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OUR NEXT PRESIDENT

Scholar, leader, communicator

WHAT BLIZZARD?

A late January snowstorm brought a few inches of snow to South Mountain. But the snowfall wasn't quite what forecasters predicted—so classes went on as scheduled. **Photo by Christa Neu**

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John D. Simon, who will assume the Lehigh presidency in July, has distinguished himself in academia with his world-class research, his thoughtful leadership and, perhaps most tellingly, his willingness to put the interests of others above his own. *By Mary Ellen Alu*

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When Lehigh and Lafayette met in New York for the 150th playing of The Rivalry, Lehigh alums made their presence known—and created the largest gathering of alumni in the history of the university. *Photos by Christa Neu and Academic Image*



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ON THE COVER: John D. Simon, who will become Lehigh's 14th president this coming July, was photographed in early January at the President's House. Currently executive vice president and provost at the University of Virginia, Simon has made several trips to Lehigh over the past few months to meet with faculty, students, staff and alumni. **Photo by Christa Neu**



Getting to Know John D. Simon

"Sometimes you can go into an interview and be frozen by the person you're talking to," Mary Ellen Alu told me. "But he really put me at ease. It just struck me how open he was."

The "he" Mary Ellen was referring to, of course, is the individual who graces the cover of this edition of the Bulletin. John D. Simon, who will assume the presidency July 1, has made a concerted effort over the past few months—even while maintaining his incredibly busy schedule at the University of Virginia, where he serves as executive vice president and provost—to visit Lehigh as much as possible.

On one of those visits, in early January, Simon carved out more than an hour to speak with Mary Ellen, who was tasked with writing an in-depth profile about him for the magazine you hold in your hands. Mary Ellen had the opportunity to speak with John a couple times after that initial meeting, and like so many others who have had the pleasure of meeting him recently, she came away so very impressed with his intellect, his thoughtfulness and his real willingness to listen. As you'll read in Mary Ellen's story, that last aspect of his personality has played a key role in helping make him one of the most respected leaders in higher education today. We hope you enjoy our story about John, and hope that you enjoy the rest of what this issue has to offer as well:

■ Sure, the game didn't exactly work out as planned. But when the Lehigh family gathered in New York City this past fall to celebrate the 150th playing of The Rivalry against Lafayette,

it marked the single largest gathering of Lehigh alums in our proud history. In our photo essay ("A Weekend Unlike Any Other," Pg. 34), we look back at some of the many highlights of the weekend.

■ Energy is one of the biggest issues facing our nation and world today. And as Kurt Pfitzer details in his fascinating story in this issue ("The Power of Constancy," Pg. 30), one group of Lehigh researchers is looking to the ocean—and the power of waves—to help solve the world's energy woes.

■ When Robert Zoellner '54 passed away at age 82 in December, Lehigh lost one of its greatest friends and most generous supporters. It was the gift from Zoellner and his wife, Victoria, of course, that in the early 1990s allowed Lehigh to build the Zoellner Arts Center, which has since brought so much joy, and so much art, to Lehigh and Bethlehem. As Interim President Kevin L. Clayton '84, '13P says in our tribute piece: "Bob Zoellner was and will remain a Lehigh legend."

I thank you again for reading the Bulletin, and as always, I welcome your feedback. Feel free to send your letters to the address at the right, or directly to me via email at <u>tih313@lehigh.edu</u>.

Sincerely, Tim Hyland, *Editor*

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ON FOOTBALL AND POLITICS

 $Two \ items \ in the \ Fall \ edition \ of \ the \ Lehigh \ Bulletin \ caught \ my \ eye.$

One is Michael Bradley's interesting article about Michael Smerconish. I didn't know he was a Lehigh alum. He's an articulate guy who is not hesitant to "cut to the chase" while discussing controversial political matters. He is one of only a few pundits who have emphasized the importance of MIT professor Jonathon Gruber's now well-publicized remarks (seen in old video clips) about state insurance "exchanges" established pursuant to ObamaCare, i.e., federal subsidies for folks buying insurance are available only in such exchanges and not in exchanges established by the federal government. Most of the pundits are emphasizing other Gruber comments that excite partisan passions but have little relevance with respect to the Supreme Court case that will decide the issue.

I had to laugh at Bradley's characterization of Smerconish as a person who is "in the middle of the political spectrum." Smerconish supported Barack Obama! Obama is a Marxist and anybody who supports him is nowhere near the middle of the political spectrum.

The second item is the inexcusable omission of a significant fact in one of the summaries of Lehigh's 10 most memorable football victories over Lafayette (according to "Lehigh football expert" Chuck Burton) on pages 28-29. Lehigh athletes who made critical plays in eight of the games are identified but the guy who kicked the winning field goal as time expired for the 1961 game is not. It was Andy Larko. Andy was a high school chum of mine and my fraternity brother in Theta Delta Chi. That grand event in Lark's football career is featured in the 1962 Lehigh yearbook. Shame on the "Lehigh football expert" for not acknowledging Lark's role in that thrilling Lehigh win.

Phil Edmunds

TAKING AIM AT 'ARROGANCE'

Read your Lehigh Alumni Bulletin Fall 2014 article, "The Rivalry of Rivalries."

I graduated from Lafayette 1971, Lehigh MBA in 1982. When I went to Lehigh I witnessed up close Lehigh's arrogance.

Your article lists 10 great games. If you wanted to list great games how about [the following]: In the 2005 game played at Lehigh, Lafayette backup quarterback Pat Davis threw a 37-yard touchdown pass to running back Jonathan Hurt on 4th-and-10 with 38 seconds left to give the Leopards a 23-19 win. The victory gave Lafayette the second of three straight Patriot League championships and NCAA I-AA (FCS) Playoff appearances.

Lafayette leads the series 77-67-5.

You're the editor?

How about some balance instead of the usual Lehigh arrogance? *Tom Toth*

The Editor replies: "Arrogance?" At Lehigh, we prefer to think of it as "pride." But thanks for keeping The Rivalry alive.

Welcoming a Thoughtful, Distinguished Leader to Lehigh

John D. Simon will assume the presidency July 1

— By Kevin L. Clayton '84, '13P, Interim President —

FOR INCOMING college or university presidents, perhaps the biggest challenge is simply getting to know the DNA of the institution they are about to lead.

Every educational institution has its own proud academic history, revered traditions, ever-changing culture and unique opportunities. To be a successful leader, a college or university president must come to understand, in a very fundamental way, the elements that make the institution special. It's no small challenge, even for the best and brightest of leaders. I can assure you it's a challenge that our next president, John D. Simon, is already successfully tackling head-on.

Lehigh was proud to introduce John as our 14th president in October. Over the past several months, he has worked diligently with me to get to know Lehigh and the people who teach, work, live and learn here. The more John and I work together, the further convinced I am that Lehigh absolutely made the right choice in selecting him to lead our university forward.

John has gone out of his way, while keeping up with the many demands of his duties as executive vice president and provost at the University of Virginia, to meet with Lehigh faculty, staff, students, alumni and community leaders. He is learning about this institution and all of the people who make Lehigh such a remarkable place. John is immersing himself in the many components that make Lehigh's future so bright: major initiatives such as Mountaintop and the changing ways we think about the Lehigh learning experience; faculty who are conducting dynamic research while challenging our students to aspire to greater accomplishments; devoted staff who work on the front lines every day to make Lehigh even better, and alumni whose love for this institution never ceases to amaze. John will properly position Lehigh to deal with the ever-changing macro-challenges facing the world of higher education today.

Those who have had the opportunity to meet John agree that it truly is a pleasure to interact with him. John is personable, accessible, highly intelligent and forward-thinking. One of John's greatest strengths is his willingness to sincerely listen when people speak. As you will read in our cover story for this issue of the Bulletin, John's willingness to listen and then act decisively are traits that distinguish him as a respected leader in higher education today. His accomplishments at the University of Virginia follow an equally impressive tenure at Duke University, where he served as vice provost, guiding the university's successful strategic planning process, supporting numerous academic enhancements and leading improvements to campus culture and climate.

John's academic credentials speak for themselves, but I believe his stellar reputation speaks even louder. His friends and



colleagues from Virginia and Duke describe him as "a bridge builder" and rave about his ability to "inspire and motivate." They praise his knack for bringing out the best in the people around him, and consider him to be one of the brightest and most effective leaders they've ever worked with.

John has served Virginia and Duke with great distinction. Soon he will be dedicating his efforts fulltime to Lehigh. I am confident he will continue to enhance this institution's 150-year-old reputation--a reputation for excellence in teaching, research and producing outstanding and highly sought-after graduates from a first-rate residential learning environment.

Lehigh is fortunate to welcome John to campus as our 14th president on July 1. In the interim, I welcome your continued support and assistance in helping John feel at home. Lehigh is and always will be a special place. With John's leadership, and with your support, there is no limit to what Lehigh can accomplish in the years to follow. I have never been more bullish about Lehigh's future.

A Message from the Office of Gift Planning

LEHIGH INOUR LIVES

Susan and Douglas Breen '68

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

hen you see the towering fig tree in his living room or the nearby exotic orchids laden with blossoms, you know that Doug Breen '68 loves to grow things. So it's only natural that he and his wife, Susan, chose to create endowed scholarships at Lehigh when it came time to plan for their estate.

For the Breens, scholarships are the best way to grow and build an enduring legacy. "If we eventually give three scholarships, which each help 25 kids in the next 100 years, that makes 75 kids who have benefitted," says Doug, doing the math. "Maybe one of them might discover the cure for cancer, or maybe some of them will do what we did and give back. Or maybe that might take 200 years, but it doesn't matter. It's the ripple effect."

A civil engineer, Breen did a tour of Vietnam as a Navy Seabee before settling in New Jersey with Susan and becoming an entrepreneur and bond salesman. In 1989, he founded Breen Capital Partners, a real estate development firm. As a brother of Phi Gamma Delta, class president, class correspondent, and volunteer, he has been a linchpin for his circle of Lehigh friends, always encouraging them to stay connected to the university that gave him his foundation.

"A Lehigh education is less about education and more about experience," Breen reflects. "They let you trip over yourself. You have to find ways to get it done. They teach you how to step into the void and make something happen. They teach you leadership."

> Susan and Doug Breen '68, Tower Society and Asa Packer Society members, established the Howard X. Breen Scholarship in 1993 to honor Doug's father. For information on how you can plan your gift, contact Lorraine Wiedorn at (610) 758-4874.

ON CAMPUS

NEWS FROM LEHIGH



Celebrating Rich Aronson

The Martindale Center director and legendary economics professor has taught more students than any other professor in Lehigh's history

HE HAS TAUGHT MORE STUDENTS than any other professor at Lehigh—an estimated 20,000. Now J. Richard Aronson, the William L. Clayton professor of Business and Economics and the director of the prestigious Martindale Center for the Study of Private Enterprise, will be retiring—after 50 years on campus.

"I feel very fortunate in having come to Lehigh," said Aronson, who has won accolades for his teaching and leadership at The Martindale Center. "Lehigh offered me quite a wonderful life."

Past students include Interim President Kevin L. Clayton and several university trustees. He also influenced the lives of hundreds of Martindale student associates who took life-changing trips to countries that included Slovenia and Greece.

Aronson's golden anniversary was celebrated in November at the Martindale Society's annual meeting in New York City. The festivities were part of the Alumni Weekend events for the 150th playing of the Lehigh-Lafayette football game. An endowed fund has been created in his honor.

"To his students, Rich is more than just a great teacher," said Sarat Sethi '92, a Lehigh trustee and president of The Martindale Society. "He's a dynamic leader, and he's a shining example of mentorship at its best."

Aronson, who arrived at Lehigh in 1965, had the only section of what is now called Eco 1, a required course for many majors. A challenge was making the course interesting to a mix of students — and he often did that with humor.

Aronson also distinguished himself as director of The Martindale Center. The program was considered groundbreaking, in part because it was one of the earliest programs to offer students a global business and cultural experience.

"You've brightened the lives of tens of thousands of students ..." Sethi told him, "and you are an inspiration to all of us."—*Mary Ellen Alu*



LAUNCH: MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM FOR NON-BUSINESS MAJORS OFFERED

In an effort to equip recently graduated non-business degree students with the core business skills needed to succeed in a competitive job market, Lehigh's College of Business and Economics designed the new M², the Master of Science in Management program.

Beginning in August 2015, this full-time, 10-month program—the first to be launched in the region—will provide a solid business foundation to recent graduates with liberal arts or scientific backgrounds. M² will help these students define their career goals and develop a foundational business skill set that will give them a significant edge in the search for high-level employment opportunities in a variety of fields.

Students will earn 30 credits in accounting, finance, statistics, management, economics and marketing. M² will also offer a wealth of relevant experiences, including career exploration and professional development.

Non-business degree students with a graduation date of May 2014 or later are invited to apply by April 15.



Martindale student associates have made research trips to more than 30 countries and other states in the U.S. to study their economies.

FOUR QUESTIONS WITH Peter J. Costa

ON THE FRONT LINES

Peter J. Costa, director of Lehigh's Health Advancement & Prevention Strategies Office, was recruited by the CDC to help in the national response to the Ebola scare. Here, he talks about Ebola, his role in providing a training plan for healthcare workers, and a new national threat—measles.

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Given the Ebola threat in the U.S. in 2014 and the criticism of the CDC's response, what more needs to be done to fight the deadly virus, protect health-care workers and reduce public fears?

U.S. healthcare facilities must be able to properly screen for risk factors, identify and isolate possible patients with Ebola and inform public health authorities if they suspect a patient has Ebola. To better protect healthcare workers, infection control is key. Most importantly, providers need to practice, practice, practice. Public fears can best be mitigated by clear, consistent and timely health communications.

2 What is your role in providing a national training plan for frontline healthcare workers?

Our objectives are to increase awareness of proper protocols and procedures to follow; ensure adherence to basic infection control, and increase competency with appropriate use of personal protective equipment. Currently, my role is focused on developing a training curriculum for assessment and frontline hospitals.

3 Ebola fighters have been demonized—and celebrated. What has the Ebola crisis, and our response to it, taught us?

We must remain hyper-vigilant. We're not as prepared as we thought we were as a nation or as an international community to respond to a public health crisis on this scale. We must continue to plan and practice for emergencies. Lastly, communications are critical. Information must be available, coordinated and timely.

4 In the emotional debate over measles vaccines, what would you tell people who fear vaccinations cause autism or other disorders among children?

Vaccines are a safe and effective way to protect the health of individuals and communities against disease. To my knowledge, there is no scientific evidence to substantiate claims that vaccinations cause autism; in fact, such opinions have been thoroughly discredited. The benefits of vaccines far outweigh the risks, and it is always good public health practice to immunize against infectious disease.



'A Lehigh Legend'

University community mourns the passing of Robert E. Zoellner '54



ROBERT E. ZOELLNER, an esteemed Lehigh graduate, securities investor and arts patron whose deep commitment to Lehigh is visible in the university's premier performing arts center that bears his name, passed away Dec. 23, 2014, at age 82.

Zoellner, who graduated from Lehigh in 1954 with bachelor's degrees in electrical engineering and engineering physics and later served as a Lehigh trustee, was a lifelong supporter of the university. In the early 1990s, he and his wife, Victoria, committed \$6 million to establish the Zoellner Arts Center, a 105,000-square-foot performing arts venue on the Asa Packer campus that brought measurable change to the university and provides students and the community with unique opportunities for learning, performing and the visual arts.

"Bob Zoellner was and will remain a Le-

high legend," said Interim President Kevin L. Clayton '84, '13P. "Lehigh has been truly transformed by the Zoellner Arts Center, and it was Bob and Vickie's leadership and generosity that made it happen. Bob was a bold thinker and one who took action. As a result, generations of Lehigh students, faculty and the community are beneficiaries of his impact. He was a kind gentleman and Bob will be missed in many ways."

Steven Sametz, director of Lehigh University Choral Arts and the Ronald J. Ulrich professor of music, said Zoellner created a center for the arts to flourish. "Very few of us will leave a legacy that affects so many," he said. "Every time a student takes stage to sing or play or act, every time faculty and staff engage our students as artists, every time an audience member experiences the thrill of live performance, Robert Zoellner's legacy lives on.

"Our students' lives are transformed creatively and artistically, something they will pass on to their children. Robert Zoellner has given us a gift that will last lifetimes."

J. Andrew Cassano, the arts center's administrative director, said there would be no arts center without Zoellner's vision for how it could be integral to students' experiences, elevate Lehigh's status as a top-ranked university for creativity and serve as community resource. "Generations of students have and will continue to benefit from his generosity," he said.

As an undergraduate at Lehigh, Zoellner joined the *Brown & White*, Air Force ROTC, Pi Kappa fraternity, Interfraternity Council and after operating in a former power plant and dining hall, were euphoric over the arts center's acoustically near perfect Baker Hall, its Diamond Theatre, its Fowler Black Box Theatre, practice rooms and set-design shops. The art galleries also emerged from cramped quarters in the Chandler-Ullmann building.

"BOB PROVIDED LEADERSHIP THAT BUILT THE ARTS CENTER, A VENUE THAT DYNAMICALLY TRANSFORMED THE CAMPUS ALONG WITH THE TYPE OF CREATIVE AND INNOVATIVE STUDENTS THAT COME AND STAY AT LEHIGH."-J. ANDREW CASSANO

ice hockey team. He once told Lehigh's alumni *Bulletin* that he credited some of his success to Lehigh's classrooms, where he learned self-confidence and "humble egotism."

After graduation, Zoellner worked for ITT and served in an Air Force communications squadron. In 1959, he joined a member firm of the New York Stock Exchange and became a managing partner. In 1975, he and his wife formed Alpine Associates, a firm specializing in securities arbitrage and investments.

Zoellner stayed committed to Lehigh after graduation. He served on the National



It helped attract and retain talented faculty, and, he said, "It allowed the highest-caliber professional performing artists, musicals and musicians, dancers and actors from around the world to perform and interact with Lehigh students and students of all ages. It provided a world-class venue for speakers like the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sal-

> man Rushdie, Madeleine Albright and Angela Davis to exchange and challenge ideas with Lehigh and the community."

More than 700,000 people have used the center as patrons, students, performers and visitors since its opening in 1997.

Zoellner and his wife also made other significant gifts to Lehigh. They spearheaded the effort to restore Lehigh's physics buildings, now known as the Sherman Fairchild Center for the Physical Sciences, and helped underwrite the cost of rebuilding Pi Kappa Al-

pha after a 1994 fire. Their generosity extends to other charitable organizations as well.

Zoellner is survived by his wife of 39 years; his children, Robert E. Zoellner Jr., Alisanne Zoellner, and Gordon Alexander Uehling III; and seven grandchildren, including Andrew Garrison, a Lehigh student.—*Mary Ellen Alu*

COMMUNITY LEHIGH SPEARHEADS 'AMBAS-SADORS' PARTNERSHIP

With collaborative safety initiatives already on the books, the city of Bethlehem and Lehigh University have once again joined forces in a new program designed to reinvigorate the South Bethlehem community and encourage economic and community development.

The Community Ambassadors Program is a partnership between Lehigh and the Bethlehem Economic Development



Corp. and is supported in large part by Lehigh's three-year commitment to fund cleaning and safety ambassadors for the South Bethlehem commercial district. Services, which include litter removal and hospitality assistance, began Oct. 1 and centered on New Street, covering portions of Third and Fourth streets.

"It is our hope to see positive change happen in this core commercial area of South Bethlehem and encourage others to join us in this effort," said Lehigh Interim President Kevin L. Clayton '84, '13P.

Services also include:

• Daily graffiti removal to deter copycat graffiti

• Tree and flower maintenance; weed removal

• Parking assistance

• Snow cleared from crosswalks and handicap ramps

The focus of the cooperative agreement is a cleaner, safer South Bethlehem commercial district that becomes a destination for shopping, dining and entertainment.

Lehigh's Zoellner Arts Center has welcomed more than 700,000 visitors since its opening in 1997.

Leadership Committee, his class's 40th Reunion Fund Committee, and from 1996 to 2004 was a Lehigh trustee. Along with his wife, he then became an honorary trustee.

The Zoellners' key gift to Lehigh—the naming of the arts center—was transformative. The theatre and music departments,

50 Days, 3,200 Miles, 6 Flat Tires and No Limits

Lehigh graduate completes cross-country bike trip to support organization for hearing-impaired children

HENRY GREENFIELD '12, '14G HAD JUST RECEIVED a master's degree in secondary education from Lehigh when he found himself in the sometimes ambiguous space between commencement and employment. Greenfield decided to take advantage of that space and tackle a lifelong goal—a cross-country bike trip.

"It was an impulsive decision," says Greenfield. "This was always on my bucket list. Why not use this time as an opportunity to go out and do something I've always wanted to do?"

Greenfield added significance to his trip by using it to raise funds and awareness for No Limits, a Los Angeles-based nonprofit organization that offers educational centers for hearing-impaired children, particularly those living in poverty. The program also provides the only national theater program for children who are deaf or hard-of-hearing. Greenfield, who was born with severe to pro-

found bilateral sensorineural hearing loss, started participating in No Limits when he was 9. He thrived in the program, which invites hearing-impaired children to practice their communication skills and empowers them with the motto "I can do it."

"I've been mainstreamed my whole life," says Greenfield, who has cochlear implants in both ears. "No Limits was my first experience with other kids with hearing loss. It was an unbelievably positive environment that instilled confidence and self-belief."

To help provide a similar experience for other kids with hearing loss, Greenfield reached out to Michelle Christie, the founder and executive director of No Limits. He explained his bold plan. "As an alum of No Limits, Henry embodies the spirit of No Limits—the "I can do it" motto," says Christie. "His determination and perseverance to bike ride alone across the country teaches us that anything is possible and nothing can stop you when you believe in yourself."

Having received Christie's support, Greenfield acquired the necessary gear and finalized the logistics of his trip. He aimed to arrive in Culver City, California, the home of No Limits, in 50 days from his start in Hoboken, New Jersey. He won a social media contest and received a never-ending pasta pass from chain restaurant Olive Garden. The pass allowed Greenfield as much pasta, soup or

DAY 0



HOBOKEN, NJ Ready to go: clothing, first-aid kit, toothbrush, sunscreen, flashlight, batteries, iPhone, journal, playing cards, granola bars, tire tubes, water bottle...



WEST FINLEY, PA A sharp turn and a pothole led to a downhill disaster in western Pennsylvania.

DAY 16



SPRINGFIELD, OH Ohio greeted Greenfield with some bucolic scenery, friendly faces, country roads and plenty of wind and rain.



MEADE, KS Over 2,000 miles into the trip, the second flat tire tested Greenfield's limits.





ALBUQUERQUE, NM Though he spent his birthday alone with two pizzas, Greenfield celebrated in Albuquerque the next day.



salad and breadsticks as he could eat at any Olive Garden location. Greenfield planned his route accordingly, and Christie helped arrange lodging, most of which was provided by hotel owners at no cost or at a discounted rate.

Greenfield enlisted friends, family and social media contacts to begin raising money through crowdfunding websites GoFundMe and FirstGiving, allocating to No Limits all funds beyond necessary trip expenses.

On Sept. 23, 2014, within a month of his decision to make the trip, Greenfield began his 50-day, 3,200-mile adventure. The ride started smoothly and Greenfield felt confident, having previously completed a successful 95-mile bike ride in a single day. "There were moments when it would hit me, and I would smile and be really proud of what I was doing," says Greenfield.

His limits, however, would soon be tested.

Greenfield biked on interstates, country roads, wooded trails and dirt paths. He biked through intense heat, pounding rain and fierce winds. His sleeping arrangements ranged from hotels to sofas to a makeshift bed of pillows in a church basement. He biked across vast plains, up and down mountains and in the dark of night. He still has scars from the two injuries he suffered on treacherous roads. On his 32nd day—2,000 miles into his trip—Greenfield experienced what would turn out to be the first of six flat tires, four of which occurred four days in a row.

In spite of setbacks, Greenfield persevered, determined to bike the entire distance in 50 days. Even if a benevolent motorist gave him a lift to get a flat repaired, Greenfield rode back to where he'd stopped biking, unwavering in his resolve. For the final stretch of the trip, he pushed hard to make his goal. "I was like a robot those last three days," he says.

Finally, at sundown on Nov. 11, an enthusiastic group from No Limits cheered Greenfield as he arrived at a pier near Culver City. It was the 50th day. Greenfield walked his bike to the Pacific Ocean and took in the moment.

"People don't give themselves that chance to do something like this. You're capable of more than you realize."

So far, Greenfield's cross-country adventure has raised \$7,000 for No Limits, an impressive accomplishment given the spontaneous nature of his trip.

"If you want to go after something, you can do it," says Greenfield. "There really are no limits."—*Kelly Hochbein*



HOLBROOK, AZ The cross-country adventure featured some unusual accommodations, especially on Route 66.

DAY 46



GRAND CANYON VILLAGE, AZ Nearly finished, Greenfield visited the Grand Canyon.



Broadcasting to Lehigh and Beyond

WLVR-FM expands its reach both on and off campus

WHEN IT COMES TO COLLEGE RADIO STATIONS, Lehigh's freeform station is unique—not only in its variety of programming, but also because WLVR-FM is one of the few college stations left in the United States where students have a hand in its management and operation.

"Most college radio stations are run by outside entities, and many college radio stations have sold their licenses," says A.J. Fritzinger, the station's chief operator. "The lifeblood of this station is our students."

WLVR, located in Grace Hall, broadcasts round-theclock at 91.3 MHz FM. It reaches thousands of listeners each day and has been named "Best College and Community Radio Station" by the Lehigh Valley Music Awards eight times in the past decade. It now hopes to expand its reach even further.

In 2008, a Lehigh graduate anonymously donated \$10,000 toward a new signal tower so he could tune in to WLVR from his home in New Jersey. The university approved the signal expansion in 2010, and WLVR held its first-ever on-air fundraising campaign, procuring an additional \$17,000. Once the new antenna is installed atop a 20-foot tower on Iacocca Hall on Mountaintop campus, the station's signal will increase from 33 watts to 200 watts—enough to reach over 150,000 more households in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Fritzinger hopes the upgrade is completed by the end of the spring semester.

In an effort to get the Lehigh community more involved, WLVR plans to launch a new show, "Prof Talk," which will give Lehigh faculty members an opportunity to discuss their research and even their own musical interests. It also hopes to bring students from clubs and organizations on-air.

"WLVR is no longer just this little college radio station that sits in the corner of a building," says Fritzinger. "It's a growing station, and it has a lot of potential for even more growth." *—Kelly Hochbein*



Seeking Clarity on Concussions

Lehigh student-athletes take part in clinical studies to help develop technology for diagnosing concussions

LEHIGH STUDENT-ATHLETES ARE PARTICIPATING in clinical studies of brain wave activity to help develop technology that takes the guesswork out of diagnosing concussions and determining when injured athletes should return to play.

Jack Foley, associate director of athletics for sports medicine at Lehigh, is helping conduct the studies in collaboration with Cerora Inc., based at Ben Franklin TechVentures on the Mountaintop Campus. The company's Cerora Borealis[™], a portable device that can be worn as a headset or on Google Glass, measures brain waves and communicates with a computer to record data.

The platform would allow athletic trainers and other medical professionals to gather objective diagnostic data near the playing field for assessments. Athletic trainers now rely on subjective markers, such as a graded symptom checklist and field exams that test memory and balance, to evaluate possible concussions.

"The real aim here is to protect athletes and protect their future," said Adam Simon, Cerora's president and chief executive officer. Noting that the long-term risks of multiple concussions include cognitive impairment, dementia and depression, Simon said he believes the technology could help reduce the deleterious aspects of collision-prone sports.

More than 250 Lehigh student-athletes, including 47 who suffered concussions, have volunteered in the last three years to participate in the studies, in which athletes' cognitive functions and postural stability are tested. Cerora hopes to have FDA clearance by the end of 2015 for use of the medical device as a brain-wave monitoring tool.

While the tragic consequences of multiple concussions to

professional athletes make headlines, college athletes and those much younger face risks, too. The Centers for Disease Control estimates that 248,418 people ages 19 or younger were treated in U.S. emergency rooms in 2009 for sports and recreation-related injuries that included a diagnosis of concussion or traumatic brain injury.

"We're trying to build a high sensitivity technology or tool to allow an invisible injury to all of a sudden become visible," Simon said.

Concussion management was already a priority for Foley and Lehigh University Sports Medicine when Cerora reached out in 2011 about its developing technology. In 1999, the university had been selected to participate in inaugural NCAA clinical studies



with noted researchers about the cumulative effects of concussions. And in 2003, Lehigh rolled out its Concussion Management Plan involving a graded symptom checklist and cognitive and balance testing. (It's been revised three times.) Questions most often raised in developing the plan revolved around return-to-play decisions., Foley said.

With the university's introduction to Cerora feeling like fate, Foley weighed what the technology could mean to clinicians and athletes. He considered: "What if we could offer a functional application to definitely determine when it is safe and appropriate to return to play without always relying on subjective information as symptoms alone or driven by a timeline?"

As part of the studies, Lehigh student-athletes, including those who participate in football and wrestling and women's soccer, lacrosse and basketball, receive several brain scans that include baseline and post-concussion screenings with a control subject of the same sport and age performing identical scans. Potential newcomers will be men's lacrosse, women's field hockey and volleyball. Athletes in all intercollegiate sports who have suffered concussions in their sports also are followed during the post-concussion phase. Participation is voluntary.

The goal is to establish an EEG (electroencephalography) signature of healthy student-athletes for comparative use with those who suffered concussions, and to look for trends over a competitive season.

Since concussions are not always clearcut, the company hopes to empower field clinicians with an ensemble of tools and biosensors engineered for ease of use. Brain data would be wirelessly transmitted to a central "cloud" computer that rapidly scans for biomarkers within the data. "Our idea is to collect all the data, encrypt it, move it to the cloud,

analyze it in the cloud, produce a report and bring that back to [field clinicians] in one minute...," Simon said. "We're trying to empower field clinicians. We don't want to ever replace them."

Mayuresh Kothare, the department chair and R.L. McCann Professor of Chemical Engineering at Lehigh, is a principal investigator in the collaborative research program.—*Mary Ellen Alu*



PILOT PROJECT A 'SMART' WAY TO

TRACK TIME Eleven administrators in the Bethlehem Area School District took part in an innovative project that aims to track how principals and community school coordinators use their time—and how that might correlate to student achievement and performance.

The pilot project, funded with a \$22,582 Lehigh Faculty Innovation Grant, is being led by Craig Hochbein, assistant professor of Educational Leadership; Bridget V. Dever, assistant professor of School Psychology, and George P. White, Iacocca Professor of Educational Leadership.

Participants were set up with Pebble smartwatches that allowed Lehigh to randomly text them throughout the day, for a month, and ask what they were doing.

Hochbein said the response rate was remarkable: Participants responded to 84 percent of the 900 prompts, and did so, on average, in one minute and 28 seconds. Preliminary data showed they were doing something school-related 85 percent of the time from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. during the school week, and 25 percent of the time on weekends.

The next phase of the project will look at student outcomes at the schools, and whether there is any correlation with how principals spend their time.—*Mary Ellen Alu*



JACK FOLEY, associate director of Athletics for Sports Medicine at Lehigh: "We are at the beginning, rather than the beginning of the end, in understanding sports concussions."

Wireless Mobile Healthcare—and More

Mooi Choo Chuah, a versatile pioneer, is named an IEEE Fellow

Mooi Choo Chuah holds 62 U.S. patents and 15 international patents for WLAN-based systems and for features that enable quality of service, mobility management and 3G systems.

FIGURE 2

MOOI CHOO CHUAH LAUGHS as she waves at the stacks of paper piled high on the desk, chairs and floor of her office.

"I enjoy doing research," she says. "I'm interested in many interdisciplinary topics that solve real problems. Whenever a problem interests me, I spend tons of time reading up new material to learn how I can contribute to this new area."

Chuah, a professor of computer science and engineering, was recently named a Fellow of IEEE (the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers), one of the highest honors for people in her field.

IEEE, which calls itself the world's largest organization for the advancement of technology, officially cited Ch-

uah for her accomplishments in wireless network systems and protocol design.

Unofficially, one suspects that IEEE was equally impressed with the scope of Chuah's work and the energy she brings to it.

Chuah fashions innovations for wireless Local Area Network-based systems, and for features that enable quality of service, mobility management in WLAN and 3G systems. She also designs security and disruption-tolerant network solutions for wireless and Internet-based systems.

AN EXPANDING RESEARCH ARENA

In the past few years, Chuah has expanded her research areas to include the electrical power grid, mobile visual search and, perhaps most notably, mobile healthcare applications.

"I believe it's important for researchers to evolve," she says. "That opens up more opportunities to contribute to new problems."

One app that Chuah and

her students developed, WiFiTreasureHunt, enables users to interact with the computer on their cell phones and to compete with their friends, while taking part in a real-world, location-based treasure hunt. The app can be extended to measure heart rates and award coupons for healthy snacks as users race from one treasure site to the next.

Working with peers at the Stevens Institute of Technology, Chuah recently designed a Gait-Based User Verification System, which can be used to verify that the walking steps taken by a user actually come from that user. "Our scheme is very robust," she says. "It recognizes only my gait, and it rewards only my exercise accomplishments, and not someone else's."

Chuah takes a special interest in children with autism spectrum disorder, which impairs the ability to interact with others. To learn about ASD, she joined an autism ministry at a local church and consulted with faculty members in Lehigh's College of Education and Centennial School. Two of her students, seniors Jesse Kurtz and Kyle Moore, last fall designed Kinect for Kids, which allows kids with ASD to play Xbox- and Wii-like games.—*Kurt Pfitzer*





The Facebook Effect

A researcher and former journalist studies the influence of social media on politics and news consumption

FOR THE COUNTLESS PEOPLE WHO receive most of their news from social media feeds, those Facebook and Twitter posts are providing far more than information. The social nature of Facebook, for example, allows users to not only learn the news, but also see the reactions of a wide range of individuals to what they are reading—a feature that can shape how users perceive news.

Jayeon "Janey" Lee, assistant professor of journalism and communication, studies social media users' impression formation and strategic self-presentation in the context of political communication and journalism. Two of Lee's studies examine how Facebook posts influence young voters' impressions of political candidates, potentially pointing the way toward a more sophisticated use of social media by political parties. A third study examines the impact of journalists' social media activities on perceptions of the news they report.

