

LEHIGH DISPATCH

Editor's note: Welcome to Lehigh Dispatch, where you can find out what your fellow alums are up to. Thanks to our dedicated correspondents for the work you do to keep our extended Lehigh community together. Please send Class Notes to your class correspondent, or, if unsure the class to which the news applies, send to classnotes@lehigh.edu.

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Greetings fellow '46ers. I'm writing this while busily engaged in the basketball tournament known as March Madness. It brings back memories to me of a few years ago when Lehigh made the tournament as the 16th seed. Duke University was the No. 1 seed and Lehigh's opponent. To everyone's surprise, Lehigh defeated Duke and went on to the second round, where they were pitted against Xavier, a Cincinnati college. Believe it or not, Lehigh was way ahead of Xavier at the half. But unfortunately, Xavier eventually overcame the deficit and went on to win, and Lehigh bowed out. It was a moment of glory. I was pleased with the winning record Lehigh has delivered this past year. They didn't win the Patriot League Championship, but they were right in the mix for that league. They went 20-11 overall and 12-6 in the league.

Here's how they did game by game: Monmouth W 85-61; Miami (Fla.) L 62-83; Marist W 78-72; Princeton W 72-57; Siena W 80-69; Kansas State L 58-77; Arkansas State W 82-70; Yale L 87-97; Mount St. Mary's W 85-78; St. Francis (Pa.) W 88-76; West Virginia L 68-78; Lafayette W 86-83; Loyola W 89-72; Holy Cross W/OT 99-94; Colgate L 78-

91; American W 83-76; Bucknell L 83-85; Navy W 85-74; Boston University W 94-78; Lafayette W/OT 93-86; Army W 75-70; Colgate L 62-84; Navy W 83-57; Bucknell L 75-87; Boston University W 84-79; Army W 91-81; Holy Cross L 71-73; American W 80-66; Loyola L 73-92; Army W 75-70; Bucknell L 75-97.

Those two losses to Bucknell, a school with a smaller enrollment than Lehigh (but with a larger endowment), really hurt us in league play. But the two victories against Lafayette were sweet! How did the Lehigh team do in our graduation year of 1946?

Well, here are the results: Lebanon Valley L 62-63; Bucknell L 32-53; F & M W 57-38; Temple L 54-87; Gettysburg L 38-61; Rutgers L 45-63; Bucknell W 69-44; Lebanon Valley W 52-45; Muhlenberg L 44-87; Muhlenberg L 37-73; Gettysburg L 40-61; West Virginia L 52-69; Rutgers L 49-65; Lafayette L 48-73; F & M L 47-48; Lafayette L 28-61.

That year we split two games with Bucknell. But we were trounced by Lafayette twice.

The '46 team was composed of just nine players: Jerome Waldor '47; James Schwartz '48; Henry Wetherhold '48; Earle Compton '49; Richard Jones '48; Robert Belmonte '47; Francis Rehnert '47; Spencer Wright '48; Karl Rehnert '49.

The coach was Leo Prender-

gast. He also coached football and track to losing records. Leo was an outstanding coach at Bethlehem High School. He just never saw much success at Lehigh with any of the teams he coached. Lehigh's athletic spotlight was our wrestling program. It was led by Hall of Fame coach Billy Sheridan. So much for that.

Since I last wrote this column, I've had a nice phone call from **Chuck Hafner's** widow, Carol. Since moving out of the Lehigh Valley, I miss the shoo-fly pie that was popular among the Pennsylvania Dutch. Each time I came to a Lehigh game or a meeting, Carol would always bake one of her shoo-fly pies for me, a much-appreciated delicacy by yours truly.

By the way, since my last column I got a phone call from one of **Ralph Graber's** offspring informing me that Ralph's widow, Lorraine, had passed away. Ralph and his wife were good friends of my wife, Gerry, and mine and of Carol and Chuck Hafner for many years. In fact, Ralph gave the eulogy at Chuck's funeral.

I also had phone calls from **Burt Bartlett**, who now lives in Washington, D.C. His voice sounded great, and his peppy talk was a pleasure to listen to.

The only other class member I have contact with is **Richard Smith**. Richard and his wife live in San Antonio, Texas. Our communications with each other are via email. Well, it's back to March Madness for me. I've become a Michigan State rooster. Let's see how they do.

En avant!

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To share your news or if you would be interested in becoming your class's correspondent, reaching out to classmates and writing a column three times a year, please contact the Alumni Office at 610-758-3069 or classnotes@lehigh.edu

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This time I am writing about **Tom Dowdell**, one of the stalwarts of our class. Tom grew up in Milton, Pa., which is just outside Lewisburg. At Milton High School he captained both the football and basketball teams. He chose to come to Lehigh based on its reputation as one of the best engineering schools. Upon arrival Tom enrolled in mechanical engineering, joined Chi Psi and went out for basketball. He gave up basketball after his sophomore year in favor of Glee Club and dating a girl from Cedar Crest named Phyllis Snyder. Dating Phyllis and singing in the Glee Club lasted the rest of his Lehigh tenure. After graduation, Tom and Phyllis were married. Unfortunately, Phyllis died suddenly about a year and a half ago. Up until then, they lived in Fargo, N.D., for several years, from where Tom wrote our class column. He now lives with a married daughter in Sequim, Wash., a beautiful town near the base of the Olympic Mountains.

During his early career, Tom worked for several large corporations, managing to get fired several times as a result of disagreements with his bosses. The job changes caused the family to move about the country. Tom told me that they had lived in 10 places, including suburban Philadelphia; Louisville; Short Hills, N.J.; Palos Verdes, Calif.; and outside Washington, D.C. At some point he decided that he needed to be his own boss. He started a successful business as a sales representative, working with firms in the cryogenics field. He is now retired from that, but not from playing the piano. He has enjoyed this for most of his life, continuing to play in clubs and restaurants, earning a good second income.

Everyone who has attended a

class reunion in the last 25 years or more will remember Tom's leadership in preparing us to march in the class parades. At our 60th, he taught us to march by the words to "Thanks for the Memories." That year 21 of us paraded. We won the Over-50 Parade Contest and were first runner-up for the Harleman Award.

At our 65th Reunion we had fewer than a dozen who made it. We marched again, but not very well. We were indoors at Grace Hall due to rain and had no time or space to rehearse. The high point of that reunion was our dinner in the Rathbone Room of the University Center. Tom did a great job leading a roundtable discussion during which there was an outpouring of reminiscence. Thank you, Tom!

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Seems odd writing a news column in March that you guys will not see for several months, but that is how the system works, so here goes: **Arthur Bondy** thanked **Pat Moran** for keeping up the column over the years. Art has been retired for 11 years and has lived in Middletown, Conn., over 30 years. He indicated his biggest achievement was in the civil rights movement for multiple years.

Bill Skillman wrote: "Latest from here is that I turned 91 on Jan. 22 and in December became engaged to Susie List, widow of a former co-worker at Westinghouse. See my genealogy home page (SkillmansofAmerica.com) for a short blurb and picture. I lost Anne, the love of my life, on March 19, 2017, after 68 and a half years of marriage."

Bob Hoyt continues his regular reporting by saying: "Bill, you will receive your reward for being the '52 class correspondent

when you get to heaven. I watched the Cornell-Lehigh wrestling match recently with my wrestling partner, Jack Platt '53. I've still got all of my original joints. I was water skiing up until four years ago when my legs gave out. I still bike ride, albeit slowly. Go to the gym three times a week. My wife has been gone for 15 years, but I am soldiering on living in a condo both here in Pennsylvania and in Nantucket. In Nantucket I race in an 18-foot sailboat. Four of my six children live nearby, so I have lots of support. I am proud that one of my 13 grandsons took Army ROTC and now is a first lieutenant and flying generals around Washington, D.C. His base is Ft. Belvoir, where I served before going to Korea. One of my three granddaughters is married and has three boys, so I'm a great-granddad. My son-in-law, Bill McNabb, served as CEO of Vanguard for 10 years, taking the company from \$1 trillion to \$5 trillion in client assets."

I'm glad to hear that Bob is still able to ride and enjoy a bicycle that isn't stationary. I reminded him of his challenge in 2014 that I accepted but never heard back from him. He denies it, but my challenge is still viable. Hope to hear from other classmates for our next column.

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By the time you receive this *Bulletin*, the reunion for 2019 will be over. Lehigh seems pleased that the Class of '53 is having a mini-reunion this year in the Governors Room at Saucon Valley Country Club on June 8. I don't know why it takes so long to get these columns published, but I am only the class correspondent. This is the first time this has been tried and under the leadership of Joe Workman. I am sure it will be successful. The committee

putting this together is composed of **Joe Workman, Tony Latour, Tip Mowrer, Roger Inglese** and the late **Bill Latshaw**.

We all know our class is getting smaller as we age near the 90s. It is with great sadness that I must report my close friend and classmate, Bill Latshaw, passed away. Bill did our 50th yearbook with computer aid from **Tom Shannahan**; other classes have copied since. He wrote the words to our parade songs over the years and attended many Lehigh functions. I will miss Bill and his wife, Sandy, as they were close friends of Barbara's and mine. After serving in the military, he rose from the Bethlehem Steel Loop program to the manager of advertising and news media. He later became chief executive officer of the Lehigh Valley United Way.

It is getting more difficult to get information as our class members pass on, so send me any information you might have.

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Eleanor and I are moving into a retirement home in June after the closing date now set for June 9. It is called the Sarasota Bay Club, and we purchased a unit on the 10th floor of the South Tower, which was built in 2003. I sold my condo in The Landings in one week, and Eleanor is hoping that her house in Brevard will be sold shortly. We will then be living in Sarasota 12 months a year. We both felt that this was the right time to make the change to a new way of living. The deal breaker was when we learned that SBC accepted pets and Chester, our Maine Coon cat, could be with us.

Our move means that we will not be able to attend Reunion Weekend this year. I called **Phil Newman** and sadly learned

from Wendy that Phil passed away in January after a bout with pneumonia. I then called **Ben Reinoehl**, who is having trouble with his hearing. For that reason, he did not want to be in charge of our reunion. Ben retired from Air Products in 2001 after a 40-year career with the company. He then started his own consulting company and is currently advising a firm on the costs of developing and building a facility in Montana to pump gas from one of the largest untapped fields in the country. Ben received an MBA from Lehigh, and his father was also a Lehigh graduate. Ben's wife, Barbara, is four years younger and keeps him moving.

I then called **Bill Haase**, who said that he and his wife, Ruth, will be moving to their summer home in Ocean Grove, N.J., at that time, and the best that he may do is that he might show up for the Saturday night dinner. Bill told me that his grandfather purchased what is now their summer home in 1903, and it has been a gathering place for the family ever since the purchase. Ocean Grove was founded as a religious community and is called God's Square Mile. Bill has been an usher for 70 years at the Great Auditorium in Ocean Grove, a mecca for religious and social events.

Bill suggested that I call **Dan Kline**, which I did. Dan told me that he fractured his femur 18 months ago and ever since has been hobbling around with a cane. He goes to physical therapy every week and is slowly getting better. Dan's wife, Joyce, is only 82 and walks the boardwalk three times a week and is still working as a travel agent.

I tried to call **Marty Pearl**, but couldn't reach him. I am sure that the university will keep track of all attendees, and when I receive that list, I'll call every attendee and give everyone a full report in my next column.

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Hello from Florida. Roberta and I spend nine weeks in Longboat Key (Sarasota), so if any of you are near, we can connect in 2020.

I have a wonderful letter from **Neal Griffing**, which I am sharing in this column. Please consider a similar letter. Not only does this put some history about you for your classmates in print, but it also gives succeeding generations a picture of you that they will have as a legacy.

Here goes: "Dear Burt, I see that you are a chemical engineer who lived in Dravo House. I was a metallurgical engineer living in Drinker House, so we probably crossed paths a few times.

"I do treasure my education from Lehigh that resulted in a lifelong career as a metallurgist, culminating in becoming a research consultant at the Homer Laboratories of Bethlehem Steel. I have always been thankful to a fellow hometown trombonist, Bruce Carey '53, who persuaded me to join him at Lehigh.

"As for memorable professors, Frank Fornoff, Francis Trembley and Joe Libsch stand out. Dr. Fornoff could fill up the sliding blackboards in a hurry with his stimulating chemistry lectures. Trembley made evolutionary biology exciting, and Libsch could make metal microstructures come alive with dislocations, etc. Taking notes was a must, so no sleeping in class, except maybe in history lectures.

"I have enjoyed being a metallurgist, puddling iron, and being able to tell the difference between a virgin metal and a common ore. Harvesting firewood and hiking are among my favorite pastimes. Also researching history for my volunteer job as a docent at Sigal Museum, the home of the Northampton County Historical and Genealogical Society in Easton, Pa. Never

liked history in my youth.

"Regarding family matters, I am the ninth generation in America with a few genes from Edward Doty, a passenger on the Mayflower. My terrific wife, Jane, and I have an extended family of four children, seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

"I am thankful for two years of a tuition funding scholarship from the then President of Bucyrus-Erie Company.

"Please encourage stories from other 1955 classmates!"

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It has been a busy scene at Lehigh with new construction on campus, new faculty and staff appointments, and the launching of the billion-dollar GO Lehigh campaign. At this writing, event-filled weekends are planned for commencement and reunion in May and June.

Bob McGoroy reports that he fulfilled a lifelong dream in 2018: crossing the Atlantic by ship after hundreds of flights by air in his 25 years as a Pan American pilot. Bob and Carolyn joined his Pan Am reunion group to sail from Miami to the Azores and on to Lisbon, enjoying calm seas and rescuing a sailboat along the way.

The McGoroy's year also included meeting U.S. Vice President Mike Pence, visiting family in Washington State, and gathering a group totaling 16 family members (representing three generations) for Thanksgiving dinner at their home near Philadelphia.

Thanksgiving 2018 was also a highlight for Helen and **Nils Carlson**, when 19 family members assembled for dinner at their

home in Glastonbury, Conn.

It was special to receive a lengthy letter from longtime friend and classmate **Bill Diehl**. He is 95, living in Hellertown, Pa. He is widowed but lives near his helpful daughter, Cynthia Diehl Lintner '75. Bill is pleased to retain his "mind and memory" and "seems to be doing well." He can "still go dancing at the casino in Bethlehem."

Before Lehigh, Bill was an airplane and engine mechanic with the U.S. Air Force, serving in World War II. During his Lehigh years he was married to his "inspiring wife" Josephine and was a new father to two daughters. He spent his career as a civil engineer with Bethlehem Steel and other nearby companies, and was active in civic organizations in the area.

As an alum, he was president of our class for a number of years and served for decades on the Lehigh Reunion Committee. In 1989 he was awarded the Robert A. Harrier award for his outstanding reunion contributions.

I welcomed news from western Pennsylvania also, hearing from Toot and **Al Rathbone** in Murrysville that "all is quiet on the Western Front."

Your news is always appreciated. Stay in touch.

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News from Philadelphia has **Mickey Simon** moving into Center City after 49 years in suburban Rydal. He says that for her 80th birthday, he gave his wife, Ellen, the front page of a real estate section with a notation to pick a place to live in the city. She chose a condo in Society Hill at Fourth and Walnut streets in a building with 23 units when it was built in 1880 for the home office of the Pennsylvania Railroad; it was converted to apartments

about 25 years ago. He now has a reverse commute to his office in Jenkintown. Residing in town, they can walk or take the bus to many restaurants and cultural activities, including the Philadelphia Museum of Art, where they have been active for many years. Mickey and Ellen still do a great deal of traveling, visiting their son in Berkeley, Calif., at least three times a year, plus August in Deer Island, Maine, and their annual visit to Paris. Not too bad for our class treasurer since graduation in '57.

Had a lengthy note from **Sid Silver**, who is still practicing law in Washington, D.C., at Silver, Freedman, Taff & Tiernan, L.L.P. Sid and wife Peggy's main residence is their farm in Middleburg, Va., but they keep a residence in Bethesda, Md., and their longtime summer residence in Ventnor, N.J. They have been blessed with five children, 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Both of their sons are Lehigh grads, David Silver '81 and Daniel Silver '93, and three grandchildren: twin sisters Marissa Cannon '18 and Madison Cannon '17, plus Nathaniel Cannon '17. Last September, Sid had a new kidney put in at John Hopkins in Baltimore, and everything went well. He was back at work in several weeks, plus swimming and tennis. Sid is still active at school, serving on the Dean's Advisory Council for the College of Business and Economics.

Had a nice note from **Rod Longman**, who is living down in Boca Raton, Fla. His first wife, Patricia Burgett Longman, died in April of 1994, and they had been married for 35 years. Of their three daughters: One is located in Boca; one is a chef on a riverboat out of Missouri; and one lives in Tennessee. His girls had five children, and he and his second wife of 22 years, Donna, are enjoying three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren living locally in Boca. Rod says

he pretty much quit overseas travel, but still has a villa in the Bahamas that they get out to every other month for the last 25 years.

Hope to be at the Reunion Parade in June watching with my son, Todd '94, wife and his three kids marching in his big 25th.

Send me some updates!

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We made it to Wrightsville Beach, N.C., before April 1. The azaleas were in bloom, strawberries were being picked, and it was sunny and warm. On Aprils Fools' Day in Orchard Park it snowed several inches. We spent a lot of time scouting the damage that Hurricane Florence inflicted on the island and area. Reconstruction everywhere, but not at Lukie and **Jean-Claude Rousseaux's** home in Southport, N.C.

Lee Owens' yearly letter was filled with music, walking and traveling, but this year his health deteriorated dramatically. His hips and shoulders locked up totally, and he couldn't pick anything up from the floor, tie shoelaces, put on socks, etc. Eventual diagnosis was polymyalgia rheumatica. The tablets he is taking have side effects a page long, and he is working steadily at reducing dosage. A sidebar to this: It sounds very similar to my ailments and to reducing prednisone for inflammatory polyarthropathy and bilateral primary osteoarthritis of the hip, thigh, knee and lower back. I use a walker and cane. I have started taking medical marijuana!

Back to Lee and his trip of the year to Alaska with Mary and **Bob Libutti** on a small boat cruise (50 people) among the islands, glaciers, whales and bears. Then onward to the isolated middle of Denali National Park. He pointed out to the Alaskans that they are similar to the Australians, that is,

they are all from somewhere else. More about the Libuttis in the next issue!

Returning to the lower 48, they spent some time in Seattle with Lynne's family and then visited with Lois and **Bob Franco** in Blaine, Wash., south of Vancouver.

Lynne Owens is the adventurous walker, spending three weeks in Mongolia amongst the camels, horses, yaks, sheep and goats, but few people. Another major overseas tour of the countryside in Portugal and Spain was a delight.

The choral madness fulfilled a full year with the Willoughby Symphony Choir along with a demanding schedule in the Sydney Male Choir. The Sydney Turf Club signed on as a sponsor, so they performed Saturdays at the racetrack by the entry gate and watched the scantily clad women go to the grandstands. The year's highlight was singing the Messiah with daughter Shannon in a choir of 350 at Sydney Town Hall.

Lee was thrilled to receive a package from Lehigh containing a wine glass that says "Class of 1958 60th Reunion." That was a very friendly gesture. It will soon be filled with Barossa Valley Red in recollection of days on Old South Mountain!

Phi Delta Theta '58 had their annual Spring Fling in Florida. Sally and **Dave Saunders** hosted the cocktail party in Fort Myers, while Dale and **Pete Tremblay** hosted the dinner at their country club in Naples. Fran and **Ned Voss** made the trip from the New Jersey beaches. **Joe Muscarelle** came over from Palm Beach, and **Tom Cuddeback** flew in from Maryland. Unable to make the trip were **Tom Smith** in Dallas, **Dean Boyce** in Delray Beach, **Pete Chandonnet** in California and **Ed Delany** skiing in Mount Snow. The Saunders sold their home to their children in April, but plan to rent a cottage next spring to continue the tradition.

I hope to watch Lehigh's new coach and team in my yearly trip

to Bethlehem for the Merrimack game on September 28.

Gary's Barber Shop can't wait to watch the Buffalo Bills' rookie quarterback, Josh Allen, and the new offensive players to go with their strong defense make it to the playoffs.

Greekers to Lee Owens, Dave Saunders and Pete Tremblay, and successful medical marijuana treatments!

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When John and wife Ellen moved to Boulder, Colo., two years ago, he brought his jail skills with him, continuing to mentor inmates in the Boulder County Jail as well as working with the homeless and assisting Ellen with Meals on Wheels. While John insists the Alumni Award "is a case of mistaken identity," we believe it is "well-earned and deserved."

We began our class activities

Friday with cocktails at Zoellner Arts Center and a fascinating Lehigh presentation from Wight Martindale '60, followed by the Soiree Under the Stars. Saturday brought our class parade, themed: We're Still Rockin', '59@60. Your committee decided on keeping it simple. While we have had dancing raisins, mummers string bands, Penske Race Team coveralls, and LU dance team jitterbug queens in the past, we opted for simple T-shirts and caps. More compatible with the dignity (?) of our age and marching ability. As in the past few reunions, our Saturday night dinner was at Saucon Valley Country Club, this time at the charming Villa Pazzetti.

As this Alumni Bulletin column was due before our reunion, we will have more complete coverage in our next column. But we do want to salute our Class President and Reunion Chairman Leon Harbold for the yeoman job he did in organizing and planning once again. Other members of the committee were: John Canova, **Beall Fowler**, **George Karr**, **Glenn Kinard**, **Michael Kuenne**, **Gene Mercy**, **Paul Prestia**, **Jim Swenson** and **Bob Teufel**.

Jim Swenson was also back on campus March 30 for the Patriot League lacrosse match between Lehigh and Boston University. The 1959 class C, co-national champions were honored at halftime (LU won 10-8). Classmates on that championship team were: **Bob Wardell**, **David Dimmick**, **Robert Biggs**, **William Werner**, **Art Brooks**, **Jean-Paul Bert**, **Steve Estroff**, **Charles Vogt** and **Bill Bateman**. Lacrosse has come a long way both nationally and at Lehigh since 1959, when it was a regional Tidewater and Long Island sport, with LU now top-20 NCAA and playing both a Patriot League and major national schedule.

For younger Americans, the

Academy Award-winning “The Green Book” was an eye-opening tour of the pre-civil rights movement Jim Crow South, but it wasn’t for the 10 Lehigh AFROTC cadets who traveled to Greenville AFB, in Mississippi, in June 1958 for a summer of training. Most of us had never been further south than Ocean City, N.J., or possibly to Florida for Spring Break. But seeing “whites only” signs for the first time was a shock. Even the USAF was compliant with regional customs when it came time for the cadets to attend a dance with the local southern belles at the town Women’s Club, which was segregated. Our African American fellow cadets from Penn State and St. Joseph’s were invited to a “special” dinner and entertainment at the base commander’s house.

Denny Brennan and I had a discussion about this at our 50th Reunion and agreed we should have been more forceful in insisting it was all of us or none. The other ‘59ers on our tour of the South were Bill Bateman, **Bob Bauder**, **Bob Bruns**, **Jack Croteau**, **Al Michon**, **John Rieke**, **Tom Sorokas**, **Ed Wilkinson** and Bob Teufel.

Full Reunion ‘59@60 coverage in our next issue.

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Hello classmates,

I am writing this while waiting for my daffodils to bloom in eastern Connecticut. There is not a lot of news this quarter due to a lack of input from all of you.

