As I write this letter, the temperature outside my window in Hartford is pushing zero, and freezing rain is in the forecast. To those of you in the Gulf Coast and Arizona chapters, your Alumni Association president is always up for a chapter visit in the depth of winter.

In January, the Alumni Association, working with the Career Services office, held networking events in Philadelphia and New York. These annual events, along with a similar night in Washington, D.C., are among the high points of our year of service. In total, about 300 alumni gathered to touch base, exchange professional contacts, and informally discuss what is happening in their industries. Equally important, Lafayette students joined us—learning networking skills and meeting with a variety of alumni and potential mentors. Keep an eye on the College’s website for information about next year’s events. They are chances not only to gather with a large group of alums in your area and business, but to provide a service to the next generation of Leopards. Remember, the greatest resource for first jobs is an internship or other “shadowing” experience. Contact Career Services if you can offer an opportunity (610-330-5115, careers@lafayette.edu).

One of the Association’s goals has been to increase the academic ties between the College and alumni. Lafayette is now opening up to alumni JSTOR—a digital library of back issues of more than 2,000 scholarly journals. This is being made possible by the Friends of Skillman Library in honor of the library’s 50th anniversary through a generous donation from Arthur ’55 and Barbara Rothkopf. You can access JSTOR by using your alumni network ID. To obtain your network ID, visit http://help.lafayette.edu/faqs/alumni. Go to http://jstor.lafayette.edu to use the database.

This is my last letter as president of your association. The past two years have emphasized for me the importance of alumni to the College—and the importance of the Lafayette experience to so many of us. The friends we made, the skills we developed, and the love for learning that we absorbed have undoubtedly played a large role in creating the people we are today. Thank you for all you do to make those same opportunities available to those who follow us. Keep up the good work.

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David Reif ’68
President
FOR MORE CLASS NEWS

For all class news, photographs, baby and wedding announcements, reunion planning, and more, go to community.lafayette.edu. Click on "classes," and then select your class year.

Please continue to send updates to your class correspondent or to alumni@lafayette.edu if your class does not have one. To volunteer to serve as a correspondent, contact the Alumni Relations office.

Class notes may be edited for length and clarity.

Deadlines
Summer 2014: April 8
Fall 2014: Aug. 8
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1930s
A staple at Lafayette sporting events and class reunions, John Wilbur Mack '39 loved his alma mater. He pledged Theta Xi and swam varsity. After graduation, Mack held numerous class officer roles, including 60 years as the '39 class secretary and correspondent; class president, 1999–2003; and reunion chair, 1997–2014. The College awarded Mack the George T. Woodring ’91 Service Award in 2007. Mack, 97, died Jan. 2.

Mack was a strong proponent of his native Easton and a locally known family business leader. Since 1926, Mack Printing Co. operated in Wilson Borough, eventually expanding to four East Coast offices and plants before its 1999 sale to Cadmus Communication Corp.

An economics and business graduate, Mack started in a supervisor position at the company, eventually rising to president, CEO, and board chair. After retirement in 1982, he retained the role of company director until 1987. He garnered numerous industry awards, including induction into the Ash Khan Society of the Printing Industries of America. He served for 25 years on the board of directors of The Lafayette Bank and Trust Co. Mack also was a member of and holder of several executive positions in civic, business, and social clubs and organizations, including the Red Cross, YMCA, Kiwanis, Pomfret Club, Northampton County Country Club, and International Management Club.

Mack graduated from Valley Forge (Pa.) Military Academy, where he participated in football, baseball, swimming, and military leadership roles. In World War II, he served in Anchorage, Alaska, commanding the Military Police, and at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pa., where he attained captain, serving with the Postal Service there.


Roland Raver ’35, Charleston, S.C., died Nov. 18. Born in Haddon Heights, N.J., he was a mechanical engineering graduate who was described in The Melange as “a rare phenomenon—an engineer who was seen reading Joyce’s Dubliners.” A member of Kappa Delta Rho, he served in the Merchant Marine during World War II and later worked for Hamilton Watch Co., Lancaster, Pa., until retirement in 1972. He is survived by wife Maxine, who requests that memorial gifts be sent to the College.

1940
Recent health issues will prevent Floyd LaBarre from assuming the correspondent role for the Class of ’40. We thank Floyd for his willingness to help. Contact info: 50 N. Hills Dr., Rising Sun, MD 21911-1663.

Spencer Douglas, Boca Raton, Fla., died Nov. 22.