Prior to joining Lehigh, Lee was a staff writer at *The Chosun Ilbo*, a national newspaper with the largest circulation in Korea, and a guest TV and radio reporter for multiple media channels. Lee shared her thoughts on social media and how we share news today.

YOU'VE RECENTLY COMPLETED STUDIES ON THE INFLU-ENCE OF SOCIAL MEDIA ON PERCEPTION, ATTITUDES AND BEHAVIORS. WHAT DREW YOU TO THIS AREA OF RESEARCH?

I became interested in studying social media because that is the channel through which people increasingly consume information and communicate with one another. I wanted to investigate how the social media environment, which is different from traditional mass media environment, influences audiences' perception, attitudes and behaviors.

WHAT CHANGES HAVE YOU OBSERVED IN HOW PEOPLE CONSUME THE NEWS?

Many young people accidentally get news through social media posts or by following media/journalists without subscribing to physical papers or magazines.

YOU HAVE STUDIED THE IMPACT OF SOCIAL NET-WORKING ON VOTER PERCEPTIONS. HOW DO YOU SEE IT IMPACTING FUTURE ELECTIONS?

Young people are known to have little interest in politics and few regularly read newspapers or watch TV news. Most of them get their daily dose of news from their social media feeds. Thus, it is very important to understand how young people gather information or cues from social media to make sense of the world. For example, unknown other users' comments and their profile pictures can strongly affect audiences' perceptions of news or others. It has been found that those candidates who gain popularity are more likely to win an election. This trend is likely to continue in the future elections while political actors will try to utilize the power of social media more strategically. Social media which give more power to users (audiences) than traditional mass media will bring changes in election dynamics in the sense that not only news providers but also users can add and change information.

HOW HAVE SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES INFLU-ENCED PERCEPTIONS AND THE DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION ABOUT RECENT EVENTS IN FERGUSON, MISSOURI, AND NEW YORK CITY?

I have not done research about Ferguson, but it seems new media have opened up a new door for minority representation. In particular, social media can give opportunities for the powerless or marginalized to get their voices out

there in society. One of the biggest differences of social media from traditional mass media is that users are no longer passive receivers but creators, producers and disseminators of information. Also, social media communication has both mass communication and interpersonal communication components. These features of social media, combined with the power of visual tools such as photos and videos, allow social media to be effective in sharing and spreading news among people, including those who do not closely follow news. I think those features helped raise awareness of recent events in Ferguson and New York.



JANEY LEE, assistant professor of journalism and communication, examines how Facebook posts influence young voters' impressions of political candidates.

TWITTER AND FACEBOOK ALLOW ANYONE TO REPORT OR RESPOND TO NEWS EVENTS. DOES THE INFLUENCE OF SOCIAL MEDIA AFFECT OUR FACTUAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE NEWS?

There are various influences of the media channel or the features and users of the media on our understanding of news. However, I cannot give a yes or no answer to the question without testing. One thing I can say is that not all information transmitted through social media is accurate and balanced because there are no gatekeepers or multiple editors on the sites. However, the feedback and sharing features can help users correct or counter inaccurate information.—*Kelly Hochbein*



Learning to Fly IBE students explore rotary flight—and the fundamentals of business

BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO BUILD a first-rate helicopter flight simulator, it helps to know how it feels to fly a real helicopter. Students in Lehigh's Integrated Business and Engineering Honors Program (IBE) did both.

Marty Melochick '15, Brandyn Bok '15, Tim Moulton '15, Durlav Mudbhari '15, Emily Jiang '15 and Sheron Tang '16 took on a unique project sponsored by the American Helicopter Museum, located in West Chester, Pennsylvania, and the Boeing Co. Their task: to build the museum's new flight simulator and create an appropriate business plan for it.

"When we talked to the Boeing group," says Moulton, "it seemed like they were really letting us take control of the project."

Museum co-founder Robert Beggs said the project was a challenging one, but that "the Lehigh IBE program, with its dual engineering and business focus, was uniquely suited to such a challenge."

Students conducted market research to determine requirements for the new simulator. They observed

customers and participated in activities at the Crayola Experience in Easton and the Da Vinci Science Center in Allentown, visited local arcades and experienced flight simulators at venues such as the National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. Noting how visitors responded positively to hands-on activities, the team decided its simulator would be intuitive, realistic and accessible. The team developed beginner, intermediate and expert levels to appeal to all ages.

The team also visited Hangar 7 at the Lehigh Valley International Airport for a helicopter tutorial. They learned the aspects of rotary flight and found themselves hovering above the ground at the controls of a Schweizer single-engine helicopter.

"Flying on a helicopter is one of the most complicated things anyone could ever do, so learning all of that before we actually dove into building a simulator was probably the most integral part of it," says Melochick.

Computer engineering student Nick Hartman '15 signed on to provide assistance with the software elements of the project. Throughout the process, team members learned from each other.

Students explored market options, acquired needed parts and chose appropriate software with the help of professors. They selected a Bell AH-1 Cobra cockpit, provided by the museum, to house the simulator. They incorporated realistic features, including a device that adds vibration effects to the simulator's seat. They chose a high-resolution screen to provide a convincing visual effect, high-quality speakers for superior sound, and powerful processing technology for the best possible graphics. A control panel with real-time data display enhanced the experience.

Students designed concepts for customer flow through the museum, tickets and customer takeaways. Their business plan included recommendations for advertising, social media marketing and educational school programs.

"We really hope that this project and simulator will bring much more foot traffic and

> recognition to the museum," says Tang.

As part of the IBE Program requirements, the

team had to present its project to sponsors and venture capitalists.

"The Lehigh IBE team exceeded my expectations," says Beggs. "We are anxiously awaiting the grand opening of the Cobra Simulator at the American Helicopter Museum as an attrac-

tion that will inspire young people to careers in aviation, science and technology."

Melochick is excited, too. "I'm going to someday take my children and grandchildren and all my relatives to the American Helicopter Museum to see what my team has done," he says. "This is probably the greatest thing I've done with my life so far." —*Kelly Hochbein*

UNLIKE ANY OTHER PROJECT THAT I'VE EVER HEARD OF STUDENTS BEING ABLE TO DO."

"IT'S REALLY

-SHERON TANG '16

Narratives Otherwise Unheard

Playwright Darius Omar Williams brings his 'Mississippi-born-and-bred' approach to Lehigh

DARIUS OMAR WILLIAMS' INTEREST in the arts and theatre began at an early age, but the lack of quality black theatre in his native Mississippi made his childhood exploration of the arts "a challenging journey." Fortunately, Williams had powerful mentors and the opportunity to develop his talents with the New Stage Theatre, the only professional theatre in Mississippi at the time.

Now an assistant professor of theatre and Africana studies at Lehigh, Williams was able to fulfill a decade-old dream of providing "a face and a place for specifically Southern black narratives to not only be heard, but performed and staged in Mississippi." Thanks to the Paul J. Franz Jr. Pre-tenure Research Award, Williams traveled home last summer to estab<image>

lish and direct the 1st Annual Mississippi Black Theatre Festival. "What I'm attempting to do is create a gravitational shift in

the state of Mississippi where quality African-American theatre is otherwise invisible," says Williams. "I think it's very important to invoke the memories, the personal histories [and] the rich stories that live in Mississippi. These are narratives otherwise unheard that have not been staged in mainstream theatre institutions or mainstream African-American theatre institutions."

The 10-day festival—the first of its kind in Mississippi—featured local poets, playwrights, actors and dancers and an ensemble of artists performing *Mississippi Born and Bred*, a theatrical piece penned by Williams and inspired by storytelling sessions he facilitated with the cast. "The response was incredible," says Williams. A second festival is planned for 2015.

On March 27, Williams will bring a bit of Mississippi to Lehigh. A Faculty Research Grant will allow the original cast of *Mississippi Born and Bred* to perform a workshop stage reading of the play in the Black Box Theatre of the Zoellner Arts Center.

Williams' current project is *every tongue confess*, a play by African-American playwright Marcus Gardley. *Every tongue confess* revolves around the real-life burning of black churches in Alabama in the mid-1990s. It premiered in 2010 at the Arena Stage in Washington, D.C., and starred Phylicia Rashad in the lead role.

Williams connected with Gardley to obtain permission to produce the play at Lehigh. The production, which opens Feb.



MORE ON 'EVERY

TONGUE CONFESS': To watch video, go to lehigh.edu/ bulletin

20 at the Diamond Theatre in the Zoellner Arts Center, will feature Lehigh students and members of Easton's Greater Shiloh Church. The congregation's involvement was facilitated by church member Karen Sims, director of information processing in Lehigh's Office of Development.

The cast members from Greater Shiloh "are not just seasoned actors," says Williams. "Many of them are just seasoned human people. What is so interesting is that the spiritual reality of *every tongue confess* is their reality as well. So to bring in that spiritual grounding is going to add a necessary layer of richness to the play."—Kelly Hochbein

EXHIBITION Lou Stoumen: The War Years









LOU STOUMEN '39 was launched into a world at war after his graduation from Lehigh. Working first as a freelance photographer and journalist, he enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1942 and joined the staff of its weekly publication *Yank*.

Camera in hand, Stoumen (1917-1991) spent the war years traveling to New York, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, India, China and Japan. A career in filmmaking followed, with Academy Awards for two of his documentaries, "The True Story of the Civil War" and "Black Fox."

Stoumen's war years photos, including one of U.S. soldiers having Thanksgiving dinner in 1942, were among the black-and-white images recently displayed in The Gallery at Rauch Business Center. To see images from Stoumen's exhibit, go to www.luag.org and visit past exhibitions.







Grand Slam at Goodman

New playing fields and stands will enhance the Goodman campus for players and fans

THREE PROJECTS UNDER WAY on the Goodman campus will transform the picturesque grounds and enhance the sporting experience for student-athletes and fans.

Perhaps most visible is the new softball complex being built near the Goodman campus entrance. When completed, the complex will include a new playing field, video platforms, modern stands, enhanced dugouts and a press box. The project relocates the softball field and practice venue from an area that was more to the rear of the campus and that will now be closer to the team's locker room and sports medicine facilities in the Cundey Varsity House.

Also under way are major renovations to the baseball field, including larger and enhanced dugouts, bullpens and batting cages. The new baseball complex will feature a synthetic infield and a natural grass outfield, modern stands, a press box and a cable and netting system.

As the fields are being upgraded, the Cundey Varsity House is also undergoing an expansion that will provide much-needed meeting rooms and multipurpose spaces for indoor training.

The Varsity House, which was last renovated over a decade ago, is a daily hub for teams and student-athletes who use the Goodman campus to train and compete, including those in the football, lacrosse, baseball and softball programs. With Lehigh's teams involved in movement training and year-round strength programs, and with video technology being increasingly used as a teaching tool, the expansion will allow for the training programs to be better accommodated.

"All these projects will enhance the quality of our student-athlete experiences, as they provide competition and training venues that are of appropriate quality for an institution such as Lehigh," said Joe Sterrett, the Murray H. Goodman Dean of Athletics. "We are deeply grateful to all the contributors who demonstrated their support for our programs and our educational and developmental mission."

A renovation of the tennis courts is planned for next summer.-Mary Ellen Alu

BALL FIELDS STATS

280 seating, softball complex

370 Seating, baseball complex







Dividable (into 8) large new classrooms

Flat screen monitors



Tables in each new classroom



100 Theatre-style seating in activity space



projector and sound system for large activity space

'Looking is not seeing'

Through photography, lacrosse star Carli Sukonik '15 finds unexpected inspiration

WITH 32 GOALS AND SECOND-TEAM All-Patriot honors to her name in 2014, Carli Sukonik '15 has clearly established herself as one of the best lacrosse players in the region.

More recently, she's been working to build a similar reputation in another field entirely—photography.

As part of her honors thesis project, Sukonik last semester explored Philadelphia through her artistic, perceptive black-andwhite photography. Her work, inspired by the quote "Looking is not seeing," was on For her thesis, she took hundreds of images and chose 10 for display. According to Berrisford W. Boothe, associate professor of art, Sukonik impressed the faculty with not only her willingness to listen to advice, but also her commitment to her vision.

"She knew what she was looking for and took our observations, criticism and encouragement within the form of her own opinions, rather than trying to have us change them or backing off because we're the professors," Boothe said. "There was a really great plas-



display in the University Center's Girdler Gallery in December—and earned raves from her faculty advisers.

"Carli's work is beautiful," said Anna Chupa, an associate professor of design at Lehigh. "Her eye, her ability to see line and the quality of light and detail in these pieces is just beautiful."

Sukonik says the idea for the exhibit originated with a digital photography class and a single image—the bustling city in motion—that she took while walking around Philadelphia. That one image transformed the way she looked at the medium, she says.

"When I took that initial photo and converted it to black and white, it was one of those jaw-dropping moments," said Sukonik, who in 2014 finished with 10 multi-goal games and five hat tricks. "You can't tell that cars are zooming left and right or a train is going over the tracks above. It's as if the whole world froze in time for that millisecond when the shutter button was pressed." "HER EYE, HER ABILITY TO SEE LINE AND THE QUALITY OF LIGHT AND DETAIL IN THESE PIECES IS JUST BEAUTIFUL."

-ANNA CHUPA

ticity of ideas, which I thoroughly enjoyed."

Sukonik's honors thesis in many ways culminated her four years at Lehigh, and the project helped diversify her skills. With a cumulative GPA of 3.74, she is set up for success, no matter the career path she chooses.

"Carli has such diverse talent," said Chupa. "She's a graphic designer and she's a photographer. You don't always find those combinations together ... Carli is graduating with a major in graphic design, but she could also go into fine art photography if she wants. She has doors open for her if she wants to go in either direction."



HONORS THREE DRAFTED INTO MLL

Lehigh men's lacrosse seniors Matt Poillon, Dan Taylor and Lukas Mikelinich have been selected in the 2015 Major League Lacrosse Collegiate Draft, meaning they will have the opportunity to continue their careers as professionals.

The first goaltender selected, Poillon was drafted 28th overall by the New York Lizards. Taylor was picked 38th by the Denver Outlaws and Mikelinich was selected 58th by the Lizards. All three have been named All-Patriot League honorees at Lehigh while Poillon is a three-time All-American and Taylor a 2014 All-American.

Poillon, Taylor and Mikelinich become the fifth, sixth and seventh Mountain Hawks to be selected in the MLL Draft in the last three seasons. The three draft picks were tied for second most selections overall (only Syracuse had more) and tied a school record set in 2013. Ty Souders was selected 22nd overall by the Outlaws last season while Dante Fantoni, Noah Molnar and David DiMaria were selected in 2013.

Poillon has developed into one of the best goaltenders in the country. He owns a dominant 37-11 career record with a 7.25 GAA and .589 save percentage. Taylor emerged in 2014 as one of the nation's top attackmen, and Mikelinich has played an integral role in the emergence of Lehigh as one of the nation's elite defensive units.

PROFILE Justin Pacchioli '15



Lehigh baseball star Justin Pacchioli '15 heads into his senior season as not only the most feared slugger in the Patriot League—he batted .362 last year to lead the league in batting average for the second season in a row—but also one of the region's top pro prospects. The Easton, Pennsylvania, native spent last summer playing alongside top talent from around the nation in the Texas Collegiate League, and sufficiently impressed the scouts in attendance; in fact, Baseball America called the outfielder "undoubtedly the best all-around hitter in the TCL." In other words, a pro career isn't out of the question. In the meantime, though, Pacchioli says he's focused on just one goal: winning a championship for Lehigh.

MAJOR Journalism

HOMETOWN Easton, Pennsylvania

WHAT I LOVE ABOUT BASEBALL

I love everything about the game of baseball. You must stay mentally tough, because it is such a mental sport.

WHAT I DON'T LOVE ABOUT IT

Watching it isn't always the most exciting thing in the world. I would much rather play ball than watch it.

THE PLAYER I MODEL MY GAME AFTER IS

Derek Jeter. The way he carries himself on and off the field is amazing. He is such a class act, and one of the greatest players to put on the Yankee pinstripes.

MY BIGGEST ACHIEVEMENT (SO FAR)

I was ranked the 53rd best senior in the country by Perfect Game this year.

IF I WASN'T A BALLPLAYER, I WOULD BE

LESTIN

If I didn't play baseball, I would love to be a professional skier. Until the last few years, I would spend most of my winters on a mountain skiing with my friends.

MY FAVORITE PRO ATHLETE IN ANOTHER SPORT IS Lebron James (basketball). He

is a freak of nature and, in my opinion, the best athlete in all of sports right now.

MY HEROES ARE My parents, because of what they have done for me so far in my life. They are well-rounded people who push their two children to strive for greatness. They inspire me to be the best person I can be in all aspects of life.

MY LEADERSHIP STYLE IS Humble. I'm not very outspoken, but when I do have something to say, it is very meaningful. I get my work done without question and make sure the same happens for my teammates.

THE GREATEST STRENGTH OF OUR TEAM THIS YEAR IS Experience and work ethic. We have a lot of key starters returning and we have guys pushing each other to win positions. Everyone on our team is working hard to get better for each other as well as for themselves.

MY PERSONAL GOALS THIS SEASON

ARE All I want to accomplish is a championship. I want a ring on my finger before I graduate.



our next **PRESIDENT**

John D. Simon, who will assume the Lehigh presidency in July, has distinguished himself in academia with his world-class research, his thoughtful leadership and, perhaps most tellingly, his willingness to put the interests of others above his own.

Story by Mary Ellen Alu

Less than a month after being named Lehigh's 14th president, John D. Simon surprised students in James Peterson's Afrofuturism and Black Visual Culture class when he walked into their room one Tuesday morning and took a seat at the seminar table.

Though Peterson, a member of the Presidential Search Committee, knew Simon was coming to Drown Hall, he didn't tell staff or his students, who were reading and discussing the novel *Zone One* by Colson Whitehead. Now, with Simon in the room, wearing a Lehigh shirt, the students took the opportunity to talk with Lehigh's next president about their experiences at the university as well as his vision for Lehigh as it approaches its sesquicentennial.

"He was very candid about being in a learning phase," said Peterson, associate professor of English and director of Africana Studies. "He's an incredibly attentive listener."

Simon, a renowned chemist and widely respected leader in higher education, will assume the presidency on July 1, at age 58. He said he was attracted to Lehigh for a multitude of reasons: the breadth of work being done here, especially the interdisciplinary collaborations; the commitment and quality of faculty and staff; the quality of the undergraduate and graduate students; the "deeply ingrained" practical application of knowledge, and the faculty, students, staff and friends whom he has found to be "incredibly passionate" about the university.

Currently executive vice president and provost at the University of Virginia, Simon has been meeting with Lehigh's senior leadership, faculty and students in regular visits to campus since the fall, even taking up an offer from the Sigma Chi fraternity to have dinner on the Hill. Whenever he's spotted walking on campus, with a bounce to his step and a smile on his face, he's frequently stopped. People *want* to talk to him.

"It's really important for me to understand the important elements of the Lehigh culture and how things are done here," said Simon during one of those visits. "And if change is needed for the institution to move forward, you have to do it from within that context."

Simon said Lehigh must take pride in what it's doing well. "There are some absolutely outstanding faculty here who do work in areas that Lehigh has not traditionally been known for," he said. "Our faculty should be comfortable and encouraged to take credit and promote their excellent work.

"In my view, excellence in the arts, humanities, social science, education and business doesn't take away at all from the institution's deep and long-term commitment to STEM [Science, Technology, Engineering and Math education], nor our desire to stay at the forefront in the fields of engineering and science. And yet, the institution is very different from the days of Bethlehem Steel. We should take pride in that and really decide the very small number of institution-wide signatures that will define what Lehigh is in the space of higher education."

Those who know Simon well – at UVA, where a 2012 leadership crisis strengthened

sense with a lot of intellect," said Patricia Lampkin, UVA's vice president of student affairs. She said Simon's an inclusive leader, one who is not driven by personal motives. And, she said, he's not afraid to discuss the tough issues that come up on college campuses.

"He's great with intellectual discovery," Lampkin said. "He'll always bring up a new angle to consider in a totally non-judgmental way."

As Simon has begun to do at Lehigh, he set out to learn UVA's culture when he arrived there in 2011. "And he pulled out the best of our culture," Lampkin said. "He did not make it John Simon's culture."

A LIFE-CHANGING EXPERIENCE

Simon grew up in Cincinnati, Ohio. His mom was a homemaker, and his dad helped run the family tailoring business. Later, his dad started an advertising company that sold promotional materials.

With a penchant for math, Simon initially made math his major when he began his studies at Williams College in Massachusetts, then added chemistry for a double major. But by senior year, as a result of research work he did with one of his professors, William Moomaw, he saw his future. "He got me excited about doing science," Simon said. "And that, quite frankly, changed my life."

In a moment of discovery, Simon obtained data on how the chemical element Europium was binding to crown ethers, which are cyclic chemical compounds. It was the first time he knew something that no one else knew, he said, and he wanted to share that knowledge. "I knew at that moment that if I could make it, I was going to be a scientist," he said.

That's what Simon would become, of course, but his interests extend beyond academics. He enjoys college sports, and he was on hand when Lehigh's wrestling team beat Columbia 34-3 in November at the New York Athletic Club. He also was at Yankee Stadium for the 150th playing of the Lehigh-Lafayette football rivalry. In basketball, he admits to being a Duke fan, but smiles as he says he's learned to take pride now in Lehigh knocking off Duke in the 2012 NCAA Tournament.

He reads a lot of fiction, mostly modern authors, and he likes live music. (He

"He just has such an ability to inspire and motivate people to collaborate for a common cause."

-Stephen Nash, former student leader at UVA.

his reputation among faculty and students, and at Duke University, where he helped guide the strategic planning process – describe him as smart, collaborative and creative, with a good sense of humor. They say he enjoys interacting with other people.

"John believes in leading a team," said former Duke Provost Peter Lange, who tapped Simon to be that university's vice provost for academic affairs in 2005. "He doesn't believe in just doing it himself."

At UVA, Simon is seen as thoughtful – and courageous. "He's got a lot of good common

was a rock 'n' roll fan until his younger son introduced him to country music.) An avid bicyclist while at Duke, Simon often logged 50 to 75 miles on a weekend and participated in triathlons and Half-Ironman events. Aware of Lehigh's iconic hills and the 2,600 steps on the Asa Packer campus, he's gotten back to running and biking.

In the past decade, Simon's research interests have focused on understanding the struc-

ture and function of human pigmentation. Most recently, he collaborated with scientists from around the world to study the only known intact pigments recovered from the Jurassic period. He has received numerous fellowships and awards, including the Presidential Young Investigator Award, the Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship, the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Teacher Scholar Award and the Fresenius Award. He has authored or coauthored nearly 250 academic papers and four books.

After graduating from Williams College in 1979 with a degree in chemistry, Simon went on to Harvard University for his doctorate. A fellowship followed at the University of California, Los Angeles, where he worked with chemical physicist Mostafa El-Sayed, whom he counts as one of his mentors. Now director of the Laser Dynamics Lab at Georgia Institute of Technology, El-Sayed saw Simon as personable, creative and smart. "He sees things faster than any-



body else," El-Sayed said.

It was at UCLA that Simon met his future wife, Diane Szaflarski, then a graduate student and now an associate professor at UVA's School of Nursing. (She will be a professor of practice in chemistry at Lehigh.) The two worked together in the lab, on a project to measure the lifetimes of unstable ions. They wouldn't start

"John believes in leading a team. He doesn't believe in just doing it himself."

-Former Duke Provost Peter Lange

dating, however, until Simon joined the department of chemistry and biochemistry at University of California, San Diego, in 1985. He and his wife have two sons, Alec, 16, and Evan, 18.

In 1998, Simon headed east, joining Duke as the George B. Geller Professor of Chemistry. He soon became chair of the chemistry department and was tapped by then-Provost Lange to also lead the academic priorities committee.

"It was the first time in my life, after being totally immersed in science, to learn about a law school, environmental school, medicine, business, public policy," said Simon. "Universities are amazing places when you lift your head and look at what people are doing outside your area of expertise."

THE PATH TO A PRESIDENCY

Simon led the academic priorities committee at Duke for five years. Then one evening, Lange told him that Duke's vice provost for academic affairs was planning to step down. He asked if Simon, who shared a compatible vision for the university, would take the job. Unprepared for the offer, and wanting to confer with his wife since it would affect the demands on his time, Simon told him, "I don't know."

Simon said Lange gave him until the following morning for a formal reply. When Simon did accept the position, it was Lange who slowed things down.

"I was thinking about it overnight," Simon said Lange told him, "and you're not committed to being an administrator. So I need a plan from you on how you'll be scientifically active five years from today, so that if you don't want to be an administrator, I'm not responsible for killing off your career."

The two worked out a deal that allowed Simon to stay active in science while serving as vice provost, a position he held until 2011. In that new role, Simon guided the university's strategic planning process and drove initiatives aimed at connecting the humanities, social sciences and sciences. After a widely publicized 2006 scandal involving Duke's lacrosse team, in which charges against three players were ultimately dropped, Simon led discussions

on campus culture.

Simon is able to generate "really good discussion around big ideas," Lange said, and he is able to formulate concepts and mobilize people to get things done. He said Simon listens to what others have to say, and he's willing to adjust his position. "He doesn't always have to be the person who's right."

Among the people working alongside Simon at Duke was Susan Roth, vice provost for interdisciplinary studies. The two conferred daily, and sometimes Simon would make her

laugh so hard she figured the whole second floor in the administration building could hear her. She said Simon cared about the university, not about what kind of credit he'd get for what he did.

"When I left a conversation with him, my perspective was always enhanced in some way," Roth said. "He'd think of ways of understanding what had transpired that I never would have thought of. He'd have ideas about how to move forward toward a goal that never would have occurred to me. He'd make me laugh about something that was stressful that allowed me to think more clearly."

'A DEFINING MOMENT'

In 2011, the University of Virginia came courting. Simon resisted taking an interview for the job of provost, but eventually agreed to visit the campus. After walking The Lawn at its historic center, he felt an almost emotional connection to the university founded by Thomas Jefferson. On the short list of finalists, he met with UVA President Teresa A. Sullivan. They found they were aligned on philosophical issues concerning education and universities.

Simon got the job.

Charged with directing the academic administration at the university's 11 schools, Simon envisioned capping his career as provost. But nine months into the job, in June 2012, Sullivan was forced to resign by UVA's governing board leaders, putting the university community in tumult. Simon refused to be considered interim president, and when he understood the damage being done to the university, he put his own job at risk when he challenged the board in front of faculty.

In what he called "a defining moment," Simon told the faculty that he was confronting and questioning whether honor, integrity and trust remained the university's foundational pillars. He said it was no longer clear what the university's political leadership valued.

"I can tell you with total conviction that when I got up in front of the faculty [on June 17, 2012], I was more than prepared to not to have my job the next day," Simon said during his recent Lehigh visit. "I was totally comfortable with it because I felt it had gotten to the point where I was going to do what I thought was in the best interest of the institution."

Simon said he learned more about himself than anything else during that difficult period. Initially, his thoughts had been about self-preservation. How

could he navigate the situation so that he would come out on the other end with his job? But he came to realize that the job of provost was one that requires putting the interests of the institution first, and that he is comfortable with the risk involved in taking a leadership position. "The concern about that risk will not drive how I make decisions," he said.

Within weeks, a groundswell of support from faculty, students and the community swept Sullivan back into the presidency.

After the storm, Simon found himself talking to alumni groups and other organizations about the university's future. The

job expectations had changed, but Simon was having fun. He delivered a speech to one group that he titled "Leadership without a Playbook," about the events that had transpired.

Chris Holstege, who later became chair of UVA's Faculty Senate, worked closely with Simon in the months that followed. He found Simon to be "an outstanding communicator," one who is unassuming, who listens and who will ask tough questions to help in decision-making. He said Simon has been very en-

gaged with the UVA faculty. "He's one of the brightest leaders I've worked with," Holstege said. "Everyone is grieving him leaving."

Simon also made a strong impression on UVA students, winning a prestigious Faculty Award in 2013 that was given by a student organization called the IMP Society. Though the award usually goes to long-serving faculty or administrators, the group felt Simon had made a substantial impact at the university in a short time. Loudly chanting "Simon John, Simon John," society members interrupted a dinner he was attending and formed a circle around him, as was their custom in announcing the award recipient. They listed the ways Simon had distinguished himself: as an ally to countless students and faculty, in demonstrating strength of character and in devoting himself to cultivating others' growth.

Stephen Nash, then a student leader, said that as soon as Simon arrived at UVA, he engaged students in academic issues. Describing him as "a bridge-builder," Nash said Simon brought together student leaders for discussions on issues that included how to enhance the academic experience.

"He just has such an ability to inspire and motivate people to collaborate for a common cause," he said.

'A POSITIVE MOVE'

In the search for Lehigh's 14th president, Simon stood out as a seasoned academic and a seasoned leader. In the end, he emerged as the ideal candidate to lead the university. As he prepares for his new role, Simon has been engaging students, faculty, staff and administrators in his trips to the campus.

Many are aware of the controversies at the University of Virginia, including recent allegations of a campus rape made in a now discredited *Rolling Stone* article. "There are a lot of people who've talked to me about whether I'm running away from something," Simon said. "But I'm not running away from anything. I'm running toward the opportunity that I see here at Lehigh. This is a positive move."

At Lehigh, Simon sees opportunities that include the strengthening of ties among the university's four colleges. He's interested, for example, in creating more seamless connections between the research and education occurring on the Asa Packer Campus and that occurring on the Mountaintop Campus. "My perception is that a lot of people view the Mountaintop Campus as far away," he said. "It's not that far away." In addition to transportation, "if you have activities that people really want to be a part of and go to, distances shrink."

In addition to his meetings with faculty and deans, Simon called together the Council of Student Presidents for a discussion. What

"It's really important for me to understand the important elements of the Lehigh culture and how things are done here."

–John D. Simon

made them proud of the university? What did they wish was here? When looking back at their years at Lehigh, what they will point to and say, "That changed me?"

Students in Peterson's class wanted to talk about diversity and whether he was committed to making the university a better environment for a more diverse population.

"And I am," he said.

Simon recognizes the challenges ahead for Lehigh and higher education, including keener competitions for faculty, students and financial resources, fast-shifting patterns in research funding, and heightened expectations by students and their families for personal services and co-curricular programs.

"I think universities are largely defined by the quality of their faculty," Simon said. "If you attract great faculty, you attract great staff who want to support that faculty, and you attract great students who want to work with that faculty." In addition to outstanding senior professors, Lehigh has a lot of young and up-andcoming faculty, he said, so ensuring that all can achieve their career aspirations here will be critical to Lehigh's future.

Also, Simon said, "Lehigh must be a safe environment for faculty, students and staff, a place where people grow intellectually and socially." He envisions a partnership between the administration and faculty to build on Lehigh's strengths.

"We can't do everything," he said. "Decisions have to be made." But rather than step in and dictate next steps, Simon just really wants to listen for a while.



THE POWER OF CONSTANCY

FOUR ENGINEERS AND AN ECONOMIST SEEK TO HARNESS THE ABOUNDING ENERGY OF THE OCEAN'S ROLLING WAVES.

STORY BY KURT PFITZER • ILLUSTRATION BY KAROLIS STRAUTNIEKAS

The world's oceans exercise a timeless pull on the human imagination. The poet William Wordsworth called the ocean "a mighty harmonist." The explorer Jacques Cousteau said the ocean, "once it casts its spell, holds one in its net of wonder forever." Others have expressed awe at the ocean's immensity, and the rich diversity of its plant and animal life.

Five faculty members at Lehigh value the ocean for one of its physical marvels: its constancy. These researchers—four engineers and an economist—believe the unending cadence of the ocean's waves could provide a uniquely steady source of clean and renewable energy.

"Wave energy is a form of renewable energy that is hugely available and untapped," says Shalinee Kishore, an associate professor of electrical and computer engineering. "It is much cleaner than energy generated from fossil fuel sources, and it is much more reliable and consistent than either wind or solar energy."

A study by the Electrical Power Research Institute, says Kishore, estimates that the United States could meet more than a quarter of its energy needs by deploying wave energy converters (WECs), or buoys, in "wave



farms" along coastlines. The buoys would convert the mechanical energy of rolling ocean waves into electrical energy that could be fed into the nation's power grid.

Kishore is principal investigator for a grant of nearly \$1 million that Lehigh's PORT (Power from Ocean, Rivers and Tides) Lab recently received from the National Science Foundation (NSF) through its CyberSEES (Cyber-Innovation for Sustainability Science and Engineering) program.

The PORT group received two other grants last year: a \$400,000 award from NSF's GOALI (Grant Opportunities for Academic Liaison with Industry) program, for which Larry Snyder, associate professor of industrial and systems engineering, is principal investigator, and a \$100,000 Accelerator Grant from Lehigh. The industrial partner in the GOALI project, Ocean Power Technologies of New Jersey, is conducting pilot experiments with its wave energy converter design in Europe and North America.

The chief advantage of wave energy over wind and solar and other renewable energy sources, say the PORT researchers, is its reliability.

"Studies show that it is possible to predict the statistical parameters of waves at 48-hour intervals into the future," says Kishore. "This means that grid operators can factor the available energy from waves into their daily supply-and-demand planning. It also means that wave energy harvesters may be able to participate as energy suppliers in day-ahead electricity markets because they can guarantee the generation of a portion of the power that the grid will need."

By contrast, says Alberto Lamadrid, assistant professor of economics, the amount of energy generated by wind and solar fluctuates, obligating power plant operators to maintain backup energy sources—usually natural gas, coal or oil—for windless or cloudy days.

"If I offer a utility a megawatt of power at a relatively low price but with only a 20 percent chance of delivery, that's an offer with great uncertainty," says Lamadrid, who wrote his Ph.D. thesis at Cornell on pricing for markets with high penetrations of wind energy. "If I can always provide the energy I promise—and help distributors avoid a blackout—then I'm offering higher value.

"Wind forecasting can only be accurately done hour by hour. This creates huge uncertainty. With waves, you still have uncertainty but the spread is much smaller."

Ocean waves have other advantages. They generate energy offshore, and more than half of Americans live within 50 miles of a coast. Wind power, generated largely in the country's more sparsely settled interior, requires more miles of transmission lines to reach population centers.



Because water is denser than air, WECs that are 100 feet or more in length can generate almost as much energy as a wind farm whose 140-foot turbines are perched atop towers that are 250 feet tall. The WECs, mostly submerged and located a mile or so offshore, will not be as unsightly as offshore wind farms standing within sight of the beach.

