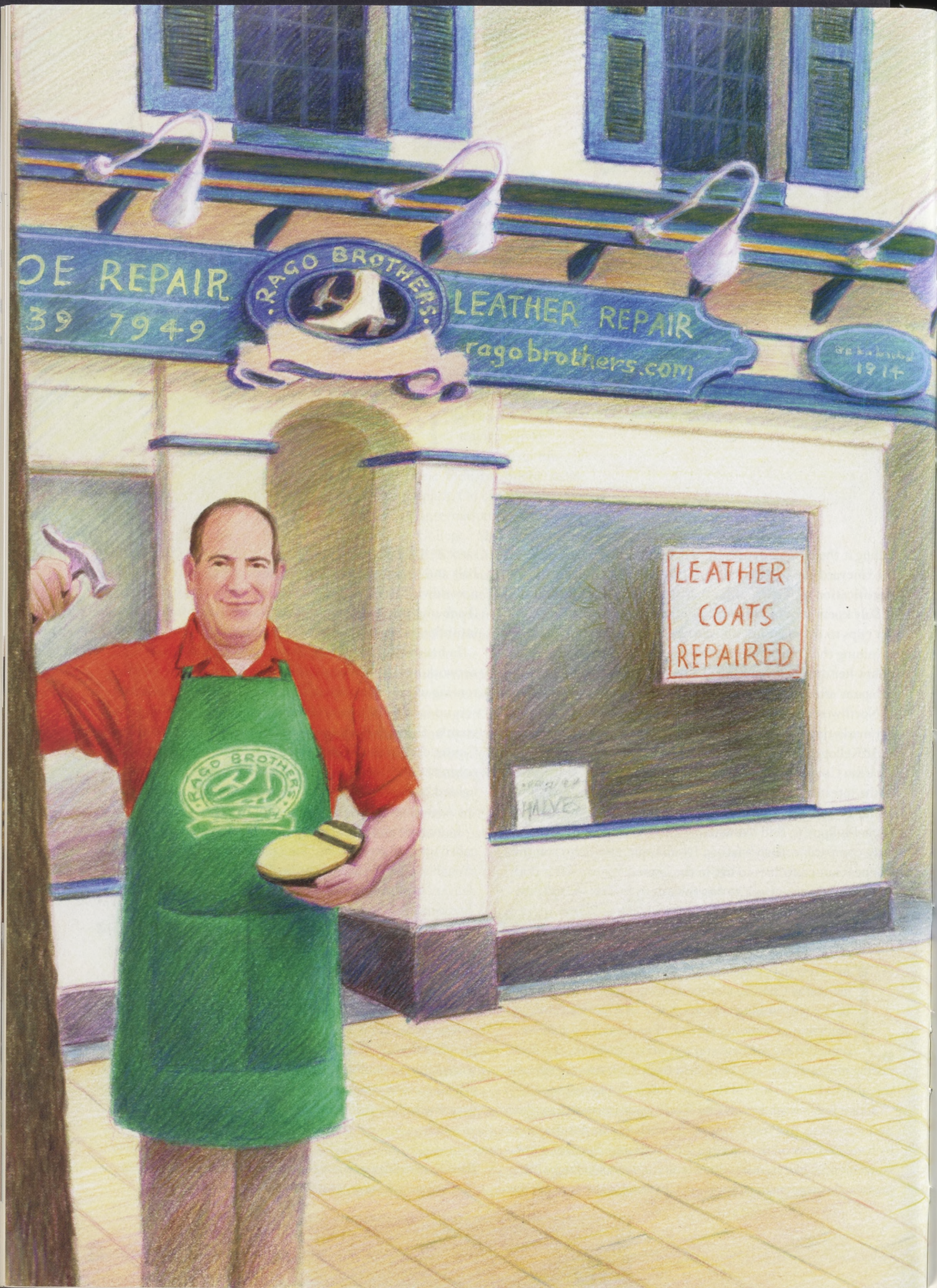
In her marketing efforts, Baly has used online social networking to spread the word about her wine. She invites touring wine enthusiasts to Château Coutet via Twitter and sets up face-to-face meetings through Facebook during her travels. Through more formal channels, she's helped Château Coutet earn praise from mainstream magazines and news organizations. In the last year alone, the brand has been spotlighted by *Food & Wine*, *Wine Spectator*, Bloomberg.com and the Associated Press.

In interviews and casual conversation, Baly frequently is called upon to recommend food pairings for Coutet, and though she's only been in the business for two years, she delivers with the confidence of a seasoned professional. Traditions vary, she explains. In France, Château Coutet is often served with foie gras; in the United Kingdom, it's paired with Christmas pudding. But today's wine lovers are moving away from these conventions, Baly says, exploring dinner options that work well with a Sauternes, such as poultry or sweet crustaceans, like lobster.

Roasted turkey is a personal favorite for Baly, who encourages people to look past the boundaries of tradition and experiment with different combinations. "It could be something you enjoy, just because of your own individual tastes," she says. "Tasting is very much an individual sport." 

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# GOING WITH THE GRAIN

A third-generation leather craftsman walked away from Wall Street for the family shoe-repair business 20 years ago and hasn't looked back.



In more than two decades working for his family's leather- and shoe-repair business, **Tony Rago '81** has developed a handful of guiding principles. Take pricing, for example: His philosophy comes from his father, Tom Sr., who taught him to do what it takes to keep customers coming back — repeat business is more important than haggling over the cost of one job. For customer service, Rago relies on a loose adaption of the golden rule: "Treat people the way that you would want to be treated if you were on the other side of — the counter." And in addition to the overarching goals of quality and service, he says, Rago Brothers puts a premium on speed and efficiency. There's no money to be made from leaving unrepaired orders on the shelf.

BY BRETT TOMLINSON '99 • ILLUSTRATION BY GREG BECKER



*To hear Rago tell it,  
there was no grand plan  
behind his move  
into the shoe-repair business.*

But as with any rules, there are exceptions — namely, anything from Rago's own family. Somewhere in the shop, a favorite pillow awaits a new button, and a couch cushion, splitting at the seam, remains untouched, collecting dust. It's gotten so bad that Rago's wife started filling out order tickets for her shoes so they would get processed in the customer queue.

So that old saw about the cobbler's family having no shoes? Rago lets out a deep laugh. "Yeah, they might," he says. "They might."

Adages aside, Rago is far from the shoemaker of yesteryear. Gregarious and energetic, the barrel-chested one-time football player paces through his family's shop and its surrounding neighborhood in sturdy, well-shined shoes, sharing smiles and gravel-voiced greetings with nearly every person he sees. Rago's daily routine includes fielding phone calls from around the country through a Bluetooth earpiece while supervising about 55 employees in the three-story Morristown, N.J., headquarters that his business calls home.

In Rago's youth, he says, the shop seemed dark and uninviting. But today, thanks to a recent renovation, it is bright, ventilated and remarkably calm, given the amount of activity inside. At stations crowded with well-worn metal tools and small jars of polish and preservatives, the staff works with a quiet diligence, repairing shoes and boots in one room and refinishing purses in another. In the basement, a third team packages finished orders in plastic bags and loads them into boxes for shipping.

Tony and his brother, Tom Jr., are the third generation of their family to manage Rago Brothers. On the wall near the counter, a grainy black-and-white photo shows their grandfather and great uncle, two young men from the south of Italy, proudly posing in front of the shop they opened in 1911. In the last century, the shop has moved about 20 paces to the north, and in the last two decades, it has rapidly transformed its mission, developing a specialty in repairing high-end shoes and designer handbags.

Take a pair of Ferragamo shoes or a Christian Dior purse to your local retailer for repairs, and within a few days the item will find its way here. Rago Brothers has exclusive repair contracts with both brands, and a handful of others, along with less formal arrangements with more than 800 individual retailers. Shoe and leather repair has become something of a lost



art as shoes have gotten less expensive and more easily replaced, and Rago Brothers aims to hire the best craftsmen available. Using that skilled labor pool and a sophisticated computer tracking system, the company repairs and ships up to 1,500 orders per day, in addition to walk-in jobs for local clients.

**T**o hear Rago tell it, there was no grand plan behind his move into the shoe-repair business. As a kid, he never romanticized the job. He'd seen his dad return home at night, exhausted and sweaty, the thighs of his pants caked in glue.

For the six siblings in Tony Rago's generation, college was the goal, and college meant a broader range of opportunities. By the time he reached his senior year as an economics major at Bucknell, Rago had chosen finance as his destination. For eight years, he worked as an options trader on Wall Street. But when his company was sold, he found himself out of a job.

With a family history in small businesses, Rago thought about opening one of his own — a hardware store, maybe. In the meantime, he began hanging around the shoe-repair shop with his father and brother. As they worked, Rago watched. Occasionally, he saw little ways to do things better, and he didn't see much sense in keeping them to himself. The backseat driving started to get on his brother's nerves. "My father said, 'Listen, you either come here and work or stay out of here. Stop bugging your brother,'" Rago recalls. It was an easy choice.

At the time, the shop relied entirely on local clients. But that started to change one day when a woman came in with a high-end pocketbook, hoping to have it refurbished. Rago Brothers made the well-worn purse look new again, and a day after picking it up, the woman, who managed a store at the nearby Mall at Short Hills, returned with another pocketbook and a message: If you can come to the mall, about 20 minutes away, we'll have more orders for you.

Seizing the opportunity, Rago Brothers became the go-to repair outfit for a handful of retailers. As store managers moved to other malls, they carried their loyalty with them, sending handbags and shoes to Morristown from around the country. Tony and Tom Jr. worked late into the night to keep up with the orders and expanded their workforce as the company steadily grew.

By 2004, Rago Brothers had a handful of exclusive deals with designers and a growing list of clients. But everything changed in March of that year, when a catastrophic fire at the shop threatened to shut down the company.

More than six years later, Rago still cannot talk about the fire without getting choked up. As he gathers himself and tells the story, though, it becomes clear that the family's most trying hour also was its finest. Watching the fire department fight the flames, Tony and Tom Jr. decided almost immediately

to open a temporary shop, borrowing an old carriage house behind a doctor's office nearby.

The next day, scores of people in Morristown helped the Rago brothers get back to work. Family members, friends and customers started building shelves and counters, tiling the floor, painting the walls and wiring the building for computers. Neighboring businesses and clients from the mall sent food for the volunteers. A local man loaned sewing machines, unprompted. Even the local government pitched in, providing speedy approval for permits. It was, in the words of one member of the local board of freeholders, the New Jersey equivalent of an Amish barn-raising.

"We had nothing," Rago says. "We watched the building burn down that morning, and with the help of everyone, we opened up next door 36 hours later. It was incredible." Two years later, the company returned to its former location in a refurbished and redesigned shop.

**F**or a man surrounded by shoes and accessories that retail for thousands of dollars, Rago maintains a distinctly working-class measure of success. One of his greatest moments, he says, was seeing his parents react to seeing the company's new home, which included a small office not far from the counter. "My mom told me, 'I never thought I'd be able to come down to this shop and sit in an office,'" he says. "That made me so proud."

Being in the office is part of Rago's job, but he seems happiest at the counter, working with local customers and immersing himself in the tiniest details, like dissecting the best way to take an inch out of a snakeskin belt without changing the contours of the ends or leaving a visible seam. A craftsman with a knack for solving problems, he revels in some of the strangest requests that have crossed the counter: replacing accordion straps, repairing a leather elephant or re-lining kneepads for a high school basketball player.

A few years ago, one loyal client brought Rago an antique fireplace screen — a bit of a head-scratcher for a leather specialist. But Rago broke it down to its component parts and found a way to make it look new again. He sent the bronze parts to a plating expert in Rhode Island. He asked a cousin to refinish the screen at his auto body shop. When the pieces were ready, his staff reassembled the screen. Just another day at the shop.

"Send it to me," Rago says with a smile. "People come to Rago's because they know we can fix anything." 

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# Land I Recognized

A young writer journeys to Italy in search of a connection to her family's history.



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White June hail pinged off the twin glass doors in front of the small train station in Dicomano, Italy, a town of 5,000 people, 30 kilometers east of Florence.

A group of 10 or 12 rain-soaked travelers stood waiting in the gray lobby, watching the water pour and whip with the rare black gusts of a summer storm in Tuscany.

Christina, one of the two owners of the raspberry farm my boyfriend and I were headed toward, met the two of us there that day. For what seemed like hours,

we stood quietly together by the glass, silently watching and listening, waiting for the pounding waves of Tuscan summer rain to ebb.





Last May, I graduated from Bucknell with a master's degree in English. For the two years of my graduate study, I researched and wrote about my Italian great-grandmother's life, attempting to name what there is to name in memory, family stories, documented history. I remember her — four feet tall, white-haired, black-eyed, with golden, olive skin, the same as every other 80-year-old Italian woman I have ever known. She loved me with an old-world fierceness I distrusted, and yet I intently watched her, studied her, felt drawn to her. When I was a toddler, my *nonni* mesmerized me: she was at once familiar and foreign — one of my mothers, my supposed protectors, yet intimidating, unnerving. Her grasp was firm, her face as serious as mine was around her. In photos and home videos I watch now, I see that she looked as bewildered at my youth as I was at her old age.

For my thesis, I wrote about my great-grandmother's history, her immigration from Campania, Italy, her difficult childhood; I wrote about my grandmother's story, and my mother's story; I wrote about my own experiences traveling around the world, where I found figures of mothering and feminine images in unexpected places — Thailand, India, Egypt. But at the end of spring, in my writing, and in my life, one essay was still missing. I had to experience my great-grandmother's world. I had to work the land in Italy the way she had done as a younger woman. I wanted to dig into the same ground she dug. I needed to feel Italy's dirt deep beneath my fingernails. In early June, I traveled to a small, organic raspberry farm in Tuscany, the closest thing I could find, 80 years later, to return to.

My *nonni* grew up farming fig and olive trees within the agricultural triangle made by the southern cities of Caserta, Naples and Avigliano. Without money or resources, she raised her two younger siblings after her father died and her mother became deathly ill. As an older woman, my great-grandmother hated to remember her younger life — that time and place in which she first learned the gnaw and struggle of living that she would carry with her forever. "I work all 'a time," she would tell my mother. "All 'a time I worka. Up on the stone. No shoes. No elettricità. No *thing*." My great-grandmother picked coal as a little girl, gathered water, worked the fields, chopped wood, cooked, cleaned, raised her

*She loved me with an old-world*

sister and brother and nursed her dying mother. In Carbondale, Pa., decades later, my mother would ask questions of her increasingly frustrated grandmother. "You'll never know," she told my mother repeatedly. Telling our family only the framework of her life in Italy, my great-grandmother must have been able to remember only pieces of a childhood working in the mountains. I imagine she could bear to tell no more than displaced fragments.

At the age of 24, my *nonni* left her family's farm in the hills of Campania for a husband and a small house in Carbondale, the town in which she lived for 60 years. Now, at 24, I am the same age she was when she left Italy. Now, in the midst of my own becoming, I hold an even greater fascination and curiosity about her than I did when I was a child. I went to Italy in search of the details and landscapes she refused to remember — the memories that may have made her feel sad, empty, nostalgic, resentful. I hoped in traveling to discover a little more of her history, a few more details of her lost stories.

On our second day in the mountains, we walked a quarter mile to see what Christina had described as a small overlook — a "pretty little walk." Bare and vertical, a narrow climb straight up led to what seemed to be a stage wide enough for only one of us to stand. I put one foot cautiously in front of the other, never looking down or beyond, thinking of all the things I had ever heard about overcoming a fear of heights, a fear of conquering, a fear of success, one foot and then the other. I slipped once, caught myself on the rocky path, and eventually ascended the *cima*. The breeze kicked. I felt the ground ease level with my hips. I knew there was nowhere else to go but down or off the edge, so I raised my eyes from the path. Knees weak, breath shallow, stomach in my chest and bowels at once, I looked out onto a panorama as wide and unobstructed as the view I remember of the open ocean from a ship's top deck. The mountains seemed to heave and turn over — spines of sleeping giants, breathing beards and shoulders, shifting hips and thighs enfolded — but then suddenly inhuman, stiff, solid, otherworldly; they were enormous reminders of their ancient

lives, the age and beautiful ache of the earth. I felt my incredible smallness. Lush, soft, layered, overlapping, those mountains met me there and seemed to look back at and see through me — tiny me standing atop a 700 meter peak in the Apennines — as though they knew I would someday finally arrive.

Miles and miles south of that mountaintop, in Campania, is the mountainous land my great-grandmother knew. I thought about my *nonni* from that vantage in Tuscany, on top of that summit, from where I could see the small, 10-row raspberry fields on either side of our cabin, the gardens, the terracotta roof of Christina's house, the storm rolling away across the horizon, split in places by the crests of mountain waves, the distant, winding road which took us from the city to that mountain, where I heard Italy's baritone rumbling, where I

felt I had finally found a new piece of my great-grandmother's youth, my family's history, my own inheritance.

In my memory, I seem to leap, plunge miraculously straight off of that mountain top into the raspberry fields below. A sharp scene change of a grand panoramic vision to the acuteness of concentrated work. Days after that first day on the *cima*, my knuckles throbbed and my skin peeled from weeding. Fingers and fingernails, knees and feet, a sore back from mornings spent working in the fields. My boyfriend uprooted huge parasitic vines. And I, covered in dirt and sweat, forearms stinging from raspberry thorns, paused every once in a while to allow the overwhelming thought of my great-grandmother and her young life's work to settle, or pass.

The work I did was nowhere near equal to the work to which my great-grandmother was bound. But as I hiked those mountains, dug in that soil, felt that sun on my neck, breathed that mountain air, spoke and listened to her language, I felt as though I was completing something bitterly, painfully abandoned 80 years ago. She left that landscape at 24; I found it at 24. When I was a young child, my great-grandmother pulled me unwillingly into her, and quietly, forcefully, adored me — my youth, my privilege. I feared her; I ran from her. For the past two years I asked questions about her life, gathered fragments about her world. Eighteen years after she died, I traveled to her country, stood on top of her mountains, dug fiercely into her soil, spoke her language, cooked her food and felt her still pulling me, her tired hands forever urging me closer.

I didn't travel this summer to discover any simple truth behind the disjointed, ever-changing stories my family recounted of my great-grandmother. I went to Italy to further detail what I already knew about our family's heritage. I experienced the big cities, the northern countryside, the Tuscan mountains, the southern oceans, the seaside towns. I will never completely understand my great-grandmother, or the life she left. I will never have access to her world. But her younger life became clearer with every experience I encountered, every cracked tile pieced together with her story's grand mosaic in my mind, every meal of minestrone, every new landscape. Every conversation I had with an old, weak-voiced woman at midnight about where to buy bread gave me one more part of Italy, one more idea about my great-grandmother, one more image, one more piece. As I learned about Italy, I learned about my inheritance, my heritage, my family and myself. At the end of the summer, after farming, after almost everything, that weak-voiced woman, whose name I never learned, who lived downstairs in our apartment by the Adriatic, patted my face with hands as soft and small as a child's when I asked where I could find

bread. She answered me in a gentler way than my great-grandmother ever did, with familiar eyes — eyes I recognized — shimmering joyously against the moon's reflection on the nearby water, for love of youth and desire for connection. 

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## *Full* Frame

### Celebrate

Festive wreaths adorn the Rooke Chapel doors to welcome Bucknellians to the Bucknell Candlelight Christmas service.

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# Class Notes

Alumni Near&Far



When did these wild-haired Bucknellians graduate, and what are they doing in this photo? We haven't a clue. Come up with a clever caption. The best five entries submitted to [bmagazine@bucknell.edu](mailto:bmagazine@bucknell.edu) no later than Feb. 14 will win a Bucknell t-shirt. Check out the winners of the fall issue's caption contest on p.63.

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As the case with the last several reports, nothing is coming from you classmates so I'll offer you the latest happenings with **Virginia Fisher Vogel '40** and me. For many years we have actively exercised at the West Chester YMCA, which has a membership of 21,000. At a banquet they honored us for being not only the individual oldest (at 94 and 92), but the oldest couple regularly doing our fitness program at least three or four times a week at this facility. We were picked up in a huge limousine, chauffeured to the Radisson Hotel and, at the dinner, received a plaque for earning the "Healthy Living Award." Virginia got a beautiful bouquet of roses and, most

importantly, the YMCA posted a sign in the parking lot near the entrance stating, "Private parking for Virginia and Charlie Vogel." Following the dinner, we were chauffeured home. You see, there are some plusses in being in your 90s.

This completes my report, and if I don't hear from any of you this is the stuff that you'll have to put up with in the future. — C.V.

# 1938

*Bucknell Magazine* is searching for a reporter for the Class of '38. Please contact us if you are interested. Please direct your news for the next issue to [classnotes@bucknell.edu](mailto:classnotes@bucknell.edu) or Class Notes, *Bucknell Magazine*, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

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Greetings, Class of '39. My mail and e-mail boxes have been empty of your news these last months. Please keep your letters and e-mails coming so I may have something new to share in my next report.

I was pleasantly surprised to receive an e-mail from **Alice Healey Wolpert '40**, class reporter for Class of '40 who sent me two wonderful volumes from your 50th and 55th Reunions. They will be an invaluable resource to me for checking names and other details as I prepare your class news reports. Alice notes that she is in close touch with **Jeanne Brozman Crawford** and corresponds with her frequently.

On the topic of reunions, in October 2010 my husband and I traveled to his 20th reunion at West Point, the United States Military Academy. In speaking with his classmates, it was

remarkable to hear of so many different paths taken from an education that prepared cadets for leadership and a career of service to our nation. Undoubtedly, the paths of Class of '39 graduates have been equally varied, and your experiences remain so today. I welcome your stories, both past and present, and eagerly await your correspondence. — A.M.P.

# 1940

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It has been relatively quiet on the Class of 1940 front since the wonderful influx of calls and messages in the spring. Not so for the Bucknell Boston Club. In October 2010 about 240 Bucknellians, past and present — along with administrators, trustees and parents of students — gathered at the Harvard Club for a reception to welcome and meet Dr. John Bravman, our new president. He is a gifted and focused speaker and welcomed questions after his talk.

The same Bucknell Boston Club, in smaller numbers, spent a lovely October afternoon apple picking at the Parlee Farm, owned by Mark and **Ellen Leonard Parlee '80**. Ellen spent time with us and her father was an added informant of how she moved from a chemical engineering degree to fruit farming.

A letter from **Elsie Van Nort McShea** tells of a wonderful surprise birthday party given by several of her children when she visited her brother in an assisted living center, he at 90 and she at 92. Her Texas-based daughter took Elsie for further genealogical pursuits at Toms River, N.J., both clad in their familiar red hats and purple suits.