My wife, Gill, and I spend the month of February in Jupiter, Fla., where we spent a lot of time with Dottie and **Bill Ross**. They are both doing well and held their annual Super Bowl party. **John Mac Williams**

and his wife, Louise, drove up from Delray to take in the party. Since the Patriots won this year, I was happy with the results. On the way to Florida we stopped by Charleston, S.C., to spend a few days with **Tom Bliss** and his wife, Tricia. We had a very enjoyable time. Tom was talking about spending his summer up at his new home in Tenants Harbor, Maine, and motoring about in his new lobster boat.

Jack Kennedy enjoyed the wrestling season, going to both the Easterns and the Nationals. I assume **Bob Bevan** joined him in watching many of the matches. Jack wanted to remind all of you that we have our 60th Reunion coming up next year. He will be contacting Reunion Committee members in the near future about meeting and planning the event.

Jack McCarthy’s wife, Diane, had just recovered from back surgery when she fell in the church parking lot in late March and had to undergo extensive surgery on two fractures of her left shoulder. She will probably face additional surgery in a year or so after she is completely healed. It has been a tough year for both of them. Give Jack a ring if you get to Naples, Fla.

Craig Anderson writes that the new baseball records board in the new Varsity Baseball Locker Room is named after him. They also put up a beautiful plaque on the dugout side wall facing the bullpen with his name on it. He never thought he would see his name on a sign on the Lehigh campus. This spring he joined the Tampa Bay Lehigh Alumni Club at a spring training game in Clearwater, Fla. Craig threw out the ceremonial first pitch and managed to get the ball from the mound to home plate. His big news is that his daughter, Jill Anderson ‘91, has been named vice president of development and alumni engagement at Moravian College.

This is after spending four years at Muhlenberg College. Craig is looking forward to attending our next reunion in 2020.

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Save the date for Reunion 2020: June 4-7, 2020

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Many thanks to Class President **Paul Smith** for pinch-hitting for me on the last column. He was so successful in his news gathering that he even forwarded some to me for future editions. Double thanks!

Paul missed Florida this year due to a knee replacement, but was able to hit his first golf balls only six weeks after surgery. These days he lets his son run the business while he files for patents—most recently for a desktop smartphone stand. He reminds me that our 60th Reunion is just two years away, and its theme will be “Celebrating Our Legacy.” We’ll be presenting Lehigh our “last endowment” at the Reunion, and Paul asks that you be prepared to give generously!

It seems like ages ago that Lehigh romped over Lafayette 34-3, but I remember joining Linda and **Norm Reinik** to joyfully cheer our team on to victory at Legends Bar in Huntington Beach, Calif. Norm is still chopping eight cords of wood each year to heat his mountain home in Big Bear, Calif. Like Paul, he recently had a knee replacement. He reported that **John McCaskie** has finally retired as chief engineer for SWANK Company. He and Rose live in Ruffs Dale, near Pittsburgh, where John focuses on art collecting and “keeping out of Rose’s way!”

Joe Bartish considers 2018 a bad football year, since he missed both the Lehigh-

Lafayette telecast and the Lehigh/Navy game, which, as I reported earlier, he was planning to attend in person in Annapolis, where his son attended the Academy. It was an airline weather problem that forced him to cancel the trip from his home in Las Vegas. Joe does on-call support work for the Air Force and Department of Defense regarding unmanned aerial vehicles.

When Grace and **John Kuney’s** South American cruise made Rio de Janeiro a port of call in January, they were greeted by an English-speaking guide arranged by **Roy Cravzow**, who still remains in the Brazilian export business in his spare time. Roy doesn’t let the business interfere with his golf game, which is his major pastime, when he and Wanda spend a few weeks in Florida every winter to avoid the cold in Rocky Point.

A nice email from **Bob Jablon** informed us that he is still practicing law in D.C., with the publicly oriented firm of Spiegel & McDiarmid, primarily helping public entities get fair access to electricity at reasonable cost. He has been with the firm since 1972. “Cara and I strive to remain young,” he asserts, pointing out that he is president and his wife is a member of the Potomac Valley Skiers (“a geriatric ski club!”). The couple has two sons and a daughter, all of whom live on the north West Coast.

William Kugler writes that **Chuck Weidner** passed away last November 29. Chuck joined the Air Force upon graduation, followed by a stint with Fairless Steel Works outside of Philadelphia. He and Sherred moved to Wilmington, N.C., in 1970, where Chuck worked in quality control for GE until his 1995 retirement. He was a lifelong fly fisherman, building rods and tying flies for himself and for others, including his three kids and eight grandkids.

Glad to hear from **Brian Bauknight**, who completed 45 years in the United Methodist Ministry in 2007, the last 27 years of which were at a large church in the Pittsburgh suburbs. He then took on 10 years of mentoring newer clergy and has now, finally, re-retired. His T-shirt reads: Retired/One Owner/High Mileage/Needs Body Work. "It's been a good run," he concludes, "and I am grateful!"

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This Summer *Bulletin* deadline was April 1, so I am writing my column in March surrounded with the bracket busters in March Madness, the NCAA Wrestling Championships, the largest college admission bribery scandal ever and tax season with new tax laws.

Re: the scandal, one bill proposed by the California legislature would ban preferential admission for legacy admission, and the Institute for Policy Studies characterized legacy preference as an acceptance policy for the wealthy and privileged. Lehigh's website indicates that 17 percent of the Class of 2022 were Lehigh legacies. Amongst the "wealthy and privileged" in the class of '62 were: **Phil Kinzel** and **Phil Kinzel Jr.** '92; **Don Kane** and **Derek Kane** '92; **Herb Ehlers** and **Scott Ehlers** '92; **Kent Westhelle** and **Michael Westhelle** '87; **Buddy Gitlin** with **Jocelyn (Gitlin) Deutsch** '89 and **Melissa (Gitlin) Jacoby** '92; **Hank McInerney** and **Brian McInerney** '89; **Howard Fiala** and **Andrew Fiala** '92; **Chuck Frankel** and **Barrett Frankel** '02; **Dr. Jay Flynn** and **Meghan (Flynn) Bigelow** '99; **Wil Hamp** and **Brian Hamp** '85; **Fritz Mueller** with **Robert Mueller** '88 and **Margot Mueller**

'94; **Carl Petrillo** and **Christina Petrillo Elwell** '91; **Dave Angell** and **Kimberly (Angell) Thorstenson** '87; **Bob Happ** and **Kevin Happ** '94; and **Boyd Taylor** and **Troy Taylor** '11; and others that I failed to include. And, of course, numerous grandchildren. I'm sure our legacies chose Lehigh for many reasons and not just because they were legacies.

Lehigh wrestling fans enjoyed a good year, especially with our Eastern championship and three all-Americans at the Nationals. **Norman Goldberg** (Milford, N.J.) and **Al Rieper** (Marblehead, Mass.) were at the Easterns in Binghamton, N.Y., and the Nationals in Pittsburgh. Joining them in Pittsburgh were **Art Cader** (Sunnyside, N.Y.), **Mike Gennet** (Rancho Mirage, Calif.) and **Chuck Frankel** (Avon, Ohio). All are retired except for Norman, who continues to work full-time as a commercial real estate appraiser and broker in New Jersey. He spends his summer in Cape May, N.J., and frequently plays tennis with **George Theiss** '60. Norman and **Glenn Breidenbach** serve on the board of directors of the Lehigh Wrestling Club. At our 55th Reunion a group organized by **Norman Strate**, including **Doug Baillie**, **Chuck Moore**, **Fritz Mueller** and **Al Rieper**, agreed to organize a mini-reunion at the 2020 EIWA finals being hosted by Lehigh on March 6-7, 2020.

Ron Johnson is fine and doing some traveling after his double knee replacement and some unplanned spinal surgery. Unfortunately, he could not attend the 91st Academy Awards Oscar party in February hosted by **Carl Petrillo** on his boat in Florida. But his other Delt brothers, including **Carl Straub**, Dr. **Jay Flynn** and **John Hayes**, did make it. **Carl Straub's** wife, **Pat**, dressed them up in look-alike tuxedos to create the appropriate formality for the party.

I received a six-page detailed report on the 2018 adventures of **Dave MacAdam**. Dave lives in Chatham, Mass. The short version is that Dave continues to play his bagpipe and recorder, performing traditional Irish music in the pubs and for events on Cape Cod. His typical winter of music includes playing seven nights or days a week. Dave's passion continues to be travel to challenging places and climbing. Last year was his busiest travel year in 10 years. In Illinois he hiked the Matthiessen Canyon, in Nova Scotia it was a visit to the Bay of Fundy and then on to Cape Breton Island. The next stop was to visit friends on Prince Edward Island. After a weekend Pipers Gathering in Litchfield, Conn., it was off to his 60th high school reunion in Rochester, N.Y., and then on to do some mountain climbing with his son **David** at Killarney Provincial Park in northern Georgian Bay, Canada. Next was a 10-day visit to Munich, Germany, to visit his high school friend and enjoy visits to the great galleries of Munich. Twice Dave and his friend climbed summits in the Austrian Alps.

Your class correspondent is only an email away, so stay in touch.

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I'm covering for our class correspondent, **Dixon Earley**, this issue. I'll start with comments on Lehigh's winning the EIWA tournament for the second consecutive year. Coach **Pat Santoro** in the pre-tournament dinner at Saucon Valley Country Club talked about the difficulty wrestlers have balancing their academic work with

wrestling. We all know about balancing in our own lives. This season, four highly rated wrestlers were injured and could no longer wrestle, but others who were not expected to wrestle filled the gap.

Our class lost a devoted classmate in March, **Jim Dinneen** (Delta Chi), who was a member of the Lehigh/(other school) 50 game club. His wife, **Molly**, survives him.

Richard Silber and **Barbara** were married two months after graduation. He then earned a law degree followed by five years in the Army. At 32, he entered law practice in Albany, N.Y., specializing in labor and employment law, retiring in 2014. Richard reports that he and **Barbara** spend time buying, selling and repairing electric trains and visiting their three children and six grandchildren. Richard ran into **Fred Braun** recently at an Albany Train Show that led to this update on him.

Lee Mount retired 15 years ago from Carrier Air Conditioning as an engineer and manager, a wonderful career. He and **Elaine** recently moved after DIY renovation on a house completed with a basement full of woodworking equipment. Lee is a board member of the Cicero United Methodist Church, the United Methodist House at Chautauqua and CNY Folksmarch, a walking group. Lee reports that he and **Elaine** enjoyed our 55th Reunion at Lehigh and are already looking forward to our 60th. It's only four years away. Some of you will be really old by then!

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In January, **Bill DeVinney**, **John Richmond** '66 and I were sad but honored to attend a memorial service for **Don Wilson**.

Don passed away after a gallant fight with cancer at his home in The Villages, Fla., on New Year's Day. Our sympathies go out to his wife of 42 years, Marilyn, and his children, Jeff Wilson, Sean Stockdale and Christine Miller. Don's memorial emphasized his pride of serving his country as a U.S. Air Force officer, being a Delta Tau Delta brother and being a Lehigh alumnus. Don was commissioned in 1964 and spent five years with the Air Force before settling in the Dayton, Ohio, area. He joined the RCA in sales and marketing before moving into a career in the insurance business. He retired and moved to The Villages in 2012.

While calling Don's fraternity brothers to gather information to write about Don, I chatted with **Gere Grimm**. He had little time to talk because he was on his way to prep for a quadruple bypass. Hopefully he is doing well.

On a brighter note, **John Schoenfelder** called from Vero Beach with an update. In 2005, after a career in finance as a banker, corporate treasurer and investor relations officer, John and Diane (Sternbergh) Schoenfelder M.S. '64, Ph.D. '71 said goodbye to the Lehigh Valley and took up residence on Cape Cod, where John had worked in the summers. They had been what we call snowbirds, but the New England winters of 2014 and 2015 convinced them to relocate again to Vero Beach, Fla. Now they venture back to the Cape to escape Florida's summer heat. I don't know what they are called in Cape Cod. Sunflies?

By the time you read this, we will have celebrated our 11th fifth-year reunion. That's 55 years for the math challenged. I've been given the OK to tell you **Larry White** was (will be) selected for our Class Alumni Award. I didn't think it appropriate to check in with

Larry in March when I wrote, so I gathered this rather formal summary from the Lehigh website. I'll get an update in June for the Reunion *Bulletin*.

Larry earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering in 1964, followed by a master's degree in management science and a Ph.D. in industrial engineering. Larry was a member of the 1964 Eastern Champion wrestling team and Theta Delta Chi. He has made his career in real estate and is currently a consultant with Red Jacket Development in Orlando, Fla.

Larry has long supported initiatives at Lehigh and is a member of the Asa Packer and Tower societies. He has generously supported the renovation of Grace Hall and the Athletics Partnership, wrestling and industrial engineering programs. In 1999, he endowed the Lawrence E. White '64 Head Wrestling Coach position as well as the P.C. Rossin College of Engineering Lawrence E. White Master of Management Science and Engineering Fellowship.

Larry and his wife, Ann, have seven children between them, and live in Orlando, Fla.

When I was trying to get an update on **Bill Berg**, another of our classmates serving on the reunion committee, Barbara, not Bill's wife Carol, answered the phone. After a several minute, surreal experience thinking I had dialed a wrong number and by some weird miracle reached someone who knew Bill, I finally realized I had dialed **Rick Berg's** number. Rick and Bill are cousins and fraternity brothers, so they keep in touch. I was unable to reach Bill in time for this column but did have a long chat with Rick. The cousins went to high school together in the Pittsburgh area and, along with **Parry Hesselman** and 17 of their classmates, went to Lehigh. Rick and Bill graduated as engineers and continued in Lehigh's master's in business

science program (with Larry White and **Lane Jorgensen**). After graduating, Rick spent three years with the company that had provided his scholarship; **John Shepard** recruited him to join PPG as a chemical engineer. Rick spent 20 years with PPG in various positions, rising to general manager of a plant making flame-resistant plastics used for TV cabinets. RCA was his largest customer. Then hello LCD TVs, so long hot cathode-ray tubes, and goodbye the flame-resistant plastic business. Rick "retired" in 1990. He bounced around as a management consultant for several years until another classmate, **Dave Ball**, then with U.S. Steel, helped him get a two-year contract as the on-site program manager for a facility they were building at some remote place in India. By the turn of the century, Rick and Barbara had put one daughter through Lehigh (Jennifer Berg '91) and their second through the University of Pittsburgh and were looking at colleges for their third. Rick decided he had done enough traveling. Rick joined the University of Pittsburgh's Katz Graduate School of Business. Pitt was in the process of selecting a new dean, so Rick soon found himself connected with another Lehigh grad, Frederick Winter '66. Rick became the head of their executive education program and taught there for 13 years until he retired again at age 65. Carnegie Mellon Tepper School of Business called and quickly enticed him to join them as a career counselor. Rick finally retired yet again in June 2018. Now he volunteers with SCORE mentoring small business owners.

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Harry Brown forwarded to me several holiday letters that he received from classmates. Selecting just a few items, I can report that Karen and **Barry Jenkin** have added a sixth grandchild. They travel quite a bit to make up for the fact that their family is spread far and wide. Last summer they also flew to France for a river cruise in Provence. And of course, you will always find them at Lehigh wrestling and football events.

Diane and **Rob Nordt** are now situated on a farm about 40 minutes from Roanoke. They also have six grandchildren, and they are very helpful with farm chores when they visit. Over the last two years they completed an addition on the house and constructed a pole barn. Mary and **Greg O'Brien** reported a great Disney Caribbean cruise for the entire family. They now enjoy a wonderful little cottage in Maine, where Mary has a separate artist studio. Greg was alternating weeks with a grueling commute to California, where he is president of International Technological University. Greg was also off to Denmark and China on university business. Sounds like a hardworking retirement.

John Popek has been retired about six years, and he and Barbara live in Greensburg, near Pittsburgh. They enjoy getting to cultural events and fine dining in the city. They have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary and have two grandchildren. They enjoy travel and have done several river cruises.

Peter Ressler certainly fulfilled his civil engineering degree with a lifelong career devoted to bridges. His first job was with PennDOT in the bridge unit. He was involved

with design, plans review and maintenance planning. He led the inspection program for the state-owned bridges in the five counties near Philadelphia. After 12 years, he joined the firm that became STV Inc. and was involved in many diverse bridge engineering projects for highways and railroads in the mid-Atlantic area. He and Darlene have celebrated 50 years of marriage and reside in Gilbertsville, Pa. They have one son, who kept Pete busy with a lot of baseball and then dirt track racing. Pete helped with maintenance and in the pits while Darlene did video on race day.

Carol and **Arthur Ridler** live near Lewes, Del., where he concentrates on a learned hobby of cabinet making. They also have been married over 50 years, and have two daughters and three grandchildren. Arthur started work in the engineering department of Fafnir Bearing Company and moved for various assignments. The company was acquired by Textron, then Ingersoll Rand, and the Torrington Company. Arthur eventually moved to the bearing division of the Kaydon Corp., as vice president of sales and marketing, and in 1991 became president of the Kaydon ring and seal division. His moves over the years led to a lot of home carpentry projects that led to a love of cabinet making.

Harry Brown, our class president, has provided the following alert. "As you may be doing some 2021 forward planning and scheduling, please note that our 11th reunion commemorating the 55th anniversary of our graduation is penciled in for the first weekend in June 2021. Yes, I realize that is almost two years away. But, with the way that our class has scattered far and wide, it is definitely not too soon to be thinking about our reunion. It will be one more time for you to get together with that special group with whom you worked so hard in pursuit of knowledge

and wisdom—and a little fun—on Old South Mountain five decades ago. A great opportunity to share stories of Lehigh in days of yore! If you have lost contact with anyone and want to reach out, or if you have any thoughts or ideas, or want to help make our 55th as good as, or better than, our 50th, let me know at hkbrown3726@comcast.net or (609) 792-6145."

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D'Arcy Roper sent news of the passing of two members of Beta Theta Pi, a strong fraternity when we were brothers in the early to mid-1960s. One was Bill Hahn '49, our alumni adviser who supported the Lehigh chapter for 40 years or more. He graduated from Lehigh in 1949 with a B.S. in I.E. He is remembered by many alumni from our years at Lehigh.

Our other Beta Brother who recently passed in early March is Sandy Robinson '69 B.S.C.E., M.S. '71.

Bob Hartenstine expressed his sadness of the news. Bob is afraid we will be "receiving these emails from D'Arcy at an accelerating pace now." He also remarked that "Annie and I are trying to extend our stay on Earth by living in Puerto Rico in the winter."

On a personal note, D'Arcy writes, "Mary and I are doing pretty well. Definitely ready for spring! Spending a lot of time and energy beginning to 'downsize.' With two large homes, we are amazed at all of the stuff we have accumulated. We have been in our home in Burke, Va., for 35 years, and it is full of family antiques, some from the 18th century. Our children are not real excited about having them in their homes, so what to do with the pieces is problematic, especially for me."

Joe Brothers, tennisjab45@aol.com, expressed his sorrow

about the sad news. On a lighter note, he said, "I get it about children not wanting your furniture even if it is a family heirloom or an antique. I think it may be because of global warming, ha. I hope all of you are well; for a 73-year-old man, I am happy with being vertical. My wife and I have been separated for a year and a half. I wish things were different, but they are not. I am in a much better place. Still playing tennis, and I'm trying to learn golf."

John "Dusy" Dusenberry expressed his feelings: "I'm sorry to hear the news about Sandy Robinson. At this point I think each new day is a gift."

Clark Russell writes, "My time and energy now are spent on my work at Hillcrest Christian School in Jackson, Miss. (Google it), where I am science department chair and teach a full load of physics, chemistry and AP chemistry. We are ending the first year of a five-year improvement plan to raise our department to compete with the finest college prep schools in the area. Teaching high school science is my 'give-back' career to thank the Lord for a great rewarding family and lifetime."

Clark received the following regarding **Pat Howlett** from his wife, Dianne. Her note was dated March 17, 2019. "Sadly, three weeks ago I had to put Pat in a nursing home. As I told him, we fought a courageous battle to keep him home for five years. His toughness made him go to any therapies we could find at Good Shepherd Therapy. He was involved in any test or research projects at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. But this disease was making it harder for me to lift him as he became stiffer and less communicative. Even with caregivers, it became impossible. Even though this was something he never wanted to do (nobody wants to go to a nursing home), he is toughing it out. He is adjusting very

well." If anyone wishes to send Pat a note, Dianne's email address is dicelt@ptd.net.

I apologize greatly to the next classmate, who sent me information during the past year, but I seem to have missed placing his story in my past articles.

J. Gordon Arkin said, "After some thought, here is an update from me. After graduation from Lehigh, I went to Harvard Law School, where I met Susan, who was then a sophomore at Jackson College, the women's college at Tufts University. We just celebrated our 48th wedding anniversary, and we have wonderful twin daughters (one an M.D., the other a Ph.D. college professor) and four amazing grandchildren. After practicing corporate law for 43 years, most of it as a partner in the Orlando office of Foley & Lardner, I retired in 2013. Since then, I have continued my community service on various charitable boards, and also provide legal services on a pro bono basis to a number of worthwhile community projects.

"When asked what I do in retirement, I say that I still practice law but now do it for free, and am also a fully trained grandfather who happily provides concierge-level services to my four grandchildren. I also still run and downhill ski, to my own continued amazement. If any of my classmates or fraternity brothers want to get in touch, I can be reached at gordon.arkin@icloud.com."

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Jerry Gschwind had worked for IBM as a systems engineer, retiring as a senior marketing manager in the WebSphere product group. He is married to his junior high sweetheart, Lynn, and they have two children and seven grandchildren.

He has passed his love of lacrosse to his grandsons, whom he coached and still referees. Jerry is a master gardener volunteer and enjoys introducing young kids to the joys of gardening. His son went to Duke and received a master's degree from Northwestern. His daughter, Kristin (Gschwind) Carmouche, was Class of '96 from Lehigh. Still has fond memories of his lacrosse team and Sigma Chi.

William Gill retired from his multiline insurance business and has volunteered with many nonprofit organizations. He has assumed the business responsibilities of local craft beer. His daughter graduated from the University of Richmond, and he has three grandchildren. He is spending a lot of time playing golf and working for upward mobility issues and solutions in Charlotte, N.C. During college he was a member of Delta Tau Delta and the varsity lacrosse team.

Thomas Hodson—our former class secretary, Beta Theta Pi and a swimming team member—worked for Baxter International as treasurer and CareMark International as CFO. He worked as a CEO for a specialty hospital and a neurosurgery practice. He is married with two children and seven grandchildren. He is an active global traveler and enjoys fly fishing, skiing and golf. He is a board member of JourneyCare, a local hospice. He served in the Navy as a supply officer for four years and received an MBA from Harvard. Stay healthy.

'69 A. Raymond Schmalz, 325 Lowell Ave., Mill Valley, CA 94941-3845. (415) 388-3263 (H), (415) 317-0923 (C); rayschmalz@aol.com I received a note recently from **David Van Wye**. He writes: "I'm delighted to announce that

my new book, 'Vietnam Blues,' is now available on the internet. The sequel to 'Saving Ben Tre,' it is also inspired by my experiences in Vietnam. The story takes place in the final years of the Vietnam War, as American military advisers and their allies face VietCong spies and guerrilla fighters building up forces for the massive Easter Offensive.

"Distribution channels will be expanding, but it is currently available on Amazon, Barnes and Noble, Apple Books and several other outlets."