WECs could affect shipping routes and recreational ocean use, as well as marine life and sediment transfer along the ocean floor. But most environmental assessments, says Snyder, "have concluded these would be minimal impacts. Offshore oil drilling has similar impacts but these have not been found to be significant."

A TEAM OF MANY TALENTS

Lehigh's PORT researchers come from a variety of backgrounds. Kishore is an expert in signal processing and wireless systems. Snyder constructs mathematical models for energy systems and for the design and management of supply chains. He and Kishore have spent five years developing quantitative analysis models to optimize the positioning of buoys in wave farms.

Lamadrid studies the effects on electricity markets of

introducing renewable resources, including wave power, into the grid. He, Kishore, Rick Blum and their students use neural networks, a type of artificial intelligence, to forecast the availability of wind and wave energy. They presented papers at the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers 2014 Power and Energy Society meeting in Washington, D.C.

Arindam Banerjee, assistant professor of mechanical engineering and mechanics, has received federal funding to study the hydrodynamics of hydrokinetic turbines operating in rivers and tidal basins. He and his students have published numerous journal articles on river turbines. Blum, the Robert W. Wieseman Research Professor of Electrical Engineering, directs the Signal Processing and Communication Research Lab and has coauthored a book and published journal articles on sensors and image fusion.

All five researchers are members of Lehigh's Integrated Networks for Electricity (INE) research cluster. The group also includes five Ph.D. candidates and a number of undergraduate students. NSF is providing funding for several undergrads to organize a course for high school students in June at the Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences (BIOS). The one-week course, which is being developed by Eccosolution, a renewable energy company, is the first that BIOS is devoting to wave energy.

MANAGING MYRIAD VARIABLES

To convert the ocean's power into electric power that can be integrated into the grid, the PORT Lab researchers must solve myriad interconnected challenges. The first, says Banerjee, is to determine the best layout of the buoys in a wave farm.

"We envision a wave farm with hundreds of buoys spread across a few miles of the ocean," says Banerjee. "The buoys should be far enough apart so that boats can navigate around them but not so far apart as to make it prohibitive to send crews out to perform maintenance."

Inside a wave farm, buoys will interact with ocean waves and with each other. When a wave strikes a buoy, that buoy will generate a smaller, secondary wave that strikes a neighboring buoy, which will then generate its own secondary wave. The interacting waves, says Snyder, will interfere with each other constructively or destructively. The goal is to deploy each buoy at a constructive interference point to maximize the energy it generates.

This interaction of primary and secondary waves, called hydrodynamic coupling, is affected by the angle and oscillation of approaching ocean waves; by the shape, size and mass of the buoys, and by the depth of the ocean floor. The phenomenon is poorly understood, says Banerjee, and the Lehigh group is developing mathematical models to study it.

"Not much is known yet about how buoys 'cross talk' or how to space buoys in a wave farm to get maximum energy generation," says Banerjee. "To model this in a marine environment, we have to use time domain calculations, which are very expensive and numerically intensive, and then integrate these equations with wave state forecasting models."

One way to influence hydrodynamic coupling and maximize power generation, says Kishore, is to modify the amount of wave energy a buoy absorbs and thus the amount of electrical power it generates. This process, called damping, can be optimized if scientists learn to forecast wave patterns. The Lehigh group is proposing to place sensors in wave farms to gather information on wave activity and make it possible to adapt and optimize the buoys' reactions to waves.

OPTIMIZING ENERGY EXTRACTION

"If we can predict how the waves are going to hit the buoys," says Blum, "we believe we can get more energy from each device. Intuitively, we want the devices to move in sync with the waves; if they are already moving in the right direction when the waves hit, they will generate more energy.

"If we can use the wave predictions to control the WECs properly, we believe we can increase the energy we extract from the device at least by a factor of two. It takes just a small amount of energy to move a buoy into its optimal position. If the waves are out of sync with the WECs, however, this can substantially decrease the energy produced by the WECs."

Sensors help predict wave formation and activity by measuring velocity, acceleration or displacement. Blum and his students are writing algorithms that determine the optimal locations for sensors while estimating and accounting for errors in measurements.

"The ocean is a volatile environment," Blum says. "There's a lot of noise that distorts measurements and causes inaccurate predictions. This noise includes sensor error and unwanted sensor motion. However, if you increase the number of sensors and properly combine all the data the sensors produce, you can reduce the amount of error that noise causes in your wave predictions.

"Our analyses estimate how many sensors a wave farm needs, at what locations, how often they should be monitored to get maximum energy extraction, and what degree of error there will be in predicting wave formations. How will this degree of error affect the efficiency of energy generation? That's where we need better estimates."

The more accurately wave farm operators predict wave activity, says Lamadrid, the more reliably they can guarantee the power they supply to the electrical grid. This could decrease the need for utilities to keep fossil fuel-fired power plants as backups when supply drops unexpectedly from a renewable source like wind or solar.

"If a utility has to maintain a coal-fired power plant as a standby, there's a cost associated with that," he says. "Also, it's expensive to ramp up the plant. Someone has to incur the costs of these uncertainties."

The PORT researchers analyze wind and wave energy, comparing their reliability and profits. One paper they presented at the Power and Energy Society meeting proposed an optimal strategy for wave farm operators to bid on the energy market. Another discussed how neural networks can be used to provide forecasts with 95 percent confidence.

"Like engineering," says Lamadrid, "economics deals a lot with optimization. People, as consumers, try to maximize something, given restraints. We connect the economics of the energy market with the operations of an electrical power plant, which also tries to maximize profits. In fact, it can participate in the market under those premises—that it needs to maximize profits."

Economics has been dubbed the "dismal science," but the economics of energy, says Lamadrid, "is a very upbeat area. Renewable energy has a lot of potential. We can cut emissions of carbon dioxide and other pollutants. We can provide clean energy. The dismal part is establishing the tradeoffs on every action.

"Wave energy by itself is not going to be the solution to our energy problems. The ultimate solution will come from a diversified portfolio of options including wind, wave and solar. Combined, all of these will provide the right amount of energy and backup supplies so we can be more resilient when the next Hurricane Sandy hits."



There has never been another Lehigh football weekend like it. Because in truth, it was so very much more than just a 'football weekend.'

A Weekend Unlike Any Other

PHOTOS BY CHRISTA NEU AND ACADEMIC IMAGE

In late November, the Lehigh family gathered in New York City for the 150th playing of The Rivalry—the storied football grudge match with that school over in Easton that stands alone as the single most played football rivalry series in all of college football.

The game, of course, took center stage on the weekend, as Lehigh and Lafayette supporters filled Yankee Stadium to capacity to witness a historic occasion in college athletics. And even despite the heartbreaking loss (Lafayette won, 27-7), it proved to be an amazing occasion for the Lehigh community—as was the entire weekend surrounding it.

From the parties both formal and informal that began Thursday evening to the academic panels and thoughtful discussions hosted by Lehigh all day Friday, from the ringing of the bell on Wall Street to the Marching 97's frenzied tour of Manhattan, the Lehigh family enjoyed three days of celebration and camaraderie. It was a truly once-in-a-lifetime event, and a great celebration on the grandest of stages.

In the pages that follow, we take a photographic look back at Rivalry 150 weekend—a weekend that will be remembered fondly by those in attendance for years and years to come.—*Tim Hyland*

Lehigh and Lafayette fans packed Yankee Stadium for the 150th playing of The Rivalry. The 48,256 fans in attendance comprised the largest crowd to ever see a college football game at the stadium.






Rivalry 150 weekend began Thursday evening, as Lehigh alums arrived in New York, and continued through Sunday. Among the highlights of the weekend were the ringing of the Wall Steet bell on Friday afternoon (far left) and, on Saturday night, the lighting of the Empire State Building in Lehigh and Lafayette colors.

The Lehigh community made its presence known early and often in Manhattan. Students gathered before dawn Friday to win camera time on the sets of both Good Morning America and The Today Show, while the Marching 97 performed at locations throughout the city.







There simply was no escaping the fact, pretty much anywhere in Manhattan, that The Rivalry was in town. Even Wall Street joined the celebration. Alumni and friends at the Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum heard from Professors Joachim Grenestedt and Terry Hart '68 — experts in things that go fast.



Trustee Joe Perella '64, far left, was a distinguished panelist on 'Creating Investor Value.' At right, the Lehigh community gets an insider's look at the United Nations from Ahmad Kamal, former ambassador and permanent representative from Pakistan to the U.N.



Lehigh Choral Arts, under the direction of composer-conductor Steven Sametz, the Ronald J. Ulrich Professor of Music, performs Friday night in the Isaac Stern Auditorium at Carnegie Hall.





Earth Wind & Fire entertained Lehigh alums at the sold-out Brown & White Night concert Friday evening. The event, held at New York's Terminal 5, attracted more than 1,000 attendees.











The Marching 97 entertained the sold-out Yankee Stadium crowd at halftime. Afterward, players such as Lafayette quarterback Zach Zweizig and Lehigh's Matt Timochenko '18both of whom attended Wilson West Lawn High School-showed that The Rivalry is not just about competition, but respect as well.

LEHIGH DISPATCH

Editor's note: Welcome to Class Notes, 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, and special thanks to Class Notes Editor Diana Skowronski, who can be reached at (610) 758-3675 or classnews@lehigh.edu.

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As I gather thoughts for this column, the WORLD SERIES is in full sway, and the 150th Lehigh bash in Yankee Stadium is the regular dinner topic. John Milnor '56 lives in nearby Trinity and has a friend who is setting up a local broadcast, which we are all hoping works. This is about the only Lehigh news I have.

I've some personal news: I must sadly report that my beloved second wife, Janet Kelly Carter, passed away in June after a valiant seven-year struggle with Alzheimer's disease. She is sorely missed. Needless to say, this is a major readjustment for me, but it is going well. Please guys and gals, get out your PCs and drop me a newsie email and WRITE ON!!

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243 On Aug. 23, 2014, Phil Varricchio and Phil's daughter, Lehigh County, Pa., Judge Michele Varricchio, accompanied Les Titlow to carry the Class of 2018 to Lehigh University. We were a very small part of the welcoming group, as there were 72 other flag-bearers from other previous classes carrying their flags.

I had a pleasant talk with **Chas Kucher**, who lives in Moravian Hall Square in Nazareth, Pa. The majority of our conversation was related to our football team and its performance this season! We spent some time talking about the 150th meeting of college football's most-played rivalry: Lehigh vs. Lafayette at Yankee Stadium, New York. Charles said the folks at Moravian Hall Square had arranged to have a party for Lehigh grads living in

Moravain Hall Square. My wife and I (Les) were considering a viewing party at Moravian Village in Bethlehem, Pa., to enjoy the 150th football game at Yankee Stadium. However, on Wednesday, Oct. 15, answering the call of the fans throughout the greater Lehigh Valley region, the nonprofit ArtsQuest and Coordinated Health announced that they would host a free live-viewing party outdoors with a large screen to view the game. The event was to be hosted with Arts Quest president and 1970 Lehigh graduate Jeff Parks and ArtsQuest senior vice president of administration and 1985 Lehigh graduate Walter Keiper.

I have talked with several classmates recently and found out that they are fine and able to get around. John Corson still lives in Newton, N.J., David Schaper still lives in Hilton Head, S.C., John deGrouchy still lives in Princeton, N.J., and David Troxel still lives in Marlton, N.J., but his daughterin-law Debbie indicated that he has been moved to the assisted living section of the same Big House! All of them are doing fine for being 93 years old, but their age is catching up with them! Les Titlow. 583 Riverwoods Way, Bethlehem, PA 18018. (610) 691-0531(H); lestertitlow@ aol.com and David Troxel, 13 Balsam Way, Marlton, NJ 08053. (856) 797-2235 (H); dandjtroxel@aol.com

Two issues ago, we mentioned that Warren Dix had self-published "The Coded Letter," an adventure novel of espionage and chicanery in the Middle East. He sent us a paperback copy recently, and we found it a quick and good read. Warren spent several decades as a management consultant in Cairo, Saudi Arabia and Greece, and his familiarity with the re-

gion is obvious in the story. We did wonder if the sexy episodes were totally fictional; you could hear his smile over the phone. Classmates will enjoy the tale. It's available on Amazon at a modest cost. A mention of espionage prompted us to make a call to Tom Wetrich, whose long service in the Central Intelligence Agency was "for real," not imaginary. He spent 25 years as an employee and an additional eight years as a CIA contractor. Our delightful conversation also included comments on World War II, in which he served as a lieutenant colonel in France and Germany.

Tom lives in Falls Church, Va., with Jean, his wife of 66 years. They spend a lot of time with their large family. Tom says he can no longer bound up six flights of stairs, and his balance would hamper his tennis, if any opponents were still around. He spends a lot of time reading and watching television. Sound familiar? But it was refreshing to make a telephone call, hear a female voice, and learn that her companion is still around and able to talk. All too often we are told that our classmate has moved on or is not available. We are now down to 51 members associated with our class, roughly 10 percent of the freshmen in 1940. It is a treat when a contact originates with the classmate, such as this nice note from Oscar Fox. "Thank you and Kit for your good work in keeping the class of '44 informed. We often fail to pick up the ball and give you updates. Sadly, too few of us are still around. It is always good to see news of old friends in your Bulletin column. Like many others, I have lost close family members - and that remains difficult. But there are two children, who are well and supportive and close -- one in Lancaster, another in York. All things considered, I am well and very fortunate, working at the Masonic Health Care Center

three days a week as a volunteer. I run (very slowly) and bike (not far). I live in very comfortable and beautiful surroundings. If any Lehigh men get close to Elizabethtown, it would be great to spend some time together." (Foxy's phone number is 717-361-5684.) Keeping in touch with buddies should be de rigueur with nonagenarians. From time to time we call Kit Diefenderfer, our former class president, who was also co-correspondent of these notes. He's "still hanging in there" and he wishes you well. Okay, guys. Who is the next batter in keeping our game going? Carson F. "Kit"

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1 It was with shock and sadness that I read in the Bulletin of the death of our classmate and loyal friend of Lehigh, Max Stettner. I remember Max from our undergraduate days. Not only was he an outstanding scholar (Phi Beta Kappa), but the Lord blessed him with good looks. I met him when my roommate Dick Huyett and I joined the fencing team.

As beginners, Dick and I tried our luck with foils. Max, on the other hand, had moved on up to the épée. Now the difference in scoring points when fencing is as follows: With the foil, points are scored only by touching your opponent with the tip of the foil on the trunk of his/her body. Head, arms, legs don't count. The foil has a flexible shaft.

With the épée, which has a very rigid shaft, points are scored anytime you can touch your opponent with the tip of your weapon anywhere on his/ her body. That's why you wear a facemask...to protect your face, eyes, nose, etc. With the saber, you can score points by not only touching your opponent anywhere on his/her body with the tip of your weapon, but also you can score points by slashing with the blade. I tried my best, but I was never able to win a single match...and Huyett outscored me by a bunch every time I faced off with him ... so I quit!

But...back to Max Stettner. Max helped us tremendously when we organized ourselves for our 50th Reunion back in 1996, supplying us with jeans to wear, marching in the parade, singing "hats off to Lehigh," and performing the many silly things that Reunion classes get involved with at Reunions. After the marching and speeches at the flagpole were over, our class gathered together in a corner under the Reunion tent, which the Class of '46 shared with the other Reunion classes. Well, I'll tell you, the repartee at our table between Max and Maurice Deane was classic stuff. We laughed and laughed as they went toe to toe with good-natured and hilarious banter. What a good time we had! Speaking of our 50th, I came across some of the hand-outs that Chuck Hafner and Ralph Graber had put together. Here 'tis:

HATS OFF TO LEHIGH! (our Reunion theme) • 1946...Mortarboard... U.N. General Assembly's first session • Truman created Atomic Energy Commission • Eugene O'Neill's "The Iceman Cometh" • Spock's "Baby and Child Care"

• Movie: The Best Years of Our Lives • Xerox process invented • St. Louis wins the pennant • 1956...Hard Hat... • Dwight D. Eisenhower re-elected Grace Metalious: Peyton Place • Movie: Around the World in 80 Days • Lerner and Loewe's "My Fair Lady" • Popular Song: Hound Dog Sabin's oral vaccine against polio developed • Ken Rosewall - U.S. Lawn Tennis Men's singles • 1966...Fedora Hat... Vietnam • Truman Capote's "In Cold Blood" • Movie: A Man for All Seasons • Aldrin steps out of his spacecraft • Jack Nicklaus wins Masters Color TV becomes popular • Miniskirts are in fashion • 1976...Top Hat...Father of the Bride Hat... • U.S. celebrates Bicentennial • Bernstein and Woodward's "The Final Days" • Movie: One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest Actress Rosalind Russell dies • Milton Friedman -Nobel winner, Economics • Jimmy Connors wins U.S. Tennis Open Hank Aaron retires • 1986...Too Many Hats... Reagan-Gorbachev summit in Iceland • Robert Penn Warren - first official U.S. Poet Laureate • Voyager 2 flies by Uranus discovers 10 more moons • "Les Miserables" musical wins 8 Tony awards on Broadway Oil surplus brings prices

below \$10 per barrel • Ivan Boesky pleads guilty to insider stock share dealing • Benny Goodman dies

• 1996...Golf Hat... Retirement Hat

The Sun'll come out tomorrow Bet your bottom dollar

That tomorrow...there'll be Sun! Just thinkin' about tomorrow Clears away the cobwebs and the sorrow 'Till there's none! When I'm stuck with a day That's gray, and lonely I just stick out my chin, and grin, and say...Oh The Sun'll come out tomorrow So ya gotta hang on 'till tomorrow... Come what may! Tomorrow! Tomorrow! I love ya tomorrow! You're only a day away! Goodbye Max. En Avant! Dick MacAdams, 7066 Edinburgh Drive, Lambertville, MI 48144. (734) 856-1097(H); macadams@bex.net

²47^{I've tried to drum up some correspondence from all the fellows for whom I have an email address. Unfortunately I think most of my messages have been considered spam, as I got just a few replies, three for 34.}

Mike Pomerantz wrote that while wintering in Florida he had an interesting dinner and evening with Dick Norris, Class of '49, a former Tau Delta Phi fraternity brother who heads the law firm handling his estate matters.

Mike had a recent sojourn in the hospital and rehab and is now feeling much better and glad to be home.

John Tirrell sent a nice note concerning his experiences since graduation. He attended Philadelphia Textile (now Philadelphia University), as his dad was president of Tirrell Bros. Silk Corp. of Phillipsburg, N.J., and he wanted to know more about the technology.

Following that experience he was hired by DuPont in the textile fibers department in Wilmington, Del. He retired from there in 1985 and then got a professional engineer's license in Delaware. He is still active in the Little League, after his eldest son finished playing. He was a member of the Lehigh football team (then known as the Engineers) but got injured and sent to St. Luke's, where he met a beautiful student nurse who later became his wife (not all football injuries are bad).

They had six children, who all have families of their own. He mentioned that his wife, Dolores, died in 2005, 29 days short of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Fritz Stocker, whom I have known since grade school at Moravian Prep. (now a much expanded Moravian Academy with a nice campus in the north of town), sent a note saying both he and his wife, Janet, are happy and healthy. However, his hearing is getting worse (whose isn't?) and Janet has a bit of a mobility problem. They are still in Chula Vista, Calif., and are moderately socially active.

I and my better half, Ruth, are happily ensconced in a CCRC, Cranes Mill, and are still pretty active in their activities. I enjoy the Summit Old Guard meetings and the golf afterward (on a par-three course, on account of the fact that I don't hit the ball very far anymore), and the Exxon annuitant financial and computer club gatherings and their quarterly luncheons.

If you did not get my last email note, it is because I do not have your address. Please send it to me so I can agitate you more directly.

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When I was a young boy **y** growing up "in the old days," or, as the current buzz goes, "back in the day," the crack (?) weather forecasters would say "we're in for a bad spell of weather." (Al Gore's father? I still can't resist.) Now we're in for another bad spell of "WHETHER." Whether the stock market will tank, whether ISIS or Ebola can be stopped, or whether Lehigh has a football team. Wow, zero and five. That really is "back in the day." Remember 1946, 1947 and 1948? Not so good then either. Yes, Dave Cecchini, our expert offensive strategist, left to become head coach at Valparaiso and took three of his staff along. Yes, we have injuries and a young team, but I wonder how Yankee Stadium in November will turn out. Well, for better or worse, it will be in the history books

when you read this. My wife, Gini, accessed the Cornell website today, Oct. 18, 2014, and for \$9.95, we watched Lehigh, now one and five, defeat Cornell, now zero and five. I attended the Yale game and saw all the rest via the Web. In my opinion, Lehigh has played better in defeat than when beating Cornell today. Lots of new names playing each week, so maybe it will come together, hopefully sooner than later.

I spoke to **Bob Hicks** in Vermont yesterday. He is OK, except for his legs, which slow him down, but he still drives and gets around.

I had a phone conversation with **Ernie Spillar**, who is as enthusiastic as ever. He is sorry he couldn't make our 65th Reunion. Ernie no longer vacations in Cape Cod but does so at Sag Harbor, a delightful island in the fork at the eastern end of Long Island. As you may recall, Ernie worked in the Czech Republic for some time and still gets Christmas cards from friends there.

I had a note from John Weisel concerning Bill Milanese. Bill was published in the Spring 2014 Alumni Bulletin, wherein he comments on the new look of the Bulletin. Upon graduation, both Bill and John went to work for the Mergenthaler Linotype Company in Brooklyn, N.Y. Bill stayed in the print-related area while John switched into electronics. John remembers Bill as "a nice guy, hard worker, and wishes him the best." We wish you both the same, John. Thanks for writing.

As mentioned in my previous column, I had an email reporting the death of Francis Stauffer from his grandson, Christopher Miller '98. Francis was an electrical engineer who came to Lehigh on the G.I. Bill and apparently finished in three years. Chris remembers Lehigh-Lafayette posters and photos from football games and "The Lookout" in their house. Francis was married while at school, and his wife Theda received a "P.H.T" (Putting Hubby Through) when he graduated. Chris says Francis told him that Price Dorm had a brewery in the basement. My fraternity had beer on tap most weekends, but apparently no one had the bright idea of actually brewing. Oh, well!

I received a notice of the death of Patrick Anders, M.D. on April 15, 2014, from Richard Stiles '50. Patrick served as a U.S. Merchant Marine cadet during 1945 and 1946 in the Pacific Theater. After graduation, he received his doctorate from the University of Rochester in 1953 and subsequently served as a doctor in the U.S. Navy from 1954 to 1962. He then practiced obstetrics and gynecology with his wife Rebekah (also an M.D.), in East Point, Ga., until his retirement in 1993, having served as chief of obstetrics and gynecology and chief of staff. He was a deacon of the New Hope Baptist Church and loved gardening and tending to a varied

menagerie of animals. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, six children (four of whom are M.D.s), 20 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Thanks for writing, Rachel.

It will be old news by the time you read this, but it was just announced yesterday that John D. Simon, executive vice president and provost of the University of Virginia, has been named the new president of Lehigh and will take office July 1, 2015. We wish him well.

I know that you have all been waiting anxiously for my usual agricultural report. Our class president Mark Parseghian has had a bumper crop of every vegetable you could possibly think of. I'm almost embarrassed to report my limited success, but not too embarrassed to brag a little. If you recall, I was told that I planted too early in spring. I must use "grow boxes" as my property is heavily treed. Consequently, I have very little plantable sunny space. Two boxes, 11 feet by 26 inches, containing five plants total, produced between 200 to 3000 tomatoes averaging about a half-pound each. The largest was an unbelievable 15 1/2ounces. If any reader loves the taste of a REALLY good tomato, contact me for details.

Prediction from a "graybeard" (actually). The market didn't tank, ISIS and Ebola will be stopped (the latter sooner than the former), and we will have a football team again!

Condolences to the families of our departed classmates. **Bob Macauley**, 10 Hitchcock Rd., Westport, CT 06880. (203) 226-5839 (H); Bobmacauley-LU49@optonline.net

250 President **Ed Kaup** and I carried the class flag in the "parade of flags" at the reception for the class of 2018, held on Aug. 23, 2014. Threat of thunderstorms moved us

PROFILE Cory Nolan '08



MAYORS OF THE MARATHON

Guiding athletes with disabilities requires versatility, stamina and the ability to make quick decisions.

William Reilly, who is over 60 and has cerebral palsy, is laboring up a steep hill in New York City's Central Park. Seated in his wheelchair, propelling himself backward with his feet, "Backwards Bill," as he is known, is preparing for his 33rd New York City Marathon.

On this brilliant October morning, Cory Nolan '08 rides on a bicycle alongside Reilly and three other guides. All are decked in the bright chartreuse jerseys of Achilles International, a nonprofit that helps people with disabilities compete in athletic events.

Nolan, who has an architecture degree from Lehigh, has guided Achilles athletes through the Boston and New York marathons and through half a dozen half-marathons.

"It's never your race," says Nolan, who will skip this year's marathon because of a knee injury. "You do it for the athlete, and that keeps you going."

Just past the crest of the hill, Reilly lifts his feet as his chair begins accelerating backward down the paved path. The other guides sprint to keep up with him, holding the sides of his chair to keep it on course and yelling "Wheelchair!" to warn runners.

Nolan guided his first marathon in New York in 2011, when he ran with South African Celimpilo Khumato, who has spina bifida and competes in a hand-cranked wheelchair.

"We started an hour before the elite runners," he says. "We got to mile 5 or 6 and Meb [Keflezighi, the sixth-place finisher and top American man] blazed by. It was such an experience for Celimpilo to be on the same race course with a runner like that." When they neared the finish, Nolan grabbed a South African flag from a spectator and attached it to Khumato's chair.

Sports and philanthropy have always been part of Nolan's life. His father still

travels regularly to Africa on philanthropic trips. As a boy, Nolan stuffed suitcases with cleats and jerseys for the kids his father would see.

At Lehigh, Nolan played soccer, was president of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, led fundraising initiatives for charities and tutored middle school students. He got a job with Deutsche Bank in New York and discovered Achilles through a friend. Last year, he secured a \$5,000 grant for Achilles from his employer to pay for travel and equipment, including expenses for the Achilles Freedom Team of Wounded Veterans, who compete each year in New York.

"Guiding can require very different kinds of activities," he says. "One athlete I guided flung his leg out to the side when he ran. I've had to keep other runners who weren't paying attention from getting accidentally kicked. And when I ran with Celimpilo in New York, at about mile 7 the police came up and told us, 'You're about to get hit by a wave of sprinters.' We had to get to the side pretty quick."

On marathon day, 275 Achilles athletes and 308 guides complete the course. Nolan helps them get started and then works the finish line.

"The crowning moment of the day was when Bill came in. The race announcer recognized him about 100 yards out and shouted: 'Here comes Achilles athlete Bill Reilly!' Everyone got super excited and they were giving him high fives."

At that moment, said Kathleen Bateman, director of Achilles' New York City chapter, "Bill was like the mayor of Central Park."

- Chris Quirk

inside Grace Hall, where you watched wrestling matches and danced to the big bands during your undergraduate days;. The student body and staff were very helpful to grey-haired/all volunteers. Don Schlegel and I occasionally discuss the subjects of investments and, more frequently, "golf in-the-nineties"(I don't mean scores). We have had to cancel so often this year (rain), that the course 'bookers' should hang up when we phone them for a tee-time. Tom Fisher phoned to tell me that there was a really big hurricane heading for the islands (Hawaii) and, having looked at the sky, he was returning to his "crib" to secure his personal safety. Tom does his cell-phoning from outside because of signal strength; he could do that ad, "can you hear me now?" Sometimes when he phones, Tom sings (pretty good) a ribald ditty (naughty), but he was too hurried this time.

Tom De Crosta retired from teaching in the Bethlehem Area School District and still lives in Bethlehem with his wife, Lorraine. Tom also earned an M.A. in '57; his son, Thomas W. Jr., earned an MBA in '77. Looking back in time, Tom can claim eight of his family as having pursued degrees at Lehigh. Jeannette and Rae Williamson also keep Bethlehem as their hometown. Formerly senior industrial engineer at the Bethlehem Steel Corp., Rae does little in the way of hobbies. At this time he prefers to concentrate on assisting his wife at recovering from medical issues. Rae offered that he likes reading our class column. Also assisting his wife (Margaret) is Bob Limons. They reside in Macungie. Bob's Lehigh cap was noticed by a patient in a waiting room. He was asked if he knew Paul Kunkel. On affirmation, Bob was barraged with plaudits for Paul, who was helping his friend cope with some physical

debilities at their common residence, Phoebe Terrace. In the past, Bob corresponded with many of our classmates, but their departures put an end to the practice. Bob has the very demanding hobby of building "plank on bulwark" sailing vessel models. His beams are usually 3 feet in length and involve bass wood, which is relatively knot-free, making the parts easier to carve. Over 100 planks are soaked, steamed, and shaped, then glued into place. Such models take about 400 hours to finish. Sail on, Robert; developing such skill would interfere with my nap time. Audrey and John Weston reside in Allentown. Now retired from Essroc Cement Company, where he served as director of manufacturing, John plays duplicate bridge two or three times every week and watches as much (TV) football as time permits. Just received an "every five years" update from Bill Foerster. In September, Bill and his wife, Marta, toured Ireland. Bill thinks that caused him to consider returning to Lehigh for our 65th Reunion next May. Bill enjoys reading the class news about all of you. Better still would be exchanging that news in person.

As you may remember, Gene Chovanes will serve as chairman for our 65th class Reunion next May. Gene is right for the job; as he has often said, "I really love Lehigh." Next Saturday, President Ed Kaup and I will join Gene at Lehigh University to get our smarts from "staff" as to how to run a Reunion. Rest assured everything will be in order. So, get yourselves ready to rumble and plan to come-on-down to campus for another big one. See you there.

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Paul Kelley weighs in (at 175#) from East Brunswick, N.J., with comments on LIFE and his life, so far. He says he has had a wonderful year through the accomplishments of his granddaughter discovering a molecule, leading to a breakthrough in anthrax study and to her doctorate, awarded at Rutgers University. Adding to Paul's joys this year was the recent marriage of his youngest daughter, Susan. He (Paul) has "outlived a wonderful wife, Dottie, and three darling girlfriends" and now enjoys a new "enchanting companion."

A former Marine, Paul landed at Inchon Harbor. His work included RCA, Proctor & Gamble, Johnson & Johnson International, and director of research at Standard & Poor's. Now, as a licensed certified financial adviser, he owns and manages two businesses: Tax Return Preparation and Registered Investment Advisor.

A recovered victim from a speech stroke lasting 20 minutes in 2003, he passes along to us advice from his doctor, Dara Jamieson, now of Columbia-Presbyterian Hospital, New York City: "exercise your legs" and "get lots of sex. That benefits your blood and nervous system." And for you investors: "get back into cash. There's more trouble ahead in the oil industry."

What do you think of that, loyal readers?

North Dakota State University's football team continues to "win them all," but sometime they will lose.

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²52^{with the aspens} turning to gold and the maples to red, heaven is quite close to the central highlands of Arizona.

DAZ and I love our new home, approximately equidistant between Phoenix and Flagstaff. The neighbors are friendly, and they stop and chat on their walks or wave (with all their fingers) on their drive-bys. Now, almost to November, the temperatures are still 70 to 80 during the day and high 30s to low 40s at night. What could top that? The skies are either blue wall-to-wall, no clouds, or clouds that look like so much whipped cream. The sunsets are awe-inspiring. A paradise, to be sure.

Alas, classmates, our new home is not what this column is all about. It is really about the class of 1952, but there is little news to report. I need your communication. Please let me know what is happening in YOUR lives.

The alumni office and **Ralph Fortney** seem to have "lost" Joe Paquin, Sigma Nu 1953. Joe, phone home! Anyone with information on Joe, please contact me.

Bob Hoyt spent some time with Betsey and **Mayo Snyder** at their home overlooking the lake in Cooperstown, N.Y. Mayo and Bob grew up together in Plainfield, N.J. Bob also visited with **John Seville** in Lancaster, Pa., in June 2014, prior to spending the summer on Nantucket boating and cycling. Thanks, Bob, for keeping us up to date.

That's it, '52-ers. Let me hear from you.

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253 I am pleased to report that Joe Workman, our class president for almost 40 years, has had very successful open heart surgery in New York City. Joe previously had a couple of shoulder operations and a hip replacement. He was a good basketball player at Lehigh, and I can attest to the fact that he is

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a very good golfer, as well as a fine tennis player.

Barbara and I recently returned from a two-week vacation in Sedona, Ariz. While we were there, we drove down to Scottsdale and spent some time with **Tom** and Anita **Schaefer**. They previously sold their home in Arizona and have relocated to the Marvella Senior Center in Scottsdale. It is a new facility and is most impressive and beautiful. We talked about all the changes and new construction on the campus over the 60 plus years we have gone.

Bill Latshaw told me that one of his fraternity brothers, **Hurley Bogardus Jr.**, passed away in East Dennis, Mass., after a long illness. Hurley enlisted in the Marine Corps as a second lieutenant, later became a pilot and a flight instructor and retired after 20 years' reserve duty as a lieutenant colonel. Hurley was an attorney by profession, having graduated from Yale Law School. He is survived by his wife and three children.

The senior alumni council is sponsoring a number of coming events for 2015. However, first it has a Christmas lunch for volunteers for their service to Lehigh in 2014 on Dec. 10, 2014. The Class of '53 is always well-represented. Next is a winter sports event that will be on Jan. 25, 2015, for the Cornell wrestling meet. And finally on April 17, 2015, an alumni backto-the-classroom-for-a-day, which includes lunch.

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254 Twenty -four people showed up at Gecko's Signature Room to watch the Lehigh-Lafayette football game. During halftime, we enjoyed a buffet dinner and continued to watch the disappointing game on a 100" screen with surround sound as we did last year. The Room is already booked for next year and we hope that the Room will continue to be our home for all future L/L football games and perhaps some other sporting events as well.Our class was well-represented by Dan Klein and his wife, Joyce, Barry Goldblatt and his bride, Deeva, John Boardman and myself. Everyone had fun and looks forward to attending next year.