I had a good phone visit with **Dorothy Oaks McRae**. She reports that she is in good spirits despite the limitations of not being about to get around as she once did.

In May 2010 I had a long conversation with **Joe Diblin** and thought it time to share some of his WWII memories. He said his navigator was Fred MacDowell. In the process of getting to know one another, Joe discovered that his wife is our **Ruth Lepperd MacDowell**. Joe reports that **Anna Ruth Malick Kuttruff** also lives in the Nottingham Village in Northumberland, Pa., where Joe lives.

From **Jeanne Brozman Crawford '39**, I received a three-page letter. Included was a great picture of Jeanne, her daughter and son. There is news of a new grandchild and visiting a major Picasso exhibit at the Seattle Art Museum, Jeanne's favorite artist. She has a collection of more than 30 books about him and his work. — A.H.W.

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**Nina Osovick Magilligan** writes, "At 89 I am still active, take two walks a day, make my own meals and do my shopping.



Giving up my car was necessary, but it is a real loss when you lose driving independence. I love living here at Strawberry Creek Lodge. I have one room with a beautiful view of the backyard, a balcony loaded with flowers. We have many activities: movies, meetings, bridge. I am lucky to live near our wonderful library, which is loaded with books! I gave lots of my books to the library when I moved here four years ago. You have to be 62 years old to move here, and now there is a year-long waiting list. About 150 people live here. With my arthritic knees I could never live up in the hills again."

In response to the e-mail I sent to the classmates who I know have e-mail, I heard back from **Marion Phillips Meyer** almost the same hour. "I do not envy you trying to get information from classmates for the '43 column," she writes. "I do admire you for keeping at it. I just returned from the 50th annual convention of the National Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs. My twin daughter, **Naomi Meyer Aitken '77**, was my companion. **Ruth '77** came for the banquet, and how proud I was. The contrast of the current group with the shoestring organization we started in 1960 is amazing. Two weeks before that I was able to attend my grandson's wedding in Berkeley, Calif. I am counting down before knee replacement surgery. Meanwhile, secondary cataracts have appeared and I had laser surgery. Otherwise I am well, the family is well and I am very grateful for the wonderful support of **Tom '41** and my five daughters and happy memories of our days at Bucknell."

Senator **Diane Betzendahl Allen '70** of the 7th Legislative District of New Jersey was featured speaker at the Alice Paul Terrace Dedication Ceremony in August at the Alice Paul Institute. It was a very special and well-attended gathering to celebrate Women's Equality Day's 90th anniversary of the 19th amendment; the 25th anniversary of the Alice Paul Institute founding; the 2010 induction of Alice Paul

into the New Jersey Hall of Fame; plus the 2010 publication of the first biography of Alice Paul, *A Woman's Crusade: Alice Paul & the Battle for the Ballot*. Also featured on the program were U.S. Senator Robert Menendez and Congressman John Adler (NJ-3). It was a great celebration of women's right to vote.

*Medford Leas Life*, a monthly publication of Medford Leas retirement community (where I live), featured an article about **Tom Russell '66**. He joined the Estaugh Board, which has everything to do with the good life managing Medford Leas. He brings with him his experiences with his construction and remodeling business of 30 years and is aware that the community is in a strategic planning process that is preparing for the future.

I was happy to receive a letter from **Jane Griffith**. I was able to connect her with information about the Low Vision Center at Medford Leas for her friend.

How I wish I would hear from more of my classmates! — J.B.S.

## 1944

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The years seem to be coming faster than ever, but at least they keep coming. May this new one be ever so good to you and those you love. And may it find you having made a firm resolution to get in touch.

A note from **Dottie Sonn** brings the sad news of **Betty Baush McCrow's** death. It came to her in a letter from Betty's sister, **Molly Baush Hill '46**, a copy of which Dot enclosed. From all of us, sincerest sympathy to the McCrow family and Molly and her husband, Howard. Betty was our very first class reporter, a position that was briefly held and given up when she moved to Brazil. She was part of our special freshman hall in Larison in 1940 with her roomie, **Carol Sproul Whitehead**, now deceased. Dottie writes,

"I have many happy memories of Betty and Reg McCrow, especially visiting them in England in 1987. Betty drove me through Cornwall in search of my grandmother's birthplace. We found it!" After freshman year Dot and Betty roomed together and stayed close.

*Note: Betty's obituary appeared in the fall 2010 issue.*

From **Gini Cushing Hughes**, who was also a member of the above-mentioned Larison group, "Having moved from a large house with a two-car garage to one large room and a bath, I've had to make many, many adjustments, but I must admit now it was for the best."

A welcome keep-in-touch note came from **Betty Simmons Bowman**. She and her daughter, Susan, are fully settled in Tennessee after many years in Delaware. She sends pictures and an article about the dreadful flood in Nashville in 2009. Fortunately they had not been in that area.

While some phone calls didn't result in any news, it was so heart-warming to hear the voices of Doris and **Lee Psaty, Ken '42** and **Mal Lewis Strittmatter** and **Janet Leach Messman**.

Have a specially pleasant year. Love and peace. — H.R.B.

## 1945

*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](mailto:classnotes@bucknell.edu) or Class Notes, *Bucknell Magazine*, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

## 1946

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What was anticipated as a joyful reunion in Bend, Ore., in September 2010 with **Eloise Oram Atherton** sadly turned out not to be. During my family's September visit to Bend with our son, Tim, I phoned Ellie's son, Bill, also living in the area. Bill's wife, Gretchen, returned my call with the sad news that Ellie died Sept. 17, 2010, in Weare, N.H., where she had been in hospice care at the home of Gretchen's mother, Ima Ubel, also Ellie's very good friend. I was greatly saddened. Ellie had much '46 class spirit and will be surely missed.

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

I am still hopeful of hearing from classmates, perhaps by way of a note at Christmas. E-mail is an easy way to keep in touch. — P.W.H.

## 1947

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Perhaps some members of our class were there to cheer at Bucknell's Homecoming. Those who did not attend can go online to read the athletic results at [www.bucknell.edu](http://www.bucknell.edu). Bucknell's website has wonderful information about our alma mater.

Attending two "distance" weddings — one for a grandniece in western Pennsylvania and one for a grandson in Naples, Fla. — curtailed my time to scout for class news. Hopefully, there will be news from many of our classmates in the next issue. — J.M.R.



# 1948

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I am writing you after a two-week stay in the hospital. I had myasthenia gravis. I am up and about and hoping to get back to my job at our insurance agency soon.

I have no startling news, except I have talked to a few Bucknell friends who have made my days more enjoyable: **Dorothy Harrison**, my luncheon buddy; **Florence Fellows Skove**, my Spanish roommate; and **Patricia Wagner '50**, my little sister.

Health, wealth and happiness in the years to come. 'Ray Bucknell! — J.G.B.

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It was so nice talking with **Larice Roseman Burt**, who called to relay the sad news of the passing of **Nancy Wine Williams '49** on May 17, 2010. She also told of the lovely visit she had in June with Nancy's husband, **Bill '49**, and their daughter, Wendy. **Lari**, **Nancy** and **Sara Kriner Goodman** rekindled a warm friendship during Reunion weekend 10 years ago.

*Note: Nancy's obituary appeared in the fall 2010 issue.*

**Lari** also mentioned the unique bond she shares with **Janice Cupp Wilcox '51** and **Bob Sprout '49**. Their mothers, **Louise Benshoff Cupp '24** and **Elizabeth Hahn Sprout '18**, were among the sisters of Delta Delta Delta at Bucknell in 1920.

**Larry and Joan Schwartz Saphier** visited **Jim Burt '49** frequently during his rehabilitation, and **Joan** sends homemade cookies to him every month.

Another old book found its way to my bookshelf. This one, a 1944 edition of *The Oneida*, the Lewisburg High School yearbook, came from New Hampshire. (How? It's a long story.) Among the well-worn pages I found **William Donehower**, business manager, **Barbara Bond Jackson '49**, assistant business manager, and **Doris Strassner Marino '48**, feature editor. Class president was **Robert Craumer '48**, and **Jeanne Grice Reichley '48** was class secretary. Also in the class and fondly remembered were **Herman Dauberman**, **George Geise**, **George Ramer**, **Ruth Rice Garinger '48**, **Mary Tice Donehower M'50**, **Mary Whyte** and **Stuart Whyte**.

Multi-talented **Dorothy King Anderson '46** has loved living in Palm Beach, Fla., since 1955. A member of Actors' Equity since 1960, she also holds membership in the National Association of Teachers of Singing, Civic Opera of the Palm Beaches and other professional organizations. Her résumé includes roles in *Can Can*, *Fanny*, *Carousel*, *Annie Get Your Gun*, *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*, *Li'l Abner*, *Brigadoon* and *Kiss Me Kate*. She also enjoyed singing in *Die Fledermaus*, *Carmen*, *Sleeping Beauty* and *Lucia di Lammermoor*, and demonstrated her comedic acting ability in a short movie filmed in Palm Beach. In addition to taking care of her husband, **Jim**, and **Mimi**, a poochon (poodle/bichon frise), **Dotti** continues to sing, act and give voice lessons. — P.W.

**Martha Brown Rommelt** reports from Williamsport that she leads a quiet life and enjoys her grandchildren. One of them

has entered Cornell Law School.

Over at Rockaway Park, N.Y., **Rose** and **Al Donnelly** like to eat out and follow the market. He worked for Sperry in electronics and, after earning an MBA, he concentrated on capital projects and budgets for the city transit system.

**Ellen Houseworth Cooke** keeps active in Santa Barbara with swimming, walking and family. Her husband, **Frank '49**, passed away in 2009. She returned East for a visit. We asked about the Santa Barbara oil spill of several decades ago, and she says the recovery is complete, but it took a number of years.

Another California resident is **Doris Roberts Foulds**, in Fullerton. She serves as a deacon in her church and volunteers in her retirement community signing folks up for trips and other activities.

**Pauline and Wayne Sheffer** have been married for 62 years and live in Houston. Doing business as the Sheffer Company, he is involved in providing parts for the printing industry and electric utility rolling stock, including bucket trucks.

Last autumn we received an e-mail that obviously was meant for someone else, but recognized the sending address as belonging to **Joe Jack '51**. By replying, we became acquainted with his wife, **Carolyn**. Yes, she had mis-sent the e-mail and, sadly, **Joe** passed away last year from cancer. He and I had served together in the Signal Corps at White Sands Proving Ground in New Mexico. **Carolyn** had a number of questions to ask about **Joe's** exposure to radiation. His location was near the Trinity Site, where the first atomic bomb was tested, and there was lingering concern whether there was any correlation. We could not come up with an answer, but can report that **Joe** had a very interesting and long life that included much travel. He was involved in petroleum production and was an experienced engineer, pianist and organist. — D.C.

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

# 1951

## REUNION 2011

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Many thanks to **Dick Reigle** for his news. He retired from General Motors in 1982 and spends a lot of time traveling, fishing, doing church projects and keeping up with their family of five children and 11 grandchildren. Most of them live close to their home in Severna Park, Md., where they have lived for 33 years. He has been in contact with **Joe Evans '48**, **Guy Johnson '49** and **Jack Rickard '50**.

**Dick** and his wife visited **Carole** and **Bill Martin** in North Carolina. The Martins live on Sheep Mountain with a great view and black bear neighbors. The Reigles hope to return for Reunion No. 60 in June.

Speaking of Reunion, I hope many of you will try to make it back. Old friends and acquaintances seem to get more valuable with the passing years. Maybe it's because there aren't that many of us left. Remember, Reunion is the first weekend in June! — B.L.S.

# 1952

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Happy New Year and congratulations to all '52ers who have gracefully passed their 80th birthday. How did you spend the day when you became four score years or more? Did you celebrate or mourn its passing?

The Putnam family — **Kathy**, **Brett**, **Scott**, **Barbara** and **Megan** — gave a fabulous week-long 80th birthday party for "Em," better known to us as **Mary "Emme" Adams Putnam**. **Brett**, the first to arrive for the family holiday, toured a day



with Emme in perfect weather on Lookout Mountain, Golden Gate Park and funky Nederland, which hosts the annual Frozen Dead Guy Festival, then continued through Boulder Canyon to the popular Pearl Street Mall. Kathy arrived on day two in time to drive with Brett and Em to Breckenridge, Colo., to join Scott, Barbara and Megan at their condo. That evening the family went to a Vail ski resort called the Lion's Den. It was designed with cobblestone streets, striking stucco and stone buildings and arches over the streets to resemble foreign architecture. At the lower end of the village was a strange-looking gondola that transported the family straight up, up and up to the top of Mt. Ouzo. The scenery was breathtaking and the ride was great fun. A jitney drove them to an elegant restaurant with spectacular views, fantastic service and delicious, yet not always identifiable, food. Em questioned over and over, "What was that?" Nevertheless, she claims the lamb chops were the best she's ever tasted. The family was seated facing the west toward a setting sun of remarkable beauty, credited to the height of looking down from heaven.

However, the bigger surprise occurred on Sunday. The phone rang, followed by Barb calling, "The phone is for you, Em. Answer it in the dining room." Instead of a phone, a large box and laptop computer were on the table, and everyone sat around it with silly grins. "Open the box," they urged. To Em's delighted surprise it overflowed with cards, letters, e-mail and phone messages and photos.

But the story of Emme's birthday celebration is not over yet. In mid-August I received an e-mail from Scott saying her children were organizing a webcam 80th birthday party for Em on Sept. 5, 2010. To participate meant watching and/or talking with Em as she unwrapped her gifts and read messages at the party. I was familiar with visiting my family via computer, but this kind of celebrating was a first for me. The party lasted

almost two hours, with laughter, tears and deep feelings of admiration and love for our long-admired classmate. Emme was overwhelmed with the outpouring of memories, funny stories and the presence of so many friends. "I will always cherish those moments when I opened that box and savored the happiness of being 80," she says. Warm plaudits go to Scott for the job well done, which evidently brought him more than a bit of fun in the giving.

Emme writes about a previous surprise that happened to her earlier in 2010. Mark, an impressive young man, moved into the house next door. One evening this neighbor stopped to tell her he would be away for a week so his mom would collect his mail and feed the cat. In the spring, when Em met his mom, Pennsylvania and Bucknell were mentioned. Mark's mom remarked that her own mother went to Bucknell. Usual questions of when and who were answered by: "'52 and Carolyn Knies Erdle." Emme was elated to learn that her new neighbor is the grandson of a Bucknell classmate. Such small world experiences are another step to drift immediately onto cloud nine.

Alicia and **Ed McComsey** left the day after Thanksgiving 2009 on a vacation to travel around the world. They flew to Athens to board a 7,000-passenger ship and sailed to Alexandria, Egypt. The majestic pyramids, the sphinx and the treasures of antiquity evoked an appreciation for the desert beyond words. The sailing continued with a fascinating passage through the Suez Canal into the Red Sea. They convoyed by Yemen and Somalia, with two tankers behind them being unsuccessfully attacked by pirates. The itinerary took them near Dubai, India, Malaysia and Singapore, the cleanest city Ed has ever seen. From there the travelers started toward home via Hong Kong and Chicago, arriving in Island Heights, N.J., on the morning of Dec. 24, 2009. When at home Ed is active in the Methodist Church, plays bridge and does a little sailing at the local yacht

club. This retired dentist is also a watercolorist who painted the 2010 cover for the Toms River Yacht Club yearbook and directory. Three of Ed's paintings are on B-Link. The entire McComsey family lives between Portsmouth, N.H., and Key West, Fla., where Ed celebrated his 80th birthday. He and Alicia often see **Drew and Eleanor Mendelson Seibert '54** and **Barbara Hooven Fullmer '50**. I hope you can agree with Ed's reflection that "life is good!"

**Tyler Blakemore '14**, a happy Bucknell camper, invited his grandmother, **Jean Lowry Scarr**, to brave the stressful drive from Ohio to be his guest at the annual Grandparents' Tea at Family Weekend in October. Jean joined him, along with his parents, **Jeff '78** and **Lynn Scarr Blakemore '79**, at the Chips Off the Ol' Block affair, where they met President John Bravman. Jean was also pleased to spend time with **Bill and Natalie Isaac Henkelman** and their granddaughter, **Amelia Minnich '11**. They cheered at the soccer game when the Bison defeated Navy 2-0, dined at the Lewisburg Hotel and climbed the stairs to third-floor Harris to compare our '48 doubles room with the unchanged dimensions of Tyler's single room. Harris Hall's first and fourth floors having been renovated to all single rooms was seen as the most significant change. Jean checked out the new Barnes & Noble bookstore, which she rated as nice, but agreed with older generations that it was a poor decision to move downtown. Students told her they only go there to buy required textbooks. There were also concerns about the lack of convenient parking spaces.

Bill and I were fortunate to attend the bookstore's official ribbon-cutting in August 2010. We were guided by store managers who helped us to understand the plus and minus points of view. The photographic art exhibit of Bucknell's early stages, the upgrading of the University's orange and blue signature, and inventory housed

in the unique ambiance of the renovated factory building balanced the pros and cons to this significant loss to the immediate University campus.

A mourning loss for alumni is the passing of Peg Bryan at the age of 94. All female athletes within the 1945-81 area benefitted tremendously from Peg's strong advocacy for women's athletic rights and their collegiate sports. She was also a strong supporter for the Title IX benefits of intramural competition and for establishing the Eastern Association of College Women athletes. Peg served on the faculty staff full-time from 1945-78. She received the Bison Club award in 1978 for contributions to Bucknell athletics and was inducted into the Bucknell Athletics Hall of Fame in 1991. The Bryan-Humphreys award is presented each year to a man and woman for outstanding versatility within their sport. The scoreboard planned for field hockey and lacrosse games at Graham Field will be named in Peg's honor. How fortunate it was to have Peg with her partner, the late Dean Mary Jane Stevenson, join us as guests for our 50th Reunion dinner.

*Note: Peg's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section. Mary Jane's obituary appeared in the fall 2010 issue.*

Kristin Stetler, our campus support angel, answered my plea for technical help to unravel a B-Link tangle in managing photo albums. This is a call to you to send, by either e-mail or snail-mail, postcard-sized photos with your name and an optional caption for the '52 albums.

**Ralph Waite** made his stage debut off Broadway in *The Balcony* at age 33. The rookie actor performed on and off-Broadway, began landing parts in high-profile movies like *Cool Hand Luke* and appeared in minor television roles. Ralph's big opportunity came in 1971 when he was called to Hollywood to work on the hour-long drama show, *The Waltons*. Although *King Lear* was by far his favorite role, he is best remembered as John Walton saying weekly,



"Good night, John Boy." Ralph gives credit to Hollywood for changing his life permanently. He's had a wealth of drama successes, like playing Jackson Gibbs on the popular *NCIS* series. He is a longtime volunteer and board member of the ABC Alcohol and Recovery Center; had a failed attempt to be elected to government service; and fostered family partnerships as owner of Don and Sweet Sue's, a popular café. After leaving organized religion nearly 50 years ago, Ralph responded to the call to get re-involved in some level of his religion at age 82. First Ralph looked for a congregation that shared his progressive religious and political views. The famous actor found just what he was looking for in a tiny congregation, Spirit of the Desert Presbyterian Fellowship, in Palm Desert, Calif. An hour-long bible study precedes a Sunday evening service hosted by the United Church of the Desert. The services are led by three retired pastors who, like Ralph, are strong advocates of peace and justice. He is a guest preacher for the church and gives sermons that reflect the "something more" he discovered in his eighth decade. Ralph and Linda, his wife of 30 years, live in the Coachella Valley, Calif. They have nurtured the "something more" in the silence, spaciousness and quiet covenant with desert beauty. May the desert peace be found by us all. — R.C.R.

## 1953

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An update from a very busy **Bill Durland**: "My wife, Genie, and I visited the Middle East the day after Christmas 2009 for three weeks as part of the 1,400-strong international Gaza Freedom March, hoping to open the Israeli military Gaza blockade. We have been going there since

1983 and have been volunteer human rights observers and companions with Christian Peacemaker Teams in the West Bank since 2001. Gaza is completely controlled and encircled by Israeli air, sea and ground forces having re-invaded there in 2008–09, destroying the infrastructure and killing about 1,400 people. Forty of our more than 1,400 Gaza freedom marchers were able to physically enter Gaza with humanitarian aid supplies, some of which we helped to purchase. After we returned home we were able to raise enough to buy a new electrical generator for the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) projects in Gaza. AFSC has worked in the Occupied Territories since 1948, pre-dating UNWRA in Gaza.

"Upon our return I revised a book I wrote in 2001, *Immoral Wars and Illegal Laws*, which is up to date as of July 2010, including the Israeli attack on the humanitarian flotilla to Gaza killing unarmed civilians in international waters in violation of international law," Bill continues. "This latest book is one of nine I have written since 1975. I am a semi-retired civil rights attorney and a philosophy, history and government professor emeritus living with my wife in Colorado Springs near two of our children and four grandchildren. I credit Bucknell with a wonderful education, helping to make all of this possible. Such teachers as Dr. Gathings, Dr. Hollister, **Dr. John Zeller '41**, Dr. Wethington and Dr. Johnson I will never forget." Bill didn't mention that he is on the national board of the American Friends Service Committee and plans to be there in March for the annual meeting. Thank you, Bill, for all of your efforts for peace and justice.

I am always pleased to include travel stories. Charlie and **Sue Appleyard Martucci** have really been on the go. In 2010 they enjoyed a Collette tour of Spain and Portugal. The highlights were Barcelona, where their balcony overlooked the square so they could watch the local activities, and Valencia,

where they enjoyed seeing a new children's park that was established in a former riverbed. Also in 2010, they returned to New Zealand with Collette for a three-week, more in-depth look to see both the north and south islands with the ferry ride between. On the tour, which covered 2,300 miles, they were fortunate to see Mt. Cook (most travelers do not), take a helicopter ride and walk on the Franz Joseph glacier. They also enjoyed a *Lord of the Rings* special tour, which was a trek in a four-wheeler to see the primeval, mystical landscapes and pristine vistas in the Remarkable Mountains that were the filming locations. Their plans for 2011 are to go to the Netherlands and Belgium in tulip time and perhaps tour the USA national parks.

Also traveling in 2010 were Bob and **Mary Allen Sapp**, who visited Eastern Europe, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Belarus, Poland and Russia by land. "The little Baltics are charming, so industrious and manageable, a good example for us all," says Mary. "Russia is Russia. It is indeed better than it was in the '80s, but the vitality and progress are more evident in the smaller, more independent Baltics." These folks set a good example for us all. Keep on moving.