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This issue initiates the class's declaration of war on the ultimate goal: our 50th Reunion on June 4-7, 2020. Anyone—and everyone—who's willing to help by contacting classmates is invited to chip in, with a committee of considerable size the goal. As a matter of history, 1970 has been soft on off-years but has come up strong on the magic 10-year and 25-year reunions. Let's plan to come up bigger than ever.

As your correspondent for 19 years (since replacing the late **Tom Fischer**, who served 30 years), I've received a wide variety of interesting bio items over the years from **Dave Thaler (dsthaler@dsthaler.com)**, but this one was a jewel: "Did I ever tell you I was elected a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society in London?" The Society is the U.K.'s learned society and professional body for geography, founded in 1830, and today is the leading center for geographers and geographical learning. I believe the appropriate response to Dave is "bully."

On the other end of the frequency links is a welcome first-ever submission from **Al Huntington**: "Forty-nine years since we graduated is hard to

believe. Life since Lehigh has been exciting, to say the least. I got an MBA from Lehigh in 1972 and spent 37 years with the U.S. Government Accountability Office (better known as GAO). I led audits of U.S. foreign assistance programs, which meant I traveled overseas and to mostly third world countries. When I retired from GAO, I was in charge of a number of audits, including U.S. anti-drug assistance to Colombia and U.S. assistance to Afghanistan. I then worked three years for the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction and got to travel to Afghanistan some more. I saw and experienced a lot of the good and bad that the world has to offer. As my Phi Sig brothers may remember, when I was at Lehigh, I dated Barbara Malecki. We married after graduation and had two sons and a daughter. Sadly, Barbara died from breast cancer in 2002, after 32 years of marriage. A few years later, I remarried and have two stepdaughters. As they tend to do, the children grew up and started their own families. We have three granddaughters and one grandson. Acting like grandparents is a learning experience. I retired in 2012. We moved from the Virginia suburbs of D.C. to the foothills of the Shenandoah Mountains near Charlottesville, Va. I spend most of my time tending to a couple acres of land, walking my dogs, and catching up on sleep. I can be contacted at abhuntington@aol.com if you'd like to catch up."

Save the date for Reunion 2020: June 4-7, 2020

'71 Sam Dugan, 143 Pinecrest Lane, Lansdale, PA 19446. (215) 368-1895 (H), (215) 680-9719 (M); srdugan49@comcast.net My wife, Carol, and I followed up last year's river cruise to Russia with a cruise to Cuba in

February. Talk about stepping into the past. It appears that not much has changed there in the past 50 or 60 years. Russia appeared to be much more prosperous to us. Average wages in Cuba are about \$30 per month, and you need a ration card to buy food. If you like cars from the '40s and '50s, Cuba is definitely the place to visit. We were driven around Havana in a 1955 Pontiac convertible. Perhaps our biggest surprise was that U.S.-bank-issued credit and debit cards cannot be used in Cuba. So, bring extra cash (preferably euros instead of dollars to avoid a 10 percent exchange fee) if you plan to visit Cuba.

I had a nice, long conversation with **Al Molinari**, who lives under the shadows of the Limerick nuclear power plant near Pottstown, Pa. Our conversation ranged from the proliferation of spoofed phone calls to the U.S. health care system and his ideas on how to fix it. Al took early retirement from Wyeth-Ayerst Research Labs shortly after it was acquired by Pfizer about 10 years ago. He had been a senior scientist who worked on the antidepressant drugs Effexor and Pristiq.

John Mirro is an engineering consultant in Bath, Pa., specializing in Rotordynamics of Machinery. Back in the '90s, he and some co-workers at Ingersoll-Rand founded Conmec, an engineering company specializing in the repair and design of large-scale rotating machinery. The company was mentioned several times in Inc. magazine's report on the fastest-growing companies in America prior to its acquisition by A-C Compressor Corps., in 1997. John was an avid race car driver, participating in many endurance races at Daytona, Watkins Glen and Sebring. John was also a restaurateur associated with Banana Joe's in Allentown for many years.

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member in a law firm on Long Island serving clients in New York, New Jersey and Florida. Bruce received his J.D. from Brooklyn Law School and an MBA in taxation and accounting from Hofstra.

Chuck Metter is president of Metter Digital Marketing; he's a strategic internet marketing consultant whose expertise includes social media and content marketing plus website design and development. Chuck was the owner of the MI Digital Agency in Bethlehem for 20 years.

What to do in retirement? **Joe McGuire** has found the answer in playing jazz and bluegrass in New Jersey. He does it for fun. Joe spent 20 years as a programmer and database analyst for several companies in the New York and New Jersey area. He has also been a librarian at NJIT for the past 12 years.

James McGee is the executive director of the Transit Employees Health & Welfare Fund in suburban D.C. The fund was created in 1954 to provide health care benefits to ATU Local 689 members. When it comes to wellness, Jim tries to practice what he preaches. He bicycles the 20-mile commute to work from home several times throughout the summer, a habit he began more than 40 years ago.

Harvey Mattel is another of our class attorneys, having received his J.D. from the University of Miami in 1974. Harvey lives in Hollywood, Fla., and has a law practice in Ft. Lauderdale.

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Occasionally I face a deadline for this column without having heard from any of you. This is one of those occasions. Whenever at a loss for news, I retrieve my lists of classmates. Reunion

planners get them when we begin to plan for our next milestone reunion. We receive a "set" of spreadsheets, one of which includes all classmates who are living and known to the Alumni Association, and another of those known to be deceased; I still have our sets from 2012 (40th Reunion) and 2017 (45th Reunion).

Oddly, the numbers don't really make sense. You should recall that there were just over 900 of us who graduated as the Class of 1972. Lehigh's class lists retain some individuals who attended but did not graduate—especially if they are potential donors—so let's guess that the first versions of the lists should have been around 920 living, 0 deceased. The 2012 lists included 622 living, 39 deceased. The 2017 versions changed to 534 living, 59 deceased. See what I mean? It doesn't take much to recognize that many more classmates have fallen off the living list than are known to have died. That means that I need to get current lists from the Alumni Association. We also need to address the data anomaly.

Regardless, the lists come in handy for your correspondent. They enabled me to pull all of those career subsets created for columns over the past several years (remember the public service group, the medical and health service group, the educators?). About 15 years ago, I tried a strategy that received a mixed response; let's try again. I'll mention some names from the roster. If you are listed, your assignment is to respond to me with a brief update. Here goes ...

Jim Franke and **Tom Nagy**, are you still flying for American Airlines? How about you, **Jeremy Synnestvedt** (we understand that American acquired TWA)?

Three of you spent considerable time at Tyco Electronics: **David Bickford**, **James Biddle** and **Paul Timashenko**. For

years I've been using solderless connectors branded AMP, Tyco or TE. Such an impressive product line. Tell us more about yourselves, gentlemen.

I met **Gary Rowe** at band camp in September of 1968. He was toting a big instrument, but it wasn't a keyboard. Now he entertains all kinds of well-known celebrities in the Washington, D.C., area. We will be fascinated to learn more about that evolution, Gary.

Update: After submitting this column for the previous issue of the *Bulletin*, I learned that **John S. Hill** was a team captain for five of his 10 years with the New Orleans Saints. That is certainly noteworthy, and doesn't surprise me. John really was a natural leader, extremely well-respected by all who encountered him.

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The theme of my last email struck a chord with several class members who responded with their versions of "It's hard to believe ..." Psi Upsilon brother **Steve Hamp** replied, "My wife and I are both retired and living in paradise on the tropical island of Cozumel." (Just off the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico.) Steve says that he and Patricia have been there for more than nine years and emphasized that Cozumel is very safe without drugs, cartels and murders. "The worst we have are mosquitoes and hurricanes," he added, "but no hurricanes for more than 12 years." Steve wanted his fellow classmates to know that he and Patricia also own a three-bedroom, three-bathroom rental house, with a pool, in a very quiet neighborhood on the island and are open to visitors. If interested, contact Steve at <http://www.Cozumel-casapatria.us>.

Celeste Varricchio respond-

ed that "it is hard to believe that we are looking at our 50th Class Reunion in four years!" As many of us know, Celeste has served on the reunion committee for years and is the choreographer of our production during the Parade of Classes. Celeste went on to say, "This doesn't quite fit into your theme of 'It's hard to believe,' however, as a direct result of the great fun we had at our 45th Reunion in 2018, classmates **Jim Duane** (and wife Michelle), **Ruth Scriptunas**, and **Betsy Adams**, along with myself (and husband, Bob Greenwald), decided to embark on a riverboat cruise in France, from Lyon to Avignon. Michelle Duane spearheaded the arrangements with the precision of a Swiss watchmaker, and amazingly, we were able to agree on dates and reserve our spots within a few weeks following reunion!" (Sounds like our theme!) The cruise was scheduled for mid-April with a pre-cruise sojourn in Nice and a post-cruise stay in Paris. We look forward to hearing from the group about their riverboat cruise experience in the next column.

Lee Beaumont reports that he is living in Middletown, N.J., and he and wife Eileen just celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in August 2018. They have a daughter, Nicole, who after a career as an Air Force pilot is now married and living in Colorado with three young daughters. Their son, Rick, lives in Manhattan and practices maritime law. In 2001, Lee retired from his career position at Bell Laboratories, where he had worked as an electrical engineer, technical manager and department head. Since he retired, Lee has written two books and established a consulting company, Simply Quality. In his spare time, Lee enjoys hiking and is busy creating the Wikiversity Applied Wisdom curriculum at en.wikiversity.org/wiki/Living_Wisely.

After Lehigh, **Mark Mitrovich** went on to get his MBA at the City University of New York. He currently lives in Davison, N.C., with wife Rebecca. They have three adult children, two daughters and a son, along with two granddaughters. Mark spent his career in the chemical industry in sales/marketing/purchasing management roles. During his career, he did extensive European business travel while moving 11 times. Mark is retired and keeps busy with community and church volunteer activities.

With profound sadness, Jane Page, wife of **Eric Page**, reported that Eric passed away in November 2018 from a stroke. Jane added, "While Eric did not graduate from Lehigh, we were grateful for the friendships forged there, especially ours that resulted in a marriage of 47 years, two sons and four grandchildren."

'74 Bill White, 5418 Holiday Drive, Allentown, PA 18104, whitebil1974@gmail.com I'm told that by the time you read this, our 45th Reunion will be history, so my full report will have to await our next issue.

However, I can say with some confidence that we had a great time and that if you weren't there, you should have been.

Meanwhile, I'll offer a couple of tidbits from classmates. First, from Kathy (Kane) Schlegel '75, who congratulated me on my retirement from *The Morning Call* and supplied a little update about herself and husband **Bill Schlegel**.

"Bill and I are good," she wrote. "He retired several years ago and does some part-time consulting. We have a home in St. Augustine and a condo in northern Kentucky near our younger son and his family. Our older son and his family are in Chicago.

"We have been blessed beyond measure."

And from **Jeff Nelson**, whom I still get to see every

year at Musikfest and occasionally on other occasions:

"After seeing you at Musikfest, I completed a five-treatment CyberKnife radiation therapy for prostate cancer. I had been in a 'watchful waiting' for about 18 months, and the time had finally come. All of the prep—testing and insurance—was a pain in the butt (pun intended), but the treatments themselves were a breeze.

"On a happy note (for me ... not necessarily for her), my wife, Elaine, and I celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary in May. I have no idea why she married me or has stayed with me. Her answer would likely be 'It seemed like a good idea at the time' and 'I need a challenge.'"

Reunion report next time.

'75 Thom Hirsch, 139 McHenry Court, Chester, MD 21619, hirschlaw@verizon.net My wife, Valerie (Smith) Hirsch '83, and I recently visited the Lehigh campus and attended a wrestling match at the Leeman-Turner Arena at Grace Hall. Lehigh defeated Penn 34-6, with three exciting bouts that ended the match in pins by the heavyweights. Also exciting was the display in the lobby of the Snakepit about the legendary Lehigh wrestling coach Billy Sheridan; the display featured multiple pages about Sheridan from the "History of Lehigh Wrestling" published by our class in 1975 and edited by **Kathy (Kane) Schlegel**. What a lasting memory Kathy and her team created as part of Lehigh's great wrestling tradition. Is an update of the history in the offering for our 50th reunion?

Recently caught up with our distinguished classmates **Bob Taylor** and **George Thomas**. Bob told me with pride of his wife, Sue, and their two children, Katie and Matthew. Bob and Sue have lived in Northern Virginia, outside D.C., for

over 20 years. Bob is currently senior vice president of wealth management, with his three business partners, at the Swiss bank UBS. After 25 years in engineering and program management with Fluor Daniel and other firms, Bob shifted careers in 2002, as only a very smart person could do, to become a financial adviser and plans to continue in that role for a few more years. Now empty nesters, Bob and Sue plan to increase travel and enjoy themselves and their family as much as possible.

George and his wife, Laurie, have been married for 39 years and have three children and two grandchildren. They reside at the Jersey Shore beach town of Margate, N.J. Their son, Jordan Thomas '06, married Jocelyn (Helwig) Thomas '05; they have given George and Laurie two grandchildren. George's niece, Elizabeth Thomas, graduated from Lehigh in 2011. George and Laurie's daughter and other son are graduates of UVA and Cornell. George, **Leo Dugan**, Carl Minucci '74 and their families spend time together at the Jersey Shore.

George and his brother, Mike Thomas '76, George's Lehigh son and his nephew run a four-generation family business founded in 1920. Thomas Company Inc. is located in Egg Harbor Township, N.J., and specializes as a commercial and industrial specialty subcontractor providing program software for projects in the sheet metal, roofing, ornamental metals, structural steel and architectural metal businesses. Only very smart people could successfully run such a company.

Please send me an email about what you are doing these days, so I can include you in the next class column. Your classmates would love to hear about you.

Don't forget to like our Class Facebook page run by **Jeff Sherman**. It can be found at:

facebook.com/lehighseven tyfive?fref=ts.

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In April, I registered for Medicare hours before my 65th birthday! I am not retiring; my company, Triflow Corporation, is doing well and it's still fun ... on most days! That's enough old people talk.

For those who have participated in or witnessed our five-year reunion parades, energy is not a problem with our class—we are all young acting, and fun. Let's keep it that way.

My wife, Mary, and I had a fun moment the day before Christmas, as we, along with my son Jonathan, witnessed the engagement of my oldest son Bryant (LU '07 '08) to Heather Hurley in the traditional way at The Breakers in Palm Beach. A great moment, they will be a great couple, and to witness this was a blessing.

What about our moment? Let's all make an effort to get to Lehigh this year. The Lehigh-Lafayette game is at home, and we have a new football coach in Tom Gilmore to cheer on. Frankly, you should come back at your discretion. It doesn't have to be a sporting event, but network your plans to friends. The campus is booming with eye-popping change and construction. Make the effort now, as bad knees, hips and/or wheelchairs on our campus are not compatible!

As an original Drinker 2B and a Zete, I intend to pester some brothers and classmates of surrounding classes to venture back. So, **Barry Winter, Pete Bechtel, Don McGillen, Father Tim Byerley, Allen Braithwaite, Bruce Perry,**

and so many classmates and friends, prepare to be peppered with persistent texts, emails and calls! I am not afraid of your wrath ... I have Medicare now!

Enjoy the summer, and please be safe, see family often and send me your updates. Cheers.

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It is always wonderful to hear from old friends! **Bruce Jones** dropped me a note from Turnersville, N.J., where he and his wife, Louise, live. Bruce notes "we have two kids and a 3-year-old granddaughter. Grandkids are a blast. The kids are doing terrific. Michelle went to RISD and is an illustrator and has her own company (michel-lebaron.com). She has been published a couple of times—it's a great website—have fun if you go exploring. Mike went to Susquehanna and works for the largest international publisher out there. He is an editor for a medical journal and weekly publication. He is living the wonderful life of a single person in downtown Philadelphia. Since both are artistically gifted, clearly as you may recall, it's not my gene pool at work."

Nine years ago, Bruce went off on his own and set up a commercial lines insurance consulting and brokering firm working on nonstandard accounts. He reports that "we only deal with other insurance agents. The public cannot directly access me. We act as sort of an insurance clearinghouse. My goal is to sell answers to insurance professionals, rather than push premium dollars. Sort of a different spin on things. My theory was that after almost 40 years in the business, if I couldn't sell my accumulated knowledge to others, then shame on me. The

good news is, we have grown about 20 percent every year and have several people either directly or indirectly affiliated with us. So far, the model seems to be working perfectly."

Of course, some things never really leave us. Bruce spent 10 years as a high school boys lacrosse coach (while he had a real job)! He retired from coaching in 2013 and loved the coaching experience. I laughed out loud when he said "still being slightly immature, I still think I can play—but that is a different story."

Every time I fly Delta and the pilots' names are announced, I pay particular attention to listen for the name of **John Sanlorenzo**! John says that he and his wife, Debbie, moved to Park City, Utah, last spring from Cincinnati. They were going out there for decades to ski and visit Janet (Quinn) Smith '79, his wife's friend from seventh grade and the reason he and his wife (Villanova '79) met at Lehigh! They have three daughters and six grandkids, who undoubtedly enjoy the skiing! John reports that he will finish his flying career as a Delta Air Lines Captain in SLC (flying 737s) in 2020.

John and Bruce both promise to attend our next reunion!

I had the great fun of having lunch with my old roommates, **Donna (Tice) McGee** and **Jill (Sugarman) Van Hoesen**, this winter in Florida. Jill and Rick live in California. Donna and Kris live in Florida and South Carolina—when they aren't traveling! Another roommate, **Deb (Dabrowski) Delmage**, retired from Gardener's Supply last year and has been loving life, traveling and exploring with John.

Chris Cardello Modero and her husband, Tom, also have been doing a lot of travel. Both kids are off in Virginia and NYC.

Our Class of '77 scholarship recipient, Kaylee Duggan, is a senior now majoring in

biology with a minor in health, medicine, and society. She plans to pursue dental school after graduation in May.

Stay in touch and have a great summer!

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Greetings, classmates! News is a little sparse, but I did hear from two of you.

Guy Powell is the managing partner of ProRelevant Marketing Solutions and the author of two books on marketing—"Marketing Calculator: Measuring and Managing Return on Marketing Investment," which came out in 2012, and last year's "Marketing Machine: The Secret History of the Future of Marketing (ROI)." Guy explains that "Marketing Machine" is about how to use marketing and analytics to make certain the company can achieve its sales objectives, do it at the least level of marketing investment and do it with certainty.

Rob Nahigian, the principal of Auburndale Realty Co., in Newton, Mass., emailed to tell me about an unexpected encounter with our class's most recent Alumni Award winner, **John Papazian**. The accidental meeting took place last December in the Armenian Apostolic church Rob attends in Cambridge, Mass. Turns out John, who is also Armenian Apostolic, was up from New Jersey with his wife and daughter to work on the final details of the daughter's New Year's Eve wedding. While in Massachusetts, John also planned to attend a New England Patriots game with his soon-to-be son-in-law. Rob reports that John and his wife both looked great.

What are the rest of you up to? Retiring? Kids who graduated this spring? Kids starting college this fall? Let me know

by snail mail, email or Facebook (remember our class has a Facebook group, [facebook.com/groups/Lehigh1978](https://www.facebook.com/groups/Lehigh1978)). Class columns are published about four months after we submit them, so expect a four- to eight-month delay between contacting me and seeing your news in the Bulletin.

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This will be published after reunion, but hopefully I saw you there and will have news of you to report here soon. According to my records, I'm writing my 58th column since I took over as class correspondent in 2001.

Tom Havekotte emailed an update a few weeks after my last deadline, so I finally get to share it with you. Tom shared that last November, he, **Tom Dunn**, **Mark Proft** and **Rich Husband** from Pi Lambda Phi gathered for their annual golfing reunion at Tom's home in York, Pa. They enjoyed several days of golf, exquisite dining courtesy of Chef Mark, and reminiscing about the great times at Pi Lam and LU. This was the group's sixth event since they started the tradition in 2014, with the outing peaking to 14 Pi Lams in 2016. All continue to keep in touch on a regular basis and plan to continue the tradition for years to come.

Barry Glickman, when not volunteering for Lehigh, serves as a partner at Zeichner Ellman & Krause LLP. He's worked at his firm for 29 years and represents the financial services industry as an attorney. He's also been working feverishly with **Jodi (Smith) Capps**, **Kal Chany**, **Caesar Gorski**, **Scot Guempel**, **Ilene (Schiff) Mason**, **Gail Price**, **Lori Southworth** and **Amy (Wenhold) Silva** to make our 40th Lehigh Reunion memorable. **Mike Silverman**, **Jan Lewis** and Barry continue to do

the Lehigh football tailgate and attend the games, where they are regularly joined by **Hugo Gravenhorst**, and Denise and **Eric Blew**. Barry also shared that he enjoyed a terrific time attending the New York and on-campus launches for the GO campaign and seeing many Lehigh friends at those events. He also sends you and me a reminder to stay current with our classmates at [facebook.com/groups/finer79er/?ref=nf](https://www.facebook.com/groups/finer79er/?ref=nf).

James “Jamie” Falk shared that he has started a small consulting firm, Haven Technologies Inc. He specializes in reporting from mid-market SQL accounting systems like Great Plains, Epicor, MAS 500, Macola, Solomon and other systems. Jamie has performed conversions both to and from Quickbooks, and has helped clients fix flawed implementations. He can be reached via his LinkedIn profile at <http://bit.ly/jlfalk>.

Jamie has been married for the past 31 years to a lovely girl from Brooklyn, and they have 28-year-old boy-girl twins, Jake and Belinda. Jake is getting married in September, and Jamie thinks Belinda may also be headed in a similar direction. Jamie shares that he is looking forward to seeing his classmates in June.

That’s all for now as I need to get back to my online OSHA 30-Hour Construction Training course. One of my clients surprised me with that requirement just three weeks before starting a construction management job at his site. Consulting engineering has been fun so far, but it does have its moments.

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Mark Rittmayer moved to a new apartment in Hong Kong. Any classmate who needs a bed for a night or two please feel free to reach out. Mark looks

forward to helping Lehigh alumni and students with anything they need in Hong Kong. Mark recently launched Honeypod, which competes with Crypto and Blockchain.

Diane Duda retired from her position as executive VP and chief actuary at USLI, a Berkshire Hathaway insurance company. Diane completed a 39-year career as a property-casualty actuary and insurance executive. She hopes to spend more time with her husband at their home on the Jersey Shore, as well as travel and volunteer with local organizations. She also plans to be a part-time instructor in risk management at a local university. Diane is looking forward to seeing her two daughters more frequently in Colorado and New Jersey.

Jim Merrill was in Japan for client work and played piano with a violinist for a group event. Jim then went to Vietnam for another project.

Doug Mancosh and his wife, Kathy, are residents of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., and spend the summer in Narragansett, R.I. They were residents of Rhode Island for 30 years before seeking warm winter living six years ago. Doug has been an entrepreneur most of his career: owning a commercial lumber treating facility in Rhode Island from the time he was 25; a composite decking and railing company named Fiberon in North Carolina and Idaho, which he founded when he was 38; and a new patented recycling technology company in Minnesota that converts post-consumer carpet fiber into building materials that he started three years ago. He recently sold the Fiberon company and intends to spend less time traveling for business and more time traveling with Kathy and catching up on some time together.

