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We’re on our way to raising $1 billion-plus to fuel the future of Lehigh through GO: The Campaign for Lehigh. But fulfilling our vision for the university will take more than just dollars. We need the spirit and talent of our entire community—our alumni, parents and friends—to make Lehigh the best that it can be. Only then can we be able to call our campaign truly successful.

Your passion for Lehigh isn’t easy to quantify, but we’re going to try. Our goal is to help at least 50 percent of our 80,000 alumni become informed, involved and invested in efforts to propel the university forward before the close of the campaign. What does that mean? We hope that you’ll be so inspired by what’s happening at your alma mater that you’ll carve out some time and energy to join us in some (or all!) of these ways:

Get Informed.

Listen to speakers at events and during webinars. See the world through our Alumni Travel Program. Learn about Lehigh priorities and initiatives through web pages, Goblet posts, this magazine and college communications. Follow Lehigh Alumni on social media. Read our monthly alumni e-newsletters. Brag about Lehigh faculty and research featured in the national media. Come to Reunion to reconnect with classmates. Cheer on our Mountain Hawks at games and matches across the country or online.

Get Involved.

Repost interesting stories about Lehigh and our extraordinary alumni to your social channels. Bring some classmates and friends with you to your favorite Lehigh events. Meet with prospective students or work a college fair in your area. Stay current on what Lehigh’s doing in your region. Network via one of our professional alliances or affinity groups. Nominate fellow alumni for awards and volunteer positions.

Get Invested.

Support the Lehigh Fund with your annual gift. Lead a volunteer organization or help your class plan Reunion. Host an alumni event at your office. Give a presentation to students or alumni. Give on Giving Day to help us break last year’s participation rate. Support a student project through our new crowdfunding platform. Hire, mentor or offer advice to Lehigh students and alumni. Host an intern or extern. Advocate for higher education in your community.

At the beginning of December, an all-alumni engagement survey will hit your inbox. I hope that you’ll take 10 minutes to answer. Your responses will help me and my staff better understand how we can develop communications, programs and services that will resonate with you and bring you closer to your Lehigh.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Cunningham
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In an effort to promote women in cycling, Gyl (Johnson) Golden ’90 joined a group of women in July in staging their own Tour de France, making the same grueling climbs up the Alps and Pyrenees and going the 2,000-mile distance—one day ahead of the men’s professional teams.

Professional women’s teams aren’t allowed in the prestigious Tour de France. “I felt very fortunate to be able to participate in this huge endeavor as a woman and as an American,” Golden said. “I would love to be able to share this experience with other women in the efforts to expand this movement.”

Golden graduated from Lehigh with a degree in architecture. She went on to earn her master’s in architecture from Ohio State University, then, after spending years as an architect in Ohio, New Mexico and Colorado, she realized her true calling was exploring different languages/cultures. She moved to Japan to teach English and has lived and taught in Thailand, Malaysia, Spain and France, where she currently resides.

“I had absolutely no interest in exercise until I was at Lehigh,” she said. “A close friend, my freshman year, was—and still is—a runner, and what struck me was that despite our heavy class loads and busy social life, she always squeezed in a run.”

In her sophomore year at Lehigh, Golden said she had put on weight and decided to try running. She barely made it five minutes her first time out, she said, but was determined to keep at it. It was the start of something that blossomed into Golden becoming not just an athlete, but an Ironman, a testament to her determination and athleticism. (An Ironman competition consists of a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride and full marathon.)

The Tour de France is a 23-day event covering a distance of 3,300 kilometers. Riders average 180 kilometers per day, and climb a total of 21,000 meters by its end.

Training was demanding, but Golden had the experience of having completed 12 marathons and eight Ironman distance races.

Golden recalled the beauty of the Alps and Pyrenees and the kindness of strangers who supported riders along the route. She said she has been so inspired by the experience that she plans to bring a small team of women next year.—Laurie (Parton) Gordon ’90 To read more about Golden’s experience, go to lehigh.edu/bulletin.
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.

‘46 Dick MacAdams, 7066 Edinburgh Drive, Lambertville, MI 48144. (734) 856-1097 (H), macadams@bex.net
Back in May, I received the nicest phone call from Jean Hodges! She is the widow of Ted Hodges ’48 (who started as a member of our class but had his studies interrupted by World War II). Ted graduated with a degree in business administration. He died at the age of 93 and, like most of us, was fiercely proud of his alma mater.

Jean is now 98 years old! You’d never know that because her voice is still firm and her mind acute. She still lives at home in Grosse Pointe—an upscale suburb of Detroit—and best of all, reads the ‘46 column in every issue of the Bulletin.

I wish that I were more ambulatory. I’d lose no time in driving the 60 miles north and take her out for lunch and some old-fashioned reminiscing.

Now, let’s talk about money. One of my neighbors is a retired CPA and a retired bank VP (graduated from U. of Michigan). Being a good Republican, I’m worried about the USA and its $20+ trillion debt. Is there that much money in the world? Where does all that money come from, I asked him. Here was his rather lengthy answer:

Most people think the government creates money. This is not so. Except for coins, private banks do so—out of thin air by issuing credit while holding only a fractional reserve to back up the credit they issue.

(When you and I write a check, we need 100 percent cash reserve in the bank to back up the checks we write. Banks, by law, need only a fractional reserve, say 20 percent, to back up the checks they write.)

An example: Suppose on Friday your bank closed with: cash reserve...$10 million; outstanding loans...$50 million; total assets...$60 million.

On Monday, you deposit $1 million into your savings account. You have just increased the bank’s cash reserve by $1 million. It can now issue credit for five times your deposit; namely, five times that amount.

Now its assets would be: cash reserve...$11 million; outstanding loans...$55 million; total assets...$66 million.

Although you deposited only $1 million, the bank loaned out $5 million AT INTEREST! In effect, the $5 million was created out of thin air.

This system was created in 1694 when King William III chartered the Bank of England.

The system works great... unless all the savings account holders want to withdraw all their money at the same time!!!

En avant!
Dick MacAdams

‘50 Editor’s note: For nearly 20 years, Don Williams has made us laugh with his words in this space. He has kept his class connected to one another and the university working his way diligently through his class roster. Thanks, Don, for your immense dedication to Lehigh. It showed in every word you wrote.

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This time I am going to write about our classmate, Ted Brothers, who you may remember as one of our wrestlers at 128 and 136 pounds. Ted came to Lehigh as a transfer student from Davidson College.

Ted studied civil engineering, was a member of Phi Gamma Delta, and was a regular attendee at Sunday church services. After college, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and was sent to Korea. During his stay there, Ted saw combat and was commissioned as a second lieutenant, later retiring as a captain.

Ted tells a wonderful story involving a baby boy left in newspapers in front of a tent. Ted solicited help from a Catholic nun named Sister Philomena. Ted has a picture of the nun holding the baby, flanked by Ted and a fellow Marine. Together they arranged to smuggle the baby to the States aboard the U.S.S. Enterprise. In mid-life, Ted received a telephone call from the young man, thanking Ted for his role in effecting his rescue.

After going on inactive duty, Ted commenced his civil engineering career with the Virginia Highway Department. He has many words of praise for President Dwight D. Eisenhower, who championed the Interstate Highway System. After a few years, Ted had a calling to the ministry. He went to divinity school, was ordained and spent the rest of his career as a Presbyterian minister. Ted was a pastor and, for many years, a missionary. With his wife, Noel, and children, he had a six-year assignment in Portugal. The whole family learned Portuguese. At a later time Ted helped a group in rural Brazil. When I visited him in 2010, he was preparing for a return trip to Brazil to help set up some laundry equipment which had been sent down.

Ted lives on the eastern shore of Lake George, N.Y., with a son and a daughter. He would love to hear from classmates. His phone is 518-656-9973 and his email address is pchbrothe@roadrunner.com.

Please contact me with news.

‘52 Pat Moran, 8209 N. Sable Way, Prescott Valley, AZ 86315. (520) 979-2733; pmoran27@q.com; seeoursite.org/lehigh
Today is my 88th birthday (July 27) and I thank the Almighty for a long and productive life. My mind is clear, my legs are half-well, the heart has been repaired, the lungs cleared, and the frame is good for a few more miles. I have played, perhaps, my last golf game—but I hope not.

Since Daz has passed (two and a half years), I have aged 10 years. My energy level, usually high, is rock bottom. I miss her so much I can’t breathe. I’m spent; numb in the wilderness. My grief group tells me that everyone grieves differently—some adjust in one, three, five years, some never do. One thing is for sure: you never forget.

My message today is that this is my last column. I have not missed a column in 35 years. But it’s time. Which ’52er will pick up the challenge and put new blood into the mix? I’ve loved doing the column and the class seemed to have liked it too.

Farewell and Godspeed.

Editor’s note: Thank you, Pat, for your amazing legacy of service.
to the university and your class. Your words have made us laugh and cry over the years. Your love for life and Lehigh always shines bright. Be well, friend.

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Our 65th Reunion has come and gone and it was fabulous. We set a new attendance record with 24 classmates attending. The Class of ’53 still holds the record for the 50th. I am listing our class members that attended: Charles Atmore, Stewart Campbell, Jim Cooke, Dave Fisher, Nick Gentile, Bob Gill, Grant Hansel, Howard Harmon, Roger Inglese, Mark Kaufmann, Ed Kearney, Tony Latour, Bill Latshaw, Julius Lauber, Bob Littner, Tip Mowrer, Don Moyle, Jack Platt, Herb Roemmele, Kent Snyder, Warren Stevens, Pete Strategos, Art Tauck and Joe Workman.

Thursday evening the university had an awards dinner on the campus and two members of the Class of ’53 were presented with awards. Tony Latour for dedication and service to Lehigh and to our class for 65 years, and Joe Workman earned the Persa Award given to the individual who has made the greatest contribution to an outstanding class reunion.

The weather was great for the class parade Saturday, but I must add that Lehigh didn't have it organized, there was no marshal and class pictures were not taken at the Williams Hall steps. Bill Latshaw did a super job in using the music from the show “Damn Yankees” and changing it to “Take Care of Our Hearts.” The “Cardiac Choir” was very good, but we didn’t get first place.

Our banquet Saturday night was at the Saucon Valley Country Club Villa Pazzetti. It was nice and warm and our social was held outside. The meal for our sit-down dinner was salmon or steak, and was excellent. Bob Gill, Herb Roemmele and Ed Kearney gave remembrances of their years at Lehigh. Roger Inglese, chairman of the nominating committee, submitted Joe Workman as president, Tony Latour for vice president, Dave Fisher for treasurer, and Tip Mowrer as secretary and class correspondent. All were accepted.

It is with sadness that I must report that Bob Littner, our president for the last five years, passed away after a long battle with cancer. Bob was very dedicated to Lehigh and our class. He will be sorely missed.

I would like to thank the members of the reunion committee Joe put together. They were Bob Gill, Dave Fisher, Roger Inglese, Ed Kearney, Tony Latour, Bill Latshaw, Herb Roemmele and Tip Mowrer. Thank you, Joe, for your hard work putting the reunion together. I might add that the class presented a framed picture of the “Doors of Lehigh” for his extra work as the head “Cardiac Kid.”

President Joe Workman announced at the banquet that the Class of ’53 Endowed Scholarship fund now has a market value of $481,910. Leah Pasch ’21 and Eric Schell ’20 were the recipients this year. Now in closing, I am sure we all had a wonderful time at our 65th and are looking forward to our 70th!!

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Save the date for Reunion 2019: June 6-9, 2019

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Hello classmates of the Class of 1955. It will not be possible to match the incredible job that Bob Kiley did over the past 50 years, but I will try for the years that I have remaining. Please send news that you would like to share with others and I will get it in the Bulletin.

Along with your individual history, self, career, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, why not try to recall the names of faculty and share that? Stories of faculty interaction might be interesting. For example I recall a final exam in chemical engineering in a semi-darkened room as the piles were being installed for Fritz Lab. Professor Faust was puffing on his pipe, which added smoke to the semi-darkened room.

First Year Rally. Dick is also part of an extensive Lehigh family. Among his and Betsy’s five grandchildren, granddaughter Laura Held was cited as “one of the two most legacied students in the Class of 2021.” Preceding her at Lehigh, in addition to Dick, were Dick’s father-in-law, brother, both sons, a daughter-in-law and a grandson in the Class of 2019.

Lehigh’s President John D. Simon spoke to the luncheon group of “older alums” last April at the Hershey’s Mill Golf Club in West Chester, Pa. The semiannual event is hosted by John Kerr ’52, Eric Flicker ’71 and Gary Liddick ’76. It was good to visit with Ferd Thun, Wayne Parker, Janet and Bruce Waechter, Mickey Simon ’57, and Adam Selmaska ’06 and Bill Boles from the LU Development Office.

Tricia and I enjoyed an afternoon with the Waechters last June, with a Tex-Mex lunch preceding a performance of “Camelot” at the Act II Theater in Ambler, Pa.

It was a nostalgic moment when I received a vintage photo of the “old Sigma Chi house” from Ed Hatfield ’55. The house was on East Packer Avenue, opposite Christmas-Saucon Hall, the oldest building on campus, with construction completed in 1872, and still in use. I entered the fraternity house in February ’53 as a pledge and lived there for a year before the new house in Sayre Park opened in spring ’54.

In closing, we mourn the loss of classmate Costel Denson, who died last April 23. A remembrance I wrote on behalf of the class appears on the Legacy.com guest book for Dr. Costel Denson.

Keep writing. Your news is always appreciated.

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After working in the NY, media
business for the last 57 years, I 
finally decided to retire last year 
and don’t miss the commute; 
started on the bus, drove for years, 
and then back onto the bus. Try-
ing now to wind down in N.J. and 
downsize the old five-bedroom 
family home here in Wyckoff. 
Sorry to have missed the last 
couple of columns, but I had seri-
ous writer’s block and not much 
news—please try and drop me a 
ote or email as time permits.

I did drive up for the last 
reunion in June, no longer during 
graduation week as our reunion 
was in 2017. Traffic was so bad 
on Rt. 78 with construction I 
mis1ed the class parade and 
mis1ed catching up with all my 
’58 fraternity brothers. I did meet 
with Sam Grauer ’56, a brother 
Theta Delt who drove up from 
Bucks County to attend his orig-
inal Class of ’33’s 66th Reunion. 
Sam was drafted during the 
Korean War, called up and spent 
two years in Germany playing 
baseball and football for the 
base team before coming back to 
school with several other vets and 
getting back into frat life with all 
us kids. P.S. They were all 21 and 
could buy beer!

Had a nice note from Jim 
Gardner, who is still living in 
Mendham, N.J., after retiring a 
while back from Union Camp 
Paper before they merged with 
International Paper. His two 
daughters ended up at Princeton 
and Bucknell, and now his five 
grandchildren are looking at 
college—hopefully one or two will 
get into Lehigh.

Walt Mannherz is still in 
Philadelphia, but getting in some 
serious travel with a Tauck tour of 
Western national parks, including 
Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse 
National Monument in the Black 
Hills National Forest, Yellow-
stone and the Grand Tetons. Then 
back for a week before going off to 
Italy for three weeks with a Dallas 
Church Choir of 120 singing their 
way from the Duomo in Milan to 
St. Mark’s Basilica in Venice and 
points in between.

Had a nice note from Fred 
Gould last year, but did not get it 
into my last columns due to my 
writer’s block and plain laziness. 
Anyway, Fred and Helaine are in 
Manhasset, Long Island, and have 
a winter place in Manalapan, Fla. 
They have three children and 
eight grandchildren. One grand-
son played soccer at Lehigh and 
Fred played lacrosse, so it was 
only natural that he and Helaine 
donated the facility between the 
current soccer and lacrosse fields 
and enjoyed visiting when it was 
opened. He does see Mickey 
Schachter often, but none of 
their other Lehigh friends.

Howard Levitz is still 
practicing law and has moved his 
office from NYC to Westchester. 
His daughter, Fleur, lives close 
by in Riverdale with husband 
and two children, Benjamin 
and Milly, Son Andrew is still in 
the Navy and living down in 
Falls Church, Va., working for 
the Office of Naval Intelligence. 
Other than Gerry Kaufman he 
doesn’t see many other class-
mates and promises to make 
our 65th in 2022.

I did chat with two of my 
fraternity brothers recently. 
Phil Stromenger is in West Palm, 
where he is moving from his old 
house in Historic Grandview 
Heights, built in 1915 and about 
600 feet above sea level, over-
looking Trump’s Mar-a-Lago 
resort in Palm Beach about a 
mile or two away. His new home 
will be a few miles west in a 
gated community with more 
modern amenities.

Al Olsen is on his farm in 
Tewksbury Township, N.J., 
enjoying the rural life but hitting 
the Morristown, N.J., clubs on Friday 
nights for R&R. His sons, Jon-
athan ’86 and Peter ’84, run the 
Olsen & Thompson, P.A. business 
in Morristown. Jon’s daughter 
just graduated from Lehigh after 
living in our old fraternity house 
that is now a soroity.

Please send me an email so 
I can do the next column—or 
write soon!

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What a 60th Reunion! The weather 
for ’5860 was fantastic! Dick 
Briggs met his greatest challenge 
and managed to get almost 50 of 
us to skip all those graduations 
and weddings. We even got the 
award for “class with best per-
centage returning.” Great job!

When Anne and I pulled up to 
the Comfort Suites, so were Gina 
and Bob Christie. Louise and 
Dick Briggs, and Izzie and Larry 
Treterotola. Inside were Susan and 
Jack Hobby, Sandy and Bruce 
Gilbert, and here comes June 
and Brooks Goldman, with their 
son, Bob Goldman ’86, who drove 
them up from Bethany Beach, 
Del. Bob told Anne the only per-
son he knew from Orchard Park 
was a fraternity brother, David 
Johannes ’85 (our neighbor). We 
walked our car and used Lehigh’s 
“Uber” shuttle service until we 
left on Sunday.

We shuttled off to the “soiree 
under the stars” at Rauch Busi-
ness Center for a buffet dinner, 
wine, beer and dancing to the 
LU Alumni Band. At the ’58 
tables, we ran into Tom Healy 
and his son, Tom ’83, who drove 
him from Saratoga Springs, N.Y. 
Also Sandy and Pete Mitchell, 
Esther and Bill Gorman (his arm 
was in a sling; tendon operation), 
Dave Setzer, Sarah and Ken 
Graves, Fred Berghaus, Marcia 
and Ed Hummers, Donna and 
Dick Babbitt, Frank Bredimus, 
Tony Keenan, Carol and Don 
McCloskey, Lou and Carl Doll, 
Joan and Len West, Barbara and 
Ted Widmayer, Carol and Char-
lie Minnich, Joan and Gil Stone, 
and Anne and Dave Magoon.

Back to Rauch the next 
morning for breakfast, parade 
preparation, class picture, parade 
and picnic luncheon on the lawn. 
Time for Marianne and Bill 
Bux to do their magic—and they 
did! There were white whiskers, 
beards, mustaches and sideburns 
everywhere to make us look 
like Asa Packer! While we were 
dressing, we were practicing 
Marianne’s new words for the alma 
mater. I think I recognized a few 
before and after with the beards: 
Ed Delany, Tom Smith, Bert 
Elsner, Bob Bollinger, Fred 
Townsend and Bob Visinsky.

The parade was great, we 
looked super, the Alumni Band 
really did well. We did a great 
job and I thought we should 
have won, but there is the 50th 
Reunion class to consider. After 
the parade, John Harkrader’s 
daughter, Linda (Harkrader) 
Powers ’88, met Larry Treterotola 
and myself and filled us in on why 
Harks missed ’5860—he wasn’t 
feeling well and on a walker. 
Both Larry and I called him at his 
holiday house in Mantoloking, 
N.J.; he is feeling better and using 
a cane (his parade outfit).

Only a short walk to the picnic 
on the Packard Lab lawn. We sat 
with Elinor and Bob Hirsch, 
who recently moved to Annie’s 
hometown of Baltimore—guess 
what they talked about? Balti-
more has changed! Betsy and Bob 
Holcombe and Nancy and Ted 
Horstman were also enjoying the 
picnic. Karen and Jim Davidson, 
out of breath, made it in time 
to enjoy Saturday afternoon and 
evening. After sitting in traffic 
for two hours, Joe Muscarelle 
had lunch with Ed Delany and 
Tom Smith. He quickly left to get 
back to family celebrations—the 
shortest reunion attendance: 
one hour!

Another short walk to 
STEP’s lawn to hear our new 
president, John Simon. He is 
great! Then shuttle to change 
and shuttle to the president’s 
house and Packer Hall for class 
dinner. I did confirm a shuttle 
driver’s story that President Si-
mon has a third cat they call ‘TTC’ 
(the third cat)—sorry Paige!

The dinner was great with 
many stories exchanged between 
Marge and Glenn Gabrielle, 
Alice and Don Kohler, Pat and 
Larry Feeser with daughter
Anne, Marilyn and Carl Klotz, Mary and Bob Orben, Joan and Curtis Cooke, Eileen and Winnie Ferdinandsen, Judy and Wayne Harris, Marge and Dick Reller, Nancy and Tom Shaver, and Frank Scheid.

Had breakfast with Ron Vaughn and the Tom Healy’s, then off to Orchard Park. What a great reunion!

Anne and I had arrived in Bethlehem two days early to stay with our friends, Gretchen and George Campbell ’60 PSU, in Center Valley. The reason was to get to the Brown and White Awards Night on Thursday, where I was awarded the George F. Stutz ’22 Award. It is “given annually to a senior alumnus whose integrity, humility, dedication, and loyalty personify the spirit of George F.A. Stutz ’22.” The recipient should demonstrate lifelong leadership and service in diverse volunteer roles within the Lehigh community.” I guess that started with me organizing our first-year class reunion in 1959; designing our class flag; hosting and volunteering at telecasts, telethons, and reunions; and writing all those class columns!