**Frank Meredith** sends the sad news that **Bob Larrabee M'53** died in the fall. He was a physicist whose last position was with the National Institute of Standards and Technology, where he received a bronze medal from the U.S. Department of Commerce for his work at NIST. In addition to his two Bucknell degrees, a bachelor's in electrical engineering and master's in mathematics, another master's and a doctorate were earned at MIT. He also had an MBA from Rider College that he probably earned in the earlier years while he was on the research staff at the RCA Laboratories in New Jersey, which honored him with two achievement awards. He is listed in *American Men of Science*, has eight patents and had authored many articles. He shared his

intellect by lecturing, tutoring at the local corrections center and, for more than 20 years, demonstrating many aspects of science to school children of all ages. He had fun, too. He enjoyed his amateur radio (W3IFT), stamp collecting and many volunteering activities. He married **Mona Rogers Larrabee** in August 1953, right after we graduated. They shared their marriage and their interests for all these years. They have two children: a son, David, and a daughter, **Susan Larrabee Albohn '79**. Mary Sapp says, "I am always sorry to hear about the passing of lifetime mates. All one can think of at a time like this is for the people left behind to cherish every year, every event, every memory." Thank you for that thought. We all send our sympathy to Mona and her family.

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

There is still plenty of good news. We continue to welcome new additions to our families. Tom and **Janice Elder Hatch's** daughter, Catherine, presented them with twin grandbabies in July 2010. Owen and Elizabeth live not too far from their grandparents in Maryland. We wish you all much joy!

In the mail was a lovely card with wonderful news. "Guess who just got married? **Joan Jenkinson Haag** and Jack Beiter on Oct. 17, 2010, in Radnor, Pa., surrounded by their children, grandchildren and great-grandson," says the card. Congratulations and all kinds of best wishes. The address for the bride and groom is 201 Hermitage Drive, Radnor, PA 19087.

And for all of us, a quote: "Life isn't tied with a bow, but it is still a present." Enjoy every minute. — C.H.K.

## 1954

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The annual "do nothing" visit with **Jim '52** and **Syd Sherwin Mellinger '52** turned out to be anything but do-nothing. My husband, **Glen '52**, provided all the excitement by having back spasms that required two ambulance trips within nine hours. To complicate things, our car battery died, so your reporter managed two rides in ambulances. While I was tending to Glen in the ER, the Mellingers were kind enough to see that the battery was replaced in our car. After home-health care and physical therapy, Glen is doing OK. I'm not sure if the Mellingers have totally recovered.

If you were tuned in to CBS' *Sunday Morning* on Oct. 3, 2010, you were entertained by an in-depth interview with **Philip Roth**.

Nora Bell, widow of **Bob Bell**, wrote seeking the Mellingers' address. The Bells and the Mellingers were good friends when Bob returned from Marine Corps duty to complete his degree. You just never know when a name from the past will come up.

Eric Koslin informs us of the death of his father, **Dr. Al Koslin**, on Feb. 26, 2010. We all send our condolences. — B.M.A.

*Note: Al's obituary appeared in the fall 2010 issue.*

## 1955

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**Ellen Diefenbach Jackson** writes that she met the wonderful Sixth Street Gang, Class of '57, in Lancaster in June 2010 for an extraordinary reunion. Thanks to **Nancy Fisher Rittenhouse '57**, they visited some of the area's charming venues and had time to really share with each other. Ellen says this is an amazing group of women and she feels very blessed to be included. She continues to be involved in the early childhood community in a local school, share music with senior citizens

at a local center, serve as a guide at the Brandywine River Museum and serve her church in a variety of ways. All of this is fulfilling and gives her a circle of friends that bless her life. Her family gathered at the Jersey Shore in September 2010, as they have for many years. Also, she and her cousin, **Lee Craig Vierling '52**, will return to Oregon for their favorite Elderhostel/Road Scholar program.

I had a lovely telephone visit with **Lydia Hines Rittinger** this summer while she and **George "Ritt" '54** were at their Traverse City summer home. Lydia keeps busy walking, reading and painting. Like many of us, she has given up the tennis. In September 2010 she reunited with her two sisters, an annual event.

**Angie and Norm Single** took another river cruise. This time it included Budapest, Bratislava, Vienna, Linz and Prague. They arrived at Charles de Gaulle Airport at 6 a.m. and spent more than an hour in passport control where three gendarmes processed around 500 passengers from various flights at such an extremely slow rate that they had to run to get to their gate. They arrived after they shut off loading and Norm exited the gate control holding his ticket, passport, shoes and belt in one hand, and holding his pants up with the other hand in time to be the last on board. Other than that, everything went well. They had two days in Vienna on bus and walking tours. They ended the river tour at Linz, Austria. They were bused to Prague from there and enjoyed two days of sightseeing, including the castles and Charles Bridge.

**Ginny English** writes that **Dave Boyd** passed away on July 28, 2010, after a courageous struggle with Parkinson's disease. We extend our sincerest sympathy to his wife, Marty, and his family and friends. Dave was a faithful Bucknell alum and rarely missed Reunion, along with his Delta Upsilon fraternity brothers. He was in business with his brother, Wendell, for many years and retired in 1996. Dave and Marty have three married children and nine grandchildren.

*Note: Dave's obituary appeared in the fall 2010 issue.*

The report from the Evans family is that our daughter, Day, moved from San Francisco to Glen Mills, Pa., which is only 20 minutes from us. Our son, **Bauer '85**, has been doing a church plant in Massachusetts. The church has purchased a building and expects to hold services soon after the New Year. Meanwhile, Bill and I will be off to Denver for Thanksgiving to visit our other daughter, **Bobbie Evans Turner '88**, and her family.

Now listen up, fellow classmates. This is my last column for *Bucknell Magazine*. It's time for one of you to step up to the plate. I promise to whomever takes on these notes that I will keep in touch with news. For now, I wish all of you the best and hope that you still keep in touch with me from time to time. — B.B.E.

## 1956

### REUNION 2011

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An e-mail from **Anne Prosser Post** says she enjoys reading *Bucknell Magazine* and Class Notes and it's time to send along some notes herself. She was prompted by a mini-Bucknell reunion, when **Bruce '54** and **Marion Moll LaBar** and Charlie and **Pat Quinn Behre** joined **Bob '54** and Anne for their annual lunch at the Jersey Shore. The Posts retired to Manasquan 11 years ago and love it there. It's a small town with lots of year-round residents in addition to those who have summer homes. They ride bikes to the beach, which is just short of a mile away. The Behres come from Gettysburg for their vacation at Spring Lake and the LaBars drive over from Princeton for the day.

Anne and Bob had returned from lovely cool Maine where they visited their daughter, **Gail Post Michaels '83**, and her husband. They also traveled again to Norway to visit another daughter, Beverly, and her family. They helped celebrate Beverly's 50th birthday at a lavish party with 30 family and friends. She and Bob then traveled for a visit to Berlin and Vienna for the first time. Both continue to enjoy good health and travels.

A note from **Bobbie Folk Mynott** relates, "We moved in January 2010 to a retirement community in Newtown Square, Pa. Fourteen inches of snow fell soon after, but fortunately we didn't have to shovel. **Ellen Diefenbach Jackson '55** lives nearby and will move here within a year or two. My husband, **Geoff '54**, still works full-time. We get back to Bucknell for trustee meetings and basketball games. The place still holds a special place in our hearts."

**Jo Randolph Rott** enjoyed an overnight visit with **Ginny McCully Straub** and **Shirley Laffin Bartholomew** at Jo's Willow Valley retirement apartment near Lancaster, Pa. The ladies enjoyed driving through beautiful farmland countryside as well as a delicious Amish buffet dinner with all the fixins'. The next morning I drove down from our Mt. Gretna cottage to join our mini-'56 reunion and fun catch-up time.

Jo writes of a fall 2010 leaf peeking trip to upstate New York to attend a bible conference at Schroon Lake, N.Y. On the way she visited friends in Sunbury who took her to the Sunbury Armory to view Apollo, a 160-million-year-old plant-eating saurapod dinosaur on display. (It's the earliest saurapod found to date.) The Prehistoric Journeys firm, formerly of Santa Barbara, Calif., moved to Sunbury in 1997.

The Oct. 3, 2010, *Daily Item* money section featured a lengthy article on a \$2 million golf center for Bucknell. Under construction, the instructional golf center is paid for entirely with donations from alumni, parents and players past and



present. Check online for further information.

On a trip to the Philadelphia Art Museum this summer to see the Renoir exhibit I met **Pat Wenk Strachan '57** and **Cathy Hoffman Doremus '58** in the lobby. I also had a pleasant surprise when I received an e-mail from **Alice Brewen Acheson '58**. She works as an independent book publicist and lives on San Juan Island. — P.G.H.

## 1957

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**Chuck Jones** is still going strong at 75. "I truly feel that today's 75 is yesterday's 45," he says. "I am still working at keeping a few small businesses running and have been a small business advocate for the past 30 years. I am the state chair of the Oregon Small Business Development Network, chair of the Oregon National Federation of Independent Business Political Action Committee and chair of the Cost of Doing Business Committee for the City of Portland's Small Business Advisory Council. I assist a couple of non-profits and sing in our church choir. My primary business is running Chuck Jones and Associates, Inc. We are a financial and investment management firm for individuals and small businesses. I work out with a practicing dentist who is 90 days my senior and says he's doing the best work of his life — and that is exactly how I feel. I have boundless energy and work many hours each day. You could say my hobby is work. AnnMarie and I enjoy our five kids and my seven grandkids (three of whom are adopted). They live up and down the I-5 corridor from Paulsbo and Issaquah, Wash., to Sacramento, Manhattan Beach and San Diego.

"It has been an interesting life, so far, and I don't believe all that has happened has been by

coincidence. The Lord has it all planned and always tests our faith. Every job has led me to helping people. My early years were with Baxter Laboratory, then in 1964 I founded my own company, Extracorporeal Medical Specialties. The company developed the second disposable dialyzer and many other medical and surgical products during the first 20 years. In the past 30 years I have assisted families and individuals protecting and assuring their financial futures.

"We enjoy traveling and are very active in the Tea Party movement. In September 2010 we traveled to Washington, D.C., to take part in Hillsdale College's dedication of its Kirby Center of Constitutional Studies and Citizenship. So far it has been an interesting life and I truly look forward to the next 25 years."

I look forward to hearing from you. — D.H.H.

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**Norma Jean Renninger Reed** has passed the mantle. I was the class reporter years ago (I believe the first five years after graduation) and am delighted to gather the news once again. My husband, Bill, and I have been happily ensconced in the Blue Ridge Mountains of western North Carolina for about 10 years, after my retirement from Kellogg Brown & Root in 2001. This is indeed our paradise, as we live on a lake with hiking, golf, tennis, bridge and wonderful friends. We have traveled extensively in the past, with trips to Russia, Australia, New Zealand, Bermuda, the Caribbean, Egypt, Jordan, Scotland, Ireland, Alaska, Germany, France, Spain and more. This year we are going to China. Between us, we have seven children, 17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, so we keep busy!

We vacation each March at Orange Lake, Fla., in the Kissimmee area with my sister, **Violet Bayer Riegel '56** and her husband, **Charles "Bud" '54**.

I keep in touch with **Elaine Longenecker Wilson, Merle Holden Winstead, Francie Beighley McDonald, Cathy Hoffman Doremus, Nancy Stuart Edwards, Ginny Vollmer Swaile** and **Dorothy Ann Slifkin Altwarg**, mostly at holiday time.

Bill and I love to share our North Carolina "find" with others, so if you are near the Asheville area, give us a call. Norma Jean Reed has a cousin in our community. Meanwhile, please send your news!

As for news, **Kenneth Brown** writes that on Sept. 1, 2010, he retired and planned to move from Lyme, Conn., where he lived for 42 years, to 71 Patterson Road, Wilmet, N.H. His son and his partner's son will take over their insurance agency in New Haven, Conn.

**Alec '93** and **Amy Merjeski Parsons '97** write, "We are thrilled to announce the arrival of our sweet daughter, Juliet Evelyn, on Aug. 16, 2010. Juliet's brother, Jack, 5, and sister, Lexi, 2, absolutely adore and love her and we are all excited about the adventures ahead as a family of five." The Parsons reside in Bronxville, N.Y. Juliet is the seventh grandchild of a very proud **Charles Parsons**.

Please send news, classmates. E-mail is great and mine is easy: [schlacksr@aol.com](mailto:schlacksr@aol.com). — R.B.S.

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**Dee Pieper Shelley** e-mails, "Annamarie Neff Anderson and I met for a long lunch, conversation and a bit of shopping in Flemington, N.J. I urge each one who reads this to get in touch with a favorite Bucknell friend and plan to meet and enjoy time together. Sooner is

better than later."

**Ellen Killebrew** e-mails, "I am back to work, unfortunately full-time, as someone unexpectedly retired. I will choose to retire next summer at long last. I will have gotten my nephew through his bachelor's in aviation. I got a congressional award last July from Barbara Lee, which was nice. At this age the commendations keep coming, sort of like emeritus. No real meaning."

**Greg Ogden** states, "The only logical explanation I can divine for Bucknell's football win 24-21 over Georgetown was my presence in the stands. Way to go, Bison. I joined a Bucknell Washington, D.C., alumni-sponsored tailgate before the game and alone represented the senior class there. I also spent the day with the next senior, **Neil "Murph" Murphy '60**, Sigma Chi. I was impressed by several things. First, real reps from the campus alumni office were there. What better way to say they really care for the alums? Second, the size of both the tailgate and particularly the orange and blue presence in the stands was great. There were 50-plus at the tailgate (great turnout), with super food. My thanks to the organizers. We must have been well over 500 on the Bucknell side of the stands. Third, I was struck by the dignified looks and demeanor of the Bucknell folks at this admitted one-time snapshot of society. The Bucknellians, even the very recent graduates, just looked good; they were well dressed for the occasion and wearing an optimistic smile, almost without exception. What a treat that was in an age of creeping "sloppism." It was a mature and professional look. I'm proud of my association with them and of my University. It spoke volumes.

"And finally I cannot resist a plug for Lambda Chi," Greg continues. "At the tailgate I found and talked with a group of about 10 LCAs, most of whom graduated within the last 10 years. Some of them, no doubt, thought it strange that a grad from late Jurassic times, aka 1959, was still alive, much



less fully ambulatory, and reasonably alert of mind.

"**Bill Sharkey** and I played golf at Andrews Air Force Base (not on the course that Obama uses, though). I also have heard from **Bill Schreiber**. I did my usual six weeks in Italy, which included a six-day cruise on the Danube. It was brown over the length I navigated, not blue. Great trip.

"I retired in October for the fifth time. Perhaps this time I will get it right. My bucket list is long without including its ever-growing, never-ending 'honey-do' appendix. For the moment we plan to remain in our home in Alexandria, Va., having found no locale offering even close to the advantages we enjoy here, and while we still are able to negotiate our four-floor town house that is within walking distance of all the sights and shops and the river. Only 20 minutes to the White House, but alas, no invitations

yet. Been waiting for 26 years.

"Hoping this finds all well, and I encourage any of you passing through or near Washington, D.C., to at least give me a call," Greg concludes. "I would love to hear from you or see you, if possible. Send e-mail to [groggie@aol.com](mailto:groggie@aol.com)."

**Sylvia Beauregard Van Cleave** sends, "We had a mini Kappa reunion. Gene and **June Poline Richey** traveled to NYC in preparation for an autumn cruise aboard the Princess Caribbean from NYC to Halifax and back down the eastern coast. We had a wonderful visit over lunch at the Union League Club and caught up on all family news. They are both enthusiastic travelers and it was wonderful to listen to their adventures as they have traveled around the world. They took advantage of New York culture by visiting the Metropolitan Museum of Art in the morning and attending a concert in Lincoln Center after

dinner. They embarked the next day with many of Gene's relatives aboard for a mini family reunion. On their way back down the coast, they stopped in Boston and had lunch with **Willi Rilling Stahura** at the Museum of Fine Art. Willi also reported a constant flow of conversation and a wish that our Kappa reunion had brought us all together. The Richeys remained in the area visiting family before they returned to Pasadena, Calif."

**Carolyn Nalbach Waller** e-mails, "Our summer was packed. We drove 7,500 miles, going to Kalispell, Mont., by way of New Mexico and Arizona. We chose that route because I had never been in either of those states and neither of us had seen the Grand Canyon. Consequently, our first stop on our way west was south in Durham, N.C., where we spent a night in the beautiful home of my former roommate, **Kay Anthony Yarger**, and her husband, Bill. In Arizona, we were joined by Tom and **Kay Cavitch Maddock**, who came up from Tucson to join us in Sedona for a couple of days. Both visits were great. From there we went up the spine of the Rockies to Kalispell where we spent a week with our son and his family and had the pleasure of watching our granddaughter ride in a large horse show. Kay Maddock is also a horsewoman, so it was useful to get some tips from her on what to look for when we went to watch our granddaughter. Heading back east, we went to Mt. Rushmore, the battlefield of the Little Bighorn and Peru, Neb., a town south of Lincoln, where we had riverboat dinner on the Missouri River. Altogether we were gone exactly a month. It was good to get the e-mail from **Herb Wright** about his meeting with the new president. It sounds like Bucknell is in good hands."

**Ginny Emmitt Chitwood** writes, "Phil and I had an exciting trip to Spain and Switzerland. We attended the wedding of our niece, **Meg Emmitt '06**, who married Javier Figarola Tardiu. The festivities were held at a

12th-century castle in the medieval town of Sigüenza, east of Madrid. The father of the bride is **Dick Emmitt '67**. Other Bucknellians attending included my other brother, **Bill Emmitt '69**, family friend **Jim Gansinger '67** plus Meg's classmates. The happy couple lives in Madrid. After the wedding, we traveled around Spain, exploring the Alhambra, the Mediterranean coast and Barcelona. We took the train from Barcelona to Switzerland for a whirlwind tour there, riding on trains, buses, cable cars and gondolas to see the sights around the country. It was all fascinating!"

**Dave Sayer** e-mails, "I thought that I would be fully retired by now, but I so enjoy my part-timing at Publishers Clearing House — including the TV work and travel — so why quit? Plus, with all the electronic help these days, I don't have to be near the New York headquarters and can bask in the sun at home in wonderful Venice, Fla. I also love what I was finally able to eliminate from my bucket list: a Steinway grand. Piano playing remains my favorite pastime with regular gigs at church, local art center receptions and cabarets, one of which was attended by KS brother **Bill Lembeck** and his wife, Terry. We did some late night reminiscing. Degen and I just returned from Barcelona, the Costa Brava and France's Languedoc region and had a great time. Let the dieting begin!"

**Joan Peregoy Thayer** writes, "A strong breeze added a new tree to our yard — horizontal, not vertical. It was a large oak that had been well cared for, but after several days of heavy rain and then wind gusts, with only a loud crack, down it came across our back fence. No one was hurt, property damage minimal and one neighbor has sawed the trunk into smaller lengths. My husband, Ted, has cleared the trunk of small branches and leaves, about 11 bags. Ted and I are trying to take advantage of concerts, craft shows and special events and are amazed at how much the area offers. For the first time

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the area offers. For the first time since the Sea Witch Festival began in Rehoboth Beach, we visited Rehoboth for three days during this event and still got home in time to greet the neighborhood trick-or-treaters."

**Janet Thompson Salzer** enjoyed two trips. "Jack and I went to an Elderhostel/Road Scholar program in Greenbrier County, Lewisburg, W.V. Lewisburg is a very old town dating back to before the Revolution. The best part of the program was spending a day at the Greenbrier Resort. We had a tour of the huge underground bunker (finished in 1962) meant to house members of Congress in case of a nuclear attack. It was declassified in 1992 and now they give tours. We had lunch overlooking the golf course and then took a tour of the hotel. The second trip was to Oberammergau, Germany. Jack stayed home and I went with a small tour group from Rochester. I went on the trip so that I could attend the Passion Play, which is performed by residents of Oberammergau every 10 years. I thoroughly enjoyed the production, which is really an epic event (a total of five-and-a-half hours with a break for dinner.) We also enjoyed Munich, Salzburg, Innsbruck, Lake Como (Italy), Lugano (Switzerland), Assisi and Rome. The weather was beautiful; only half a day of rain in Salzburg. But that produced snow on the mountaintops, so the next day our trip through the mountains was even better with the snow-capped mountains.

"In between trips we were able to witness the formal adoption of our grandson, Ryan Jonathan Baker, before a judge in Wyoming County, N.Y., where our daughter and her husband live. Ryan, 1, is such a cutie! We are so blessed to have him, our first grandchild."

**Barbara Dunning Du Puy** and I enjoyed a trip to Glacier National Park, where I had a mini-reunion with five Mobile Construction Battalion friends, with whom I worked in the Philippines. We were home for a week and then took an

Elderhostel/Road Scholar trip to Bryce Canyon, Zion National Park and the North Rim of the Grand Canyon National Park. These trips are so educational and this one did not disappoint us, as they showed us the Colorado Plateau at present and describing the rock layers to 240 million years ago. What a dynamic Earth on which we live. This was one of my best Elderhostel/Road Scholar trips. We are selling our home of 32 years and will be going to a retirement community in Williamsburg, Va., called Patriots Colony.

Herb Wright e-mails, "When the seasons change, it makes me think about the fall semesters at Bucknell. Those times were always so exciting — the return to campus for a fresh start to another academic year. The year is already halfway complete. In fact, the students are on winter break. It's really too bad those breaks had to end after graduation. I could use a 'break' from time to time!

"There is a lot going on at our University, from academics and organizations to campus activities and performances, and so much more. The students are hard at work and play. In addition, President John Bravman and his family have settled in nicely within the Bucknell community. I had an opportunity to meet with John, and I am very impressed with him. He is energetic, communicates well and I believe he will move Bucknell forward and further enhance our existing reputation of excellence. He will also be responsive to concerns of you and me, as alumni."

Herb also included the participation of our class in fundraising for fiscal year June 2010–11. Only 34 percent have contributed to date, as compared to 75 percent last year. Your check should be made payable to Bucknell University and sent to Office of the Annual Fund, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA 17837. Thanks!

**Jean Nardi Benning** e-mails in reply to the above: "Thanks for being our cheerleader, for letting the rest of us off the hook for this job and for performing your assignment so gently. It is

important for each of us to keep making an annual contribution to Bucknell, no matter the size of that contribution. Not only does the school count on our gifts to rein in tuition increases, but also we older classes help to keep high the 'percentage of giving' that is so important in the eyes of many who evaluate the University. When Bucknell comes in high in any ranking of colleges and universities, each of its graduates benefits. I know that I bask in the glow.