Doug lives near **Bob Thornton** in Florida and sees **Craig**

Banet, Basil Fedynyshyn, Pete Cleff and Fred Wills ’82 regularly. Doug also reconnected with many fraternity friends from the Class of 1981. He recently ran into **John Butkus** on business and got to spend some time with him and caught up on lacrosse team success. A recent business trip last winter to the Lehigh Valley allowed Doug to walk the campus at night and through some of the classroom buildings, Linderman Library, Packer Chapel and the University Center, experiencing a unique feeling and retracing 40-year-ago steps. His memories of Lehigh are mostly those of friendships and of the great privilege we have all received.

Brett Swartz is living in Atlanta, Ga. Brett attends the occasional get-together to watch the Lehigh-Lafayette game. After 30 years with Honeywell, Brett took the opportunity to retire and is into the RV life for now.

Retired U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel **Brian Camperson** and his wife, Cyndie (Muhlenberg ’80), are pleased to announce the one-year wedding anniversary of their daughter, Heather (Camperson) Omsberg ’14, and son-in-law, Cameron Omsberg ’13. Heather and Cam were married last year in Cape May, N.J. Heather works for IBM, and Cam is the assistant coach for the men’s soccer team at Northeastern University in Boston, Mass. Brian and Cyndie’s son, Sean Camperson ’11, is a captain in the U.S. Army with multiple deployments to Afghanistan serving with the Army’s 75th Ranger Regiment. Unfortunately, an injury sustained during his last deployment to Afghanistan will keep him from rejoining his fellow Rangers. Sean has elected to leave the Army and will be attending Fordham Law School in the fall. Brian and Cyndie continue to call Springfield, Va., their home

and enjoy everything Northern Virginia offers.

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Lots of exciting news from **Matthew Fisch!** An avid Red Sox fan, Matthew and his son Michael were lucky to be present to see the Sox win the World Series and catch a ball from the outfield dugout. Matthew, wife Priscilla of 34 years, and sons, Michael and RJ, reside in Needham. His latest startup challenge has been his position running North American sales for Pcysys, an Israeli cybersecurity company that has brought nation-state cybersecurity defense tools to the world of enterprises. Pcysys has enjoyed some success in the U.S., opening up significant customers, and is now hiring a team in the U.S. He also had the option to add some resellers and rekindle a partnership with Lehigh alum Russ Cramer ’62. Matthew finds Pcysys awesome to work for. He had a good time visiting Tel Aviv and Jerusalem and working with the team of amazing entrepreneurs. They won the CDM Infosec Cyber Award for the Next Generation Automatic Penetration Testing at RSA.

A 2018 highlight for **Bud Person** occurred with a long weekend Sigma Nu reunion in Pittsburgh. “A hardy turnout consisted of Nick Snyder ’79, **Dan Bruzgo**, **Tim Hellman**, **John “Herb” Robbins**, Charlie Steitz ’82, Bill Hoffmann ’82, Brendan Gallagher ’82, Jim Norgaard ’84 and Nelson Person ’85.” Bud reports that all arrived doing well. They discussed important topics such as “geopolitical and global economic affairs before segueing into highly memorable good old Lehigh days. After each day of golf, they enjoyed evenings

on the deck filled with familiar banter. Bud reports that fortunately some things never change. While it's no longer in existence, they all say long live Sigma Nu Pi Chapter!"

Kevin Talhelm checked in. He met with Chi Psi classmate **Chuck Vietrogoski** and his wife, Marcia, in March and reports they are doing well and happily retired in Lewes, Del. Kevin and his wife, Jennifer Tritt, are working toward their own goal of retirement. He retired from Stauffer Biscuit Company and is now putting his years of Lehigh calculus to work tutoring math at Harrisburg Area Community College while waiting for the right timing for Jen to retire as well.

David Serfass joined his family's CPA firm upon graduation from Lehigh and has been the managing shareholder since 1991. He is really enjoying this time in his career because of a wonderful opportunity to give back to the profession through mentoring young accountants and collaborating with peers. He is particularly pleased that a current intern happens to be a Lehigh student!

Mark "Ralph" Weller reports that **Roberta "Bert" (McFarland) Gambill** and Maureen "Wu" (Lyng) Plummer '82 visited with him and wife Shawn last March on Anna Maria Island. The two '81 chem. eng. graduates got together along with an '82 marketing grad in sunny Florida and had a fun time reliving old times after many years apart! Bert and Ralph were '81 chem. eng. classmates, and are both now retired (Bert from Chevron; Mark from Procter & Gamble). Bert still lives in Northern California with her three adult sons, while Mark lives in Cincinnati with his wife Shawn, two married children and three grandchildren. Maureen lives in the Harrisburg, Pa., area, close to her two adult sons.

Art Greenwood extends best wishes to all. He and his wife, Liz, live in Wellesley, Mass., a Boston suburb, where they've been for 25 years. They have four children: Cleo, Charlie, Owen and Emmett; three college-age (Bucknell, Bucknell and Bates) and one in high school. Art remained close to Lehigh over the years, assisting with fundraising campaigns and serving nine years on the university's endowment investment committee. He spent five years with Price Waterhouse in Boston after graduation. The balance of his career has been with Fidelity Investments, the Boston-based investment firm. He has remained close with a number of his Zeta Psi fraternity brothers, including **Scott Curvey**, **Jack Archibald**, **Bill Hotz** and **Todd Stone**. All are doing great personally and professionally (Jack, Bill and Todd have sent children to Lehigh). He also enjoys regular contact with Pi Lam classmate **Jack McGowan**, who is an investment industry friend and colleague at T. Rowe Price in Baltimore. While largely Massachusetts homebodies, his family enjoys vacationing in York Harbor, Maine, and has been fortunate to make several trips to Europe and Asia.

Michael Sicinski is currently working at Air Products, where he has worked since graduating from Lehigh, and lives in the Allentown, Pa., area. He is currently the executive director for the Jazan IGCC facility, an \$8 billion acquisition between Air Products, ACWA Power and Saudi Aramco. He is in Saudi Arabia about 75 percent of the time. His five daughters have all left the house, providing him with the opportunity to spend time abroad. His youngest daughter just graduated from Lehigh last spring with a chemical engineering degree. His other daughters graduated from Temple, Cedar Crest and Moravian. He and his wife, Car-

rin, have eight lovely grandkids. Carrin became a B.S.N. nurse after raising five children about four years ago.

Larry Yetter reports that he's been retired for many years after 30 years working and living all over the world with Shell Oil. He and his wife recently celebrated their 40th anniversary and live in New Hampshire, where he enjoys year-round hiking. Larry is a volunteer with the Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) and leads trips around the world with AMC Adventure Travel. He will be heading to Switzerland this year for a two-week hiking trek. In addition to hiking and traveling, Larry enjoys spending time with his family, including two grandchildren.

Thanks to all for sharing their news. Cheers, Patrice.

'82 John P. Belardo, 152 Berkeley Circle, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920. (973) 425-8755 (B); jbelardo@mdmc-law.com. On Facebook, like "Lehigh University Class of 1982."

Ron Nersesian is doing well on the West Coast in the wine country of Sonoma. Ron and Maria have been married for 32 years after originally meeting on the Hill at Lehigh. Their son, Matt, went to Berkeley and is a biochemist at Bio Marin, and their daughter, Sonia, is a product planner/buyer at the corporate offices of Restoration Hardware after graduating from Loyola Marymount in Los Angeles. Ron is the president and CEO of Keysight Technologies (KEYS on the NYSE), which was the original Hewlett Packard electronic measurement business that Bill Hewlett and Dave Packard started in 1939 to spawn Silicon Valley.

Trina and **Lee Martucci** live in Scottsdale, Ariz. Lee moved there for a job transfer with GAF in Nov. 2016, and they love Arizona! Lee is currently

in pavement coatings sales for GAF covering the West. Lee is playing more golf too—can't live in Scottsdale and not golf. Lee sees Dan Nelson '83 every Thanksgiving and his gregarious and fun wife, Christine, with their three lovely daughters. Lee made it to the Lehigh vs. Lafayette game in November and caught up with JC Cole '83, **Pete Morales** ... yes Dan, JC and Pete all crammed four years into five. Lee also hung out with Caesar Gorski '79, Jack Archibald '81 and Bill Hotz '81 of my hometown, Basking Ridge, N.J. Back in Arizona, Lee caught up with his good friend **Tom Crawford** at dinner while he was in town on a business trip.

Cindy (Fricker) Ogren and Tedd Ogren '81 live in Burke, Va. After Cindy's four years in the Air Force as an accounting and finance officer, she got out to be a stay-at-home mom to their four children. Tedd continued his Air Force career and retired in 2008 and became a civil servant in the Department of Defense at the Pentagon, where he still works. Their two sons are captains in the Air Force, one stationed at McChord AFB, Wash., and the other at Langley AFB, Va. Their daughters live in Salem, Ore., and on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Cindy and Tedd got promoted to grandparent status—a grandson 2½ years old and granddaughter 9 months, who now live in southern Virginia—so they try to see them as often as they can. Cindy continues volunteer work, attending Bible study, teaching swimming (all four of their children swam competitively), baking and traveling to Ambler, Pa., to visit her mom whenever she can. Tedd and Cindy vacation at Pocono Lake Preserve, Pa., each summer, where they regularly see Charlie Marck '81 and **Sue (Schlicht) Marck**.

Dave Kynor lives in Stratford, Vt., and is a partner in

an engineering research and development firm in nearby Hanover, N.H. His oldest son, Ryan, is currently in his sophomore year at Lehigh studying mechanical engineering and a member of the men's rowing team. Dave is enjoying making frequent visits back to campus and interacting with the students. Last fall he delivered one of the 5x10 program presentations to the freshman engineering students. Dave also has a cottage in Boothbay Harbor, Maine. He would enjoy hearing from classmates at dave.kynor@me.com.

Dr. Susan (Kelly) Archer reports Alpha Gam alumnae had a small tailgate in October 2018 and another that was better attended in November. Susan was the only Class of '82 sister who was there, but the Class of '80 was well-represented, and they got to celebrate the birthday of Beth (Crits) McClintock '80 at the Tally Ho afterward. She even got carded! Forever young.

Susan and high school classmate **Dave Dubosky** also attended their 40th high school reunion in New Jersey in September. More recently, Dave and his wife, Mary, have been globe-trotting to see their sons, who seem to be going to college to participate in semesters abroad. One of their sons is in Dublin. Last summer (June 2018), Susan picked up another diploma—this time an M.A. in history from Norwich University. This May, Susan will graduate with an M.A. in art history from the Academy of Art University. That will be master's degree number four. And then, barring some unforeseen craziness, Susan should graduate with a Ph.D. in aviation from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in December 2019. She is currently analyzing data for her dissertation. That will be doctorate number two. Yes, Susan really did three graduate programs at

the same time, having become a serious nerd after Lehigh. I'm sure this is hard for classmates (who knew Susan well as an undergrad) to believe.

Lori (Petersohn) Israelite and Craig Israelite '81 had their first grandchild in December. LU Class of 2040? Very exciting! Craig and Lori live in Plymouth Meeting, Pa.

Love in an elevator? **Teresa (Deisinger) Currier** is getting married September 15 to Robert Wilhelm Schumann. Terri met Robert in an elevator on August 9, 2016. Robert asked Terri out before the elevator reached his floor. Robert was late for work that day. He is an entrepreneur who was serving as an expert witness in a patent litigation matter. Terri was also late for work that day and ended up in the same elevator car, and the ride continues. Both will move to D.C., and they'll make their new home in Capitol Hill. Terri has retired as a partner in the Philadelphia law firm of Saul Ewing and is launching a space curating business and plans to become involved in public interest law in D.C.

After living in the Philadelphia suburbs for almost three decades, Terri was ready for a change. She found it in a rented Kensington loft, a converted candy factory with 16-foot-high ceilings, huge windows and an open floor plan. It was a blank canvas to create a cozy space to share with her 15-year-old cat, Wally, and 68 paintings and other works of art.

"I wanted to create a space that was big enough to be like a comfy art gallery," said Terri, who moved in 2017. "The building has this familial vibe, with wide hallways, floors left in their unmitigated state—they are shiny and have holes—so it had an authenticity and a warmth that made me feel it was a happy place." Terri's goal was to create a casual space that invited creativity. The main

living area has four sofas—"you can never have too many sofas," she insisted—with Danish tables and a Hans Wegner shell chair, sitting among art that fills every wall. Terri's love of art, mostly oil paintings, began in 2002 when a friend took her to the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts student art show and sale. His advice was simple: Stand in front of a painting, and if you can feel it in your body, it's meant to be with you. Seventeen years later, she is an avid collector, drawn especially to portraits. Some of her favorites include a Maya Angelou oil painting by Anna Rose Soevik, a copy of the Mark Shaw photograph of John and Jackie Kennedy that graced the cover of Life magazine in 1959, which Currier bought from the gallery that dealt with Shaw's estate, and self-portraits from PAFA students.

Lastly, **Stan King** has been training hard for the grueling Western States 100-mile endurance run June 29-30 starting in Squaw Valley, Calif., and ending in Auburn, Calif. Stan swears by his special breakfast of champions as the key to his fitness regime: Captain Crunch and Jack Daniels. Hats off to Stan!

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It was a quiet winter and spring with no news in the mailbox. Here are some tidbits from my family.

My husband, Scott Freedman '84, recently reconnected with **Mike Petroski**. After college, Mike worked at IBM in Boca Raton, Fla. While at IBM, he started teaching at Lynn University. When IBM closed in Boca, Mike decided to stay in Florida and teach full-time. Mike is now director of faculty development and academic assessment at Lynn, where he has been teaching statistics, operations and

project management for over 20 years. He spends his spare time fishing, and my husband is planning on fishing with him down in the Florida Keys.

My daughter, Rachael Freedman '14, is now a semipro athlete. She made the cut and has joined a semiprofessional women's Ultimate Frisbee team, Nightshade, based in Nashville. Rachael played club intramural Ultimate Frisbee while at Lehigh and continued to play with teams in Charlotte, Pensacola and Nashville. We are so proud and excited for her in this unique opportunity.

Enjoy your summer and fall, and please keep sending me your news. By the time you get this, football season should be starting, so feel free to stop by our tailgate in the reserved lot. Also, I hope some classmates were able to join **Bob Funnell** in California at the Lehigh-UC Davis game on September 14th.

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Greetings, Class of 1984. I am writing this column in anticipation of your reading it in the summer. At present, spring is desperately trying to exert itself, but the hints of sunshine are brief and unsatisfying. By the time you read this, our successful and enjoyable 35th Reunion will be a very recent sunny memory. I hope you attended, meeting with your old friends and acquaintances and enjoying being back at Lehigh.

Many thanks are due to the reunion committee—**Bill Glaser, Alike (Astreou) Keating, Pam Gural-Bear, Lowell Eisenstadt, Mary Beth (Coolen) Tully, Patricia (Burke) Savage, Lori Roth, Laura Gill, Martha Mahoney** and **Scott Freedman**. Thanks for your efforts in meeting regularly, coordinating with event staff and

providing great events for us to enjoy on Reunion Weekend.

As reported last column, **Lindsay Vannoy** is on Elton John's Farewell Yellow Brick Road tour. Quite a few of our classmates attended concerts in their cities: Lori Roth went to the Prudential Center concert; **Sondra Elias-Wolfe** attended the show in New York City. And speaking of classmates doing fantastic things, did you see the article on **Bob Fioretti** and his brother Peter Fioretti '82 journeying to the North Pole? This incredible achievement has been accomplished by fewer than 500 explorers. Read their compelling story, written by Cynthia Tintorri, on the Lehigh website. Riveting!

I was visiting Lehigh last week to meet with undergraduates, and I learned that the first on-site meeting of the Greek Alumni Advisory Council (GAAC) took place at the University Center on Saturday, March 30. The GAAC is being set up to help further foster Greek excellence. In attendance were: Gary Pan '86, **Steve Moore** and Jeremy McKeon '08 from Psi Upsilon; Josh Greenberg '13 of Alpha Epsilon Pi; Alan Abels '74 and Professor Ken Sinclair from Chi Phi; Dave Trimble '86 from Phi Kappa Theta; Gary Tilles '67 from Theta Chi; Jeff Gallagher '66 from Theta Xi; and Tom Anderson '77 from Phi Delta Theta. Also active on the Council are Harry McNally '60 from Chi Psi, **Bill Glaser** from Delta Chi, Dick Dunne '80 from Phi Delta Theta and Bill Sherlock '92 from Phi Sigma Kappa.

In other news, **Joe Zembas** contributed to an article in the *Wall Street Journal* on October 6, 2018, page B4. Well done Joe, you have joined the ranks of Lehigh authors.

Tailgate impresario and Delta Chi brother **Jim Hart** worked for Air Products for many years and went along with Versum when it was spun off. Jim was

recently promoted to global technology director of scale-up engineering. Congratulations, Jim, on your well-deserved recognition.

Finally, I would like to thank all of you for sending me updates. This column could not be written without them. Please continue to hit up our classmates to let them know that we want to hear about them and that this column is the best way to get out the information!

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Caroline Power Gangl, our class president and former Dravo A-3 resident, shared updates on herself and two other study hall friends.

Cathy (Wiebel) Venezia, born and bred on Long Island, husband Chris and son JP relocated in January 2018 to Mechanicsburg, Pa., after Chris' retirement, to be near the rest of their family. Their older daughter, Marina Venezia '16, works as a chemical engineer for Philadelphia Mixers in Palmyra and is engaged to Ryan James '16, who also works in Central Pennsylvania. Marina was on the Lehigh lacrosse team and now coaches lacrosse locally. Their younger daughter, Veronica, is a sophomore at Lebanon Valley College in its seven-year doctor of physical therapy program. She is also a standout lacrosse player who was named 2018 Women's Lacrosse Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) Commonwealth Rookie of the Year. Their son, JP, their oldest child, is busy completing his master's degree at Millersville University.

Jean Bailey Miller, a Harrisburg, Pa., native, found herself working for Nestlé in New Jersey after graduation. She's married to Lyle Miller '83, who, since graduation, has worked for Torcon, a construction man-

agement firm responsible for the construction of some of the largest facilities for pharmaceuticals, education and health care in New Jersey. They have one daughter, Rachel. A graduate of Northwestern, Rachel resides in Chicago and works as an environmental engineer.

After being a stay-at-home mom to Rachel, Jean became an in-demand science and math substitute teacher, master gardener and beekeeper! She enjoys traveling to new places all over the world, either solo or with her sister. She and Lyle also enjoy relaxing at their cottage in Mt. Gretna, Pa.

Len Ferman recently authored a college textbook, "Business Creativity and Innovation: Perspectives and Best Practices." Len lives in Jacksonville, Fla., where he teaches business innovation at the University of North Florida and manages his consulting firm, Ferman Innovation. During speaking engagements, he teaches the entire audience how to juggle while relating the steps in the innovation process.

Caroline, originally from New Jersey, lives in Lancaster, Pa., with her husband Mark, an engineer for The Hershey Company. They have twin 17-year-old daughters, Mari and Megan. The girls, juniors in high school, keep Caroline juggling freelance writing and editing assignments with traveling to and from color guard practices and competitions. Their other current challenge is the college selection process.

Caroline says she is the luckiest of the three of them to have two of her best Lehigh friends nearby. She loves watching Veronica play lacrosse, and Cathy and Chris come to marching band and indoor guard competitions to watch Mari and Megan compete. Caroline also can escape to Jean's cottage for some quiet time, just rocking in a chair on the porch, or for a visit when

Jean and Lyle have a chance to spend a long weekend there.

Caroline asked me to remind all of you that our 35th Reunion—yes, 35th—is just around the corner. Greatly needed are classmates willing to serve as overall reunion committee chair, fundraising chair (for our class gift) and members of the reunion committee. Meetings are held via conference call usually over the lunch hour. If you can help, please email Caroline at cpgangl@yahoo.com.

Save the date for Reunion 2020: June 4-7, 2020

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"The news is all over town. You better not let me down. Keep telling me you're feeling good. As good as you ever could. Please tell me that you'll never go. Ah ah no no." Supertramp

"Kinfolk said, 'Ronni move away from there.' Said, 'Manhattan's the place you outta be.' So they loaded up the truck, And they moved to Gramercy." (Mostly Flatt & Scruggs) After 26 years in Port Washington, N.Y., Mike and **Ronni (Levine) Aronow** are heading back to their initial, post-Lehigh graduation roots. "I got tired of cleaning the gutters, while Mike got bored holding the ladder," noted Ronni.

Missy (Capuano) Rohland's youngest son, Vinnie, is headed to Bethlehem this autumn, continuing the Capuano's Lehigh civil engineering tradition started by her dad, Joe Capuano '57.

If you are on Long Beach Island and don't run into **Kenny Fuirst**, were you really there? Last column, it was **Glen Friedman**, this column, it's **Aaron Kramer**, who saw Ken at the Neptune Market, following an

CELEBRATIONS



1. Members of the Class of 1993 reconnected at Reunion weekend 2018 in front of the SteelStacks. Back row, from left: Bernie Zavatone, Neil Cohen and Steve Brauner; front row, from left: Clark Sawyers, Bob Mallon and John Fitzpatrick. **2.** A group of Alpha Sigma Phi brothers and wives visited DJ Jefferis in Asheville, N.C. Back row, from left: Steve Vetsch '87, John Swatek '87, Vince Izzo '87, Kurt Gastrock '87, Catherine Mooneyham, DJ Jefferis '87, Reese Bovard '87, Jeff Alvino '88, Gregg Paster '88 and Jay Troutman '87; front row, from left: Jeff Dekorte '87, Jon Lauer '87, Jim Frick '87, Rick Herwig '87, Kevin Baker '90, Tim Farrell '87, Matt Riddell '89, Laura (Marturana) Riddell '89 and Phil Titterton '87.

3. Moira McGowan '14 and Thomas Gregg '14 were married on campus at Packer Memorial Church on Nov. 10, 2018. **4.** Tom Healy Sr. '58 was inducted into the Upstate New York Basketball Hall of Fame in May. His family attended the celebration with him. From left are Kelly Healy, Erin Healy, Tom Healy Sr., Linda Healy and Thom Healy Jr. '85. **5.** Marvin Kent '41 turned 100 years old on May 4. He is pictured here, from left, with his son, David Kent '73, grandson Jeremy Kent '06 and son Phil Kent '76. **6.** Danielle Prussin Wildstein '98 and her husband, Erik, welcomed their third child, a boy, into the world on Jan. 26, 2019. Axl Gray joins big brother, Lucas, and big sister, Elle.



off-season visit to Old Barney. Aaron is a specialist, worldwide technical enablement, at Micro Focus in Philadelphia. Aaron sees **Ellen (Villegas) Rudel** at their respective kids' swim meets. Ken remains busy cruising Long Beach Island Boulevard, searching for '86ers.

Those of you in a "time to make the donuts" rut at work may want to call **Sharon (Kanovsky) Richter**. Sharon joined FocalPoint's team of business coaching professionals, bringing her business experience and coaching expertise to entrepreneurs and business leaders in the New York area. Sharon is both a Certified Business Coach and the area representative for the New York City region.

The Lehigh swim team conducted their winter training in Naples, Fla., where Brian and **Ann Rutledge-Oswald** hosted their niece, Carly Rutledge '22, and seven other frosh teammates for dinner. Ann notes that after two- to four-hour daily workouts, the eight ladies had no difficulty consuming 11 steaks, eight loaded baked potatoes, corn, broccoli, green beans, ice cream and a cake. Ann is now considering being a U.S.A. Olympic Swim Team nutritionist. "Naples, Fla.? Steak?" Former Lehigh swimmer and swim coach Chris Marshall '88 noted, "Our winter training was at the Allentown Holiday Inn followed by a couple of boxes of Hot Pockets."