Dick Wolf sent me the following letter for the column:

"Gail and I went on a cruise off the coast of Maine in July aboard American Cruise Line 'Independence' with our good friends and travel companions, Jack Fulton('73) and his wife Karen. Our dinner companions one night were **Bill Sutherland** and his wife, Pat. Bill was a sax player with the Lehigh 97 piece marching band and graduated

as a chemical engineer. He spent 42 years with Union Carbide before retiring to Hilton Head, S.C. Imagine my surprise to find a classmate at our table who had the exact name as my stepfather! One night, Bill borrowed a sax from the ship band and played a rousing chorus of 'Lehigh Will Shine Tonight' for the passengers while Jack and I sang. We recently had dinner with John Wallace and his wife, Lynn. John still has a fantastic memory of all things concerning Lehigh and can recall classmates, fraternity brothers and incidents in great detail. Most of us can't remember our middle name."

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During our freshman year when fraternity bids were handed out, I found myself sitting opposite a smiling, friendly face, a classmate that I had never met before. We then spoke for a half-hour or so and I then said that I had received a bid to join KA. My new friend said that he had received a similar bid and so we both agreed to join KA. It was the beginning of a lifelong friendship.

I called Barbie, his wife of 51 years, to see how my lifelong friend, Wilson Stout, was doing and to wish them a Happy Thanksgiving. Barbie and I have spoken many times in the last nine years about Wilson's journey with Alzheimer's. It breaks my heart after every phone call that we've had, in the beginning with Wils and lately just with Barbie. I always think of Wilson's accomplishments at Lehigh: Phi Beta Kappa, Tau Beta Pi, Who's Who, president of our junior class and president of KA during his senior year. Barbie told me that physically, Wils is fine. He walks 10 miles a day and is still kind, active, happy, still laughs at appropriate times with company and the "gentleman" in him is still there. But he doesn't know his children or grandchildren anymore and he is now losing his speech.

Barbie now runs an Alzheimer's Support Group at their church and recommends that any afflicted spouse join such a program.

Life can be tough at times for all of us as we get old but some stories just melt you. God Bless.

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°555 On Thursday, March 21, 2013, I received an email from our classmate, Gordon Goldberg, but I failed to put that information in my column. With great humility and a year later, here is Gordon's email:

Hi Bob: It's hard to believe that eight years have passed

since our 50th Reunion. I thought I'd say hello and fill you in on some of our adventures during that time. I recently had a book published, titled "Meyer London: a Biography of the Socialist New York Congressman 1876-1926." It is available on Barnes & Noble's and Amazon's websites. Naturally, Rose Lee and I were very excited. Also, we have done a lot of traveling: South Africa, Antarctica, Sicily, Malta and elsewhere in Europe. Have also spent some time in Sarasota, where I bumped into Dave Flatow. Have still found time for an occasional Lehigh football game. This is a big year for the Goldbergs: the book, my big birthday, and our golden anniversary. Rose Lee and I have been in Williamsburg on several occasions. We love the area. We stay at Fords Colony. By the way, any connection to Ross? Will close now. Regards to your wife, stay well.

Another item I missed, the day before, was an email from Burt Sutker (Edison, N.J.) Burt commented that in an earlier Bulletin, Dick Roth mentioned he had a grandson at Lehigh. Burt wanted it known that his grandson, Jayson, was entering Lehigh in the fall of 2013 and that he would be a member of the tennis team. This follows Burt's son, Stuart, who also went to Lehigh, so Burt is a three-generational Lehigh person. Burt suggests that we "publish a list of Class of '55 generational ties to Lehigh." That is a good idea, Burt! I ask each of you to please send me a list of your generational ties. Hopefully, I will remember to pass that information on to all of you. Coincidently, we have a granddaughter who will enter Lehigh as a freshman this year in the business school. She is Margy Kiley Taylor, Harding Township, N.J. I think I'll be attending more football games this year.

Dick Roth sent me a note after he received the Winter 2014 Bulletin; he said that gave him the urge to bring me up to date. Dick said he has been receiving chemo treatments since June 2013. We wish him good progress. Dick said that in response to his news of his health, he has had conversations with two classmates and Sigma Nu brothers: Bob Seeds of Delaware and Bob "Geef" Gilmore of Connecticut. Dick said they are doing OK, despite being around 80 years old. It's funny that most of us are in that situation. Bob Seeds reported significant alumni activity in Delaware and Pennsylvania. Dick hopes he will be able to make the Lehigh-Lafayette football game in Yankee Stadium. The game is significant to Dick because his daughter is a Lafayette graduate and his son, Lehigh. He also has a grandson who is a sophomore at Lehigh. Dick says, "How is that for a torn apart family?" Of course they all respect each other. My brother, Joe, graduated from that school in Easton. Dick (also known as Bob) and Muriel live in Massapequa Park, N.Y.

Jack Sellers also sent me a letter. He continues to live at Moravian Manor with his wife, Jackie. She is in the Alzheimer unit and has very good care from the people there and Jack, who visits her twice a day. Jack is involved with the many activities at the Manor and with the Episcopal Church nearby. He is a lay Eucharistic minister and takes communion to several shut-ins. He says, "It is some change from when I used to belong to a gang in Camden, N.J. The Lord works in different ways." Jack said he doesn't go to the football games or wrestling at school because he got caught in a blinding snowstorm coming home one night and realized he was too old for that. Smart.

Don Steeber (Richmond, Va.) was the main speaker for our Lehigh Lunch Bunch last spring. He talked about the Yankee Stadium game arrangements. Lois and Lynne were there. After lunch, the four of us went to the Dewitt Wallace Museum in Colonial Williamsburg.

Al Kime '56 sent some Lehigh basketball information to **Ed Hatfield** (Chestertown, Md.) that Ed forwarded to me. In a story about C.J. McCollum, the star Lehigh player of a year or so ago who is now with the NBA Trail Blazers, an NBA media personality referred to C.J. as coming from "Lehigh, that great basketball school."

Robie and **Ken Verostick** (Upper Montclair, N.J.) and I have been busy getting tickets to the Lehigh University Choral Arts at Carnegie Hall for the big weekend. Hope to see you there, as well as at Yankee Stadium.

I talked to **Ross Ford** (Williamsburg, Va.) about some Lehigh people who live in our community. At dinner one night, there were three tables next to each other. Coincidently I had one of the tables, Ross and Louisa another, and the third held three Lehigh grads, all fraternity brothers and their wives, who all went to Cedar Crest. Two of the gentlemen were Steven Schwartz '68 and Stephen McGuffin '68 '69G. The third person lives in Florida.

Ross said that he had to miss one of our Lehigh Lunch Bunch meetings because a young Indy driver they follow was racing the same weekend. The boy is Skylar Robinson. His father is Chip Robinson, who raced sports cars in the 1980s. Bob O'Brien '57 organized Ross and some other Lehigh men to help Chip. Ross did come to our lunch.

Bobby Blum (Roseland, N.J.) sends me an email on occasion. The last had to do with poker, but I am not clever enough to decipher his messages. I'm just happy that he is still around; he's always good for a laugh.

You may have noticed that



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our classmate **Ev Van Hoesen** and his wife, Alice (Marco Island), had some nice recognition from a time-lapse video of the Lehigh campus, with which they were involved. There was mention of that from school and Ed Hatfield. I looked at the video from what Ed sent me, and it is really amazing.

Some of you know my brother Joe, who I mentioned above, and his wife, Eileen. I'm sorry to report that Eileen died this past year.

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The Lehigh vs. Lafayette 150th football game, to be held on Nov. 22 at New York's Yankee Stadium, is almost here. (The rivalry began in 1884 and included multiple match-ups in the early years.) Among events on the big weekend, the two schools will jointly ring the closing bell at the New York Stock Exchange on Nov. 20, and Lehigh's Choral Arts singers will perform at Carnegie Hall on Nov. 21. If you attend any of the events or see anyone from our class in New York, please write and tell us about it. Go Lehigh!

It is great to hear from Harry Levine, who was pictured in a recent Tower Society newsletter at a Lehigh luncheon in Palm Beach, Fla. Harry writes that he has attended this event since 2008. This year he had the honor of sitting with departing Lehigh University president Alice Gast. He states that "she gave a rueful smile when I inquired, 'Alice, how can you give up Bethlehem, Pa., for London, England?"

Harry also attended President Gast's farewell dinner at the Mountaintop Campus back in June. Now a full-time Floridian, Harry says that "this way I can play golf all year long, enjoy the climate, keep the utility bills low, and thoroughly enjoy myself." However, he makes an "annual pilgrimage" to the Lehigh-Lafayette game and plans to be at Yankee Stadium for his 61st game. He has attended EIWA tournaments with classmates **Donald Spitzer** and **Jay Wechsler** and has been in touch with class president **Arthur Anderman**.

You may have seen **Costel Denson** profiled in a stirring interview by the editor of this publication, Tim Hyland, in the Spring 2014 issue. In the story, "Cos" recalled being recognized by Lehigh-Alumni-Award-winner Harry Levine at our 50th Reunion dinner.

Class Vice President Bill Luce attended Lehigh University's annual Scholarship Dinner back in April. The event was held at SteelStacks, a restaurant in the Bethlehem Steel complex across from the former big blast furnaces. Dining with our '56 scholarship recipient Brett Barber '14, Bill reports that Brett, a finance major from Manheim, Pa., "expressed appreciation for the financial support over the past three years." Brett worked at Lehigh University as a fellow in the admissions office and was initiated into Pi Tau Sigma and Tau Beta Pi. He founded and became president of Cru, a college campus Christian ministry. Bill comments that it is "great to realize our small individual insurance policies in 1956 are contributing scholarship assistance for qualified students [like] Brett."

Now for some news from last winter's welcome holiday greetings. Joni and **Bob Hartig** continued to enjoy exciting travels: to western India in January, visiting five wildlife areas, including sightings of India's only lions. In July they boarded a small ship and toured 10 of the Galápagos Islands. To view even more wildlife, they returned in October, after 10 years, to Namibia, home to elephants, leopards and more. Their small group visited a Himba village, possibly "the most remote and primitive" one in the world, and ended the trip in the Namib desert, site of the world's "tallest sand dunes."

Carolyn and **Bob McGrory**, after 45 years in their beloved old house, moved to a new retirement home built on part of a historic farm in Lafayette Hill, Pa. They report that at times they can hear the remaining cows mooing. Last August the family boarded a "funky paddle wheel steamer" in Oregon to relive Lewis and Clark adventures on the Columbia River.

We appreciated receiving greetings from several classmates and Lehigh friends from other classes. Wedding news arrived from Jacque Smith '57. He and Edie Baxter were married last November, with his four grandchildren participating in the ceremony.

In May, Tricia and I spent two weeks in picturesque Hawaii. First, we joined Lolly and **Tom Burgin** in a house in lush Kauai, celebrating their 56th anniversary at a beautiful dinner on a torch-lit terrace at the Princeville St. Regis. Later, Tricia and I went on to Honolulu, fulfilling our lifelong desires to visit Pearl Harbor and gaping at the surfboard-carrying crowds on Waikiki.

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²58^{More sad news!} Our good friend Bob Hartman left us in mid-September when he did not make it through surgery. Lehigh and Sigma Chi will miss "The Colonel" and his distinctive voice. What great memories!

Our homecoming tailgate for the Fordham game almost wasn't. Bob Christie said he wouldn't be there but gave me a few quick lessons to continue the tradition. He indicated that Gina had knee surgery and other medical problems but is recovering. They spent time with Brooks and June Goldman at their winterized Bethany Beach, Del., home and had lunch with Jim and Karen Davidson in Annapolis, Md., who came east from Texas with their granddaughter who plays lacrosse. Brooks and June also did not get to the game but are planning to go to Yankee Stadium with Curtis and Joan Cooke, whom they got to know better when they met on a Lehigh tour to Normandy on the battle's 70th anniversary. Bob is planning to sing with his son, Tom, and the glee club and choral arts alumni as part of the Lehigh concert in Carnegie Hall Friday before the big game. Bill Bux emailed that he would miss the tailgate and this year's gala but was planning to get to Carnegie Hall and the game. He and Marianne had lunch with Bob and Betsy Holcombe and Sam Brooks and June Goldman when he carried our class flag at this year's freshman rally. He also heard from Bill Sassman, now living in a retirement facility in Sacramento, Calif.

Also missing the tailgate were **John Harkrader**, who said Saturday was the perfect day to "pull a boat," and **Pete Mitchell**, who was busy but planning to get to Yankee Stadium with 15 Phi Gamm's.

There were a few of us who did get to the tailgate, located near where Bob always set up. Larry and Izzie Trerotole, Dick and Louise Briggs, Bruce Gilbert, and Anne and myself were the crowd! Bruce is still running and has qualified for next year's nationals with **Don Kohler** by his side – Larry spent lots of time in Colorado fly-fishing this summer, and they are enjoying having their children minutes from their home. Dick planned to stay for the Lehigh-Army soccer match – their new grandparents' sports. He updated us on **Pete Williams** – at home and recovering. Anne and I are and will be continuing to unpack at our new townhouse.

We had a great visit with Bert Keats when he came east to visit family and Reunion in western New York. He did get to Lehigh for a game and Theta Delts' 10-year reunion – Ron Vaughn was our only other classmate to make it.

And now Stu Sherk's unbelievable adventure during Hurricane Sandy. He and Joyce rode out of the storm on his "famous" houseboat at the north end of Barnegat Bay (Point Pleasant, Bay Head). Why? Well, the winds switched north to south and were only 60 to 80 miles per hour, and they had no idea that type of flooding would occur, but the dunes broke! He had rigged the boat on four pilings so that it did not bounce off of them and would rise up as the water rose. Well it worked perfectly, but in the morning all they could see was 10 feet of water everywhere for two days with the dumpsters floating by and boats everywhere. They lost two cars, but the boat was in great shape. The whole area was a mess but recovered, except Mantoloking disappeared. I reminded him that it was really dumb to ride out any hurricane.

Gary's Barber Shop was excited that the Bills got off to a good start.

Greakers to Bob Hartman memories and our new president, John Simon.

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The annual Lehigh Class of '59 Bluefish Surfcasting Tournament was held in August at Great Point on Nantucket with Bill Beattie wading away yet again with another first place finish. Catching a bluefish is a challenge, but getting it past a gauntlet of hungry seals is something only a Lehigh metallurgical engineer could do. (Note from Bob Teufel: The doubles team of Teufel and Canova write this column. The previous story was penned by John. I saw the fish. I thought Beattie was holding his bait.)

Can anyone beat **John** and Sandy **Stanley's** 56 years of connubial bliss? This milestone anniversary was celebrated on the night before the fishing tournament, which might be why John refused to get up at 4:30 a.m. to bait his hook.

Speaking of fishing, I got a note from **Jack Croteau** that he was cruising between Florida and Montreal over our Reunion dates but promised to be back for our 60th. Jack reports fishing with his sons in Alaska, Bahamas and Key West and does well with snook on Florida's west coast. And while he lives near to the tarpon hot spot of Boca Grande, he has yet to land one.

Jane and **Dr. Charlie Burg**er are living the good life in Brewer, Maine, with Dr. Charlie still practicing internal medicine (no house calls). There was a muted reference to the "R" word, but nothing more.

Ran into **Stan Stoney** at the LU-James Madison football game, along with **Dan Bayer** and **Jim Swenson**. Must be either a sign of growing wisdom or terminal temperance, as all were swigging water, not Yuengling. Stan missed our 55th because of a cruise but claims to have already signed on for the 60th.

Dan and Jim are among the growing number of classmates

who have attended more than 50 Lehigh-Lafayette games; others in the 50-game club are **Mike Kuenne, John Woerner-John Harmon**, and Bob Teufel. The Lehigh Football Partnership hosts a wonderful lunch on the Friday before the game (this year it was Thursday) attended by senior players, coaches and parents as well as alumni. If you feel you qualify for the 50-game club, contact the athletic department.

Your two class column scribblers were combing the stands of Yankee Stadium during the 150th game, digging up class dirt. Look for it next issue! **Bob Teufel**, 1 Stoklea Drive, Emmaus, PA 18049. (610) 967-2049 (H); (610) 393-0565 (C); rteufel@aol.com and **John Canova**, 7704 Falstaff Rd., Mc-Lean, VA 22102. (703) 821-0410 (H); jcanova@cox.net

²600^{Hello classmates.} I am writing this column before heading down to Pennsylvania to watch the Lehigh vs. Fordham football game. Hope to see a few of you at the game.

I expect to see many more of you at the Lehigh vs. Lafayette game to be played in Yankee Stadium in the Bronx. It appears there will be at least 20 classmates at the game. **Tom Bliss**, with help from **Bob Voccola**, has made arrangements for about 10 couples to meet for brunch before the game, and **Jack Kennedy** plans to hold a tailgate on Arthur Avenue in the Bronx before the game.

On Oct. 16 there was a conference call of the class of 1960 Reunion committee with 13 members participating. They were **Craig Anderson**, **Pete Bayer**, **Bob Bevan**, **Tom Bliss, John Cunningham**, **John Daniel, Dave Eyer, Ira Friedman, Jack Kennedy, Harry McNally, Sam Sadtler**, **Bob Voccola** and yours truly. **Bill Ross, Bob McGovern**, and Paul Miller could not make it.

The class will not have any formal gatherings on Friday, May 14. However, the university has Reunionfest that evening. Bob McGovern will coordinate with the university on behalf of our class. On Saturday, there will be a breakfast sponsored by the university, which will be open to those in the class who attend the Reunion. The usual parade has been moved to mid-morning, so the class will gather after breakfast to march in the parade. John Daniel, Tom Bliss, Peter Bayer, Ira Friedman, and Dave Eyer are on the parade committee. The outfit will be simple, a white shirt, khakis and drinks, either original or from our 50th Reunion. Tom Bliss will lead the class as a drum major. After the parade there will be a university-sponsored lunch for all. The Saturday night dinner will be held at Saucon Valley Country Club with Craig again emceeing. Rich Aronson will be a guest speaker. Hopefully many of you will plan to attend the Reunion.

As a lead-up to the Reunion, there will be an election of class officers. The nomination committee consists of past class presidents, Bill Ross (chairman), Bob Bevan and Ira Friedman. If anyone is interested in standing for class office, i.e., president, vice president, Reunion gift chair and correspondent, please contact Bill Ross at 610-525-5504.

John Daniel is heading up gift-giving for this Reunion and will be in touch with all of you in the near future.

Bob Bevan mentioned the EIWA championships will be held at Lehigh on March 6 and 7, 2015, and he will plan to coordinate a get-together for classmates who attend.

I received a nice email from Jim Kadel, letting me know he has uploaded a memory to the Lehigh website called "Still Looking For You." He has put in photos from a lab project taken at Packard Lab. The website ishttps://memories.lehigh.edu/ node/1550. You might want to check it out and also see what other classmates have posted.

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I just completed an hourlong telephone conversation with Fred Mummert, discussing the adventure of living and the changes in our outlook on life as we age. Yes, over the years Fred has become more philosophical. As an engineer at Lehigh, Fred believed that every problem had one best solution. As he studied law at Georgetown University and practiced law in government and business, he realized that each interested party had its own "right answer." He worked for the U.S. Treasury in San Francisco and then joined the legal staff of IBM. His long stint with the computer giant found him living in New York City, Vienna (Austria), and finally Atlanta, where he met and married his present wife, Carol.

Fred took an early retirement in 1993 (at age 54). He began working with nonprofit agencies, primarily as a volunteer. His work with Native American tribes ignited a new passion for philosophy. He felt that their philosophical approach to decision-making would be beneficial to the business world, and he helped them market it to several major companies. In 1999, he and Carol moved to Centennial, Colo. (part of the Denver metro area), where he enjoys the great outdoors and continues his philosophical quest for truth and meaning in life.

Fred remains an avid skier (despite two artificial knees!), hiker and bicycle rider. He enjoys photography, particularly of nature. Knowing of Fred's environmental interests, **John McGarry** directed him to a two-day climate change hearing in Denver by the Environmental Protection Agency, where Fred contributed his thoughts via a videotaped interview. McGarry is still semiactive in his law firm in Grand Rapids, Mich. He and Kate do loads of traveling these days, most recently to Germany.

An email from **James Talbot** reveals that he keeps busy in his "semi-retirement," working from his home in Ambler, Pa., doing technical writing and publicity work for small- and medium-sized companies. He also writes a quarterly article for Modern Steel Construction on bridges that are 100 plus years old. He has four children and seven grandkids.

Roy Briggs called to tell me that the high school that he, Toms Royal, and I attended in Trenton, N.J., was being torn down. "Kinda makes you feel old, doesn't it?" he pondered. Roy is a lymphoma survivor. He has always been an enthusiastic fan of Lehigh football and regrets that his present confinement to a wheelchair reduces his ability to attend games. He and Gloria live in Middletown, Conn. Belated thanks to Toms for his 2013 Christmas card, picturing him and Kathy with their 18 (!) grandchildren. The Royals enjoy their beachfront home in Bay Head. N.J.

It is with sorrow that I report the deaths of **Herman Bensen** and **James Robertson**. Herman left the U.S. Coast Guard in 1965 to join United Airlines as an engineer in the San Francisco Maintenance Base. He subsequently went into government service, overseeing contracts with Silicon Valley businesses. James worked for 30 years with the Prudential company in Newark, N.J., retired as director of human resources,

and moved with his wife, Sally,

to Barnegat, N.J.

John "Dutch" Van Deusen enjoys a new sense of freedom, having sold his elevator business four years ago to his four senior guys and 91 employees. He still considers himself an "employee." He, Lois, two daughters and five grandchildren enjoy their mountain home just west of Vail, Colo., for Christmas and summer hiking. He wants us all to know: "All is good in the Van Deusen world!!"

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 162 ^{My column dead-line comes just} five weeks before the classic 150th Lehigh-Lafayette football game being played at Yankee Stadium. The game was a historic occasion not only for the two universities, but for all of college football, as the Mountain Hawks and Leopards met for the 150th time. No rivalry series in the nation has been played more often. The first game was played in 1884. Many of our classmates will never forget the 97th game played on Nov. 18, 1961. Lehigh won 17-14 and Boyd Taylor was the MVP. Andy Larko '63 came on to kick the decisive 20-yard field goal, the only one of his college career, with six seconds remaining. One week later, Lehigh would claim the Lambert Cup for the second time. This game was the final game as head coach for the legendary Bill Leckonby. Bob Downing and Ron Johnson secured 52 tickets for classmates at the sold-out 150th game. Others joined their living groups for the weekend event. Eleanor and Phil Kinzel met Ron and Chris, Gail and Pete Braun and Don Young at a pregame tailgate at the Johnsons' home in Randolph, N.J., and then traveled to the game in a Hummer limousine. Ron was invited to join the Lehigh Chorus

performing at Carnegie Hall on Friday before the game. Sue and Bob Downing, Elaine and **Jon Krupnick**, Brenda and **Buddy Gitlin** and **Fritz Mueller** were in the audience. Fritz has never missed a Lehigh-Lafayette game since his freshman year at Lehigh. That's 56 straight games.

Bob Downing, our class president, received the James Ward Packard Award at the annual Tower Society breakfast last September. Tower Society president Mike Caruso '67 presented Bob with the award for his dedicated volunteerism to the gift planning program. Supporting Bob at the breakfast were Norman Strate and Russ Cramer, traveling from Massachusetts, along with Lois and **Palmer Zigmund**, and **Bob Happ** and Fritz Mueller. In an emotional speech, Downing talked about his Lehigh experience and the help and support he received from Lehigh alumni when his father died in his freshman year. Caruso remarked that Bob's speech was the best ever from an award recipient. James Ward Packard ranks among Lehigh's finest engineering and industrialist alumni. Packard Lab, home to the P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science, was completed in 1929 thanks to his \$1.2 million gift. He was awarded a posthumous honorary doctor of engineering degree at graduation in June 1929. The Tower Society recognizes alumni and friends who have made immediate and/or deferred gifts of \$10,000 or more in support of Lehigh's endowment. Approximately 40 classmates are Tower Society members.

In my last two columns, I reported on classmates who were killed or died as a result of serving in the Vietnam War. I also reported on the efforts of several classmates in establishing the Vietnam Memorial Plaque and an endowment fund. As of October 2014, contributions







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A Bridge To The Past

Maxwell Lay '64 Ph.D., a versatile Australian, is also fascinated with steel-making and highway engineering.



Maxwell Lay, an acclaimed champion of heritage roads and bridges recently inspected this timber span at the old mining town of Noojee in the Australian state of Victoria. Maxwell Lay '64 Ph.D. recently won one of the world's top engineering honors for his achievements in the welding of steel structures, the design of highway infrastructure, and the maintenance of heritage roads.

Lay, who earned a doctorate in civil engineering, received the Peter Nicol Russell Memorial Medal from the Institution of Engineers Australia (IEAust). He was cited as an "eminent expert in structural engineering, road and transport engineering, and information technology."

The Russell Medal, the most prestigious honor given by IEAust, was established in 1923 and named for Sir Peter Nicol Russell (1816-1905), an industrialist and philanthropist. IEAust represents all engineering disciplines and has more than 100,000 members.

Lay, the author of six books and more than 760 journal articles, completed bachelor's and master's degrees at Melbourne University before enrolling at Lehigh. Under the guidance of Professor Ted Galambos, he wrote his Ph.D. thesis on "The static load-deformation behavior of planar steel structures." Another professor who influenced him, he says, was Alex Ostapenko, now a professor emeritus of structural engineering.

"At the time," Lay recounted several years ago, "Fritz Lab in the department of civil engineering had a world-renowned research group working on new methods to design steel structures. I had read some of their published work and it seemed closely aligned to what I wanted to do. The only other similar research group in the world was at Cambridge, England, and I felt I had more to learn in the U.S."

After completing his Ph.D., Lay worked for BHP, a steelmaking company in Australia, where, according to his IEAust citation, he became an expert in the effects of welding on steel structures.

His segue from steelmaking to highway engineering began

during a cricket match.

"I was playing in the local cricket club as a pitcher. While we were batting, I was speaking to my teammates about whether a proposed new railway to our town would be of any use to us. We all agreed that our first preference would be an improved road link.

"The president of our club was a local politician, and I soon found myself making a presentation to the political local system. I had to do a crash course on roads. A few months later, the national road research organization (ARRB) was looking for a new chief executive. I got the job and have never looked back."

Lay served as executive director of the ARRB from 1975 to 1988 and, according to the IEAust citation, "provided the leadership to build the organization into one of the world's leading traffic and research organizations."

Lay later served as director of quality and technical services for VicRoads, where he introduced quality management into the road authority for the state of Victoria, and as director of major road projects for the state.

In 1996, he joined SKM consulting engineers as independent reviewer for the Melbourne CityLink project, a network of toll roads in Australia's second-most-populous city that took four years to build and was more than eight times larger than any previous road-construction project in the city.

In his career, Lay developed a passion for disseminating information on roads and transport. He wrote half a dozen books on the topic, including *History of Australian Roads, Melbourne Miles* and, most recently, *Strange Ways*, which he calls "a book of whimsy about roads."

Heritage roads, says Lay, "contain relatively unique physical reminders of past times." One example is the Great Ocean Road, which stretches 151 miles along Australia's southeastern coast. The road was built between 1919 and 1932 by veterans of World War I and was dedicated to soldiers killed during that war.

"The heritage value of roads is enormous," Lay says. "America has done some great work in this area. As Australia is a relatively new country [my hometown of Melbourne was only founded in 1837], we don't have many heritage roads but we do look after those that we have."

Not surprisingly, Lay is an avid motorist. A longtime Volvo driver, he has logged countless miles in Australia, the United States, Europe and Canada. His favorite drive is the jaunt from Healesville to Marysville, which traverses a dense forest of eucalyptus trees just north of Melbourne.

Lay's many other honors include the Centenary Medal, which he was awarded in 2003 by Australian Prime Minister John Howard.

- Kurt Pfitzer

to the Class of 1962 Vietnam Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund were \$294,352 with over 50 contributors.

Your columnist attended his 60th Livingston School Grammar School reunion last October in Union, N.J. Among the returnees were **Bill Schoner** of Connecticut and **Bob Wittemann** of Bell Mead, N.J. Our other classmate **Grant Anderson** of Concord, Mass., could not join us as he had a rehearsal with the Concord Orchestra, for which he is first clarinetist.

If my column appears a little short this time, it's in part because your columnist is recovering from carpal tunnel surgery. The surgeon says recovery is a few days, but the physical therapist says four to five weeks is normal. Unfortunately, the therapist is right. Typing with one hand is a bit of a challenge. **Philip J. Kinzel**, 11 Cleveland Road, Caldwell, NJ 07006. (973) 226-8618 (H), 973-226-1430 (B), (973) 226-1432 (Fax); pkinzel@kinzelco.com

263 Apologies to everyone mentioned in this column. You waited while I worked through a stack of mail devoured by three previous columns. I wish I could move faster or fill a fourth column (JK ;-)). The good side?—a lot more of you are writing.

John W. Dickey, professor emeritus at Virginia Tech, continues research and outreach activities through academic appointments in the Center for Public Administration and Policy and in the Department of Urban Affairs and Planning. John took his M.S. and Ph.D. in civil engineering at Northwestern before joining Virginia Tech in 1966. He is president of IdeaPlex Inc., former CEO of Logos Software Inc., and a worker in over 30 countries worldwide with a variety of firms and public agencies. John wrote extensively for scientific journals and proceedings, authored a dozen books and a similar number of software packages, directed about 200 management/planning workshops, and gave presentations in over 20 countries. Twice he was a visiting professor in Australia, twice an NSF exchange scientist in India, a visiting professor at the University of Sao Paulo, and a distinguished visiting professor at the Universiti Teknologi Malaysia. John published a study (2009) on "mapping the public administration genome." Currently, he is working on a book, tentatively called "Supernumerary Intelligence (SI): A New Approach to Analytics for Managers."

Another busy classmate is Myron V. Slobin. Still selling insurance, Myron remains an executive in the financial services industry. He continues as an executive recruiter (head-hunter) for midwestern manufacturing companies. Myron became a grandfather in 2011, and, again, in 2012. In 2011 Myron became a messianic rabbi and leads the Siouxland International Messianic Fellowship. He speaks at messianic events, as well as at churches, here and abroad. As a goodwill gesture and in atonement for an altar cloth damaged by his congregation while using a local church, Myron donated the prayer shawl (tallit) he received to commemorate his bar mitzvah in 1955. He takes his messianic fellowship seriously. By the time you read this, Myron will have returned from Brazil as a speaker, helped establish messianic fellowships in Kenya, Tanzania, and the U.S., and collaborated in the writing of a book with the working title: "Finding the Job You'll Love!"

Bless **William E. Donoghue** for writing after realizing I was looking for a place with gentler winters. Bill took time from his best-

selling books, investment newsletters and consultation services to help resolve my concerns. He ran through a list of states where he lived (Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Massachusetts, California, Texas, Georgia and spots along the way) and another list where tax advantages exist for retirees. He even sent some articles from Kipplinger's to help my analysis. In his heart, Bill still loves Seattle for its jazz, seafood, corporate offices, geographical location, sunshine, Asian citizens and sailing opportunities. He plans to live in Seattle permanently within the next year or so. Since Bill estimates he is entering his peak earning years, he will probably not sell off his advisory firm for another five years. Hence, any state with no income tax interests him, but one where he spent 25 professional years or so (Washington) still calls with a siren's voice.

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To follow up on our Reunion conversations, the details of which had slipped my mind, I called **Dave Salerno**, **Dave Lyons**, and **Tim Mock** to get an update. The three made a Theta Delta Chi trio who returned for our 50th.

Dave Salerno graduated with an industrial engineering degree but moved quickly into finance. After getting an M.B.A. from Stanford, Dave joined Ingersoll Rand, then moved to the National Life Insurance Co. and the Chase Manhattan Bank before joining Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance in 1975. He retired as vice president and managing director of MassMutual's Concert Capital Management. He then spent five more years working with Doug Lane '67 before retiring for good in 2000. Dave and Julie have a home in North Chatham, Mass., and a winter place in Venice, Fla. They have two kids: a son with two young grandchildren in Alexandria, Va., and a daughter in Boston. Dave plans to join a large gathering of Theta Delts for the 150th Lehigh-Lafayette Game in New York this fall.

Tim Mock also graduated with an industrial engineering degree and moved into management and finance. Tim began a 39-year career with Alcoa at their Cleveland Works in 1964 as an industrial engineer. In 10 years, he became its chief engineer and in 1978 transferred to Alcoa's Massena operation as controller. He spent the next 25 years bouncing between Massena, Pittsburgh, and Milan, Italy. He served as the controller of the Pittsburgh Flat-Rolled Products Division, president of Alcoa's Wire, Rod, and Bar business, and ran the Massena and Milan operations. In 1999, he became corporate vice president, business support services, and comptroller. He retired in 2003.

Tim lost his first wife, Kristina, to cancer a few years ago. Tim and Kristina had three sons (one of whom went to Lehigh) and six grandchildren. Tim has remarried. Cindy has two daughters and four grandchildren. Between them they have 10 grandchildren, none of whom lives nearby, so they spend lots of time traveling. Tim still lives in Pittsburgh, but like his fraternity brothers and many of our classmates, winters on Florida's west coast. He enjoys golfing, travel and, with Cindy, the "arts."

Dave Lyons earned his degree in mechanical engineering and stayed with it. He joined Corning Glass after officer training school and served four years in Navy civil engineering, including a tour at Vietnam's Mekong Delta Airbase. He used his G.I. benefits to get an MBA at Columbia. Dave ran a half dozen or more Corning plants in the United States before retiring as corporate vice president for environmental engineering and facilities in 2003. He booked lots of air miles visiting Corning plants around the world. Dave's first wife, Joanne, passed away shortly after he retired. He remarried in 2008. He and Jeanne have three children each and a total of 14 grandchildren. They split their time between homes is Beale, Md., Wellesley, Mass., and Naples, Fla. Dave was happy to re-establish contact with **Bill** Low at the Reunion. He and Jeanne had just returned from lunching with Bill and Nancy when we spoke in September. David A. Riemondy, 774 Malibu Lane. Indialantic. FL 32903. (321) 777-9659 (H), (321) 288-2476 (C), (321) 777-4852 (Fax); malibu4u@cfl.rr.com

²65⁵ This is an update on the highlights of our 50th Reunion efforts.

Our Reunion planning committee includes our class officers, **Jim Miller** and **Joe Walton**. Key leaders for our Reunion planning include **Rein Mannik** for the Reunion events and **Rick Penske** for our Reunion gift.

We are fortunate to have a group of 30 dedicated Reunion committee members who serve as their living group leaders. You saw their names in my last column and on Rick Penske's letter back in October. This group is the backbone to the success of our 50th Reunion.