Fred Townsend was also recognized as the 2018 Alumni Award recipient for the Class of 1958. It was held in the Wood Dining Room of Iacocca Hall on Mountaintop Campus. It gave me a chance to get to know my current Alumni Relations contacts—Jennifer Cunningham, Shannon Jaeger, Jessi McMullan ’05 and Monica Timar, as well as remember my previous mentors, Betty Saylor, Joan Andrews and Janet Tucker.

We returned to Bethlehem in July for a surprise birthday party for Gretchen Campbell. Guests included: Betsy and Bob Holcombe, Lynne and Leon Harbold ’59, and Linda and Gere Grimm ’64.

Emails and calls before the reunion included: Jean-Claude Rousseaux, who was, guess where? Europe!, Ken Rittenhouse in San Jose, Calif.;

Fred Smith in Florida with family physical problems; Jim Horheimer really was planning to be with us, but his son died suddenly and sadly two weeks before ’860; Dave Saunders was driven out (Florida to Maine); Charlie Burgdorf is in rehab with a grandson playing lacrosse for Denver; Ron Lichtenwalner will be staying south, playing 18 holes a week and a proud great-grandfather; Jack Wright playing nine holes twice a week and finally re-retiring after eight years as CFO of West Liberty University in Wheeling, WV.

Gary’s Barber Shop is worried about the Bills’ tough schedule, but we have a number one new quarterback, Josh Allen, and the coach still attends church—prayer works!

Greeks to all the shuttle drivers, everyone attending the 60th and especially Carl Doll and the 100 percent returning class of Sigma Phi Epsilon!

Bob Teufel
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This issue’s featured living group is Phi Gam…the Fijis.

Bill Beattie was the first recipient of our Outstanding ’59er Award. We profiled him in the Summer 2018 issue of the alumni Bulletin.

Dr. Charlie Burger, football player extraordinary, started as an engineering major, switched to business, and then found his true calling as a physician, receiving his degree from Case Western Reserve in 1965.

Uncle Sam came calling and Charlie spent two years assigned to the Surgeon General’s Office developing computer algorithms for use in Army general medicine clinics. Upon discharge, in 1971, Charlie headed for the border—Maine—to join a highly regarded primary care practice and then established his own internal medicine practice in 1984, introducing in 1993 the first electronic medical record in Maine. Married to wonderful, delightful Jane, they have two children and two grandchildren. Maine is still home.

John Canova says he got more than his share. A wonderful wife, Ellen, filled with a strong sense of decency, humanity and social justice, which she passed on to their three children: Elisa, Emily and John. Six grandchildren of every conceivable size, shape and predisposition. A great career topping out as president and publisher of Stonehenge Press, a subsidiary of Time-Life. Retired in 1998 and spent the next 19 years consulting for an exciting new company, CarFax, and working in the Fairfax County Virginia Jail mentoring inmates and teaching a fatherhood skills class.

But the real fun began when he and Bob Teufel produced the Lehigh 50th Reunion book ’59@50 and now collaborate on the class column. John says “if I am ever sent to a desert island and need to choose between water and Bob Teufel… I’d choose Bob…because we would die laughing.”

Unfortunately, no more distance running, singles tennis, squash tournaments, skiing and summer sails from the Chesapeake Bay to Southwest Harbor, Maine. Now the challenge is to feel meaningful, relevant, physically vital and mentally coherent. Gupe!

Bob Draper began his career with AT&T Long Lines and continued there for 30 years, retiring in 1989. Bob served in the U.S. Coast Guard, which was a smart move given that in 1959 Vietnam was looming on the horizon. Three children—two of whom found their way to the hallowed halls of Lehigh—and three grandchildren.

Retirement has given Bob the time to pursue his passions: spirituality, alternative medicine, and emotional transformation...three necessary ingredients for a long, fulfilling life...plus a fourth...good genes, which he got from his father, who lived to be 102!

Roger Penske was an employee...just once...working for Alcoa after graduation before launching an incredible entrepreneurial career starting with the ownership of McKean Chevrolet in Philadelphia...and now as chairman of Penske Corporation: 60,000 worldwide employees and $32,000,000,000 in revenue! (Yes, billions.)

Roger and his wife, Kathy, have five children and thirteen grandchildren (that’s a lot of 529 plans). They call Detroit home, where Roger gives generously of his time and talents to a variety of civic activities, including chairing the 2006 Super Bowl XL event.

His racing career began drag racing his father Jay’s 1955 Buick Century, with Dynaflow transmission...a real head snapper. In 1961 he was named Sports Illustrated SCAC Driver of the Year. Realizing that race car team owners generally live longer than race car drivers, he formed Team Penske. Now “The Captain” and the rest of Team Penske have clocked 500 major motor sports victories, including 17 Indianapolis 500 wins. An incredible performance! As Roger says, “Effort equals results.”

Max Rush was the envy of all the Fijis because his home was in Washington, N.J., and if you got on the roof and stretched your neck you could see the woman’s dorm at Centenary. Max was in the safety shoe business, serving as executive VP of Iron Age Corporation before retiring in 1998.

Son Peter ’90 was a Lehigh grad, but son David escaped the siren call of South Mountain, attending Wittenberg University in Ohio. Visiting two grandchildren in Minnesota, plus traveling (four Lehigh Alumni trips), fishing and golfing keep Max’s hands from being idle.

After Lehigh, Carl Schier headed off to the University of Michigan for a law degree, then
more studies at Michigan State... so what side of the stadium does he sit on for the BIG game?

Carl’s career has “law” written all over it: practicing lawyer, law teacher, arbitrator and mediator...still at it after 54 years! Supreme Court next?

Carl and his wife, Sylvia, have five children and six grandchildren, all with unique first names. My two favorites are Jasper and Tigerily.

Carl took his skills into public service: the Urban Law Clinic of Detroit; chairman, March of Dimes Sweetheart Ball; Ypsilanti Senior Center Board.

Other 1959 Phi Gams: Bill Banister, Art Brooks, Andy Corcoran, Abe Groff, Joe Hetfield, Rick Lewis and John Stanley. Outstanding ’59ers

Jim Swenson is this issue’s Outstanding ’59er. Jim began giving back to Lehigh even before he graduated as manager of the football team. Managers don’t make touchdowns or the front of The Brown & White sports page, but without their organizational, logistical and managerial skills the teams would never get out of the locker room. Jim continued giving his considerable skills to Lehigh after graduation, serving for nearly 24 years in the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, before his retirement on June 30 of this year.

In 2009 Jim received the prestigious Alumni Award, which cited his many other contributions to Lehigh: president of the D.C. Club; president of the Alumni Association; member of the Board of Trustees; recipient of both the Eugene G. Grace Award and the James Ward Parker Award.

Jim and his wife, Roberta, are the proud grandparents of two Lehigh graduates and together they have left a lasting legacy to Lehigh in the form of the James B. Swenson ’59 Endowed Fund and the James B. Swenson Scholarship Fund.

Jim is proud of Lehigh...and Lehigh should be very proud of him!

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Hello classmates,

Here it is the end of July and I am writing this while thinking of attending a Lehigh football game in November. Have arranged with Tom Bliss and Bill Ross to go to the Colgate game on November 10, where we will meet up with Jack Kennedy and others in the reserved parking space to tailgate. Will not go to the Lafayette game, as it is too difficult to find a place to park and party. If this column arrives before Nov. 10, I hope any class members attending the game will stop by or look us up in the stands.

Had some email exchanges with Harry McNally. Originally I received an email from Ted Nickel, who had read my comments on Mel Masuda and wanted to get in touch with him, so Harry provided the necessary contact information. Harry mentioned he had recently run into Jim Moran ’65, who is a fellow member of Normandy Beach Yacht Club. Jim had a major operation at Duke but is now recovered and after selling his sailboat is crewing for friends out of Normandy.

I told Harry I was having a problem with a rotator cuff and he said he had been down with pinched nerves this winter but is better after getting some cortisone shots. Seems like we all have our aches and pains these days, with some worse than others. Harry will be going to the Navy game and expects to see Bob Vocclo there.

Great article about Asa Packer in the local paper, New London Day. Asa had a prosperous grandfather who was a physician, but his father struggled, so Asa was apprenticed at a young age as a tanner and then a carpenter. At 17 he struck out on his own and moved to Pennsylvania for opportunities, where he apprenticed as a carpenter while living on a farm. He worked hard and made astute investments in undeveloped land and started transporting coal by canal boat from the Lehigh Valley to Philadelphia and built the Lehigh Valley Railroad, which ended up making him the richest man in Pennsylvania. The rest is the history we know about him founding Lehigh University.

Received a nice email from Robert Pettinato, who had an interesting career. Shortly after graduation he married his high school sweetheart and soul mate, Peggy, who died three years ago. They had four children and twelve grandchildren. Bob spent years doing highway bridge design before going into the family construction business in Lackawanna County. He served 12 years as the Lackawanna County Commissioner. What is amazing is he was an Italian-American Republican in a strongly Irish-American Democratic county. While doing all this he managed to attend all but one Lehigh vs. Lafayette football game since 1956, and that was because his wife’s sister’s best friend had a wedding on the Saturday of a game. He has spent the last few years writing his family memoir with an interesting insight into local political history. The title is “At Our Own Pace,” described as a story of life, love and politics in legendary Lackawanna County. The book has a foreword from William W. Scranton III and is available on Amazon.com and some locations in Lackawanna County.

Hope to see some of you at the Colgate game.

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I was pleased to receive from Pete Ache a brief synopsis of his life since leaving Lehigh. He spent 25 years in the Air Force, retiring as colonel in 1987. He flew 310 combat missions in Vietnam (“100 over North Vietnam”), became a flight instructor and examiner for 16 years, and served as commander for the Charleston Air Force Base.

Pete managed to see most of the world (“all of the continents, including Antarctica”) before moving to Pittsburgh in 1989 to join U.S. Airways. He and his late wife have three sons and eight grandkids (“No Leighyers yet, but have three left to decide!”). He has kept in touch with fellow Phi Gams, including Bob Grim, before he passed, and Bill Jones.

When he recently traveled with his son and grandson to Lehigh for the Penn State wrestling match, he treated them to a Ho Burger and some Pete the Greeks (“Nothing changes, I guess!”).

Toms Royal has a large family of children and grandchildren. I counted 20 faces on last year’s Christmas card, of which I recognized only two, Toms and wife Kathy. His daughter, Weld Royal ’88, sent me a note after a bunch of them traveled from their Bay Head, N.J., home to Lehigh. They loved the new interactive classrooms and surprising sculptures dotting the now beautiful Asa Packer Campus, but the grandkids just couldn’t comprehend ‘Toms’ description of “the old days” when “fly ash from the steel stacks dusted our window sills and sometimes our clothes.” Believe it or not, Toms’ legacies number 14—yes, 14! And he’s hoping for at least three more in his lifetime!

I can always count on Joe Bartish for some news. He lives in Sin City (Las Vegas for you East Coasters). Although he never misses a Lehigh-Lafayette telecast, his gridiron dedication seems to have shifted to Navy since 1993, when his son graduated from the Naval Academy. He and his son, now a retired lieutenant commander, regularly attend one Navy game a year.
This year will be special. Navy meets Lehigh on September 15 in Annapolis, and Joe will be there. (Hmm, I wonder for whom he will be cheering!)

I was sorry to hear from Frank Zahrobsky about the passing of Dave Parsons. Dave and Diane had been doing lots of traveling, including a recent biking and hiking venture in Tucson. He suddenly became ill in October and was diagnosed with a rare and aggressive form of non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma. He died in early December. Frank reports that he and wife Henri are enjoying their “vacation lifestyle” in sunny Florida (sounds like me here in Southern California).

Ron Levin is a fellow Southern Californian, living in Pacific Palisades. His whole career has been in advertising. In 1973 he co-founded Horlick Levin Advertising and served as CEO and co-creative director for 26 years. His clients ranged from major national corporations to most of the Hollywood studios. He’s received over 100 awards, including those of the Clio’s and Cannes commercial festivals.

Ron and Peggy (wife of 52 years) follow the “travel while you can” philosophy, having journeyed to 27 different countries. They most recently visited Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam and Laos. Ron was struck by the all-too-frequent remnants of the Vietnam War, particularly the unexploded cluster bombs which continue to maim and kill farmers digging in their fields in Laos. He reported that there are over 400 miles of underground tunnels in Vietnam, their trapdoor entrances cleverly hidden from the surface. “We experienced crawling through one of those tunnels. Not for the claustrophobic!”

According to a recent piece in the Wall Street Journal by Joe Queenan, “the American bucket list is in a state of crisis. The obsessive need to parasail over volcanoes in Mongolia, swim with the sharks in the Seychelles and sleep in every farmhouse that George Washington ever bedded down in has contributed to a national epidemic of bucket-list neuroses.”

For some fulfilling their bucket list has become a nightmare. For Mike Gennet it is fulfilling a dream. Mike and Chris fulfilled a bucket list wish by attending the Masters in Augusta in April, followed by 10 days in Florida. Included in their visit to the Sunshine State were visits to Orlando, St. Augustine, the Golf Hall of Fame, the TPC at Sawgrass and a swing through Tampa, Sarasota and Fort Myers on the west coast. This past summer they escaped the desert heat with trips to British Columbia, Lake Tahoe, London and South Africa. The allure of the Cape Winelands wine country plus a safari and final stop at Victoria Falls made this trip memorable. Mike and Chris live in Rancho Mirage, Calif.

Ron Johnson’s bucket list included enjoying a plate of arctic char at the Lava restaurant in Iceland after three hours in the hot Blue Lagoon. During his visit to the Black Sand Beach he stopped for a Viking amber beer at a cafe in Vic. His knee replacement in May went well and he now takes two-mile walks with no pain.

I celebrated my birthday last May with dinner at The Poached Pear in Point Pleasant Beach, N.J. Coincidently, Pat and Carl “Tiny” Straub were seated at the adjoining table celebrating their wedding anniversary. In mid-June, Pat and Carl, along with Pat’s two sisters, visited Anchorage, Alaska. From Anchorage they took a day cruise through Kenai Fjords National Park to see humpback whales, orca whales and calving glaciers. From there it was on to Talkeetna, a departure point for climbers of Mount Denali.

Yvonne and Bill Pitts and Mary Anne and Dick Teeter celebrated their anniversaries with a trip that included a visit to the Geirangerfjord in Norway.

Five of my high school classmates from Union High School in Union, N.J., attended and graduated from Lehigh. Last June, Bill Parnell (St. Michaels, Md.), Bill Schoner (Windsor, Conn.), Bob Wittman (Belle Mead, N.J.) and Phil Kinzel returned to the 60th Reunion. Grant Anderson (Concord, Mass.) could not attend. Parnell is a regular on the local golf links at least twice a week. He and Nancy enjoyed a two-week trip through the Baltics, Finland and Russia in August. Although boatless, he serves on the finance committee of the Miles River Yacht Club in St. Michaels. He also served two terms as president of his homeowners association and worked with local youth through a mentoring group on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Joyce and Jay Flynn suffered a family tragedy. Their daughter, Meghan (Flynn) Bigelow ’99, and their 13- and 8-year-old grandsons were shot multiple times in a road rage incident in Colorado in June. A third grandson, age 12, died the scene. Meghan and her 8-year-old were hospitalized in critical condition and her 13-year-old was pronounced dead. A fund has been set up to assist the family at GoFundMe.com under the “Official Bigelow Family.”

Unlikely, our class did not win the Petty Flag for the best parade performance. However, our “Mountain Hawk in the Coffin” and parade signs received much applause as we paraded through the other classes. In fact, our marching was held up several times as many fans wanted to take pictures of the coffin and our signs. At the reviewing stand we sang “Bye Bye Mountain Hawk” to the music of “Bye Bye Blackbird.”

Reunion Chairman Fred Braun then read the proclamation which follows: “Whereas Lehigh was founded by Asa Packer some seven score and thirteen years ago, and whereas it is estimated that in 1932 the engineer became a mascot or symbol of the university recognizing its primary educational mission, and whereas in 1995 the authorities in office sought a change in favor of mountain hawk, and whereas Clutch, as that bird is known, bears absolutely no relation to the university’s educational mission, now therefore, the great Class of 1963 strongly suggests the hawk be retired and the great-grandson or great-granddaughter of Asa Pack-
er be installed as the University’s mascot. We graduated engineers one and all and will always be so recognized, regardless of our actual degree. Thank you for your consideration.”

Lunch on the Lawn followed by President Simon’s talk outlining Lehigh’s bold plans for the future as it grows and evolves for a greater future rounded out our day before the class dinner. Twenty classmates and wives/significant others attended. A moment of silence was held for those classmates that had passed away since our last gathering. Fred had those classmates in attendance sign a huge congratulatory card for our Alumni Award recipient, Dan Turse.

Classmates attending were Fred Braun, Robert Gifford, David Hartman, James Barry, Paul Siebert, David Howell, Robert Elsor, George McGinley, Joseph Hudson, John Coblentz, Robert Von See, Lee Mount, Alan Barney, Bruce Gitlin, Arve Holt, Donald Hill, Peter Fortmann, Harold Milton, James Wilson and Dixon Earley. Fred Braun conducted the only class business in lightning fashion. Alan Barney was elected president, Paul Siebert was elected vice president, Harold Milton was elected treasurer and Dixon Earley was elected class correspondent.

A poem about our class was read: “Fifty-five years is a long time ago/And the Class of 1963 never did go with the flow/Our protest which caused a fuss/Our freshman year/Could it have been someone had a beer?/Our ROTC ended with us/Because of our military experience to use and worked for several defense contractors including Chemetron, TRW and Ingersoll-Rand, with overseas assignments in Germany, Japan, Mexico and Italy. Chemetron supplied nuclear propulsion components for our nuke submarines, including the silent running program.

Interesting work! After Henry retired “from globetrotting for a living,” he managed four prison industries to help rehabilitate and train prisoners with marketable skills to use when they returned to the workforce.

He says he is now “semi-retired.” He may no longer travel for a living, but he has not lost the travel bug. He and Anne continue to travel worldwide. He lists some of their more memorable trips to Egypt, Southeast Asia, Ireland, Scotland, North Africa, Italy, England, Spain, Gibraltar, Portugal, Haiti, Jamaica, Mexico, Iceland and Singapore.

Their son, Dr. Paul Crutchfield ’03, is also a Lehigh grad. Paul, his wife, Jessica, and their daughter live in the Chattanooga area. Henry’s daughter, Jane, is a graduate of the U. of Tenn. and Emory University. Jane is an RN. She and husband Chris and two girls live in Tampa, where Henry says the fishing is great.

I did get hold of Ted Burt. He and Eileen are still living in Falmouth, on Cape Cod. Ted began his career teaching French in a small boys’ boarding school in the hills of New Hampshire. He lived on the third floor of an old farm-house and shared the bathroom with six ninth-graders for whom he was responsible in loco parentis. He and Eileen were married in 1965 and moved to Belmont, Mass., in 1967, where Ted spent 20 more years teaching French and coaching at the Belmont Hill School, a small, prestigious private school for 7th-12th grade boys. In 1987 they moved to Falmouth on Cape Cod and started Quissett Systems, a company that helps people develop home-based businesses. Today, Quissett Systems continues to operate across the country and overseas, including China and India, concentrating almost exclusively on e-commerce businesses. Ted and Eileen have two sons, a daughter and three teenage grandchildren. Their two boys attended Belmont Hill School.

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This report comes from Jim Martin: “The fourth Class of ’65 Theta Xi Reunion was held at Lake Burton, Ga., in May. Eight of nine brothers and their spouses spent four days sharing memories and enjoying each other’s company. Amazing as it may seem, we are all still working on our first marriage, ranging from 44 to 54 years. We’ve had 16 children and been blessed with 24 grandchildren. None of us had mid-life crises, none that our spouses have divulged. We spent our working years with a single enterprise and in fields that were aligned with our studies at Lehigh. The group has spread out over the years on the East Coast, but that does not stop us from getting together.

Kerry Rowles and his wife, Joan, who split their year between Marco Island, Fla., and Indian Lake, Pa., were on their way north. Kerry spent his career with PPG after getting his MBA from Pitt, retiring in 2003. He and Joan have three children and two grandkids. They are active in their church youth group and their family.

Gerrie and Jim Martin settled in Charlotte after 37 years with Combustion Engineering and its successors. Having lived in Connecticut, Alabama, California and England, they have definitely...
experienced the most diversified culture. Their two daughters live in Charlotte and their son in Birmingham. They win the award for most grandkids: six. Since retirement in 2003, they spend most of their time with family and traveling.

“Roz and Ray Phillips moved to Chapel Hill in 2008 to be near their two sons’ families. Ray spent most of his career with Cives Corp., rising to be the CEO and board chairman. Ray continues to be an ardent biker and Roz is a fervent gardener. Ray continues to travel to Bruce Springsteen concerts, recently seeing him on Broadway. This makes more than 60 times he has seen the Boss.

“Gwen and Jon Sharp live in Lewes, Del. Jon received his doctorate from Dalhousie University in oceanography and was professor of oceanography at the University of Delaware until he retired two years ago. Gwen was head of the Delaware Dept. of Education Curriculum when she was diagnosed with a non-malignant tumor of the brain in 2009. After successful surgery, she and Jon have had to deal with her residual physical issues, but her spirit and intellect are uncompromised. They are active in their community and continue to travel. Their two children have produced four grandsons.