Jon Daniels and Cordelia Boise '87 made their annual pilgrimage to Vail, Colo., in February, noting rave reviews for this year's snow. Jon skied and après-skied with **Steve Lindquist** and **Rebecca (Sandel) Shapiro**. Jon's five-day tally was 113K vertical feet and a combined distance of 127 miles (on the slopes, not the après-ski). Jon remains in the Lehigh Valley, working in Manhattan, working for Hooked On Phonics

as their technology manager, helping the youth of America to learn to read. Jon is in his 32nd season playing softball, playing on one team in Pennsylvania, two teams in NYC, and one team in the Hamptons. Oh, Jon, if only Jerry Garcia followed your regimen for success!

If you've read this far into the column, which is about to conclude, and haven't seen your and/or your '86 friends' names and goings-on about town, you're not sending in your updates. Email me to receive the thrice-yearly requests for gossip. And join the '86 Facebook and LinkedIn groups, where column fodder is also solicited. Or, just go to Long Beach Island and look for Ken. Write in; otherwise, the entire Class of 1986 and other alumni who read our column will just think you're boring.

"Cause I can never make you unhappy. No, I couldn't do that, love. Only wish I didn't love you so. Makes it so, so very hard to go." (Tower of Power)

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From Laura:

I have been bothering DJ to serve as a guest columnist for some time as he was updating us with his story on Facebook. His journey has been inspiring and courageous. I am so happy he is sharing it with us. Thanks, DJ. We love you!

From DJ:

As you may recall, I own a small farm in Chesnee, S.C., called Cat Jumped Over the Moon Farm, with my wife, Catherine "Cat" Mooneyham. We moved here in 2016 from Texas.

We foxhunt our horses.

We have all lost friends to cancer or have friends fighting it still. I was diagnosed with Stage III breast cancer in November 2017. (There were about 2,440 males diagnosed with breast cancer in the U.S. in 2018, and maybe around 480 men will die of it.) So, I won the cancer lottery! Not every guy gets this! Recently, I have finally gotten some control of my own life again.

Since November 2017, I have had 18 weeks of chemotherapy, lost my hair, had a port surgically installed, a mastectomy, an axillary dissection of the lymph nodes, an endoscopy (got an ulcer from the chemo drugs), two PET scans, three ultrasounds, grew my hair back, three CAT scans, seven weeks of daily radiation, and 129 doctors' visits. Now, according to my CAT scan last week, there are no visible cancer cells in my body. But my body still has defective cells at the chromosome level that can mutate into cancer whenever they feel like it. Those cells are undetectable. There is a decent chance of those cells mutating into cancer cells again sometime in the next five years. So, I am on quarterly scans (PET or CAT, depends on the month) and hormone pills for five years. Each day I live, the chances of my seeing 2023 increase a tiny bit. By 2023, the doctors feel the chances of the cancer returning are very much decreased.

As you may have guessed from my Facebook page, I decided to go public with this during my second round of chemo in January 2017. I did not want to be a "Hey, DJ died, did you hear? Yeah, he had cancer and none of us knew." I found it very liberating to treat cancer just as the flu. People post on their Facebook that they are sick today and have the flu. I did the same, only it was cancer, but it is going away—just like the flu. I posted the medications, the views, the

activities and my thoughts of the cancer treatments. It made me feel better. So, I changed none of my life. I woke every day and did everything I would have done ... except on the days I felt like a tractor trailer ran me over.

Once I went Facebook public, the Alpha Sigs of Lehigh began to rumble a bit. They all wanted to make plans to visit. First came Rich Mansfield '85, who was instrumental in my care and advice. (You would be amazed how handy it is to have an OBGYN as a brother!) Then **Jon Lauer**, who lives in Washington, wanted to get a few of the guys together.

On February 24, 2018, Rich Mansfield, Joe Yammarino '85 and **Tim Farrell** came for a weekend visit. We did a tour of the breweries of Asheville (there are 62), and a visit to Sierra Nevada Brewery for dinner.

Then on the weekend of April 14-16, Jon put together a small group of visitors that started as a few Alpha Sigs from '87, but grew immensely to include: Class of '87—**Jeff Dekorte**, Jon Lauer, **Jim Frick**, **Rick Herwig**, Tim Farrell, **Phil Titterton**, **Steve Vetsch**, **John Swatek**, **Vince Izzo**, **Kurt Gastrock**, **Reese Boward** and **Jay Troutman**; Class of '88—Gregg Paster and Jeff Alvino; as well as Matt Riddell '89 and Laura (Marturana) Riddell '89, and Kevin Baker '90.

We had a bonfire on Friday where we each spoke for a few minutes about our lives over the past 30 years. Then, on Saturday, we won the Collegiate Tailgate contest at the Blockbuster Steeplechase in Columbus, S.C., for having the most participants. Then on Saturday night we all went to Sierra Nevada Brewery for dinner. We had a limo drive us around all day. Some of us had not seen each other since graduation. Vetsch came from Colorado, Lauer from Washington, Dekorte was in the process of moving to Vegas, Titterton from Connecticut. We had representatives from N.C., Ga., N.J.,

Md. and Va.

Later in August, Sean Challis '89 and his wife, Stephanie, visited. And separately, **Jim Potash** and his wife, Sara, visited, and we went to Sierra Nevada Brewery. Sierra Nevada Brewery has been dubbed "Alpha Sigma Phi, Lehigh University South."

As I am a wanna-be cancer survivor, it is hard to die when you have so many to keep you alive. These bonds were forged on South Mountain.

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Thanks, **Kellie Fisher**, for the great job you always do! Happy to take over for this issue!

A little about me: Living in Hoboken for many years now (where do they go?) and was recently stunned that a friend's son was moving in across the street from me. How is that possible? I head up global account management for AltaReturn, a software company dedicated to providing solutions to alternative asset firms. I'm working my way through the continents (one to go!) and scuba diving as much as I can—most recently in the Philippines this summer, which is why I missed the reunion!

On to other updates ...

Greg and **Mary Ellen (Maher) Dawkins** have been in Maplewood, N.J., for 17 years with their three boys (tenth, eighth and sixth grades). She works part-time for a real estate group and volunteers as treasurer for two nonprofits and as a commissioner for a flag football league. She's on track this year to read a book each week and has a fledgling blog about it: <https://52-books.blog>.

Dawne Davenport recently completed her 19th marathon, in

Iowa, on her quest for one in each of the 50 states. (She'll hit the continents after retirement!)

Sue (Ahart) Sesko '91 and **Steve Sesko** have been residing in Montville, N.J., for the last 22 years. They have two boys, a freshman at Lehigh and a junior in high school. Last Memorial Day, Steve joined his wife in the hole-in-one club when he struck his on the seventh hole on the Old Course at Trump National Bedminster.

David Cohen and **Heidi (Lynn) Cohen** have a daughter, Sarah Cohen '19, who graduated Lehigh this May. She is a math and economics double major and will be working as a data analyst in New Jersey. Their son is a sophomore at Purdue. Heidi met up with some of her Theta sisters for brunch in early March. It was organized by **Karen (Torp) LaRochelle** after they ran into each other at the Lehigh Women's Alliance event in NYC last January. Fellow alums in attendance were **Jill (Kozlowsky) Neff**, **Kathy (Smith) Altland**, **Corinne (Ledwith) Murphy**, **Denise Chang**, **Maria (Rap-poccio) Brennan**, **Stephanie (Brello) Kaiser** and **Margaret (LaForce) Panageas**. Jerilyn (Parisi) Williams '87 was there, as was Suzanne (Polcyn) Deluca '89. Much of the conversation was around children graduating from college and high school.

Ron Moritz and Lisa (Bolithsky) Moritz '89 have been married since '91 and have been living in Pennsylvania for most of that time. Ron spent 20 years at Ford and the last 10 years at Lutron Electronics. Their two daughters are now in college.

Sue (Roden) Clarke, **Suzanne (Moyer) Outt**, **Deb (Clarry) Koutsafes**, Caroline (Zraket) Pratt '87 and Jon Daniels '86 got together in March in New Jersey to attend a Casino Night benefiting Nova Hope for Haiti Inc., which was organized by Jan (Panariello) Mansley '86

and Cordelia Boise '87. Deb will be busy using that new blender she won making them all drinks this summer!

Andrew Proctor and Jackie (Massa) Proctor '89 are living in NYC and just celebrated their 26th anniversary. **Andrew** is a director at Houlihan Lokey in the financial advisory services group. They have two daughters. Madeleine is completing her junior year in college, majoring in public relations, and Josie is a sophomore in high school.

Jennifer (Levin) Harding recently celebrated her 30-year work anniversary at The MITRE Corporation, in McLean, Va., where she lives with her husband, John, and sons, Alex and Seth. Alex is finishing up freshman year at Ohio State, while Seth is back home working at an internship in Maryland last summer/fall. He's now taking a semester off to transfer to George Mason University. Jen and John were in LA during Lehigh-Lafayette weekend last fall and went to a Legends Sports Bar in Huntington Beach, where they had the game on the big screen for the many alums from both schools. As it was 9:30 a.m. local time, I imagine that "sunrise" cocktails were involved?

Jim and **Suzanne (Gerson) Orlando** live in New York, where she manages the N.Y./N.J. finances for Jack Daniel's maker Brown-Forman Corp. Their oldest daughter is finishing her sophomore year at Loyola University and will be studying abroad in Copenhagen next year. Jim and Suzanne plan to take their empty-nest selves over to visit, as their younger daughter graduates high school this June and will be a freshman at an as-yet-undetermined location.

Steve and **Cindy (Wein-hofer) DiLoreto** reside with their family in Harleysville, Pa. They are proud parents and keep busy attending their children's collegiate sporting events. Son Tim, a junior at

Lehigh, is an ME and member of the Lehigh Mountain Hawks baseball team. Daughter Sammy (the goddaughter of your guest columnist!) is a freshman at Washington College in Chestertown, Md., studying environmental science. She made her dad happy by making the varsity Trap and Skeet team! The DiLoretos enjoyed a visit from "Aunt" **Beth Brinkman** last summer and hope to connect with her again this summer.

Bridget (Morton) Nastasi and Joe Nastasi '86 are living in Marietta, Ga., just outside of Atlanta. Bridget teaches seventh-grade life science and swims with a masters' team. They are now a "house divided" with two daughters attending GA Tech and a son attending the University of Georgia (UGA).

Have a great summer!

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Apparently, **Rich Verma** is the new Carl Sagan. The former U.S. ambassador to India, vice chair and partner at The Asia Group, and Lehigh trustee delivered the address at Lehigh's 151st spring commencement in May.

Forbes described Verma, who served as ambassador from 2014-2017, as "one of the most consequential envoys to ever occupy the prestigious post." You know what Forbes said about me? Nothing, absolutely nothing.

Today, Rich serves as vice chair of The Asia Group, a Washington, D.C.-based strategic and capital advisory firm that guides U.S. and multinational companies operating in Asia. Verma is also active in

the academic and nonprofit spheres. He is a senior fellow at Georgetown University's Walsh School of Foreign Service and Harvard University's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs. He also co-chairs the Center for American Progress' U.S.-India Task Force. In addition to being a member of Lehigh's board of trustees, Verma serves on a number of boards and commissions, including the National Endowment for Democracy and the T. Rowe Price corporate board. He is the recipient of the State Department's Distinguished Service Award, the Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellowship, and the Chief Justice John Marshall Lifetime Achievement Award, and he was ranked by India Abroad as one of the 50 most influential Indian Americans.

Jeff Rydberg reached out in early March from Lakeville, Minn., as he "fired up the snow blower yet another time."

He teaches math, computer-aided design and electronics at a school for students who did not succeed in the regular high schools. This is Jeff's fourth year with that program and seventh year teaching. Prior to teaching, he worked in website design and development for 17 years, and although Jeff admitted to being paid a lot less, he said he loves his job.

Jeff has been married to Liz, who is a veterinarian, for almost six years, and his daughter, Alyssa, who is 20, is taking some time off from school to figure out what she wants to do. All three of them enjoy traveling every summer, anything from his wife's family's cabin in Canada to Mediterranean cruises. I am sure after this past winter in Minnesota, a cruise ship and a fruity umbrella drink will surely be appreciated.

Wedding bells were ringing for **Mike Potter** this past October in Paso Robles, Calif. Mike,

who previously was always the groomsman but never the groom, finally gave up bachelorhood for his lovely wife, Kim.

His Delta Phi brother **Rob Lister** attended along with wife Alison (Kahn) Lister '92. They recently moved to the Upper West Side in NYC now that they're empty nesters. Rob's a "big wheel" with IMAX (yes, that IMAX), where he's general counsel and spends a lot of his time in China.

Mike and Kim live in Weehawken, N.J., where she is a co-owner of Cor Behavioral in Hasbrouck Heights, N.J., a company that services individuals on the autism spectrum. Mike said, "She adds value to the world while I subtract it as a modern-day Mad Man. You can think of me as a shorter, better-looking version of Don Draper." I'll toast Don's Canadian Club to that!

Save the date for Reunion 2020: June 4-7, 2020

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Anybody feeling 50 out there? (Asking for a friend!) Happy birthday to all of us. I know there are many celebrations happening to mark this milestone year as well as bar/bat/b'not mitzvahs, promotions and graduations and all of the other good stuff. So here goes:

First of all, huge congratulations to **Jon Ballis**, who has been named CEO of Kirkland & Ellis, the Chicago law firm where he has practiced since 2005. "Jon is an incredible talent and has demonstrated the necessary leadership skills and business acumen to lead Kirkland & Ellis into the future," said his predecessor. I think we can all agree that Jon is indeed an incredible talent and so much more. Lots of luck in your new role! Jon's buddies celebrated with him in April in Lehigh fashion. Though few details were released, I hear that

Steve Frankel gave a rousing toast, or was it more of a roast? Either way, it sounds like a good time was had by Jon, Steve, **Pete Stein, Ross Intelisano, Larry Max, Tom Lee, Peter Ripp** and **Dave Weiner**.

Mazel tov to **Susan Lanter Blank** and Jared on the b'not mitzvah of their beautiful twin daughters, Sage and Scarlett. As I write this, I know they are still kvelling with pride and possibly feeling a little "post-b'not depression!!" The girls were absolutely stunning and poised, and they threw an amazing party! **Stacey Winter, Jennifer (Zerner) Hoffman, Carla (Goldberg) Greengrass, Dana Susman Klass** and **Cori (Mason) Berger** were on hand to celebrate the big event!

Jennifer (Neiman) Gottlieb has been spending lots of time between the pool and the ice hockey rink. Her son Ben's team, the Nonotuck Valley Knights Bantams, were the league champs this year! And her daughter, Ruby, was on the front page of the Daily Hampshire Gazette under the following heading: "Northampton junior Ruby Gottlieb repeats as Central/West Swimming and Diving 100 butterfly champ!" So cool that that is my freshman roommate's daughter!

Cliff Seltzer also spends time at the pool and the rink, though his sons are now in college at Cornell and Wisconsin, but he's still traveling to diving meets with his daughter, Maddie.

Melissa (Peller) Eydenberg recently started her first year at Pace Law School! If ever there was a lawyer-in-the-making, Melissa is it. I know she's studying hard, but she recently took a night off to celebrate **Amy (Silver) Kramer's** 50th. I watched the celebration unfold on Facebook (stalkerish sort of, I know), but Amy's husband and friends outdid themselves with "We Love Amy" T-shirts, dinners, montages and more! Amy

will be joining Melissa on her Spring Break 50th. Please send pictures from the Girls Gone Wild tour. In other birthday news, **Ajay Bhatt, Tom Spiegel, Mike Moss, Scott Austin, Larry Raia** and a few other Delta Phis celebrated the BIG 5-0 in Clearwater, Fla.

I know there is more information out there, so send me an email. Or come visit in Tel Aviv. I almost got to meet up with **Jill (Merriam) Dulitsky** when she was here, but time didn't allow. Hoping my next Lehigh connection will be **Andrew Schwartz's** parents, my hosts for every Passover during college.

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Hello again! On the day I first sat down to write this column, Facebook was kind enough to remind me of that day in 2012—that halcyon day—when Lehigh beat Duke in the NCAA tournament. I've never been prouder to be a Lehigh alumna, especially here in the South, where Duke reigns supreme. Ah, the memories...

On to class news: I had a great conversation with **Bob Mallon**. Bob and his family live in Cambridge, Mass., where he is vice president of product development for Zagster, a micro-mobility startup that focuses on alternative transportation options such as electric bikes, e-scooters and pedal bikes. His wife of 19 years, Alanna, is serving her first term as a city councilor in Cambridge, and they have a son, Toby (14), and daughter, Jasper (11). In his spare time, Bob enjoys skiing, camping and hiking with the kids, and he completed his first marathon in October 2018. Live music is also a passion; when we

spoke, Bob was on his way out for the first of three consecutive nights of concerts, an activity he often enjoys sharing with his daughter. Bob is looking forward to summer travel to Europe, specifically Spain and Morocco, through a two-week summer house swap program that he and his family have done for the last several years. Each summer they offer up their house in Cambridge in exchange for two weeks in locations such as Paris, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Rome, Barcelona and southern England.

Bob was kind enough to put me in touch with some of his Lehigh friends who came back for the 25th Reunion, including **Bernie Zavatore**. It was fun to see Bernie and meet his lovely wife, Alison. Bernie reached out to report he is living in Bethlehem and keeping up with his three boys, Gavin (15), Liam (7) and Graham (5), who stay busy with martial arts, soccer, baseball and school. He's vice president of sales for the U.S. and Canada at FLSmidth, a global mining industry company. Bernie mentioned he sees much of his old crew (**Steve Brauner**, **John Fitzpatrick**, **Neil Cohen**, **Clark Sawyers** and Bob) from time to time and recently skied with Steve in Colorado. Steve is a resident of Boulder.

Nancy Niss Giganti and I recently reconnected on Facebook and had a blast catching up and talking about the challenges of teaching in public school. Nancy lives with her family in Damascus, Md., where she is a middle school math teacher. Her path has taken her from her home in Bronxville, N.Y., to Lehigh, then to graduate school at Carnegie Mellon, next to Arizona, and then eventually back to the East Coast and the University of Maryland, where she earned a master's degree in teaching (curriculum and instruction). She married her husband, Jerry, a contractor for NIH, in 2005 and has two children, a son, CJ (second grade),

and daughter, Fara (fourth grade). Nancy and her family enjoy camping in their travel trailer around Maryland and surrounding states. She is looking forward to a mini-reunion of freshman hall friends from Dravo B-5 in Nashville in June. **Michelle Tillis Lederman** is coming from New Jersey, **Julie Preuss** from California, **Alyson Caprio** from Florida, and **Donna Platt** and **Smita (Kasat) Rumalla** from Texas. Can't wait to hear about all the fun they will have down in Music City!

Class of 1993, please send your updates! Hope everyone is doing well.

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By the time you read this, our 25th Reunion will have come and gone! I hope everyone had a great time! If you told me something for the column and I had a drink in my hand at the time, I would strongly suggest you email me. Odds are I don't recall the conversation and/or your name.

Cynthia (Soltys) Walton, her husband and two sons just returned from their second expat experience, this time living for four years in London. They are back in Summit, N.J., now.

Vince Latchford lives just outside Philadelphia with his wife, Stephanie, and their three daughters. Every summer he gets together with fellow AXP brothers **Chris Lovasz**, **Matt Sisian**, **John McTiernan** and **Owen Neary**. Vince works with Silicon Valley startups, currently with Apttus.

Heather (Zaslansky) Kay was recently promoted to senior director of talent management at Sungard Availability Services, based in Wayne, Pa. She was chosen to speak at the Designed for Impact Women's Conference, in Bermuda. She spoke on strengths and change

as she is a Gallup-Certified Strengths Coach and Facilitator. Her daughter, Caroline, is part of an executive committee to get a TEDx session at her high school; her son, Lance, was on NBC's "Genius Junior" with Neil Patrick Harris.

Garry Vermaas and his wife, Jodi, adopted six children from the Philippines in May 2018. (Not a typo—SIX!) They now have a total of 12 children between the ages of 5 and 19 (10 are adopted and two biological). Garry says it's basically a frat house without any sense of normalcy. (Shocking, right?) Base4, the architecture/engineering company that Garry founded in 2009, won INC 5000 for the third year in a row for being one of the fastest-growing companies in America, and is now the 24th-largest hospitality architectural firm in the country. They are currently designing 70 hotels around the States.

After 20 years of working in the construction industry, **Alec Thomson** left the corporate world to found a construction tech startup, Riskcast Solutions.

Jason Ryan is a cardiologist at the University of Connecticut. He also runs an online business, Boards and Beyond. He lives in West Hartford, Conn., with his wife, Susan, and two children, Luke (9) and Ella (7).

John Wildermann, an Army lieutenant colonel, was recently assigned to support FEMA Region Three in Philadelphia after four years serving in Southern California. His wife, Kristin Coville-Wildermann '96, and daughter Tabitha attended Alumni Band Day at LU last fall. John is currently working on his second master's, this one from the Army War College.

Steven Shanker was practicing law with his own firm in the transportation field, and was recently approached by a large New Jersey firm to start and head up their transportation practice group. Steve works out

of the NYC office.

Stacey (Lifton) Popko, MD, MBA, lives in Canonsburg, Pa., outside of Pittsburgh, with her husband, Brian Popko, MD, and their son, Ben. Stacey is a managing editor at MCG, part of the Hearst Health Network. Although the firm is based in San Diego, she works from home. The Popkos are starting to visit colleges with their son. Stacey, like me, was a tour guide at Lehigh. Which reminded me of how many times while on a tour, my fraternity brothers would drive by, roll the window down and yell, "Send us your daughters!" It's really surprising that Zeta Psi is no longer on the Hill, isn't it?

Andy Frishman could not make the reunion this year. Abducted by aliens.

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It was great to hear from **Alan Verostick**, who let me know he started full-time with AlumniIQ as their alumni events and client relations specialist. In addition, he's playing trombone more than ever, continuing on with Strangers as well as concerts with the Philadelphia Freedom Band, Bucks County Symphony and Abington Symphony.

He also added—which I found rather shocking—that he's looking forward to our 25th Reunion next year. Surely, he didn't mean our class! If indeed it is our 25th Reunion next year, I will include information in this column as it becomes available.

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Greetings, Class of '96!

Hope everyone is well. Not much news to report, but I did get an impressive press release about **Ed Blair**. I'm copying it below. Congrats on the promotion, Ed!

"Lutron is pleased to announce the appointment of Edward J. Blair to executive vice president. Ed started his Lutron career in 1996 after graduating from Lehigh University with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. Early in his career, Ed had roles that took him through many different areas of the company, including engineering, personnel, marketing communications and sales. He eagerly took on each of these assignments and learned valuable skills and knowledge that benefited him in his career development. During this time, Ed earned his MBA from Lehigh University (2002).

"In 2007, Ed became the co-leader of Lutron's Window Systems Business Unit. He helped build this division into a profitable, self-sustaining global business that has played a key role in the growth of our organization. To be able to support the growing sales, he expanded production capabilities at our Virginia facility and opened up new production capabilities at others. These contributions helped our ability to service our customers and improve our lead times to meet their requirements.