Our Reunion weekend begins on Friday evening with the university president's reception for our class, followed by an evening dinner at Saucon Valley Country Club. Saturday includes the infamous parade (relax - we will make it easy and enjoyable to participate) and our Saturday night dinner will be at Mountaintop. We are working on a Sunday activity, yet to be determined, for those staying over for the Monday commencement ceremony, which we will attend, participate in related activities, and march in robes, along with the class of 2015 (our adopted class).

So plan on attending the Reunion, have a good time, make a gift and stay over for the class of 2015 commencement.

You will continue to receive detailed information as we approach May 14-17, 2015. We will be working on a special yearbook for the event, and you should have each been asked by now to provide a brief biography online of your life since graduation. Feel free to call me if you have any questions about the yearbook.

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²666 In the last column, I noted that the brothers of Delta Chi had gotten together for a golf outing. Now, through the good efforts of **Tom Luss**, I can give you some updated information. **Gene Haug** lives in southern Illinois and enjoys his second career as a Methodist minister. He and his wife, Libby, recently purchased retirement property in the North Carolina mountains Lake Lure area. They are designing their own home, and Gene hopes there will be some part-time ministerial work available for an ol' pastor. Richard Horstmann is retired from Thomson, Horstmann, & Bryant, an institutional investment manager. He lives in Naples, Fla., and spends the summer on Long Island. Ted Kennedy, retired from IBM, lives in Boulder, Colo. He loves to travel, recently returning from Hungary and the Czech Republic. Ron Lauver lives in Tallahassee. He is retired from the Florida Department of Education, where he was in charge of computer systems.

Tom Komline retired a few years ago from Komline-Sanderson Engineering Corp. Previously, he was president of Townley Laboratories in Plainfield, N.J. Tom has three children and five great grandchildren. Son Brian is one of the top amateur golfers in New Jersey. Tom graduated with a reserve commission in the U.S. Army and spent one year in Vietnam as a platoon leader in military intelligence with the 25th Infantry Division. He now lives in a retirement community in Easton and spends time in activities with family, playing duplicate bridge, and performing volunteer work. Ray Letterman retired from Syracuse University as head of the industrial engineering department. Ray's wife also taught at Syracuse, and they have one son. They live in the Adirondacks in the summer and travel here and there the rest of the time. They have a quest to visit presidential libraries, having visited the ones on the coasts, and now are trying to reach those in Texas and the Midwest.

Tom Luss retired from a financial planning, insurance sales and estate planning business in Southampton, N.Y. Tom's wife, Sandra, is a graduate of Cedar Crest College. Tom reports, in an unbiased way, that they have six super grandchildren. Paul Prutzman worked 34 years at Air Products and 19 years as a ski shop owner. Family and friends keep him anchored in eastern Pennsylvania, but he has a true love for Utah skiing. They bought a house in Park City last year and spend about three months out West - making him happy to get more than 50 days of skiing in a season. He says "the 4,200 mile roundtrip drive in his Audi is not as bad as it sounds." Paul has just recovered from his second rotator cuff surgery, the consequence of a stupid race decision, but expects a full return to tennis and skiing.

(Henry) Steve Sharp is still somewhat fitfully retired in Dallas. He and his eldest daughter, Karyn Sharp, have written a book titled "Hunting Caribou: Subsistence Hunting Along the Northern Edge of the Boreal Forest." His fifth book, it is due out in spring 2015 by the University of Nebraska Press. Book four, "Loon: Memory, Meaning, and Realty," won the Victor Turner Prize for Ethnographic Writing. Carl Thieme created the Cambridge Research Institute and retired as its president and CEO. He currently lives in Marco Island and New Hampshire and loves boating, fishing and loons. In 2008 Harry Knecht retired from Honeywell after 28 years as an electrical engineer, and his wife, Bobbi, retired from St. Christopher's Hospital for Children in Philadelphia after 25 years as a nursing supervisor. Since all three of their children had moved to Florida, they decided to do the same and landed in St. Augustine. Bobbi likes to play cards with neighbors and take occasional casino trips, and Harry likes to play golf and pursue his model railroad hobby.

Our 50th Class Reunion is rapidly approaching – the weekend of May 20-23, 2016. Plan your calendar/trips for a triumphant return to Bethlehem. Contact **Harry Brown** at 856-437-6311 or hkbrown3726@comcast.net with ideas or to volunteer your help. Check our Facebook page at Lehigh University Centennial Class Reunion.

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²67^{In July, I heard} from Alex and Karen Tamerler, telling us about the wedding of their daughter, Lauren.

Lauren married Scott Dietrich on May 25 in Packer Memorial Church. The Rev. Dr. Lloyd Steffen officiated. After the ceremony, the bride and groom were photographed at various spots on the beautiful Asa Packer Campus, including the Tamerler Courtyard.

Lauren graduated summa cum laude in three years from Drew University and is employed as an associate with JP Morgan Chase in Manhattan. Scott, a graduate of Boston University, is a physics Ph.D. candidate at City University of New York, where he received the AAPT Outstanding Physics Teaching Assistant award.

Lauren and Scott were joined for cocktails, dinner and dancing by their families and friends at Historic Hotel Bethlehem. The hotel looked beautiful, the food was outstanding and the service impeccable. The owners of Hotel Bethlehem include **Bruce Haines, Bill Trotter** and **Harvey York**, who are members of the class of '67.

Alex and Karen's son, Kevin, will attend Cornell Law School. Alex continues to serve on the Zoellner gala committee.

D'Arcy Roper and I plan to attend the 150th Lehigh-Lafayette game at Yankee Stadium, along with our wives. We will also attend the Lehigh choral arts presentation at Carnegie Hall the evening before the game. Since the game is sold out, we hope to see a lot of our classmates and Lehigh friends. We are also attending the Lehigh-Georgetown football game on Nov. 1.

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58^{The annual} flag ceremony occurred, where the incoming freshman class is adopted into the Lehigh community by the class whose 50th Reunion will be in four years. Some of you might remember our "smoker" with the corncob pipes and lousy tobacco. Coach Steckbeck led our class by enthusiastically singing the alma mater slightly off key. This event represents the passing of the torch to new members of the Lehigh community. They are responsible for improving the status of Lehigh, thus making our degrees more valuable. Doug Breen, our class president, welcomed the incoming class, and Rob Kaufman presented the flag to Kaitlyn Emory '18. Kaitlyn, representing her class, is a five-time Lehigh legacy. Other members of our class attending the celebration were Richard Gibbs, George Klacik and Bob Davenport.

In other notes, at this writing, tickets for the sold-out 150th Lehigh-Lafayette football game at Yankee Stadium are on the secondary market for up to \$1,400 each. Incredibly, a pair of tickets is more than our yearly tuition in the '60s.

This is your column. If you have retired, moved or have any other news, please let me know for publication in the next issue. Hope you are all in good health. **Dick Bell**, 2016 Redwood Avenue, Wyomissing PA 19610, rtbell68@ hotmail.com **A. Raymond** Schmalz, 325 Lowell Ave., Mill Valley, CA 94941-3845. (415) 388-3263 (H), (415) 317-0923 (C); rayschmalz@aol.com

May 14-16: our 45th Reunion. (Barefoot & Alexander, two of my freshman dorm-mates). From Scott Alexander: "Most of my career was with General Electric in a multitude of locations here and abroad, the final three years spent with Verizon in NYC. Lucky enough to have been retired since 1998, very much enjoying life with wife Lois in rural Sweet Valley, Pa." (ed.note: Scott stole my IM wrestling weight class of 150.) From Gary Barefoot: "Diane and I are continuing post-retirement prison ministry in Latin America. We've recently been to Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico and Honduras, plus our U.S. work. We help train volunteers to conduct Bible studies and establish churches inside each prison. It appears we'll be somewhere in the Dominican Republic and may miss our 45th. I recently convinced Paul "Punky" White to try a Richards 1A & 1B reunion." Firsttime contributor John Cantlin offers: "I earned a Columbia U. M.B.A. before a short stint in the Air Force, then worked for several manufacturers, involving numerous moves. In Cedar Rapids, I met Jean Marzen, my wife of 30-plus years; we live in Baltimore and plan to stay. Now empty-nesters, daughter Lauren just graduated from Delaware, Paige from Johns Hopkins five years ago, both doing well nearby. After eight years as CEO, I recently retired from Lifoam, an independent EPS molding company with eight locations nationally. It was sold to a \$6 billion consumer products company in time for my retirement (unsure about that - fun

and relaxing so far). I have time to enjoy my 40-foot sailboat docked in Baltimore Harbor. thanks to freshman roommate, Ruhl Heffner, introducing me to sailing." Another 1st-time submitter, Ed Galda: "I retired in 2013 from The Composites Group, North Kingsville, Ohio. I had been in the USAF, then The Esab Group in Ashtabula, Ohio, using my Met. and Mat. Sci. degrees with both. At Esab, it was welding consumables; TCG, fiberglass reinforced composites. Wife Linda (a former LU development staffer) says I followed the advice to Dustin Hoffman in 'The Graduate' by abandoning metals for 'plastics.' The last 13 years I ran purchasing and bought things that made me wish I paid more attention to organic chemistry. We own a home in The Vineyards outside Charlotte and hope to meet other grads. We'll move there after selling our house in 'the snow belt.' If you don't know the phrase, best finding out before moving to one (great if you like five months of winter)." Former Cleveland club president Dick **Reppert** fired off a friendly email, except for a 'shout-out' to "classmate Jeff Parks, who retires this year from founding roles with Musikfest and ArtsOuest activities. He has transformed historic Bethlehem and deserves one helluva lot of credit." Quick research confirms this: "founded in 1984 by ArtsQuest, a community-based nonprofit, the first Musikfest featured 295 performances on six stages, attracting more than 180,000 people. The event grew into one of the nation's largest, most diverse music festivals, with 500-plus shows on 14 stages over 10 days. Attendance peaked around one million, supported by 2,000 volunteers annually and 125 corporate partners, still the largest free music festival in the nation." (Ed.note: I'm a proud former beer service volunteer, using my

copious Hill skills). From **Joe Schulter**: "Got together with **Bob Benner**, whose wife, Mary, operates a 'wellness' business in Emmaus. Bob and I were also high school classmates. I'm retired two years (from PPL, after leaving Air Products in '97) and busy with volunteer activities, grandkids, jogging and fly-fishing. Still living in Allentown with Judie, wife of 44 years. I attend most home football and wrestling events."

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Gary Snyder wrote me that 10 of our classmates from Phi Kappa Theta held their first reunion in 43 years at the Hyatt Regency in Reston, Va. Bill Girvin was the only one who was unable to attend due to family commitments. Fantastic turnout. Perhaps this was a dry run for either our 45th or 50th. Gary was president of Commonsense Management in Ridgefield, Conn., but now calls Celebration, Fla., home, where he is engaged in various consulting projects. He's been married to the former Muffy Werner for 41 years, and their three daughters live in New York, Florida and Arkansas. Gary relates that he discovered three great things at this reunion: They're all alive, all of them have, in their own way, led interesting and successful lives, and they all treasure their memories of Lehigh and Phi Kappa Theta. Looking back, our time at Lehigh was the end of an era. Lehigh, like many other schools, went coed the semester after we graduated and the taproom at the fraternity house no longer exists.

John Bordeaux arranged this reunion. I'm told that most of the reminiscing and storytelling is not fit to print in a publication such as this. Curious minds will have to reach out to the participants. John retired from ExxonMobil two years ago and is now a consultant specializing in upstream oil and gas projects. He is eminently qualified after project assignments in Houston, Norway, Moscow, Sakhalin Islands (Russia), Indonesia, Kazakhstan and Newfoundland. John and his wife, Judi, now split their time between their home in Northern Virginia and a condo in Fort Lauderdale.

Jeff Hewitt retired four years ago after almost 25 years in the human resources department at Dominion Resources Services in Richmond, Va. In August 2010, Jeff formed JH Hewitt Consulting, which specializes in employee benefits. Jeff was awarded fellowship status in the International Society of Certified Employee Benefit Specialists in July 2012.

Wally Parker was the president of KeySpan Corp. until its acquisition by National Grid USA in 2006. KeySpan was the creation of the merger of Brooklyn Union Gas Company and Long Island Lighting Company. If memory serves, Wally hails from Paramus, N.J. He is now the president of WPP Jr LLC, an independent management consulting professional. I think we're seeing a trend here. Too young to retire and itching to hang out the consultant shingle.

Steve Ogaard claims to be the class vagabond, having relocated 12 times in his 43 years in the insurance business. He just recently "hung up his spikes" as chief underwriting officer for international business at Zurich Insurance and has relocated for what he claims will be the last time - New Jersey to Bethlehem, where he plans to stay.

Weidenhammer Systems Corp. president and chief executive officer **John Weidenhammer** writes that he's still working and has no plans to stop. John founded

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the Wyomissing, Pa.-based diversified provider of technology solutions in 1978. It has grown to seven locations in Pennsylvania, Michigan, Colorado, and Arizona, as well as an international client base. John is married with one step-daughter and two grandchildren. John and his wife have a home in Vero Beach, Fla., that they try to get to monthly throughout the year.

Others in attendance included **Mike Behringer**, **Stu Lopes**, **Pat Moonan**, **John Weatrick** and **Andy Kish**. Check out https:// weidenhammer.box.com/ PhiKap1971 for photos of the group.

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2 Creative. Sensi-tive. Expressive. Artist. James L. Sherwin? I can't really recall a classmate with that name. But Lanny Sherwin was an English major, a Gryphon and a talented photographer when we attended Lehigh. On occasion, you might have been able to hear him strumming a guitar and singing, too. He returned to Ohio's Cuyahoga County and became a photojournalist for the Chagrin Valley Times. After a couple of years there, he moved to the Naples, Fla., area, where he became president of Gulf Shore Publishing, and managed that award-winning magazine-publishing and graphics firm until 1986. He even served as president of the

Florida Magazine Association.

Throughout, his involvement in music continued. Eventually, the lure of Nashville offered Lanny the possibility of combining his instrumental, vocal and writing skills, so off he went for several years of what he has described as "banging his head against the walls of Music Row." His son, Alec, was born in 1997, and Lanny's development as a songwriter was profoundly altered. He began creating alternatives to the children's music of that time, and established his own recording label, Sandman Records, in 2001 (www.sandmanrecords.com). Their motto: "Don't Drive Parents Crazy!" He and Holly and Alec are now living in Santa Barbara, Calif.

Lanny has received more than 50 music awards from organizations such as Parents' Choice, Teacher's Choice and the Children's Music Web. Performances in children's hospitals are a regular devotion, as are songwriting clinics or "residencies" in elementary schools. Somehow, he has also juggled ongoing side jobs as a copy editor for OrigamiUSA and songwriter for the Songs of Love Foundation, a "nonprofit organization dedicated to providing personalized songs for children and teens currently facing tough medical, physical or emotional challenges, free of charge."

Perhaps the most divergent tack taken in recent years is Lanny's expansion of his skill set as a fine artist. From pencil sketches to caricatures to acrylics on canvas, his personal styles have evolved and have been rewarded, too. You need to see examples; you can do so at www. lannysherwin.com.

Another '72 English major is one of Lanny's LinkedIn connections: **E. Reeve Fritchman Jr**. (He doesn't go by his first name, either.) Reeve is also on the West Coast now, on Bainbridge Island, which is across Puget Sound from Seattle. He added a Lehigh MBA in finance and has spent a career in a fascinating variety of IT roles. Most of those have involved specialized applications related to the logistics and transportation industry. He did a stint with Microsoft but has usually been an independent software vendor, creating and marketing his own sophisticated niche applications.

Reeve holds every important certification possible in the software development business. He is valued as a mentor and team facilitator of Agile and Lean principles for software quality to minimize risk, enhance project success and increase return on investment across the enterprise. He also holds an Amateur Radio Extra Class license, which supports what he refers to as his "peripheral interest" in UAVs. We would be most likely to refer to them as "drones," but those who are designing and deploying them prefer to call them Unmanned (or Unpiloted) Aerial Vehicles. Certainly, even we can comprehend the natural logic of their potential in logistics and transportation.

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273 Sorry to have missed the last edition of the Bulletin (too much gallivanting in retirement), and I nearly missed this one. Here are some more items from the backlog I created when I used the MyLehigh email blast earlier in the year.

Mike Dowse is enjoying retirement in Hilltown, Bucks County. He was expecting 10 of his 11 Sig Ep classmates to gather at Lehigh in May for the fraternity's annual reunion.

From **Jim Nicholson**: "I have been in Kansas for 30-plus years, and I have recently retired. **Steve Bast** transferred to Kansas about 35 years ago, and we worked together in information systems at Mutual Benefit Life, or Fortis Benefits Insurance, in Kansas City for 20 years. Steve also retired in 2013."

From **Gary Falasca**: "I celebrated my 25th year at Lehigh as the director of facilities services last September. Planning on staying around a few more years before my wife Joan and I follow the sun to the horizon."

John Kreider and wife Bobbin live on a 26-acre horse farm in Maryland, where Bobbin is active in equestrian competition. John wrote: "After Lehigh, I went to a joint program in ocean engineering at MIT and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. I'm working at Oceaneering International as the senior vice president of advanced technologies. I have five divisions, which do mission critical systems for a variety of industries - the U.S. Navy, NASA, entertainment and automated guided vehicles. As examples, we have subsea systems which go as deep as 25,000 feet we have been to the Titanic four times, the Bismarck, found HMS Hood, recovered a helo from 17,000 feet, recovered Gus Grissom's capsule from 16,000 feet, and recovered the Confederate submarine Hunley. We are one of only three companies certified by the U.S. Navy to do SUBSAFE work on nuclear submarines, and we also work on the deep submergence systems that enable our special forces to do missions off of submarines. For NASA, we are designing the next-generation spacesuit. For theme parks, we do automated equipment for attractions, such as Jaws, Transformers and the Antarctica attraction for SeaWorld. Our fifth division is headquartered in the Netherlands and does automated guided vehicles for industrial and warehouse applications in the consumer, food, metals, and auto industries. As you can tell,

it's a fascinating business."

From **Casey Heeg**: "I'm still designing space missions for JPL, trying to keep up with my two daughters, and occasionally hearing from some of my Lehigh cohorts (Jim Franke '72, John Briggs '72, Hank Cardello, and Curt Bayer '75)."

From **Doug Hampson**: I still travel up to Lehigh quite often from our home in Bucks County, Pa., as I have season wrestling tickets with some Lehigh friends, and also to watch football games. My wife Kathy and I sometimes go to cultural events at Zoellner Arts Center."

Bill Whitney and wife Laura are "still in Arlington, Mass., where we've lived since we moved up here from Pennsylvania in 1985 so I could go to Harvard Divinity School to earn my Th.D. in Hebrew Bible (in 1992)." Bill is a leading scholar in this field and the author of numerous books, including: "Two Strange Beasts: Leviathan and Behemoth in Second Temple and Early Rabbinic Judaism," "Creation and Chaos in the Primeval Era and the Eschaton: A Religio-Historical Study of Genesis 1 and Revelation 12," and his latest, "A Goy's Guide to the Midrashim (working title)."

From **Rich Davenport:** "I retired from the U.S. Air Force in 2000 as a full colonel. I then taught A.F. Junior ROTC for 12 years at Taunton High School in Taunton, Mass. I retired again in 2012, and we enjoy traveling and visiting our two boys. We took a trip to Hawaii in 2013, and we visited Ireland and Scotland in April."

Celeste Varricchio and Mosaic Dance Theater Company, of which she is producing artistic director, were honored last year with the SUNSHINE Award, a program that recognizes and honors talented exponents of the performing arts, sports and education of the various Caribbean, South American and African countries.

The Word Tailor

For five decades G. Bruce Boyer '66 M.A. has been writing about menswear with passion, panache and a panoramic sense of history.

G. Bruce Boyer '66 M.A. discovered early that good clothes can make good armor. Tired of being bullied by bigger boys, the teen launched a campaign to command their respect by wearing an adult outfit—button-down shirt, tie, Harris Tweed jacket—to special school events. Accessorized with a smart sense of humor, the grownup getup earned him admiration and attention. Enemies not only became allies, they became followers. They modeled their sock-hop ensembles after his, making him the style leader of his own gang.

Boyer is still leading a style dance, this time as an influential authority on menswear. For five decades, the Bethlehem resident has been writing snappy, sensible, subtly scholarly stories about Harris Tweed and madras, tassel loafers and tie bars, designers and tailors. He's served as a fashion expert for prominent magazines (*Esquire*,

GQ) and a prominent columnist for fashionable blogs (Mr. Porter, Ivy-Style). In the latest of his five books, *Gary Cooper: Enduring Style*, he portrays the rugged movie cowboy as a sophisticated clothes horse who wore off-screen tuxedos and Mexican festival shirts with "uncontrived conviction."

Boyer writes with an easy élan. A good tailor, he's observed, will measure "a variety of points on your body that you never thought had anything to do with each other." He'll highlight strengths and hide flaws that "neck like a corkscrew," that back "like a dowager's hump." He's "part psychologist, part cosmetic surgeon."

Boyer grew up in Allentown, the only child of a divorced mother with strong ideas about style. He resisted her attempts to make him wear shorts, arguing that pants made him appear more mature. At 12 he was going to men's stores by himself; at 16 he was working in them. He picked up tips by watching films starring Clark Gable, Cary Grant and other sartorial stars.

While studying for a master's in English at Lehigh, Boyer met students whose flower-power outfits seemed soaked in rancid yak butter. He saw the same putrid tiedyed shirts and bell bottoms while teaching English literature at Moravian College and DeSales University. No wonder, then, that he considers men's fashions in the early '70s a forgettable no man's land.

In 1973 Boyer combined his love of good clothes and good words. That year he wrote an article about the newly dead Duke of Windsor, who remained a style monarch long after abdicating the British throne. He submitted his profile to *Town & Country* magazine, a social manual for the upper-crust crowd. Frank Zachary, *T&C*'s editor-in-chief, was so impressed he hired Boyer to write an article on clothing every other issue.

Over the next 15 years Boyer served as a *T&C* fashion editor. He interviewed top tailors in England and new shoe-making stars in Italy. He spent 18 days in the Outer Hebrides chronicling how the lure of better pay from oil companies threatened the making of Harris Tweed, one of the last clothing materials made by hand.

Some of Boyer's *T&C* pieces reappeared in his 1985 book *Elegance*. It served as a bible for Patricia Mears, deputy director of the museum at the Fashion Institute of Technology in Manhattan, as she organized the 2012-13 show "Ivy Style: Radical Conformists."

Boyer insists that clothing can be both uniform and costume, exclusive and inclusive. "I'm not saying that a distinctive sense of style is all-important; it would be much better if we could look into each other's souls. Having good taste in clothes is just like having good manners, or being able to speak clearly and effectively. It's just one of the tools you ought to have in your toolbox." — *Geoff Gehman '89 M.A.*

(Celeste also has led the class of 1973 Reunion Dance Troupe to a number of lofty awards in Lehigh's quinquennial Reunion parade.)

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One of the classmates I talked to at our Reunion last spring was **Mike Actis-Grande**, former WLRN sports broadcaster and Brown and White sports writer extraordinaire.

Like several people I spoke with at Reunion, Mike promised to email me with a more complete account of his activities so I wouldn't have to stand there taking notes. Like all the others, he stiffed me.

Luckily, I had his card, and when I wrote him just before my deadline, he came through wonderfully.

I'll let him take it from here. I encourage you to find him on YouTube; the subject of tax accounting is considerably less compelling than Lehigh football or basketball, but he's still as sharp and engaging as he was in the press box high atop Taylor Stadium. In this case, it's in the service of Actis-Grande, Ronan & Company LLC Certified Public Accountants. He's director of tax services.

He wrote:

"Here's a clip from my appearance on the Marty Heiser Show, a cable access program broadcast locally in Fairfield County, Conn. The YouTube link is to the March 3, 2012, broadcast. It's http://www. youtube.com/watch?v=hH5R-51P1ro. I've been on the show four times since then. It's not CNBC, but it's good PR for our business. Start viewing at around the seventh minute of the broadcast. I'm on for the next 53 minutes.

"Otherwise, the accounting firm Ed Ronan and I started in

my basement in 1984 celebrated its 30th anniversary this year. My wife, Marlene, and I still live in Brewster, N.Y., and will celebrate our 40th anniversary next year. Our oldest child, Kristen (Lehigh '03), lives with her partner and their triplet children in Indianapolis. My daughter Allison and her husband live in Cambridge, Mass., 2 miles from my youngest daughter, Kathryn. My son, Michael, lives in Nashville, Tenn., and recently received his master's in divinity from Vanderbilt. He's currently at home, though, on the staff of our local congressman, working to get him re-elected.

Like a lot of us, it seems I'm working longer hours to complete the same tasks for the same (or less) fee we received before the Great Recession. But Marlene and I travel when we can, something we'll continue doing as long as our good health continues. As for retirement, well, right now it's just a 10letter word.

"It was good reconnecting with you and other classmates at the Reunion. I'm looking forward to meeting others at Lehigh-Lafayette 150 at Yankee Stadium next month."

I'm still hoping I'll hear from everyone else who promised me an update.

The other item I'll mention this time comes via an email message from **Dan Mulholland**. I was among the long list of recipients.

He wrote, "there is a Lehigh contingent attending the LSU-Ole Miss game this Saturday in Baton Rouge – Dan Mulholland, **Kim McQuilken**, Bob Von Bergen 75, Chuck Smith 73, and **Norm Liedtke**. I should also announce in advance that Joe Alleva gets our vote for Top Host of the Year!! Thanks, Joe.

"Nevertheless, many of you might have also been watching TV and seen a large Lehigh banner that's been waved earlier this year behind Lee Corso, Chris Fowler and Kirk Herbstreet at prior games covered by College Gameday. A coincidence? I think not! It's all very finely planned by Lehigh U – and guess who the banner wavers are at LSU this Saturday? Yup, five broken-down former Lehigh football players!! Tune in to College Gameday at 9 a.m. on Saturday and see us in action."

I did, and I saw them. Great job, guys. **William R. White Jr.**, 5418 Holiday Drive, Allentown, PA 18104. bill.white@mcall.com

At the time of 2r this writing, the J 150th Lehigh-Lafayette rivalry game at Yankee Stadium has yet to happen. However, much hard work went into the planning for our class. I would like to thank Jeff Sherman for arranging the pre-game events at the New York Yankee Steakhouse inside the stadium. The menu offerings and atmosphere were well planned. The expectation is that there will have been 80 participants just at this event! Also, hugs to Thom Hirsch, who arranged for our tickets early on to ensure that we had smooth access to the event. Appreciation is also extended to Barb Turanchik, who facilitated the purchase of our class hats, which will also be used for our 40th Reunion celebration. The class officers perceive the rivalry game as a pre-Reunion activity. Hopefully, those in attendance will have helped to encourage classmates to make it back to Lehigh during the weekend of May 14-17, 2015.

If you have not attended a previous Reunion weekend, please make every effort to attend this one. We want to be strong and healthy for many years to come. However, every year makes a difference for some, so come back to campus and reconnect with old friends. "Stay Alive '75!" There is still time to sign up for the weekend. New events are planned for this Reunion. Trust me. You will recognize Lehigh, but a lot has changed during these 40 years. Lehigh has partnered with the Bethlehem and Lehigh Valley communities to create resources for the students, alumni and our South Side neighbors. We will benefit from the partnership by participating in some of these unique activities.

We are happy to announce that **Steve Folsom** has agreed to be our class's technology officer. Steve resides in the United Kingdom and works in the electronic data systems field. He has been our unofficial technology officer for several years and has been instrumental in maintaining our class website.

Also, **Julie Griscom McGraw** volunteered her time and expertise to create a wonderful dining experience on Saturday night of the Reunion weekend. We appreciate her willingness.

Here is an update on Michael Kelly, who kindly sent information via email back in September 2014: "I am an attorney with over 36 years of experience in construction, real estate, and corporate litigation. I reside in Westport. Mass.. with my wife Patrice. I have two children. My son is a science and policy associate at The Billfish Foundation in Fort Lauderdale. My daughter, a Lehigh graduate, recently graduated from law school and is practicing in Massachusetts. I have my own law firm in Providence, R.I. I was previously a partner at Adler Pollock & Sheehan in Providence, where I was general counsel for Cumberland Farms. In 2012 I was named 'Lawyer of the Year' by Lawyers Weekly. I enjoy traveling. Also, I am an avid fisherman."

I truly look forward to seeing so many of you during our Reunion celebration – May 14-17, 2015. Please make your plans if you haven't already. When we graduated, the Class of 1935 was having its Reunion... back then we saw them as SO OLD....and here we are...do the years not fly by?

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Well, by now the 150th playing of the iconic Lehigh-Lafayette game will be history. I am really hoping that I will have run into some of you at the game so that the next column will have some news to report! For those of you who have made it back to campus for another football game - or any other reason - and have run into some classmates, please drop me a note to pass along any information or news you may have! Ann Louise (Werley) Price, 2 Colton St., Farmington, CT 06032. (860) 677-1295 (H); prokemo@comcast.net

As I write this, I'm preparing to not attend Rivalry 150 in Yankee Stadium. Before I could get past thinking "maybe it would be fun to go back east for that," the game sold out! I hope some of you who were able to attend will email me and tell me about who you saw and what you did.

I've only heard from one '78er since my last column. IKEA employee **Bill "Beatle" Wiltraut**, who'd been living in Sweden since 2000 (and in the process became a Swedish citizen), moved again last fall – this time to Moscow. In his new job, he's responsible for learning and development in IKEA's Russian organization. He describes Moscow as "an incredibly exciting and, at the same time, exhausting place." Bill would love to hear from **Larry Gore**, **Jamie Nicklaus, Tony Kelly** and **Katie Cordes**.

Me, I'm less picky – I'd love to hear from any of you! Come on classmates, help me bulk up this column for the next issue. *Gail D. Reinhart*, 215 N. Center St., #1407, San Antonio, TX 78202-2723. ladygailus@ yahoo.com

P229 Greetings from Cleveland, where Dorothy and I celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary. We plan to vacation in Hawaii, but we'll wait to travel until we're experiencing those gloomy winter days in northeast Ohio.

Jim Bugbee shared that he found among his dad's (Newt Bugbee '44) books his surveying field book from the summer of 1942. Jim also noted that he surveyed the same area of campus during the spring of 1977 (before Jim switched to mechanical engineering). Bill Bast responded that he also surveyed areas of campus but didn't remember that particular traverse. Bill also noted that both he and his dad studied surveying under the memorable J.O. Liebig.

Western & Southern Financial Group named Steven K. Kreider senior vice president and chief investment officer for Western & Southern and Fort Washington Investment Advisors, Inc. Steve will be responsible for overseeing the investment activity for all assets under management for Fort Washington and its divisions and subsidiaries. "Steve brings extensive experience as a global money manager," said John F. Barrett, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Western & Southern. "We welcome

his expertise and leadership in managing investments across asset classes, including fixed income, public and private equities, real estate, alternative assets, and hedge funds."

Our fellow 79ers have been building on the momentum from our 35th Reunion. For those of you who joined in the class festivities at Homecoming or the Lehigh-Lafayette milestone game, I'd love to hear from you! *Lance M. Bell*, 952 *River Run Dr., Macedonia, OH. 216-937-*2581 (B); lanceb344@gmail.com

Greetings! Hope you are doing well and are gearing up for our 35th Reunion. The Reunion committee is hard at work preparing for our best Reunion yet. The Reunion committee members are Mary Archer, Cindy Belliveau, Mike Connor, Diane Greco, Mark Hembarsky, Holly Heyser, Mary Beth Hyder, Sue McDonald, Doug Pitney, **Ric Rogers, Peggy Schecter** and yours truly. We would love for you to join our group as an outreach volunteer to contact your friends to encourage them to attend Reunion. It does not require a lot of time and will be fun. Please contact me if you are interested. My freshmen Dravo B-4 floor-mate, Andy Robbins, is in Hong Kong working for Bombardier Transportation as senior director and head of sales and business development for the North Asia region. Andy has been with Bombardier and predecessor companies for 34 years since graduating from Lehigh. Andy is responsible for designing, building, developing, financing and negotiating contracts for urban rail and airport transit systems. Andy credits Professor David Amidon. head of the Lehigh urban studies program, for introducing him to the field that is now his life passion. Andy is married to Wendy Dela Cruz. They have two grown

granddaughter, and a 3-year-old son, Will. Gene Vivino is vice president, strategic planning, greater Asia for Becton Dickinson. Gene and his wife Ellie are enjoying living in Singapore after a three-year assignment in Shanghai. Gene gives an occasional lecture on "Doing Business in China" at Lehigh and has worked to build a strong relationship between Lehigh and Becton Dickinson. Gene's son, Eugene '16, is an earth and environmental sciences major. Sue McDonald is living outside of the Philadelphia area. Sue is a substitute teacher and coaches diving at a local high school and summer club, and her husband works for the FBI. Sue's oldest daughter, Meagan '11, recently returned from a nine-month deployment in Kuwait. Meagan was in Army ROTC at Lehigh and is currently stationed in Virginia. Sue's son, Sean, graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy and was captain of the water polo team during his senior year. Sean was selected to the pilot program and is now stationed in Pensacola, Fla. Sue has been in contact with Linda (Rissel) Maxfield, living in Utah, Donna Reed Zakrewsky, living in Delaware, and Diane (Svmnoski) Duda, living in Lansdale, Pa., the same town as Sue. Bill Maloney and wife Sharon spent time in September with former class correspondent, Sig EP and IE brother Dave Brown and his wife, Meredith, at their place in Hermosa Beach, Calif. Dave is at corporate for ESPN and rides his bike 23 miles to work each way. Bill was credited for his "tundra torque" drill a few years back. The drill saved many miners' lives in Chile. Bill was granted a patent for the Phoenix Rescue Capsule, which he attributes to the rigorous brain workout he got from professors Wally Richardson and George Kane, and others from South

stepdaughters, a 6-year-old

Mountain. Bill and Sharon are chasing grandchildren in North Carolina and oilfield opportunities in West Virginia. Bill notes that his recent run for governor taught both him and Sharon that politics was not for them. They did learn that they made many lifelong friends during their days at Lehigh and want to personally thank all classmates and alums for helping in their effort. Helen and I attended Homecoming and Family Weekend. It is always great returning to Lehigh to meet old friends and meet new ones. See you all soon! "80 Go Go"

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Fall of 2014 Good thing the 150th Lehigh-Lafayette game only comes around every 150 years, as we haven't seen that many parties crammed into a weekend since, well, maybe 1981. This past weekend felt like we were back on the hill for a round of fraternity parties, concerts and events, but this time New York City was the venue, and there were Lehigh and Lafayette people everywhere you turned. We stayed at the Marriott Marquis Times Square, which was the central location for all activities. even setting up an LU bookstore in the lobby to sell rivalry merchandise. Like a good weekend on the hill, we remember most of what happened, so if the following facts are jumbled, send an email and we will post corrections someday ...