"In many ways we who are retired have had an easier time than others in the current recession. Sure our investments have suffered. But our houses are paid for and our kids have been educated. We are downsizing and can live with less. Can you imagine paying Bucknell tuition if you have no job security or no job at all?

"Did we have fall breaks?" Jean asks. "I really don't remember them. But then, the fall term didn't begin in August in the '50s, either. The school year has shifted a bit. At a 1981 summer BBQ on the Main Line for entering Bucknell first-year students, some questions concerned the advisability of bringing unit air conditioners. Finally a mother who had heard enough raised her hand and said, 'I went to Bucknell. Tell me, has the climate changed?'

"I do remember grades at about this time, mainly for the relaxed curfews they granted to women with a certain GPA. I remember the smells of dry leaves, bonfires and chrysanthemum corsages during our Bucknell Octobers. The putting away of cotton shirtdresses and the getting out of wool pencil skirts, pullover sweaters and socks. The setting of goals for ourselves and for campus organizations. The building of parade floats and the taking of senior pictures. And, yes, the sheer joy of being together again after the long summer break.

"That joy was still in evidence at our 50th Reunion, when we won all the attendance and giving awards," Jean concludes. "Let's keep up that class spirit. What a great class we are! And

Herb, if you need a fall break, I hereby authorize you to take one." — T.E.D.

## 1960

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After our 50th Reunion was just a memory, I received the following e-mail from **Elaine Johnston Voss: "Frances Wittmer Rodier** and I could not make it to Lewisburg, so we had our own 50th reunion on Long Island. We had fun looking over the Reunion book and seeing all our Bucknell friends. Now living in New Hampshire, Frances was returning to the places of her youth having grown up in NYC and spent summers on Long Island. We drove around visiting Jones Beach, Fire Island State Park and Bayard Cutting Arboretum. I have lived on Long Island my whole life, now with my daughters and grandchildren nearby."

I received a phone call from **Carole Turner Hadtke**, who I haven't seen for three years. The last time I saw her was in Ocean City, N.J., where she lives with her husband, Charles. When I saw her, it was obvious she was suffering with back pain. In January 2010, she underwent surgery and the doctor discovered that she had been living with two broken bones in her back. He was shocked that she could even get out of bed. Screws were inserted into her back and, after spending time in a wheelchair, she had to learn to walk again. I'm happy to report that she is doing very well, and her back is pain-free.

That's all the news I have. Where are all your e-mails? I thank Elaine for her news and hope that the rest of you will follow suit! — J.S.H.



# 1961

## REUNION 2011

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I received a nice note from **Ira Brinn**, who retired from the Brazilian Federal University system in 2005 and lives in Broward County, Fla. He teaches chemistry part-time at a local community college. He feels that students of today seem to be a bit "badly prepared" as compared to those of other developed countries, especially in math and science, and that the *New York Times* seems to mimic his feelings.

After many years, Ira renewed his contact with **Larry Casey '64**, who was best man at his wedding in 1964. Their e-mail correspondence, basically about politics, gets to be quite lively at times, with the exception of their both being against our country's recent military involvements. Ira is really looking forward to traveling up to Pennsylvania and participating in our 50th Reunion.

It's nice that **Frank Cairo** felt bad for me since the last *Bucknell Magazine* had no '61 news. That's one way to generate some fodder for my column. Fortunately, he has been in contact with **Jack Sweeney** and **Gary Sumner** to plan their annual get-together for golf and socializing. They see each other regularly since graduation and have never reported their activities, feeling that their reunions are not noteworthy to anyone else. But, Frank, they are just what the doctor ordered, since you talk of the former life at Bucknell.

Jack married **Barbara Fullerton Sweeney '63** and Frank married **Mary Jo Droulard Cairo '63**, both Tri Deltas. Gary married an old flame from elementary school bible camp in Towanda, Fredericka, whom he calls "Mike." The Cairos have visited the Sumners on Lake

Wesauking and the Sweeneys at Loon Lake in the Adirondacks. "We raise less hell, stay up less late, talk more, hear less, annoy more, but the times are great," says Frank. "Skiing used to be the catalyst to motivate the meetings, but now it is golf, eat and drink. The last two the most consistent." Well said, Frank. He says they are all in good health, although feigning injury on bad golf shots. His note certainly makes the cut and he thanks anyone who remembers them in a good light.

**Bob Scott** continues to love what he is doing at Adelphi University, having completed 25 years as president and planning on five more. At this point, he is the only American to have served as president of both public and private colleges and as head of a state higher education coordinating board. It's been a great run and he feels very fortunate. In addition, Bob has garnered recognition for his television show, monthly news columns and photography — but his greatest joys have been his grandkids and wife of two years. He will be at the 50th Reunion.

Here is one that is close to home. **Will Huffman** says he could not let another day go by without giving us some "words of wisdom" from Williamsport, Pa. He earned a master's in education almost 50 years ago and began his teaching career on the West Branch of the Susquehanna. Will attended Lycoming College and Lock Haven Teachers College in summers, falls and springs to earn enough credits to earn his master's. Not only did he "work out" at Bucknell, but he met and courted his future wife, who was earning credit for her elementary certification.

Will received *Bucknell Magazine* as long as he was contributing to the cause, but for some reason they stopped. He called in and is back in circulation and willing to help fill in my dearth of class news, as is wont to happen. He retired in 1984 after 32 years in the classroom, homebound and tutor teaching. He got hooked on toy and model trains, which

he had given up after earlier times playing on the family ping-pong table. He met a wheeler-dealer man who traveled around to train meets and soon amassed a small collection of trains. Will's hobby finally expressed itself when, some 20 years ago, he engineered a toy train expo at the county museum. From a few tables and engineers, they outgrew the museum and some six years ago moved to the upscale and historic Park Place, which was a former hotel for the P.R.R. station. It's the perfect place to play around in November for the weekend before Thanksgiving, and is part of a larger celebration known as Victorian Christmas. Will invited me and I'm sure all of 1961 to participate. Surely not this year, but in the future? It's [www.toytrainexpo.org](http://www.toytrainexpo.org) if anyone has an interest, and who wouldn't? Clear tracks ahead, says Will.

It's amazing what can happen when you send out one little e-mail asking someone if they have any news. I e-mail **Ken Rickett '60**, who lives in Bradenton, from time to time and he sends a few notes from **Steve Beers '60**, **Peter Matz '60**, **Bill Schreiber '59**, **Gene Sirianni '60** and **Gary Schaedel**.

Steve is in Wilton Manors/Ft. Lauderdale and has two sons and two grandkids. He sees Pete and Gene occasionally and is close with Gary. Steve says some local Bucknell guys tried to start an alumni thing but he thought it was for youngsters and wished Bill had contacted him earlier so they could have gone over and "caused a disturbance." Sounds like Steve.

Bill is in Spring Hill, about 40 miles north of Tampa, and had the beginnings of an alumni club, but it did not last. He says there are many Bucknellians in the area and he believes he is in the "younger group" at 74. He has survived some serious medical problems. He used to stop by to see Gene in Saratoga Springs on his way to visit his son. Bill retired after 26 years in the Army, two tours in Vietnam and sundry other assignments all over the world. He has four

sons, nine grandkids and four great-grandchildren.

Then the fun started. Having listened to all those old fogies complain about being 73 or 74 years old, I said I may be in the Class of '61 but I am going on to 77, I had quad bypass and still mind my grandson. Steve says, "Just a minute there. I had a triple in 1980 and consulted my secondary medical adviser, Gene, who said not to pay any mind to those doctors saying not to drink." Following that advice, Steve lasted 20 years — until 2000, when he had a quadruple. Dr. Sirianni advised switching from gin to vodka martinis, and Steve is still doing well.

Then Pete chimes in with the fact that he had a hangnail removed 18 years ago and he is still drinking beer. Gene says, "You guys are beautiful," and reports that he had attempted to amputate his finger while trying to slice a bagel. He says he can prescribe liquid refreshment for any ailment.

Here it should be noted that "Gino" and his son operate a very well known and respected tavern in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. They are celebrating 20 years of success.

Knowing what a bunch of winners we are, I suggested a meeting of the crew at Gene's, so anyone can claim to swim five miles or shoot his age at golf. Gene says to come on up. He will dispense medical tonic, and he will buy! As you read this I will still be laughing.

Gary Schaedel, who I had previously reported to have played golf with Tiger and Phil, had a chance to play with Boo Weekley and Emeril Lagasse on his team before the Viking Classic. While he didn't win, he shot a respectable score and got some great recipes from Emeril.

Gary and his wife, Sharon, took a tour from Barcelona on a ship and visited Malta, Tunisia, Corsica, Monaco, Monte Carlo, Positana and Pompei. He says the Mediterranean was tranquil and they had a great time.

If you have any news at all, maybe from Homecoming, please send it along. I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving



and holiday season. Sincerely,  
my best to you all. — B.B.

## 1962

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Having endured an unbelievably hot summer, we enjoyed the glorious cool, crisp weather that comes with autumn in the Middle Atlantic states. Last winter's record-breaking snowfall amounts are still a vivid memory.

I've been in touch with **Ed Vallecorse** through frequent, usually hilarious, e-mails. Ever one to further his knowledge on all fronts, in August 2010 he was named "Summer 2010 Student of the Quarter" for the Associate of Science program of Computer Electronics Engineering Technology at the ITT Technical Institute in University Park, Fla. The school is displaying a plaque in the main entrance of the school with his name and photo. It is engraved with this: "The students pictured here exemplify the dedication and commitment necessary for the successful completion of their educational goals. These students often serve as role models by assisting other students or demonstrating a positive attitude towards their course of study. We feel these students deserve to be recognized for their contributions, and we hope they continue to excel at ITT Technical Institute as students and graduates." Ed's long-held dream is to become a computer and electronics technician, which he hopes to do before he dies (his words, not mine).

Further information about Ed reveals that after receiving his bachelor's in electrical engineering, he was accepted into USAF Flight Training and served six years in the Pennsylvania, New York and California Air National Guard as a pilot. He was hired by Trans World Airlines in 1965 and flew as a pilot and flight engineer for 33 years

before retiring in 1998. Those of you who would like to send congratulatory messages can reach him at 13710 Oasis Terrace, Lakewood Ranch, Bradenton, FL 34202 or at [evallaco@yahoo.com](mailto:evallaco@yahoo.com).

**Steve Sugar**, father of three, writes that his son, Mike, moved back in with Marie and him. However, after three months of doting and care-giving, Mike decided to move back out. I do believe the Sugars are enjoying the empty nest. Their daughter, Kim, who lives in nearby Narberth, presented them with their eighth grandchild in November 2010. Kim is a book designer whose clients include Rick Steves and Jane Alexander. Steve and Marie continue to enjoy their decision to relocate to Lancaster. His new e-mail address is [steve.sugar@verizon.net](mailto:steve.sugar@verizon.net).

On a personal note, I had a delightful chat the other day with a gentleman in a Bucknell sweatshirt who was just finishing his workout at the local YMCA. When I commented on his Bucknell sweatshirt and asked if he had graduated from Bucknell, he responded, "Yes. I am a member of the Class of '37." By my calculations, that would make him 95! I never did get his name, but he certainly is an inspiration to me. Hopefully, I'll run into him again.

*Note: Perhaps the mystery alumnus is class reporter **Charlie Vogel '37**. See the 1937 column for a story about his experience at the YMCA.*

Okay, classmates, as always I welcome any news of you and/or your families. Bring it on! — B.K.S.

## 1963

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I don't usually write about myself, but my husband, Paul, and I took a stunning western trip you should consider. We

started in Portland and headed down the Columbia River Gorge and hiked our way up the waterfalls, with camera at the ready. Next, we whitewater rafted on the Deschutes River in Maupin, Ore. It was a wow! However, as we came off the water, we learned that my brother, Rich, lost his battle with lung cancer. We were very sad, but knew he would want us to keep moving. We toasted him every night. Heading to Crater Lake Nature Preserve, we were awed for two days. On to Lassen Nature Preserve we hiked down to bubbling pools like the ones at Yellowstone. Although we were at 8,500 feet, our daily treks conditioned us to hike with ease. A couple of days in Napa Valley were a treat. Then we slipped down the California coast to Sausalito and on to San Francisco, after which we headed home. The week after arriving home, we flew to Ft. Lauderdale for a magnificent memorial event for my brother on the Inter-coastal Waters on a three-level boat. The Marines did a flag ceremony as a remembrance. Rich was a person who seized the day and lived life as he wanted to. Unfortunately, one of the things he wanted to do was smoke. Don't do it.

**Dick Fidler** received some keepsakes from friends of his grandfather. They included the first article Dick wrote for *The Bucknellian*, "My World," which ultimately became the title of a series. In the article, he asked for readers and many from our class responded. Dick says his readers opened up a new world for him and contributed to his successful career as a math teacher. A second keepsake was a clipping about Dick's winning the Recordings for the Blind achievement award and an award presented by President Kennedy. This all reminded Dick how his classmates, professors and many others helped make "My World" their world. Dick would enjoy hearing from members of our class at [rfidl@verizon.net](mailto:rfidl@verizon.net).

I marvel at how technology has changed our lives. **Linda Garrett Greenberg** writes from

the *Queen Mary 2*. "It's a magnificent ship. We disembarked in Southampton, where longtime friends from Wiltshire met us. We will spend a few days with them, return to NYC, and then head to Key West/Sugarloaf Key on Nov. 2, 2010, in time to vote!"

As you receive this, days will be getting longer and hope for spring will be in our hearts. Consider celebrating the New Year with a gift to Bucknell honoring someone who made a difference in your life. Also, send news! — W.S.B.

## 1964

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I hope you all are enjoying your 50th high school reunions. I trust you all look better than most of the other attendees!

After nearly two years of retirement as professor emeritus at Rutgers University, **Denny Gale** found he missed the academic life. So, he teaches Urban Policy to eager undergraduates two days a week at Stanford University's Palo Alto campus. Way to go, Denny.

**Jeff '63** and **Teddy Furst Martin** were in New Harmony, Ind., for a week attending an Elderhostel/Road Scholar program on utopian communities. Teddy helped coordinate a Bucknell mini-alum party in Naples, Fla., in November 2010.

**Bill Teeple** writes that he lives in Edmonton, Alberta, with his wife, Dora. He retired as president of a tire wholesale and retail distribution company two years ago. He does some consulting and board work, but mostly enjoys retirement. He has two sons living in New Hampshire and a stepson and stepdaughter in school in Edmonton. Bill mentioned how sad he was to hear about the death of **Ed Place '63**, mentioning that he was a great fraternity brother who taught him to play bridge. Bill welcomes contact from classmates and fraternity brothers, especially if



traveling through Alberta. Contact him at wteep@telus.net.

*Note: Ed's obituary appeared in the spring 2010 issue.*

I had the pleasure of a long lunch with my "little sister of KKG," **Mimi Stanley**, while I was visiting Seattle this summer. Mimi has had a very active career in the medical field. She and her husband have been doing lots of traveling and taking full advantage of all the Pacific Northwest has to offer.

A nice note from **Sam Davis '63** mentions that he watched a Phillies game with Dottie and **Kurt Anderson '63** and Nancy and **Gerry Hall '63**. Sam lives near Pinehurst and spends the dead of winter in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

Bob and **Dow Fenton Malnati** rented an apartment in Lucca for two weeks in September 2010 and loved living as locals — walking the wall, eating huge lunches and drinking a fair amount of local wine!

From Durham, Conn., **Bob Poliner** writes about the loss of his friend, **Paul Wice**, in November 2009. "Paul and I were great friends at and after Bucknell. His story is so remarkable and tragic, but one would never get that impression from him even as he went through the most harrowing of experiences," writes Bob. "Bucknell honored him posthumously with the Bucknell Distinguished Citizenship Award at Homecoming last October. Paul was a full professor of political science at Drew University for nearly 30 years. He published more than 10 books on a variety of subjects and wrote two textbooks and hundreds of short papers and articles. Much of his writing dealt with the courts and the criminal justice system. In New Jersey he was recognized by the Supreme Court and appointed to serve for a time as the court's scholar in residence. After the Ruben 'Hurricane' Carter conviction was overturned and Carter was released from prison (a famous boxer convinced of participating in the murder of two or three men), Paul gathered all of the trial and pretrial deposition transcripts and

wrote a book about Carter's trial, *Ruben 'Hurricane' Carter and the American Justice System*. At the time of his death he was writing stories about growing up in Washington, D.C.

"Paul's health was not good for some time. He suffered a heart attack and a stroke and underwent bypass surgery in fall 2007. His doctor sent him to Beth Israel Medical Center and within three weeks he received a heart transplant. His recovery was remarkable and his body accepted the new heart without any sign of rejection. In less than six months he was able to travel without restrictions. Then, in 2009, he developed a melanoma and died within months. Paul was a wonderful father and an outstanding human being. He never lost his great sense of humor or his desire to learn, even though he was an expert in so many facets of criminal justice and beset with so many difficult illnesses. His writings will live after him, and he will be remembered fondly by all who knew him." — B.W.S.

*Note: Paul's obituary appeared in the spring 2010 issue.*

## 1965

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It was my hope that additional classmates would be moved to share news after reading about some of us who attended our 45th Reunion. Why haven't I heard from the rest of you who promised to send material? Please don't let another five years zip by. The loss of another of my close friends from high school has reinforced my desire to stay in touch with those I care about.

It was with great admiration that I read the in-depth *Forbes* magazine interview with **Ron Baron**, who founded Baron Capital in 1982 and serves as CEO, chief investment officer

and portfolio manager at Baron Growth Fund, Baron Partners Fund and Baron Retirement Income Fund. A self-made billionaire, he has stuck with his investment strategy that everything we do is long-term. Way to go, Ron! Your positive view of the future is infectious. Enjoy the 19th Annual Baron Investment Conference at the Metropolitan Opera House in Lincoln Center.

Condolences to **Jean Birdsall Ball** for the loss of her husband, Jerry, who underwent a double lung transplant four years ago. Jean is especially grateful for those extra years he had to get to know their five grandchildren. She strongly urges everyone to sign up as an organ donor. — L.H.T.

## 1966

### REUNION 2011

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Ah, yes, the years have flown, children grown, careers achieved, thick hair bereaved, yet optimism reigns because we became 45 years old, a graduating class so bold (and really not so old). Here are some Bucknell memories provided by our "head cheerleader," **Dick Pace**, who is recuperating from hip surgery (rest easy, Dick!), and me: The stupid beanies and name signs that we wore freshman year; the very smart and attractive co-eds; the not-so-smart guys; Dunkles and Tacks; the Bison; slow dancing at the Sweet Shop; autumn leaves and football games; spring flowers; house parties; kegs; meeting people for the first time with that weird Philly accent; getting a -10 on my first calculus exam (all 10 questions wrong and I forgot to put my name on the paper); filling out hundreds of "blue books;" joining a demonstration demanding that the cafeteria

stop putting saltpeter in our food, as if it made a difference; pledging Fiji and getting hit on the butt with a paddle; sleeping in; regretting it; getting a 2.0 in the first semester and feeling like Einstein; graduating with a 2.0 and feeling lucky; making out with my girlfriend every night for three straight years (almost got to third base — what was third base?); pinning/getting pinned; ski trips to Lake Placid; road trips to Penn State and Philly; Professor Peterec's geography classes (aced them all); Uncle Bobbie's journalism classes (who didn't?); being third-line defense on the club lacrosse team; away ice hockey games where we got creamed; our awesome football, swimming and basketball teams; having a recurring dream that in senior year, you inadvertently missed an 8 a.m. class all semester and you would not graduate; ROTC (I was still a corporal senior year); Fiji Island parties; Sigma Chi sweethearts; Phi Psi "imports;" and, most of all, the great people we met. It was the best four years of our lives.

An update from **John** and **Betsy Neary Sholl '67**: "We live in Portland, Maine. Both our children, **Matt '93** and Hannah, are married and live in the Portland area. Both have two kids. Grandparenting is a joy! Betsy teaches creative writing at the University of Southern Maine and Vermont College of Fine Arts (master's in creative writing program). She's published a good number of poetry books and serves as the Poet Laureate of Maine. John served in whole person health care as a licensed marriage and family therapist at the Wellspring Health Center with his brother, **Bob '69**, and a team of therapists; and as a pastor in Baptist, Mennonite and International Christian Fellowship (a local African church). Blessings to you and our Bucknell classmates."

**Nancy Woods Rosman** writes, "I worked for 33 years for the Pennsylvania Welfare Department, retiring in 2001. My husband, Harvey, is also retired after 32 years as a home and school visitor (aka truant



officer) in the Philadelphia School District. We live on a 'farmette' in Montgomery County, Pa. We have three llamas, two goats and several chickens. We also have four rescued dogs and three rescued cats. I have a small cottage in Ocean City, N.J., and I do get there occasionally in the summer and off-season."

From **Jack Hoopes**: "I am writing at the urging of my son, **Chandler '12**. I am retired (mostly just tired). I still live in Berwyn, Pa. I have never lived more than 10 miles from here in my entire life. If you look up the definition of 'local yokel' in your *Funk & Wagnalls*, you will find my picture. I was a serial entrepreneur all of my life. My college roommate, **Don Anderson**, and I started a small business together about 40 years ago, and we have been partners in it and others ever since. Amazingly enough, we are not only still speaking but remain best of friends! Mostly we lie to each other about how good we are at golf since our indoor sport skills have significantly deteriorated. As Paul Simon sings, 'I'm still crazy after all these years.'"

**Gary and Meg Cochran Miller** enjoy retirement and are happily ensconced on Skidaway Island outside of Savannah, Ga. "We live in a multigenerational community, the Landings, in a subtropical forest with six golf courses, 30-plus tennis courts, 40 miles of bike trails and two marinas, as well as lots of other activities. It is a fabulous recreational facility with friendly, low-key people and affordable homes. We love the city of Savannah, too," writes Meg. "Gary and I still ski out west, boat, golf, travel a lot — most recently to Turkey, which is wonderful — and enjoy our two children and three grandchildren. We are involved in several philanthropic and other activities in our community."

**Joanne Scott** writes, "After many years of teaching genetics, embryology, virology, etc., and researching type 1 diabetes in Galveston, Denmark, UVA School of Medicine and Rowan University in New Jersey, I finally retired with professor emeritus

status and live in Charlottesville, Va. My life is filled with remodeling my house, taking courses in ancient/comparative religions at UVA, taking advantage of the friendly atmosphere of Ch'ville, and visiting my great-niece, 4, in Baltimore. I'm convinced that retirement life can never be boring for educated people living in a university town."

Hope to see you in June to celebrate 45 years, whew! — P.E.