1941
Burt Adelman’s wife, Ruby, wrote that Burt is a resident in an Alzheimer unit in Pompano Beach, Fla. On occasions, she takes him out to dinner as well as for physical checkups. After serving in World War II, Burt graduated from Harvard Law School in 1948. According to The Melange, Burt was active in campus affairs and was often on the dean’s list.

Charles J. Berlau died March 21, 2012. Charlie and I (Tony

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PROFILE

Majumdar ’95 Modernizes Pediatric Dentistry

When Dr. Amith Majumdar ’95 launched Lehigh Valley Pediatric Dentistry, Bethlehem, in 2006, he created an office as unique as his specialty.

With his partner, pediatric orthodontist Dr. Steven Ely, he installed digital radiography. This process creates much less chemical waste and exposes children to 75 percent less radiation than traditional X-rays.

He also did away with paper files and instituted digital record keeping at a time when few practices had done so. He even chose eco-friendly carpets and paint for the office.

A biology graduate, Majumdar earned his doctorate in medical dentistry from Temple University and completed a two-year pediatric dental residency at University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. His father, Shyamal K. Majumdar, Kreider Professor Emeritus of Biology, helped point him toward this profession. His siblings are Mita Majumdar Banerjee ’84 and Tanuja Majumdar Dehne ’93.

As an undergraduate, he also explored areas beyond science taking numerous art courses and working as a teacher’s assistant and resident adviser. He was also a pole vaulter on the track team.

Wanting to combine his creative and scientific talents, Majumdar pursued dental surgery, a career path suggested to him by Ed Korns, Clapp Professor of Art. “Dentistry has a creative side. I’m sculpting things every day,” he says.

Majumdar’s publications in Journal of Clinical Pediatric Dentistry and Journal of Dental Research prove helpful when it comes to educating nervous patients and their parents. He is respected for his work with fearful and special needs children. “When you get through that challenge, it is the biggest reward,” he says.

—Jillian Bevacqua

War II, he served 1942–46 in the Pacific Theater as an artillery officer. As a civilian, Art was a specialist in vacuum engineering and held several patents. Bill Baxter writes, “So sad to click on the little bios and all they say is another member of ’42 passed on. Leaves me to wonder who has survived other than Bob Johnston and Otto Alden. The usual issues grinding away keep me away from reunions. Mitzi no longer enjoys my driving skills, and between her and about 10 providers, I continue to thrive. Sort of. Here’s a suggestion: When the Maroon visit West Point (in ’16?), they ought to dedicate the game to Edward ‘Hooks’ Mylin and George “Sammy” Moyer for that shellacking they gave the cadets in ‘41.” Contact info: 2105 Parkside Place, Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937, (321) 777-5905, wtab@bellsouth.net.

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1943

Incoming Correspondent: Open

1944 & 1945

Stanley I. Kaplan ’44, Teaneck, N.J., died Nov. 16. After graduation, he earned a law degree from University of Michigan. He was owner and president of Buffalo Mills, Pen Argyl, Pa., as well as several outlet stores in East Stroudsburg, Pa.

Albert M. Slaght ’44, Normandy Beach, N.J., died Oct. 24. An economics graduate, he served in the Army combat engineer battalion in Europe during World War II. He worked as a heavy equipment salesman for Caterpillar Inc.

1942

The participation in the 2013 Annual Fund was 69%—12 class members and three wives of deceased members.

Arthur T. Beach III died Oct. 3. Art was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. In World
1946 & 1947

Otto Reinert ’47, Seattle, died Oct. 19. Born in Oslo, Norway, he received a Marshall Fund scholarship from the governments of the U.S. and Norway in recognition of his wartime resistance work. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa and was on the dean’s list all four years. He received a Ph.D. from Yale and became an English professor at the University of Washington.

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1948

At Reunion, the class received a “65-year Diploma” and was invited to take part in the Academic Procession. Although I (Harvey Hunerberg) had taught as an adjunct (assistant professor, Hofstra University, Long Island), I’d never participated.


Paul wrote, “Several years ago, I wrote to our class correspondent.

“If you graduated from high school, 1935–42, you were in World War II—or were 4F, if drafted. Many of us enlisted. Lafayette’s own Don Miller has written about those of us who flew in the Eighth Air Force in his book Masters of the Air. I first became a part of Lafayette while serving as a member of the Army Air Force’s 34th Training Detachment. After the war, I enrolled through the GI Bill of Rights. Most of us had only our [military] clothes to wear. The people who helped many of us through the huge change from combat to Lafayette were professors, such as Sam Pascal, professor of modern languages, and my basketball coach, Charley Gelbert. They knew what we had been through and treated us like men.