“Barbara and Paul Doxey continue to live in Mahwah, N.J. They are both active skiers and Paul continues to run competitively. Paul is currently serving as a Class of ’65 Officer. Paul remains our group’s resident Mr. Conservative.

“Bonnie and Frank Pratt live most of the year in Manhattan. Frank retired from Morgan Stanley in 2003 as managing director of their municipal bond practice. After receiving his MBA at Lehigh and serving as a lieutenant in Korea for the U.S. Army, he started his career in the New York financial sector. Frank and Bonnie are enjoying their first grandchild, who is almost two. Their daughter is the only one of our group’s children who attended Lehigh.

“Gretchen and Jim Ruhl live in Ballston Lake (near Saratoga), NY. Jim went on to get his doctorate in political science from New York State University and worked in Albany with the state government. He and Gretchen have traveled to many wild and exotic places (e.g. Morocco, Antarctica, Iceland and China). Jim loves anything and everything dealing with the outdoors: Fishing, hunting, hiking, biking. You name it, he has or is doing it.

“Irene and Ernie Heinberg live in Goshen, N.H. Ernie pledged with us in the winter of 1962. The next year, he left Lehigh when he received an appointment to West Point. He graduated first in his class in 1967, upon which the Army sent him to MIT for his master’s. He married Irene a month after graduating from the Point and started their family. After MIT he was sent to Vietnam. He was there during some of the most intense fighting. After separating from the military, Ernie spent his career first at Stone & Webster and then with several small technology firms. He attended our Lehigh 50th Reunion in 2015 and has reunited with the TX Class of ’65.

“Carla and Larry Peterson continue to live in Boylston, Mass., where they have resided for 37 years. After marrying in the summer of 1965, Larry earned his master’s and doctorate at the University of Pittsburgh in psychology. He went to work for the State of Massachusetts and rose to be the head of the Massachusetts Hospital for the Criminally Insane. After retiring, Larry has continued two passions: listening to good music and playing golf—until recently, when some leg issues have slowed down his golf game.”

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Fred Kanter sent in a newsy letter, so I will quote. “As I don’t want my next appearance in the Lehigh Bulletin to be my obit, I thought it best to write you ASAP. After five years in draft-deferred industries, I ‘retired’ at age 26 to follow my bliss in the antique car hobby by making my part-time business full-time. Partnering with my brother Dan (Columbia Physics –EE) we now have 60 employees supplying new parts for antique cars worldwide and we have fun every day.

“Our collection of cars numbered over 100, but due to inevitable passage of time we’ve cut it down to 40. Two cars with connections to Lehigh are a 1930 Packard Speedster roadster that I found next to Broughal Jr. High at the edge of campus that was owned by Paul Walter ’47. Original owner was Tommy Hitchcock, who F. Scott Fitzgerald used as a prototype for Tom Buchanan in ‘The Great Gatsby.’ Hitchcock perished in 1944 test flying a P-51 Mustang in England with a Rolls-Royce-designed, Packard-built 12-cylinder engine. James Packard was an LU 1884 ME.

“The second is a former Secret Service NYC parade car commissioned by Lee Iacocca ’45 while at Ford, which I was requested to drive Lee and his niece to Packer Memorial Church for her wedding. In chatting with Lee we discovered we had many IE professors in common.

“My three sons have provided me with great pride and seven grandchildren. A great life with no plans to retire; I already did that.”

Dave DeAngelo, who spent his career as an economist for PPL, the local electric company, has continued his support for the LU Student Chapter of the United States Association for Energy Economics. He reports that the chapter has been doing well, inviting energy professionals from around the country to address the students. Lehigh and the chapter sponsored a symposium in the spring titled “China’s Role in the Global Energy Landscape.” Annual events are planned. Dave was president of USAEE in 2000. He maintains a connection to Lehigh through the chapter, wrestling team and Class of ’66 activities.

Gary Lewis was a mechanical engineering major and stayed on at Lehigh for a master’s degree. He then earned a Ph.D. at Notre Dame, also in mech-e (heat transfer/fluid mechanics). He thought that his calling would be to the space program, but by the time he earned his Ph.D., man had already been to the moon and opportunities were disappearing. He proceeded to spend 11 years with two companies, E.I. du Pont (Kevlar fibers) and Johnson & Johnson (Ethicon). He transitioned his career into materials science and medical products. In 1986, he made the career decision to start his own company in the field of medical devices, and has been running ViaMed ever since. Gary enjoyed his Lehigh experiences, especially the brotherhood of Alpha Sigma Phi, and how it prepared him in a general sense to eventually lead and manage his own company.

On the personal side, Gary reports that he married his college sweetheart in 1967, but sadly they divorced eight years later. They had one daughter. In 1990, he married Mary Ellen, who has become the light of his life. They have one son. Mary Ellen, who was a second-grade teacher, is now retired and Gary hopes to be in the retired category real soon.

Remember to check our Facebook Page, “Lehigh University Centennial Class Reunion.” Jeff Gallagher will be happy to approve you for this closed group.

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Dear classmates, we enjoyed a lot of communication leading up to, and for a while after, our enjoyable and most successful 50th Reunion celebration. Well, I wrote about three weeks ago
asking for news. I received one or two replies, but I have lost or misplaced them. Those of you who replied to me, I apologize for not having your news available for this Bulletin issue. Please send your comments again after you read this and I will handle the news better for the next issue.

As for me, I had cervical spine surgery in late June. I was out of work for two-and-a-half weeks, and back to work for a week and a half, before going on a cruise to Alaska. The cruise was planned a few months before the surgery, which had not been planned at all, and was a surprise conclusion from doctor exams for other, but probably related, issues. The cruise weather could not have been better.

I hope the rest of you are doing, and feeling, well, and enjoying life. It’s the enjoying life I’d like to hear about for the next issue. You do not have to wait for my reminder. Please write anytime.

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

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Our 50th Reunion weekend was successful, topped by Professor Aronson’s keynote speech at the ’68 dinner. The speech was as much reminiscing for him as it was for the alumni. Little vignettes about his career were delivered with his famous humor.

A reunion book with submitted alumni entries was published, making my job easier since I can use the data for the next columns.

John Miller was given the prestigious Alumni Award, and Del Bloem was awarded the Eugene G. Grace Award for distinguished service and support of Lehigh.

Dick Buffinton is a retired producer/director with ABC Sports. He traveled the world covering many sporting events and was fortunate to have been awarded 14 Emmys. He credits the academics and sports (varsity swimming) as having prepared him well for life after Lehigh. He is enjoying his grandkids, golf, traveling and performing volunteer work.

Dan Di Maria received an M.S. and Ph.D from Lehigh in physics. He then joined IBM as a research staff member and manager. Since leaving IBM, he has become a professional artist.

David Smith completed a 22-year career at Bell Laboratories as a distinguished member of the technical staff. He has been granted 56 U.S. patents and 80 international patents. Upon retirement, he joined the FBI and was awarded the Director of National Intelligence S&T Fellowship. He tutors for high school student and prison programs. He is working on advanced communication systems with Bell Labs and working at the FBI on criminal and national intelligence advanced technology.

Stay healthy.

Steve Walter writes that he never had much of a desire to write about his life after Lehigh, but for some great reason he got the urge to check in after receiving the latest Bulletin—a true model for all!!

After graduation, Steve did six years of military service with New Jersey Army Reserve, National Guard. He married his Cedar Crest College sweetheart, Donna Schaeffer. Steve started night school after active duty, got an M.S. in engineering science from Newark College of Engineering and then an MBA from Rider College.

Steve spent 33 years in the plastics industry doing product development, technical service and sales. Donna and Steve retired in 2003 in order to enjoy two daughters, two grandchil-
tion from a very capable fellow freshman for the first game at University of Pennsylvania. Unfortunately the first play resulted in a breakaway. I managed to defend with a goal kick, but in the process injured my right ankle and as a result was out for the season. Not easy being a freshman on crutches at South Mountain.

“Anyhow, the following fall I got a very unexpected telephone call from varsity coach Bill Christian. See I did not try out for the team my sophomore year, did not seem like they needed me. He asked if I still wanted to play. I met him ASAP at the Saucon Valley field.

“Obviously a bit confused, I arrived and saw the coach on the field with a few balls. He had me stop a few easy shots. I admit to being more than a bit rusty.

“But after a few stops, I was told by Coach Christian to report to the equipment manager. Still clueless as to what was going on I did as told, was given a complete goalie uniform and told to try it on. I found the team, but was as much a stranger there as before, as this was the varsity team with only a handful of previous freshman players.

“One fellow I recognized basically pulled me out to the field and deposited me in the goal for kickoff. I recall playing very well and on each goal kick being introduced to a few more of my new teammates, to the total amusement of the opposition.

“I had been informed that the varsity goalie had separated both shoulders in a preseason game at Muhlenberg, and the freshman goalie had a serious case of mono and was out for the season. Apparently according to the judgment of Coach Christian, I was a better pick than the backup third string.

“This part of the story may be pure fiction, but I recall as though it happened yesterday. I was sitting against the track fence waiting for the third overtime which of course never came, thankfully. In my fanciful memory of the situation, I understood that to become an All-American, you first had to become all-MAC. To do that, opposing coaches were allowed one nomination of an opposing player after each game. If you acquired a sufficient number of those nominations you were all-MAC. LOL. So I recall Coach Christian standing near me chatting with the opposing coach, who had decided to nominate me as that game’s MAC pick. Go figure. When asked for my name Coach Christian replied, ‘I have no idea.’

“I played varsity the rest of that year and all of 1967. Two years was enough, so my freshman co-goalie got his chance in the fall of 1968 and, as expected, did very well.

“I graduated in 1969 with a BSEE. In 1973, I got my J.D. in law from Georgetown. I had the privilege to clerk for a chief federal district judge in Delaware, Judge Latchum, for two years and then ended up at this little patent law firm in Washington, D.C., which went on to become one of the largest and one of the most famous in the world. I ended up with a corner office, until they finally figured out I really didn’t know what I was doing and politely gave me the boot about five years ago.

“Two years ago, I did what I had wanted to do my entire life—I transitioned from the male gender role to the female gender role and I am now legally Jenelle Michelle Romary (jenell@me.com). I suppose that might make me the very first ‘female’ undergraduate of Lehigh University, and most certainly the first ‘woman’ to play Lehigh varsity soccer. As a side note, I use these terms advisedly since I fully realize I could never be either a ‘female’ or a ‘woman’ as those terms are currently defined in the English language; a woman being a female human and a female being a biological organism designed to give birth. You can take a lot of hormones and go through a lot of surgery but a human born male cannot give birth, sorry. But luckily we can, when necessary to stay alive, convert into the female gender role and be considered a female transgendered woman, as I have done.”

“So thanks to Jenelle, our class is officially co-ed! Are there other transgender members of our class?

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From Gene Dykes (gene.dykes@verizon.net): “My circuitous journey: I went to grad school, then Cornell Ph.D. ’78 (biochemistry), after two years drafted into Vietnam and Japan. As post-doc, I loved my career of computer programming until retirement six years ago. I met my wife while a post-doc, we married in 1982, raised two beautiful daughters and moved to Philly in 1993, where we reside. My wife, Olivia, is a Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania econ professor. While on Lehigh’s track team, I was blown off the track in one- to two-mile events, so I had the longstanding belief I was, at best, a mediocre runner. At age 58, I tried running again, and learned I was pretty good at distances. I now run 30 to 40 races a year, from 5Ks to 200-milers. My marathon times have improved, and this April I ran a 2:57:43, a world record for age 70. Having a blast with my newfound running career. In July, I began a new career as grandfather, expected to be even more rewarding. Looking forward to our 50th reunion!”

From Bill Hamilton (william.hamilton@mac.com): “I have a neat gig coming up this fall: teaching a course on legal electronic discovery at Southeast University law school in Nanjing, China.”

Reggie Jennings (rallenjen-nings@gmail.com) follows up on prior notes: “I’ve been given the opportunity to continue what we started in fall ’69 with the creation of the Organization for the Enhancement of Afroam-

ty—now the Black Student Union. My role as Lehigh’s co-executive chair of BALANCE (Black and Latino Alumni Network) has afforded me a platform for re-engagement. I attended graduation this year, where more minority grads were honored than the total of all minorities at Lehigh in 1970. For those who have not returned recently, Lehigh’s physical transformation is mindboggling (then 100 acres to over 1500 with a modern performing arts center, athletic facilities, all-you-can-eat student buffet in Rathbone (I’d have played at far more than 240), and Mountaintop Campus, a world unto itself.”

From Mike Kaszyski (kaszyski@verizon.net): “We had a whirlwind July. Took grandkids to Ocean City, Md., week of the fourth; left for Greece on the 10th for 12 days; went to see ‘Frozen’ on Broadway on the 25th and headed to Boston for two Phillies-Red Sox games on the 29th. Otherwise turned 70 on the 22nd.”

From Michael Shapiro (shapwork@aol.com): “I retired from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency after 37 years. I’ve worked and managed across an array of the agency’s programs, including toxic chemicals, air pollution, solid and hazardous waste, Superfund, clean water and drinking water. Most recent-ly, I was the highest-level career employee in the Office of Water, and acted as office head from the beginning of the current administra-tion until my retirement. It’s been an enormously rewarding public service career with the privilege of working on a number of highly successful programs to improve the environment and protect public health. I’m looking forward to pursuing a number of retirement interests and, for now,
continuing to live in Arlington, Va."

David Thaler (dsthaler@dsthaler.com) writes: “Much to my amazement, I was awarded the prize as the top consulting engineer in the country by the National Society of Professional Engineers conference. Who wudda thunk it? Also my friend from the Marching 97, Scot Cragle ‘72, retired from PPL at 50 and has been skiing and surfing ever since."

Personal note: My son, Geoff Diehl ‘92, is favored to win his September GOP primary in former Camelot Country (Mass.) for the right to challenge for the U.S. Senate seat of the notorious Elizabeth Warren. Yes, the tension is rising.

71 Sam Dugan. 143 Pinecrest Lane, Lansdale, PA 19446. (215) 368-1895 (H), (215) 680-9719 (M); srdugan@comcast.net Last April, I attended the 13th Hershey’s Mill luncheon co-hosted by our own Eric Flicker, a resident at Hershey’s Mill in West Chester, Pa. Other classmates in attendance, to hear an update from University President John Simon on Lehigh’s plans and direction for the future, were Gerry Berger and Steve Ogaard. This proved to be a very interesting gathering, and I plan to be at the next semi-annual event.

From there, it was on to Sagro Bistro in Hellertown to participate in a dinner with students from the Class of 2021 coordinated by ASA (Association of Student Alumni). ASA works closely with the Office of Development and Alumni Relations to connect current students to the larger Lehigh family. We are the first class to participate in this program. Gerry Berger, Eric Flicker, Gene Lucadamo, Jim Dall and Jim Lichtenwalner represented the Class of 1971 in meeting with eight members of the Class of 2021. We’re all looking forward to doing this again.

Since I have not heard from any classmates to provide information for this column, I’ve decided to write about classmates named Joe. “Why Joe?” you might ask. I ran into Dr. Joe Kesseler during a recent visit to my eye doctor. Joe confirmed the rumor that he was planning to retire at the end of the year. Joe graduated with a degree in chemical engineering, worked in a research capacity at Armstrong Industries and then decided that was not for him. Ophthalmology was his true calling, and the rest is history. I suspect Joe might wonder why he didn’t retire sooner.

Joe Alex is the founder and president of Alex Color Company in Ashland, Pa. Joe founded the company in 1977 after having worked at several companies engaged in the pigments and dyes industry. Alex Color manufactures aqueous pigment dispersions for a wide variety of industries.

Dr. Joe Bacak is an internist at St. Luke’s Hospital and at St. Luke’s Internal Medicine in Bethlehem. He did his residency at Hahnemann University Hospital in Philadelphia after graduating from what is now the Drexel University College of Medicine.

Joe Watkins is a director and founding member (2008) of ZoomEssence, Inc., a powdered custom flavor manufacturer and producer with facilities in Hebron, Ky., and Sayreville, N.J. Joe is also the co-owner of Hagelin and Company, a division of Frutarom USA since 1972. Hagelin is a producer of flavors, flavor systems and market products for the food and beverage industry.

Joe Roth, another chem-e graduate, took early retirement from J&J in 2004. He spent the next year working as a consultant for a J&J subsidiary on the south-east coast of Puerto Rico. He and his wife, Carole, both fell in love with the island and have been spending the month of February there for years. You can snorkel and scuba dive in Rochester, N.Y., in February, but you can in Puerto Rico. Joe keeps in contact with Pi Lambda Phi fraternity brothers John Althouse, Barker Hamill, Rich Rickenbach, Pete Blau and Brian Harle.

Joe Fedock is an engineer at AT&T Labs in Middletown, N.J. AT&T Labs is the research and development division of AT&T. Much of its research is in areas traditionally associated with networks and systems. With this in mind, it was interesting to read that Joe is the contact person for a 21-member AT&T Middletown Amateur Radio Club. The club is part of ARRL (The American Radio Relay League). ARRL was founded in 1914 and is the national association for Amateur Radio. A far cry from the work being done at the labs.

72 Charles S. “Chuck” Steele, 2680 Flint Hill Road, Coopersburg, PA 18036. (610) 737-2156 (M); chuck.steele@alum.lehigh.edu Last October, Glenn M. Hirsch, M.D., informed me: “In December, I will do a bicycle ride from Phoenix to the Santa Monica Pier via San Diego. In so doing, I will have completed a circuit by bike around the country that started with a cross country ride in 2000. I am trying to get some publicity for it, and hope you might place a blurb in our class column the next time it is possible for you to do so. I have been riding since 2009 for the benefit of a charity that my sister-in-law and her husband started after their oldest son, Ian, died of leukemia in 2006. He was only 11 years old. We call our efforts, which have only been possible with the help of my wife, Lynn, I CARE I CURE I CYCLE. So far, we have raised nearly $60,000. There is a blog that Lynn manages that has documented the rides, beginning in 2009 from Key West and ultimately to Canada along the East Coast Greenway. The year 2014 took us from Seattle to San Francisco. After that, it was New Orleans to St. Augustine in 2015, and in 2016 from Phoenix to New Orleans. The address is I CARE I CURE I CYCLE.blogspot.com. It has a link to a donation page for anyone who might be interested in supporting our efforts. I figure there cannot be many Lehigh alumni who have done this.

“Otherwise, I have been doing quite fine. We now have five grandsons ranging in age from 18 months to 11 years. I probably have one more year in me until I retire from family medicine completely, but since July I have gone to a part-time schedule, which is working out well from my perspective.”

We featured Glenn in our health care professionals series last year. His practice in family medicine is located in Marietta, Ga.

After I left some loose ends, Robert H. Coad, Jr., Ed.D., sent me a copy of the press release announcing his 2013 retirement as executive director of the ARIN IU (Armstrong-Indiana Counties Intermediate Unit). I had remembered correctly that he was an administrator of the Carbon-Lehigh IU—for nine years—but was unaware that he then moved to ARIN to become assistant executive director. He held that position for thirteen years, and was then selected to four-year terms as ARIN executive director. Bob served on the boards of the Armstrong County Chamber of Commerce and the United Way of Indiana County. He was also president of the Pennsylvania Association of Intermediate Units and of the Southwest Pennsylvania Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development. Bob received his master’s degree in clinical psychology from the University of Hartford, and a doctorate in special education from Lehigh. As a licensed psychologist, he plans to continue to do disaster mental health work as an American Red Cross volunteer and instructor. His first disaster assignment was the crash of United Flight 93 on
Do you remember our freshman “Smoker” in Grace Hall in September of 1968? We wore our obligatory dinks as we were welcomed to the Lehigh Family, adopted by the Class of 1922. Hard to believe today, we were provided with corn cob pipes, lettered “LEHIGH Class of 1972” and a pouch of Sir Walter Raleigh pipe tobacco. Encouraged to “light ‘em up,” we filled the Snake Pit with smoke. Perhaps harder to believe, that was fifty years ago, gentlemen, and now it’s our turn to adopt the incoming Class of 2022! The date is set for August 25, almost a month after I must submit this column, but well before you receive it in your mailboxes. Expect details about that experience in the next issue.

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If you were unable to participate in our 45th Class Reunion this past June, you missed a great time! I confess this was my first Reunion Weekend, and I now realize how much I’ve been missing over the years! Thanks to the Lehigh staff and the Reunion Committee, activities were organized down to the last detail.

My personal highlights were: Friday night’s Parade Rehearsal Party, where we “mastered” Celeste Varricchio’s choreography of our Sgt. Pepper’s Lonely Hearts Club Band parade theme; Saturday’s Historic Parade of Classes; the Alumni Vow Renewal in Packer Memorial Church, where 18 couples renewed their wedding vows. (Thank you, Dr. Lloyd Steffen, for a memorable service!); and Saturday’s Class of ’73 Dinner where Lehigh Athletic Director Joe Sterrett ’76 spoke, and Class President Bernie Suess was honored as a recipient of the Lehigh Alumni Award.

Thanks go out to the following Reunion Committee members for their dedication and efforts that ensured the success of our 45th Reunion: Celeste Varricchio, Jim Duane, Bernie Suess, John Dittmeier, Bruce Smith, Ed Morton, David Morrison, Bob Abadessa and, especially to, Robert Hoerner, who was inadvertently left off the committee list in my last column.

On behalf of the Reunion Committee, I invite every member of the Class of ’73 to mark your calendar now, and make a commitment to return to Lehigh for our 50th Class Reunion on June 8-11, 2023!