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It was great to hear from **Sandy Mills Feingerts**, who is actively practicing law in New Orleans. She and her husband, Jack, have moved back into their house after repairing the collateral damage incurred during Katrina. She hopes to travel more once Jack's senior status becomes effective. Her children are active, ambitious and successful. Her daughter, Leslie, is in her fifth year working in the New Orleans public schools with low-income children. She is the high school placement director and also teaches a writing course for 8th graders at a KIPP Middle School. KIPP was reflected in the movie *Waiting for Superman*. Sandy's son, Bradley, will graduate in June from the University of Chicago with a JD/MBA. Her son, Brett, is a trader, working in the "pit" at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange trading S&P options, and will most likely attend business school. Both sons live together and enjoy the active life in Chicago. Sandy plans to connect with **Jennifer Payne Reese** during her next Chicago trip. Sandy traveled to

China in October 2010 and plans to travel more as time permits.

Your class reporter has had an adventuresome year, having had hip surgery in January 2010 and eye surgery in July 2010. I attended the Theta Chi mini-reunion in Orlando in mid-November. There will be more about that in the next issue.

Your classmates are anxious to hear about our other classmates; your various adventures; small, medium and large accomplishments; and changes — and we are very interested and anxious to hear what's going on in your lives. Please give a call or drop me a line so I can let them know.

This issue's Bison in the Green Mountains is **Pam Craumer Johnson '72**. She is a former resident of Harrisburg who bleeds orange and blue since her parents, **Robert '48** and **Natalie Dann Craumer '49**; brother, **Peter '75**; and sister, **Patricia '79**, also went to Bucknell. I met Pam through her husband, David, who is the partner in the A. Johnson Co., a local hardwood lumber mill and a client. David and Pam met and blended their families before moving to Vermont from Pennsylvania 12 years ago. When the youngest of their four children was 16, they adopted Cara, a four-month-old girl from Guatemala who is now in the 8th grade. Pam has given up her former life as a claims adjuster and is involved in various humanitarian projects, including the Refugee Resettlement Program, and in doing so has hosted families from Somalia and the Sudan and an exchange student from Venezuela. She and David have been to Guatemala twice and went again in December 2010 to perform volunteer work. Pam's two sons are computer programmers; one in Mountain View, Calif., the other for U.S. Steel. — G.V.

## 1969

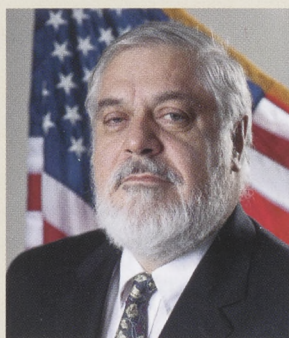
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"So often I've thought of sending something to Class Notes; finally I'm doing it," writes **Lynn Duryea**. Effective July 1, she was granted tenure and promoted to associate professor of art at Appalachian State University in Boone, N.C., where she has been teaching for six years. At the May 2010 Commencement ceremonies, she was presented with the Outstanding Faculty Award for Service, in honor of her commitment to the Art Department, the College of Fine and Applied Arts, Appalachian State, as well as the larger clay community. Immediately after graduation from Bucknell, Lynn did graduate work in art history and museum studies at the Institute of Fine Arts, a graduate division of NYU. An internship at the Metropolitan Museum resulted in the position of administrative assistant in the 20th Century Department working under curator Henry Geldzahler until leaving New York for Maine in 1974. Lynn earned a master of fine arts from the University of Florida in 2002, returning to school 30 years after leaving Bucknell, 25 of which were spent living and working in Maine, on Deer Isle and in Portland. During that time, Lynn was a founder of Eastern Bay Gallery, a cooperative venture in Stonington, as well as one of four artist-owners who established Sawyer Street Studios in South Portland ([www.sawyerstreetstudios.com](http://www.sawyerstreetstudios.com)). She is also a founder of Watershed Center for the Ceramic Arts ([www.watershedceramics.org](http://www.watershedceramics.org)), an international residency program in the mid-coast area of Maine, where for 12 years she was program coordinator and artist-in-residence for the Watershed Workshop for People with HIV/AIDS. Her sculptural work has been exhibited internationally, is widely published and can be seen by going to [www.lynnnduryea.artaxis.org](http://www.lynnnduryea.artaxis.org). Lynn returns to Maine and her Deer Isle studio for two months each summer, often passing through Lewisburg so she can visit with **John and Sue Barney Mathias**. You can reach Lynn at [lynnnduryea@yahoo.com](mailto:lynnnduryea@yahoo.com). — P.D.



## IN THE AFTERMATH OF CHEMICAL ACCIDENTS

In 1967, during a tumultuous era on American campuses, **Rafael Moure-Eraso M'70** came to Bucknell University to pursue a master's degree in chemical engineering. He was far from his birthplace in Cali, Colombia, and even farther still from his childhood home in Bogota, where he studied with the Augustinian friars and later attended La Universidad de los Andes. Mentored by Professor Emeritus of Chemical Engineering James Pommersheim, Moure-Eraso mastered chemical engineering. At the same time, he understood that the social awakening in the U.S. would transform his career. No longer could members of his profession simply consider products and outcomes. They would have to address the long-term effects of their work, in light of ecological and social sustainability.



In March 2010, President Obama nominated Moure-Eraso as chairman of the U.S. Chemical Safety Board (CSB), a governmental agency formed in 1998 to investigate industrial chemical accidents. Unlike the EPA and OSHA, which are regulatory agencies, the CSB is strictly investigative and does not issue fines or penalties, but makes reports and safety recommendations public. The 1984 chemical explosion in Bhopal, India, which killed more than 5,000 people and left hundreds of thousands injured, as well as a series of serious chemical accidents in the U.S., demonstrated the need for a national chemical investigative board. The agency's investigations identify the root causes of chemical accidents and identify underlying safety deficiencies. Moure-Eraso intends for the agency — in its 14th year of investigations — to be more proactive than ever, supporting accident prevention through comprehensive investigations and recommendations.

Among the agency's many current investigations, the probe into the B.P. Transocean Deepwater Horizon oil rig blowout, which occurred in April 2010, grips the world's attention. According to Moure-Eraso, the CSB is investigating the causes of the explosion, examining the blow-out preventer and other equipment in cooperation with other agencies, and is conducting comprehensive interviews with all parties involved. The agency's detailed report should be available by April 2012.

Says Moure-Eraso, "My profession has changed substantially, now that social contexts of production, such as sustainability, have become important. Equally important are implications of industrial accidents and the safety of workers, issues that the CSB will continue to examine in its investigations."

— Maria Jacketti

"We have a little place that we love in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, near Lake Superior, and have become avid kayakers. The mix keeps changing, and likely will continue to do so for years to come. I suspect that many classmates will be exploring alternatives to the traditional models of retirement. We certainly are!"

Thanks for keeping in touch, John. I'm still waiting to hear from all the classmates at Reunion who promised to send news. — L.H.D.

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On June 16, 2010, the Ely Chapter of Lambda Alpha International, an honorary professional land economics organization, presented an award to **Laurie Butcher Marston** for her leadership on the publication, *The Plan of Chicago @ 100: 15 Views of Burnham's Legacy for a New Century*. With the help of a nine-person committee and 19 authors, she created a hardcover book of essays with maps, photographs and illustrations that stimulated debate about the plan's impact on Chicago past and present, as well as the plan's influence on future

## 1970

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**John McFadden** was kind enough to send this update on his and **Susan Hamilton McFadden's** incredibly busy lives: "We still live in Appleton, Wis. Our daughter and her family (yes, we are finally grandparents) are in Minneapolis and our son is in St. Paul. We are four years into a multi-year transition to the next stage of life together. I left my senior pastorate four years ago (23 years was long enough) to do part-time work-

place chaplaincy for Goodwill Industries and volunteer as chaplain in an extended care facility, working with folks with advanced dementia. Susan is still teaching psychology at the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh full-time (somebody needs to provide the health insurance), but is working on a 'step-down plan' that would move her to teaching half-time. Together we have written a book, *Aging Together: Dementia, Friendship and Flourishing Communities*, to be published next spring by Johns Hopkins University Press. Our baby-boom cohorts (all 78 million of us!) can expect to live relatively long lives, which inevitably means that many of us will be contend-

ing with progressive memory loss of some sort in the coming years. We look at core questions like, 'How do I continue a joyous relationship with a friend who no longer remembers who I am?' and explore how communities need to change to honor and include folks in various stages of dementia.

"Susan has taken up the drums (she claims it is good for the aging brain, but the truth is that she still has a rock and roll heart) while I have somehow amassed a large collection of ukuleles. I have begun work on a performance piece designed for presentation to audiences that include persons living with dementia, sort of Tiny Tim meets the Velvet Underground.



city-building in the U.S. and the world. For "creating a Ely Chapter legacy through her unceasing commitment to excellence in the editing, publishing, marketing and distribution" of the book, she was presented with the Richard T. Ely Distinguished Chapter Service Award.

**Al Larsen** reports, "While the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity has shut down on campus for the next few years, the chapter-in-exile has been sighted in Washington, D.C. Alums from the mid-1970s have discovered a critical mass assembled in the metro area. **Tim Williamson '75** and I recognized each other (amazing in itself) at the local cross country ski club's annual kick-off event. **Bruce Cooper** and **Jeff Yingling '73** ran into each other at a University-sponsored event downtown. I had already been getting together with **George Lane** and **Lon Musslewhite**. The gang has gotten together for a Caps hockey game at an Arlington sports bar and a golf outing. We plan to keep at it at least until the chapter reopens on campus. In the meantime, any others in the greater metro area (which, based on D.C. traffic patterns, appears to include Pennsylvania and West Virginia) should contact me at [alarsen120@aol.com](mailto:alarsen120@aol.com) about joining in our next get-together."

I received a note and photo from Ray and **Sue Nelson Elliott**. "We always try to get a group together every year for the *Bucknell Magazine* and take a picture with the Bucknell flag. This year **Scott '73** and **Karen Reid McCombe**, **Louise Kunkel Brokaw**, **Bernie** and **Barb Balling Carl '73** gathered at our house in Crystal Lake, Ill. The Carls live in Uniontown, Pa.; Louise in Annandale, N.J.; and the McCombes in Montpelier, Vt. We've gotten together for a long weekend at each of our houses, and next year hope to do a destination weekend somewhere.

**Veda Ward** writes, "**David Henninger** and I celebrated the 35th anniversary of our wedding on May 8, 2010, in Washington, D.C. Among those attending were several classmates: **Brian**

and **Kathy Taylor Walters**, my former roommate and JC partner on 4th Harris, Ed and **Lori Vought-Nicklin**, **Tom McKenna** and **Ron Kostar '74**. In addition to our sons, Evan and Colin, all siblings on both sides of the family were there, along with my mother, Connie; seven nieces and nephews; and numerous friends and former colleagues — and even one I have known since second grade! We truly had a wonderful time reconnecting, dancing and celebrating in perfect May weather. While many of our friends have retired or are semi-retired, David and I are still very engaged in our paid work-life. Neither son is yet married, but both are in committed relationships and residing in the Los Angeles area, where we have lived since leaving Maryland in 1990. I am active with the Conejo Valley Alumnae Club of Pi Phi and have really enjoyed meeting sisters from all over the U.S. who happened to land in Los Angeles. This year I will serve as membership chair, and am hoping we can grow our chapter."

**Chuck Resnick** reports, "On Sept. 25, 2010, the Third Annual SPE Fossil Golf Outing took place at the Bucknell Golf Club in Lewisburg, Pa. In attendance were **Bryan Snapp**, **Bill Mathews**, **Tom Hannan '73**, **Ken Phelps '73**, **Rick Frazier '74**, **Don Labowsky '74**, **Bob Schowalter '74**, **Dave MacGregor '75** and me. The nine participants was a new record, which we hope to break next year. We have had participants in all years from '72 through '77 inclusive at some point. Several brothers talked about coming back for Homecoming or taking up curling this winter under the auspices of **Pam Stephani '74** in south-eastern Pennsylvania.

"The event featured a round of golf, a visit to the SPE house on campus and dinner at the Bull Run Inn (Dunkel's). Dave shot a very impressive 77. Next year he will play blindfolded, which should add at least two strokes. Bill and Bryan had their lowest scores of the season. I enjoyed the fresh air trying to find my errant shots

without injuring small animals (fortunately Bob is a vet, just in case I did). We hope to break our attendance record next year, at which time I hope to keep my streak of triple digit scores alive."

**Paul Wainwright** sends information about his new book, *A Space for Faith: The Colonial Meetinghouses of New England*. He was named the *Boston Globe's* Photographer of the Week for his work photographing New England's Colonial meetinghouses. In addition, Paul's work has gained him several television appearances. Reviews of his work in print include a feature in *Lens Work*, *View Camera Magazine*, *Reader's Digest* and the *Concord Monitor*, among others. Work from his colonial meetinghouses project is on exhibit at the Minneapolis Photo Center in Minneapolis, Minn. Upcoming presentations and signings and information about ordering the book for lovers of New England history, classic black and white photography, and historic architecture, as well as the reviews cited above, can be found at Paul's website at [www.aspaceforfaith.com](http://www.aspaceforfaith.com).

Personally, I am sending a big "thank you" to the Pi Phi and Kappas who have been keeping me well supplied with jokes and e-mails as I work through a four-month course of chemotherapy for lymphoma. You all are the best, and I can't wait to see you in 2011. — A.S.B.

See the 1968 column for news about **Pam Craumer Johnson**.

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**Carol Malesardi Litwak** writes, "Each time I go back to campus I plan to submit a class note, but Reunion 2010 motivated me. It was a great weekend. **Sue Strickland Given** did an amazing job planning class events, and she was always there to smile and direct us to the next activity. Sue, I hope you enjoyed several cocktails; you deserved them.

"We had a class party and acquitted ourselves respectably at Reunion Rally, though we fell a little short of our class gift goal. **Dave Scadden** was awarded the honor of Outstanding Professional in a Chosen Field and later gave a presentation on stem cell research that was SRO. There were many activity choices, sort of a Bucknell Club Med, but my roommate for the weekend, **Cathy Grant O'Brien**, and I decided a little R&R was in order before the class dinner.

"Our dinner was held in the lobby of the Weis Center, and we had a great turnout. It was a good place to catch up, and many photos were taken. Dave Scadden gave a brief reprise of his earlier talk and reminded us how much Bucknell influenced us, and that we need to continue to give back to Bucknell. Thanks, Dave. You said it best. After dinner, we headed to the tent party; great band, spectacular fireworks, open bar and even Bechtel's ice cream. And after the tent party, Dunkel's, anyone?

"It was wonderful to catch up and so amazing that, 35 years later, we can see old friends and it's like yesterday. The Tri Deltas and Alpha Chis had an impressive



turnout, and those Tri Delts have not forgotten how to party. They had their own hospitality suite with all the trimmings. As for the Pi Phis — **Sue Ziska, Barb Smith DeBonte, Karen Lemmo Lundgren** and Cathy O'Brien — I'm so glad you all came. And to those of you I begged and nagged, you missed a special weekend. Put it on your calendar for June 2015." — N.Q.B.

## 1976

### REUNION 2011

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Robert and **Barbara Duling Hayward '76** say hello from Lancaster, Pa. She is a stay-at-

home mom with James, 13, and Anne, 18. John, 21, is a junior at Grove City College; Andrew, 23, is in the Army; and Joy, 26, a Wheaton grad, is married and works as a corporate recruiter. Barb is active in their church, enjoys reading and gardening and loves being a "soccer mom." Bucknell friends are most welcome to reach her at [rhayward462@aol.com](mailto:rhayward462@aol.com).

After 31 years with New York Life Insurance Company, **Robert Rock** joins the ranks of those of us taking early retirement. Just prior to retiring, he and his wife, Nancy, traveled to South Africa to visit their son, David, and daughter-in-law, Alexandra, both studying for master's at Stellenbosch University. Christmas holidays were spent in nearby and fascinating Namibia. Another family traveling highlight was when Bob and his daughters, Carolyn and Catherine, climbed Mt. Fuji. They say the sunrise view from the summit was

incredible! Summers are split between Short Hills and Sea Girt, N.J. But since tennis, golf and volunteering are not enough for Bob, he has started his own consulting practice: Gift Planning Stewardship, LLC. If any Bucknellians can use his services (risk management related to planned giving for non-profits), please contact him at [www.giftplanningstewardship.com](http://www.giftplanningstewardship.com). He would love to catch up with classmates or Lambda Chis. His advice, by the way, is to "retire as early as you can and have fun. Life is too short to not enjoy it." — M.S.G.

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While we may be approaching middle age, (okay, I guess we're there!), the women of '78 are not slowing down or resting on their laurels. I reached out to class members to ask for updates and got some interesting career info — and I'd love to hear from more of you!

**Nancy Chandler Kogelmeier** writes, "In August 2010 I joined a company called Ipsos Understanding Unlimited (IUU). It's the U.S.-based qualitative research arm of the Ipsos Inc.,

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a global research company based out of Paris. I am a vice president, client engagement for the consumer packaged goods sector. It's a great company filled with lots of capable people and innovative approaches to market and consumer research. The added bonus is that IUU is based in Cincinnati, so we didn't have to disrupt our youngest, George, during his sophomore year."

**Nancy Seidensticker Faux** replies, "I finished a webinar on pivot tables." (As an English major, I asked for clarification. Apparently pivot tables have something to do with finance.) Nancy, a CPA who worked for Arthur Andersen and Citicorp after graduation, was a business manager at Westminster School in Atlanta for many years. She has her own practice. While becoming a certified proadvisor in QuickBooks, last summer she managed to play with a nine-hole golf group on Wednesdays. She reports a very diverse client group, from a software development company, to a television program producer to a woman facing divorce who had left her law practice to follow her husband to Atlanta.

**Lisa Poulin**, a managing partner at CRG Partners Group, LLC, in Bethesda, Md., brought me up to date as well. "I am coming to the end of my presidency of Turnaround Management Association (TMA) and will be chairman of the board next year. For TMA I went to Berlin and Brazil in 2010. It has been an interesting year, but a huge commitment of time and resources." TMA ([www.turnaround.org](http://www.turnaround.org)) is the only international nonprofit association dedicated to corporate renewal and turnaround management. Its international headquarters are in Chicago. Despite her professional responsibilities, Lisa managed to squeeze in a cruise in the Far East with **Wendy Pangburn**. Wendy and Lisa write a blog that details their latest adventures and includes some of Wendy's amazing photographs. Find it at <http://lpoulin.wordpress.com>.

I added another "career" to my real estate endeavors. I am a contributor for New Canaan Patch, which is part of Patch.com, a community-specific news and information platform dedicated to providing comprehensive and trusted local coverage for individual towns and communities, with headquarters in NYC. It's been really fun and rewarding to get involved with events in my town in a new way. — J.M.P.

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When I took on the job as your class reporter, I promised myself I would never send in a blank report, even with no news. Well, unfortunately, I did not receive any news to send this time. I expect that after Homecoming there will be a lot to write, but please do not use that as an excuse, dear classmates. If you have never written to the class reporter, do it! Your lives are interesting and what you have to tell us is read eagerly by your fellow classmates. If you have not written in a while, well there is all the more to share. Let's hear from you. — A.S.

## 1980

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**Charlotte Baybutt McCabe '81** sends a note that 35 Gamma Phi Beta sorority sisters attended a weekend gathering in September 2010. The reunion included alums from 1980–86 and many hadn't seen each other in 30 years, since graduation. I had forgotten that this sorority began while we were on campus.

Charlotte specifically mentioned **Rose Kloap Clay**,

who graduated early with our class. Rose has two children, one in college and one in graduate school, and shares a pediatric dentist practice with her husband. She lives in Delaware.

Charlotte mentioned another '80 Gamma Phi Beta, **Tammy Winterkorn Wilkinson**, though she wasn't present at the event. Tammy, please check in.

Enjoy the holidays and please keep in touch. — D.H.

## 1981

### REUNION 2011

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I apologize for the empty column in the last issue but, honestly, I had no news to share! And there is only a little bit to report this time around, so please be in touch.

First things first. Go to your calendars right now and put our 30th Reunion dates down: June 2–5. For those of you who have attended every one of our Reunions, you know why you don't want to miss it. For those of you who have never attended one of our Reunions, you are missing a fabulous time. Really. We all have a blast together, and we don't spend all of our time comparing "successes," weight loss, hair retention or any of the other fears you have. Reunions are more fun when there are lots of us present. So please make every effort to be there!

A group of our classmates had a wonderful mini-Reunion. **Charlotte Baybutt McCabe**

sends a nice note with details on the event. "Sorority pride was strong when 35 members of Gamma Phi Beta reunited for a weekend of fun and friendship in Alexandria, Va., in September 2010. Representing the Class of 1981 were **Jane Blake, Lou Ann Leary, Sally Leety, Jolene Bak, Sue Brandenburg Schaub, Michele Zukowski Canty, Sandi Solomon, Debbie Ruppert**

**Blaha** and myself," she writes. "While Class of '81 Gamma Phis always get together at our Reunion, this was the first time they met as a group along with sisters from the Classes of 1980–86. It took no time at all for the years to melt away and the stories to start flowing — especially when scrapbooks and photos were brought out to jog memories. While the Gamma Phi Beta chapter is no longer active on campus, based on the enthusiastic response to this event it was clear that the sorority's impact lives on." Sounds like a great time, Charlotte, and I remember well how close all of you Gamma Phi Betas were. You worked hard to bring the chapter to Bucknell, and it was clearly worth the effort, as your lifelong friendships prove.

Steve and I received the summer edition of the Spennato semi-annual newsletter and enjoyed (as always) reading about **Nick Spennato** and his family. His letters are always funny, thought-provoking and heart-warming and have allowed us (and many other Bucknell friends) to keep up on their "doings" with ease. The best news this time around was that Nick's oldest, Jordan, was off to Hendrix College in Arkansas. No doubt Nick and his wife, Michele, are missing her a great deal, but it sounded like a great spot for the smart and athletic Jordan. Nick and Michele also have a son, Drew, who is a junior in high school and a daughter, Mia, who is in middle school. Nick always writes fondly about his family and also about the Jersey Shore (the real one, not the made-up "real" one of MTV fame!). All the best, Nick. You know that your political views and mine often clash, but it's always good for a rousing dinner table conversation at our house (especially as Steve moves much closer to your point of view!).

I also received the very exciting news this past week that **Steven and Kirsten Schubauer Heine-mann's** second son, Erik, has chosen to become a member of the Bucknell Class of 2015!