"In 2008, Ed was appointed vice president and general manager of Lutron's Window Systems Business. Under his direction, the business has grown significantly. With Ed's leadership, the team developed innovations like battery-operated shades and shades for commercial applications and expanded our markets through residential dealers and internationally.

"To continue to drive and support the business growth, Ed launched new programs for dealers, added performance fabric collections and built the

infrastructure for the shades business so that it could scale with future growth. Ed is a smart and passionate leader who challenges Lutron and his teams to find creative ways to win for our customers and our company.

"In 2016, Ed took on the additional responsibility to lead our high-end residential business and was appointed senior vice president, Residential & Window Systems Business. In that expanded role, he has been driving the business for Lutron's custom-installed residential lighting control systems, wired shades and light fixtures. His responsibilities include product planning, marketing communications and working with the sales organization to expand the existing markets and grow new markets.

"Earlier this year, Ed took the senior leadership role in Lutron's acquisition of Ketra, a company that's best known for its revolutionary color-tunable LED smart bulbs and control systems.

"As executive vice president, Ed will continue developing and growing Lutron with a focus on the high-end residential business, including window systems, light fixtures and Ketra. Ed will also be working closely with co-CEOs Susan Hakkarainen and Mike Pessina, along with the senior leadership team, on the strategy and go-forward plan of the future direction of the company."

Please send any new information my way, jen@keensense.com.

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Editor's note: Your correspondent, **Lopa (Patel) Zielinski**, wants everyone to know she'll be back next issue. Her sister, **Lisa Patel Waller**, recently passed away, and Lopa has been focused on her family in

the past few months. She wanted everyone to know she hadn't been ignoring her classmates, so please send her updates.

'98 Gregory Kuklinski, gjk4@alum.lehigh.edu

I hope that all of you are enjoying the springtime and getting ready for those summer vacations. If you are around campus, you will be seeing some exciting construction going on, including the new Southside Commons on Brodhead Avenue, which is a residence hall with 428 apartments, and the New Residential Houses, which will eventually provide housing for 720 students. If you are interested in seeing the Campus Master Plan, go to: lehigh.edu/masterplan/.

Michele (Pfingstl) Clarke writes that she completed her postgraduate coursework in behavior analysis at Florida Institute of Technology and recently passed her certification exam and is now a Board-Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA). She currently resides in Tempe, Ariz., and works with children with autism providing early intervention services.

Danielle Prussin Wildstein and her husband, Erik, welcomed their third child, a boy, into the world on January 26, 2019. Axl Gray joins big brother, Lucas, and big sister, Elle.

Sara Fuller Geffert and her husband, Jason, welcomed daughter Samantha Chase on January 2, 2019. Sara is currently working as a physician in infectious diseases at Lifespan/Brown University Medical School in Rhode Island.

Rob Griffith and his husband, Steve Konopelski (recent Food Network Champ), are entering their fifth year as owners of Turnbridge Point, a bakery and bed-and-breakfast located in Denton, Md. They are also working on a new bakery called Turnbridge Talbot, which is be-

ing planned for Easton, Md., in summer 2019. Rob is also working as a counsel patent attorney for a law firm in New York.

Lisa Regalla has been using her chemistry and theater degrees to inspire more young people, particularly those from underserved groups, to increase their self-efficacy in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math). She has recently been the keynote speaker at the Early Childhood STEM Conference and was asked to participate in an international research study that took her to Denmark and the United Kingdom to speak on early childhood fabrication laboratories and mobile makerspaces.

Carolyn Klimas writes that after spending two years developing orthopedic implants, she transitioned into product management and marketing. Currently, she is working as the executive director of marketing in Olympus' endoscopy division and resides in Bethlehem, Pa. Most recently, Carolyn traveled to Antarctica in January, completing her bucket list item of visiting all seven continents.

Christopher Hoffman is the regional humanitarian and emergency affairs director in East Africa for World Vision International (WVI). He is currently working on a project to test Food Automated Teller Machines (ATM) in refugee camps that would dispense food made locally by swiping a card. These machines are being tested due to safety concerns with the current program of food distribution, which could be stolen while being transported to their homes. This program received the World Food Programme/Google Sprint Award and was an AIDF Africa Innovation of the Year runner-up. For more information on this program, please visit: undispatch.com/refugees-may-soon-be-with-drawing-their-food-from-atm-machines/.

Please continue to share your news, and I will add it to our class column. Don't forget that photos are welcome as well. Hope that you all enjoy your spring and summer!

Class of 1998 Facebook Page: [facebook.com/groups/Lehigh98/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/Lehigh98/)

My Lehigh (Class of 1998): mylehigh.lehigh.edu

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Hello, Class of 1999!

I hope everyone had a wonderful time experiencing Lehigh again, and catching up with friends and classmates at our 20th Reunion!

I'd like to congratulate **Andrew Hartmann**, who was selected as the recipient of the Alumni Award from our class. Andrew graduated with a B.A. in architecture as well as a B.S. in civil engineering, and since then has been extensively involved as an alumnus. He currently lives and works in the city of Philadelphia as an associate in Thornton Tomasetti's Transportation Group, working mainly on long-span bridge projects in Philadelphia and New York City. Last year Andrew took part in a company-sponsored opportunity to travel to Boca de Lura, Panama, to build an approximately 150-foot-long pedestrian bridge to provide safe access to work, education, health care and opportunities to the surrounding communities. Congratulations, Andrew!

If you have any news you'd like to share with our Lehigh family, I'd love to hear from you. Wishing you all the best!

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Greetings, Class of 2000! I'm not sure about you, but for me, 2019 has been flying by!

Since our last column, **Alicia (Bonaly) Shepherd** has checked in with an update. Last summer, she joined Rizco, a creative campaign agency based at the Jersey Shore, as an account manager. She launched her 19-year career in New York City working at top advertising agencies, but as a Spring Lake native and aspiring to work in her local community, she is happy to have found a new home in Rizco. As part of her role, Alicia is an extension to the client's marketing team, helping implement programs for success. Congratulations, Alicia!

Please take a few moments to contact me with an update about yourself or about a friend in our class. I know we are all busy with family and careers, but I am hoping you can each take a few minutes to let us know what is new and exciting in your life! Feel free to send me an email, send me a text or check out our Facebook page. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

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Greetings, fellow Class of 2002 alumni,

Hope you're doing well and had a great few months since my last update. I'm excited to share some news about two of our '02 friends, so let me get right to it!

Dave Lewanda has been working for Major League Baseball for two years, and in 2018 he was promoted to director of mobile engineering. He currently leads the development of MLB's At Bat app for iPhone and iPad, and the MLB.tv experience across iOS and Apple TV. He

currently resides in Robbinsville, N.J., with his wife, Erica, and two children, Jonathan (9) and Alexis (7).

Patrice Banks, founder of the Girls Auto Clinic, will be serving as consulting producer of an upcoming new TV sitcom named "Patty's Auto," inspired by Patrice's auto mechanic shop that is staffed with all female mechanics. Set your DVRs because I know you can't wait to watch!

I am always looking for updates to share, so please, please reach out and share some of your good news. We want to hear where you are in the world and what you're up to! Feel free to contact me at LCarino@att.net or on Facebook at **Laura (Schwamb) Carino**. I can't wait to hear from you! Have a wonderful few months and stay tuned for more updates.

Until next time, Laura Carino

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My first alumni update goes to (drum roll, please) ... **Gelsey Bell**. Gelsey appeared in the revival of Robert Ashley's "Improvement (Don Leaves Linda)" at The Kitchen in Manhattan back in February. All shows were sold out. Congratulations, Gelsey! Let's keep the stories coming.

'05 Jessi (Schimmel) McMullan,
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Just two quick updates this time: Sophie June Drake was born to **Lindsay (Hinsch) Drake** and Jeff Drake on March 5, 2019. She joins her older sister, Nora (3), and all are happy and healthy.

I finally caught up with

Darlene (Jay) Green and her family for a long-overdue dinner recently. It all began when I got a Christmas card returned in the mail and was surprised to find out that I'd been sending to the wrong address for ... ehem ... three years. (I said it was long overdue!) Darlene and Adam live in Raritan, N.J., with their 2-year-old daughter, Mackenzie. She is working as a senior associate at Maser Consulting doing city and regional planning.

Please send your news and let your classmates know what you've been up to. Our 15th Reunion is next year, so get ready!

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'06 Katie (Murray) Pennline,
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Hey everyone! I hope you all had an enjoyable summer! Mine has been amazing as a first-time "mum" here in London. After a total whirlwind entrance into the world, my little preemie girl Emiliana Jane, who was born in October (almost three months early), is healthy and growing like crazy. My husband and I have had such a fun spring/summer with her, part of which we spent back in the U.S. visiting family in Philly, Pittsburgh, and Naples, Fla.

Here is an update on what a few of your other classmates were up to earlier this year: **Mitch Gilfillan** (Peoria, Ill.), **Michael Fischman** (Orlando, Fla.), **Kevin Tempest** (Seattle, Wash.) and **Chris Stephenson** (Washington, D.C.) were honored at halftime of the Lehigh basketball game on January 19, 2019. The teammates were celebrating Lehigh's 15th anniversary of making the NCAA tournament in 2004. They all loved being back on campus!

Paul Oliveri married Lyndsay Asinelli on January 19, 2019, on Long Island, N.Y. The newlyweds went on their honeymoon shortly

thereafter to Southeast Asia, visiting Thailand and Vietnam. The couple currently resides in Manhattan, where Lyndsay works as a registered nurse and Paul works in private equity, focusing on commercial real estate finance.

To close out this issue's column, a PSA: Please send me what you've been up to so that I can share here! It's so nice to hear from many of you, and I'm looking forward to lots of emails once this *Bulletin* publishes and reminds you all to send in your updates! My inbox awaits your note.

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Lisa and **Kevin Albano** welcomed their daughter, Lucy, on December 18. Lucy arrived at 6:09 a.m., weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces and measuring in at 19.25 inches long. Both parents are loving watching Lucy grow.

Bryant Goehring and Heather Hurley were engaged December 24 in Palm Beach, Fla. The wedding is in the works for early next year. You can read more on how the proposal went down in the Class of '76 notes (assuming he's doing his job).

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Hello, members of the Class of 2009! As always, it is wonderful to hear from many of you. Based on my understanding of timelines for publication, this should be posted after our 10th Reunion. If that doesn't make you feel old, I am not sure what will! I hope many of you had a really great time at reunion, and enjoyed the opportunity to connect with your classmates back on campus. Now, on to the updates!

Betsy (Schlauch) Hritz and her husband, Nate, are happy

to announce the birth of their daughter, Caroline Elizabeth Hritz. Born on February 23, 2019, in Allentown, Pa., she is the first child for the Hritz family. Caroline was 8 pounds, 14 ounces and 21 inches long at birth. (Side note: very much looking forward to meeting Caroline at Reunion!). As shared by **Ashley Weiss Schiff**, she "and her husband are expecting their first baby in April of 2019. Future Lehigh fraternity brother in the making!" Special congratulations to **Christine Mutch** and her husband, who welcomed their daughter, Elizabeth Fox Reck, born on February 24, 2019!

Sarah Leidy was engaged at the end of 2018! Her fiancé, Billy Kelly, proposed in Joshua Tree on December 29. They met at work in Phoenix back in 2012, and will be getting married in La Jolla in November 2019! **Jeremy Cope** recently was engaged to Maris Schweitzer, and they will be having their wedding this summer on June 2. Also, he just wrote and published his first book, "Project 27," and it is available to buy on Amazon.

Alex Grodnik started a podcast called Moving Up, which gets over 30,000 monthly listeners, covering topics from starting a business to investing and life advice. Guests have included a bunch of big-name venture capitalists and the co-founders of Facebook, Venmo and GroupMe.

Very exciting news from **Lauren Anderson-Smith**, who will be traveling to Nepal along with **Garrett Smith**, **Corey Luthringer** and **Jordan Smith** in April 2019 to hike up to the Mt. Everest base camp on a 10-day trek. Looking forward to a follow-up update for the new column to share news and pictures of how the trip went!

Kyle Dunleavy just moved back to New Jersey after having lived in San Francisco and Australia for the last five years.

He fit in some serious travel along the way (as I can attest, having lived vicariously through his experiences on Facebook). He also started with a new company called Atrium Staffing, a female-owned and -operated recruiting firm. His office is in Central New Jersey, but the company has offices in New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Atlanta, Boston and Pittsburgh. Kyle specializes in permanent accounting and finance opportunities. He is looking forward to reconnecting with many of you back in the States.

Manuel Schubert will be finishing his orthopaedic surgery residency at the University of Michigan this June and will be starting a sports medicine fellowship at Stanford in August of 2019. **Dan Torino** shared that he is "completing his orthopaedic surgery residency at Geisinger Medical Center, and [his wife] Pam is a vice president trust officer with JP Morgan, and we are expecting our second, a baby boy, June 15, right after alumni weekend!"

Very excited to hear all of the great updates, and as always, feel free to reach out with any updates for the class notes at LehighClass2009@gmail.com.

'10 Nick Anderson,
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We're about a year away from our 10th Reunion—wow, time flies! Let's check in on a few people you might see there.

A lot of new additions recently! **Dave Disler** welcomed son Jordan Sol Disler to the Lehigh family in December 2018. Similarly, **Bob Antes** and **Danielle (Setola) Antes** welcomed their second little one, Cora Evalyn Antes, in January 2019. **Tim Young** and wife Sarah also welcomed a future Lehigh-guy, Noah James, in February 2019. **Jim Spota** and **Cali (Roth) Spota** welcomed Isabella Maria Spota in December 2018.

Mollie Garvey married Jared Stephens in October 2018. The couple was wed in Jackson, Wyo., amid the beautiful mountain scenery. Classmates **Abigail Lawrence** and **Victoria Katen-Narvell** were in attendance! The couple now lives in Houston, Texas, with their labradoodle, Lucy.

In celebrity wedding news, **Steve Bialick** married Jaclyn in Philadelphia back in March 2019. Steve will be finishing his residency in June 2019 and starting his doctoring career in July at HUP (the Hospital of U. Penn.) as an internist/hospitalist for the inpatient oncology floor. Glad to know Dr. Steve will be close by in Philly!

Tying the knot soon: My old buddy, **Mike Hodsdon**, was recently engaged to Katherine Glass-Hardenbergh '11. They are currently living in the Boston area. **Jordan Giallanzo** proposed to his fiancée, Geraldine Yu, in May 2018. Traveling the world a bit, Jordan recently went to Antarctica and has now officially hit all seven continents! **Kyle Gentile** got engaged to Elizabeth Rabenstein in February. Classmates **Adam Luttrull** and **Meaghan Higgins** were also recently engaged and are planning to tie the knot in Packer Chapel in 2020. The couple recently bought a house and are living in West Orange, N.J.

Brandon Franz and **Emily (Orenstein) Franz** are celebrating 10 years together in March. They purchased their first home in Ridgefield, Conn., in September 2018.

Katie (Farrell) Campbell, who became a dentist, spent the last five years on active duty in the U.S. Army, and will be moving with her husband and two sons to Monmouth County, N.J., this spring. Thank you for your service!

Thanks for all the updates—enjoy the summer! Nick

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Hello, Class of 2011! I hope you are all doing well and thriving. Here are a couple of updates from our classmates.

Kevin Forsberg started a new job at Veritas Prime in March 2019 and got married to Destiny McKnight in the fall of 2018.

Liz Rosen graduated from St. George's University School of Medicine in June 2019 and matched at the University of Buffalo in Pediatric Neurology.

Megan Hanks married fellow Lehigh graduate Michael Mastrola '12 on October 20, 2018, in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

I love hearing what amazing things our class is accomplishing. Please continue to send me updates throughout the year at sridevi211@gmail.com.

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Class of 2012: Hope you are all enjoying your summer! **Krissy Wymore** and **Chris Waterbury** got engaged on April 3 on the beach in Vero Beach, Fla. They are currently living in Indianapolis, Ind., where Krissy is in her second year of OBGYN residency at Indiana University and Chris is working for Express Scripts. **Jason Katz** married Ashley Shirazi on July 7.

Zach Casler moved to Austin in 2017 by way of Houston and started his own company, Dindr. After receiving international press and a cease and desist from Tinder, he rebranded the company as The Round—the fastest way to meet for a date. He will launch the app in Austin and NYC in 2019. Zach has traveled to Colombia, Mexico, Germany and Japan over the last few years, and spends his days grilling with friends, biking in the Texas Hill Country and soaking in Texas' good weather.

Alex Galakatos just com-

pleted his Ph.D. program in computer science at Brown University, and he is continuing at Brown for his postdoctoral degree. **Henry Weinberger** recently became the business development director at Cecelia Health, a health care startup focused on helping patients with diabetes.

Congratulations everyone!

'13 Bea Dizon, 203-524-4659, beadizon@gmail.com

Hi all! Hope everyone is enjoying the warmer weather! It has been amazing to reconnect with other alumni and hear all of the great things that our class has accomplished, professionally and personally. Please continue to send me texts, emails and social media messages about any updates related to you or any other Class of 2013 alumni!

In parenting news: **Alessandra (DiNardo) Martin** and **Keith Martin** welcomed a baby boy, Conrad Peter Martin, into the world on February 26, 2019. They are overjoyed to share with their fellow classmates the news of the new addition to their family!

In matrimonial news:

Corinne Walker and **Adam Neupauer** got married on March 30 in Westfield, N.J. **Caroline Bucky** and **Kyle Stiefel** got married on March 31 at the Rainbow Room in New York City.

In professional news: **Stephanie Perez** left her first job after six years of working for MTV, VH1 and Logo, where she led PR campaigns for shows like MTV's "Video Music Awards," VH1's "RuPaul's Drag Race" and more. She has since started a new role as communications manager for Verizon Media. She'll be working across its digital media portfolio including brands like Yahoo News and Finance, HuffPost, AOL, TechCrunch and more. **Lindsay Plodwick** recently joined What to Expect

as the company's business development manager, focusing on increasing the brand's presence in the marketplace. **Cameron Gibbs** will be pursuing his MBA at the University of Virginia this upcoming fall. **Andrew Karp** will be pursuing his MBA at Columbia University in the fall of 2019.

In other news: **Alexa (Procaccino) Archibald** and **John Archibald** welcomed Millie Lu, a sheepadoodle, into their family this past fall. For updates on their adventures with Millie, you can follow [@sheepadoodoo](https://www.instagram.com/sheepadoodoo) on Instagram!

Congratulations to everyone on their accomplishments, and keep up the great work! I am looking forward to hearing all about your summer adventures!

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Hello, Class of 2014!

The 5th anniversary of our graduation is almost here! This article was due before reunion, but will be published after, so I'll have more to report in the next installment.

Our classmates have had some exciting developments over the past few months! Congratulations on several weddings and engagements:

Moirra McGowan and **Thomas Gregg** were married on campus at Packer Memorial Church on November 10, 2018! Many close friends of the couple, who are also Lehigh graduates, were in attendance and in the wedding. The reception was at the ArtsQuest Center at Bethlehem SteelStacks!

Meghan DeVaney and Rich Luick '13 were engaged in November. **Paul Ciavardelli** and **Karen Bellinger** were engaged in August.

Sachee Nahata and **Nicasio Arroyo** are engaged to marry in May. Nicasio is currently enrolled in the MBA program at Lehigh and graduates six days

before the wedding!

In career news: **Marie Mignogna** moved to London from New York City with W2O Group, which is a communications and marketing agency. Marie will be in London for two years. Good luck across the pond!

Michaela Acton is currently located in Chicago and recently became an account executive at A&E Networks; she is the youngest employee with an executive title! Prior to this role, Michaela was in a digital management position with Disney ABC. Wishing you continued success in advertising.

Thanks!

'15 Kerry Mallett, kerryamallett@gmail.com

Happy spring, everyone! The Class of 2015 has been busy over the past few months with job promotions and personal milestones. **Alex Bloom** is now working as an assistant district attorney in Brooklyn, and **James Marshall** was promoted to an associate role at J.P. Morgan.

Madeleine Smith has recently become engaged to Sean Foley, who is a Bethlehem native. The two met while Madeleine was completing her master's degree at Lehigh. Today they are living happily in Denver, Colo., and planning a spring 2020 wedding.

Casey Hofstaedter began his first year in an M.D./Ph.D. program at the University of Maryland, and prior to that he ate his way through Argentina, Chile and Peru!

Nikita Rishi has been working in strategic life sciences consulting at ZS Associates in Philadelphia for the past year and is enjoying this role immensely. She also recently got engaged to another Lehigh grad, Bobby Michaelis '16, and is excited to be married in Packer Memorial Church in 2020!

Carolyn Sivco will be gradu-

ating from the Penn State College of Medicine in May. After obtaining her M.D. degree, she will be moving to New Haven, Conn., to complete four years of anesthesiology residency training at Yale.

We hope everyone has a nice and relaxing summer full of travel and vacation!

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Hi, Class of 2016! I hope everyone has been having a great summer. Since the last *Bulletin*, I went to Iceland and was lucky enough to see the Northern Lights. I also went to Zion and Bryce Canyon national parks with **Samantha Kay** and **Amanda Derby**.

Taylor Alexy Pyle and Nathan Pyle met in 2017 at their church in New York City. They got married on December 29, 2018, at Packer Memorial Church with the reception at Wood Dining Hall on Lehigh's Mountaintop Campus. They are currently living in Harlem.

Tae Hong Min moved to NYC after graduation. He is the founder and content creator at Chapter1.io. Chapter1.io is a blog and podcast where Tae interviews entrepreneurs, developers and professionals about their careers. He is looking forward to coming back to campus for the Lehigh Hackathon.

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Hello everyone!

My name is **Madison Hite**, and I am the new Class of 2020 correspondent! A little bit about me: I am from Saddle River, N.J. (Bergen County), and my dad is an '89 alumni. He is a brother of Alpha Tau Omega and was an outside linebacker for the football team, so Lehigh has always been a part of my life. However, what drew me most to the school entering my senior year were the connections my dad still has to this day, something not many people can say about their universities. Hoping to have a similar experience, I came to Lehigh not just for its excellent education, but for its value in its relationships and the environment it breeds. I want to be able to tell my future kids I still talk to my college friends every single day—and that is because of how special of an institution Lehigh is.

I entered my freshman year as a member of the tennis team, but made the very tough decision to focus on other opportunities Lehigh had to offer. Now, I am a junior and a sister of Alpha Omicron Pi, majoring in journalism/communications with a theatre minor. I serve as the current sports editor for *The Brown and White* and aspire to be working in the sports media industry upon graduation.

Speaking of sports: The men's lacrosse team is ranked top 20 in the country this season and has a chance to win the Patriot League Championship, but must get past No. 2 Loyola. The wrestling team just wrapped up its season, naming three All-Americans (Jordan Kutler '19, Ryan Preisch '18 and **Jordan Wood**) while also finishing 13th as a team overall in the NCAA championships.

The Lehigh club squash team were finalists at the 2019 U.S. Squash National Champion-

ships at Yale University. Lehigh played in the Hawthorne Cup and lost in the final to Colgate after beating both Swarthmore College and Notre Dame earlier in the tournament. Adopted by students in 2009, the squash team has developed into a force. Members on this year's team were: Sam Ghorashi '21, **Corneilius Bancroft**, **Colin Hussey**, Max Fern '22, PJ Walsh '21, **Juan Moralejo**, Sean Malcolm '22, Henry Nimey '21, **Salvador Silva** and **Ben Rankin**. Sam Ghorashi is a junior year transfer and was originally recruited to play squash at Connecticut College. The club is entirely run by the students, and the team is open to all interested students (but sends only the top 10 players to travel).