We met **Jack Archibald** checking in, and he invited us to the Zeta Psi post-game party at Legends. Jack reported two kids, both Mountain Hawks, one of which takes after him and the other who had earned the highest grade point average in his engineering class! We did stop in at the party, and one of the highlights of my weekend was running into freshman Taylor hall-mate **Scott Curvey**. Scott was having a blast catching up with his brothers, while recording it all on video. He splits his time between someplace in Florida and summers in New Hampshire, running his own successful private equity firm. Others from '81 at the party included **Bill Hotz** and **Pete Sampson**, who was getting roasted by the emcee regarding his dating habits back in the day.

We heard from Jeff Fetterman, who married his high school sweetheart, lives in Delaware, and is the president of ParagonRx, a biological and pharmaceutical technologies business, where he often hires Lehigh grads, so have your kids look him up if they are graduating chemical engineers. Our notes from the weekend include details about a sighting of Meredith Luckewicz. You may not remember her, but she was there all weekend, living the class motto she coined that you will probably never forget, "drinking beer and having fun;" you know the rest.

Earth. Wind & Fire on Friday night was a blast for all classes, bringing us back with the classics, and the funny thing was, when we looked at our pictures, Rob Mills '82 was in every one. Pull out your yearbook - Robbie invented photo bombs before there were digital cameras. It was great to see him and catch up. He is now acknowledged as one of the best orthopedic surgeons in south Florida, specializing in feet and ankles with the Holy Cross Medical Group. Thinking of Rob made us wonder, whatever happened to Tony Pinnie '82?

Saturday at the stadium was also great fun seeing old friends. We ran into **Joe D'Ambrisi** and his wife, **Doris** (**Gash**) **D'Ambrisi**, enjoying the day with their three kids, all Georgetown grads. Everyone enjoyed the day, even though the football team never showed up, because as we know it's never been about the game. The weekend ended for us on Sunday morning with a small brunch gathering of Gamma Phi's, arranged by Linda Taylor Ferguson and attended by many, including Cindy Frick, who is living in New York City, and Patty Mentzer Lantzy, who was in from Greensburg, Pa., with her husband and daughter for the festivities. We enjoyed reconnecting with everyone! Please send news. Michael and Carol Gordon, 42 Randi Drive, Madison, CT 06443. (203) 245-8001 (H), (203) 326-5844 (B), (203) 641-7951(C); Lehigh81@gmail.com

²82^{James O'Don-} nell, after graduating from Cornell Law School, practiced in New York City for five years before moving to Seattle with wife, Joanna, and their two sons. Joanna runs an environmental not-for-profit organization. Life activities include trekking in Nepal, hiking, climbing and skiing. Jim was slow to give up his Lehigh ways and won the Ultimate Frisbee National and World Championships before retiring many years ago. Thomas Campbell checks in from sunny southern California where he and wife Rori just married off "daughter number two at the end of July." Tom and Rori cruised up the Danube from Budapest to Nuremberg and over to Prague last September. Tom is sales director of Teledyne Microwave Solutions. Sally **Bond** is a Tar Heel ensconced in Chapel Hill, N.C., where her son, Jack Teague, is enrolled at UNC-Charlotte. Daughter Jenny will be off to college in five years. Sally oversees her consulting business, The Program Evaluation Group, and is studying to obtain a doctorate in educational research and policy analysis at North Carolina State

University, projected 2019 graduation. Go Sally! My Taylor Hall buddy, Edward Hutter of Delta Tau Delta, commands Hutter Enterprises, which specializes in servicing electric-generating plants with services and specialized-tool devices, including the "Hutter Putter" Turbine Rotor Turning Device. Ed could have served as the role model for the Matt Damon character in Good Will Hunting – a true genius. Ed calls the Chicago area home with wife Susan, twins Ed and Melissa, who are college sophomores, 14-year-old Joe, and Abby – a seventh grade soccer player and great student. Ed sends regards to his Delts brothers and Taylor Hall dorm-mates. Neil Stubits guided the Class of 1982 to victory at the 2014 Lehigh Home Club Outing golf tournament at the Bethlehem Golf Club with Robert Stivale, David Tavianini and Andrew Schaeffer, the "Brodhead Boys." Neil and his wife live in La Plata, Md. After retiring from the Navy four years ago, Neil is now a vice president of business development and contract management for a small defense contractor. Larry Michalski, of Sigma Chi and gridiron fame, is the proud parent of two boys - L.J., who recently wed and is an attorney for the University of Pittsburgh. and Jake, who is a senior at the University of Michigan, majoring in chemical engineering with intentions of medical school. While Larry calls the Steel City home, he recently purchased, with his new wife Linda, a vacation and future retirement home in Cave Creek, Ariz. Ten years ago, Gwen (Reitler) Noble moved from Pennsylvania to the Raleigh, N.C., area with husband Jim and their five children, including their 29-year-old son Ryan, who is married and expecting his second child in September. Gwen also shepherds 17-year-old twin boys, Jared and Brennan, 16-year-old daughter Gillian, and 13- year-old Camer-

on. Gwen has transformed from engineer, to physics teacher, to financial manager of the Nobles' four-restaurant family business. The Noble clan, when not involved in soccer, tennis, basketball, football, cross country, track and swimming, enjoy travel, mostly to beaches and mountains, including Peru, England, Scotland and the Baltic Sea. Gwen knocked off a triathlon six years ago and placed fourth in her age group. Lastly, Bruce Mactas operates Mactas & Alper in New York City, offering a wide range of insurance products for high net worth families and corporations. Bruce and his wife, Lisa, reside in Woodcliff Lake, N.J., with their children Jordan, Stephanie and Jared. Bruce is active in his community with the Bergen County YJCC past president; Valley Hospital trustee, and the UJA Federation - board member. I depend upon all of you to ensure this column's vitality. Please take a moment to contact me below with news about your journey through life. John P. Belardo, 152 Berkeley Circle, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920. (973) 425-8755(B); jpbelardolehigh82@gmail.com On Facebook like Lehigh University Class of 1982

¹83^{By} now the 150th Lehigh-Lafayette game will have been played and is a distant memory. I hope everyone survived the crazy weekend and the game at Yankee Stadium.

My inbox was empty this summer and fall. I did not see any '83 classmates at any of the home football games. I may start getting news from indirect sources, but I would love to hear from you directly. Please email me (nancyliulehigh83@gmail. com) with any news.

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2855 Classmates, our class gift chair, David Okun, Dassed along some happy news. His daughter, Rachel, is off and running as a member of the Lehigh class of 2018! She is in the Integrated Business and Engineering (IBE) program. Apparently, as daunting as it sounds to take on what must be a demanding course of study, Rachel also will be running track for the Mountain Hawks. I'm tired just thinking about it.

According to David, Rachel had to overlook her father's alumnus status, a factor she had deemed a negative. Despite her misgivings of following in her dad's footsteps, the IBE program, beautiful campus, tremendous facilities and opportunity to run track won her over. David and wife, Lori, are very happy she made that choice, which affords them the opportunity to attend her track meets.

Our Reunion planning is in full swing, and Chair Sean McGee has been rallying a fairsized group of volunteers to put together a worthwhile event this coming spring. I am sure you will all see plenty of information on the Reunion in the coming months if you haven't already. Having been a small part of the planning process, working with old friends and classmates has only made me look forward to our 30th Reunion all the more. Can't wait to see you there. Find our Lehigh University Class of 1985 Facebook page for fun posts with throwbacks to our times on campus, current events and Reunion-related information. It's active: find it, share it, like it and keep up!

I close on a sad note, having just returned from a classmate and personal friend's memorial, Andrew Touchstone. Touch, as he was almost universally known, was a friend to many and an avid booster of all things Lehigh. Many of us from the Class of 1985, '84, '86, and other alums were there to mark his passing. The Lehigh University community will miss him. Anthony Arturi, 171 Manning Ave., River Edge, NJ 07661. (201) 483-7664 (H); Arturilu85@ gmail.com

²866 "Tonight when I chase the dragon, the water may change to cherry wine. And the silver will turn to gold. Time out of mind (*Steely Dan*)."

A few of us are transiting quadragenarian to quinqauagenarian in the fashion as when we segued from denarians to vicenarians. And I second that emotion, by invoking Gabby Johnson, "Rabbid! (*Blazing Saddles*)."

"He asked me if I'd seen a road with so much dust and sand. And I said, "Listen! I've traveled every road in this here land! (Johnny Cash)." Ken Fuirst recapped his bicycle trip (see previous column), still out of breath, as "pedal, sleep. Pedal, sleep. Pedal, sleep. 48 days." Ken started in Anacortes, Wash., on Father's Day, ending on Long Beach Island, N.J., August Fuirst. 3,600 miles. Ken's highlights: "The people. Almost everyone I met was welcoming and generous. Mount Rushmore exceeded expectations and was my top site. The vastness of Montana and South Dakota is hard to describe and yet so beautiful." Ken visited Harlem, Mont., to see our late classmate Captain David Sielewicz's memorial. Upon entering Whitefish, Mont., Ken rendezvoused with Eric Galcher. Pictures and more: KensBikeRide.com.

"Sure as Kilimanjaro rises like Olympus above the Serengeti, I seek to cure what's deep inside, frightened of this thing

that I've become ... I bless the rains down in Africa ... (Toto)." **Heather Truesdell Vimba** summated Kili, Africa's highest mountain at 19,341 feet, this past August, along with her husband, Arnie, and son, Ryan. Ryan wants to climb all seven summits. Heather (hopefully) replied to Ryan, "Don't take Mother Abbess' advice (The Sound of Music) literally" - or at least Heather's not going to! Heather is chief information officer for the Program Executive Office for Ammunition at Picatinny Arsenal, a position she has held the last nine of her 26 years as a civilian with the Department of the Army.

"On the road again. Goin' places that I've never been. Seein' things that I may never see again (*Willie Nelson*)." Our man on the street, **Stephan Kiratsous**, reports that **Mark Talucci** & family (wife Keri, plus the four kids) decided to spend this year traveling the world. First leg of the trip is an RV (that's recreational vehicle!) cross-country, and then they go abroad. Not sure how they're going to drive that thing across the Atlantic (ba-dum, ching!)

It's no cross-country bike or RV trip, but it probably matches the headaches of Kili altitude sickness – being "CFO of the Year," that is. **David Huber** has been named such (private company with revenues over \$50 million category) by *NJBiz* (njbiz.com/section/CFO-ofthe-Year). David is senior vice president, administration, Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey.

'86ers at a Manhattan "Evening with College of Business and Economics ("CBE") Dean Georgette Phillips," included **Marc Unger, Sharon** (Kanovsky) Richter, Ken Fuirst, yours truly and **Marcia Moll Barone**. Marcia has been working at Lehigh, having served as the associate director of the Asa Packer Society, The majority of her job was fundraising for Zoellner Arts Center, including coordinating the Zoellner Gala. As of late, Marcia is a leadership gift officer for the CBE. Marcia's husband, **Chris Barone**, is vice president, chief accounting officer at Parkway Corp. Marcia and Chris have one college freshman, Dagny, and one 10th-grader, Isabel.

Prior to column deadlines, I solicit your drivel and babble via email, plus posting on the '86 LinkedIn and Facebook pages. If you're not on any/all of those, please email me (david@dpolakoff.com) – stop sitting on your... brains. Do it!

"Well, the clock says it's time to close now. I guess I'd better go now. I'd really like to stay here all night (*The Doors*)." **Dave Polakoff**, 400 E. 71st St., #3K, New York, NY 10021-4874. david@dpolakoff.com or Classcolumn@lehigh86.org. '86 on LinkedIn - http://www.linkedin. com/groups?gid=39120&trk '86 on Facebook - http://www. facebook.com/pages/ Lehigh-University-Classof-86/184033538327641

87^{I am writing this} column before the actual 150² Lehigh-Lafayette game. Many fraternity and sorority groups and other living groups are planning on attending. The 1987 D.G.'s are attending in full force: We have Lisa Hakim, Daniela **Boebert Titterton** (and Phil Titterton), Kathy (Reichert) Koenig (and Tom Koenig '86), Adrianne (Kodisch) McMullen, Karyn (McMenamin) **Cravens, Mary (McGovern)** Kirk, Jill Tirnauer, Susan (Cuscela) Carlson '88, Andrea (Worth) Robik, and myself as our "group" of 25. We also are expecting great attendance from the classes of '86 and '85 for delta gammas. Some of us will be attending the event with Earth, Wind, & Fire on Friday and then the game the next day.

Hope everyone has fun. Andrew Levy is having a big event for Sammy's at the Dorian, and Kelly Fisher '88 is also throwing a private party. Joe Yammarino '85 and the Alpha Sigs have many events planned as well. Many alums are staying in the city at the Marriott or the W hotel in Times Square. As I am writing this before the big game, I can't tell you what happened yet, but it is very exciting and a historical event for Lehigh! Hope we win! Even if we don't, I know we will all enjoy.

Recently I heard from **Peter Ashley**. Peter and his wife are empty-nesters, as they have two sons in college. Their son Ryan is completing his master's at Cornell, and Todd is at Brown. Both are studying biomedical engineering. Peter's wife runs an elementary school as a principal, and he directs engineering for cloud security services at Symantec.

Theta Chi's Tom Cassidy and Doug Holland have two freshmen who are at Lehigh. Tom Cassidy's daughter, Alexandra, and Doug Holland's son, Michael, are enjoying life as Lehigh legacies. At parents' weekend, there were many in attendance with children at Lehigh, including Tom and Doug, Alita Friedman (her son is on the Lehigh ice hockey team), and others. I unfortunately could not make it, but it looked like lots of fun. Life really does go full circle.

Many of us will be entering the next decade this coming year ... the big 5-0. Can't believe it. Let me know if you are getting together with Lehigh friends to celebrate this "big one" or hopping on a plane and getting out of town. Love to hear how everyone is celebrating! Are you getting together with Lehigh friends? Where has the time gone ... now that we are actually our parents' age?

Please keep in touch and

let me know what is happening in your lives ... love hearing from you. I can be reached by email, snail mail, phone or Facebook. *Laura M. D'Orsi*, 26 Falcon Ridge Circle, Holmdel, NJ 07733. (732) 332-1149 (H); lauramdorsi@yahoo.com

¹**8**¹ am writing this ¹⁴ days before we head to the Bronx to recapture some of that college spirit over cocktails, a long stroll down memory lane, and some football. It has been great re-connecting with many classmates as plans are made for the weekend.

Several classmates were back up at Lehigh in October for Family Weekend and the football game. How cool is that? Chris Marshall, Geoff and Lisa Milano Schneider, Jeff Enslin, John and Katie (Edwards) Cassidy, Kathy Gilligan Mannherz, Mark and Lisa (Kouveliotes) Washburn, and Bob and Janet Pickens Cole all have kids enjoying Lehigh these days. (I am sure I am missing a few; forgive me this sin of omission.) Do all the kids know about their parents' antics on the hill

...??? I haven't made a game this year but will be back for the Lafayette game next year. Speaking of football, one of these days I have to get out to Ohio State for a game, preferably on chili cookoff weekend, to visit Jim and Tracey (McCord) Bowman ... they just seem to have a little too much fun at those games, and thus I want to join, especially since Jim just posted his fabulous chili recipe! And on the other side of the parenting spectrum from the college circuit, Steve and Tracy Hiltabiddle welcomed daughter Caitlin Elisa in July. She joins siblings Owen (2) and Courtney (2) in keeping the Hiltabiddles very, very busy. Congratulations!

My college roommate, **Su**zanne (Vranka) Gabriele, was in town with her middle daughter, Mia, recently. I am still chuckling over the fact that she was a school chaperone. If they only knew ... We caught up for a quick lunch at John's pizza, and it was a treat to see them both. Lisa Milano Schneider ran the New York marathon this year on a blustery day. I am always amazed that people have the ability to run 26.2 miles. I just ran 1 mile, and it was like I won the lottery. Dawne Davenport continues to run marathons as well, working through her marathon list. Chicago completed, and it looks like Arizona is up next. Elizabeth Galla not only completed a triathlon but placed first in our age bracket at the Scottsdale Triathlon this past fall. Congratulations to all three ladies on the accomplishments, as well as the charity fundraising.

And on the job front, Kim Kassar is off on a new adventure, having established a new law firm, Lebowitz, Oleske, Connahan & Kassar, LLC. Kim is also a municipal prosecutor at the borough of Lincoln Park, where he resides with his wife, Shauntel, and his kids, Joey and Tia. Col. Robert Mortlock, the U.S. Army's product manager for soldier protection and individual equipment, unveiled a new physical fitness uniform for the troops, which is getting great reviews from the soldiers who have tried out the new duds. And NewBay Media, publisher of TWICE (This Week in Consumer Electronics), has announced that John Laposky has been named as the brand's editor in chief. John has served as the magazine's managing editor since 1995 and has been a vital contributor in print and online and an important part of the International CES Daily, published by TWICE.

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News from the Class of '89 has been slim to none! Thank goodness I was able to submit our column late and can report Lehigh-Lafayette weekend was everything and more than you can imagine! Friday night, more than 500 Lehigh grads and a few undergrads as well, joined Kellie Fisher '88 in a party that brought together friends from classes far and wide. We would be hard-pressed to duplicate the energy that was working at that event. To say it felt like a party at Late Night Sigs would be an understatement. While I didn't get real news from anyone, I saw Marshall Davis, who came up from Florida, Tracy and Eric Frary, Wendy Klein, Rob Kossar, Rob Lubin, Chris Hite, Chris Davino, Tony Wolk, Liz Warshauwer, Dani Rasmus, Gary Nelson, Judy Bernstein, **Glenn Comisac, Maurice** Bradshaw, Seth Weber, Jenn Czin. Jenn Ganz and many more 89ers! The highlight of my night was welcoming back my roommate Jenn (McElreath) Hardie, who spent the last two years living in New Zealand with her husband and three amazing children. It was an adventure of a lifetime and Jenn is happy to be back with her family and friends. Jenn, Jill (Seibert) Schelling and I relived many a memory that night and had a blast. Our other roomies, Marisa Calabrese Moore, who lives in the D.C. area and has her own structural and interior design firm, and Julie (Kime) Traina, who lives in PA with her wonderful family, were truly missed! Saturday was another day and more fun to be had. I was happy to spend the day with Neil and Jay Canell, Brian Byck, Jeff Kollin, Tony Wolk and all of our families in a warm sky box. Thanks to Neil and Jay for organizing!! I also ran into John Carl, who is recently engaged and has moved to my

neck of the woods in Bedford, NY. While I didn't see him, please join me in congratulating the newly-elected District Court Judge of New York's Fifth District: Pierce Cohalan!! Pierce captured the ever-important Fire Island Ferry rider vote with lots of personal attention. Our classmates continue to do amazing things and Josh **Petersohn** takes the prize for this column. After being selected for Team USA Masters' Ice Hockey to compete at the 19th Maccabiah Games in Israel this past July, Joshua Petersohn, Lehigh Class of 1989, and his team captured the Gold Medal beating the Russians and Team Canada in the finals. Team USA began preparing in August 2012 and continued with Mini Camps throughout the year, concluding their training in late June in South Bend, Indiana. The team continued to come together and build chemistry along the way. Despite starting off slowly during the tournament, the team rebounded and made adjustments for the medal rounds and beat Canada 7-4 in the final for the gold. Josh said, "It was a lot of time, commitment and discipline and the result was a fantastic journey. You don't get opportunities like playing ice hockey at an international competition at this age and it was an incredible experience and I was fortunate to be a participant." Jocelyn (Gitlin) Deutsch, 9 Vincent Lane, Armonk, NY 10504. jocelyndeutsch@hotmail.com

² **D D REUNION REUNION REUNION In case you have not heard, we** are celebrating 25 years, May 14-17, 2015! Twenty-five is a BIG number, and one worth making the trip to South Mountain. Check out the agenda and register now at mylehigh.lehigh. edu/25threunion2015.

For this article I reached out to a number of DGs for news. I am happy to report that, despite no longer having a chapter house at Lehigh, they have all managed to go on with their lives.

Amy Wagner Anzilotti went to Jefferson Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University with the intent to become a psychiatrist, but everything changed on the first day of her pediatric rotation. After graduating with her doctorate, she completed her pediatric residency at Yale New Haven Hospital in New Haven, Conn. In 2004 she relocated to Wilmington, Del., with her husband, Kurt, and three children, Grace (16), Luke (13), and Wyeth (11). Amy is now a pediatrician for Nemours duPont Pediatrics, co-owner and online medical consultant for www.Brandywinebuzz.com and a medical editor for www.Kidshealth.org. You can also check out her blog at www.DrAmyKids.com.

Julie (Mancuso) Derrico received her master's in education in 1992 and taught until her first child was born in 1998. She now has five (yes, five!) kids, Nick (16), JP (14), Sophie (11), and twins Jake and Grace (7), that call Charlotte, N.C., home. Her family keeps her and husband Paul very busy with various schools, coaching sports, and church activities. Every year for the Lehigh-Lafayette game, Julie makes them wear all their Lehigh gear and watch the televised event at a local pub. She said it's always a wonderful afternoon with the local alumni - and even ran into Ian Netupsky '89 last year!

Kathleen Egan can be found in San Francisco, Calif., working as the vice president of services and analytics at Quri, a retail intelligence company that provides instant visibility into the performance of products and promotions on store shelves. She joined them last summer and brings with her a background at enterprise technologies leaders, such as Revionics and Oracle, as well as a strong expertise at early stage, high-growth start-ups. She married Paul Kirkland, a New Zealander, two years ago, and the couple have big plans for 2015 – stay tuned!

Just to clarify, Eric Abel was not a DG, but his news was also welcome! Eric, his wife Amy Llewellyn '92, and their three young children are living in upper Bucks County, Pa. After spending two decades in higher education and academic medicine, Eric joined US Trust, Bank of America Private Wealth Management in 2013 as senior vice president and private client adviser. At US Trust he continues to work with nonprofits, with a focus on universities, hospitals, and scientific research organizations, in addition to private clients.

Amy is a senior vice president and chief commercial officer at Adelphi Research, a market research firm specializing in the pharmaceutical and biotech industry.

This past September, President Obama nominated **Richard Verma** as the new U.S. ambassador to India. Rich will be the first Indian-American to hold the post, once confirmed by Congress (hopefully completed by the time this issue hits your mailbox). Rich lives in Bethesda, Md., with his wife and three daughters. Best wishes to you, Rich, and thank you for making us all look good!

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As of this writing, the BIG GAME is just weeks away! I'm sure I'll have lots of news to report after the Reunion, but in the meantime, POUND THE 'PARDS!

Not sure if the new moms in the class will make it to Yankee Stadium, but they sure have a good excuse to miss it! Mazel tovs are in order for Marcy Roth and Jennifer (Zerner) Hoffman.

Marcy is the proud new mom of Baby Brooke, who was born just three hours shy of her mom's birthday on Oct. 23, 2014. As Marcy put it, "If I had delivered her on the East Coast, we would have had the SAME birthday!!" And Jennifer Zerner Hoffman had a beautiful baby girl, Lauren Brooke, on April 11.

Very exciting news from Time.com: "Richard Verma '90 was announced as the new U.S. ambassador to India on Thursday, according to a statement from the White House. Verma, a former State Department official, will be the first Indian-American to hold the post once he is confirmed by Congress. He has been associated with the Obama Administration since 2008, serving as assistant secretary of state for legislative affairs under Hillary Clinton from 2009 to 2011, and is currently a senior counselor at law firm Steptoe & Johnson, as well as the Albright Stonebridge Group."

Looking for holiday ideas for your friends and family? **Laura** (**Eisenberg**) **Balestro** has the answer. "Aunt Viv's Secret Stash is a sweet and savory snack mix of cereals, pretzels, raisins, cranberries, pecans, and almonds coated in our 'secret' recipe.

"Secret Stash was created by our Aunt Viv in the '70s as a holiday gift to our family. Aunt Viv recently passed down the recipe to us but asked us to keep it secret! We started making Secret Stash for OUR friends and family at holiday time, and everyone kept asking for more! So, we decided to offer it to everyone all year round. People started telling us it was so good, they had to hide it! 'Where will you hide your Stash?'" www. auntvivs.com

Congratulations are in order for **Lori Bongiorno**, who is now

the director of media initiatives at Yahoo!

Looking forward to reporting from the 150th running of Lehigh-Lafayette in the next issue! *Diana Zoller Perkins*, 610 Texas St., San Francisco, CA 94107; dianazoller@gmail.com

* We're either going to shoot to the moon," said Christopher Mulvihill, "Or crash on the launchpad." That's how he explained his latest entrepreneurial adventure, an automated car-parking system called RoboticValet.

It's safe to say that Mulvihill (from this point forward, I'm going with his nickname, "Topher"), is a risk-taker by nature. His father owned and ran the nuttiest amusement park I've ever been to, Northern New Jersey's Action Park. Anybody else remember that place? It was the one with such hairy rides and slides that the only reason you went on them was to answer a dare. Personally, I loved it even though I never returned home without having left a considerable amount of blood and skin behind. Action Park let us be wild kids and there's something to be said for that.

With that background, it's hardly a surprise that Topher's first venture after graduating was a trampoline company. That led to an Internet-based company and a few other projects before he and a partner started Boomerang systems seven years ago (Topher is the President).

One of the key technologies is a robotic pallet. The car is driven onto a low platform that's like a foot-high table. Next the robotic pallet slides under, lifts the platform and the car, and then whisks the assembly to its spot or, if needed, another floor.

With no driver and the ability to navigate tighter corners, RoboticValet can squeeze more cars in a given space, about 50 percent more according to To-



pher. That's a huge space saving. Watching the devices work is mesmerizing. Check out the website www.boomerangsystems.com.

If that wasn't enough to keep him busy, Topher and his wife of 17 years have four kids, three girls and a boy ranging in age from 13 to six. They live in northern N.J..

I also heard from **Marc Ippolito**, who is the president and general counsel at Burns Entertainment. His company helps marketers employ celebrities and athletes to promote brands. Sounds like he's the guy to contact for Rihanna tickets.

After 19 years in Chicago, Ippolito and his wife relocated to Fairfield, Conn., in 2011. The couple have two boys ages 6 and 4.

I'd love to write about more of you. Please get in touch. In the meantime, here's to a wonderful 2015.

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¹**9**⁴**1** In the last column, I told you all about our Reunion. In this column, I have nothing to report, because you people are too lazy to send me an email! So, I am sending out a mass email so that all you have to do is hit reply, and I can report your info in the next column. Or it's back to reporting about your ridiculous Facebook posts. You know who you are.

I'm writing this column three weeks prior to the 150th playing of Lehigh-Lafayette – this year at Yankee Stadium. I really cannot wait. Friday evening, **Bret Almassy** is hosting a party that started as a small 100 person party, but which has grown to include 400 people. I've seen the guest list, and it's scary. I am just praying that I am nowhere near Bret late at night, and he thinks that the Hudson River is the ATO pond. Rich Margolies '96 is hosting a beer pong tourney (not that nonsense the kids play that we called Beirut) starting Saturday morning at 9 a.m. I would expect most of Zeta Psi will be there. Those of you reading this from younger classes: Zetes was a fraternity at the top of the hill, right by Pi Lam. But Pi Lam is now the Alpha Phi sorority, and Zetes is the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority. And really, is anyone surprised that Pi Lam and Zetes got thrown off? I can't believe that either lasted until '94.

If I am still standing after those two events, the game starts at 3 p.m. in the Bronx. I ordered about 20 tickets when they went on sale to the older alums. I used my father Harvey York's '67 account to buy them - because he's really old, and Lehigh lets the really old dudes get a shot at tickets first. I got tickets grouped together on the 50-yard line - best seats you can get, right? After throwing that money away, a thought occurred to me: who the hell ever watched the game? Or made it into the stadium? Or made it out of the house following sunrise cocktails? I am guessing that making it to the Bronx is a win. There's not a chance I make it to the seats. And Lehigh is 2-6, and Lafayette is 3-6. Not exactly Patriot League contenders.

Really looking forward to seeing you all there. And P.S., since you are reading this after the fact, I was wearing a hidden Go Pro the whole weekend. I caught EVERYTHING on film. *Michael B. York*, 215 W. 88th St. #5D, New York, NY 10024. (212) 769-2837 (H); michael.york@ nyplaw.com

⁹95³⁰ We are less than ³⁰ days from the Lehigh-Lafayette game at Yankee Stadium! Many fellow alumni will be in New York City, sporting their old school attire with the engine – back in the day when we were the Engineers. Jackie Zivitz is motivated to attend with friends Amy Krzyzkowski, Jill Blanchard, Jennifer Newman-Galluzzo, Rebecca Nesland, and Leah Ploussiou Chatzigiannis. I'll update you in the next column with other alumni who attended the big event.

Jean-Pierre Kallanian shared that he and his freshman roommate from Williams House in Lower Cents, Rajan Khanna, have both published books this fall. Jean-Pierre, who is living in Austria, wrote, "What You Can Learn from Your Teenager: Lessons in Parenting and Personal Growth." You can find his book at www.whatyoucanlearn.com. Rajan just published "Falling Sky," and you can find his book at www.amazon.com/ Falling-Sky-RAJAN-KHANNA. Best of luck to both authors on their books.

Thanks to Julie Egloff and Nicole (Bement) Lindstrom on their family updates. Julie and her husband, Michael, just celebrated their son James' 5th birthday. Their daughter Abigail will be 4 in December, and their second daughter, Sarah, was just born in April. Nicole and her husband are living in the Twin Cities, Minn., area with their 6-and-7-year-old sons. Nicole produced video games for many years, but now she works at home with her children and does online sales.

Tim Kosto was ordained a permanent deacon in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany, N.Y., on May 24, 2014, and he is working to start up a family homeless shelter in the area.

In sports news ... **Brian Elias** and **John Fleming** got together on Sept. 27, 2014, with John Comas '94 and Brent West '96 for a competitive round of golf. Brian easily crushed the competition. I ran the Runner's World Half Marathon and Festival "hat trick" last weekend in Bethlehem, Pa., which includes a 5K and 10K on Saturday and a half-marathon on Sunday. While I covered the distance, the real runner of our alumni class was Nina (Rems) De-Long. I saw her during the race when the course looped back on itself, because she was that far ahead of me. She ran the 5K in 20 minutes and 37 seconds, the 10K in 42 minutes and 44 seconds, and the half-marathon in 1 hour, 41 minutes, and 28 seconds. For non-runners, she ran super-fast. I took a more laid-back approach (because I'm not in hat-trick shape) and said hi to folks I knew in the crowd and took a selfie at mile eight with David Willey, the editor-in-chief of Runner's World. If anyone is interested in running next year, let me know, and we can create a Lehigh Alumni team.

In other upcoming events, Lehigh Alumni Weekend will be held on May 14-17, 2015. The members of the alumni committee include: **Carey Smith**, **Todd Russo, Alan Verostick**, **Shoshana Schiff, Laura Linderman, Glenn Kalokira, Jay Anhorn, James Versocki**, and me. Our committee has been planning great events for our 20th Reunion, and we look forward to welcoming you back to Lehigh.

Alumni committee member Alan Verostick moved to Philadelphia in May and started a new job as a customer support engineer with FINEOS Corp. He recently participated in the Philadelphia Ride to Conquer Cancer, covering 150 miles from Philadelphia to Emmaus and back over two days and raising money for UPenn's Abramson Cancer Center. He is also staying active with his music, which was a big part of his life at Lehigh.

If you would like more in-

formation about alumni weekend, please contact me or Stacy Morrow at slh208@lehigh.edu or check out the alumni website at http://mylehigh.lehigh.edu *Bridget O'Connell, 1840*

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Greetings Class of 1996! I'm light on news this Bulletin, but I hope to have more in the Spring Bulletin after seeing many of you at the big 150th Lehigh-Lafayette game (yes, I'm writing this in October!) I'm hoping for great weather, a big win, and great times to be had by all. I can't wait to see many of you again after nearly 18 years! Wow, where did that time go? Here is how some of our classmates spent that time:

Alexandra (Berry) Korpan added to the boys in her life in December of 2013 with the birth of her son Carson. Carson joins big brothers Cody (6) and Colton (4). She says life is crazy and fun with three boys, as we can all imagine!!

Dan Mathena reached out to let me know he, along with his wife Kelly, hosted an opera gala in Houston. It looked like it was the talk of the town! He hosted over 280 patrons, and proceeds from the night help Opera in the Heights to enhance the careers of young professional artists and enable those of all ages to enjoy opera at affordable prices. Nice work, Dan!

Tim Faust and his wife, Tami, welcomed their first child, daughter Vianka Edin Weaver Faust. She was born on Oct. 16, 2014. Tim and his family are living in Alexandria, Va. Congratulations Tim and Tami, enjoy parenthood! **Jen (Crimmins) Keen**, 17

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Another year has started, and the class of 2018 was welcomed to campus as part of the official 70th annual freshman rally on the U.C. Lawn. Chris Noon '99 from our class held our class flag during the ceremony. It was exciting to take my 1 1/2-year-old son to his first rally, and he got to meet Interim President Kevin Clayton. By the time you read this article, the 150th anniversary celebration, The Rivalry, will be played at Yankee Stadium in the Bronx, NYC. I will provide an update in our next column. I hope to see many of you there. Currently on campus there are ongoing renovations to Packer Memorial Church and Williams Hall, as well as the start of renovations to the University Center.

Births:

Erik Graf reports that his family welcomed its third child, Keira Elizabeth, who was born on Aug. 25, 2014. Patty Godwin and her husband, Scott, had their first baby, a boy, Thomas Anthony, on March 3, 2014. They live In Chicago, and Patty has been working in private wealth management at Goldman Sachs for the last 14 years. Dana (Stow) and Chris Noon '99 are the proud parents of Rock Asa, future Lehigh class of 2036. He has already been to his first freshman rally and three home football games.