He is an accomplished swimmer and had some very nice choices of colleges pursuing him to swim for him. But, happily for all, Erik chose Bucknell and is looking forward to joining his older brother, **Andrew '12**, in Lewisburg. Not surprisingly, Kirsten is thrilled, as is her father, **Jim Schubauer '56**.

See you in June! — C.C.R.

## 1982

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Members of the Class of '82 played a big part in a reunion of Gamma Phi Beta sorority members held in Alexandria, Va., in September. **Nancy Duran Evanoff**, **Karen Hamerski Brogan**, **Gail Lawson Anderson**, **Cheryl Cole Fiery** and **Annie**

**Peters Magnant** planned the event on behalf of alums from the Classes of 1980–86. Other 1982 alums at the weekend event were **Carol Israel Casten**, **Kathy Dowler Murphy**, **Mary Comly**, **Sue Swank-Caschera**, **Janet Sammon Broderick** and **Anne Pavuk Wright**. Altogether, there were 35 Delta Xi chapter members at this first-time event. In addition to touring D.C. and other local sights on their own, the group gathered for lots of laughs and even a few tears, including those shed for a lost sister, **Linda Jamison Berry**. After looking at old scrapbooks and composites rescued by Cheryl Fiery from the Bucknell Panhellenic closet, they parted with promises to gather again soon.

**Gary Resnick** was re-elected as Mayor of Wilton Manors, Fla.

I haven't received much news from classmates over the past year. To make our column interesting, you guys have to

write to me! We've just finished the year, celebrating our half-century mark (How did we get that old? I certainly don't feel 50!) and the holidays are just past. Why don't you drop me a short e-mail and let me know what is going on with you? Happy New Year! — B.G.K.

## 1983

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One early fall evening I found this message from **Col. Thomas Bryant** in my inbox: "Good evening, Tracey, from Kabul, the capital of Afghanistan," he writes. "I am on my third trip to 'OEF' — Operation Enduring Freedom — and my sixth total trip to Iraq or Afghanistan since 2002. This will sound corny to

most, but after 27-plus years as a soldier, deployment is what you came to the dance to do. While you know what crap you are going to have to put up with for the next months or years ahead, it is the chance to serve again in theater that makes it all worthwhile.

"I am in a great position as the commander's science and technology adviser. We are working long hours and seven days a week trying to determine how to help other soldiers fight, live and survive better. Along with my team, we are trying to ensure that America's brain-power is focused on solving today's issues.

"It is our family's choice to keep serving at a time of war and all I'd ask Bucknellians to do is think about the wonderful men and women who chose to serve our country right now. They are extremely talented and dedicated to each other, their mission, helping Afghanistan and

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"The last few weeks are always hard before you go. Spouses, kids and pets are all on edge and you never have enough time with them before you find yourself trying to pack 100 lbs. into three bags and a rucksack just the right way so you hope you can carry them. You try to figure out what to say — that you're going to be safe and not to worry. You think about how to leave without creating a mess of crying kids and barking dogs. And not thinking about a semi-normal life of family, kids activities, a real bed, real showers, food, cars, planes, hobbies and even alcohol. All of which are thousands of miles away for the duration. The travel on military aircraft, the heat in Kuwait as you wait for transport 'into country' in full equipment, the scents, the various and sundry rest facilities of varying cleanliness — from something my daughter could go barefoot into to something you need a grenade to clean — again the scents and smells of foreign lands, soldiers being soldiers, the boredom, the separation — all worth it in the end just to serve forward, again.

"On a classmate note, **Lt. Col. Bob Hein** is in the Washington, D.C., area and plans to retire soon," Thomas adds. "He is a highly talented and charismatic leader and officer from our graduating class. Please think about Bob's sacrifice and service to all of us over the last four decades."

I'd like to personally thank Bob and Tom for their bravery and their sacrifices over the decades of service they have given to our country. I don't think we can ever sufficiently thank the people who dedicate their lives to protecting us!

In September 2010, **Jim '82** spent a week and a half in Ft. Myers, Fla., learning to sail. It is something he has always wanted to do and in celebration of his 50th birthday, he decided to finally cross it off his "bucket list." After an almost 20-year gap, we are planning another sailing

trip to the British Virgin Islands in April and Jim wanted to make sure he could sail the boat on this trip. He passed his course with flying colors. Congratulations will reach the "captain" at [jimeick@bellsouth.net](mailto:jimeick@bellsouth.net).

In a major scheduling snafu, while Jim was off sailing in the Gulf of Mexico, his buddies from DU held their 30th Annual Murf camping trip. This year, the group gathered at **Larry "Spo" Esposito's '82** house on Peck Lake in upstate New York. Joining Spo for a busy weekend of golf, fishing, paddling and hiking were **Doug "DC" Conners '82**, **Bill "Bakes" Baker '82**, **Rick "Bat" Wambach '82**, **Paul "Raz" Rasmussen '82**, **Paul "Hins" Hinman '82**, **Bob "Griff" Griffin '82** and **James "Limey" Nicol '82**.

I enjoyed my annual Bucknell gathering in Hilton Head, S.C. Our group celebrated being together again at **Laurie Holben Fine's** beautiful beach house. **Stacey Bernhard Smollen**, **Nancy Harvey Worrell**, **Eileen McCarthy Born**, **Meg Barron Born**, **Karen Fracas Monaghan**, **Caroline Dillon Marren**, **Sara Allen Lepkofker** and I had another memorable weekend. We had so much fun catching up. We enjoyed lots of eating and drinking, walking, swimming and bike riding on the beach, hot-tubbing, unwinding at a local spa and dolphin-watching. We can't wait to go back! — T.T.E.

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For some, it was a short drive. For others, it involved a plane ride. But for all of the Gamma Phi Betas from the Class of '84 who made it to their sorority reunion in September 2010, it was worth the trip. **Nancy Kochanek Harper**, **Diane Jamison Fitch**, **Martha Brown Heiner**, **Karen Shaw Laffey**, **Donna Von Seggern Morse**,

**Martha Guy Gork**, **Martha Stauffer Murray**, **Jessica Weichsel Zdravecky**, **Mary Jean Fassett**, **Holly Ulmer** and **Mary Lynn Fertig Theisen** reunited with sorority members from the classes of 1980–86. The weekend reunion, held in Alexandria, Va., was the first time members of the Delta Xi chapter had gathered since graduating. After sharing memories and creating new ones, the women agreed that they wouldn't wait another 25-plus years to get together again! — G.D.T.

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Our 25th Reunion is fast approaching. I hope you have read the newsletter that was sent home in the mail. Please check [www.b-link.bucknell.edu](http://www.b-link.bucknell.edu) for the latest Reunion information. **Ed Robinson**, **Kent Blair**, **Sharon Lapham Mowen** and I are planning a lot of fun things for our class on Reunion weekend.

I have heard via Facebook that many people are already planning to come to Reunion. **Theza Griesman Friedman '85** will be there, as will **Pam McGowan Ainsworth** — both veterans of Reunion 2010 who say that Bucknell knows how to throw a party! Pam attended a Gamma Phi Beta sorority reunion in Alexandria, Va., in September 2010. In all, there were 35 alums from the combined classes of 1980–86. Encouraged by the enthusiastic response, the women hope to

gather again with even more sorority sisters.

**Phylliss Kreis Hill** updates me through Facebook. "Our family relocated to Wellesley, Mass., early this summer, after 12 years in NYC. Our children, Audrey, 10, and Graham, 14, love the change to the 'burbs and their newfound freedom," she writes. "It's been a wonderful move for us; we just love it here. We've added a Springer spaniel pup to our family, who keeps us on our toes. Theza Friedren and her family have visited twice (yay!). I would love to connect with Bucknellians in the area." You can reach her at [phylhl@verizon.net](mailto:phylhl@verizon.net).

**Brian Fullem** and his family moved to Tampa, Fla. "I work with a podiatrist who is the spring training podiatrist for the Yankees," he writes. "Our new address is 2500 Southpointe Drive Dunedin, FL 34698. I also wrote an article for the November 2010 issue of *Running Times* magazine that includes a photo of my wife and me, with me wearing a Bucknell shirt!"

**Deb Lonzer** also plans to come to Reunion. She has been quite busy. "I'm planning to attend Reunion if all goes well," she reports. "I've been having a great year professionally. I became president of the medical staff in July 2010. I finished a kids book that I'm looking to publish (so if anyone out there can help ...) and I co-host a weekly medical radio show with Dr. Mike Roizen (partner of Dr. Oz and of *RealAge* and *You books fame*)."

**Brian Miller** wants to go on record and thank Sharon Mowen for organizing her walk for the Alzheimer's Association in November 2010. Both his dad and Sharon's mom suffer from the disease. Brian plans to attend Reunion, too.

**Ray and Megan Brott Sullivan** live outside Boston and are planning to attend Reunion, and are helping to serve on the Reunion Committee. — J.D.C.



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**Marshall Newton** lives with his wonderful wife of 13 years, Carolyn, and two beautiful daughters, Ailise, 7, and Ainslie, 11, in Charleston, S.C. He is a family medicine physician. The Newtons have lived in the Charleston area since getting married and are in Wild Dunes on the Isle of Palms. Marshall is at the phase in his medical career where his practice is about 100 percent full, so he no longer worries about being busy enough at the office and enjoys the luxury of being able to take care of patients. The family travels often to Montreal, where Carolyn grew up and Marshall frequently vacationed as a child. He says, "For some reason, I've been thinking of some of those long-lost Bucknellians that I'd love to hear from, including **Graham Robinson '85, Doug Nelson '85, Rob McNabb '85, John Hamilton, David Papp, Lambda Chi Alpha** buddies and all of the old chemical engineering nerds, to name a few. Hope to hear from somebody!" Marshall can be reached at [marshall.newtonmd@comcast.net](mailto:newtonmd@comcast.net).

Thank you, Marshall, for sending me your update! Please keep them coming. — L.C.H.

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**Matt Mayock** lives in Berwyn, Pa., with his wife and daughters, 10 and 6. He visited campus for an annual golf grudge match against **Scott Rabacs** (Westport, Conn.), **Dave Garrity '90** (Richmond, Va.) and **Mark Casey '90** (Villanova, Pa.). "Lamentably, decorum prohibits me from releasing the results of the match," writes Matt. He goes on to jokingly ask classmates if anyone chases around more children than Scott, who has six sons. Contact Matt at [mtmayock@axisbrokerage.com](mailto:mtmayock@axisbrokerage.com)

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It was wonderful to see everyone at Reunion in June 2010. So many familiar faces wandering around campus. Reunion was a blast and I hope everyone had as much fun as I did. And what an outstanding job our class did in our Class Gift to Bucknell. Well done.

I haven't received any updates, but please contact me to share any news. I love getting e-mail and reconnecting with fellow Bucknellians. Stay safe and be well. — L.M.O.

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As a belated 40th birthday celebration, **Amy Cochran Kasper** and I spent a wonderful weekend at a resort in Connecticut. Sans kids and husbands, we spent the time being pampered, eating lots of great food, listening to musicians, lying on the beach and ocean kayaking. I've been telling people that 40 is the new 20. I certainly don't feel 40 — but what is 40 supposed to feel like, anyway?

**Jim** and I are busy as ever chasing after our three kids and juggling their activities. Ethan, 6, loves kindergarten (I'm just happy all three kids are finally in school all day). Alex, our son with autism, 10, is in fourth grade in a regular education class and doing well. Alex started trumpet lessons, joined the band and loves Cub Scouts. For a child who at 18 months was severely autistic (no social or play skills, language or eye contact), he has made and continues to make amazing progress. So those of you out there with children with special needs, keep advocating for your child and always set the bar high. Shannon, 12, is in seventh grade. (Geez, where has the time gone?) She is busy with band, Girl Scouts, student council, BASIC programming club (which makes dad, the software engineer, happy) and Invention Convention (i.e. science club).

**Jim** has been with his company for more than 12 years now and continues to enjoy his work. In my spare time (cough, gag) I'm in my eighth year as Shannon's Girl Scout troop leader. In June 2010, I was elected chair of the Special Education Parent Advisory Council in our school district.

In this volunteer position, I'm responsible for advocating for over 600 children with special needs as well as providing parent workshops, advising the school committee, helping the school district develop and evaluate special education programs, and advocating for and meeting the needs of parents and teachers. Yes, there is even more work than mentioned here and yes, I do have other officers and parents to help me but I can't begin to tell you how very satisfying and rewarding this work is.

I haven't received updates in quite some time so please send some information my way to keep our class up-to-date.  
Thanks! — L.M.S.

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**Alec and Amy Merjeski Parsons '97** write, "We are thrilled to announce the arrival of our sweet daughter, Juliet Evelyn, on Aug. 16, 2010. Juliet's brother, Jack, 5, and sister, Lexi, 2, absolutely adore her and we are all excited about the adventures ahead as a family of five." The Parsons reside in Bronxville, N.Y. Juliet is the seventh grandchild of a very proud **Charles Parsons '58**.

**Captain Mark Dederick**, commanding officer of the 178th Military Police Company, Georgia National Guard, has been promoted to major. The unit returned from a year's deployment in Iraq, training the Iraqi Army in police techniques. He spent four years in Bucknell's ROTC unit and rowed on the crew team. Following graduation, he received a master's in architecture from Georgia Tech, where he taught freshman architecture for two years and coached women's crew at Georgia State. Mark and his wife, Kristine, live in Clarkston, Ga., with their children, Jack, Charlotte and baby Catherine.

**Mary Jordan** writes, "I am deliriously happy to report that



I am engaged to a spectacular man, Jason Lafalce. We moved to Baltimore and are planning to wed in my hometown of Tampa, Fla., in February." — C.Z.

## 1994

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Thanks to all who answered my request to send me some news. Please keep it coming!

**Sonia Leach** writes, "In September 2009, I returned from a two-year post-doc at Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Leuven, Belgium (for those unfamiliar with this cool city, it is the home of Stella Artois — look for Leuven on the label next time you have one). I started a new job in November 2009 as assistant professor in the Center for Genes, Environment and Health at National Jewish Health in Denver, Colo. I find my work really exciting and get the giggles when someone asks me what I did today and I can answer, 'I sequenced someone's genome!' I have the privilege to write algorithms to analyze large scale genomic datasets to try to associate genes with diseases, particularly pulmonary fibrosis and asthma."

Brian and **Jennifer McLeavey O'Rourke** welcomed their first child, Declan Patrick, on March 17, 2010. They couldn't believe it when their son's due date was St. Patrick's Day and were especially excited when he was actually born that day. They have lived in Charlotte for three years and absolutely love it.

Michael and **Heather Doherty Clark** are happy to announce the birth of their third child. On July 14, 2010, they welcomed William Sherman into their family. Will's sisters, Evelyn, 6, and Anna, 3, are thrilled with their little brother.

**Tami Sands Esson** welcomed her daughter, Vienna Sol, on March 1, 2009.

**Mark Manigan** was named by *NJBiz* magazine as one of

## ON THE ECCLESIASTICAL PATH

According to **Kirby Spivey '98**, assistant pastor of Mount Pisgah Baptist Church in Brooklyn, N.Y., "You can never go wrong if you speak to the heart of the people." He was born in Newtonville, N.J., an "up-south" city founded by some of his ancestors. According to Spivey, the culture of up-south settlements in the North came about when "migration after the Emancipation Proclamation led to the forming and keeping of southern customs." Spivey grew up in the black church, specifically the Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, which family members worked to create. The social mission that infused his upbringing in the church inspired work that now stretches beyond urban New York to Africa.



Spivey credits Bucknell for giving him a broad sense of world religions, something he notes as important for building tolerance in all people and even avoiding war. "War in the world is based on one way of thinking," he says. "We need insight into people, rather than the systems ruling them." He found the threat of Koran burning in Florida to commemorate September 11 particularly disturbing, describing the thwarted action as "utter ignorance and pure disrespect. How would I feel if people burned the Bible?"

Although Spivey began his studies at Bucknell as a pre-med major, he ultimately majored in religion and anthropology and minored in African-American studies. He attended Princeton Theological Seminary where he received master of divinity and master of theology degrees. Today, he is active in teaching and preaching in Brooklyn; however, his mission expands to Kenya, where he aids Machakos Baptist Church with a mobile education initiative. During his training, Spivey spent 11 weeks teaching at the church's school and later connected with Machakos' pastor, the Reverend John Mbinzi, through Facebook. Spivey plays an instrumental role in sending critical supplies to Kenya, helping to bring education to children who would otherwise be completely cut off from a better future due to economic misfortune.

—Maria Jacketti

its 2010 "40 under 40." He was also recognized as a New Jersey Super Lawyer Rising Star for 2010.

**Jay Banonis** was elected a shareholder of Marshall, Dennehey, Warner, Coleman & Goggin at its annual shareholders meeting in December 2009. He is a member of the firm's casualty practice in Bethlehem, Pa.

*The New York Times* reported the wedding of **Melissa Mangano** to Brian Davidson on Sept. 11, 2010, in Alexandria, Va. — S.A.S.

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I haven't heard from any classmates this time around. Please be in touch if you have news to share. — J.B.B.

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**Alec '93** and **Amy Merjeski Parsons** write, "We are thrilled to announce the arrival of our sweet daughter, Juliet Evelyn, on Aug. 16, 2010. Juliet's brother, Jack, 5, and sister, Lexi, 2, absolutely adore and love her and we are all excited about the adventures ahead as a family

of five." The Parsons reside in Bronxville, N.Y. Juliet is the seventh grandchild of a very proud **Charles Parsons '58**.

Matt and **Melissa DiBiccaro Howitt** are excited to announce the birth of Jessica Mirabella on Dec. 10, 2009. She joins a sister, Allison, 3. "We are enjoying being a family of four in Austin, Texas," writes Melissa. — S.B.B.

## 1998

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Congratulations to Chris and **Kristin Bielan Carcel** on the birth of their second daughter, Ashley Caitlin, on June 5, 2010. Alexandra, 4, just loves her little sister. They moved from Princeton to Marlton, N.J., in November 2008 and enjoy living closer to their families and Chris's job.



Kristin can be reached at [Kristin\\_bielan@yahoo.com](mailto:Kristin_bielan@yahoo.com).

**Judy Forand**, who teaches a body management course for the Broward County School District in Florida, was selected by the NFL to receive the 2010 Keep Gym In Schools grant. She is also proud to announce that she is engaged to be married on March 12. — H.M.L.

## 1999

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**Jason and Tracy Marek Nitche** welcomed a baby girl, Kelsey Birch, on June 4, 2010. Blake, 2, is a great help and loves being a big brother. They relocated to Manasquan, N.J., from Cleveland, Ohio, and are excited to be back near family. He joined an orthopedic group practicing sports medicine. She enjoys

being at home with the kids. They can be reached at [tnitch9@yahoo.com](mailto:tnitch9@yahoo.com) or [nitchaja@yahoo.com](mailto:nitchaja@yahoo.com).

**Sean and Lynne Tessier Singer** welcomed a baby girl, Sabrina Belle, on Aug. 11, 2010. Sabrina joins sister Gwendolyn, 2. Lynne is a part-time project manager with Prudential Retirement. Sean is a software manager for Sparta Systems. The family lives in Monroe Township, N.J. 'Ray Bucknell! — L.Z.

## 2000

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Hello, Class of 2000! It was great to see so many of you at Reunion and it has been wonderful to keep in touch with some of you over the summer months. One fun-filled night in Lewisburg that weekend, our 10-year veteran class reporter,

**Meredith Elliott Rowley**, handed me the torch. I stayed true to my word, and here I am! Thanks, Meredith, for doing such a great job reporting on all of us over the last 10 years.

I have been in NYC since graduation making my way as a singer and actress. I put on a one-woman musical cabaret, *Lived, Loved and NYC*, at the Duplex in November 2010. See [www.annbonner.com](http://www.annbonner.com).

**Christian Coviello** went on to Penn State for his master's and doctorate in electrical engineering. For several years he worked in Virginia for SAIC Corp, then accepted a position at Oxford University doing biomedical engineering in the field of cancer research. He expects to be in the UK for several years.

**Bob and Jennifer Winhofer Green** welcomed Finley Elizabeth to their family on July 20, 2010. The Greens live in Cherry Hill, N.J. — A.B.

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**Lauren Bayly and Alexis Kaufmann** both write to congratulate **Krista McCabe** and **Roger Knight**, who were married in Boston on Sept. 25, 2010. Fun was had by all Bucknellians in attendance, including **Mickey '00** and **Jen Mooney Sala**, **Mark and Eileen Kennedy deVries**, **Chris Herron**, **Russ Lindberg**, **Molly Brown Richard**, **Kate Marr Juergens**, **Sara Reiss Laufer**, **Anne Linden Marr '70** and **Kirk Bishop '72**. They honeymooned in Ireland and reside in Brookline, Mass., with their fox red lab, Gunner. They work at Mass General, Krista in the development office and Roger in veterans outreach.

Congratulations to **Brooke Kaplan**, who married Dean

Turner in a gorgeous ceremony at Trentadue Vineyard in Sonoma, Calif., on Oct. 23, 2010. Bucknellians in attendance were **Kelly McManus Russo**, **Nevine Shahine Webster**, **Robin Demarco**, **Sara Lowman**, **Sara Laufer** and **Lauren Bayly**. They live in San Francisco and honeymooned in South America. — H.P.A.

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**Erin Rosenthal Kopelman '03** congratulates **Andrew and Kara Hartman Clugston** on the birth of their beautiful daughter, **Alyvia**, on Feb. 5, 2010. Erin and her husband, **Mark**, are honored to be **Alyvia's** godparents.

**Elizabeth Muller** married **Chris Hosch** on July 4, 2010, in the Twin Cities of Minnesota. Bucknellians in attendance included **Aline Baly**, **Lauren Honeycutt Swanson**, **Mia Espy**, **Emily Granville** and **Jay Som**. Elizabeth continues her work as sediment and erosion control inspector for the Rice Creek Watershed District, and Chris works as an art director for a small graphic design firm. They reside in St. Paul, Minn., and look forward to gatherings of the newly resurrected Bucknell Club of Minnesota. — M.P.

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**Piper Scalzi** writes: "**Bill Overbaugh** and I live in NYC, where he works for Turner Construction and I started my own art advisory company. There have been lots of weddings, including **Lauren Hill** and **Steve De Simone**, who were married in May 2010 in Hawaii, although

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we were sad to miss the trip out to celebrate with them. We did attend two Bucknell weddings: **Meaghan Harrigan** and Ethan McLaughlin's beautiful Vermont wedding and **Nicole Guberman** and Evan Price's lovely wedding in Long Island. There were many Bucknell attendees at both, including **Piper Murray Wright**, **Erika Reed**, **Nicole Guberman**, **Ronni Ginsberg**, **Kate Kenner Langlois**, **Kelly Renfrew Ridley** and **Lauren De Simone**.