In other class news, John Loper, environmental consultant and president of the Loper Group, reports he lives in Houston with his wife, the former Lorraine Dudley. They were married at Packer Memorial Chapel on December 29, 1973, and have twin sons and five grandchildren, aged four to 13 years. After Lehigh, John received an M.S. in chemical engineering from the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies, now part of Marshall University. John is an Astros and Texans fan, and wants everyone to know his family has survived four tropical storms and hurricanes, stating “we still love our Gulf Coast...and God Bless Texas!” When asked if he had plans to retire, John replied, “Not until they put the last nail in my coffin.”

My former roommate, Robert Luber, wrote that he has been living in Florida for the past 29 years where he had a family practice in Coral Springs. Since 2011, Dr. Luber has been a primary care physician at the Veterans Administration in Fort Myers. After Lehigh, Robert received his D.O. from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. Prior to moving to Florida, he was in family practice for 11 years in Allentown. Robert and Shelah Beth have been married for 44 years. They have three children and seven grandchildren. Robert
states that while he visited Israel late last year, most of his future travel plans will revolve around seeing his grandkids in New Jersey and Atlanta.

**John Kreider** has just completed 31 years at Ocean engineering International, Inc., where he is senior vice president of advanced technologies. After Lehigh, John received his M.S. in ocean engineering from MIT and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. John has responsibility for five divisions of the company doing robotics work undersea, in space, for theme parks and for industrial applications. He lives in Sykesville, Md., with Bobbin, his wife of 43 years. They have two sons and four grandchildren. John is currently chairman of the Ocean Exploration Advisory Board, a federal advisory board to the NOAA Administrator. John recently traveled to Africa where he went on safari, did some fly fishing and had the opportunity to see mountain gorillas.

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David Fleming sent me a great letter not long ago, and it was long enough to stretch the Bulletin’s length restrictions. So I’ll get out of the way and let David take over.

“Well, after many, many years of telling myself to make time to report to Bill White about my life and times since graduating as a chem-e, I am finally doing it.

“First of all, shame on me for having only been back to campus two times since graduating. The first time was in 1975 to talk to a class about my first year experiences in industry, and the second was in 2014 for our 40th Reunion. I had forgotten how incredibly stunning the campus is. I was quite awestruck. And having reconnected with long-ago classmates, I came up later that year for the Yankee Stadium Lehigh-Lafayette game.

“The three years I lived on campus I was at Drinker and McConn. Classmates I stayed the most connected with—which was not extensively—have been my best classmate friend, Dave Appel, and the wonderfully persistent Gus Gustafson, chasing me for class gift help.

“Wayne Grant did a great job getting me to agree to fly up from my home in Houston to join the reunion. And since then, Wayne and Lee Heller (aka Jungles) and many others have kept me on the distribution list for emails involving class get-togethers.

“Since settling down in Houston, it has been fun to reconnect with fellow classmate and chem-e Joe McAdams, who also lives in Houston. He and I were on the same flight from Europe years ago and he noticed me. As I walked down the center aisle, I heard, ‘Fleming, is that you?’ which seemed like it was coming from above. But I knew it was not my Maker speaking to me.

“I joined Exxon right out of school, and in spite of myself—including trying to leave twice during my career but being pulled back with more attractive assignment offers—I hung on and retired from ExxonMobil in December 2013, with 39-plus years of incredibly interesting and satisfying service.

“The primary emphasis of my career involved various aspects of advanced computer control of (mostly) refinery operations. About half my time was with global central engineering support, and the rest with engineering and supervisory roles as staff member in Exxon manufacturing locations. I have lived in South America, the Caribbean and Europe for work assignments, and had shorter work stints in several other countries.

“This coming October I will have been married 40 years to my one and only spouse. Three kids, with three spouses, have produced four grandchildren so far, ages 16, 9, 6 and 1.

“Since retiring, I have experimented with some volunteer activities, including 15 months running a food pantry. For the last three years I’ve mentored high school kids identified in our school district as being at-risk of not graduating. I started playing drums in a commercial class rock band, and I am in my 17th year as guitarist in our church’s contemporary Christian rock band.

“I taught myself to play guitar during my sophomore years at Lehigh. My roommate, Dave Appel, suffered months of sometimes having to listen to my playing (and singing) in our dorm room. Looking back, I had no idea that my singing was even worse than my guitar playing.

“The years at Lehigh were rich with challenge, hard work, fun and great friends. So many wonderful times to think back on. I still think back fondly on having participated in the mass streaking events that occurred over the course of that one special week at Lehigh. Honestly, the hot chocolate the coeds served was the best-tasting hot chocolate ever. I remember thinking, ‘Wow, what a great school this is!’”

**Save the date for Reunion 2019:**
June 6-9, 2019

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Heard from two of our distinguished, adventurous classmates:

**Gene Connell** describes his life after Lehigh by citing from a Chinese cookie fortune he found many years ago: “Your life becomes more of an adventure.” Since Gene “retired” in 2011 after years in the insurance industry, he has served as a consultant, a deputy secretary in the Pennsylvania Department of Labor, an angel investor, an advocate and mentor for local start-up businesses, a CEO of a start-up, on various boards (including his former employer Erie Indemnity Company) and as a tree farmer. Gene and his wife, Anne, will achieve 40 years of marriage this year. Their shared passions include hiking, ballroom dancing, travel and meeting interesting people. They have two grown children (no spouses or grandchildren yet) who help keep them young. Gene gratefully acknowledges the role of Lehigh “for preparing me for this adventure.” Gene wishes all of our class members the best.

**Phil Kline** is one of the hardest workers I know. Now living in Tinton Falls, N.J., Phil has been practicing obstetrics and gynecology in the Edison/Woodbridge, N.J., area since 1986. Phil is the president of the New Jersey OBGYN Society and first vice president of the Medical Society of New Jersey. Can you imagine how many women he has helped and babies he has brought into this world? Both of Phil’s sons graduated from Lehigh: Eric graduated in 2009 with a degree in industrial engineering, and Andrew graduated in 2012 with an accounting major and is a CPA in Manhattan. Phil has been a long-time season ticket holder to Lehigh football games and visits Lehigh often.

Yours truly recently attended a wonderful indoor picnic at the home of Mark Lieberman ’79 and his wife, Debbie, in the Emmaus area, for wrestlers from the 1970s. (The older I get, the better I wrestled.) Very glad to spend time with my old teammates Marty Lynn, Jeff Duke and Mike Lieberman. We were especially happy to see Terry DeStito, who many of us had not seen since we graduated. We exchanged stories of adventures from our glory days on the wrestling team, and more serious ones since we left Lehigh. Our beloved coach, Thad Turner ’61, and his wife, Janet, attended as well. Looking back, it amazes me how Coach was so deftly able to manage us knuckleheads into a cohesive team when we were at Lehigh.

We all are now approaching or have entered the 65 and older
catch up with old friends. Many thanks to the Reunion Committee: Marsha (Marson) Moller, Glenn Riggin, Greg Scott and Marcie Pevner-Spanitz. Thanks also to Bob Nahigian for sending me updates on several classmates he caught up with. Congratulations to John Papazian, who was recognized as our Alumni Association Award winner for his work as an adviser to Phi Delta Theta. John retired from Colgate-Palmotiv this year and lives in New Jersey with his wife, Carol.

George Pritchard recently retired as a geologist working on oil exploration and exploration agreements for Texaco. As of the reunion he and his wife, Connie, were still living in Houston but were considering relocating north to escape the heat.

Bill Penrod lives in Pittsburgh and is doing college recruiting for his job. He has no plans to retire, since he has a son and two daughters to put through college.

Ernie Dianastasis owns a software company outside of Philadelphia that’s involved with security systems at large companies. He and his wife, Jen, also own a home on the Jersey Shore.

Royal Hedgus was formerly an engineer at Worcester Polytechnic Institute and is now a consultant for them. He lives in Hopkinton, Mass.

Besides sending me information about other classmates, Bob Nahigian reported on a new success in his commercial real estate career. Just after our reunion, over four years of work by Bob and a colleague culminated in the relocation of JC Cannistraro, LLC, and 200 industrial jobs, from locations around New England, to a renovated Art Deco building in the Boston Seaport. Bob researched over 100 sites and then negotiated a 70-year lease on the Seaport site. Boston Mayor Marty Walsh was one of 400 guests at the grand opening ceremony.

Bob Reed emailed me before the reunion. He reports that after graduation, he spent a year in Cornell, N.Y., and a year in Reading, Pa., then was transferred to Chicago, where he met his wife, Mary, and spent the rest of his career in a variety of finance and technology jobs. About three years ago they decided to flee Illinois weather, and taxes, and retired to Knoxville, Tenn. They live right on the Tennessee River with their two golden retrievers. Bob is still playing the saxophone semi-professionally in several local bands and has been a fixture at the Reunionfest for quite a few years, playing in the Alumni Jazz Band.

I’d love to hear from more of you. I’ve been reminded that the Alumni Association “wants to keep the column space filled with info about diverse classmate and university news.” You can contact me by email, snail mail or Facebook. In addition, you can reach me via the Class of 1978 Facebook group created by this year’s Reunion Committee: https://www.facebook.com/groups/Lehigh1978/.

Lance M. Bell, 952 River Run Dr., Macedonia, OH 44056-2369. (216) 219-3729 (mobile); lanceb344@gmail.com I retired from Nestlé on July 27 after 11 years of service, but retirement only lasted a weekend for me. On July 30, I joined ProcessPlus as a project manager, working out of their Berea, Ohio office. ProcessPlus is a mid-sized engineering firm (www.plus-groups.com) headquartered in Cincinnati. I’m looking forward to leveraging my food industry experience to develop solutions for clients. I’m also excited about expanding my knowledge and skills to serve other industries as well. I needed a new gig after successfully executing major improvements to a conveying system in the Nestlé Cleveland factory. Since there were no matching internal positions available in the local area, it was time to retire and move on to a second act. Contact information above has been updated with my new mobile number.

Lee Ann Lusardi Conner joined Wainscot Media as executive editor. Lee creates custom print and interactive digital content for a group of healthcare magazines. She develops content strategies as well as manages teams and projects, specializing in engaging communication that both speaks to the reader and meets the objectives of the client.

Michele MacDonald is the owner of Full Stride Communications. She lives in Lexington, Ky., and is an international writer, photographer and bloodstock agent covering the world of Thoroughbred racing. Her photographs are stunningly beautiful.

Mark June 7-9, 2019 on your calendar for our 40th Reunion. I’d love to see a great turnout and will be circulating to hear your stories for this column. I know you’ll enjoy a fantastic weekend catching up with friends and making new friends. Stay tuned for details about registration and events. And of course, don’t wait until the reunion to contact me if you’ve got news to share. Save the date for Reunion 2019: June 6-9, 2019.
George, are taking the whole retirement thing quite seriously. They moved to a golf community in Williamsburg, Va.

Frank Burnette is living in Pittsburgh, Pa., still acting as a fiduciary pension consultant for Morrison Fiduciary Advisors serving municipal and union pension funds. Frank and his wife, Pam, successfully launched two kids and are now learning how to adjust to having free time.

Mark Rittmayer and his son, Jonathan, are busy in Hong Kong with Blockchain and Crypto, along with the ICO.

Scott Peck wants to let all of us know that the Fiji Brothers may have lost their house on campus, but their bond is stronger than ever. At Fiji, their life motto is “not for college days alone.” In early May, their rendezvous point was the Mohonk House in New Paltz, N.Y., for a couple of weekend of outdoor activities, eating, plenty of drinking and entertainment by the world-famous Cousin Brucie.

In the house were Ken “Random” Alley from Colorado, Dave “Guersh” Del Guercio from Richmond, Va., Dave “Beardo” Beard, Ray Trevisan, Mike “Mick” Connor and Scott Peck, all from New Jersey. Joining them was Brother Ken Colangelo ’79. Guersh pontificated endlessly about his Lehigh experiences, while Beardo cut a rug in the dance hall, front porch and dining room.

In July, a send-off party for Ted Haase was held in Morristown, N.J. Ted and his new wife moved to the Greenville, S.C., area to enjoy their retirement on a lake. Call Ted if you’re in the area and they will be glad to host you for the weekend. Attending the festivities were Mike Dugan, Jeff Eggert, Rick Manning, Mike Connor, Ray Trevisan and Scott Peck.

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John P. Belardo, 152 Berkeley Circle, Basking Ridge, N.J. 07920. (973) 425-8755 (B); jpbelardolehigh82@gmail.com. On Facebook, like “Lehigh University Class of 1982.”

From Steve Gardner of Phi Kappa Theta: “Oh well, here is my data dump in reverse chronological order. Speaking of Michael Osterman, he was an awesome host at his place in Aspen to fellow Phi Kaps Doug Detwiler, Herb Gretz and I last winter for an epic long weekend of tree skiing. This past winter, Dennis Keough ’81 hosted his class: Steve Worden, Gerry Sova, Andy Church and Kevin Witmer along with ’82ers Tibor (Pete) Varga and myself at Mt. Snow. Last ski-related news, we met at our annual trip at Solitude Mountain in Utah with Dave Cautilli, Tibor and Dennis Keough. Lastly, I am just getting back from dinner in Manhattan with fellow Phi Kap ’82ers Scott Weller, Andy Stewart, Tibor Varga and Dave Cautilli. All are doing great and leading exciting active lives, although no marathons completed by any of us. All (except for Scott still enjoying the single life) are married with (mostly) adult kids.”

Thomas Natan has lived in the D.C. area for almost 25 years now. Tom was a chemical engineer. After graduate school, Tom moved to D.C. and started doing environmental work, first for a consulting firm and then for an advocacy organization. Tom notes it was a fun challenge, making scientific information more understandable and helping to use it to craft messages.

Tom met environmental workers from all over the world—including a woman-based in Paris, married to a man with a vineyard in Provence. Getting to try the wines made from his grapes made Tom and his now-husband, Cy, decide to start a wine importing business, which they launched in 2007. First Vine (firstvine.com) brings wines over from France, Spain and Italy, and Tom and Cy retail them online (shipping almost all over the U.S.), in addition to selling to a few local wine shops.

Tom states it is a great business to be in—basically there aren’t many unhappy people in the wine business (unlike environmental advocacy). And the trips are really something! It has also given Tom the opportunity to pursue wine and food writing, through his Vine Art blog. Tom is toying with the idea of a cookbook since he has been blogging recipes for nearly a decade now. Tom has been doing occasional tastings for the local D.C. Lehigh alumni club, which has been interesting.

Although Tom didn’t connect with anyone he remembered from the Class of ’82, he did see William Kuhl Jr.’66. Bill worked for Procter and Gamble in Cincinnati for decades and recruited Tom to work there his senior year. At first Tom didn’t realize it was the same person since Tom only knew him from Cincinnati, but Bill and his wife moved to the D.C. area a couple of years ago to be near their daughter and grandchildren.

Who showed up at my law firm last week (not a criminal matter, don’t worry) but Richard Rogers of ATO ’80 and Raymond Trev-isan ’80 of Fiji. Ray is executive managing director for Cushman and Wakefield in Morristown, having enjoyed a long and storied practice as a lawyer here in N.J. Ray sends his finest regards to my fraternity brother, Leonard Weitzman ’80, a retired lawyer in Marina Del Ray, Calif. Ray and Len shared legendary winter ski road trips to Colby-Sawyer College in N.H. in Len’s blue 1964 Plymouth Fury. Deference to this column’s highest standards, and further, that decorum prohibits me from listing them here, combined with a tightly crafted non-disclosure agreement, prevents me from disclosing any further details on either the exploits of those trips or the other Lehigh male individuals or acts involved.

Rick Rogers was with Prudential, lives in my hometown of Basking Ridge, N.J., with spouse Patricia and four children, Jack, Max, Ryan and Alexander (three of whom are triplets). Rick is retired and volunteering his time and efforts for a charitable school organization in Jersey City.

Speaking of ATO, I’d like to
hearing from all the guys in ’82 I used to hang and drink with on the Hill. You know who you are. In particular, I take time to remember from ATO our much too early deceased classmate, **Douglas Alan Smith**, from Westport, Conn. “Duke,” to those who knew him well, was an architecture major, social chairman, rugby player, a raconteur and bon vivant of the highest order. Many a late night I spent with, stumbled or bumped into Duke on the Hill for a beer or to bum an occasional Marlboro Light. Here’s to you, old friend.

Email me. I need your news!

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Happy Fall…Class of ’83! We had a great 35th Reunion. I hope those who attended had a fun time. Before I share info on our reunion, here is some news I received from fellow classmates.

**Don George** writes: “I was very honored to be elected to the CPCU Society’s Leadership Council, starting Jan. 1, 2019 for a three-year term. CPCU Society is a nationwide property and casualty insurance professional society that promotes ‘excellence through ethical behavior and continuing education’ among 20,000 insurance professionals. During the day, I still put my Lehigh foreign careers degree to work in international insurance as vice president casualty and professional liability underwriting at Royal & SunAlliance Insurance Agency in New York City.”

**Vivian (Hanes) Moore** writes: “I regret that I can’t be at the reunion with our class. I’m directing dance recital weekend for my studio! I thought I’d send in a little report about how Lehigh prepared me for life.

“At Lehigh, when I studied metallurgy and materials science, they called me the ‘Dancing Met’ because I was always dancing and doing theater with Mustard and Cheese. Jennifer Miller ’82 and I created the Lehigh Balletoman Society so more students could take dance classes and do shows. I worked in international sales for 10 years after graduation, I continued to dance, do shows, commercials. After I had my kids, I started teaching dance and Zumba! Now, I’m director of a dance studio in northern Virginia!”

“I feel like the problem-solving, public speaking and business skills I learned at Lehigh and in my early career have all come together to aid me in my current job. Who would have guessed!”

“I’ve been married to Bill Monroe (U of R) for 27 years. Our son, Ross, graduated from Virginia Tech as a sound engineer. Our daughter, Georgia, is a junior commercial dance major at Pace University.

“I hope the reunion weekend is a blast! I’ll probably have dance recital duty for the next few reunion weekends. So, I’ll plan to attend reunion as soon as I retire!!! Have fun!”

35th Reunion Weekend: Yes, Vivian, reunion was a blast! The picture from our class dinner at Rathbone is included in the Bulletin. I will try my best to mention the attendees, either by living group or event, in this column. I apologize if I left you out.

Congratulations to the Alumni Award winner, **Kira (Cauwels) Mendez**. Her husband, **Steve Mendoza**, celebrated with her.

From Stoughton: **Lisa Anderman, Carol (Adamcek) Ellis, Louisa Boetius, Mary Frances (Donley) Forcier, Janet and Pete Hilaris, Dan Hukower, Alex Gotthelf, Larry Jones, Kendra Jones, Kristina Kwalik, Cheryl (Miller) Scarzello, Peter Pietrucha, Kimberly (Van Hoesen) Hinkle, Toby Zellers and Geoff Ziegler.**


From Chi Psi: **Chip Bayer** and Paula (Thoden) Bayer ’84, Kelly and **Paul Camuti, Ron Carr** and **Sue (McClain) Carr, Peter Connolly, Mike Sheehan** and Jennifer (Kay) Sheehan ’85.

From Dravo A4: **My roommate, Sandy Denton, and Tricia Saydah.**

At the soiree and parade: **Jacqueline Ballester, Karen (Smith) Bigelow, Ben Cooper, Allysa (Scott) Gatti, Debbie Harmon, Karen (Otto) Johnson and Richard Johnson, Karen Koch, Deb and Bill Massa, Jill (Rosenfeld) Marcus, Terry Saris and Brad Parkes, Karen Lindquist Randall and Kevin Randall, Karen Shihadeh Schaufel, Jennifer (Peoples) Stegers and Maris Stegers, Karen (Stein) DiVerdi, Bob and Dianne (Goetz) Yamin, and Jill and Dave Vannarell.

At the class dinner: Robert and **LuAnn (McCracken) Fletcher, Laura (Hartigan) Giles and Walter Giles, Chris Herdt, Sean McMahon, and Amy and Gregg Novek.**

More details from attendees will be in the next column.

Enjoy your fall and winter and please send me your news. Please remember that you can always email me (nancyliulehigh83@gmail.com) with any news, and I will include it in the column.

I will be attending football games in the fall and invite you to tailgate with me and my husband, Scott, in the reserved lot. Hope to see you there.

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**Save the date for Reunion 2019: June 6-9, 2019**

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I saw in the news that our classmate **Craig Benson** was named to the Lehigh Board of Trustees, so I tracked him down to see what he has been up to leading up to this new role. After graduating Lehigh, Craig went to graduate school in engineering at the University of Texas in Austin, where he met his wife, Karen, who was also a student there. At the time of our conversation, I had just returned from visiting my son, Matthew, in Austin so it was fun chatting about life there.

Post-Austin, Craig moved to Madison, Wis., where he eventually ran both the civil and environmental engineering and geological engineering departments and also served as director of sustainability research and education at the University of Wisconsin. Craig then moved on to his current position as dean of engineering at the University of Virginia. How did I not know that a classmate of ours was dean of engineering at UVA?

Craig’s energy and enthusiasm for this new trustee post really came through. He seems excited to do fundraising and strategy and is focused on the student experience (especially important to me as the parent of a current student). Craig and Karen have one son who is a professor of computer science at Cornell University, and they love Ithaca so much that they are looking to buy a place and spend more time there.