Professional:

Danny Woititz has been living in China for the past two years. He traveled to China in 1996 and 1997 with the Lehigh student study abroad program offered by Lehigh's Iacocca Institute with economics professor Dr. Frank Gunter. **Rebecca Johnson** writes that she has been named the executive director of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Philadelphia chapter and the Philadelphia Center for Architecture. After Lehigh, she received a master's degree in sociology and urban studies from Georgia State University and a law degree from Temple University Beasley School of Law. Christopher Silko reports that he has been flying fulltime for the Air Force Reserves for the past 10 years. He is an instructor pilot in the C-130 tactical airlift cargo plane, and earlier this year returned from his sixth combat deployment overseas, which included four deployments to the Middle East to fight in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. He has flown a total of 284 combat missions, including missions transporting troops and supplies to bases or dirt-landing zones all over the Middle East, and also has conducted dozens of airdrop missions in places like Afghanistan. During his time in the military, he completed a Master of Science degree in international relations through Troy University in Alabama. He currently resides in Birmingham, Ala. In October, he will be beginning a new career as a first officer, flying for Delta Airlines while continuing to serve in the reserves on the side. Danielle Moskowitz-Arno founded ArtWorx Events, which is a paint-party and art-event business. It is also known as the "paint and sip" concept. She holds public and private "art parties" at restaurants, homes, and businesses where she guides guests step-by-step to create a unique "masterpiece." People can eat, drink, and have fun while they create art. Her website is www.Art WorxEvents.com. Gregory Kuklinski, gjk4@alum.lehigh.edu

Class of 1998 Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/groups/ Lehigh98/ My Lehigh (Class of 1998): www. mylehigh.lehigh.edu

¹**999** It was great seeing so many of you at the Lehigh-Lafayette game! It was quite the event celebrating 150 years. And speaking of celebrations, I wish you all a wonderful new year in 2015 ... full of news you'll want to share with your classmates!

Thanks again to those who reached out to me ... and now for the news ...

Steve Rittler and his wife, Michelle (Judd) Rittler '02. celebrated a first round win for their dog, Monty, at the dachshund races at Bethlehem's Oktoberfest. It sounds like quite the event, with about 50 dogs participating, and Steve mentioned many were in "typical wiener dog attire," dressed as hot dogs and in lederhosen. Steve and Michelle plan on having Monty do some serious training before next year's races, as he unfortunately went out in the second round by a nose.

Keith Treonze reached out to say hello - thanks! He and his wife, Kelly '04G, live in Hillsborough, N.J., with their two sons, Max (9 years old) and Jake (5 years old). Both his boys are strong athletes, with Max playing baseball and Jake finishing up his first football season. Baseball continues to play a huge role in Keith's life, as he is the director of player development for the Hillsborough Baseball League, focusing on developing our stars of tomorrow, and more importantly giving back to youth sports and making sure kids are involved and having fun with baseball. Keith changed jobs in early March, leaving the software world and going back to consulting (advisory as they call it at KPMG).

Thank you for reading, and please let me know if you have any news you'd like to share. Wishing you all the best! *KAREN (SMITH) FISCHER, kms5lehigh@gmail.com*

2000 Greetings class of 2000! Since our last column, no classmates have checked in with updates or news. I thought this would be a good time to finally contribute to the column instead of just writing it.

My husband Gregory and I are thrilled to participate in the baby boom among the class of 2000! Our son, Elijah Gregory, came speeding into this world on June 24, 2014 almost a full month before his due date. Weighing in at 6 pounds 6 ounces and measuring 19 inches long, he was a little bundle of perfection. If that wasn't enough excitement, we also purchased a new home in Stewartsville, N.J. a month before he arrived. On a business note. I celebrated my 14 year anniversary with MetLife in July. Talk about an exciting few months!

Please take a few moments to contact me with an update about yourself or a friend in our class. If you haven't already done so, I invite and encourage everyone to join our class Facebook page by searching "Lehigh University Class of 2000." I look forward to hearing from you soon!

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Well, as we waited for the first snow to fall on Ole South Mountain for 2014 and got geared up for the holiday season (and the 150th showing of the Lehigh/Lafayette football game) we have received some updates from our fellow classmates, and it seems as we go into winter that babies and marriage were the theme of this update.

From one of our ever-so-ac-

tive alumni, **Anthony Hillman**, we got the fabulous news.."I'll give you the 2001 update... Jillian (Tengood) Hillman '04 and myself welcomed our son and first child, Spencer Lincoln Hillman, on Oct. 12.' Trust me, he is a cutey ... I have seen him on Facebook.

My fellow Chi Omega sister, **Becky Burris**, let me know that she and her husband, Pete, just welcomed the arrival of baby number two! Happily making their 3-year-old daughter, Ava, a big sister! Cooper James Koszarek joined the family on Oct. 17.

Olga Argeros, daughter of Spyro Argeros, Lehigh class of 1972, married Kosta Tsiolis in Greece on July 26, 2014. In attendance were **Holli Warholic** and Masako Asaka '02.

As for myself, I am very happy to say I am back working in New York City at HAVAS Life as vice president, account supervisor, in the medical education division. Also, I'm keeping myself busy with running as a volunteer EMT on the weekends.

Well folks, as always, please keep those updates coming along. We love to hear your news! *Sabrina McGuigan, mcguigan_sabrina@yahoo.com*

Pooja (Jaiswal) Purewal writes that she and her husband Meninder (Mikey) Purewal currently live in Dumbo, Brooklyn. She works at Ralph Lauren in financial planning and strategy, and Mikey works at Bank of America as a quant. They welcomed a son, Krish, last year, who was born on Sept. 25, 2013. He is now a happy 1 year old "who is getting really big!"

Katie (Masi) Burrell married Greg Burrell in September 2012, and they welcomed a baby girl, Luisa Kathryn, on Jan. 5, 2014.

Patrice Banks recently

left her 12-year career as an engineer at DuPont and started her own business, Girls Auto Clinic. Once an "auto airhead" herself, Patrice educates and empowers women through Girls Auto Clinic, so women no longer feel taken advantage of by mechanics. Patrice has written a book, a glove-box guide that contains everything women need to know about cars, and has been featured on ABC 6 and Fox 29 in Philadelphia. She lives in Philly and plans on opening her own repair garage with female mechanics that will cater services to women.

Last, but not least, **Kim Tucker** just got married last month to Ian McCormick in Spring Lake, N.J. She is currently at Rutgers New Jersey Medical School doing her residency in orthopedic surgery and will soon be applying for a fellowship in orthopedic sports medicine.

Congrats to all of our classmates on all of this exciting good news!!! *Noelia Cabrera*,

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203 Well, '03ers, I can't tell you how good it feels to finally have some news to share. Not having updates for the past few editions was disappointing. I hope seeing how desperate I am for submissions will inspire you to tell me what awesome things you're up to, so I can share it with our class.

This column is almost singularly dedicated to celebrating the impending nuptials of my friend, **Billi Ford**. In October, Billi will wed her fiancé, Brian Taylor, in Jamaica. Congratulations, Billi!

I'll celebrate my 10th wedding anniversary to my Lehigh love, Enrique Simmons Jr., as Billi is saying "I do" this fall as well. It's an awesome month to start sharing your forever, if I must say so myself. By way of other updates, and because I still have your attention, I left my position as partner at Values Partnerships just over a year ago to launch my own media, communications, and strategy firm. Business is going very well, and I'm continuously amazed by the folks and organizations I have an opportunity to work with. I'm glad I took the leap!

Sadly, that concludes our news for this go-round. But I know this isn't all the news there is. Please, please, PLEASE send me your job promotions, career changes, and wedding and baby announcements. I want to hear about your exciting travel and civic engagement. Heck, I'll take a short and sweet hello, too! Just please, send a sista something to write about. OK?

Until next time! Safiya (Jafari) Simmons, 1841 Bruce Pl. SE, Washington, D.C. 20020. safiya_jafari@yahoo.com

I stopped at Lehigh en route to my home in Connecticut after visiting my family in Lancaster, Pa., for Columbus Day weekend, and things on and around campus were pleasantly static, yet stirring. I popped into the bookstore to get my Lehigh-Lafayette 150th Rivalry at Yankee Stadium swag and picked up a second shirt for my sister who attended Lafayette (stay tuned for my report of the actual game in our Spring Bulletin), and while I must admit I do love being able to grab a chai at the in-house Starbucks for the chilly drive northeast, I was surprised to see the increase in hookah bars along the main drag of Bethlehem. Heading down to the fields (because I must admit I always get lost driving down South Mountain toward I-78) I noticed the construction of additional soccer fields and gymnasiums, which I'm sure will be much used and appreciated by current Mountain Hawks.

Campus itself, as always, looked beautiful in the fall, its brick walkways blanketed by layers of crispy leaves. The students walking down to Rauch looked young, and the kids trekking up to Richards looked tired. If you get a chance to visit this year, I highly recommend that you do. Fellow '04er Teri (Rosener) Housenger and I plan on meeting up around the holidays for wings and reminiscing. Send me your reunions with old friends and stories of the 150th to bisetoile@aol.com or find me on Facebook. Stay cozy this winter, Class of 2004, and we'll see you again after the thaw.

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²O 6 Hi friends, I hope you are all well! Most of this column will be similar to your Facebook and Instagram newsfeeds: engagements, marriages, and babies! And other parts will be similar to your LinkedIn feed, because Mountain Hawks are always oozing success.

Andrea McCarthy is engaged to Scott Heckmann of Rancho Mirage, Calif. The couple is planning a May 2015 wedding in Italy. Andrea works as a civil defense litigation attorney in Los Angeles.

Nicole Matchett married Gabriel Ganot in Morris, Conn., on Nov. 8, 2014. The newlyweds are residing in San Francisco. Fellow '06ers Matthew Schneider and Andrea Tulcin met and fell in love after leaving Lehigh! The two were married on Aug. 31, 2014. Brian Seaback married Katelyn Page on Sept. 27, 2014 in upstate New York.

David Edelstein and Laura (Gray) Edelstein had their first

A new U.S. ambassador to India

Richard Verma '90 is top U.S. diplomat in world's largest democracy.





Richard Verma '90 (top left) takes the oath of office as the new U.S. ambassador to India in a ceremony with U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry. Verma's wife, Melineh (Pinky) Verma, stands in the background. Richard Verma '90, a national security expert who has served in the U.S. State Department and the U.S. Air Force and as an adviser to members of Congress, is the new U.S. ambassador to India.

Verma was nominated by President Obama to be the top American diplomat in India, the world's second-most-populous nation and largest democracy. He was unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate and sworn in by U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry on Dec. 19.

According to *The Economic Times* of India and other news sources, Verma's appointment has received praise from lawmakers and analysts.

"President Obama is fortunate to have Rich at the helm of our embassy in New Delhi," said Ronak D. Desai, an affiliate with the Belfer Center's India and South Asia Program at Harvard University and an expert on U.S.-India relations.

"That Rich was confirmed by a voice vote by the U.S. Senate is a potent demonstration of the high esteem in which both he and the bilateral relationship are held by both parties in Washington," Desai said.

"He will prove instrumental in navigating U.S. foreign relations with India to new, unexplored heights."

U.S. Rep. Ami Bera, a Democrat representing California's seventh congressional district, said Verma's experience made him an excellent choice for his new post.

"I know Rich is committed to growing the partnership between India and the U.S. at this critical moment in our relationship and I look forward to working with him," said Bera. As assistant secretary of state for legislative affairs under Hillary Clinton from 2009-11, Verma led the Obama administration's negotiations with Congress for new sanctions on Iran while working for passage of the New START nuclear arms treaty with Russia. He received the Distinguished Service Medal, the State Department's highest civilian honor.

In 2007, he was named by the organization India Abroad as one of the 50 most influential Indian-Americans.

Verma attended Lehigh on an Air Force ROTC scholarship and earned a B.S. in industrial engineering, while minoring in international relations.

At Lehigh, Verma was a member of Lambda Chi fraternity and senior class president. Since graduating, he has served on the university's board of trustees and on the board of directors of the Lehigh University Alumni Association.

Verma is the first Indian-American to serve as ambassador to India and the first assigned to a major country.

-Kurt Pfitzer

child, Graham Patrick Edelstein, on Aug. 5, 2014. **Connor McCarthy** and his wife, Kelsey, welcomed a baby girl named Ellis on Feb. 27, 2014. **Greg Bosch** and his wife, Renee Bosch '08, welcomed their first daughter, Amelia Eileen, on Aug. 19, 2014, in Connecticut.

James Kesilman and his wife Erica (Skola) Kesilman just welcomed their first child, Sarah Jane Kesilman, on Oct. 10, 2014! The whole family is excited – especially Sarah's grandfather, Glenn Skola '78, who can't wait to take her to her first football game.

Julie (Ottaiano) Rivera and her husband, Carlo Rivera, '04 had a baby boy, Evan George Rivera, on Aug. 4, 2014! He's already proudly sporting his brown and white. The couple moved back from Seattle two years ago and reside in Washington Township (Bergen County) in New Jersey.

Jessica (Miely) Joseph and her husband, Mac, had a baby girl on April 22, 2014. They named her Charlotte McKellar Joseph and hope that she will be a Mountain Hawk one day! Mark Borda and his wife, Katie, welcomed their daughter, Lily, into the world this past summer.

James Crosson and his wife, Stephanie, welcomed their first child, James Michael Crosson, on Sept. 17, 2013. The family is currently living in Manhattan's Upper West Side. James works at Intercontinental Exchange (a financial services organization) as a trading-technology manager, and his wife works at NYU Langone Medical Center as a researcher in biochemistry.

Kevin Frost is starting his fifth year as director of Pennsylvania for Themis Bar Review. In that capacity, he helps hundreds of students each year pass the Pennsylvania and New Jersey bar exams. The company is growing fast and doing really well, and its students have enjoyed tremendous success rates! Lastly, an update from yours

truly: in November, I left NYC and moved across the pond to join my boyfriend, who is currently living and working in London. I took a position with a financial services firm in the city, and in my spare time I am plotting as much travel as possible! But no one panic – I'll still be bugging you for updates throughout the year. Cheers! *Katie Murray*,

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²08^{Another year and fresh start is upon us, bringing along brand new celebrations and occasions. Therefore, I'm pleased to usher in 2015 with exciting news from our fellow classmates.}

Starting with engagements, **Dave Chella** proposed to his girlfriend, Kailyn Mulcahy – she said "Yes!" Shane Gilroy '09 asked **Alex Burtoft** to marry him, while **Dave Cohen** is now engaged to Sasha Kravetz. Congratulations to our happy couples!

Perhaps a natural transition – there are also marriages to celebrate! **Heather Goodling** tied the knot with Jared Gray '07, while **Josh Regina** married fellow classmate, **Katie Morgan**. **Samantha Burns** wed Darren Stineman, and **Ted Smith** celebrated his nuptials to Ryan Ingalls '09. **Ashley Saunders** also said "I do!" Best wishes to all of our newly married friends.

Please be sure to send any news – career milestones, life events, new cities, new schools, adventures – to me at Kaitlyn-Noon@gmail.com. Our class of 2008 network cannot thrive without you! *Katie Noon, KaitlynNoon@gmail.com*

I have to admit, this column really crept up on me and has left me scrambling to get news, so thanks to all who responded quickly to help me out. It's crazy to think that another year has flown by, and it has been a pretty memorable year for the Class of 2009. In the past year, we celebrated our fifth year Reunion together back at South Mountain, and in November we celebrated the 150th rivalry game together in New York City. Many thanks to those of you who chose to come back to Lehigh, and it was great seeing many of you in the city.

Now, let's get on to business - our Class updates. First, I am to extend heartfelt congratulations to Dan DeWitt and his wife, Theresa, who welcomed their third child and first girl, Lena, on April 17, 2014. Dan was also licensed as a registered professional engineer in the state of Maryland after passing his October 2013 exam. He works in Cumberland, Md., as a civil engineer, designing county public works projects. Additionally, Jessica (Armbruster) Leo and her husband.Jason Leo, welcomed their first child, Carolina Leo, in April of 2014. Congratulations to Boris Kaidanov and Zoe Zachariades, both '09ers, who had baby Kaidariades in January 2015 (gender of baby Kaidariades not known at the time of this column's writing). In other news, my sister Christa '08 (Buckheit) Sturdevant welcomed her first child on Oct. 3, 2014, which means that I am officially an uncle! Congratulations to Michelle Beckner and Bryan Beckner '06, who also welcomed their new baby girl, Genevieve Lynn Beckner, on Oct. 3, 2014. **Rachel Charlesworth**

was employee number six at RideScout, a mobile transit management application company, and her company was recently acquired by Daimler (the maker of Mercedes Benz)! The compa-

ny that Scott Holand and Kevin George '11 started in campus recruiting has secured its first paying clients as of fall 2014. If anyone is looking to reconnect or is interested in learning more about their company (HireCanvas) feel free to shoot Scott an email at scott@hirecanvas.com! We have a first time update from Zack Peters, who took his professional engineering exam in spring 2014 and is now a licensed professional engineer in New York. Zach has also been busy with renovations to his house and was able to meet up with one of his prior Lehigh roommates, Joe Cali, over the summer. Finally, Gina Guzzon received her Master of Arts in the history of decorative arts from The Smithsonian Associates/George Mason University in May 2014.

Annie Feldman was married to Matthew DeLano in May of 2014, and they are currently living in Boston, where Annie started her MBA in Fall 2014. At the end of August, Brendan Van Ackeren was married to Lisa Sweeney. Their ceremony was held on South Mountain at Lehigh's Packer Memorial Church. In September, Leigh Kelly was married to Bretton Pope '08, '09G and Amanda DeBonis, and **Andy Knerr** tied the knot! Special congratulations to Leah Nash, who was engaged to Greg Alvarez '08! Also, I hope that Mariel Schwartz and Courtney Ronan have a great time at the wedding as members of their wedding party! Additionally, Alexandra Burtoft '08 was engaged to Shane Gilroy in August of 2014. The wedding is planned for the Fall of 2015 at the Lehigh Chapel. Congratulations to Ashley Weiss, who was engaged on July 5, 2014, to JMU alumni Adam Schiff, and who will be married in the fall of 2015. Manuel Schubert graduated

from the University of Michigan Medical School and will be doing his residency in orthopedic
surgery. He also recently got engaged in Paris to his high school sweetheart Amanda Lewan. And finally, congrats to **Andrew Schweitzer**, who was married Nov. 15 to Sabrina Surdoval '10 in New York City. Andrew is currently an environmental engineer at Stantec Consulting, and Sabrina is an administrator at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.

As always, feel free to submit updates to LehighClass2009@ gmail.com or feel free to just shoot an email to say hello. Thanks again to all those who submitted updates! **Bobby Buckheit**,

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Season's Greetings 2010! I'm writing this article a day after visiting Lehigh's campus during homecoming weekend. The nostalgia of being back on campus is truly invigorating. While I was there I met up with Jack Meehan and Shannon Breitman, and we recollected about all the great Lehigh traditions that our class helped start, or rekindle. (Also I learned that Shannon has a dog named McGrady, after McGrady's ... classic!)

If you haven't had the chance to visit campus recently and feel that great nostalgia, you'll have a great opportunity coming up in May! The weekend of May 14-17 will be our fiveyear class Reunion! The other class officers and I have been gearing up for the weekend. We have a bunch of great events, giveaways, and of course, drink specials/open bar opportunities for the weekend. We would love to see you there, and we are sure you'll love the chance to reminisce with old classmates and enjoy all that campus has to offer!

On to our class updates! First off, lots of wedding bells!! **Stephanie Bojarski** married Benjamin Eyer back in July 2014; she also recently finished her doctorate in materials science and engineering from Carnegie Mellon University. Khalil Uqdah married Kyara Gray and started his own real estate investing company. Nick Baer and Sofia Covarrubias '12 were married in April 2014. Brianne Moses was engaged back in June and will be getting married September 2015. Martha Durant was proposed to by Michael Rossi '11 this past summer on Martha's Vineyard. And finally, my old Orlando friend and fellow Usher concert attendee, Sara Ecklin, recently got engaged to Ryan Tuscher. The couple also recently moved to Los Angeles. Congrats!

Some of our classmates have been on the move: John Chrin recently moved to Dallas, Texas, to work for Goldman Sachs, adding to the Lehigh contingent we have in that area. Matt Varrelman recently moved to Durham, N.C., to work for FDH Engineering.

As for me, I just moved back to Washington, D.C. this past summer, taking a new job with A.T. Kearney, a consulting firm, where I'll be doing manufacturing consulting. It's good to be back in the Northeast, and I can't wait to see more of my Lehigh family. See you all at Reunion!

Nicholas J. Anderson, Nick. Anderson@alum.lehigh.edu

Hello class of 2011! I hope you all had a wonderful year and are looking forward to an even better 2015.

Valerie Estela is currently studying neuroscience in a Ph.D. program at Brown University. Amy Pakett started a new job last summer at a nonprofit, working for Jewish Federation of St. Louis as its communications manager.

Anthony Pascale has been living in NYC for the last year and loving it. He is an audit semi-senior at Berdon LLP. Please continue to send me any news that you would like to share with your Lehigh family. You may have noticed that this column has gotten a little shorter because I have been lacking updates. Please feel free to send me a message on Facebook or email me at any time with an update. I always look forward to hearing from you all! *Sri Rao, sridevi211@gmail.com*

2122 Sofia Covarrubias married Nick Baer '10 on April 19 in Coral Springs, Fla. Congratulations to the happy couple!

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As we finish up our final fall semester at Lehigh University together as the class of 2015, there are similar ideas crowding each student's mind. We are constantly reminiscing about the past, excited about the future, and trying to determine what is next to come. While most students take the usual route, sending in job applications through LUCIE and crossing our fingers, a few of our classmates created a different plan, their own plan. The entrepreneurial spirit seems to have spread like wildfire during the past few years at Lehigh University, and these students are using it to their advantage.

Roger Graham, **Alexander Derek**, and **Tyler Bond** were all inspired by a cause and chose

to act immediately. Roger's newly created company, Localfu, allows travelers to log onto his website and pay \$5 to buy travel plans from a real local. The idea emerged when he and his best friend and business partner were having difficulty preparing for a trip of their own. He stated, "Planning was tough, unless we had a friend to call in a place we were visiting. We hated planning via endless reading of TripAdvisor and Yelp. The initial concept was 'what if we had a local in any place that we could call?' and it developed from there." Roger hopes to grow his business enough for it to lead the industry and become the go-to place to plan a trip.

Alex's company is a bit different. He is the co-founder of Delmonico Apparel, a line of men's golf and golf lifestyle apparel. His company is unique because each of the four collections created so far represents a different charity: Alzheimer's Awareness, Breast Cancer Awareness, Childhood Cancer Awareness, and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness. When ordering a product, customers are relayed information about the charity that product supports and given an avenue through which they can become more involved. Because his target market includes males between ages 18 and 25, Alex is eager to grow his brand while still in school. Afterward, he plans on expanding the business and striking a deal with a bigbox, national chain. Alex's main motivation is philanthropic. He hopes he is "able to inspire others to get involved in raising awareness and aid for causes that they feel strongly about through donations, volunteer work, or whatever means they prefer."

Tyler's company is still in the beginning stages; however, the idea is developing quickly. He and his partner, **Dave DiFrancesco**, plan to create a "consumer-facing intelligent-recommendation platform for the craft beer industry." To help inexperienced beer lovers find their way around the growing craft beer market, Tyler and Dave plan to "guide consumers along a personalized journey of discovery, fostering connection to local breweries and enabling exploration." The company will utilize information on each customer's taste preferences and their location to choose local beers the customer will enjoy and be able to purchase. As of now the company is named Crafty, and the next step is getting a functional product in the hands of consumers. When asked about company growth, Tyler shared that the team is focused on hitting the Philly metro area; however, he thinks "Crafty could eventually work nationwide. State laws are one of the biggest impediments to rapid growth, so we're looking into the most 'beer friendly' states for alternate launch locations and places for expansion down the line."

These three Lehigh seniors are leading the way, inspiring our generation to take problems into our own hands. With enough drive and passion to make a change, innovation and success will result. These students have proved that. Roger, Alex, and Tyler: I wish you luck on your endeavors, and I am extremely excited to write about the incredible success of your companies in the 2025 Alumni Bulletin!

Rachel Mayer, rfm215@lehigh.edu

Giancarlo Paternoster is a character; his friends agree. He always leaves a lasting impression. Giancarlo is a junior studying mechanical engineering, and he is the epitome of the phrase "joie de vivre." The way he enthusiastically leaps into conversations, hobbies, and work with boundless energy and charisma, not to mention his uncontrollable bursts of laughter, shows everyone he meets that he lives life to the fullest. For starters, as a member of Lehigh's Baja SAE organization, he helps build off-road vehicles each year to race in annual competitions by the Society of Automotive Engineers. Also, after years of spontaneously playing his guitar and singing for friends, he recently joined Lehigh's all-male a cappella group, A Whole-Step Up.

Every few weeks, he drives home to Scarsdale, N.Y., to enjoy a delicious, home-cooked Italian meal with his family. Unlike most college juniors, home also represents his workshop, a design playground for his endless creativity. Combining his engineering knowledge, imagination, and intuition, he founded his own furniture company. His handmade pieces of furniture look like they should be showcased in an art gallery, which they indeed have. He recounts how, when he first started his company, he naïvely drove to various galleries in Manhattan with his furniture painstakingly arranged in the back of his truck, hoping to find a few who were willing to take a few minutes to look at the pieces he worked on for weeks. Now that his work actually has been featured in galleries, he can look back on the rookie display of eagerness with his classic grin. Despite his aspirations to have his work displayed in an artistic sense, he says that he is thrilled when his furniture becomes much-used and loved pieces of people's homes. He works for hours on end in his basement, listening to podcasts while calculating every tiny detail of his designs. Then he carefully constructs each component of the furniture, refining the individual parts to bring out the beauty of the materials, usually oak, to form a cohesive, elegant

piece. As he declares both in person and on his website, he has three principles that he faithfully upholds while creating each one of his works: "The form of an object follows the function of the object. A curve must be defined and derived from the ratios that exist in nature. Every piece must be precise and well-crafted." True to his word, each piece is a gorgeous original that invites use. It doesn't matter what he's doing - his originality and thoughtfulness always come through.

After a weekend home, Giancarlo returns to Lehigh and continues to be the refreshing, dynamic force that keeps campus interesting. *Kelsey Leck*,

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²177^{What a huge year} this is - Lehigh's sesquicentennial year. It's quite an exciting time to be a student, and I believe many of us feel very fortunate to be here.

And as if the year weren't already exciting enough, we announced our new president, Mr. John D. Simon. Lehigh's campus is looking forward to welcoming this new leader in July.

I and the other class officers have had a busy and exciting start to the semester. We are currently working on planning events for Lehigh-Lafayette week, while also helping our classmates with other initiatives. Keep an eye out for our Thank a Donor Day event this winter – it was a great success last year, and we hope to make it even better this year.

As a journalism major, I've been spending a lot of time working on The Brown and White, Lehigh's student newspaper. At the beginning of the fall semester, we proudly unveiled our new website. I encourage you to check out thebrownandwhite.com for lots of great Lehigh updates.

In addition to the crazy class schedule most Lehigh students keep, some still find additional time to engage in some amazing extracurricular ventures. Here are just a few awesome projects and activities the class of 2017 has been involved with.

Matt Sheffield has had success with his business, Shady Eyedeas. The company offers fully interchangeable sunglasses. The arms, frames, and lenses all snap together using their proprietary mechanism and interchange for 36,000 different combinations.

"I came to Lehigh and my entrepreneurial spirit was well-received both by faculty and other like-minded students," Sheffield said.

Sheffield entered the Eureka Competition run by the Baker Institute of Entrepreneurship and received first place. He received \$2,500 and an office space at Ben Franklin TechVentures on Mountaintop Campus.

Since then, Sheffield has worked with his partners **Andrew Benito** and Ryan Kautz, building the business both online and in retail.

"Lehigh has been so great in terms of providing amazing services to let us run the business while being students," Sheffield said.

Matthew Cossel has gotten involved in Lehigh's Global Union, an umbrella organization on campus that focuses on bringing internationally themed events to campus. Cossel is the secretary of the Global Union for the fall semester.

Global Union has about 45 member clubs, which host co-sponsored events with the Global Union and other member clubs that are all free and open to students on campus.

"Our big event this semester was being a vital piece that brought in Twitter speaker and Lehigh alumna, Ashley Hirsh'05. We are currently attempting to bring other social media speakers to campus, as we see this as a very hot topic," Cossel said.

Will Kuehne is involved with Engineers Without Borders. The 130-member organization works on water projects such as wells, pumps, tanks, and pipes in Honduras and Nicaragua.

The club organizes trips to these locations three times a year, and Kuehne has been fortunate enough to go twice. He is the social committee chair and works with NGOs in the countries to get information on how Engineers Without Borders' work is impacting the area.

"We really try to develop a community holistically, so we don't just take an engineering approach," Kuehne said.

Engineers Without Borders also works on a local level. It works with Broughal Middle School and recently built a water tank in Easton.

Cory Spranger, our vice president of marketing, is a gryphon this year for the Creative Commons Live Lehigh community. This is the first time a residential program like this is being offered for firstyear students.

Creative Commons and another first-year Live Lehigh community, Intersecting Identities, are working on collaborating on a panel event titled "Why Diversity?"

The vision is to look at diversity from another perspective that fundamentally asks why diversity is important, as opposed to simply asserting that it is. The program will look to establish a case for diversity from a variety of perspectives, including an analytical, business-and-economics standpoint, as well as an engineering and creativity viewpoint. "We want this to draw a huge crowd and really renew the discussion on diversity on campus – albeit from a different and more fundamental angle this time around," Spranger said.

Thanks for reading! Until next time...

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¹**18** ¹ think it's safe to say that everyone can remember their first few days at Lehigh fondly. You're scared, nervous, and a little sweaty due to the lack of air conditioning in your dorm, but you're so excited to begin the best four years of your life. It's definitely overwhelming to be meeting so many new people, but I can say that I have made some amazing friends here in the first few months.

The class of 2018 is the largest in recorded Lehigh history at around 1,300 students. In our first few days on campus, we were adopted by the Class of 1968 at our first-year rally, which was unfortunately held indoors due to the rain. I think that for myself and about 30 other students, the rally was a little nerve-racking. Toward the end of the rally, the newly-elected officers of the class of 2018 would be announced.

I am so glad that I was appointed by my peers to be the class correspondent. I have already made many friends who are also class officers as well as have met alumni, and have been at events that are usually only attended by upperclassmen. And of course, I have the honor of representing our Alma Mater.

In the first few months of school, everyone has tried to find their niche. Some were lucky enough to be on an athletic team, whereas others joined many clubs, and others are planning on joining Greek life next semester. I think overall, everyone is trying to get as involved as possible.

There a few students who have been very involved with the Lehigh community since the beginning of the semester. They are the Class Officers, and they are extremely excited to have a leadership role on campus! Hai Le is the President of the class. Besides being a class officer, he is also a member of the Association of Student Alumni, and is looking toward joining Greek life next semester. He is studying to become a civil engineer. Fortunate Tshirangwana is most excited serving as Vice President of Giving for her class. She wants to be a Gryphon next year, and she is planning on getting her degree in industrial engineering. Patrick Creamer is the Vice President of Unity, and he is also a member of the crew team. He hopes to help the crew team have a successful season this year! Patrick also plans on getting a degree in industrial engineering. Matthew Enslin (son of Jeffrey Enslin '88; Class President) is the Vice President of Marketing, He loves attending various sporting events on campus, and is really

excited for Le-Laf! He is currently undecided in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Besides the class officers, however, there are some students already making their mark on campus. Troy Pelletier is one of the starting wide receivers on the football team this year, and had an incredible season. He led the team with 815 yards and seven touchdowns on 49 receptions. Moreover, Pelletier was named to an All-Patriot League team. Overall, Troy had an amazing rookie season, and was even on the watch list for rookie of the year. Troy is definitely a player you want to look for next year! Megan Olivola,

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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 Diana Skowronski, Alumni Association, Lehigh University, 27 Memorial Drive West, Bethlehem, PA 18015; (610) 758-3675; <u>dls213@lehigh.edu</u>. The following were reported to us as of October 24, 2015:

1930s

Mr. Leonard Silberberg '36, Port Chester, N.Y., Feb. 17, 2014. Mr. Silberberg was a brother of Tau Delta Phi and Zeta Psi fraternities, played for the Lehigh basketball, swimming, and outdoor track teams, and served on the staff of the Brown and White. His son, Gary M. Silberberg '65, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. William L. Doney '37, Jacksonville, Fla., June 17, 2014. Mr. Doney worked for Westinghouse and Ford, Bacon, & Davis before being employed by the Prudential Insurance Company.

Dr. William F. Boucher '38, Allentown, Pa., July 18, 2014. Mr. Boucher held membership in the Alpha Epsilon Delta honor society and served on the staff of the Brown and White. He worked as a private practice physician. His brother, James H. Boucher '42, and son, Richard D. Boucher '71, are Lehigh alumni.

1940s

Mr. William N. Mills '40, Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 13, 2014. Mr. Mills was a member of the Lehigh basketball team. He worked for United States Steel and Mesta Machine Company.

Cmrd. Laurence R. Naegely '40, Allentown, Pa., Sept. 5, 2014. Cmrd. Naegely served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked for Intellux, Inc. and I.B.M.

Mr. Alfred M. Schuyler '40, West Simsbury, Conn., Sept. 6, 2014. Mr. Schuyler was a brother of Alpha Chi Rho fraternity. He served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked for Ernst & Ernst as managing partner.

Mr. Russell H. Browne '41, Fountain Hill, Pa., Oct. 19, 2014. Mr. Browne served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as a metallurgist for Bethlehem Steel Corp.

Dr. Seymour H. Kott '41, Pacific Palisades, Calif., July 10, 2012. Dr. Kott was a brother of Tau Delta Phi fraternity.

Mr. James D. Larue Jr. '41, Hodgenville, Ky., Aug. 11, 2014. Mr. Larue served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He worked as a farmer and an accountant and founded LaRue Insurance.

Mr. E. Leonard Schork '41, Westfield, N.J., Oct. 11, 2014. Mr. Schork served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as a chemical and electrical design engineer for the RCA Corporation and in sales and design for Cindy Pools, Inc.

Mr. T. Brooks Woods '41, Brewster, Mass., June 18, 2014. Mr. Woods served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked for Westinghouse Electric.