“I served on Alumni Council, the Board of Trustees Athletic Committee, Class Alumni Fund representative, played in the first NCAA double-elimination baseball tournament, and was class president—but that was long ago.”

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1949

F. Hughes Vliet, Bethlehem, Pa., died Aug. 27. Born in Hughesville, N.J., he was an economics graduate and a member of Theta Xi. After servicing with the Army Air Corps in China and India during World War II, he attended Lafayette. He was employed for 25 years by Riegel Paper Co. and then worked for The Easton Express as a district manager in circulation. He also was the owner of Vliet Insurance Agency.

The Rev. Richard E. Sigler, Mechanicsburg, Pa., died Aug. 28. Born in Harrisburg, he was a history graduate and member of Chi Phi. He earned a bachelor’s in divinity from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and a doctoral degree from McCormick Theological Seminary. In 2008, he was named a Distinguished Alumnus in Pastoral Ministry by Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Ordained as a teaching elder in the Presbyterian Church, Sigler served in several churches, was the first director of admissions and registrar at Western Theological Seminary, and director of development, public relations, and alumni relations at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. In 1976, Sigler was called to be executive presbyter of the Presbytery of Kiskiminetas. Upon retirement, he was named executive emeritus.

DeMetro Cavitch, 92, Shalimar, Fla., died Sept. 15. Born in New Village, N.J., he was an electrical engineering graduate and earned an MBA at Florida State University. A World War II veteran, he served in the Army Air Corps as a B-24 pilot with the rank of first lieutenant. He received the Air Medal with three Oakleaf Clusters, a Distinguished Flying Cross, and European African-Middle Eastern Theater Campaign Ribbon. He was an Air Force civil service employee for 28 years.

Hugh J. Bubb Jr., Allentown, Pa., died Oct. 4. He was born in Williamsport, Pa. A government graduate and member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, he served in the Merchant Marine during World War II as a radio officer. He was awarded the Atlantic War Zone Medal, Mediterranean and Middle East War Zone Medal, Pacific War Zone Medal, and a Victory Medal. After graduation, he attended University of Pennsylvania Law School. He worked for First National Bank of Williamsport, Aetna, and as an independent real estate professional.

James S. Gallagher died Oct. 16. He was an electrical engineering graduate.

President: Harrison W. Wright
Incoming Correspondent: Open

1950

The Buck family was honored during a reception at the College on Oct. 16. Bill Buck and wife Laura attended. The Buck family contributions include the J. Mahlon Buck Library Fund (1959), Buck Concert Series (1970), the Buck Family Endowment Fund for Music (1980), and the squash courts in Allan P. Kirby Sports Center.

Matt Sheeleigh, Summit, N.J., plays golf and travels. He and wife Jean see Harry Bockus, Bill Harvey ’53, Charles “Tommy” Thomas, and Don Engesser ’51.
In Florida, they see Bob Clark and wife Nancy. Matt also has local social contact with Al Kirby, Bob Loughlin, Dick Burns, and Stanley Kagan, all Class of ’53. Matt’s niece is Amanda Sheeleigh Jeffers ’15.

George Veronis, New Haven, Conn., noted that a previous class column listed 14 deceased classmates, at least 10 of them trained in science or engineering. George earned a bachelor’s in math and a Ph.D. from Brown University. He is professor emeritus at Yale after 43 years on the geophysics (oceanography) faculty. In 1958, he started a summer program in geophysical fluid dynamics at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution to train graduate students in research. George and wife Kim spend the academic year in New Haven.

Robert Caldwell’s wife, June, died Jan. 16, 2013. They were married for 62 years and lived in Petersburg, N.J. Robert Jr. ’73 is their son.

Alfred H. Coward, Houston, died April 21. Al was a Navy World War II veteran, serving as an aircraft mechanic. Active in Boy Scouts as a leader, he received the Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service and the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scoutuer Award. He taught Sunday school and was a deacon and ruling elder. He helped conduct religious services at the Morristown, N.J., prison. Al worked for Rockwell on the Space Shuttle and International Space Station programs, retiring in 2001. Margaret, his wife of 60 years, survives him.

Bernard Stio, Garden City, N.Y., died Aug. 29.

The Rev. George Bonnell, Harwich, Mass., died May 5. An English graduate, he was a member of Knights of the Round Table Honor Society, president of Earl Orwig Society and The Debating Society, vice president of Brainerd Student Union, and a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha and Tau Kappa Alpha.

Irving Gloman Jr. died June 12, 2012.

Ralph Eckensberger Jr. died Aug. 30, 2012. A biology graduate, he was a member of Phi Delta Theta. Wife Anna survives him.