**Julie Anderson Rakestraw** is completing her 28th year with DuPont. She has worked on mergers and divestitures of several businesses over the years and is working on the current spin to three companies, which will occur in mid-2019. Her two children have both graduated from the University of Michigan. Her daughter is now in medical school and her son is working in New York. Julie and her husband, Scott, have enjoyed traveling, including a recent hiking trip to Colorado, and are headed to Italy. Julie attended the Memorial Day wedding of Catherine Clinton ’88 to Jim Keenan in Philadelphia, Pa. Marina (Longenecker) Quintana ’88 with husband **Greg**
Quintana, Karen (Thompson) Plenn ’87, and many other AOPIs enjoyed celebrating at the Kimmel Center.

Last year, Julie met up with fellow AOPI Katherine (Wenzke) Moomjian to watch Trish Schryver complete the Boston Marathon. Katherine is working for Intel and lives outside of Boston. Trish has lived in Florida since soon after graduation from Lehigh and has worked in technical sales for several companies.

I heard from Paul Murray, whom I've known since elementary school, that he is retiring from the pharmaceutical industry. He worked for 33 years in project management for Sandor and Merck, building everything from vaccine factories to wastewater treatment plants. His new passion is emergency management. For the time being he is continuing as an EMT and officer for his local rescue squad, and he can see wanting to grow this to positions at a county, state or federal level. He and his wife, Julie, also fly rescue puppies from South Carolina to New Jersey and foster them until they find their permanent homes.

I can attest that Paul posts fun and engaging updates on this process on Facebook.

Mike and I traveled back to Lehigh in June for his 35th Reunion. We marched in the parade of classes, saw lots of folks from the class of ’83, including my sorority sister Jacqueline Ballester, (who made the trip from Puerto Rico), and experienced the awesome hospitality of Ron and SueEllen (McClain) Carr, both ’83. Having been through the reunion process twice now in two years, my advice is for one person in your living group to get an email or text thread going to get people to go back. It really works! Staying in the same hotel together is a big plus, and there are many new options in the area. Every little bit of extra time you get together, whether at breakfast or driving back and forth to events on campus, is fun. Oh, and bringing yearbooks and photos if you have them. They are fun to go through with friends and can help you remember people.

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“Wah-wah. You’ve given me a wah-wah. And I’m thinking of you. And all the things that we used to do. Wah-wah (George Harrison).”

“They knew that they found freedom just across the Jersey line (Traveling Wilburys)” is a partial theme to this edition’s column, as is “Fly like an eagle (scout), let my spirit carry me” (Steve Miller Band).”

“Could I, could I ask for more? Feel like sugar on the floor (Etta James).” Not to burst anyone’s balloon, “But life is just a party, and parties weren’t meant to last (Prince).” After 20 years, Mark Davis is leaving Party City and New Jersey to relocate to Deerfield Beach, Fla., taking a position as the COO and CFO of fast-growing specialty-candy retail chain, It’s Sugar.

“Wrap it up, I’ll take it (Fabulous Thunderbirds).” Judi (Lannin) Panagakos wrapped up 31 and a half years at JP Morgan Chase and is now with Early Stage Careers. Husband, Foti Panagakos, took a position at West Virginia University Dental School, and so, the Panagakos have left New Jersey for Morgantown, W.V. Their youngest son, Miko, is headed to RIT and just made Eagle Scout (so at least someone can read a compass and guide Judi and Foti southbound!).

“I want to ride my bicycle, bicycle, bicycle (Queen).” Gary Pan led a crew of Scouts across America this past summer: Eagle Scouts Cycling Across America 2018—Seattle, Wash., to Washington, D.C.; over 4,000 miles in two months. Gary describes it as an epic journey visiting great monuments, fantastic cities and “(shiny) happy people (holding hands) across the land (R.E.M.).” More at www.esca2018.info or #esca2018.

Anne Rutledge-Oswald gleefully shares that her niece, Carly Rutledge (parents Lisi (Moody) ’88 and Jeff Rutledge ’88) is a Lehigh frog, recruited for her all-star swimming talents. Just as gleeful (but less sober) news: Sue Lustig, Judy (Hanauer) Spring and Suzanne Schulman gathered on the Connecticut shoreline for beach, sunset cocktails, seafood, nostalgia, laughs (and likely, more sunset cocktails). Sara (daughter of Judy and Dave Spring) graduated from Lehigh this past spring (no pun intended, despite that it’s “in character” for me).

Alf Kennedy is the chair of pediatric trauma for the Geisinger Health System in Danville, Pa. Alf is particularly proud of being both a member of the Class of ’86, and not a graduate of either the school of engineering or business, but of arts and sciences…and making a living!

And now, another episode of “How the (Taylor Hall One) West Was Won!” My frosh hallmate, Derek de Bastos (Fabulous Thunderbirds).” as his son, Ricky, is an Air Force Academy frosh (I guess I was not surprised to catch up with fellow Kappa Alpha alums Steve Reale ’85, Brian O’Connell ’85, Rob Weistuch ’85 and David Yockel ’85, whom I had not seen in many years.

Phil has been married since 2004 after living in Manhattan Beach, Calif., and NYC. He has a 9-year-old son who likes biking, chasing butterflies, bowling, video games and TV. Phil is a VP of finance for a private equity investment firm in Manhattan.

Peter Scott updated me on his 2017 nuptials in New York City. Peter was married last year and had a reception at The University Club in New York, where he is a member. Peter married Lisa Bainbridge, originally from Toronto, Ontario, Canada. He resides in Greenwich, Conn., and they have three 17-year-olds, Peter’s twins and Lisa’s son. There were 13 Kappa Sigmas at the reception including: David Ager, Pat Kilgallon, Mike Annett ’86, Rick Van Benchoten, Bob Mueller ’88, Bill Orfanon ’86, Lance Kulick ’88, Rebecca (Shapiro) Sendel ’86 and Scott Sendel ’85 are a mile (wide, not high) away. Derek’s fellow Sigma Phi Epsilon frat, Brian Whitney, lives a couple of miles (wide, not high, but opposite Rebecca) away.

“Happy trails to you, until we meet again. Happy trails to you, keep smilin’ until then (Roy Rogers and Dale Evans).”
Eric Ashbridge, Steve Rubich, Mark Talucci ’86, Ed Kehoe, Bob Bruso and Sean Havey. Additionally, Jon Laufer and Joe Kender were at the wedding. Great 1987 attendance!

In September 2016 Peter founded an investment banking firm, Headwall Partners; headwallpartners.com.

All three of Peter’s kids are competitive swimmers. Congrats to Peter, wish you the best.

Here is the usual plea to please send info and updates about you and your families. Everyone loves to know who will be attending Lehigh next year and whether there will be any little ’87 alums in the next class. Keep us posted!

’88

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How much fun was reunion?!

A big shout out to the entire committee (Karen Kornheiser Farber, Jamie (Sorcher) Pitzer, Jillian (Spitalnik) Winoker, Griff Welton, Gioia (Ligos) Macey, Ken D’Andrea, Sharon Siegel Voelzke, Jim Stone, Heidi (Lynn) Cohen, Brian Jalazo and Bruce Alperin) for a great weekend of events, laughs, reconnecting with classmates, dancing, reminiscing and, well, just having FUN! And the best part was I got to just be a guest….and loved it.

Now, I just need to find a few of you to write this column….Any takers?? Seriously, the reunion was great. Jamie might be the best parade marshal yet, and I’ve never seen anyone happier to win a Lehigh trophy. Jerry Butz and Jim made excellent Donald Trumps and somewhat appropriate to have him back with our class for the reunion. There are some great new spots in South Bethlehem—so it was fun to check out new places. Tony and the Goose still do not disappoint (Turkey Gander, of course!). We’ve forgiven Jim Bowman and Tracy (McCord) Bowman for skipping it, as it’s rumored they’ve volunteered to organize the 35th!

I hope everyone enjoyed the rest of what I refer to as the long, hot summer. I saw that Sharon, Robin (Shatto) Labiak and Stacey Seiden Siegel vacation with their families together doing a backroads hiking trip through Italy. The pictures looked amazing and everyone seemed to be having a great time. While Sharon was away, Fred and Lisa Kahn-Garber and their kids, Mason and Samantha, sat the Voelzke’s dog, Vera, while vacationing in LBI.

Jim Doss, I believe, has relocated to the left coast, as has Tracy Scarlato. Both seem to be finding life better out West and I’ve enjoyed following along on Facebook. Griff and his wife are returning to the U.S. after several years in London. Being back on the East Coast will certainly make it easier for Griff to get up to Lehigh as well as to NOLA for Jazz Fest.

In an interesting turn of events, I am working with Buzz and Laney (Croker) Chace’s daughter, Hailey, at a DIY craft studio in Red Bank. The world keeps getting smaller!

And even more interesting would be the fact that I got married to Dante Marino in August. Bill Wilson did a fabulous job, per usual, on our photographs and Linda (Bellantoni) Venezia was kind enough to vouch for us at the town hall so we could get a marriage certificate.

Congratulations to Jeff Bo- sland on becoming Lehigh’s newest trustee. Jeff’s son, Andrew, is a member of the freshman class. The Class of 1988 certainly has a growing number of kids on campus. Cannot wait for the parents’ weekend (Nov. 10) tailgate.

Glenn Comisac ’89 and Sheri (Bevan) Comisac’s daughter, Morgan ’19, spent seven weeks this summer interning in India as part of the Iacocca International Internship program at Lehigh. Sheri got to visit, and it looks like both had an amazing adventure.

I was fortunate to hear President Simon speak during reunion weekend about Lehigh’s new capital campaign and growth as a university. It was an interesting hour, and I learned about a lot of programs Lehigh has in place like this internship opportunity. Stay tuned for more about all of the great stuff going on when the campaign kicks off in late October.

‘89

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Chris Hoffmann, Brian Briggs, Tim McWilliams ’90 and Michael Mott ’90 got together in May in Danville, Calif., at Chris’s house for their annual golf trip (named “Big Dog” after John McCluskey, their former Lehigh soccer coach). This will be the 17th year for the annual golf trip!

This year they planned to play two vineyard courses and Chris’s home course. The golf is not good (some might say bad), but the trip each year allows them to see each other, reminisce and get to know each other’s families.

Chris and his wife, Kelly, have two boys: Tommy (23), who is a graduate of Muhlenberg College and currently works for Workday; and Jimmy (21), who is a senior mechanical engineering major at Lafayette. Chris runs an international legal and business function for Robert Half and Protiviti.

Brian and his wife, Jennie, have three children: David (19), who is also a freshman at Bucknell (David and Tim Briggs did not meet until they started school at Bucknell); Kelly (18), who is a high school senior and plans to attend the University of Colorado Denver in the fall; and Briseyda (14), who is an eighth grader. Timmy is an entrepreneur who invests primarily in real estate in the Boulder area (Tim assures Chris that he is not a slumlord).

Michael and his wife, Laurie, have three girls: Madeline (19), who is a sophomore at Santa Clara University; Hallie (18), who is headed to Washington State University in the fall; and Kennedy (16), who is a sophomore in high school. Mike works for Amazon as a product and operations executive. Mike denies being responsible for Alexa laughing at its users.

Congratulations to Jill (Seibert) Schelling, whose son, Tommy, is a freshman and playing lacrosse for Lehigh and to Michelle (Grossman) Coleman, whose daughter, Hannah, will call Lehigh her home for the next four years.

If I forgot anyone, it’s because you didn’t share your good news with me. I caught up with Rob Kossar. He is vice chairman and head of northeast industrial markets for JLL in New York City. He recently gathered with his ATO brothers in NYC when Ramon Augustines was visiting from his home far away in Manila, Philippines.

Lisa Ann Peterson is living in Brecknock Township near Reading, Pa. She is doing life cycle assessment modeling for corporate sustainability assessments, ISO 14001 objectives, and product/process environmental impact comparisons.

In between consulting jobs, I am also continuing research in life cycle assessment and life cycle costing. On a personal note, this was my 15th year participating in the Pan Mass Challenge, a cycling event to benefit the...
1. 1987: Kappa Sigma brothers gathered to celebrate Peter Scott’s wedding. Left to right: David Agger, Pat Kilgallion, Mike Annett ’86, Rick Van Benschoten, Bob Mueller ’88, Bill Orfanon ’86, Lance Kulick ’88, Eric Ashbridge, Steve Rubich, Mark Talucci ’86, Ed Kehoe, Bob Brusco and Sean Havey. 2. 1983: The Class of 1983 posed for a group photo during Reunion 2018. 3. 1970: David Thaler, right, was awarded the prize as the top consulting engineer in the country by the National Society of Professional Engineers conference. 4. 1959: Class correspondents John Canova, left, and Bob Teufel met up in Boulder, Colo. 5. 1998: The civil engineering majors in the Class of 1998 gathered during the picnic on Saturday of Reunion weekend. 6. 2009: Andrew Scharkss participated in the Adopt a Meerkat Program from the World Animal Foundation.
Dana Farber Cancer Institute in Boston, Mass. My sister, Melissa Gitlin Jacoby ’92, lost her husband to cancer, and just about 20 years later our foundation has given close to $7 million to the doctors and scientists at Dana Farber to find a cure to this insane disease. Let me use this opportunity to thank so many of my Lehigh family for your support and encouragement. It means the world to me! If you want to learn more about my story, you can visit profile.pmc.org/JD0201.

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‘90

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Lisa Bronstein-Torres and husband Morgan live in northern New Jersey with their awesome hiking partner, Badger, a hound-mix rescue dog.

Since leaving South Mountain, Lisa has earned two master’s degrees (one in teaching and one in educational leadership) and is currently working toward a doctoral degree in educational leadership K-12 with the goal of becoming a school superintendent. She has been in education for 24 years, starting her career teaching high school history then becoming a school administrator. Currently Lisa is the department supervisor of ELA and social studies at River Dell Regional HS in Bergen County, with responsibility for instructional supervision, budgeting and curriculum development, among other things. She recently celebrated Morgan’s promotion to lieutenant in the Jersey City Police Department.

Missy (Katz) Kreinces continues to live in Long Island with her husband of 26 years, Matt. Matt attended the University of Maryland but they first “met” at Lehigh when Missy watched him out her Trembley Park window trying to drive up the hill during a huge snowstorm. Gravity won, and he kept sliding right back down Broadhead Avenue. That’s when she knew!

Their oldest daughter, Lauren, is a junior at the University of New Hampshire while sister Pam is in her senior year of high school.

For the past 21 years Missy has been running her marketing and promotions company, Promotion Pipeline, from her home office. Clients have included the Hain Celestial Group (maker of natural and organic foods, including Earth’s Best Baby Food and Terra Chips) as well as AMC, thanks to Lehigh connection Dina (Alcure) White ’89.

Missy returned to Lehigh for the first time in years last January to help the Office of Career and Professional Development conduct mock interviews with students. She was amazed at how the campus had developed and the impressive amount of majors now available in the business school. However, some things never change...like meeting Jamie Lynch for drinks once the work was done!

Michael Poscover hit two milestones in 2018, celebrating his 25th wedding anniversary with wife Randi, as well as turning 50 with a European cruise. While in the Barcelona airport they ran into Wendy (Suter) Branche traveling on business and who happens to share the same birthday as Michael. The two met the first night at Lehigh during the freshman mixer, proving once again what a small Lehigh world this is.

Michael’s oldest child, Rebekah, is a senior at Indiana University and will have a teaching degree with a math emphasis, while son Jacob is a sophomore at University of Kansas. Zachary is starting his last year of high school and just spent most of the summer with 90 friends in Poland and Israel.

The Poscovers calls St. Louis home where for the past 16 years he has been a senior project manager at Staples Promotional Products, handling branded merchandise for large companies.

From Michael Kirkpatrick’s home in Pennsauken, Pa., he has a clear view of the world. Between 1998 and 2010 Michael made seven trips to Uganda during which he developed friendships with a diverse range of Ugandans. One common element of these visits was his exposure to respected creative people. The artists he met were the inspiration for “Uganda Sings,” a collaboration involving several of the most talented musicians in the country. The 10-song album commemorates the golden anniversary of Uganda’s independence.

Michael was recently named president of Inzu Records that was founded by international award-winning singer-songwriter and producer Tshila. They are working together in her upcoming album “World in Crisis” that will include a remake of the 1986 Grammy Award-winning “The Way It Is” by Bruce Hornsby. Michael writes that she brilliantly styles the song for the current political climate and social justice movements taking place in Uganda.

He is also featured in the documentary film “A Brilliant Genocide” created by Australian filmmaker Ebony Butler. The film shows how a genocide has been perpetuated by an African dictator who has endeared himself to western governments and corporate interests.

‘91

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Shalom, Class of 1991. I’m writing from my new home in Tel Aviv, where my family and I have moved for the year (or more). I’m anxiously awaiting the arrival of Susan Lanter Blank, who will be here with her family for an end-of-summer vacation. I welcome any and all visitors to this amazing city!

Thank you so much, Lee Freedman, for sending me an update: “I recently joined Facebook as in-house counsel running its legal investigations group. My wife, Dana Chaiton, and I also jumped back into the parenthood game in October 2016. Calla is almost 2 years old and is well cared for by her 9-year-old big brother, Jonny.” Congratulations on the job and the baby!!

I haven’t received many updates this quarter! Please email me—I would love to hear from any and all of you. Wouldn’t you love to see your name in lights?

‘92

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Hello all, it’s been a good summer. I am just back from a trip with my son to Cooperstown Dreams Park for a week-long baseball tournament. I appreciate that my fraternity brother, Jack Sandler, drove up from New Jersey with his daughter to catch a few of the games. On the way home, we stopped in Elsysburg, Pa., to visit another fraternity brother, Rick Knoebel, and had a fantastic time at his family’s amusement park, Knoebels Amusement Resort!

Tyler Tomlinson states that he and his wife, Sarah, have a full house in Doylestown, Pa. They are blessed with three sons and two daughters. Tyler coaches his children’s soccer, baseball and basketball teams.

Shawn Masterson reports that his legal firm just celebrated its fifth year in practice. He is the managing partner and focuses on real estate law and family law. He lives in Rehoboth, Mass., with his three children. Entering their senior year in high school, his twin daughters are contemplating going to Lehigh.

Maria (Stabile) Monaco and her husband, Steven, live on Long Island with their two boys. She was in the Delta Zeta Alpha pledge class and earned a B.S. in business and economics with
a major in accounting. Maria became a CPA immediately and has been working for Deloitte since graduation and is currently a managing director in their audit and assurance practice, specializing in investment management such as private equity, hedge funds and employee benefit plans. Maria and her husband have leadership positions in Cub Scouts where their younger son is still active; their older son bridged to Boy Scouts last year.

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Matthew Sullivan. Matt and Stephanie Walkup are one of those long-lasting relationships that started at LU! Stephanie completed her Ph.D. in structural engineering at Villanova this spring and has accepted a faculty position there starting this fall. After getting her master’s in engineering at Lehigh and spending over a decade in industry as an engineering consultant, Stephanie taught as an adjunct professor at Widener for several years and then went back to Villanova. She is excited to start in her new role. They live with their three children (Addie, 12, Ainsley, 10, and Tyler, 7).

Matt is a partner at Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, an environmental law firm, where he’s been since graduating from law school in 2006. He is also on the Board of Commissioners for Nether Providence Township and is currently serving as the president of that board.

Congrats on the new role, Stephanie, and thanks for the info, Matt!

 Again, please send any updates my way!

Cheers!

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It was great to see so many of you at our 20th Reunion on June 8-9, 2018 on campus. Here is a short highlight of the reunion events. Friday afternoon started off with a Hawktoberfest outside the Alumni Memorial Building with a German band and plenty of Oktoberfest food and drinks. Later that evening, we were all back outside the Zoellner Arts Center for Soiree under the Stars. At this event, there was a band playing under the tent with backyard games and carnival vendors.

Saturday morning featured the Parade of Classes where 16 of us and our families participated. It was great to see some of the older classes participate as well, including the Class of 1958 (celebrating their 60th Reunion) who all wore white shirts and dressed like Axa Packer. At the end of the parade, we all got to stand in front of the judges as the Alumni Band played Frank Sinatra’s “My Way,” celebrating the singer who passed away in 1998. A picnic was held on the UC Lawn after the parade. In the afternoon, some of us participated in a renewal of wedding vows held in Packer Memorial Church, heard President Simon give an address about Lehigh’s plans for the future and participated in a dialogue about the history of religion on campus followed by a short memorial service of those alumni that passed away last year.

The highlight of the weekend was our class dinner, which was held in the Global Commons of newly renovated Williams Hall. There were 65 of us in attendance at this dinner, which included drinks, buffet and plenty of catching up with old friends. Jeff Pegley was recognized as our class Alumni Award recipient and a check was presented from our class to the Alumni Office in the amount of $330,042, the total of how much our class has donated in the past five years. At the dinner, attendees got to hear about the Mountaintop Initiative from Khanjani Mehta, vice provost for creative inquiry and director of the Mountaintop Initiative. After the conclusion of dinner, our classmates that passed away since graduation were remembered with their names placed on a plaque for display. Following the dinner, we all enjoyed Dessert en Blanc under the stars on the patio outside the University Center. Over the weekend, we had a total of 67 alumni attend, with just under 100 total, including their families.

I would like to thank the planning committee of Eric Kolasa, Stacy Imler, Jamie (Lieberman) Jacobs, Brad Mauro and Jeff Pegley, as well as the Lehigh staff for helping to plan this wonderful reunion. We look forward to seeing all of you celebrate our 25th in five years!

Dave Roberts writes that he and his wife live in Indianapolis with their two children and he works for the state as the chief innovation officer, interfacing with the university system and corporate economic development.