In other news on campus, the Lehigh Path to Prominence plan is in full swing, and currently there is a lot of construction on campus. This includes the introduction of the new College of Health, and Lehigh named Whitney Witt as the inaugural dean. Lehigh also plans to increase its undergraduate student body by 1,000 in the next several years, add two new residence halls and renovate buildings such as the University Center and Fairchild-Martindale Library.

I can't wait to continue to write for the *Bulletin*, and if you ever want to reach me, my email is mlh220@lehigh.edu.

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Class of 2021, I hope your second year at Lehigh is treating you well. Summer is fast approaching as I write this, and some of our classmates have exciting travel plans lined up by taking full advantage of Lehigh's travel abroad programs.

Emily Tasik is one of only a handful of students to receive an Iacocca International Internship, a program that fully

funds a summer-long research overseas. Her specific program involves biomedical research at a Vienna anatomy museum. She hopes this research opportunity will help her gain valuable real-life experience that prepares her for her goal to attend medical school. During her month-long research, she will be working alongside other pre-med students from all over the world. Not only will Emily be experiencing a completely new culture, she will also be able to witness firsthand the differences between the European and the U.S. medical system.

Emily is a singer in Lehigh's a cappella group, Off the Record. Her a cappella group will be traveling to Europe around the same time as her Vienna trip, so she is especially happy to be able to meet up with her friends even though she is so far from home. Although she is mainly filled with excitement about this trip, one of her concerns is that this trip will be the first time she is traveling so far away by herself.

In order to lessen the culture shock she will inevitably experience in Vienna, she is trying to learn some basic German and more about the country's culture. She is ready to expand her college experience beyond the "Lehigh bubble" by meeting diverse students with similar aspirations. Emily attributes her amazing opportunity to the Iacocca Program and wants to encourage all undergraduates to search around for similar travel opportunities since Lehigh has many to offer.

Tommy Persaud is set to travel to Berlin for his summer. He has an internship at a startup company called Realist, where he will be working in fintech by building software. Because he is majoring in computer engineering, he is excited to apply his classroom knowledge to the real world by working on realistic projects.

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Furthermore, he will be able to shadow employees to gain hands-on experience in the coding field.

Tommy has never traveled to mainland Europe before, so like Emily, he is interested in how jobs are different in a country that has a different economy and government than America. This January, Tommy got the opportunity to travel to Iceland for 10 days of winter break as a part of the Global Citizenship Program (GCP). GCP is a class available for sophomores that focuses on being a global citizen by developing solutions to achieving the United Nations' sustainability goals. His most memorable experiences in Iceland were hiking a glacier with ice picks and trying lots of exotic foods. He laughs as he recalls lugging back a bottle of Icelandic Vodka as a souvenir for his parents.

Whether your summer plans are as exciting as Emily's and Tommy's, or whether you will be going back home like me, I would love to hear from you for the next column!

'22 *Editor's note:* To share your news or if you would be interested in becoming your class's correspondent, reaching out to classmates and writing a column three times a year, please contact the Alumni Office at (610) 758-3069 or classnotes@lehigh.edu.

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Please submit your news to classnotes@lehigh.edu.

College of Education

Dr. Deb Carr M.Ed. '79, D.Ed. '89, an associate professor of education at King's College,

recently co-authored the fourth edition of "Reading Specialists and Literacy Coaches in the Real World." This is her first textbook.

Editor's note: The following was incorrectly attributed in the Spring Bulletin to Maxwell Ley. We apologize for the confusion. John A. Rochowicz Jr. writes: "I received an M.S. degree in mathematics in 1974 and an Ed.D. degree in educational technology January 17, 1993. I retired from Alvernia University in 2017 and achieved professor emeritus status in mathematics and physics."

IN REMEMBRANCE

The alumni and university communities extend their sympathy to the families of the alumni listed. Obituary sources include relatives, alumni and friends. Send details to Advancement Services, 306 S. New St., Suite 500, Bethlehem, PA 18015-1652; 1-866-517-1552; askrecords@lehigh.edu. The following were reported to us as of April 30, 2019:

1940s

George N. DeCowsky '42, West Chester, Pa., Dec. 21, 2018. Mr. DeCowsky made his career at the Philadelphia Electric Company, working as the chief electrical engineer.

Robert F. Forshay '42, Mullica Hill, N.J., Feb. 8, 2019. Mr. Forshay was a Beta Theta Pi brother, as well as a member of the soccer, tennis and wrestling teams. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked in the family automotive business before becoming the purchasing director for Avis Rent-a-Car. His brother, Richard Forshay '48, and son, Robert Forshay Jr. '69, are also members of the Lehigh family.

William R. Schmoll '43, Palm Harbor, Fla., Dec. 9, 2018. A Delta Sigma Phi brother, Mr. Schmoll served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He worked as a civil engineer for Rohm and Haas. His son, Craig Schmoll, is a member of the Class of 1973.

Paul F. Nicholasen Sr. '46, Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 12, 2019. Mr. Nicholasen was a football player and Theta Chi brother. He worked for E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company. He was also a member of the Asa Packer and Tower societies.

Julius F. Iacocca '47, South Whitehall Township, Pa., Jan.

10, 2019. Mr. Iacocca was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He joined the family business, as co-owner of Yocco's Inc. His son, Gary Iacocca '76, grandson, Alexander Iacocca '09, and cousin, Lee Iacocca '45, are members of the Lehigh family.

Frank W. Dickel '48, Marlton, N.J., Jan. 20, 2019. Mr. Dickel was a Theta Chi brother and a member of the football team on campus. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps in Japan during World War II and during the Korean War. In his retirement, he worked as a drug and alcohol counselor.

A. Bruce Conlin Jr. '49, Westfield, N.J., Dec. 29, 2018. Mr. Conlin served in the U.S. Army during World War II. A Phi Sigma Epsilon brother and Glee Club member, he made his career with the American Society of Engineering, working with legislative and government bodies on issues of science.

Joseph Evon '49, Leesburg, Va., Feb. 20, 2017. Mr. Evon served in the U.S. military during World War II. He was a member of Tau Beta Pi and counted himself among "Bewley's Coolies."

William F. Hahn '49, West Chester, Pa., March 2, 2019. Mr. Hahn was a naval aviator during World War II, earning the Distinguished Flying Cross.

He was a Beta Theta Pi brother, a member of the Glee Club and choir, and a soccer player as an undergraduate. He worked as president of PA Crusher Corp., and as a senior VP of the parent company, Penn Virginia Corp. As an alumnus, he volunteered with his class, with his local alumni club and as a member of the Greek Alumni Council. He was also a member of the Tower Society. For his dedication to the university, he won the Alumni Award in 1984.

J.E. Petersen '49, Gansevoort, N.Y., Jan. 11, 2019. Mr. Petersen was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He went on to spend his career with RCA, where he designed weather and telecommunications satellites.

Lewis I. Rashmir '49, Brentwood, Tenn., Feb. 13, 2019. A veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II, Mr. Rashmir founded MCRB, a direct marketing company.

John R. Wait '49, Chapel Hill, N.C., April 10, 2019. Mr. Wait was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. At Lehigh, he was a Delta Sigma Phi brother. He worked as an executive involved with production control and planning at both Ford Motor Company and Burroughs Corporation. His father, Edgar F. Wait, was a member of the Class of 1918.

Charles A. Wilkinson '49, Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 15, 2019. Mr. Wilkinson was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as a patent attorney for Bethlehem Steel for 30 years, before going into private law practice for another 30 years.

1950s

Herbert G. Arlt Jr. '50, Ridgeway, S.C., Dec. 5, 2018. Mr. Arlt worked as a technical director for International Paper Company.

Robert F. Beegle '50, Port Orange, Fla., Feb. 2, 2019. Mr.

Beegle was a veteran of the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked for Republic Aviation for 35 years, retiring as managing hydraulic development engineer during the development of the A-10 Warthog.

David A. Fornoff '50, Waco, Texas, April 18, 2019. Mr. Fornoff was a Theta Xi brother and track team member. He worked as plant manager and vice president of the first Mars Candy factory west of the Mississippi. He was also a member of the Asa Packer Society. His son, Richard Fornoff, is a member of the Class of 1974.

William F. Hosford '50, Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 28, 2018. Mr. Hosford was a Theta Delta Chi brother, as well as a member of the swimming and skiing teams. He was a professor at the University of Michigan department of material science. His brother, James Hosford, was a member of the Class of 1944.

Philip C. Howse '50, Phoenixville, Pa., Feb. 15, 2019. Mr. Howse was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II. As a student, he was a member of the Mustard & Cheese and the Debating Club. He spent most of his career with Superior Tube Company and held the position of chief financial officer upon his retirement. He was also a member of the Asa Packer Society.

Carroll R. Jarden Jr. '50, Punta Gorda, Fla., Feb. 19, 2019. Mr. Jarden served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and stayed in the U.S. Naval Reserves as a commissioned officer. He was a brother of Chi Psi and served as president his senior year. He worked at the Advance Transformer Co. (subsidiary of Philips Electronics) as the vice president of sales Southeast region.

Francis C. Kercimar '50, Allentown, Pa., March 10, 2019. A veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II, Mr. Kercimar was employed as

a quality control engineer for Ingersoll Rand for 25 years.

Frederick C. Langenberg '50, M.S. '51, Pittsburgh, Pa., March 31, 2019. Dr. Langenberg was a brother of Alpha Sigma Phi, a baseball player, and a member of Tau Beta Pi, Sigma Xi, Phi Eta Sigma and Phi Beta Kappa honor societies. He was also a veteran of the U.S. Navy. Dr. Langenberg worked as an executive in the steel industry. His daughter, Susan (Langenberg) Brainer, is a member of the Class of 1979.

Charles H. Reinbrecht Jr. '50, Mechanicsburg, Pa., Jan. 28, 2019. Mr. Reinbrecht retired from IBM.

Richard A. Royer '50, Severn, Md., March 27, 2019. Mr. Royer was a veteran of the U.S. Navy during World War II. He joined the soccer and track teams at Lehigh and was a Sigma Phi Epsilon brother. He worked as a geologist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Russell J. Walters '50, Kempton, Pa., April 24, 2019. Mr. Walters worked as a decoder for the U.S. Army during World War II. He was employed by Miller and Associates Civil Engineering of Pottsville, where he designed highways and major roadways throughout the Anthracite Region.

Donald L. Adair '51, Englewood, Fla., April 5, 2019.

Robert S. Buzby '51, Dearborn, Mich., March 31, 2019. Mr. Buzby was a baseball player and acted with the Mustard & Cheese. He spent his career with Ford Motor Company in finance and accounting.

Harold E. Paulus '51, Los Angeles, Calif., April 5, 2019. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Dr. Paulus served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. He made his career as a clinician-educator, serving as director of the Division of Rheumatology and full professor of medicine at UCLA School of Medicine. He authored or co-authored

over 200 research articles and reviews in leading scientific journals, in addition to over 50 book chapters and 140 abstracts on rheumatic diseases. His wife, Rita Paulus, earned her Ph.D. from Lehigh in 1949.

Alan P. Prest Jr. '51, Richmond, Va., March 21, 2019. A Sigma Nu brother, Rev. Dr. Prest was an Episcopal priest. He taught at the Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University for 35 years, and was an assistant professor at Virginia Union University for 32 years, teaching pastoral counseling.

J. Eric Flanagan '52, Maplewood, N.J., March 10, 2019.

Robert J. Flynn '52, Bethlehem, Pa., Feb. 7, 2019. Mr. Flynn was a brother of Phi Kappa Theta and the editor-in-chief of *The Brown and White*. He was also a veteran of the U.S. Army. Mr. Flynn worked in public affairs and academia and retired as president of sales for Electro-Space Fabricators Inc. In his retirement, he volunteered for his class and as a member of the Senior Alumni Council.

Richard Gordon '52, Jupiter, Fla., Jan. 5, 2019. Mr. Gordon was a Sigma Alpha Mu brother, as well as a member of the ice hockey, baseball and football teams. He worked as an executive in the electronics industry. His brother, Carl Gordon '51, son, Steven Gordon '84, and granddaughter, Madeline Gordon '20, are members of the Lehigh family.

Donald Y. Goss '52, Bethlehem, Pa., March 24, 2019. Mr. Goss was a Sigma Phi brother, as well as a player with the Mustard & Cheese and member of the rifle team. He worked as the deputy state treasurer of the State of Connecticut in the early '70s. In his retirement he became an architectural blacksmith.

Philip T. Hammond '52, Fredericksburg, Va., Oct. 30, 2018. A U.S. Army veteran of World War II, Mr. Hammond

worked in real estate and the general services department of an environmental and engineering firm. He was a member of the Asa Packer Society.

Donald L. Keller '52, Dillsburg, Pa., April 4, 2019. Mr. Keller was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as a licensed professional engineer for the Pennsylvania Department of Highways and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, retiring in 1989 as the chief soils engineer for PennDOT's Bureau of Materials.

F. Gordon Maxson '52, Kensington, Md., Oct. 17, 2018. Mr. Maxson was an Alpha Phi Omega brother. He also sang in the Glee Club. He transitioned from ROTC to serve in the U.S. Air Force for many years, including a tour in Vietnam. He worked for General Telephone and Electronics. Later in life, he worked as a tax preparer.

J.L. Merritt '52, Kihei, Hawaii, Dec. 31, 2018. A member of the soccer team as an undergraduate, Dr. Merritt started his career as a professor of civil and structural engineering before moving into the aerospace industry. He also owned a consulting firm with his wife.

William Farkas '53, Miami Beach, Fla., Feb. 3, 2019. A member of Phi Beta Kappa honor society, Mr. Farkas was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He worked as the executive director of the Downtown Development Authority in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He is credited with shaping Fort Lauderdale's downtown and particularly the Broward Center for the Performing Arts.

James S. Hobbs '53, Supply, N.C., Feb. 22, 2017. Mr. Hobbs was a brother of Delta Tau Delta and member of the swimming team.

Robert W. Moore '53, Hilton Head Island, S.C., Jan. 30, 2019. As a student, Mr. Moore was a member of the *Epitome* yearbook, the Glee Club, the Marching 97, and Omicron Delta

Kappa and Tau Beta Pi honor societies. He was also a Sigma Chi brother. He went on to spend 34 years with the DuPont Company.

Robert G. Schilling '53, Perkasi, Pa., Jan. 3, 2019. Mr. Schilling served in the U.S. military during the Korean War. He worked for RCA on the development and strategic design of early computer hardware and programming. Later, he owned his own business, Beta-Star Corporation, which designed and sold sterilizers for hospitals and industry.

Thomas H. Buhl '54, Gettysburg, Pa., Jan. 25, 2019. Mr. Buhl served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. His brother, John Buhl, is a member of the Class of 1951.

Harold R. Fritz '54, Fort Meyers, Fla., Feb. 28, 2019. Mr. Fritz served in the U.S. Army in Germany from 1954-1957. He purchased the family business, Macmillan Oil Company of Allentown (MOCA), and served as president until his retirement.

Harry Garfinkel '54, Avon, Conn., March 16, 2019. Mr. Garfinkel was a member of the football team and a brother of Tau Delta Phi. He worked for Hamilton Standard, retiring as president of space and sea systems. His work with NASA included the Mercury and Gemini programs, through Apollo and the moon landing, continuing with the Space Shuttle, and ending with the International Space Station.

Ralph C. Leinbach Jr. '54, Wyomissing, Pa., March 1, 2019. Mr. Leinbach served two tours of duty in the U.S. Marine Corps. He worked for Carpenter Technology Corporation for 33 years, retiring as senior vice president of technology and engineering. His son, Eric Leinbach, is a member of the Class of 1976.

Robert A. Miles '54, Ocean City, N.J., Feb. 10, 2019. A Sigma Chi brother, Mr. Miles served in the U.S. Navy for two years as a

"frogman" dive officer. He was an HVAC and general contractor in Kulpmont for more than 40 years. He was a member of the Tower Society.

Philip F. Newman Jr. '54, MBA '72, South Whitehall Township, Pa., Jan. 11, 2019. Mr. Newman was a Beta Theta Pi brother and member of the swimming team. He served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He spent his entire career with Air Products, and was especially proud of the role he played in helping to design and build the Air Products Corporate Headquarters in Trexlertown. As an alumnus, he volunteered with his class as president for over 20 years and won the Alumni Award for his dedication in 1989. His son, P. James Newman '79, and grandson, Brian J. Newman '09, are members of the Lehigh family.

Gerald D. Wells '54, Louisville, Ky., Feb. 14, 2019. Mr. Wells was a member of the golf team. He worked for GE Healthcare.

Duane C. Wilt '54, Milford, Del., Jan. 17, 2019. Mr. Wilt was a brother of Alpha Tau Omega, as well as the baseball and rifle teams, and the Glee Club. He served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He spent his career in the steel industry. His grandson, Brandon Wilt, is a member of the Class of 2014.

Mark A. Klein '55, Zionsville, Pa., Feb. 2, 2019. Mr. Klein served in the U.S. Army in both Korea and Japan. He and his wife started and ran Mar-Pat, which converted cardboard and paper products for use in the garment industry, for over 40 years.

Richard D. Knorr '55, Allentown, Pa., Feb. 3, 2019. Mr. Knorr was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He owned RD Knorr Industries, once a major supplier to Mack Trucks, Harley-Davidson, Freightliner, Boeing and various other industries.

Paul K. Mulherin '55,

Williamsburg, Va., March 26, 2019. Mr. Mulherin served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean conflict. His career took him from the Navy, to the beginnings of the NASA X-15 program, to private industry, culminating in a position as an officer of a Washington, D.C., area engineering, research and development company. His brother, Joseph Mulherin, is a member of the Class of 1948.

Thomas W. Tooker '55, Albuquerque, N.M., May 2018. Mr. Tooker was a brother of Beta Theta Pi and a member of the wrestling team. He went on to teach in independent schools in Connecticut, Arizona and New Mexico, where he was the director of admissions and wrestling coach.

Kenneth A. Andersen '56, Tinicum, Pa., April 1, 2019. A Delta Sigma Phi brother, Mr. Andersen was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was president and owner of Hillman Brass & Copper.

Wayne P. Coon '56, Manchester, Conn., Dec. 21, 2018. Mr. Coon was employed at Pratt and Whitney Aircraft, United Technologies Corporation in the Research Laboratories and Commercial Division his entire professional career.

Peter S. Pennington '56, Pen Argyl, Pa., April 16, 2019. A Pi Kappa Alpha brother, Mr. Pennington served in the U.S. Navy. He worked in shipbuilding and aerospace engineering before becoming a computer sales engineer. He also volunteered for the university doing phonathons to raise funds.

William J. Schuchart '56, Aurora, Ohio, Jan. 22, 2019. A veteran of the U.S. Army, Mr. Schuchart was a municipal administrative officer for 40 years, in five municipalities across the United States, the last having been in Shaker Heights, Ohio, where he served for 27 years.

Russell H. Williams '56, Winston-Salem, N.C., Dec. 18,

2018. A Tau Beta Pi member, Mr. Williams was also a member of the Marching 97. He worked for IBM.

Stephen D. Bennett '57, Vineland, N.J., Jan. 13, 2019. Mr. Bennett worked for 35 years in the concrete pipe manufacturing industry. He retired as the president of Kerr Concrete Pipe.

William T. Blake '57, Canandaigua, N.Y., March 16, 2019. Mr. Blake was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a professional engineer, licensed in 10 states.

Walter I. Epstein '58, Rutland, Vt., Jan. 10, 2019. Mr. Epstein was a military veteran. His brother, Irwin Epstein, is a member of the Class of 1960.

Glenn G. Ritter '58, State College, Pa., March 20, 2019. A brother of Pi Kappa Alpha and member of the baseball team, Mr. Ritter worked for Hewlett-Packard and Supelco, before opening his own investment firm.

Raymond J. Coates '59, Lakeland, Fla., March 20, 2019. Mr. Coates was a member of Tau Beta Pi, the Mustard & Cheese and the Gryphon Society. He worked for GE.

Joseph C. Danner '59, Dana Point, Calif., Jan. 5, 2019. Dr. Danner was a member of Tau Beta Pi. He taught chemistry at Long Beach City College.

George A. Fryer '59, Monument, Colo., Dec. 24, 2018. Upon graduation, Mr. Fryer joined Combustion Engineering Inc. and began a career that spanned five decades building power plants. As an alumnus, he was a member of the Wrestling Club.

Alfred R. Moore '59, Abbeville, S.C., April 5, 2019. Mr. Moore was an Alpha Tau Omega brother. He served in the U.S. Navy and spent 26 years working as an industrial engineer for AMP Inc. His sons, Michael Moore '83 and Christopher Moore '84, are members of the Lehigh family.

Louis J. Roehr '59, Williamsburg, Va., April 15, 2019.

Mr. Roehr was an avid fan of history and a tour guide with Jamestown/Yorktown Foundation and Colonial Connections.

Theodore J. Sattler '59, Williams Township, Pa., March 4, 2019. Mr. Sattler served in the U.S. Army National Guard. For 40 years, he designed semiconductor packaging systems at Western Electric.

Ray W. Turner Jr. '59, Auburn, Maine, Dec. 22, 2018. A Delta Phi brother, Mr. Turner owned and operated J. L. Turner Company, the family mechanical contracting business.

William C. Yandrasitz '59, Dillsburg, Pa., March 23, 2019. Mr. Yandrasitz was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He worked as a computer analyst with the Naval Depot.

1960s

Peter W. Beacham '60, Rockport, Mass., March 21, 2019. Mr. Beacham started his career at Peabody Office Furniture, where he spent 28 years and rose to become senior vice president. Then he co-founded Office Environments of New England, where he served as executive vice president in charge of customer development.

Eugene J. Guidi Jr. '60, Franklin, Mass., Jan. 19, 2019. Mr. Guidi was a Phi Gamma Delta brother and member of the lacrosse team. He worked as the vice president of Bird Machine Company.

Bruce G. Parker '60, Katy, Texas, April 13, 2019. A Delta Sigma Phi brother, Mr. Parker made his career in aerospace engineering and oil field elastomer technology.

H. Dean Venable '60, Westwood, Mass., Jan. 2, 2019. Mr. Venable was a Pi Kappa Alpha brother. He worked as a senior staff engineer at Hughes Aircraft Co. He wrote many papers on switching regulator stability analysis and patented a high-efficiency power supply

topology.

Phillip M. Anastos '61, Warren, Ohio, Feb. 14, 2019. Mr. Anastos served in the U.S. Air Force from 1958 to 1962.

William K. Banister '61, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Jan. 17, 2019. A Phi Gamma Delta brother, Mr. Banister spent his career as an executive in the marine industry.

Roy W. Hermansen '61, '62, Katonah, N.Y., April 3, 2019. Mr. Hermansen was an Alpha Chi Rho brother and member of Tau Beta Pi honor society. He made his career in investment banking. He co-authored two books: "Active Asset Allocation: Gaining Advantage in a Highly Efficient Stock Market" and "Index Your Way to Investment Success." His son, Eric Hermansen, is a member of the Class of 1994.