Mr. Robert W. Clark '42, Delaware, Ohio, Dec. 16, 2010. Mr. Clark was a brother of Sigma Nu and a member of Tau Beta Pi honor society. He worked for Diebold.

Mr. Charles J. Apolenis '43, Clarksburg, Md., June 13, 2014.

Mr. Richard M. Haslet '43, Bethlehem Township, Pa., Aug. 6, 2014. Mr. Haslet was a member of the outdoor track team, the fencing team, the glee club, and the choir. He served as a mine officer for the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked for AT&T.

Mr. Robert J. Quinn '43, Baltimore, Md., Aug. 28, 2014. Mr. Quinn served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked for American Airlines.

Mr. Edward L. Diehl '44, Cambridge, Mass., May 29, 2014. Mr. Diehl was a brother of Sigma Chi fraternity, held membership in Tau Beta Pi honor society, and played for the Lehigh cross country and outdoor track teams. He served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked for The Architects' Collaborative before establishing his own architecture firm.

Mr. Carl A. Elmes '44, Willow Valley Communities, Pa., June 30, 2014. Mr. Elmes was a brother of Phi Gamma Delta and a member of the Lehigh football and outdoor track teams. He served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II.

Dr. John H. Gross '44, '48G, '55G, Hellertown, Pa., Oct. 7, 2014. Dr. Gross was a member of the Lehigh glee club and debate club. He served as a commander in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked as the vice president and director of research for U.S. Steel. He was a member of the LUAA Class Reunion Committee, the Class Committee, and the Tower Society.

Mr. Robert H. Hicks Jr. '44, Catonsville, Md., Aug. 14, 2014. Mr. Hicks was a brother of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and a member of the Lehigh swimming, tennis, and wrestling teams. He served in the U.S. Navy and worked as a general contractor. He served as the LUAA board president, the LUAA board senior vice president, a LUUA board regional vice president, a LUAA board archivist, a LUAA board trustee, a LUAA club president, a Lehigh alumni trustee, and a Legacy of Leadership member. He was a member of the LU Wrestling Club.

Mr. Georges R. Potter '44, Sarasota, Fla., Sept. 2, 2009. Mr. Potter was a member of the Lehigh swimming team and the debate club.

Mr. David M. Gerb '45, Boynton Beach, Fla., Oct. 13, 2014. Mr. Gerb was a brother Tau Delta Phi fraternity and a member of the Lehigh wrestling team. He served in the U.S. Army. He worked for Union Supply Co. He was a member of the Class Committee and the 50th reunion Fund Committee.

Mr. Richard L. Hagadorn '45, West Chester, Pa., Aug. 2, 2014. Mr. Hagadorn was a brother of Delta Upsilon fraternity and a member of the Lehigh baseball team. He served in the U.S. military.

Dr. James F. Kleckner '45, Palo Alto, Calif., March 24, 2014. Dr. Kleckner was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa honor society and a brother of Sigma Chi. His father, Ellis H. Kleckner '21, was a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. Jerome N. Merkel '45, Pottstown, Pa., April 1, 2014. Mr. Merkel served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as a teacher for Boyertown High School.

Mr. William D. Pettit '45, Squirrel Hill, Pa., Sept. 3, 2014. Mr. Pettit was a member of the Tower Society.

Mr. Russell E. Neal '46, '49G, Lehighton, Pa., Oct. 21, 2014. Mr. Neal was the owner and operator of R.E. Neal Civil Engineering.

Mr. Kenneth A. Lambert

Jr. '47, Montrose, Pa., Sept. 24, 2014. Mr. Lambert was a brother of Sigma Chi. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked as a metallurgical engineer for Bendix Corp.

Mr. Warren F. Mikels '47, Stroudsburg, Pa., Aug. 30, 2014. Mr. Mikels served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He worked for Mikels Motors. His son, Steven W. Mikels '69, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. James G. Kerr '47G, Winchester, Calif., Sept. 3, 2014. Mr. Kerr worked as a professor for Lehigh University and as a chief materials engineer for Chevron.

Mr. Salvatore Triolo '47, Northampton, Pa., Sept. 5, 2014. Mr. Triolo served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as an engineer for Texaco.

Mr. Arthur E. Zuckerman '47, West Orange, N.J., Oct. 18, 2014. Mr. Zuckerman was a brother of Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity. He served in World War II. He worked as a chartered life underwriter. His son, Erick Zuckerman '82, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. John W. Ruttle Jr. '47G, Yardley, Pa., May 22, 2014.

Mr. Paul H. Kaar '48G, Evanston, Ill., Sept. 26, 2014. Mr. Kaar was a member of the Fritz Engineering Research Society. He worked for the Maritime Commission, the Armour College of Engineering of the Illinois Institute of Technology, and the Portland Cement Association.

Mr. John B. Bednarik '48, Allentown, Pa., July 6, 2014. Mr. Bednarik served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Mr. Albert P. McCauley Jr. '48, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, July 9, 2014. Mr. McCauley was a member of the Lehigh Mustard & Cheese Society. His son, James N. McCauley '73, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. Henry L. McGrath Jr. '48, Atlantic Beach, Fla., April 15, 2014. Mr. McGrath was a brother of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as the eastern regional manager for H.H. Robertson Co.

Mr. Robert E. Schmaltz '48, Westford, Mass., Sept. 21, 2014. Mr. Schmaltz served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II and as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserves. He worked for the Department of Defense.

Mr. Warren C. Heintzelman '49, Chambersburg, Pa., June 1, 2014.

Mr. Ward E. Laubach '49, Cherry Hill, N.J., June 24, 2013. Mr. Ronald J. Lenney '49,

Pelham Manor, N.Y., May 26, 2014. Mr. Lenney was a brother of Tau Delta Phi fraternity, a member of the Lehigh outdoor track team, and a member of the Mustard & Cheese Society. He served in the U.S. military during World War II. He worked as a lawyer and accountant.

Dr. Keith W. Mattison '49, Deltona, Fla., Sept. 3, 2014. Dr. Mattison served as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He worked as an engineer in weapons systems research and as a systems safety engineer at General Electric, Lockheed Marietta, and Stanford Research Institute.

Mr. Donald C. Nickolaus '49, Voorhees, N.J., Aug. 23, 2014. Mr. Nickolaus was a brother of Sigma Chi and a member of the Lehigh glee club. He served in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. He worked for the Bell Telephone Company.

Mr. Leroy A. Sweinberg '49, Dallas, Pa., Aug. 15, 2014. Mr. Sweinberg served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers during World War II. He worked as an associate professor for Penn State University and owned and supervised his surveying company, Sweinberg Kolesar and Associates.

Mr. Paul A. Virbal '49, Delmont, Pa., March 24, 2014. Mr. Virbal was a member of Tau Beta Pi honor society and the Lehigh marching and concert bands. He was also a member of the LUAA Alumni Band.

Mr. Alan J. Zucker '49, Livingston, N.J., July 9, 2014. Mr. Zucker was a brother of Pi Lambda Phi. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked as an accountant. His children, Michael M. Zucker '85 and William C. Zucker '78, are Lehigh alumni.

1950s

Dr. Charles J. Meder '50G, Ithaca, N.Y., Aug. 14, 2007.

Mr. William J. Cuff '50, Chadds Ford, Pa., May 18, 2014. Mr. Cuff was a brother of Kappa Sigma fraternity. He served in the U.S. Army. His children, Terese M. Cuff '84 and William J. Cuff Jr. '87, are Lehigh alumni.

Mr. John J. Flanagan '50, Delran, N.J., Oct. 10, 2014. Mr. Flanagan served in the U.S. Navy. He worked for RCA.

Mr. Ronald C. Mitchell '50, Dumfries, Va., Oct. 14, 2014. Mr. Mitchell was a member of the Lehigh soccer team. He worked as a World Bank senior financial analyst.

Mr. Robert P. Sanborn Jr. '50, Holyoke, Mass., Sept. 8, 2014. Mr. Sanborn was a brother of Psi Upsilon fraternity and a member of the Lehigh hockey team. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked for Atlas Copco as a credit manager.

Mr. William K. Wilson Jr. '50, Middletown, Md., Sept. 8, 2014. Mr. Wilson was a brother of Kappa Sigma. He served in the Korean War. He worked for Bell Telephone. He was a LUAA Club President.

Mr. Robert H. Cousins '51, New Orleans, La., June 28, 2014. Mr. Cousins was a brother of Delta Chi fraternity and a member of the Lehigh concert and marching bands, the glee club, and the choir. He served in the U.S. Army. He worked for the engineering firm Howard, Neddles, Tammen, & Bergendoff and for the National Capital Planning Commission.

Mr. Joseph F. Creighton '51, Martinsville, N.J., Oct. 12, 2014. Mr. Creighton served as a staff sergeant in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as a research technician for Frederick Atkins.

Lt. Col. Omar V. Greene Jr. '51, '56G, San Antonio, Texas, June 3, 2014. Lt. Col. Greene was a brother of Sigma Phi fraternity and a member of Phi Eta Sigma honor society and the Mustard & Cheese Society. He served in the U.S. Air Force. His grandfather, Howard Eckfeldt '95, his brother, Garrett L. Greene '50, his father, Omar V. Greene '22, and his niece, Deborah G. Lynott '76, are Lehigh alumni.

Mr. Edward W. Davidheiser '51, Colfax, N.C., Aug. 31, 2014. Mr. Davidheiser was a member of the Lehigh marching band. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked in sales and marketing in the U.S. food manufacturing and restaurant industries. He was a member of the LUAA Alumni Band.

Mr. Thomas G. Linxweiler '51, East Dennis, Mass., Oct. 2, 2014. Mr. Linxweiler was a brother of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked for Monsanto Research Laboratories.

Mr. Harold E. Sperr '51, Port Orange, Fla., July 31, 2014. Mr. Sperr served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked as an engineer for General Electric, Aerospace Group, McDonnell Aircraft Corp., Tedford Crystal Laboratories, Kenner Products Co., and Tappan Co.

Mr. Walter J. Redel '51, North Abington, Pa., Sept. 28, 2014. Mr. Redel served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked as a sewage enforcement officer for the National Environmental Protection Agency.

Mr. Gustave R. Stefanik '51, Terre Haute, Ind., Nov. 11, 2012. Mr. Stefanik worked for Hercules Inc.

Mr. Nicholas P. Verish '51, North Syracuse, N.Y., Sept. 11,

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2014. Mr. Verish was a member of the Lehigh marching band. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked for Carrier Corp. as facilities manager. He was a member of the LUAA alumni band.

Mr. David E. Willauer '51, Wilmington, Del., Oct. 8, 2014. Mr. Willauer was a member of Tau Beta Pi Honor Society and the Lehigh marching band. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He worked for the DuPont company. He was a member of the LU Wrestling club and the LUAA Alumni Band.

Mr. Jackson W. Balestier '52, Middletown, N.J., July 20, 2014. Mr. Balestier was a brother of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity and a member of the Lehigh soccer team. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked for Polymer Industries as an international sales manager.

Mr. Alonzo F. Haines II '52, Murrells Inlet, S.C., Oct. 13, 2014. Mr. Haines was a brother of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and a member of the Lehigh football team. He served as a navigator in the U.S. military. He worked as a regional sales manager for Beckwith Machinery.

Mr. Edward W. MacGrath '52, New York, N.Y., May 30, 2014. Mr. MacGrath was a brother of Alpha Chi Rho fraternity. He worked in facilities engineering and construction management for American Airlines, Marriott Corporation, Fordham University, and Pace University.

Mr. William L. McMorris '52, Salt Lake City, Utah, July 2, 2014. Mr. McMorris served in the U.S. Army Reserve. He worked as a mining and mineral preparation engineer and general superintendent.

Mr. Leonard W. Stafford '52, Midland, Mich., July 25, 2014. Mr. Stafford was a brother of Theta Chi and a member of Lambda Mu Sigma honor society, the interfraternity council, the Epitome staff, the Lehigh debate club, and the Army ROTC. He was a class committee member and a reunion fund committee member. He worked for IBM. His son, Roy C. Stafford '88, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. James P. Wash '52, Bethlehem, Pa., Aug. 25, 2014. Mr. Wash served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked for the U.S. Postal Service.

Mr. Alphonse J. Calvo '52G, Bethlehem, Pa., Sept. 21, 2014. Mr. Calvo served in the U.S. military during World War II. He worked as a teacher for the Bethlehem Area School District.

Mr. Joseph P. Malatesta '52G, Bethlehem, Pa., June 4, 2014. Mr. Malatesta worked as a teacher for the Bethlehem Area School District.

Mr. John J. Eliff '53G, Norristown, Pa., July 23, 2014. Mr. Eliff served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked as a math and science supervisor for Hunterdon Central High School.

Mr. Zeno Zolli Jr. '53G, Bella Vista, Ark., July 29, 2014. Mr. Zolli served in the U.S. Navy. He worked as a researcher and developer in antibiotics.

Mr. P. Hurley Bogardus Jr. '53, East Dennis, Mass., Oct. 10, 2014. Mr. Bogardus was a brother of Psi Upsilon fraternity and a member of the Lehigh ice hockey team. He served as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps and in the U.S. Marine Corps reserves as a lieutenant colonel. He worked as an attorney for Cummings & Lockwood.

Mr. Bernard J. Pino '53, Gibbstown, N.J., Aug. 25, 2014. Mr. Pino worked as a process engineer for Mobil Research.

Mr. William S. Shipley II '53, York, Pa., May 24, 2014. Mr. Shipley was a brother of Chi Psi and a member of the Lehigh hockey and lacrosse teams, Lehigh marching band and the Brown and White staff. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Reserve Corps. He worked for the C.V. Hill Co. and the Lauderback-Cason Co. as a grocery store designer and refrigerator salesman. He was a member of the class committee, the reunion fund committee and the LUAA alumni band. He was a member of the Tower Society.

Mr. Arthur H. Wyker Jr. '53, Liverpool, N.Y., May 17, 2014. Mr. Wyker served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Ms. Ruth J. Freshley '54G, Athens, Ga., June 11, 2014. Ms. Freshley worked as a middle school teacher.

Ms. Miriam L. Weber '54G, Bethlehem, Pa., Sept. 21, 2014. Ms. Weber worked as an elementary school teacher for the Bethlehem Area School District.

Dr. Edward S. Gregorek Jr. '54, '67, Scranton, Pa., Oct. 17, 2014. Dr. Gregorek worked as a laboratory manager for International Salt Co. and as a professor for Virginia Military Institute, Keystone College, Wilkes College, and King's College. He was a member of the Tower Society.

Mr. Daniel J. Kelemen '54, Bethlehem, Pa., Sept. 24, 2014. Mr. Kelemen served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked as a chemical engineer for Air Products. He was a Class Committee member, a 40th Reunion Fund Committee member, a Reunion Planning Committee member, an LF Class Agent, a First Year Rally flag-bearer, a Reunion Calling Committee member, a class officer, a Fall and Spring phonathon volunteer, and a member of the Asa Packer Society.

Mr. Thomas F. Nitsche '54, Cliffside Park, N.J., Aug. 31, 2014. Mr. Nitsche was a member of the Lehigh baseball and swimming teams. Mr. Nitsche served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as a mechanical engineer for Civil Aeronautics Administration, a patent engineer for American Can Co., and for the City of Coral Gables, H.J. Ross & Associates, and the Allen Morris Co. **Mr. George P. Schivley**

Jr. '54, '62G, Wooster, Ohio, May 13, 2014. Mr. Schivley was a brother of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity and a member of the Lehigh lacrosse team and Army ROTC. He served in the U.S. Air Force. He worked as an engineer for Ingersoll Rand.

Mr. Robert H. Snyder '54, Easton, Md., Oct. 13, 2014. Mr. Snyder served in the U.S. Navy. He worked as a chemical engineer for Trojan Powder Co. and Mallinckrodt.

Mr. George W. Howey Jr. '55, Chatham, N.J., Sept. 6, 2014. Mr. Howey was a brother of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He worked as a bond trader and in real estate. He was a member of the Greek Alumni Council. He was a member of the Tower Society. His daughter, Anne H. Carson '85, is a Lehigh alumna.

Mr. William R. Lindemann '55, Metuchen, N.J., March 10, 2014.

Mr. Paul E. Norian '55, Potomac, Md., Feb. 20, 2012.

Mr. Arthur P. Schifflin '55, Falls Church, Va., July 5, 2014. Mr. Schifflin was a brother of Delta Tau Delta fraternity and a member of the Lehigh basketball, outdoor track, and cross country teams. He worked as U.S. Customs attorney. He was a member of the Asa Packer Society. His daughter, Laura M. Sozio '90, is a Lehigh alumna.

Mr. Nicholas L. Cali '56, Hillsboro, Ore., Oct. 19, 2014. Mr. Cali was a brother of Sigma Nu fraternity.

Mr. Louis A. Dignazio '56,

Freedom, Pa., Aug. 3, 2014. Mr. Dignazio was a brother of Phi Sigma Kappa and a member of the Lehigh baseball team. He served in the U.S. Navy. He worked for General Electric as a quality assurance representative and for Sperry Remington and AMCO.

Mr. Earl R. Rader Jr. '56G, Bangor, Pa., Sept. 9, 2014. Mr. Rader served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked as a world history and English teacher at Bangor Area High School.

Mr. William A. Smith Jr. '57G, Virginia Beach, Va., June 3, 2014. Mr. Smith was a brother of Sigma Chi and a member of the Army ROTC. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He worked as the director of the Lehigh Computing Laboratory and as a professor of engineering and head of the industrial engineering department for North Carolina State University.

Mr. Lawrence S. Gift '57, Houston, Texas, Sept. 23, 2014. Mr. Gift served in the U.S. Navy. He was a Class Committee Member, a 40th Reunion Fund Committee Member, a 50th Reunion Fund Committee Member, and a 35th Reunion Fund Committee Member.

Mr. James C. Silberman '57, Boca Raton, Fla., Oct. 23, 2014. Mr. Silberman was a brother of Pi Lambda Phi fraternity and a staff member of the Brown and White and Epitome. He served in the U.S. Air Force. He served as the CEO and president of the Wilkens jewelry companies.

Dr. Elizabeth C. Beckerman '58G, Pittsboro, N.C., June 28, 2014. Dr. Beckerman worked in commercial broadcasting as a harpist, singer, talk show host, and WNTI station founder and operator, in addition to teaching broadcasting at Centenary College for Women, working as the founder and operator of the **Radio-Television Department** and station WSHA-FM of Shaw University, and holding the positions of associate professor of communications for University of Kansas and professor and Assistant Dean of Arts and Sciences at University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Mr. William S. Brown III '58, Pittsburgh, Pa., May 22, 2014. Mr. Brown was a brother of Psi Upsilon and a member of the Lehigh marching band and swimming team. He worked in executive positions for U.S. Steel, Dravo, Vectura, Carmeuse Lime, and Excell Minerals. He was a member of the LUAA Alumni Band.

Mr. David T. Burke '58, Manalapan, N.J., Sept. 4, 2014. Mr. Burke was a member of the Gryphon Society. He worked for the Bank of New York.

Mr. George S. Egeland '58, **'60**, Fort Mill, S.C., Jan. 27, 2014. Mr. Egeland was a member of Tau Beta Pi honor society. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked as a scientist for the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Gary S. Grabe '58, Ormond Beach, Fla., June 3, 2014. Mr. Grabe was a member of the ROTC. He served in the U.S. army as a captain. He worked as an executive in his family's lumber business and as an environmental aerial cartographer for MapCo, Inc.

Lt. Col. Robert S. Hartman '58, Naples, Fla., Sept. 4, 2014. Lt. Col. Hartman was a brother of Sigma Chi and a member of ROTC. He worked as a purchasing agent. He served as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve. He was a class committee member, a reunion fund committee member, and an LU Wrestling Club member. He was a member of the Asa Packer and Tower societies.

Mr. Charles L. Messler '58, Houston, Texas, June 12, 2014. Mr. Messler was a brother of Theta Xi. He worked for Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. He was a member of the Tower Society.

Mr. George S. Steward '58, Bethlehem, Pa., June 27, 2014. Mr. Steward was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa honor society, Phi Beta Kappa honor society, and Tau Beta Pi honor society. He served in the U.S. Navy Reserve. He worked for Bethlehem Steel.

Mr. Anthony R. Almassy

'59, Atlanta, Ga., June 22, 2013. Mr. Almassy was a brother of Beta Theta Pi and a member of the Lehigh football and lacrosse teams. He served in the U.S. Marines. He worked for Connecticut Bank & Trust and IDS. His son, Bret A. Almassy '94, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. L. Marshall Miller '59, North Wales, Pa., Aug. 30, 2014. Mr. Miller worked for the Social Security Administration.

Dr. George Gonis '59G, '64G, Savannah, Ga., May 25, 2014. Dr. Gonis worked for Union Camp Corp.'s chemical division.

1960s

George L. Engelke '60, Garden City, N.Y., Dec. 13, 2014. Mr. Engelke was retired president, CEO and chairman of the board of Astoria Financial Corp. (now Astoria Bank). As a student, he was a member of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity and Beta Alpha Psi, a national accounting honor society. Along with his wife, Sandra, he was a longtime member of the Asa Packer Society and the Tower Society. He served on his 50th Reunion Fund Committee, and was a member of Lehigh's Wall Street Council.

Rev. John T. Docker '60, Hamilton, Ontario, April 13, 2014. Rev. Docker was a member of the Lehigh marching band and glee club. He worked as a priest. He was a member of the LUAA Alumni Band.

Mr. Robert D. Donnell '60, Conroe, Texas, Sept. 1, 2014. Mr. Donnell served as a flying officer in the U.S. Air Force. He worked for Gulf Chemical Co. and Chevron Chemical Co.

Mr. Theodore Heske Jr. '60, Harleysville, Pa., April 9, 2014. Mr. Heske was a brother of Kappa Sigma. He was a member of the Asa Packer and Tower Society.

Mr. Robert L. Bierley '60G, Saint Clair Shores, Mich., Sept. 21, 2014. Mr. Bierley was a member of the Gryphon Society. He worked as a product planning executive for General Motors.

Dr. Le-Wu Lu '60G, Allentown, Pa., July 27, 2014. Dr. Lu worked as a civil engineer and as a professor of civil engineering and the chairman of the civil and environmental engineering department for Lehigh University.

Mr. Russell J. DiMarco

'61G, Easton, Pa., June 14, 2014. Mr. DiMarco served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked as a principal and teacher.

Mrs. Marjorie W. Glessner '61G, Yorktown, Va., July 15, 2014. Mrs. Glessner taught chemistry and physics for Moravian Preparatory School and Liberty High School.

Mr. William J. Paulik '61G, Allentown, Pa., July 18, 2014. Mr. Paulik's son, Michael A. Paulik '92, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. Joseph J. Zareczky '61G, Bethlehem, Pa., July 31, 2014. Mr. Zareczky served in the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Navy Reserve. He worked as a controller for WGPA Sunny 1100.

Mr. Arnold T. Burke '61, Penacook, N.H., Sept. 19, 2014. Mr. Burke was a brother of Beta Theta Pi and a member of the Lehigh soccer team. He owned an electrical control distribution business, Carat Control, and Orchard View Farm, an apple orchard.

Mr. Stephen A. Nieckoski '61, Feasterville, Pa., Aug. 15, 2014. Mr. Nieckoski was a brother of Phi Kappa Theta. He served in the U.S. Army. He worked as a vice president in the banking industry. His brother, Joseph H. Nieckoski '62, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. James A. Robertson '61, Barnegat, N.J., Aug. 22, 2014. Mr. Robertson was a brother of Phi Delta Theta. He worked as the director of human resources for Prudential Co. and as the director of the Mirage Bridge Group.

Mrs. Gloria E. Brinton '62G, Princeton, Mass., Aug. 15, 2014. Mrs. Brinton was an elementary school teacher for the Palisades School District.

Mr. Edward S. Kopes '62G, Lower Heidelberg, Pa., Aug. 14, 2014. Mr. Kopes served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked as the engineering department chair for AT&T Lucent Technologies.

Mr. Barry A. Boose '62, '63G, West Chester, Pa., Aug. 5, 2014. Mr. Boose worked for the Trane Company. His son, Stuart D. Boose '91, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. Robert H. Mehlhouse '62, Marietta, Ga., Nov. 3, 2012. Mr. Mehlhouse was a brother of Psi Upsilon fraternity.

Mr. Martin M. Fritsch '64, New Market, Md., Sept. 1, 2014. Mr. Fritsch served as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He worked for the Department of Defense and founded ATSI Promotions company.

Dr. Virgil L. Hein '64G, '68G, Ocala, Fla., Sept. 29, 2014. Dr. Hein served in the U.S. Navy. He worked as the director of engineering for AT&T Bell Laboratories.

Mr. Edward J. Connolley '65G, Allentown, Pa., May 26, 2014. He served in the U.S. Navy and Naval Reserves as a flight officer and Navy Commander and as a consultant to the Office of the Undersecretary of the U.S. Navy at the Pentagon and the Philadelphia Shipyard. He worked as a district administrator of continuing education for Penn State and as a senior human resource consultant for Bethlehem Steel.

Dr. Larry R. Mugridge '65, **'68G**, Macungie, Pa., July 17, 2014. Dr. Mugridge taught at Lafayette College before working as a professor of mathematics for Kutztown University. His child, Lyn Phy '97G, is a member of the Lehigh community.

Mr. Laurence J. Lasky '65, Hermosa Beach, Calif., Feb. 18, 2014.

Mr. Alfred L. Findeisen '66G, Trenton, N.J., April 5, 2014. Mr. Findeisen worked for Temple University. **Mr. Jeffery I. Fuehrer '66G,** Bethlehem, Pa., Aug. 18, 2014. Mr. Fuehrer served as a captain in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War. He worked for Sacred Heart Hospital and Muhlenberg Hospital in their financial departments.

Mr. John W. Reed '66G, Easton, Pa., July 15, 2014. Mr. Reed worked as a reading consultant and administrator for the Phillipsburg School District.

Ms. Elaine J. Van Cott '66G, Perkasie, Pa., Aug. 17, 2014. Ms. Van Cott worked as a physical education teacher and guidance counselor for the Pennridge School District.

Mr. Robert R. Bubp '66, Alexandria, Va., July 13, 2014. Mr. Bubp was a brother of Delta Tau Delta and a member of the Lehigh baseball team. He worked as a marketing research analyst and as a proposal specialist for Omega World Travel.

Mr. Daniel H. Schoedinger '66, Whitefish, Mont., July 27, 2014. Mr. Schoedinger was a brother of Chi Phi fraternity and a member of the Lehigh swimming team. He worked as a real estate and development attorney for Vorys, Sater, Seymour, and Pease.

Mr. William F. Sutton '66, Hamburg, N.Y., May 30, 2014. Mr. Sutton was a brother of Delta Chi fraternity. He worked for Peerless Instrument Co.

Mr. Franklin O. Loveland III '67G, Gettysburg, Pa., June 28, 2014. Mr. Loveland worked as a professor of anthropology at Gettysburg College.

Mr. Gerald L. Mohr '67G, Coplay, Pa., Aug. 25, 2014. Mr. Mohr worked for Wells Fargo Bank and as an educator for Allentown School District.

Mr. Arthur P. Rutherford III '67, '68G, Austin, Texas, Feb. 27, 2014. Mr. Rutherford was a brother of Delta Chi fraternity. He worked for IBM.

Mr. Charles R. Hollenbach '68G, Sellersville, Pa., Oct. 18, 2014. Mr. Hollenbach served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked as a physical education and health teacher for the Pennridge School District.

Mr. E.P. Loch '69, Longwood, Fla., Sept. 27, 2014. Mr. Loch worked in engineering and management positions for Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Mr. John A. Mazur '69, Orange, Conn., Aug. 5, 2014. Mr. Mazur was a brother of Chi Psi fraternity and a member of the Lehigh football team. He worked as the vice president of law for ESMARK and as the owner of Gordon Rubber and Packing Co.

Mr. Keith R. McCrea '69, Dickerson, Md., Sept. 5, 2014. Mr. McCrea was a brother of Theta Delta Chi fraternity and a member of the Lehigh basketball and baseball teams. He worked as an attorney and partner for the firm of Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan and the firm of Squires, Sanders & Dempsey.

1970s

Mr. Thomas H. Steele '70, North Vancouver, British Columbia, Dec. 5, 2012. Mr. Steele worked for Honeywell, Inc.

Ms. Mary F. Mikels '70G, Stroudsburg, Pa., June 17, 2014. Ms. Mikels worked as a home economics teacher for East Stroudsburg School District. Her son, Steven W. Mikels '69, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. David B. Icenhower '71, Trenton, N.J., Oct. 25, 2014. Mr. Icenhower was a brother of Beta Theta Pi fraternity and a member of the Lehigh wrestling team. He served in the U.S. Navy. He worked as a wrestling coach for The College of New Jersey. He was a member of the LU Wrestling Club.

Ms. Barbara M. Hoelscher '71G, Carlisle, Pa., July 27, 2014. Ms. Hoelscher worked as a German teacher for the Cumberland Valley School District.

Dr. Mark J. Flomenhoft '73G, Sandwich, Mass., July 29, 2014. Dr. Flomenhoft founded Avera Technology, Tangent Systems, and Angel Investment forum and worked as a business manager for Intel and as a vice president for Synopsys.

Mr. Thomas F. O'Donnell '73G, Hanover Township, Pa., Sept. 24, 2014. Mr. O'Donnell worked as a public school teacher, a professor of history at King's College and Marywood University, as the curriculum director and executive director at Luzerne Intermediate Unit 18, and as the director of the Wilkes-Barre Area Vocational Technical School.

Mr. Dieter Wentz '73G, Center Valley, Pa., Sept. 8, 2014. Mr. Wentz worked as an English and German teacher for Parkland High School and as the director of guidance services for Upper Bucks Vocational Technical School. He volunteered in the Lehigh Athletics department.

Dr. Kevin R. Harris '74G, Warminster, Pa., July 28, 2014. Dr. Harris served in the U.S. Air Force as a major. He worked as a pediatrician for Valley Pediatrics and as a professor of biology at Adelphi University.

Ms. Ardelle B. McGray '74G, The Villages, Fla., July 3, 2014. Ms. McGray worked as a teacher.

Dr. Randy S. Schaeffer '74G, Reading, Pa., Oct. 22, 2014. Dr. Schaeffer worked as an associate mathematics professor at Kutztown University.

Mr. Edward J. Lettinger '74, Gouldsboro, Maine, Sept. 21, 2014.

Mr. Michael D. Barnett '75, **'77G**, Hellertown, Pa., May 23, 2014. Mr. Barnett worked as a medical technologist.

Mr. Michael P. Ward '75, Pagosa Springs, Colo., Aug. 2, 2014. Mr. Ward was a brother of Pi Lambda Phi fraternity. He worked as a program manager for Praxair Inc.

Ms. Priscilla L. Chatman '76, Venice, Fla., Oct. 2, 2014. Ms. Chatman was a member of the Mustard & Cheese Society and the Lehigh basketball team. She worked as the president and CEO of Pretty Special Inc. and PSI North-South Partners Inc. She was a member of the LU Black & Latino Alumni and the Black Alumni Council.

Mr. Robert J. Ealey '77G, Pen Argyl, Pa., Oct. 11, 2014. Mr. Ealey worked in various teaching positions including as an elementary school principal and teacher for the Bangor School District.

Mr. Bradford W. Campbell '78, York, Pa., July 14, 2014. Mr. Campbell was a brother of Delta Upsilon fraternity. He worked as a financial advisor for Wells Fargo Advisors. He served on the Wall Street Council. His son, Andrew M. Campbell '06, and his father, Russell A. Campbell Jr. '52, graduated from Lehigh.

Ms. Katherine M. Mitchell '78, Murrysville, Pa., Aug. 21, 2014. Ms. Mitchell was a sister of Gamma Phi Beta sorority, a member of the Lehigh softball team, and a member of the staff of the Brown and White. She worked as a human resources strategist for Innovation Works.

Mrs. Lynn N. Scheitrum '78, '81G, Macungie, Pa., July 23, 2014. Ms. Scheitrum worked for Air Products and Chemicals.

1980s Mr. Michael P. Chandell

'81, Jefferson, Ohio, Sept. 16, 2014. Mr. Chandell was a member of the Lehigh ice hockey team.

Ms. Theresa Swety '81, Knoxville, Tenn., June 13, 2013.

Ms. Joan S. Marino '82, Alpha, N.J., July 7, 2014. Ms. Marino worked as a purchasing manager for F.M.I. and as the co-owner and operator of White Rox Chemical Co.

Mr. Kevin T. Karoll '84, Vero Beach, Fla., April 14, 2014. Mr. Karoll was a brother of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity.

Mr. Edward J. Blazejewski '84G, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., July 3, 2014. Mr. Blazejewski worked as a mathematics teacher at Plains High School, as a guidance counselor at Plains Junior High School, and as a teacher, guidance counselor, and dean of students for the James M. Coughlin High School, in addition to working as the director of pupil personnel for the Wilkes-Barre Area School District and as director of test administration for Educational Testing Service and the Northeastern Regional Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Dominic D. LaSelva '85, Hellertown, Pa., May 22, 2014. Mr. LaSelva was a member of the Lehigh football team. He worked as the vice president of North American Specialty Sales and Strategic Partnerships.

Mr. Andrew K. Touchstone '85, Gladwyne, Pa., Oct. 21, 2014.

Mr. Paul A. Swann '85, Kirkland, Wash., Nov. 21, 2011. Mr. Swann was a brother of Kappa Sigma fraternity.

Mr. William D. Widdowson '87, Wanaque, N.J., Sept. 23, 2014. Mr. Widdowson was a brother of Theta Delta Chi fraternity. He was a member of the Greek Alumni Council and a Greek Alumni Advisor. He worked as a senior relations manager at ReadyCap Lending.

1990s

Mr. Paul H. Pritchard '91, Dover, Del., May 28, 2014. Mr. Pritchard was a member of the Mustard & Cheese Society. His father, Hayden N. Pritchard '60, is a Lehigh alumnus.

Mr. Christopher J. Kerkusz '97, Emmaus, Pa., Sept. 9, 2014. Mr. Kerkusz was a member of the Lehigh boxing team and the Lehigh frisbee club. He worked as a civil engineer for Martin H. Schuler Co.

2000s

Mr. Jack B. Kodesh '00, New York, N.Y., Oct. 12, 2013. Mr. Kodesh was a member of the Lehigh golf team and the LU Black & Latino Alumni.

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