Mark Oslor writes that he recently left his role as associate vice president and national practice leader for Coastal Science and Engineering with Michael Baker International, to accept a role within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s (NOAA) National Ocean Service (NOS), at NOAA headquarters in Silver Spring, Md. Mark will serve in the role of senior advisor for coastal inundation and resilience, working across NOS and NOAA, other federal agencies, and with the political community to provide national-level leadership to advance coastal inundation science and the ability of decision-makers to prepare for and respond to changes affecting coastal communities. Mark and Maureen (Holden) Oslor ’97 and their sons Jay (10) and Andrew (12) continue to reside in Alexandria, Va.

Benjamin Walmer writes that he and his wife, Rana Quinn-Walmer, celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on Aug. 8 at Musikfest in Bethlehem.

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Hello, Class of 1999!

Though it may seem hard to believe and I personally have no idea how this is even remotely possible—it is time to start thinking about and planning for our 20th Reunion!! We will celebrate this amazing milestone at Reunion Weekend from June 6-9, 2019. I am hoping to see many of you there, and can’t wait to catch up!

If you are interested in volunteering to help make this event a great success for our wonderful class, please contact Stephanie Fisher, associate director of class affinity with Lehigh’s Alumni Relations department, at saf517@lehigh.edu.

In the meantime, if you have any news you’d like to share with our Lehigh family, please reach out to me.

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Greetings, fellow Class of 2002 alumni, hope you’re doing well since my last update! I have news from several of our ‘02 friends, so let me get right to it!

Tina (Randazzo) Sekula recently joined JMT (Johnson, Mirimaran, & Thompson) to start their natural resources group in the Raleigh, N.C., office. She lives in Wake Forest, N.C., with her husband, Pete, and their two daughters, Mia (6) and Eva (5).

Lauren (Farrell) Alkidas recently celebrated 15 years with Arcadis working as an environmental consultant. Her husband, Mike Alkidas, is working for Tenneco Inc., an automotive supplier. They love living in Ann Arbor, Mich., and are kept very busy with their three young children, who are 7, 4 and 2!

Pooja (Jaiswal) Purewal

Hello, Class of 2002!
and Mike Purewal celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary this past May and live in N.J. with their three children, ages 4, 3 and 1.

Michelle (Judd) Rittler recently relocated back to her home state of Connecticut from the Lehigh Valley with her husband, Steve Rittler ’99, and their two children, Caroline (3) and Jonathan (1). She started her new position as advancement associate at Rumsey Hall School in Washington in July. Prior to joining the staff at Rumsey Hall, Michelle was the development officer at the Allentown Art Museum in Allentown, Pa.

Finally, Kimberly Gryn Moffat and her husband, Kevin, welcomed a baby boy, George Andrew, on April 16. They currently reside in the Lehigh Valley, as Kimberly is an anesthesiologist working at Geisinger Wyoming Valley.

That’s all I have for this issue, but 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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Happy autumn, ’03ers! I hope fall is finding you well.

It was an amazing experience to celebrate our 15th Reunion on campus this summer! If you missed it, you really missed out on some great reconnecting, food, dancing and fun!

Still on a reunion high, I’m using this column to plead for more updates. Wouldn’t you like to see your name and news here, in lights?!

Email me your promotions, baby announcements, amazing accomplishments or even just a hello, so I can share it with our class.

Not sure if your news is newsworthy? Send it anyway! Chances are it something we can celebrate with you.

So that’s my appeal. I hope my inbox will be flooded with updates the next time around that I can share in our next column. Take care until next, Safiya

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Concetta (Pesotini) Eudicone and Greg Eudicone announce the birth of their son, Oscar Paul. Oscar arrived on April 9 at 6:34 a.m., weighing 9 pounds, 8 ounces and measuring in at 22 inches long. Big brother Leo is very proud and loves showing Oscar how to get around in New York (in a stroller).

Amy Trooskin and Andrew Levy welcomed their son, Wesley Nathan, on June 15. The entire family is doing great.

Jordan Wyatt hopes to defend his dissertation before year’s end. He is seeking to earn a Ph.D. in behavior, cognition, and neuroscience from American University. He is home in New Jersey and looks forward to reconnecting with fellow alumni at Lehigh. He can be reached at JordanRothWyatt@gmail.com, Go Lehigh!

Frank Falcone was promoted to partner at Kennedys CMK. Since Lehigh he has gained extensive experience litigating complex insurance coverage and commercial disputes in state and federal courts across the country.

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The other day, Google Photo popped up with a memory from Ruth (Solomon) Moskowitz’s bachelorette party nine years ago. While my first thought was that we used to be such baby faces, my next thought was that we met in freshman seminar 17 years ago.

The friends we made freshman year have now been our friends for half our lives! That said, don’t you think it’s time to update us on what you’ve been up to in this second half of your lives? From the wild to the mundane, what are you doing these days?

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Hello members of the Class of 2009! I hope that everyone had an enjoyable summer and is settling into the cooler fall weather! Thanks to everyone who supplied updates for the column, and with further ado here are some of the wonderful things that the Class of 2009 has been up to.

On a personal note, I wanted to share that myself and my wife, Krista (Belick) Buckheit ’11, ‘12G, welcomed a healthy baby boy, Bryce Christopher Buckheit, on June 29, 2018. Additionally, I was nominated to serve as a Lehigh alumni trustee, starting in July of 2018, and am looking forward to serving the Lehigh community in my new role.

Congratulations to Andrew Katz, who married Francine Beth Lieberman (University of Maryland, Class of 2011) on April 28, 2018 at the Maplewood Country Club in Maplewood, N.J.

Jim Paolino ’09, ’10G recently got engaged to Sarah Quinn, Dickinson ’09, who grew up in the Lehigh Valley. Jim and Sarah live in New York City and will be getting married this spring, Sarah’s father is also a member of the Lehigh family (Bradley Quinn ’87G).

Also, congratulations to Sarah Laskey, who will be getting married on Nov. 10, 2018 to Jason Lehman in Scottsdale, Ariz. Congratulations to Alan Abele and his wife, who are expecting a baby in November.

Congratulations to Sam Kestenbaum, who is a “multi-instrumentalist songwriter, producer, and musician,” and earlier this year put together the band Sammy & The Cosmos with fellow alumni Andrew Daniels ’10, Brandon Sherman ’10 and Jason Ackerman. They recently recorded and produced their debut EP, “Beyond the Sun,” which will be released on all streaming platforms in the fall of 2018.

Jason Greenstone shared the following update: “Andrew Scharkss from Chi Phi participated in the Adopt a Meerkat Program for the World Animal Foundation while visiting Africa.” Very cool program, and not an update you get too frequently.

Special congratulations to Paige Malinowski who was nominated for this year’s inau-
gural “40 Under 40 in Cancer” Awards! The awards reception was held in Chicago back in June. The award, created by The Lynx Group and McGivney Global Advisors, highlights and celebrates the contributions that individuals under the age of 40 are making to improve the lives of those affected by cancer.

**Anthony Baker** took part in an interview back in March that highlighted his entry into General Motors. The article highlighted the three-part podcast that can be accessed on GM’s website.

**Sarah Bess Rowen** received her Ph.D. in theatre and performance at The Graduate Center of the City University of New York. Her dissertation analyzed stage directions (the italicized portions of plays), specifically in terms of how actors can engage with these unspoken portions of their parts. She is looking forward to being closer to Lehigh as she begins her new position as a visiting assistant professor of theatre at Villanova University.

Finally, on May 19, the following members of the Class of 2009 ran the Brooklyn Half Marathon in support of the Chordoma Foundation. **Steven Mandel**, **Greg Ostrofsky**, **James McBratney**, **Morgan Biancamano**, **Veronica Vros**, **Amanda Hemmerly Bossort**, **Justin Remsen**, **Matt Press**, and **Matthew Berger**. They were joined by other Lehigh alums of various class years: Will Shlosh ’07, Jaelyn Weisman ’10, Ally (Purie) Parks ’11, Ross Parks ’11, Elisa (Pennetti) McBratney ’10 and Kristen (Mason) Smith ’10.

That’s all the updates I have for this column, and as always feel free to submit updates to **Lehigh Class2009@gmail.com**.

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**‘10**

**Nick Anderson**, Nick.Anderson@alum.lehigh.edu

Well, it appears to be a fairly busy 2018 for us all! Welcoming new members to the Lehigh family, **Andrew Horgan** and wife, Christine, had a baby boy, Vance, in November.

And as tends to be the case in summer months—we have a lot of weddings to announce! **Tim Young** married Sara Galloway in Kimberton, Pa., back in April. In two full Lehigh 2010 weddings, **Joe Dow** and **Jess Gehl** were married in May, and in June, **Erica Adams** and **Andrew Sloane** were also married! One of my good bros, **Jeffery Zelin**, and his wife, Meredith, were married in June. **Kevin Ford** married Katie Graul ’09 in August.

Soon to be married... **Arielle Siegel Lapp** was recently engaged to Maxell Weiss. And **Danielle Gallo** and Pete Hutchinson ’09 got engaged in April 2018 and will marry in June 2019.

Professionally speaking, **Lauren (Horwath) Daniels** is now a development manager with Aegis Property Group. **Adriana (Brizuela) Gildesperger** recently completed her MBA at Georgetown University and has since moved to Philadelphia, where she and her husband bought a house. **Thomas Duffy** passed the Pennsylvania bar exam and is now serving as a general counsel at a tech company in Pittsburgh, Pa.

In something a little different, **Anais Conception** has been working on the podcast “Literary Roadhouse” for the last three years. Recently she has supported launching “Literary Roadhouse Kids” and is expanding her personal business to offer podcast production services to others who would like to start podcasts! Reach out to her if you’re interested.

Finally, **Morgan (Molnar) Lehmann** and **Alex Lehmann** just bought a house in Redwood City, Calif. And following suit, in some personal news—I, **Nick Anderson**, recently became a homeowner as well, buying a condo in downtown D.C.!

As always, I love to hear from everyone. Please keep the updates coming!

**‘11**

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Hello, Class of 2011! It was 11 years ago, in our teens, that we began our Lehigh journey together, and many of us have begun to turn 30 this year. Time is definitely flying, but our class has put their 20s to good use and have started promising careers, started to build families and been traveling the world. Here are some of the updates from our class:

**Anthony Sigona** is a supply chain commodity manager at BAE Systems and a licensed real estate agent, and he just bought a second house on Long Island.

**Rachel Udasin** married Matt Schwartz on July 7, 2018. They recently moved to Phoenix, Ariz.

**Michelle Sibley** married fellow Lehigh graduate Matthew Freiman ’09 on Aug. 18 in South Salem, NY.

**Valerie Estela** married Andrew Pro ’10 on Sept. 1. Since they met at Lehigh they decided to tie the knot back on Lehigh’s campus at the Packer Chapel and continued the celebrations with a reception in Iacocca Hall.

**Alexandra Viscozi** just bought her first house in Wallingford, Pa.

**Latoya Joseph** got engaged in December 2017 and will be married in November 2018.

**Shaili Desai** married Sagar Kadakia from GWU ’11 on May 11. They had a beautiful ceremony at the Oheka Castle in Long Island, NY.

As always, remember that you can submit your updates at any time to sridevi211@gmail.com. Also make sure that you are a member of the official Lehigh Class of 2011 Facebook group to stay up-to-date and in touch with our 2011 classmates.

**‘12**

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Happy fall, everyone! We only have a few updates for this Bulletin.

**Ashleigh (Cameron) Milllette** and her husband moved out to Los Angeles where they will become world-famous celebrities... I mean, where Ashleigh started a new role in finance at 72andSunny. We can’t wait to visit!

In July, **Kelsey Udén-Berglund** and her husband welcomed a beautiful baby girl, Kaylie. Congratulations Kels! Our class president **Alexander J. Gromadzki** (after graduating from Lehigh with a chemical engineering degree) completed his MBA and graduated from the London Business School in July. In his free time, he helped start up an incubator, traveled through India and Southeast Asia and worked at the Balderton: “the best venture capital firm in Europe.” Way to go Alex!

Please let me know about any other Class of 2012 news—we love to hear your life updates!

**‘13**

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Hi all! For those who I did not get the opportunity to meet during our time at Lehigh, my name is Bea Dizon, and I am your new class correspondent! Can you believe it’s been five years since we graduated? I’m sure a lot has happened, both big and small, to you since our last run-in at Leon’s (RIP). I’m looking forward to continuing the tradition of keeping everyone in the loop on each other’s lives; however, I can’t do that without your help!

A little about me: I’m currently living in Manhattan and working in finance, mainly doing financial projections and analysis for a digital media company. I love to spend my weekends either traveling or going to SoulCycle/Rumble. If I’m not doing any of the above, I’m doing freelance work for a food blog called the Infatuation. I can be reached through email (beadizon@gmail.com), call/text (203-524-4659), and social
working for Owens Corning as an advanced scientist. Colette DiLauro passed the professional engineering exam and is now a licensed professional civil engineer with a depth in transportation. Emma Lind was promoted to manager at EY within the financial services strategy team. Morgan Gallagher was promoted to underwriter and Dallas Gage was promoted to account engineer, both at FM Global.

Congratulations to everyone on their accomplishments! Looking forward to hearing your updates and please feel free to reach out to me throughout the year.

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Hello, Class of 2014!

It’s hard to believe that we have officially been graduated from Lehigh longer than we were at school for our undergraduate studies. This time next year we will have celebrated our five-year reunion. The Reunion 2019 is scheduled for June 6-9, 2019, so start thinking now about planning a trip back to Lehigh!

Ariella Scales is now working in Raleigh, N.C., as the weekday morning meteorologist for Spectrum News. Ariella has previously worked as a broadcast meteorologist in Laredo, Texas, and Savannah, Ga. She is excited about being closer to home and hoping she can make it back to Lehigh for a football game soon! Although, she was recently back on campus....

In April, Professor Ben Felzer invited Ariella to return to Lehigh and speak to his students about how Lehigh prepared her for her current career. She visited the earth and environmental science department to speak to the Intro to Weather and Climate class. Ariella was an EES major, mass communication minor, and also did a semester of research with Professor Felzer while at Lehigh.

Congratulations to James Bowen on receiving his doctor of medicine degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. James was Pitt Med’s 2018 class president and received the Edward J. Curtis, M.D. Leadership and Service Award for his contributions to the student executive council. Additionally, he was chosen to be part of the Watson Humanism Society, which recognizes students who are exemplars of compassionate patient care and who serve as role models, mentors and leaders in medicine. Dr. Bowen is in residency in pediatrics at The Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh!

Please feel free to continue to send me updates any time at michaelronan214@gmail.com. As a reminder, all of the class columns will also be available in the PDF Bulletins at the following link: lehigh.edu/news/publications/bulletin/backissues.

Thanks!

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It has been a busy last few months for the Class of 2015 with new jobs and life updates. Rachel Mayer started a new job last fall at YuiDesign, where she works directly with world-renowned chefs designing high-end restaurant kitchens in cities on the East Coast and resorts in the Caribbean. This job allows her to fully use her IDEAS degree in design and engineering and combine it with her passion for food to create efficient and beautiful work spaces. She relocated from Brooklyn to Washington, D.C., for this new position.

Until last December, Raven Monique Gaddy lived in Paris, where she received her master’s degree in international affairs from American University of Paris and worked at the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) directorate for education and skills. She will be moving to Madagascar this fall as a Peace Corps education volunteer, where she will be until 2020. She still finds time to volunteer for Lehigh, as she is currently serving as communications chair of Lehigh’s Black and Latino Alumni Network for Community and Equity (BALANCE).

Kelsey Yevak recently got promoted to product manager of Watson for patient safety. It is a new platform that transforms the way adverse events are processed by pharma companies to regulatory authorities using AI technology. Her daily work puts her at the intersection of development, design, sales and marketing, working cross-functionally to bring the product to market. She also has been engaged with Lehigh, as she attended President Simon’s breakfast in Boston a few months back and was amazed at how much change is going on at Lehigh right now, and enjoyed hearing about all of the campus updates!

Lauren Purdom and Lauren (Walker) Daitzman are also celebrating new jobs: Lauren Purdom is at Coordinated Health as a process and product design engineer and Lauren Daitzman is at W.L. Gore in the PSD division. She also bought a house with her husband and fellow ’15er, Robbie Daitzman, in Kennett Square.

Taylor Wise is working on her doctorate degree at the University of Denver and is celebrating publishing an article in The Journal of Clinical Sport Psychology titled “Programs on a Diet? An Examination of Athletic Departments’ Eating Disorder Policies at NCAA Division I Universities.”
Hi everyone! My name is Rachel Sholder ‘16’17G, and I am super excited to be one of the class correspondents for the Class of 2016. Please feel free to send updates throughout the year to rachelsholder@gmail.com and kelseymleck@gmail.com to be featured. After graduating last year, I backpacked Europe with Devon Gallagher, whose pictures went viral (Google them, they’re cool) before moving to Baltimore, Md., to work at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab (APL). I do different types of modeling and analysis for NASA space missions, including some work on the upcoming Europa missions. APL built, managed and now operates NASA’s Parker Solar Probe mission that launched this past August and is now on its way to “touch” the sun! I also recently started my first term as a member of Lehigh’s Young Alumni Council.

Evan (Boyle) Pines-Boyle is also celebrating, as he and Elizabeth (Pines) Pines-Boyle ’16 recently got married!

Also, Alex Stephanou and Liz Hutnikoff continued their hiking trip tradition and climbed to the summit of Half Dome in Yosemite National Park in July.

Finally, these last few months have been filled with a lot of change for me as well, as I graduated with my master of arts in higher and postsecondary education from Teachers College, Columbia University in May, moved to Florida at the end of June, and started my new role as an associate director of fraternity and sorority life at Florida State in the beginning of July. While I am no longer in the tristate area, I am excited to be able to come back to campus for Lehigh-Lafayette in November.

There have been a couple Class of 2016 weddings in the past few months. Kendall (Wilkins) Austin ’16, ’17G and Todd Austin were married on Aug. 4 in Minneapolis, Minn. Todd and Kendall met during their freshman year at Lehigh as members of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. They were surrounded by their Lehigh family to celebrate their wedding.

Andrea Rodriguez Lebron ’15 (an early graduate of the Class of 2016) and Neal Cousino ’15 were married on July 28 at Parroquia San Juan Evangelista in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, and had their wedding reception at the Antiguo Casino de Puerto Rico. Andrea and Neal met in 2013 in the Lehigh orientation program where they were both orientation leaders. While at Lehigh, Neal was the president of the running club and Tau Beta Pi and Andrea was involved in university choir, Alpha Gamma Delta and the United Nations representative program.

Some members of the Class of 2016 have changed jobs and/or relocated. Lindsay Richardson was working at Sanofi Pasteur in the Poconos in a rotational program developing lyophilization cycles for vaccines. She recently moved to outside of Pittsburgh and now works for Northwind Engineering in Shelocta, Pa., on government contracts and as an engineer in the oil fields in Kurdistan, Iraq.

Brendan McCullagh recently moved to Washington, D.C., from New York City, where he has lived since graduation. He will continue to work as a foresnics consultant at PwC out in the D.C. metro market. He has been traveling and playing men’s volleyball competitively in multiple leagues since graduation. With dual citizenship with Ireland, Brendan plans to travel and possibly work internationally in the near future. Katherine Fletcher worked at AECOM doing aviation engineering in Philadelphia. She now works at Amtrak as a capital construction engineer, rotating to Amtrak offices throughout the country while still living in Philadelphia. Her current rotation is in New York City and her next rotation will be in Providence.

Some members of the Class of 2016 are headed back to the classroom! Sarah Fittro was working as a nursing assistant at the Penn Hospital Rehabilitation unit to gain hands-on clinical experience prior to attending physician assistant school while living with other Lehigh alums in Manayunk, Pa. She recently moved to New Haven, Conn., and started the physician assistant program at Yale University, where she will be for the next three years. Anthony Iacovello just finished his master’s of science in nutrition from Marywood University in Scranton, Pa., after completing his thesis on the relationship between hypertension, type 2 diabetes, and Alzheimer’s disease. While attending graduate school, Anthony worked as a scribe in the emergency department of Geisinger Wyoming Valley in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Following graduation, he traveled to Indonesia, where he spent two weeks exploring the islands of Bali, Flores and Komodo. In August, he began medical school in Philadelphia at the Drexel University College of Medicine, where he is a recipient of the Herbert Kean Distinguished Scholar Award.

Tru Taylor spent the year after her Lehigh graduation living in Galway, Ireland, where she worked for a local restaurant. After returning to her hometown of Chattanooga, Tenn., she interned for Chattanooga’s urban design studio working on various mapping projects that focused on prioritizing the public realm in local city development. Tru is currently living in Vancouver, Canada, and studying at the University of British Columbia to obtain a graduate degree in community and regional planning.
Paul come full circle in his pursuit of being a physician. Paul chose Lehigh for his undergrad after observing the enjoyable experience that his older sister, Lynda Asadorian ’13, had. “Through her eyes I saw this wonderful, tight-knit community. I realized that Lehigh was a university where I would be able to explore any interest that I may have.” During his time, he has many fond memories, most notably the relationships he built, especially with his professors. “I was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to conduct biology research in Dr. R. Michael Burger’s auditory neurophysiology lab for about three years. The support and advice I received from Dr. Burger contributed to one of my favorite experiences at Lehigh.”

Socially, his memories are just as fond. “I don’t think anything beats the five years of Lehigh-Lafayette weeks that I spent hanging out with my friends. I know for a fact that some of those relationships and memories will remain with me for the rest of my life.”