Peter J. Merkle '61, Alexandria, Va., Jan. 15, 2019. Mr. Merkle was a brother of Alpha Sigma Phi. He spent his career with Bell Telephone Company.

Joseph H. Nieckoski '62, Bradenton, Fla., March 1, 2019. Mr. Nieckoski was a Chi Phi brother and member of the concert and marching bands. He worked in sales and management. His brother, Stephen Nieckoski, was a member of the Class of 1961.

James M. Dinneen '63, North Haven, Conn., March 5, 2019. A Delta Chi brother, Mr. Dinneen worked as a computer engineer for Connecticut National Bank. He was a member of the Tower Society.

Carl W. Euker III '63, '64, Bel Air, Md., April 11, 2019. Mr. Euker was a Chi Phi brother and member of the lacrosse and soccer teams as a student. He worked for Black & Decker and Eagles Sales.

Bernard N. Hochberg '63, Freehold, N.J., Oct. 28, 2018. As a student, Mr. Hochberg was president of the Lehigh Investment Council, a member of Alpha Kappa Psi honor society, and a member of Hillel Society. He also participated in tennis

and intramural sports. He was the third-generation owner of Millhurst Mills Inc. His grandson, Eric Mintz, is a member of the Class of 2019.

Michael Sherwin '63, Waite Hill, Ohio, March 1, 2019. Mr. Sherwin worked as the chairman of Columbiana Boiler Company. He was a member of the Asa Packer Society. His brothers, George Sherwin '67 and J. Lanny Sherwin '72, are members of the Lehigh family.

Peter K. Klingensmith '64, '65, Kenilworth, Ill., April 8, 2019. Mr. Klingensmith was a Delta Tau Delta brother and member of the soccer and lacrosse teams. He was a sales manager for ArcelorMittal.

John J. Ragognetti '64, Wilton, Conn., Jan. 4, 2019.

Donald R. Wilson '64, The Villages, Fla., Jan. 1, 2019. Mr. Wilson was a Delta Tau Delta brother. He was president of Delray Enterprises, a financial planning company. He volunteered with his class as a committee chair, helping to plan reunions and fundraise.

Philip L. Bonnet '65, Newtown, Pa., Feb. 19, 2019. Dr. Bonnet was a scholar of homeopathy and a physician at the Brain Bio Center. He had his own practice for 42 years.

Thomas W. Goettge '65, Birmingham, Ala., April 7, 2019. Mr. Goettge was president of Delta Chi and a member of Tau Beta Pi honor society and the Marching 97. He worked for U.S. Steel, retiring as vice president of raw materials. As president of the Association of Steel Engineers, he was instrumental in their merger with the Iron and Steel Society to form AIST, the Association for Iron and Steel Technology, which recognized him as a distinguished member and fellow in 2014. He was a member of the Asa Packer and Tower societies. His daughter, Kathryn Goettge, is a member of the Class of 1996.

Howard T. Raum Jr. '66,

Alexandria, Va., Jan. 25, 2019. A Lambda Chi Alpha brother, Mr. Raum was a writer who covered three presidents, Congress and national politics, and translated knotty economic issues for readers during 44 years with the Associated Press.

Fouad S. Ezra '67, Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 24, 2018. Dr. Ezra worked for Procter & Gamble.

Joseph W. Powers Jr. '67, MS '71, San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 24, 2018. Mr. Powers was a Sigma Phi Epsilon brother. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He worked for several companies, retiring from Mogas Industries.

Garrett C. DuBois '68, Royersford, Pa., Jan. 18, 2019. An Alpha Chi Rho brother, Dr. DuBois was a lieutenant in the U.S. Army Reserves and worked for the University of Pennsylvania.

William C. Hunter '68, Washington Crossing, Pa., Jan. 3, 2019. Dr. Hunter was a Delta Phi brother, as well as a professor of biomedical engineering and a cardiovascular researcher at Johns Hopkins University. He then became chair of the Department of Biomedical Engineering at the N.J. Institute of Technology, where he worked with fellow faculty to develop a nationally accredited program.

Richard C. Kreter '68, Bethesda, Md., March 8, 2019. Mr. Kreter was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He had a successful career as a businessman and entrepreneur.

Ludwig E. Benfante '69, Hilton Head Island, S.C., March 9, 2019. Mr. Benfante was a Phi Beta Kappa honorary society member as an undergraduate. He worked as president and history department chair of the Heritage Library Foundation. He was also intimately involved in rejuvenating historic Beaufort County. As an alumnus, he was a very active volunteer, working with his class and his local alumni club, and hosting Freshmen Sendoffs and

Lehigh-Lafayette telecasts. He served on the LUAA Board of Directors and was a member of the Asa Packer Society. For his immense dedication, he won the Alumni Award in 2014. His son, Dennis Benfante, is a member of the Class of 1998.

Donald A. Cook '69, Kempton, Pa., March 30, 2019. Mr. Cook was a brother of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

James I. Daubenspeck '69, Painesville, Ohio, July 25, 2018.

John M. MacCrum III '69, Sebastian, Fla., Feb. 10, 2019. Mr. MacCrum was captain of the golf team and a brother of Kappa Sigma. He spent his career in sales with Calgon Carbon Corp.

Millard P. Robinson Jr. '69, M.S. '71, Williamsburg, Va., Feb. 12, 2019. Mr. Robinson was a brother of Beta Theta Pi. During his 42-year career, he specialized in the planning, analysis, design and construction of municipal drinking water, wastewater facilities and buried infrastructure.

1970s

David I. Newman '70, New York, N.Y., Oct. 4, 2018. Mr. Newman was a brother of Tau Epsilon Phi and a member of the Hillel Society.

Robert E. Benner '71, Kalamath Falls, Ore., Feb. 4, 2019. Mr. Benner utilized his training in optical spectroscopy to contribute in research and teaching at the University of Toledo, Yale University and the University of Utah. He also conducted research at Sandia National Laboratories.

Richard M. Sedmak '71, Fort Washington, Pa., Feb. 4, 2019. A member of Concert Band and Marching 97, Mr. Sedmak was also a brother of Alpha Tau Omega and member of the Omicron Delta Kappa honor society. He owned Self-Test Services, a computer consulting company, for 24 years. He was an avid fan of Lehigh wrestling

and served as secretary of the Wrestling Club. He earned the Alumni Award for his service to his alma mater.

Jon J. Bergdoll '72, Railroad, Pa., Jan. 22, 2019. Mr. Bergdoll was a Gryphon as an undergraduate. He made his career in accounting at several automotive dealerships. His brother, James K. Bergdoll, is a member of the Class of 1973.

Albert Andrew Miller '72, Doylestown, Pa., April 12, 2019. Mr. Miller retired as a developer for Vanguard Group.

Gibson E. Stine Jr. '72, Cazenovia, N.Y., Jan. 6, 2019. Mr. Stine was a Sigma Nu brother and member of Tau Beta Pi. He was an environmental engineer for 37 years at Galson Technical Services Inc., holding multiple leadership positions including vice president.

John P. McDermott '73, Randolph, N.J., March 7, 2019. Mr. McDermott had a long career with the Prudential Insurance Co.

Eric M. Page '73, Wilmington, Del., Nov. 2018. Mr. Page was a Theta Chi brother. He worked for the Miller Group as director of sales and marketing.

Peter R. Waldes '73, Great Neck, N.Y., Oct. 26, 2018. Mr. Waldes was a Theta Chi brother.

Charles R. Farina Jr. '74, MBA '87, Muhlenberg Township, Pa., April 13, 2019. Mr. Farina was a Phi Kappa Theta brother and member of Tau Beta Pi honor society. He was an engineer for Air Products & Chemicals and Essroc Cement Corp.

Carl J. Succop '74, '75, Butler, Pa., April 7, 2019. A Chi Psi brother, Mr. Succop was a member of the Interfraternity Council and lacrosse team. He worked as vice president of sales at the American Roller Bearing Company. He was a member of the Tower Society. Many of his relatives are members of the Lehigh family: his mother, Gladys Succop '79H; siblings, Lawrence Succop '66, J. William

Succop '69, Augusta Betzwieser '75, David Succop '77 and Benjamin Succop '83; several nieces and nephews; and his daughter, Andrea Succop '05.

Jeffrey A. Lazar '75, Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 31, 2019. Mr. Lazar was a structural engineer at Hanover Engineering Associates Inc. Previously, he worked for Bethlehem Steel Corp. for 25 years.

John R. Gift '76, Plymouth, Mich., Feb. 3, 2019. Mr. Gift was a member of the football team.

Jan G. Reber '76, Norfolk, Va., Dec. 20, 2018. A Sigma Nu brother and Tau Beta Pi member, Mr. Reber worked as a mechanical engineer with Enersys.

Paul R. Kelly '77, Greenville, S.C., Jan. 26, 2019. Mr. Kelly was a brother of Beta Theta Pi and worked for National Starch & Chemical Company.

Howard D. Klopp '77, M.S. '83, Allentown, Pa., Jan. 13, 2019. Mr. Klopp was self-employed as a math tutor.

David B. Langer '79, Lexington, Ky., April 19, 2019. While a student at Lehigh, Mr. Langer was a member of the Lehigh Jazz Band and Eta Kappa Nu. He worked for IBM/Lexmark for 38 years as a development engineer, having retired in August 2018. He held 12 U.S. patents. His wife, Eileen Richards Langer '80, is a member of the Lehigh family.

Robert P. McCormick '79, Seven Valleys, Pa., Feb. 17, 2019. Mr. McCormick started his career at AMP Inc. and was employed by Kydex, York Wallcoverings and most recently Advanced Thermal Batteries.

1980s

Gordon Davidson Duff '80, Simsbury, Conn., April 15, 2018. A Chi Psi brother, Mr. Duff was a manufacturing sales representative for his family business, William K. Duff & Company. He was a founding member of the American Society for Metals Heat Treating Society.

Andrew B. Swanson '80, Ewing Township, N.J., Jan. 30, 2019. Mr. Swanson was a brother of Delta Upsilon. He worked for Highlands Insurance Company.

Bryan T. Schneider '85, Hackettstown, N.J., March 5, 2019. Mr. Schneider worked for Frazier Industries.

1990s

John Lee-Tin Jr. '92, Scotch Plains, N.J., Dec. 26, 2018. A Gryphon as an undergraduate, Mr. Lee-Tin was head of public sector debt capital markets at JP Morgan and considered "the best SSA originator in the business," according to GlobalCapital.com.

Kyle T. Kononowitz '98, New York, N.Y., March 2, 2019. Mr. Kononowitz was a member of the football and baseball teams. He was a brother of Delta Upsilon. He was employed by a number of financial and consulting firms in the United States and throughout the world in C-Suite senior positions. As senior executive, he was most recently associated with Ayming Consulting.

2000s

Brett A. Snyder '00, New Tripoli, Pa., March 31, 2019. Mr. Snyder was a football team member. He worked as an engineer for SKF USA Inc.

GRADUATE

Richard K. Miller M.A. '51, Allentown, Pa., Feb. 18, 2019. Mr. Miller was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II. He taught German at Whitehall and Allentown high schools and Kutztown University. He was still teaching at 94 years old at the Institute for Learning in Retirement at Cedar Crest College.

Samuel Stoddard Jr. M.S. '55, Scarborough, Maine, Feb. 7, 2019. Mr. Stoddard developed sonar technology for submarines

during World War II. He served on the faculty of the mathematics department at Lafayette College for over 40 years.

James H. Taylor Jr. M.A. '52, Ph.D. '56, Baton Rouge, La., March 4, 2019. Dr. Taylor served in the U.S. Army Chemical Corps before attending Lehigh. He went on to work with Esso Research and Development Laboratories, retiring as an engineering adviser from Exxon. He was awarded numerous patents for his work.

Emmett S. Jacobs M.S. '55, Ph.D. '58, Glen Mills, Pa., Dec. 21, 2019. Dr. Jacobs served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. He spent much of his career with DuPont as director in the Petroleum Laboratory and the Experimental Station.

Walter F. Old M.Eng. '55, Palmdale, Calif., March 15, 2019. Mr. Old worked in aerospace engineering for Northrup Grumman for nearly 50 years on their B-2 program.

Lorraine (Florey) For-gatsch M.Ed. '57, Martinsburg, W.Va., Feb. 21, 2019. Mrs. For-gatsch was a teacher and guidance counselor with Berkeley County Schools at Tomahawk Elementary and Back Creek Valley Elementary.

Alfred Burkert Jr. MBA '60, Honolulu, Hawaii, April 3, 2018. Mr. Burkert had a career in the U.S. Army. He served in the infantry, civil affairs, intelligence, cavalry, engineers, finance and general staff specialties. After serving in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War, he was recognized for his meritorious service and bravery with over 15 medals. He made his civilian career in journalism and teaching.

James R. Woglom M.A. '60, Reston, Va., Dec. 20, 2018. Mr. Woglom was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He retired from CH2M Hill as a vice president, and also worked on many urban renewal and environmental projects across

the United States. His son and daughter-in-law, David Woglom and Martha (Feinberg) Woglom, earned their graduate degrees at Lehigh, and his grandson, Jeffrey Woglom, is a member of the Class of 2006.

Robert J. Breidenbach M.A. '61, Hanover Township, Pa., Feb. 12, 2019. Mr. Breidenbach was a teacher in the Saucon Valley School District for over 35 years, and coached basketball there. He also served as the recreation director for Hanover Township for 25 years.

Domenic A. Canonico M.S. '61, Ph.D. '63, Oak Ridge, Tenn., Dec. 28, 2018. Dr. Canonico was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force during the Korean conflict. He worked for Oak Ridge National Laboratory on nuclear pressure issues. He was a member and fellow of the American Society of Metallurgical Engineers and American Welding Society. He also earned the Lincoln Gold Medal Award.

Steven C. Seyer M.A. '61, South Whitehall Township, Pa., Jan. 22, 2019. Mr. Seyer taught social sciences at Lehigh Carbon Community College for 40 years.

Vernon A. Barlieb M.A. '62, Kunkletown, Pa., April 26, 2019. Mr. Barlieb was a special education supervisor for Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21 in Schnecksville for 26 years before retiring.

Richard Roberts M.S. '62, Ph.D. '64, Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 5, 2019. Dr. Roberts was a professor of mechanical engineering at Lehigh University. He consulted on many projects, including the restoration of the Statue of Liberty and the RCA antenna on Tower 1 of the World Trade Center. He was a member of the Asa Packer Society. His children, Lori Sue (Roberts) Mukai '84, Lisa (Roberts) Meyerson '88 and Scott Roberts '92, are members of the Lehigh family.

Nancy N. Huang M.S. '64,

Plymouth, Minn., Feb. 17, 2019. Mrs. Huang was an award-winning realtor for over 30 years.

Richard M. Davitt M.S. '66, Ph.D. '69, Louisville, Ky., Jan. 17, 2019. Dr. Davitt was a professor of mathematics at the University of Louisville.

B. Arnold Guth M.Ed. '66, Perkasio, Pa., Jan. 13, 2019. Dr. Guth was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He was a teacher and an administrator in the Souderton Area School District for 31 years.

Arnold L. Prill Ph.D. '66, Dallas, Texas, Feb. 2, 2019. Dr. Prill worked in alloy development, for which he was awarded several patents, followed by many years of protective coating development for use in gas turbine engines and in repair of high-value turbine engine component parts.

Martha (Lauser) Rummel M.Ed. '67, Whitehall, Pa., March 14, 2019. Mrs. Rummel taught in the Allentown and Whitehall-Coplay school districts.

David C. Masser M.Ed. '67, Hegins, Pa., April 9, 2019. Mr. Masser taught in the Tri-Valley Schools.

Joseph A. Lavelle Ph.D. '68, Coopersburg, Pa., March 15, 2019. Dr. Lavelle worked for Rohm & Haas (Dow Chemical) for over 30 years. In his retirement, he taught chemistry at Lehigh University, DeSales University and Northampton County Community College. His daughter, Elizabeth (Lavelle) McGinley, is a member of the Class of 1990.

Eleanor (Say) Libsch M.Ed. '68, Boca Raton, Fla., Dec. 30, 2018. Mrs. Libsch taught third grade in the Bethlehem School District. She was a member of the Tower Society.

Robert K. Momyer M.Ed. '69, Phoenixville, Pa., March 6, 2019. Mr. Momyer worked in education and video production and was a magician, including two years spent as assistant

dean of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus Clown College.

Richard E. Schuler MBA '69, Ithaca, N.Y., Feb. 13, 2019. Dr. Schuler was a professor of economics and civil and environmental engineering at Cornell University. His daughter, Judith (Schuler) Miller, is a member of the Class of 1989.

Mary K. Patterson M.Ed. '70, Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 15, 2019. Mrs. Patterson worked as a guidance counselor at Bethlehem Catholic High School and then as a real estate agent.

Lorraine (Struss) Marcantonio M.Ed. '71, Southbury, Conn., March 27, 2019. Dr. Marcantonio's early career included teaching physics and working for the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services and the Michigan State Department of Education. She later taught science at Greenwich High School before moving into elementary school administration in both Stamford and Ridgefield, in the roles of assistant principal and principal.

Joanne E. Perich M.Ed. '71, Heidelberg Township, Pa., March 22, 2019. Mrs. Perich taught in the U.S. Army Dependent School System in Germany, and in both Parkland and Northern Lehigh school districts. Her son, Joshua Perich, is a member of the Class of 2007.

John F. Gallery III M.Ed. '72, Clarkrange, Tenn., Jan. 25, 2019. Mr. Gallery taught at St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic School, Easton, Pa., for 42 years before retiring. He coached basketball in the Lehigh Valley area for many years.

Regina M. Wilson M.Ed. '72, Scranton, Pa., Feb. 21, 2019. Sister Regina Marie, of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, was a teacher and administrator.

Gloria Dialectic M.A. '69, Ph.D. '73, Tulsa, Okla., March 1, 2019. Ms. Dialectic was an outspoken defender of women

victimized by domestic violence or sexual assault. She ran one of the oldest rape crisis centers in the country.

Eileen (Gill) Hayes M.A. '73, Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 29, 2019. Mrs. Hayes was a lifelong educator, teaching both domestically and abroad.

Frank J. Troxell M.Ed. '73, Catasauqua, Pa., Jan. 30, 2019. Mr. Troxell worked as a business education teacher and an assistant principal and retired as principal of Catasauqua High School. He also served on the Catasauqua Library Board and was treasurer for the Catasauqua High School Sports Hall of Fame.

Andrew C. Coates M.S. '75, River Edge, N.J., Jan. 29, 2019. Mr. Coates worked at Hardesty & Hanover for 44 years, where he was principal emeritus and chief technical officer. His most notable projects included Rt. 7 over the Passaic River, the Mystic River Swing Bridge and the widening of the Rainbow Bridge in Niagara Falls.

Genevieve (Sercel) Nickischer M.Ed. '76, Lehigh Township, Pa., Feb. 13, 2019. Mrs. Nickischer had a 43-year career in education, including as a special education administrator in the Allentown School District.

Barbara M. Reed M.Ed. '77, Riverview, Fla., Dec. 25, 2018. Mrs. Reed worked as a reading specialist for Northampton County School District.

Tamara G. (Kleinfeld) Selden M.Ed. '77, Palmer Township, Pa., Feb. 10, 2019. Mrs. Selden offered seminars on women's issues at various Lehigh Valley locations including Cedar Crest College and Northampton Community College.

Richard G. McMahon M.S. '78, Rockville, Md., Feb. 22, 2019. Mr. McMahon worked for AT&T as an engineer and corporate leader.

Vera (Russo) Reynolds M.Ed. '79, Bushkill Township, Pa., Feb. 4, 2019. Mrs. Reynolds

REMEMBERING Richard P. Vinci

taught in the Pohatcong Township School District for over 40 years.

Terry T. Sweet MBA '79, Phoenixville, Pa., Jan. 23, 2019. Mr. Sweet had a career as a professional musician and songwriter with MorningSong before coming to Lehigh. With his MBA, he made a second career as a CPA with KPMG.

Nevin H. Scholl MBA '80, Trappe, Pa., Jan. 11, 2019. Mr. Scholl was a Certified Public Accountant. He worked in local government. His father, Harold N. Scholl, was a member of the Class of 1934.

Wanda Sochanski M.S. '90, Allentown, Pa., March 12, 2019. Ms. Sochanski worked as an adjunct professor at Lehigh University in computer science and worked for EDS and Bethlehem Steel.

Patricia A. Jarvis M.S. '91, Fredonia, N.Y., Feb. 2, 2019. Mrs. Jarvis taught math and computers at Stroudsburg Middle School for more than 20 years.

Michael E. Thomas MBA '00, Palmer Township, Pa., Feb. 1, 2019. Mr. Thomas was a statistician for Merck Inc.

Ernest L. Holiday Jr. M.Ed. '05, Lincoln University, Pa., Dec. 21, 2018. Mr. Holiday taught social sciences in middle and high schools. He was also an administrator at Delaware Valley Charter High School.

Dedicated Researcher, Exceptional Teacher

The materials science and engineering professor had battled Lou Gehrig's disease

A MAN DESCRIBED AS A BRILLIANT scholar, adored professor and treasured friend was mourned by many as the Lehigh community learned of the passing of Rick Vinci, 52, on March 13 following a struggle with ALS, more commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

Although it was known that Vinci was bravely battling the disease for more than two years, his death still came as a shock to many since the professor of materials science and engineering was undergoing experimental treatments in hope of slowing down the disease's progression.

He left behind a wife, Michelle Geoffrion-Vinci, a professor of Spanish at Lafayette College, and two daughters.

Vinci's health struggle was chronicled in a 2018 *Boston Globe* article following his decision to take part in a late-stage clinical trial at Massachusetts General Hospital. The rare disease attacks the nervous system and ultimately prevents the patient from being able to speak, eat and breathe. At that time, Vinci was upbeat, wearing a t-shirt that said "positive state."

"I have close friends who asked me what my bucket list is," he was quoted as saying. "It's not that I want to fly to Greece or bungee jump in the Amazon. I'd like to see my kids graduate from high school. I want to keep working with my students, whom I love."

Vinci demonstrated a rare gift for relating to people, colleagues said.

"He was an exceptional colleague, but even more than that, he was a true friend," said Brian Slocum, managing director of Lehigh's Design Labs. "I don't use that term 'exceptional' lightly. He was brilliant. But, he carried his brilliance sans ego. I have no doubt he was almost always the smartest person in the room, but he never let you think you were anything but his equal. He listened as much as he spoke. His words were measured and well considered, and everyone's opinion mattered. I felt honored to be one of his friends, to work with him, to laugh with him and to have had the opportunity to share a bit of his life."

Vinci's research accomplishments were impressive, Slocum said, but he put his duty and responsibility to teaching above all else. "He was adored by his students," he said.

To honor Vinci's legacy, the P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science has renamed its annual teaching award as the Richard P. Vinci Award for Educational Excellence. A memorial service was held May 1 at Packer Memorial Church.

Vinci received his undergraduate degree in materials science and engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and his master of science and his Ph.D.—both in materials science and engineering—from Stanford University.

Throughout his time at Lehigh, his research focused on the processing and properties of thin films and other small volumes of material, with an emphasis on characterizing and modifying mechanical behavior. He had published more than 90 technical papers, co-authored an engineering textbook and co-authored two U.S. patents. Vinci served for 18 years as the director of Lehigh's Mechanical Behavior Laboratory and for four years as director of the Center for Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology.—*Linda Harbrecht*

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