"With all the weddings and new babies, it seems the rumors are true I heard when I first visited Bucknell: Many Bucknellians do in fact end up married to one another. I have come up with a term for it: 'Buckle,' which is short for 'Bucknell Couple.'"

**Kellen Smith** married **Scottie Washington** on Aug. 19, 2010, in Newark, N.J. Bucknellians in attendance included **Charity Brady Halliman**, **India Branch**, **Stacey Akwei** and **Babatunde Owolabi**.

**Justin and Gretchen Schrock Jacobson** welcomed a daughter, **Ava Corinne**, on Oct. 22, 2010. They already have a son, **Owen**, 2. **Gretchen** also received her doctorate in political science from Penn State University. **Justin** continues to work as a software engineer at Minitab, Inc. They live in State College, Pa.

**Elisabeth Hulette** moved from Annapolis, Md., to Norfolk, Va., to take a job as a reporter for the *Virginian-Pilot* newspaper.

**Rachel Laskow** and **Justin Schwartz '04** got engaged during a cruise they took to the western Caribbean. They started dating right before **Rachel** graduated from Bucknell, and they are planning a summer 2011 wedding. **Justin** is a ride and show engineer for Universal Studios and spent four months working at Universal's new park in Singapore. **Rachel** was promoted to senior manager, marketing for Scholastic Book Fairs, where she works primarily on middle school book fairs. They live in Orlando, Fla. — P.N.J.

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**Adam Hersperger** married **Chelsea Hetrick '07** on July 10, 2010, at Rooke Chapel. Bucknellians in attendance included **Chris Fox** and **Matthew Gabler '06** (groomsmen), **Charles** (best man) and **Charissa Reimer Mitchell**, **Kelli Bowers '07** (maid of honor), **Colin** and **Sarah Latzy Aherne '07** (matron of honor), **Erin Connell**, **Michelle Johnson McGowan '06**, **Anne Marie Basanese '07**, **Sophie Zoltanski '07** and **Lauren Varboncoeur '07**. **Adam** writes, "We live in Langhorne, Pa., in Bucks County. **Chelsea** is working toward a doctorate in clinical psychology at Rutgers University, and I'm finishing up my doctorate in microbiology and immunology at the University of Pennsylvania."

**Matt Fledderjohn** married **Caty Tillman** on Aug. 7, 2010, in North Fork on Long Island. Bucknellians in attendance included **Josh Wertheimer** (best man), **Alex Kanaris**, **Alex Paxson**, **Jesse Lubin**, **Sergio Umana**, **John Mantia**, **Joe Spada**, **Jon Conley**, **Luke Getto**, **Anastasia Sofianou '08** and **Cathy Cuddy '10**. **Matt** works in missile defense in Columbia, Md. — M.D.

## 2006

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**Nick De Gregorio** writes, "I'm on my second deployment as a 1st Lieutenant in the Marines. The first one was to the Ninewa Province in Iraq with 3rd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion in 2009. I'm deployed with Battalion Landing Team 1/7 as its Light Armored Reconnaissance detachment commander in support of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, which is basically a really wordy way of saying that I am onboard ship with six light armored vehicles and 44 Marines. If anything were to happen in the Pacific — from disaster relief to combat operations — we would be the first responders."

"Crazy story: I am deployed with **Captain Chris Alvino '01**, a Marine F-18 fighter pilot and my forward air controller (the guy who calls in airstrikes if we need them). We plan on taking a picture in the most orange Bucknell gear we can find and sending it your way just as soon as we get a free minute. I never cease to be amazed by the extent of our Bucknell community — we have people everywhere, it is insane. I'm leaving active duty in March and have been accepted to NYU's pre-med program for the summer. I'll be living in Hoboken, so if any fellow Bucknellians are in the area, I'd love to hear from them."

**Bryan Murray** graduated from Virginia Tech's master of fine arts program for creative writing on May 15, 2010. At graduation, he was awarded the Emily Morrison Prize for Poetry. While at Virginia Tech, **Bryan** completed his first book-length collection of poetry, *full water*, and is seeking a publisher. He joined the English faculty at his alma mater, Cardinal Spellman High School, in the Bronx.

**Jimmy Egan** and **Lauren Kopit** were married on Sept. 4, 2010, in Annapolis, Md. **Ellie Stewart** was the maid of honor

and **Will Patterson '06**, **R. Baker Thompson '06** and **Kristen Choi** were members of the wedding party. They were honored that so many of their friends and family could attend, including **Dave Gregory '06**, **Sara Death '06**, **Jim Nekus '06**, **Rick Eskelsen '06**, **Tory Field '06**, **Chris Weiss '06**, **Chas Wattles '06**, **Ana Avila**, **Terry Austin**, **Renée Clinton**, **Charlotte d'Orchimont**, **Dave Myers**, **Chessa Forer**, **Caitlin Green**, **Nicole Holbrook**, **Amanda Hutt**, **Shira Gasarch**, **Todd Ives**, **Ashley Kalinske**, **John Kimball**, **Andrew Eisenthal**, **Alex Silva**, **Adam Seltzer**, **Jessamy Little**, **Michael Hirsch**, **Anne Lutz**, **Kevin Joyce**, **Taylor Mikolasy**, **Nicole Najmy**, **Darcy O'Brien**, **Lauren Papiak**, **Steve Perlis**, **Tracy Parsons**, **Jonathan Reifler**, **Kate Whitaker**, **Jackson Noel '08**, **Ali Mainka '09**, **Jon Vandevander '09**, **Brian Scott '09** and **William Kopit '61** (father of the bride). **Jimmy** and **Lauren** honeymooned in Greece for 12 days, stopping in Athens, Mykonos and Santorini. They live in NYC.

**Katie Howard** and **Trevor Reitz** were married on Sept. 17, 2010, in Bernardsville, N.J. "Several Bucknell classmates were in the wedding party: **Adam Curry**, **Chad Ham**, **Jenna Goldstein**, **Jen Palomba**, **Casey Derbyshire**, **Ryan Sheinbein**, **Jake Clark** and **Jenny Guempel '09**. Nearly 40 Bucknellians were in attendance," they write. "Rather than traditional table numbers, we named our reception tables after buildings at Bucknell, and our guestbook was a map of Lewisburg from 1884 that everyone signed. We are living in Ewing, N.J."

**Rachel Goldstein** serves as a Peace Corps volunteer in western Samoa. She works at a rural primary school teaching English and within her village on a health initiative to raise awareness about the prevention of diabetes and heart disease. She has completed one year of service and plans to remain in Samoa for another year. She was visited by **Gwenn Fairall** in spring 2009 and extends an invitation to



any Bucknellian traveling in the South Pacific to drop by and say hello.

**Brody Selleck** and **Danielle Bastine** were married on Aug. 28, 2010, at the Esperanza Mansion in Keuka Lake, N.Y. **Carl Marchioli**, **Phil Marquis**, **Will Bricker**, **Abe Badmus**, **Karen Guarino** and **Cindy Lowe** were in the wedding party. A number of Bucknellians were in attendance: **Jason Snyder '95**, **M'98**, **Ryan LeBreton '00**, **Chris Brengel '06**, **Peter Cotter**, **Erin Foley**, **Ben Hubbard**, **Adam Weinberg**, **Ian Hartshorn**, **Lauren Gilchrist**, **Tom Verderame**, **Liesel Wittmer**, **Megan Waligura** and **Tim Johnson '08**. — J.C.

## 2008

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Life in Philadelphia is great. **Dave '06** and I are keeping busy. There has been lots of traveling for my work, most notably to Vancouver and San Francisco (twice!). We also enjoyed a vacation in New Orleans. Dave started a new job at Universum Group in Center City, and we're happy that he's back to writing full-time.

In other important Philly news, **Michael Harkness** and **Jen Cherico** are engaged. He proposed to her during a relaxing break in the Poconos. Could this have something to do with her catching the bouquet at my wedding?

**Nick Mozal** is in his third year of law school at Temple University in Philadelphia. He accepted a one-year clerkship with Judge Franklin Van Antwerpen of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. He will sit for the bar exam this upcoming summer and begin his clerkship in September. Nick also accepted a job offer from the Wilmington, Del., office of the New York-based law firm Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, and will work there after completing his clerkship.

**Chris Ortiz** is in his third year of dental school at Temple University and has been treating patients since June 2010. So far it's been a great experience and prepared him for clinical practice. After he graduates in May 2012, he will serve in the Navy as a dentist for four years.

**Kate Benken** married **Michael Ellis '04** at South Plains Presbyterian Church in Charlottesville, Va., on Sept. 25, 2010. The bridal party included **Erin Shovlin '07** and **Kevin Ellis '02**. Also in attendance were **Sarah Given Ellis '02**, **Peter Davies '04**, **Meredith Atkinson '04**, **Andrew Marbach '04**, **Denise Tang '04**, **Jim Ritter '04**, **Jon '04** and **Elizabeth Peters Bartholomew '05**, **Nicole Impellizzeri '07**, **Jill Rockett '07**, **Alaina Generazio '07**, **Jessica Cummings '07** and **Katie Abbott**. A reception followed the ceremony at Ash Lawn-Highland, former home of President James Monroe. The couple resides in Flagstaff, Ariz., where Kate teaches at a Montessori Preschool and Michael works as a product specialist for W.L. Gore & Associates.

**Brittany Durbin** and **Zachary Simoncelli** moved to Richmond, Va., became engaged in August 2010 and are planning their wedding for this summer. Congratulations!

**Cordy Elkins** has taken a job at Bain & Company in their Boston office. She lives in the South End of Boston with **Maggie Williamson '06** and another roommate. She loves living in Boston and has taken over as president of the Bucknell Club in Boston. Cordy enjoyed a mini-reunion with Mod 23 when **Lauren Butrie** got married in December 2010.

**Nga Nguyen** took classes at Pennsylvania State University in the master's of geographic information system program after graduation, and in September 2009 she left the U.S. to do research at University of East Anglia, Norwich, U.K. After the result was presented at COP15, she went back to Vietnam and worked as an operational risk analyst for the Technological Commercial National Bank.

She is at Central European University in Budapest doing her Erasmus Mundus master's in environmental sciences, policy and management.

**Melissa Ravely** works at Towson University as the evening reference librarian. She loves her new job and living so close to Baltimore.

**Sarah Towne** works for NOAA Fisheries in Gloucester, Mass., and got a full-time federal position with them in Seattle, Wash. She moved out there at the end of September and loves the job so far.

**Nikki Haines** works for Macfarlan Capital Partners, a private real estate investment firm in Dallas, Texas. She is the investor services and capital markets assistant. — L.C.A.

## 2009

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**Morgane Treanton** started grad school at the University of Michigan studying natural resources and environment.

**Bryce Calderone** attends law school at the University of Maryland.

**Jordan Franklin** attends Fordham University School of Law and lives in the Upper West Side of Manhattan.

Meanwhile, a few of us have been furthering their education across the pond. **Jeffrey Watumull** earned a master's in linguistics from Cambridge University and will continue on there to pursue a doctorate.

**Caitlin Doolin** finished her master's in urban planning at Oxford Brookes University in Oxford, U.K. She accepted a job in Baltimore as a transportation engineer and planner at Kittleson & Associates, Inc.

Washington, D.C., must be a popular place! **Amy Bruno** works as a development and online associate there with the Public Citizen's Global Trade Watch.

**Jordy Snyder** lives in a young Jewish House in D.C. and works as an elementary school science teacher. He says it's fun living in the Capitol and running into different Bucknellians on the metro and in Dupont Circle.

**Ashley Globberman** is a real estate agent with Anchor Associates in NYC.

**Ben Sangree** works for jiaoyuan.com, the largest online dating site in China, as director of business development.

**Mike Deighan** is in South America working for Petróleos de Venezuela SA as an engineering consultant.

**Loretta Miller** is busy working full-time as a mental health provider for a private agency in Petersburg, Va., while also attending Virginia State University's grad school for counselor education full-time.

**Richard Lafredo** got a job working for General Dynamics Electric Boat as an engineering analyst in Groton, Conn.

**Samantha Soller** attends William & Mary School of Law. This summer she will work for Hancock, Daniel, Johnson & Nagle in Richmond, Va., doing health law.

**Ryo Sueda** reports that **Whitney Henry**, **Jenny Guempel**, **Marissa Magno**, **Laura Muli** and he participated in the first MidAtlantic Warrior Dash along with other Bucknellians. Ryo says the 5k obstacle race included crawling under barbed wire and jumping over fire. They're looking forward to signing up again next year and welcome other Bucknellians to join them.

Couples news! (My favorite kind!) On June 12, 2010, **Jackie Williams** married **Matt Bruen '07** in a small ceremony held in Bucknell Hall.

On Oct. 9, 2010, **Michelle Laxer** married her high school sweetheart, **Carl Larson**. In August 2010, she earned a master's in journalism from Northwestern University and started work as a reporter for the *Index-Journal* newspaper. She lives in Greenwood, S.C.

**Katie Ford** and **Jim Ritter** got engaged during a trip to Belgium and will tie the knot



in July. They live in Harrisburg, where he works for Deloitte and she teaches fourth grade.

**Jessica Wilkinson and Alex Lampley** became engaged in August 2010.

Jessica reports that **Alex Odenbach** and **Ashley McCracken** also become engaged (not to each other, but to other equally fabulous non-Bucknellians).

**Josh Linthicum** also reports his newly engaged status. His wedding is scheduled for July 24.

After a winter working for a ski field called Treble Cone in Wanaka, New Zealand, I returned back home to Aspen, Colo., in November 2010.

**Nancy Miyake** lives on the South Pacific island of Vanuatu training for the Peace Corps. In November 2010 she swore in with the prime minister of Vanuatu to commence her training. Awestruck by the island's culture and ecology, Nancy says, "There are days when I feel that I am living the anthropologist's dream. I have to continually pinch myself as a reminder that this is now my life and the days of drinking a cold brew at Bull Run are miles away." But, she says, Bucknell is always in her thoughts. (I'm sure we all agree, no matter what part of the world we are in now.)

Amen to that! — S.K.

## 2010

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We have many exciting updates going on outside of the Bucknell Bubble for the Class of 2010.

Our classmates have relocated all along the East and West coasts and even internationally.

Starting up north in Portland, Maine, is **Luke Trafton**, who works as a financial advisor.

**Kaela Cashman** resides in Boston and works for Liberty Mutual Insurance as a portfolio analyst.

Making our way down the coast, of course we have a bunch of Bucknell alumni in NYC. One is **Kathryn McCarthy**,

who commutes to NYC from northern New Jersey to work as a marketing and communications assistant with the Foundation Center.

**Peter Lansing** works full-time as an assurance associate for PriceWaterhouseCoopers in its NYC office.

**Courtney McCarthy** and **Claire Devlin** share an apartment in NYC. Courtney works as an analyst in the wealth management graduate training program at UBS. Claire works in market risk for Goldman Sachs.

**Michael Zack** studies law at New York Law School in Tribeca and lives in the East Village.

Out of the Bucknell Bubble, but not out of Pennsylvania, we have **Chris Petersen**, who lives in Philadelphia. He works as an account manager for Apogee Insurance Group, a Berkshire Hathaway company.

**Dave Cunningham** works in his hometown of Pittsburgh, Pa. He is a corporate planner for Jennechem, which stems perfectly from his management degree from Bucknell. Dave plans to attend grad school in the next year or two.

**Blaire Hettrick** relocated from Pennsylvania to the D.C. area in the suburbs of Virginia. He was hired as a summer intern for a start-up technology company called Denuo, Inc. and was promoted to a full-time marketing associate position there.

**Yulan Li** relocated to Alexandria, Va., to work as an administrative assistant at Sheet Metal Workers National Pension Fund.

Some of our classmates have really moved far from our old home of Lewisburg. **Chelsea Brinkman** has settled into her first year at the University of Florida College of Dentistry pursuing a doctor of dental medicine.

**Rob Shanahan** relocated across the country from Baltimore to Stockton, Calif., to pursue a graduate business degree at the University of the Pacific. He also enrolled for a full term as a Peace Corps volunteer through the Masters International program. He will leave school to enter the Peace

Corps in July, but still plans to graduate in December 2013.

**Jessica Sturzenegger** moved to Puerto Varas in Chile where she works for Mujeres Empresarias, a network of entrepreneurs, executives and start-ups throughout Chile. She works to help businesses to identify and present their value propositions to banks, venture capitalists and other financial capital providers.

Last but not least, love is in the air for some classmates. At the end of summer, **Ryan Schellhorn** became engaged to **Courtney Siebert '11**. Congratulations!

It was great seeing everyone at Homecoming and remember to keep your classmates informed of your future endeavors by sending me an e-mail. — N.M.

### IN MEMORIAM

## 1931

**Lois Baker MacDonald**, Savannah, Ga., on Sept. 15, 2010. A member of Phi Mu and *The Bucknellian*, she was a teacher for 39 years. Survivors include a daughter, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

## 1934

**Wilma Steuer Bishop**, Bethlehem, Pa., on Aug. 30, 2010. A member of Pi Beta Phi, she is survived by three children, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

## 1939

**Helen Specht Hyde**, Stoystown, Pa., on Aug. 4, 2010. She was a member of Phi Mu and band. Survivors include two daughters and a granddaughter.

## 1940

**Jack Stadler**, Rye, N.Y., on Nov. 12, 2010. A member of Sigma Alpha Mu and *L'Agenda*, he served in the Navy during WWII and earned a master's at Harvard University. He was a director of various private companies in marketing, printing and manufacturing. He served on the board for Westchester Community College and the Poetry Society of America. He funded the Stadler Center for Poetry, the annual Poet-in-Residence Program, the Stadler Semester, the Bucknell Seminar for Younger Poets and the Stadler Fellowship. Survivors include his daughter, Ann Klass; his son, **John '75**; and two grandchildren.

## 1942

**Robert Puff**, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., on Aug. 15, 2010. A member of Sigma Chi, he earned a doctor of medicine at Jefferson College and was a family doctor until his retirement in 1978. He also started and ran an emergency room at Underwood Memorial Hospital with two partners. He was predeceased by his brother, **Henry '44**. Surviving are his wife, **Isabel "Ding" Clark Puff '43**; four children, including **Robert Jr. '67**, **Barbara '69**, **Jeffrey '75** and **Sally Puff Courtney '74**; six grandchildren, including **Adam '04**; and three great-grandchildren.

## 1943

**Mary Hamlin Thomas**, Oreland, Pa., on Sept. 22, 2010. She was a member of Cap and Dagger, Alpha Chi Omega, Theta Alpha Phi, *L'Agenda*, *The Bucknellian* and Chorale. She was a file clerk at Ambler Medical Associates and retired in 1995. She was predeceased by her brother, **Frank Hamlin '48**. Survivors include two children,



four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

**Douglas Passage**, Horseheads, N.Y., on Sept. 8, 2010. A member of student government, Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Eta Sigma, he graduated from Colgate Rochester Divinity School and was an ordained minister of the American Baptist Churches USA. Survivors include four children and three grandsons.

## 1944

**Nicholas Roash**, Pitman, N.J., on Aug. 21, 2010. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, ROTC and the basketball and soccer teams, he served in the Marine Corps during WWII. He was a sales and marketing executive and retired as the executive vice president of Wheaton Industries. He was predeceased by his wife, **Jane Slack Roash '46**. Survivors include two sons, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

## 1945

**Charles Eddy**, Williamsburg, Va., on Aug. 31, 2010. A member of ROTC and the baseball team, he served in the Navy and completed graduate studies at Columbia University and Carnegie Mellon University. He retired from National Steel Corp. and Consolidated Coal Co. Survivors include his wife, two children and three grandchildren.

**Robert Maurer**, Selinsgrove, Pa., on Oct. 7, 2010. A member of Chorale, he served in the Marine Corps during WWII and worked at Unisys as a senior service engineer until he retired in 1982. Survivors include his wife, two sons, three grandsons and two great-grandchildren.

**Edward Patrick**, Tamaqua, Pa., on Oct. 3, 2010. He served in the Navy during WWII and operated the J&E Coal Company before retiring. Survivors include his wife, two children and three grandchildren.

## 1946

**Eloise Oram Atherton**, Venice, Fla., on Sept. 17, 2010. She was a member of Cap and Dagger, Alpha Chi Omega, student government, *Engineer Magazine* and Chorale, and was a class reporter. She earned a master's at SUNY College at New Paltz and taught fourth grade for 27 years. She initiated and conducted the outdoor education program at the Fresh Air Fund Sharpe Reservation. Survivors include three sons and three grandsons.

**Kenneth Callenberger**, Milton, Pa., on Oct. 29, 2010. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII and graduated from Temple University Dental School. He had a private dental practice until his retirement in 1989. He was predeceased by a brother, **George '43**. Survivors include his wife, four children, 14 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

**Norman Brauer**, Dalton, Pa., on Aug. 16, 2010. A member of ROTC and the baseball team, he served in the Navy during WWII, earned a bachelor's at the University of Scranton and a master's at Marywood College. He taught sixth-grade and was a businessman and elected tax collector. Survivors include his wife, two sons and a granddaughter.

## 1947

**Elizabeth Cargill France**, Allentown, Pa., on Sept. 6, 2010. A member of Delta Zeta and Sigma Tau Delta, she was an advertising representative for *The New York Times*. Survivors include two sons and two granddaughters.

## 1948

**Dorothy Barber Dubois**, Sun City West, Ariz., on Aug. 2, 2010. She was a member of Cap and Dagger, Pi Beta Phi, student government and *L'Agenda*. She

was predeceased by her first husband, **Harry Ayer '49**. Survivors include her husband, two children and two grandchildren.

**Edwin Bell**, Lancaster, Pa., on Aug. 25, 2010. He earned a master's at Penn State University and a doctorate at the University of Illinois. He was a biology professor at Moravian College and later chairman in the department of biology at Albright College over a 40-year career. Surviving are his wife, **Frances Reichard Bell**; three sons, including **Eric '77**; and eight grandchildren.

**Joseph Evans**, New Bern, N.C., on Aug. 9, 2010. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha, Sigma Tau Delta and *The Bucknellian*, he was a journalist before enlisting in the CIA. He was later a partner in a software company and ghostwriter of *Inside Stalin's Kremlin*. Survivors include his wife, two daughters, a granddaughter and a great-granddaughter.

**Stanley Purdy**, Hilton Head Island, S.C., on Oct. 15, 2010. A member of Theta Chi, he earned a master's at New York University and was a composer and arranger. He was band and choral director at Lakeland Regional High School, where he established its music program and composed the alma mater. He founded and directed the Lakeland Community Chorus and was a professor of music at Fairleigh Dickinson University for 32 years before retiring in 1988. Survivors include his wife, five children and seven grandchildren.