During his “victory” lap at Lehigh, Paul engaged in the health care systems engineering master’s program, one that focuses on the improvement of patient care quality from the macro level of a hospital. “What I loved about that program was that it is not a pre-med prep program. It almost has nothing to do with the pre-med track and was unique from my undergrad courses. My studies gave me the ability to improve quality of care by analyzing health care systems and removing the inefficiencies that exist within them.”

I asked Paul what advice he has for the Lehigh student who would like to follow a similar path. “Explore every interest you have while at Lehigh. There are numerous ways to get into medical school. By taking full advantage of all that Lehigh has to offer, not only in academics, but in the social and extracurricular scene as well, you will become a more well-rounded individual.”

Now Paul finds himself enrolled at Columbia. “As a native New Yorker, I always wanted to go to medical school in NYC and having finally achieved that dream will allow me to be close to home.”

Personally, I couldn’t be happier with Paul’s decision. He’ll make a solid addition to the concrete jungle, and one hell of a drinking companion (when his studies allow).

I asked Paul, if there was a disease that he could cure, which one would it be and why? “I would have to choose Alzheimer’s disease. The idea of losing touch with the reality around you is terrifying to me. I think that it is such an unfortunate and dreadful condition for these people to live with, and I would be ecstatic to see it removed from the world.”

Given Paul’s degree in HSE, I also wanted to hear his thoughts on problems facing the American health care system, and how he might propose we mitigate the negative effects. He responded by describing the one he thinks is most dire to Americans. “I think that the biggest issue that our health care system faces is the rising cost of care. The national health expenditure in the U.S. was 17.9 percent of our national GDP in 2016 and is projected to reach 19.7 percent in 2026. I think one of the most pragmatic and easily implementable initiatives is for hospitals to hire engineers to visualize the system on a macro level, and figure out efficiencies to reduce hospital operating costs, and subsequently reduce costs for the individual patients.”

From the perspective of an engineer, I like the thought of creating more engineering positions. Maybe someday Paul and I can team up to solve some of these problems; I sure hope so. Shark and Dukas is an optimal solution 24/7, 365.

To wrap it up, I look forward to Paul’s continued success, and wish him the best of times as he begins life in NYC. You’re my boy. Here’s to you, Dr. Dukas!”

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The reality of graduating this upcoming year is setting in, and I have found myself starting off my senior year vacillating at a proverbial fork in the road: to join the workforce or postpone “growing up” a little longer by continuing the climb through the academic ranks. For me, however, it seems like the graduate programs I am interested in are making this decision facile for me. I want to obtain my master of public health after graduating from Lehigh, but most of the graduate schools about which I am enthusiastic, explicitly state on their websites, “We strongly urge you to apply to our program only after you have worked in a professional capacity in public health or related fields.”

When I told my advisor my plans after college, she encouraged them completely and told me because I am in good academic standing I could go straight to graduate school. I thought that was that, and I started the research into different schools and calling admissions departments, but then I called one Ivy League institution’s public health admissions department, and I was hit with a truth bomb. Apparently, for selective graduate programs it is incredibly rare to accept applicants straight out of school; they want to see in-the-field experience, preferably paid experience, and they hold in high regard the work that is done post-graduation.

The idea of delaying my schooling is scary. What if, for whatever reason, I am unable to go back, or I become complacent in my job? It is tempting to settle with just my bachelor’s degree after finding a decent-paying job, but being as educated as possible in my field is something I am very passionate about, and getting my master’s would be huge step in accomplishing my greatest goals.

I never acknowledged the value of field experience before going to graduate school, and even though it scares me to delay school, it makes sense. First of all, graduate schools want you to be confident in your choice for higher learning, and this can really only be done by getting your feet a little wet in the real world. Second, graduate schools want to admit students that show dedication and commitment to the field. This shows self-motivation and self-starting capabilities to pave the way for your own opportunities and successes. Also, graduate schools want to make sure you can handle the rigor that graduate courses demand, solve problems rationally and effectively apply previously honed skills into novel situations.

Although it frustrates me, I appreciate the practicality of requiring students to have in-the-field experience first. When you’re in graduate school, at that stage in your academic career, your thinking should be more developed and less quixotic than it was during undergraduate school. That being said, I may be caught working in the field sooner than I expected, and while I am nervous, it can only bolster success for future academic and career endeavors. Each path taken is only a stepping stone in the eyes of a progressive person.
Office include the Lehigh Silicon Valley program, which is a course offered to students that includes a visit to San Francisco and immersion in its startup atmosphere.

That’s all for now. Until next time.

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Hello again, Class of 2021! Isn’t it shocking how fast summer flew by? It feels like just yesterday I was packing up my dorm, ready for lazy days in the sun. As promised, I have some updates for some interesting experiences from some of our classmates.

A part of Nick Competiel-lo’s summer was spent right here on campus. For three weeks in July, Nick mentored and taught incoming freshmen in the Lehigh University Summer Scholar Institute (LUSSI). This college-prep summer program is extremely helpful to first-generation or low-income students because it provides the resources to disadvantaged students while getting them familiar with typical first-year student classes and professors. Nick was the teaching assistant for an econ class taught by Professor Marija Baltrusaitiene. He hopes that the leadership experience he gained from LUSSI will benefit him in his majors of accounting and management.

Overall, the most meaningful part of Nick’s summer was all the personal connections he has made with the students. He truly takes pride in helping in every way he can to better prepare for their first year.

Vicki Jagdeo, a social activist wanting to grow her exposure to global issues, joined a team in the Hatchery program under the Baker Institute. Vicki ran a part of the Civ Lab nest that aims to tackle community engagement issues. In this program, she was able to engage in her own startup opportunity while receiving coaching from guest experts in business. Vicki’s organization, called Continue the Dream (CTD), provided a viable solution to lack of resources for undocumented students in their pursuit of higher education and careers. Over the course of the Hatchery, she has been developing a toolkit for undocumented students graduating from high school, and hopes to get it published and distributed to high schools across the country.

Keenan Overa spent the first half of his summer thousands of miles away from both home and Lehigh in the cultural capital of the Russian Federation, Saint Petersburg. Keenan states how he arrived in Russia with only one year of Russian classes and returned with not only a better understanding of the language but more importantly, true cultural immersion—something textbooks can’t teach. Throughout the trip he would get looks of curiosity when people found out he was American, but overall everyone was polite and interested. Keenan states how nowadays there is often a negative stigma when talking about Russia, but he wants people to know that the divide between Russians and Americans is not as bad as media makes it to be. He hopes that students will not get discouraged from living new cultures because of the politics of today. This trip will hopefully guide him in his future working in international politics, a career that involves communicating with different countries and understanding why people of different cultures think the way they do. Keenan shares that his trip would not be possible if not for the guidance and support from the Russian Department, Professor Nicholas and Professor Ripa. And last but certainly not least, what worthwhile stories are you waiting to share?

I hope to use you for my next column, so be sure to email me at amc321@lehigh.edu.

GRADUATE
Please submit your news to classnotes@lehigh.edu.

College of Arts and Sciences
Mary Kate Schneider M.A. ’08, Ph.D., has been named director of global studies at Loyola University Maryland, where she has been teaching in the department of political science since fall 2015. As director, she will teach global studies and political science courses while overseeing the interdisciplinary global studies major, one of the largest undergraduate programs at Loyola University.

P.C. Rossin College of Engineering
Dr. Maxwell Lay Ph.D. ’64 recently published “The Harnessing of Power: How 19th Century Transport Innovators Transformed the Way the World Operates.” The book examines “how the 19th century’s transport legacy of bicycles, trains, ocean-going steamers, trucks, trams, buses and cars arose, creating numerous new technologies and markets. Nothing like this range of transport changes had occurred before, and the 20th century changes were incremental compared with those of the 19th century. The book explores where the key transport features came from and why there were so many inventions, innovations and inconsistencies.” It is available for purchase through the publisher, Cambridge Scholars Publishing.
LEHIGH IN OUR LIVES
The Rodale Family

From decades of revolutionary organic farming and research to promoting a healthy lifestyle through worldwide publishing, the trusted Rodale family name has become synonymous with health and well-being. Patriarch J.I. Rodale pioneered the wellness movement and began the Rodale Institute and Rodale Press to support his mission of optimum living. Devotedly carried on by his son Robert ’52 ’74P ’78P and Robert’s wife, Ardath ’74P ’78P, and their children, groundbreaking success stories include organic farming government policy change and funding to educating millions through global publications.

When it was time to think about preserving Rodale’s history, the family turned to Lehigh University and donated the Rodale Archives, now known as the Rodale Collection, to Linderman Library’s Special Collections.

“When it came to thinking about where to donate our extensive archives to, Lehigh University was our first choice. The whole family agreed that Lehigh would be the best home for our family’s historical documents,” said J.I. Rodale’s granddaughter, Maria Rodale, former CEO and chairman of Rodale Inc., former co-chair of the Rodale Institute, and current board member. “We hope that everyone can learn from the innovative, business, and cultural importance of the organic movement, the health movement, and the shifts in the media business over the past decades. We are grateful that Lehigh University is up to the challenge.”

The historical archives date back to the early 20th century and include thousands of documents, media materials, and published and unpublished works of J.I.; his wife, Anna; Robert; and Ardath. Nearly 150 different magazine and newsletter publications, photos, correspondence, financial records, book catalogs, press clippings, awards, and business files are included. Media materials range from VHS, reel-to-reel, and Betamax tapes to audio cassettes and vinyl recordings. Also included in the collection is an extensive compilation of Rodale Inc. periodicals, books, and manuscripts and more than 40 plays written or adapted by J.I.

In addition to entrusting the university with Rodale’s heritage, the family has provided a financial gift to support the costs associated with the acquisition, processing, digitization, and preservation of the materials. The gift will ensure that Lehigh can preserve, promote, and provide access to the collection in perpetuity.

The Rodales are a multi-generational Lehigh family. Robert studied English and journalism. Two of Robert and Ardath’s five children, Heather ’74 ’76G and David ’78, received Lehigh educations, and Heather’s daughter, Gillian, graduated in 2005. Robert received Lehigh’s Alumni Award in 1987.

The life and work of Robert Rodale, who passed away in 1990, continue to be honored and remembered at Lehigh through endowed gifts established by Ardath, who passed away in 2009, and other members of the family to support scholarships, faculty, the arts, and renovations to Linderman Library and Copee Hall.

For more information on how you can make an impact with a planned gift, please contact Lorraine Wiedorn ’84G ’13P ’17P at (610) 758-4874.
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; 1-866-517-5552; askrecords@lehigh.edu. The following were reported to us as of August 31, 2018:

1930s

George A. Barker Jr. ’37, Stuart, Fla., May 5, 2018. Mr. Barker was a Delta Tau Delta brother and a player with the Mustard & Cheese Society. He worked for the Bethlehem Steel Corp. and was a member of the Tower Society.

1940s

Fred Kornet Jr. ’40, Madison, Miss., June 22, 2018. A Lambda Chi Alpha brother, Lt. Gen. Kornet began his military career in the U.S. Army during World War II. He also served in Korea before retiring from the military after a posting at the Pentagon. His military accomplishments were recognized with four Army service and commendation medals, including the Distinguished Service Medal, the Bronze Star Medal and induction into the Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame. He received an honorary doctoral degree in engineering from Lehigh in 1974.

David E. Richards ’42, Coral Gables, Fla., Aug. 21, 2018. Bishop Richards was retired from the Episcopal Church where he worked as the Bishop of Central America and national coordinator of the House of Bishops’ Committee of Pastoral Development.

Franklin Himmelberger ’43,’49, Palm Harbor, Fla., July 29, 2018. Mr. Himmelberger spent his career with Air Products & Chemicals. He was especially proud of his work with the U.S. space program in its early years.

George S. Youngling ’44, Hillsborough, Calif., Aug. 22, 2018. Mr. Youngling was a brother of Delta Upsilon. He transferred to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and graduated with a commission to serve in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Afterward, he practiced law for more than 50 years.

Joseph B. Adams Jr. ’45, Branford, Conn., June 3, 2018. Mr. Adams was a fighter pilot during World War II, flying more than 35 missions for the U.S. Army Air Force. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the European African Middle Eastern Service Medal with two Bronze Stars. Mr. Adams was a Chi Psi brother. He retired as president of Allied Engineering and Construction in Bridgeport.

John W. Hunter ’46, Marion, Ohio, Aug. 19, 2018. A Pi Kappa Alpha brother, Mr. Hunter served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Richard C. Huyett ’46, M.S. ’48, La Mesa, Calif., May 7, 2018. Mr. Huyett was a Sigma Phi Epsilon brother, as well as a member of the glee club, marching band, and Omicron Delta Kappa and Tau Beta Pi honor societies. He worked for General Dynamics as a project engineer. He was also a member of the Asa Packer Society.

Robert T. Arnold ’47, Ojai, Calif., Feb. 4, 2018. Mr. Arnold was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a Phi Delta Theta brother and tennis player. He made his career in finance and banking. His brother, Frederick Arnold, is a member of the Class of 1952. Mr. Arnold was a member of the Asa Packer Society.

Ryland T. Hanger ’47, Collingswood, N.J., Aug. 8, 2018. A veteran of World War II, Mr. Hanger worked as an electrician engineer for United Engineers and Constructors (Raytheon).

Alvin L. Mishkin ’47, Allentown, Pa., July 21, 2018. Mr. Mishkin served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a brother of Pi Lambda Phi and a member of the debating club. He served on several boards of Jewish organizations and worked with the Jewish-Christian Understanding at Muhlenberg College. His granddaughter, Allisson Shapiro, is a member of the Class of 2003.

John W. Motter ’47, Southern Pines, N.C., Feb. 15, 2018. Mr. Motter was a Pi Kappa Alpha brother. He retired as president of Corning Construction Co.

Theodore L. Van Winkle ’47, Rutherford, N.J., Aug. 21, 2018. Mr. Van Winkle was a member of the football, basketball and wrestling teams. He left the university to serve in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II. He went on to become a lawyer.

N. David Larky ’48,’55, Santa Monica, Calif., Aug. 20, 2018. Mr. Larky was a Tau Delta Phi brother. He also sang and played in the Marching 97 as a student. Professionally, he held 13 patents, including the color television and the color test pattern. He enthusiastically helped to plan the class’s 70th Reunion, where he was awarded the prestigious Alumni Award. He was also a member of the Tower Society. His brother, Arthur Larky, was a member of the Class of 1952.

Robert W. Parkinson ’48, Waipahu, Hawaii, June 19, 2018. Mr. Parkinson was a member of Tau Beta Pi honor society and the Army ROTC. He worked as a defense contractor on U2 spy planes.

David D. Smith ’48, Monmouth Beach, N.J., July 31, 2018. Mr. Smith was a member of The Brown and White. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked as a sales engineer for Westinghouse. His son, David Smith, was a member of the Class of 1973.

Frederick W. Weston Jr. ’48, Rome, Maine, May 31, 2018. Mr. Weston was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II, where he earned the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with Bronze Service Star and the Purple Heart. A Phi Delta Theta brother, he worked as an executive for New Jersey Bell Telephone Co.

William E. Alexander ’49, Lilitz, Pa., July 26, 2018. A veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II, Mr. Alexander worked for Armstrong World Industries for 33 years as an engineer. As an undergraduate, he sang in the choir and glee club.

Victor L. Frager ’49, Cummings, Ga., June 1, 2018. Mr. Frager was a veteran of the U.S. and Canadian Air Force. He was a decorated fighter pilot. He went on to help launch the career coaching industry.

Edgar G. Gaston ’49, Providence Point, Pa., July 6, 2018. Mr. Gaston was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He worked as a consulting chemical engineer. His son and daughter-in-law, James and Stephanie (Louras) Gaston, are members of the Class of 1980.

Peter Pappas ’49, Middletown, Pa., Oct. 23, 2017. Mr. 

NOTES
Pappas was a U.S. Army veteran. He owned Gatter & Diehl, Inc., Consulting Engineers.

Homer G. Sideris ’49, Warsaw, Ind., Aug. 4, 2018. A veteran of the U.S. Navy, Mr. Sideris owned and operated Sideris and Associates insurance company. In 2003 he was named Man of the Year by the Warsaw Kosciusko County Chamber of Commerce for his volunteer work in the community.

1950s

Arthur F. Dubois ’50, Coudersport, Pa., May 27, 2018. Mr. Dubois served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Eta Kappa Nu and Phi Beta Kappa honorary societies. After retirement from IBM, he founded his own defense consulting agency.

Lawrence J. Roseman ’50, Seattle, Wash., June 10, 2018. Mr. Roseman was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II. He made his career at Boeing, working on the B-52 bomber, and later served in the University of Connecticut School of Medicine in Farmington. His father, LeRoy Brown ’26, and brother, Richard Brown ’52, are members of the Lehigh family.


Daniel E. Castner ’51, Warren, Mich., March 29, 2018. Mr. Castner earned his law degree and most recently worked for Detroit Zoo as a zoological landscape architect. His sister, Ruth Rusling, received her graduate degree from Lehigh in 1979. Mr. Castner was also a member of the Tower Society.


Richard H. Malanaphy ’51, Port Charlotte, Fla., May 7, 2018. Mr. Malanaphy was a member of the Tower Society.

Joseph L. Scannella ’51, Danville, Calif., May 3, 2018. Mr. Scannella was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. At Lehigh, he played quarterback for the football team, earning Little All-American honors. He went on to work as a football coach for over 60 years, in the high school, college and professional arenas. He was special team coach for the Oakland Raiders, contributing to a Super Bowl XI victory. As Montreal Alouettes head coach, he led the team to two Grey Cups.

John U. Wisotzkey ’51, York, Pa., May 31, 2018. A Phi Gamma Delta brother and lacrosse player, Mr. Wisotzkey was the chairman emeritus of The Maple Press Co. He was also a private pilot who participated in many Angel Flights, providing free air travel for children and adults with serious medical conditions.

William W. Hardwick ’52, University Park, Fla., Oct. 24, 2017. Mr. Hardwick was a Kappa Alpha brother and tennis player.

Charles S. Hyatt ’52, Columbus, Ohio, May 20, 2018. A Delta Tau Delta brother, Mr. Hyatt made his career in banking and was involved with the first ATM machines and the direct deposit of paychecks and automatic bill authorization payments.

David N. Mesick ’52, Spring Park, Minn., April 29, 2018. Mr. Mesick was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was also a proud member of the 1950 undefeated football team.

Ryland F. Rogers ’52, Hingham, Mass., July 1, 2018. Mr. Rogers interrupted his studies to serve in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He spent his career with Xerox, where he developed several patented technologies.

Richard D. Zwickl ’52, Bethlehem, Pa., May 25, 2018. Mr. Zwickl was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He worked in quality control for Western Electric.

H. Rodman Annable ’53, Temple, Texas, July 25, 2018. Mr. Annable served the U.S. Army. He worked as a home contractor.

John P. Arnesen ’53, Oxford, Pa., Aug. 16, 2018. A Phi Kappa Alpha brother, Mr. Arnesen was president of Arcadia. A U.S. Navy veteran, he was in the AFROTC at Lehigh. He was a regional sales manager with Latrobe Steel Co. His son, David Arnesen ’77, and grandchildren, Peter Mauric ’13 and Jennifer Arnesen ’77, are members of the Lehigh family.

Henry J. Battaglia Jr. ’53, Pittsburgh, Pa., July 14, 2018. A Phi Sigma Kappa brother, Mr. Battaglia served in the U.S. Army, stationed at the NORAD facility in Newfoundland. He made his over-50-year career in the steel industry.

Richard K. Bencker ’53, Clayton, N.C., May 14, 2018. Mr. Bencker was a freshman team baseball player. He worked at Continental Can and Millprint before entering the Cementi Building Products industry as owner of Chesco Creative Products/R.K. Construction Products until retiring.

John R. Billings ’53, Stevens Point, Wis., Aug. 16, 2018. Dr. Billings was a professor of philosophy and religious studies at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point for 31 years.

Edward E. Chick ’53, M.S. ’62, Manassas, Va., July 1, 2018. Col. Chick served more than 30 years in the U.S. Army, including tours in Korea and Vietnam. His brother, Jason Chick ’57, and daughter, Susan (Chick) Hoover ’83, are members of the Lehigh family.


Taylor K. Heston ’53, Canton, Ohio, May 13, 2018. A Chi Phi brother, Mr. Heston was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He worked as the president of Hydrothrift Corp.

Robert F. Koehler ’53, Pottsville, Pa., May 1, 2018. Mr. Koehler was a Kappa Sigma brother. He also served in the U.S. Air Force. He was employed by Sylra Inc. and later became president and co-owner. He volunteered for his class, serving as vice president. His brother, Albert Koehler, is a member of the Class of 1948. Mr. Koehler was a member of the Tower Society.

Robert H. Many III ’53, Green Township, N.J., June 8, 2018. Mr. Many was a football player and Delta Upsilon brother, in addition to being a veteran of the U.S. Navy. He made his career with Dun & Bradstreet. His father, Robert H. Many ’30, and his grandson, Nicolas Freda ’09, are also Lehigh alumni.
Robert H. Littner ‘53 ’83P ’84PG ’08PG ’13GP ’18GP, a highly-respected lawyer and generous Lehigh benefactor, passed away on June 10, 2018. Growing up within walking distance of Bethlehem, Littner built countless professional and personal relationships through his love of Lehigh and his respected law firm, Littner, Deschler & Littner, that he founded more than 60 years ago.

“Bob was devoted to his family, devoted to his clients’ well-being, devoted to the numerous charitable organizations that were important to him in the community, and devoted to Lehigh,” said Lorraine Wiedorn, assistant vice president, planned giving.