**Vernon Reingold**, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Oct. 1, 2010. A member of ROTC and the football and wrestling teams, he served in the Naval Reserves for 30 years. He earned a bachelor's at the University of Pennsylvania and a master's at the University of Pittsburgh. He was a real estate appraiser for the U.S. government. Survivors include his wife, four children and four grandchildren.

## 1949

**Robert Bitting**, Beavertown, Pa., on Aug. 20, 2010. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Mu Epsilon and the Electrical and Electronics Engineers Society, he served in the Navy during WWII. He earned a master's at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Wellesley and worked for RCA until his retirement in 1973. Survivors include a son and two grandchildren.

**Charles Kennedy M'50**, New Brighton, Pa., on Aug. 20, 2010. A member of Theta Chi, *New Order* and band, he served in the Army and graduated from the Rutgers School of Banking. He was accounting manager at Tuscarora Plastics. Survivors include his wife, four children and 11 grandchildren.

**Thomas Mannix**, Beaver Falls, Pa., on Oct. 1, 2010. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, he earned a juris doctor at Dickinson School of Law. He served in the Army Corps of Engineers during the Korean War and was a lawyer and then a judge until his retirement in 2008. Surviving are four children, including **Paul '91**, and nine grandchildren.

**Richard McClure**, Lewisburg, Pa., on Aug. 19, 2010. A member of Sigma Chi, he earned a bachelor's at the University of Michigan and a master's at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He served in the Air Force during the Korean War and was a sales engineer, president of Pennsylvania House and General Interiors Corp., and senior vice president of COMO Technologies. He was predeceased by his grandfather, **Harold 1877**, and father, **James '13**. Surviving are two sons, including **Thomas '87**, and two granddaughters.

**Orman Stout**, Danville, Pa., on Oct. 15, 2010. He served in the Air Force during WWII and worked for Westinghouse Air Brake and Lockheed Aircraft. He was a maintenance engineer for Danville State Hospital for 32 years before retiring in 1983. Survivors include three sons and two granddaughters.



# 1950

**Peter Bricker**, Atlantic Beach, N.C., on Sept. 3, 2010. A member of Kappa Sigma, Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Mu Epsilon and *L'Agenda*, he earned a doctorate at Johns Hopkins University. He served in the Army and worked for Bell Labs for 30 years. Survivors include his wife, two children and four grandchildren.

**Donald Manchester**, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., on Sept. 12, 2010. He was a member of Phi Kappa Psi, Delta Mu Delta, Phi Eta Sigma, Concern and Action, *L'Agenda* and the golf and track and field teams. He served in WWII and was a certified USA track official. Survivors include three children and two granddaughters.

**Seymour Mark**, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., on Oct. 5, 2010. A member of Tau Beta Phi and the Electrical and Electronics Engineers Society, he served in the Army during WWII and earned many medals. He was an electrical engineer in the Philadelphia Navy Yard and worked in the family business, Mark's Supermarket. Survivors include two siblings and nieces and nephews.

**Lester Mosher**, Richmond, Va., on Sept. 19, 2010. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha, *Engineer Magazine* and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, he served in the Army during WWII. He worked at Eastman Kodak, General Railway Signal Co. and Chance Vought Aircraft before retiring from IBM after 33 years. Survivors include two children.

**Robert Thomas M'59**, Plymouth, Pa., on Aug. 19, 2010. A member of Kappa Sigma, he served in the Navy during WWII and was a teacher and administrator. Survivors include his wife; **Ruth Evans Thomas '46**; two children, **Judith Thomas Machamer '71** and **Robert Jr. '75**; and two grandchildren.

**Robert Waddell**, Portsmouth, N.H., on Oct. 13, 2010. A member of Phi Gamma Delta and Concern and Action, he served in the Navy and worked for Connecticut

Mutual Life Insurance Co. Surviving are four children and nine grandchildren, including **Charles '07**.

# 1951

**Christine Riley Lyon**, Naples, Fla., on Aug. 15, 2010. A member of NAACP, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Chorale, she graduated from the Cleveland Clinic School of Physical Therapy. She was predeceased by her husband, **Earl**. Surviving are two sons, **Michael '75** and **Jeffrey '77**, and five grandchildren, including **Allison '03** and **Justin '05**.

**Lois Farrington Reiss**, Rye, N.H., on June 11, 2010. She was a member of Cap and Dagger, Kappa Delta, student government and *L'Agenda*. Survivors include her husband, two daughters and three grandchildren.

# 1952

**Earnest Pearce**, Timonium, Md., on June 28, 2010. A member of Sigma Chi and *L'Agenda*, he served in the Army and was district manager for City Service Co. Survivors include his wife, three children and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**Eugene Stogryn**, Edison, N.J., on Oct. 25, 2010. He was a member of Alpha Chi Sigma, *L'Agenda*, the American Chemical Society and the wrestling team. He served in the Army and earned a master's and doctorate at the University of Delaware. He was an organic chemist for Exxon Research and Engineering and held 42 U.S. patents and numerous foreign patents. Survivors include his wife, three children and three grandchildren.

**Donald Strassner**, The Woodlands, Texas, on June 29, 2010. He was a member of Sigma Chi and the basketball and soccer teams. He served in the Navy and worked for Aloca and the Erwin Co. He was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame in 1995. Survivors include his wife, four children,

14 grandchildren and two sisters, **Doris Strassner Marino '48** and **Nancy Strassner Campbell '56**.

# 1953

**John Curran**, Wilmington, Del., on Sept. 27, 2010. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha and *The Bucknellian*, he served in the Army during the Korean War. He earned an MBA at the University of Delaware and was an investment analyst, certified financial analyst and portfolio manager. Survivors include his wife, **Barbara Darkes Curran '55**, a son and two grandchildren.

**Frank Kirby**, Stone Harbor, N.J., on Sept. 27, 2010. A member of Phi Kappa Psi, *L'Agenda* and the football team, he was an international executive in the computer industry. Survivors include his wife, two children and two grandchildren.

**Robert Larrabee M'53**, Derwood, Md., on Sept. 2, 2010. A member of Phi Eta Sigma, Tau Beta Pi and the Electrical and Electronics Engineers Society, he earned a master's and doctorate at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a master's at Rider College. He was a physicist with the National Institute of Standards and Technology, where he received a bronze medal from the U.S. Department of Commerce. Surviving are his wife, **Ramona Rogers Larrabee**; two children, including **Susan Larrabee Albohn '79**; and five grandchildren.

# 1954

**Jerome Cohen**, Ventnor, N.J., on Oct. 14, 2010. He was a member of NAACP, Phi Lambda Theta, Phi Sigma, *L'Agenda*, Christian Fellowship and the wrestling team. He graduated from Jefferson Medical College and was former chief of orthopedics at Rancocas Valley Hospital. Survivors include his wife, three children and six grandchildren.

**Ann Appleton Schierloh**, Oradell, N.J., on Oct. 4, 2010.

She was a member of Cap and Dagger, Pi Beta Phi, *L'Agenda*, *The Bucknellian*, Chorale, Chapel Choir and Concern and Action. She graduated from the Katharine Gibbs School and worked for Standard Oil. Surviving are three children, including **Janet Schierloh Howard '83**, and five grandchildren.

# 1955

**John Chironna M'56**, Morristown, N.J., on Oct. 15, 2010. A member of Phi Alpha Theta, Omicron Delta Kappa, he was captain of the football and baseball teams and was inducted into Bucknell's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1985. He served in the Navy and earned a doctorate at Columbia University. He was an associate professor at the University of Rhode Island and later a teacher and coach at Morristown High School. Survivors include his wife, **Katherine Alimisis Chironna**, two sons and two grandchildren.

# 1958

**Susan McMickle Harman**, Litchfield, N.H., on Sept. 11, 2010. A member of Delta Zeta, Chapel Choir and Chorale, she was a church organist. She was predeceased by her husband, **Ralph '57**. Survivors include two daughters and six grandchildren.

**Francis Wynne**, Zephyrhills, Fla., on Sept. 24, 2010. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Pi Delta Phi, he served in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He earned a master's at the University of Wisconsin and a doctorate at Case Western Reserve University. He taught French literature and linguistics at Syracuse University for 35 years before retiring in 2002. Surviving are his wife and two children, including **Michael '89**.



## 1959

**Thomas Horsman**, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Sept. 17, 2010. A member of Phi Kappa Psi, he worked for Williams & Co. for 30 years. Survivors include his wife, a daughter and a sister, **Sally Horsman Lake '65**.

## 1960

**Carol Downing Tchernev**, Plymouth, Mass., on Aug. 17, 2010. She was a member of student government, Phi Sigma Tau, Chorale and Concern and Action. She earned a master's at the University of Texas at Austin. Survivors include two children.

## 1961

**Patricia Elson-Muff**, York, Pa., on Sept. 9, 2010. A member of Chapel Choir and Chorale, she earned a bachelor's at Christopher Newport College and a master's at Southern Illinois University. Survivors include two sons and five grandchildren.

## 1962

**Kalman Csoka**, Suwanee, Ga., on Sept. 21, 2010. A member of Kappa Sigma, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, ROTC and the wrestling team, he earned a master's at Duquesne University and retired from the Rockwell International Corp. Survivors include four children and a sister.

## 1965

**Robert Brown**, Cleveland, Ohio, on June 12, 2010. A member of Sigma Chi and the football team, he was a security guard for Industrial Security. Survivors include two children and four grandchildren.

## 1969

**Kenneth Churm**, Coopersburg, Pa., on Aug. 1, 2010. A member of Phi Lambda Theta and band, he was an electrical engineer and electrical design engineer before retiring in 2009. Survivors include his wife and a son.

## 1970

**David Jacobwitz**, Randolph, N.J., on Oct. 14, 2010. A member of Sigma Alpha Mu, he was managing partner and a board member of Lifeline Medical Associates and a gynecologist. Survivors include his wife and two daughters.

## 1971

**David Carter**, Shrewsbury, Mass., on Aug. 25, 2010. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Sigma, WVBU, band and Chapel Choir, he earned a doctorate at University of California at Berkeley and was head landscape designer at StoneScapes. Survivors include his wife and two siblings.

## 1973

**Keith Reitz**, Baldwinsville, N.Y., on Sept. 3, 2010. A member of Delta Upsilon and band, he worked with the Carrier International Division and Carlyle Compressor, and was marketing director at Pass & Seymour/LeGrande, where he was awarded the 2009 Circle of Excellence and Summit Awards. Surviving are his wife and two sons, including **Trevor '07**.

## 1976

**John Fenstermacher**, Carlisle, Pa., on Sept. 30, 2010. A member of Delta Upsilon, he earned a juris doctor at the Dickinson School of Law and was a lawyer

and partner at Fenstermacher and Associates. Survivors include his wife and daughter.

## 1982

**Steven Engle**, Lewisburg, Pa., on Oct. 8, 2010. He worked in construction. Survivors include his wife and a daughter.

## 2003

**Ryan Vanderbeck**, Wrightstown, Yardley, Pa., on Sept. 23, 2010. He was a test developer for Educational Testing Services, Inc. Survivors include his parents and sister.

## 2005

**John Hoffman**, Point Pleasant Beach, N.J., on Nov. 1, 2010. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and captain of the swimming and diving team, he earned a law degree at Widener University School of Law. He was a lawyer. Survivors include his wife, his parents and a sister.

## 2008

**Matthew Ashton**, East Brunswick, N.J., on Aug. 31, 2010. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, he was an account analyst and investment manager. Survivors include his parents and two siblings.

### MASTERS

**Katherine Benion '66**, Lewisburg, Pa., on Oct. 10, 2010. She earned a bachelor's from Susquehanna University and was a teacher until her retirement in 1981. She was also a poet and freelance writer. Survivors include four children and four great-grandchildren.

**John Gallagher '54**, Freeland, Pa., on Sept. 10, 2010. He

earned a bachelor's at East Stroudsburg University and served in the Navy during WWII. He was an administrator at the Hazleton Area School District and mayor of Freeland. Survivors include his wife, a son and a granddaughter.

**Diann Mussina German '56**, Williamsport, Pa., on July 31, 2010. She earned a bachelor's at Lycoming College and worked in human resources at several companies throughout her career. Survivors include her son and two cousins, **Kay Smeltzer Ewer '57** and **Carolyn Mussina Seaman '61**.

**David Harper '67**, Elmira, N.Y., on Oct. 24, 2010. He earned a bachelor's at Lock Haven University and served in the Navy. He retired as a high school teacher after 30 years of teaching. Survivors include two sons and four grandchildren.

**Fred Kelly '55**, Belvidere, N.J., on Aug. 18, 2010. He served in the Army during WWII, graduated from East Stroudsburg State Teachers College and was a high school teacher, director of guidance, athletic director and coach before his retirement in 1981. Survivors include four children and five grandchildren.

**Edward Mitros '51**, Bethlehem, Pa., on July 30, 2010. He served in the Army and earned a bachelor's from Bloomsburg State Teachers College. He was a high school science teacher and department chair. Survivors include three children and 16 grandchildren.

**Byron Shiner '41**, Fairborn, Ohio, on Aug. 29, 2010. He earned a bachelor's at Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania and was a retired colonel. He served in the Air Force during WWII and the Korean and Vietnam Wars, retiring in 1970 after 30 years. He worked as the bursar at the University of Dayton and retired after 10 years. Survivors include his wife, two daughters and three grandchildren.

**Kenneth Widdall '51**, Springettsbury, Pa., on Oct. 16, 2010. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII and earned a bachelor's at Wilkes University



and a doctorate at Columbia University. He was a teacher, counselor, coach, consultant, educational administrator and business manager for 49 years. Survivors include his wife, four sons, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Richard Zimmerman '71**, Williamsport, Pa., on Aug. 28, 2010. He earned a bachelor's at Lycoming College, served in the Air National Guard and retired in 1993 as a guidance counselor. He was the announcer for the Lycoming College Warriors for 37 years. Survivors include a son.

## FACULTY AND STAFF

**Peg Bryan**, Lewisburg, Pa., on Oct. 2, 2010. She earned a bachelor's at Kansas State University and earned a master's at New York University. She worked at numerous academic institutions and was an instructor in women's physical education at Bucknell, as well as chair of the department. She was instrumental in adopting Title IX requirements at Bucknell and was the University's first director of women's intercollegiate athletics. She was given the Bison Club Award in 1981 and inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame in 1991. The Bryan-Humphreys Award is named in her honor, as is the University's new scoreboard for women's lacrosse and field hockey. She was predeceased by her partner, Mary Jane Stevenson, former dean of women. Survivors include many cousins.

**Ruth Cormell**, Lewisburg, Pa., on Sept. 26, 2010. She graduated from the Jefferson Hospital of School Nursing as a registered nurse and worked for 19 years in Bucknell's Dispensary, now Student Health Services. She retired in 1985. Survivors include three children and one great-granddaughter.

**Della Forry**, Scranton, Pa., on Oct. 29, 2010. She was a custodian for Bucknell's Physical Plant (Facilities) for 19 years before retiring in 1983. Survivors include her son, sister, and nieces and nephews.

**Robert Latour**, Springfield, Mass., on Nov. 18, 2010. He served in the Army during WWII, earned a bachelor's at Ohio Wesleyan University and a master's at Springfield College. He was Bucknell's first swimming coach, was director of athletics and was senior associate director of athletics until his retirement in 1990. Bob was inducted into the Bucknell Athletic Hall of Fame, trustee **Bill Dearstyne '62** established a swimming and diving endowment named for him, and an award for achievement in women's swimming was created in his honor. Survivors include his wife, Thelma "Woodie," two children and five grandchildren, including **Nathaniel Piel '07**.

**Ruth Muffly**, Lewisburg, Pa., on Aug. 22, 2010. She worked for food service (Bucknell Dining) as the supervisor for the Women's Dining Hall. She retired as assistant director of the food service department in 1978. Survivors include her son, **Russ Dennis '64**, and granddaughter.

**Jeanne Spangler Sauers '45**, New Berlin, Pa., on Oct. 3, 2010. She was a recruiting coordinator in the Career Development Center for 17 years before retiring in 1986. Survivors include two sons, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Janet Van Buskirk**, Lewisburg, Pa., on Sept. 28, 2010. She was a library cataloger in the Ellen Bertrand Library until her retirement in 1980. Survivors include three children, 20 grandchildren and 43 great-grandchildren.

**Ginny Walter**, Orlando, Fla., on Oct. 28, 2010. She worked in the Finance Office for 40 years before retiring in 1998. Surviving are her husband, **Bill**, who is retired from Administrative Services (Publications, Print and Mail), two children, a granddaughter and two great-grandchildren.

## FRIENDS

**Helen Simpson Brembeck**, Syracuse, Ind., on Aug. 29, 2010.

She graduated from Wilson College and was predeceased by her husband, **Cole M'41**, and brother, **Geddes Simpson '29**. Survivors include two children and three grandchildren.

**Joseph "Chip" Broderick P'95**, Weymouth, Mass., on May 27, 2010. He served in the Navy and was a pipe fitter for 38 years. Surviving are his wife; three children, including **Michael '95**; and two grandchildren.

**Gene Cavanaugh P'12**, Danville, Pa., on Oct. 3, 2010. He was a sales manager for Oldcastle Architecture. Surviving are his wife and three children, including **Caitlin '12**.

**Robert Champeau P'11**, New City, N.Y., on Oct. 11, 2010. He served in the Marine Corps and was a businessman. Surviving are his wife and four children, including **Tabitha '11**.

**Constance Fiory**, Lewisburg, Pa., on Sept. 22, 2010. She graduated from the Katharine Gibbs School and was a secretary for Central Chemical and Air Products. She was predeceased by her husband, **William '50**.

**Elaine Koletar**, Selinsgrove, Pa., on Oct. 3, 2010. She earned a bachelor's at the University of Connecticut and worked as a social worker and Maryland state employee. Survivors include her husband, **Joseph '60**, two children and a brother.

**Walter Lowrie P'05**, Tacoma, Wash., on May 14, 2010. He earned a bachelor's at the University of Puget Sound, a master's at the University of Washington and a doctorate at Syracuse University. He was a professor of history at the University of Puget Sound for 44 years. Surviving are his wife and four children, including **Caitlin '05**.

## ABBREVIATION KEY

P - Parent  
GP - Grandparent  
GGP - Great-grandparent  
M - Masters  
H - Honorary degree

## And the winners are...



The entries marched in for *Bucknell Magazine's* Class Notes Caption Contest. Here are the five best:

"Girls just wanna have drum."

— Gloria Boyce-Charles '75

"Really, you didn't have to do this to wake me up for my 8 o'clock."

— Nancy Jones Easterly '61

"If Ray doesn't stop pretending she's Gene Krupa, I'm going to bop her with my baton!"

— Kurt Landefeld '76

"Bucknellians choose their major(ette)s."

— Mike Rudell '64

"Remember the year the clock on the Quad failed, and the Hunt Hall marching quintet filled in every hour on the hour?"

— Art Harriman '48



## A Quiet Man

An alumnus considers the qualities of extraordinary action.

By Paul Ganz '54, M'62

Owen Murnane '54 and I were struggling with the same problem as we drove down the George Washington Parkway to Arlington National Cemetery for the funeral of classmate and SAE fraternity brother **Fred Locke '54**. We knew that Fred's family would want stories of his life at Bucknell. The problem was that we had no stories, and that worried us. I searched my memory for an anecdote, something that I could say, yes, that was typical Fred Locke. But all we could offer was that we lived together for four years, knew little about Fred's outstanding accomplishments as a soccer player and that he was quiet and unassuming, modest and stoical, with strongly held opinions which he kept mostly to himself.

Now Fred, who was so modest and secretive about his athletic achievements at Bucknell, was being honored posthumously for service to his country and as a recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross. We had difficulty reconciling the young Fred Locke we remembered lounging on one of the ancient leather sofas at the fraternity house, grinning sardonically while watching the antics of the less mature brothers, with the heroic Marine he became. The Marine who, under near impossible conditions, in "excruciating pain," with blood on his visor obscuring his vision, wrested the controls from the mortally wounded pilot and safely landed his helicopter at Da Nang hospital, saving the lives of his remaining crew.

When did Fred acquire the personal qualities for heroic action? Perhaps those values had grown in him in the intervening years?

Lieutenant Colonel Locke, Vietnam hero and graduate of Bucknell University, was finally laid to rest among the other heroes in a place that "represents the soul of America," and



finally, I understood. It was futile to try to remember some conspicuous act from his undergraduate days that would have given a clue to his later heroics. It was dead wrong to assume that somewhere between Bucknell and that fateful day over Quang Nam province Fred had received a sudden injection of heroic characteristics. I know they had always been there.

I imagine that in the critical moment of Fred struggling to regain control of the wildly spinning helicopter, he remained the quiet, unassuming man I remember from our college days,

*"Fred's resolute determination to do his duty had led him to his heroic acts."*

but also a man faced with the most difficult of circumstances. Duty called and he answered. As a Marine officer, the ultimate private man responded with courage and honor. I finally realized the makings of

a hero: One who sees his or her duty and fulfills it, without question. The more difficult the situation, the more important is the obligation to duty. Fred's resolute determination to do his duty had led him to his heroic acts.

Fred Locke had arrived at the University knowing instinctively what was important. His time at Bucknell nurtured that sense of duty through his athletic and academic endeavors, which was sharpened and redefined with the added responsibility of combat command. The intervening years had not molded Fred to prepare him for that fateful day over Vietnam. He always had the capacity for heroism.

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*Lt. Col. Fred Locke '54, pilot to Presidents Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson, passed away on Jan. 25, 2009. Paul Ganz '54, M'62, a retired teacher, has lived in the United Kingdom for the past 22 years.*



# In 1929, Wall Street crashed. Herbert Hoover became president. And 16-year-old Fannie Wood entered Bucknell.

Fannie Wood Brown '33 loves to share stories of meeting friends at Bechtel's for buttermilk, skating on the frozen Susquehanna, listening to live jazz at fraternity dances, and wearing high heels and stockings to class.

"Bucknell has always been part of my life," says Fannie, whose parents were the first of four generations to attend the University.

Fannie and other family members established the Thomas '05 and Blanche Stoner Wood '05 and son, 2nd Lt. James Wood '43, Scholarship, to memorialize her brother, who was killed in WWII, and her parents. The scholarship was partially financed with gift annuities Fannie funded for her husband, their children and their spouses. Now, just as Bucknell has always been a part of Fannie's life, the Wood family will always be a part of Bucknell.



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