As a Lehigh undergraduate, Littner majored in biology and was given the nickname “Doc” for his original intent of becoming a doctor. His student activities included being president of Lehigh’s chapter of Alpha Chi Rho fraternity. After realizing that his passion instead was in law, he changed his academic trajectory and obtained his juris doctorate degree from Georgetown University Law Center in 1956. In 1957, he was admitted to the Northampton County Bar Association and, throughout his career, was admitted to the bars of the U.S. District Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania and the Supreme Court of the United States of America.

Littner’s involvement in Lehigh’s alumni community was front and center. He was class vice president of the Lehigh University Alumni Association for 50 years before becoming president in 2003. In addition to being a phonathon volunteer and planned giving chairman, he carried his class flag for Rally for decades. He also served as an alumni advisor to Alpha Chi Rho.

Among the Lehigh activities that he was well-known for, the Lehigh-La-fayette football tailgate parties that he hosted with his wife, Jean, for more than 30 years were described as legendary. Their tailgates became so popular that even Lafayette alumni wanted to join in on the fun. Littner attended the Rivalry game more than 65 times and would invite a large group back to their home afterwards to continue the festivities, fostering a sense of tradition and community.

“Those tailgates were a gathering of friends that were part of the extended Littner family and a source of great enjoyment and fun for Bob and Jean,” said Wiedorn, who recalls assisting Littner in purchasing extra Lehigh-La-fayette tickets so he could provide a ticket to any tailgate guest who wanted to go to the game.

The Littners gave back to several Lehigh initiatives and endowed the Robert H. Littner ‘53 Family Scholarship to provide opportunities for others to have access to a Lehigh education. For his continual commitment to Lehigh, Littner received the university’s top awards: the Alumni Award, the James Ward Packard Award and the Eugene G. Grace 1899 Award.

“If we didn’t have the education we had, we wouldn’t be able to put some funds aside for people in the future,” said Littner in a 2017 interview conducted for the Bulletin. “[My career] has rewarded me for these years, and therefore, we reward someone else that can use some of the funds.”

Littner was proud of his three-generation Le-high family that included daughter Wendy Thomson ’83 ’84G ’08G, her husband Dave Thomson ’83 ’84G, and granddaughters Sarah Thomson ’13 and Abigail Thomson ’18. —Austin Katz ’19
Thomas J. Seward II '53, Houston, Texas, May 12, 2018. Mr. Seward was a Phi Kappa Theta brother. He worked as president and CEO of Harbour Capital Consultants. His father, Harold Seward '30, as well as his children—Michael Seward '79, Gregory Seward '82 and Lisa Seward Kinan '85—are all members of the Lehigh family. Mr. Seward was a member of the Tower Society and endowed the Thomas J. Seward II Bahamian Scholarship.

Homer C. Smith '53, Spring- field, Pa., July 30, 2018. Mr. Smith was a member of the Asa Packer Society.

James P. Klima Jr. '54, Timonium, Pa., June 16, 2018. Mr. Klima was a brother of Phi Sigma Kappa. He served in the U.S. Army, joining Bethlehem Steel after his military service. He would go on to become an administrative law judge. He won the Alumni Award in 1969.


Ronald C. Morse ’55, Hightstown, N.J., May 18, 2018. Mr. Morse was a Chi Phi brother and U.S. Navy veteran. He spent his career in the insurance industry, much of it with J.G. Mulford Insurance Co. in New Jersey. He was a member of the Asa Packer Society.

Marcus E. Scarkos ’55, Fanwood, N.J., May 28, 2018. Mr. Scarkos served in the U.S. Army before making his career with the U.S. Postal Service.

James W. Scott ’56, Lower Gwynedd, Pa., May 19, 2018. Mr. Scott, a Delta Phi brother and U.S. Navy veteran, had two careers, first in financial services and secondly as a life insurance salesman.

Herbert B. Kaehler ’57, M.S. ’59, Fairfield, Conn., July 7, 2018. A veteran of the U.S. Air Force, Mr. Kaehler was an aeronautical engineer at Avco Lycoming.

Lynn B. Myers ’57, ’58, Aiken, S.C., June 22, 2018. Mr. Myers made his career with various organizations including Electric Boat, Gilbert Assoc., Battelle Memorial Institute and Westinghouse.

Peter R. Schuyler ’57, Columbia, Md., May 1, 2018. A Theta Xi brother, Mr. Schuyler was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Upon completing his service, he began his career with the National Security Agency. He worked in the research and development department where he received many awards over his 35-year career, including the Distinguished Service Award.

David A. Stewart ’57, Warren, R.I., Aug. 5, 2018. Mr. Stewart was a veteran of the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He had a long career as the head of his own business, Systematics, Inc., where he designed and built instrumentation systems for the jewelry plating industry.

William L. Talbert ’57, York, Pa., Aug. 11, 2018. A Phi Sigma Kappa brother, Mr. Talbert was an inventor holding multiple patents related to fuel combustion efficiency and lower exhaust pollution for internal combustion engines. His father, Elmer Talbert ’28, children, Karen Talbert ’81 and Bret Talbert ’85, and grandson, Benjamin Hotz ’14, are all members of the Lehigh family.

David J. Withey ’57, Maumeeville, Ohio, May 9, 2018. Mr. Withey was a Sigma Phi Epsilon brother, as well as a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He retired from GE Healthcare as an engineer.

Richard T. Gordon ’58, Jackson, Miss., June 6, 2018. Mr. Gordon worked for 30 years as a draftsman in New York City and Long Island, and later owned and operated a print shop in New Hampshire.


Charles E. Harrison Jr. ’58, Gilbertsville, Pa., May 10, 2018. Mr. Harrison was a U.S. Air Force veteran and a brother of Sigma Nu fraternity.

Sheldon L. Holzer ’58, Mashpee, Mass., Aug. 20, 2018. Mr. Holzer was a Sigma Alpha Mu brother and sang with the glee club. He retired as vice president of EBD&O.


Aldo L. Mariotti ’58, Lake Winnebago, Mo., May 7, 2018. Mr. Mariotti was a veteran of the Korean War. He spent his entire career with Western Electric.

J. William Roff ’58, Washington, W.V., July 8, 2018. Mr. Roff worked as an accountant for Borg-Warner Corp. and then as a financial manager for General Electric Corp., where he retired with 27 years of service. He was also a member of the Asa Packer Society.

Joel W. Burdick III ’59, Panama City, Fla., May 22, 2018. Mr. Burdick was a brother of Sigma Nu and an all-American lacrosse player. He worked for Alcoa and Edward Jones and retired as president of his own company.

Thomas F. DeFlavis ’59, Griffin, Ga., June 28, 2018. Mr. DeFlavis served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Cuban Missile Crisis.


Theodore C. Kuchler Jr. ’59, Atlantic Beach, Fla., Jan. 18, 2018. Mr. Kuchler was a brother of Sigma Chi and a player with the Mustard & Cheese Society. He worked for E.I. du Pont Co. His daughter, Cheryl Kuchler, is a member of the Class of 1984.

William V. Vetovitz ’59, Bethlehem, Pa., May 30, 2018. Mr. Vetovitz was a U.S. Army veteran during the Korean Conflict. He worked as an accountant for Blue Cross and Blue Shield for many years.

1960s

Theodore F. Gleichmann Jr. ’60, Florham Park, N.J., Aug. 11, 2018. An Alpha Sigma Phi brother, Mr. Gleichmann spent 35 years with PSE&G. He was also a member of the Asa Packer and Tower societies. His son, Andrew Gleichmann, is a member of the Class of 1990.

Milton L. Havens Jr. ’60, New Castle, Del., May 17, 2018. Mr. Havens was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He spent his career with Sun Oil Company as a civil engineer. His sister, Mary (Havens) Gifford, received her graduate degree from Lehigh in 1972.

Francis E. Batcha ’61, Pennington, N.J., Aug. 5, 2018. An Alpha Chi Rho brother and member of The Brown and White, Mr. Batcha was a lawyer and a judge in Monmouth County. He also owned a business breaking and training yearlings for the race track, one of which, Lil E Tee, won the 1991 Kentucky Derby. His children—Francis Batcha ’91, Erinn Batcha Del Gatto ’93, Christian Batcha ’95, Thomas Batcha ’96, Alexander Batcha ’98, Hillarey Batcha ’02 and Meredith Batcha ’04—are all members of the Lehigh family.


Robert P. Haigh ’61, Harrisburg, Pa., May 12, 2018. Mr. Haigh was a member of the Marching 97. For nearly 40 years, he was employed by the
a member of the Tower Society.  
**Robert E. Slater ’62**, Mendham, N.J., July 21, 2018. Mr. Slater was a champion diver and brother of Pi Lambda Phi. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army before becoming chairman of LRF Slater Companies, Inc. His daughter and son-in-law, Allyson (Slater) Price ’87 and Michael Price ’86, as well as his brother, Fredric Slater ’65, are members of the Lehigh family. He was also a member of the Asa Packer Society.  
**A. Vail Frost III’64**, Suwanee, Ga., July 7, 2018. Mr. Frost was a member of *The Brown and White*. He served in the U.S. Peace Corps in India after graduation and the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He worked for the Sara Lee Corp. He went on to own a lawn service business.  
**Jeffrey I. Rabin ’65**, Jacksonville, Fla., June 7, 2018. Mr. Rabin was a member of the wrestling team and a brother of Sigma Alpha Mu. He owned one of the first Montessori schools in Broward County.  
**Donald W. Davis ’66, MBA ’73**, Fogelsville, Pa., June 19, 2018. A Delta Sigma Phi brother, Lt. Col. Davis served with the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War specializing in military intelligence. He was the president and owner of StorCon Systems. He was also a member of the Asa Packer Society.  
**Thomas R. Komline ’66**, Easton, Pa., July 15, 2018. Mr. Komline was a brother of Delta Chi fraternity. He served in the U.S. Army. He retired from Komline-Sanderson Corp.  
**Charles C. Zall ’66**, Bala Cynwyd, Pa., June 22, 2018. Mr. Zall was a Pi Lambda Phi brother as well as a member of *The Brown and White*, Class Cabinet and LU Radio. He worked as a partner with the law firm of Saul Ewing.  
**Steven L. Kabot ’67**, Visalia, Calif., July 23, 2018. Mr. Kabot was a brother of Tau Epsilon Phi. He worked as a lawyer practicing municipal law. As an alumnus, he was involved with the Lehigh Lawyers Association and the Alumni Admissions Outreach. He was also a member of the Tower Society.  
**Gary S. Venner ’68**, Delray Beach, Fla., Aug. 20, 2018. A Sigma Alpha Mu brother, Mr. Venner was also a member of Tau Beta Pi honor society and the track and field team. He worked as a principal management consultant for PA Consulting Group.  

### 1970s  
**Vincent M. Bisceglia ’71**, Troy, N.Y., Aug. 23, 2018. Mr. Bisceglia was a member of the football team. He worked for the State of New York for over 40 years as a computer programmer.  
**Charles M. Smoler ’71**, Chicago, Ill., Jan. 1, 2018. Mr. Smoler was a Tau Epsilon Phi brother. He was the president of Admar Trading.  
**Todd Tieger ’71**, Princeton, N.J., June 29, 2018. Dr. Tieger began his professional career at Bell Laboratories, later moving on to senior roles with Morgan Stanley and Deloitte.  
**Peter E. Gadkowski ’72**, MBA ’74, Colorado Springs, Colo., Dec. 4, 2017. A Delta Upsilon brother, Mr. Gadkowski was a former attorney for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission’s Division of Enforcement.  
**James S. Myers ’72**, Upper St. Clair, Pa., May 7, 2017. Mr. Myers was a Theta Xi brother. He spent his career in metallurgy-quality improvement in the U.S. and France.  
**Roy S. Succa ’72**, Jackson- ville, Fla., May 27, 2018. Mr. Succa was a football player and Sigma Chi brother. He worked for the Carnation Co. as a supervisor.  
**Sanford W. Wilson III ’73**, Provo, Utah, Nov. 23, 2017. Mr. Wilson was a Theta Chi brother. He worked for Foot Locker. He was an Asa Packer Society member.  
**Gregory W. Balions ’74**, Houston, Texas, June 16, 2018. A Phi Kappa Alpha brother, Mr. Balions worked for ExxonMobil.  
**John P. Shegina ’74, MBA ’75**, Bethlehem, Pa., June 7, 2018. Mr. Shegina was an accountant for over 40 years for Bethlehem Steel Corp. and Aesculap Inc.  
**James H. Sotzing ’74, MBA ’78**, Old Greenwich, Conn., Aug. 8, 2018. A member of the soccer team as an undergraduate, Mr. Sotzing owned Affordable Samples, Inc., which developed a new approach to the sampling business and was a pioneer in internet market research. His father, Richard Sotzing ’46, and sister, Ann (Sotzing) Byer ’79, are members of the Lehigh family.  
**Stephen G. Darlak ’78**, Quakertown, Pa., July 26, 2018. Mr. Darlak worked for the PQ Corp. as an engineering supervisor. He was a member of Tau Beta Pi and Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity.  
**Barbara P. Cook ’79**, Allen- town, Pa., May 8, 2018. Ms. Cook was self-employed as a certified public accountant in the Lehigh Valley for 30 years.  
**Brian T. Field ’79**, Salt Lake City, Utah, May 29, 2018. For the past 37 years, Mr. Field worked for FL Smith & Co. and its various predecessors, most recently serving as its director of systems proposal and sales support.
NOTES

1980s
Sandra (Rapp) Black ’80, Washington Township, N.J., Jan. 22, 2018. Ms. Black was a data analyst at AM Best. Her husband, William Black, is also a member of the Class of 1980.

John D. Cowperthwait ’80, Luperon, Dominican Republic, July 19, 2018. Mr. Cowperthwait was a Sigma Nu brother and veteran of the U.S. Army. He worked for Basell as a new business development manager.

Greg E. Robinson ’80, Boulder, Colo., April 20, 2018. Mr. Robinson was a 31-year employee of Ball Corp. in its beverage packaging division.

1990s
Angela J. Prodan ’90, Brattleboro, Vt., May 6, 2018. Ms. Prodan was an Alpha Omicron Pi sister as well as a member of the softball team. She worked as a partner at the law firm Corum Magie Cook Prodan Angell Secrest & Darrow, PLC.

Matthew G. Calder ’96, Westfield, N.J., July 2, 2018. A Kappa Sigma brother, Mr. Calder was a derivatives trader for Toro Trading, LLC.

GRADUATE
William B. White M.A. ’42, Ph.D. ’55, Williamsburg, Va., May 24, 2018. Dr. White was a veteran of the U.S. Navy during World War II and the Korean War. He taught English at Salem College for nearly 30 years.

Louis W. Bender M.A. ’52, Ed.D. ’65, Tallahassee, Fla., July 7, 2018. Dr. Bender was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a teacher, guidance director, principal, state director of community colleges and deputy commissioner of higher education prior to joining the higher education faculty at FSU.

Grace (Creitz) Fraser M.S. ’53, East Falmouth, Mass., July 15, 2018. Mrs. Fraser worked at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute before becoming a teacher, working in both Massachusetts and Spain.

Jacqueline M. Fetsko M.S. ’53, Bethlehem, Pa., July 9, 2018. Ms. Fetsko was the director of technical services at the National Printing Ink Research Institute at Lehigh University, an association she held for over 55 years. She is co-author of the Walker-Fetsko Ink Transfer Equation.

John C. Marshman M.S. ’56, Sioux Falls, S.D., July 26, 2018. Mr. Marshman spent his career with Sioux Falls Construction Co.

Claude J. Stofflet MBA ’56, Allentown, Pa., June 12, 2018. Mr. Stofflet was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He ran the family business, Claude’s Tobacco Shop, for many years.

Richard L. McArthy M.S. ’57, San Clemente, Calif., June 28, 2018. Captain McArthy served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict, the Cuban Missile Crisis and Vietnam.

Grant F. Heck II M.S. ’60, Quakertown, Pa., June 21, 2018. Mr. Heck worked for Bethlehem Steel in the Homer Research Laboratory managing a team of researchers. After retiring from Bethlehem Steel, Grant worked at Advanced Development Methods. He then became a commercial and residential realtor.

Edward J. Sturtevant M.S. ’60, Doylestown, Pa., April 28, 2018. Mr. Sturtevant was a U.S. Navy veteran. He worked as a school psychologist for the Central Bucks School District.

Robert J. Christiansen MBA ’62, Bethlehem, Pa., Aug. 19, 2018. Mr. Christiansen spent his career with Bethlehem Steel Corp.


Kenneth E. Benson M.S. ’63, Fogelville, Pa., May 1, 2018. Dr. Benson was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was employed at Lucent Technologies as a solid-state materials scientist for 40 years before retiring. His son, Craig Benson, is a member of the Class of 1985.


Oskar H. Larsson M.Ed. ’64, Doylestown, Pa., Aug. 7, 2018. Mr. Larsson worked as the registrar for Delaware Valley University for 34 years.


Robert L. Johnstone M.A. ’66, Lykens, Pa., June 4, 2018. Mr. Johnstone was a retired teacher from the Upper Dauphin High School where he taught Latin, French and industrial arts. Prior to teaching at Upper Dauphin, he taught English at Georgetown University and French at Atlantic City High School. His wife, Elizabeth Johnstone, earned her master’s from Lehigh in 1967.

Robert E. Schwalenberg M.Ed. ’66, West Deptford, N.J., May 31, 2018. Mr. Schwalenberg coached football at Columbia University before leaving to spend the remainder of his career at Camden County College, where he was a dean, athletic director and golf coach.

Alice D. Madden M.Ed. ’67, Allentown, Pa., July 30, 2017. Ms. Madden was an elementary school teacher in the Allentown School District for 35 years.


William J. McDonough M.S. ’68, Ph.D. ’70, St. Augustine, Fla., April 14, 2018. Dr. McDonough served in the Navy Reserve and spent many years working as a scientist for the federal government at the Naval Research Lab.

Morton Perle M.S. ’68, Ph.D. ’72, Ashland, Ore., April 10, 2018. Dr. Perle worked in marketing, developing customer gas applications, training personnel, and coordination with research and development for Air Liquide of France and DuPont.

William K. Strohl M.Ed. ’68, Emmaus, Pa., May 19, 2018. Mr. Strohl was a guidance counselor in the Parkland School District for almost three decades.


Anne E. Fichthorn M.A. ’70, Stouchsburg, Pa., Aug. 16, 2018. Ms. Fichthorn was an English teacher and cookbook author.

Charles M. Lehman Cert. ’72, Stroudsburg, Pa., June 5, 2018. Mr. Lehman served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a high school principal and teacher at East Stroudsburg Area School District.


Linda (Lucchesi) Cody M.A. ’73, M.S. ’77, Whitehouse
Mrs. Cody was an educator in the marine and ecological sciences for most of her life. As a landscape architect, she helped renew and sustain one of the oldest peony gardens in the United States, at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and taught classes at the New York Botanical Garden as well as founded Cider Hill Orchard.

Grethe (Andresen) Goodwin M.A. ’73, Nashua, N.H., June 28, 2018. Dr. Goodwin earned her DMD in 1949. She went on to teach German and gained a reputation as a translator and historian of the Moravian settlers in Pennsylvania and Maine. Most notably she debunked the accepted history that the Moravians stayed clear from slavery, discovering and publishing the records of slave auctions in colonial Bethlehem.

Jules J. Pigliacampi MBA ’73, Easton, Pa., July 25, 2018. Mr. Pigliacampi was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He was the owner of Atlantic Telephone Services. Prior to that he worked for Crowder Jr. Co. and Ingersoll Rand.


Joseph F. Posch MBA ’76, Lower Saucon Township, Pa., May 16, 2018. Mr. Posch worked for Air Products & Chemicals for 32 years in various capacities in the controllership organization at the corporate and operating group levels.

Gudrun L. Matel M.A. ’77, Bloomsbury, N.J., June 4, 2018. Mr. Matel was a manager in the repair department at Koh-I-Noor/Mont Blanc before retiring. He is a veteran of the French army.

Michael B. Miller Cert. ’77, Palmyra, Pa., Aug. 5, 2018. Mr. Miller was a teacher/principal with the Northern Lebanon School District for 30 years.

Linda (Tipton) Seeloff M.Ed. ’77, Tucson, Ariz., June 14, 2018. Mrs. Seeloff was the first female counselor in Lehigh’s admissions office as well as serving as the assistant to the president and director of institutional studies.

Patricia (Meyd) Campbell M.Ed. ’80, Bethlehem, Pa., June 18, 2018. Dr. Campbell worked in the Bethlehem Area School District throughout her lifelong career as an educator, serving first as a reading specialist at Freemansburg Elementary School and later as a principal at Thomas Jefferson Elementary School in Bethlehem. After her retirement, she worked as a literacy consultant.

Emil W. Shen M.S. ’80, Newark, Del., Aug. 15, 2018. Mr. Shen worked for DuPont for 25 years. He was a national master of chess.


Angelo J. Spinosa M.A. ’83, Boston, Mass., Dec. 24, 2017. Mr. Spinosa taught music and American history to anyone who was interested, using public transportation platforms and classrooms alike to share his passion.


Francis V. Quinn M.Ed. ’95, Quakertown, Pa., June 25, 2018. Mr. Quinn was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He worked an engineer for Martin Marietta before retirement. After retiring, he taught at Western Center for Vocational Studies.


Jeffrey N. Hahn MBA ’97, Hellertown, Pa., May 18, 2018. Mr. Hahn was employed by the former Bethlehem Steel Corp. as a combustion engineer until its closing in 1999. He served as a member of the Hellertown Zoning Hearing Board for over 30 years.