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Joe Diamond received a list of books added to Skillman Library’s holdings, 2012–13. The Class of 1951 Library Fund has a market value of $30,000 and book value of $13,400.

Don Estler and John Cornish sang with The Graduates for the opening of Reunion. Frank Downing reported he and wife Marilyn, Rick Knox and wife Eileen, Marvin Riddle and wife Mary Jane, Billy Oaks with some of his family, and Dave Schuster enjoyed the activities.

Michele Hamlen Klein ’93 reports father Robert Hamlen works as a battery scientist. He and wife Jean visited friends in Paris for Thanksgiving, and then returned to NYC for Christmas with their two daughters and one of their sons, as well as four grandchildren.

Harvey Eisenhard Jr., 88, Spring Hill, Fla., died Nov. 9. A Navy veteran, he served three years in the Pacific Theater. He was a member of the Iron and Steel Association. Wife Ruth and son Bruce ’74 survive him.

Michael James Coronato, 87, Toms River, N.J., died Sept. 21, 2011. A World War II combat veteran, Michael was an avid golfer and skier. He rose to the highest levels of the banking profession, retiring as a senior vice president. Marie, his wife of 60 years, survives him.

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Alan B. Gilmour Jr., Maplewood, N.J., died Nov. 4. He was born in Brooklyn, N.Y. An economics graduate, he participated in Scabbard and Blade, Investment Club, Senior Court, and was a member of Zeta Psi. He served in the Army and spent two years in Korea. He worked for 36 years at B.F. Gilmour Co. Inc., Brooklyn, N.Y., and launched Coastline Products, ABG, and AGF companies.

Bruce V. Johnstone, 84, Christiana, Pa., died Sept. 4. Principal owner of the former Johnstone Engineering & Machine Co., Parkesburg, Pa., he was a life member of Parkesburg Fire Company and Christiana Ambulance Association.

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Dave Moore and wife Jeanne attended the president’s inauguration, reception, and dinner. Ted Morgan attended the afternoon festivities and combined it with a visit with grandson Ted ’17.


Furman A. DeMaris IV died Jan. 14 at 82. The Air Force veteran was a dedicated employee of the state of New Jersey, served as the first president of Haddonfield (N.J.) Jaycees, and was a member of Toastmasters and Sons of the American Revolution. Furman was a genealogy buff, authoring five books on the topic.
Thank you to the late J. Alexander “Whip” Buck and the entire Buck family who were honored for 100 years of generous support of the College.

**Don Merwin**, Newport, Ore., serves on the board of Pacific Maritime and Heritage Center, which opened in May.

Lois and I (Leon Fox) attended the opening game of men’s basketball season and the Athletic Hall of Fame induction dinner Nov. 22. Son Craig ’84, my grandson, and I witnessed Lafayette’s win over Lehigh.

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1954


I (Gene Harrison) was honored to represent the Class of ’54 at the Inaugural Convocation. Old Pardee brought back fond memories, not the least of which was meeting my wife, Bea, in 1952.

**President: Ronald E. Philipp**

1955

**Walt Mattheiss** and wife Martha relocated to E. Hanover, N.J. Walt worked in the food industry as an enforcement officer. Six children, 11 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren keep him busy.

**John Wagner** splits his time between Stuart, Fla., and a 2,200-acre ranch in Colorado. John and wife Carol have two children, one in San Francisco and one in NYC. John was a municipal bond specialist in Philadelphia prior to retirement and was active in tennis.

**Ron Steinman** is a partner, producer, and writer at Douglas/Steinman Productions, NYC, where he directs documentaries. He has authored several books and writes about media and photography for print magazines and websites. He worked for NBC News for 35 years. He was a writer on *The Huntley-Brinkley Report* prior to becoming Saigon bureau chief in 1966. Among many positions, he served as bureau chief for Southeast Asia and London. He was a general manager of special programs during Watergate, Washington, D.C., producer for *Today*, and co-creator of *Early Today*. Visit community.lafayette.edu to read Ron’s Compass story about Lafayette experiences that changed his life.

**Frank Perrine** retired from education and lives in Fair Haven, Mass. He was most recently headmaster of an inner city school. He helped raise funds for scholarships for city kids. He and wife Laura have three children, all educators, and three grandchildren.

**Max Hayden** still owns the 1947 Lincoln Continental, which is in great condition.

**Dick Berry** moved to Avon, Conn. A mining engineering grad, he was a professor of geology and mineralogy at Cal State. Wife Joann is a native Californian, and her daughter is in Connecticut, while Dick’s sons are on the West Coast. Dick stays active doing research, publishing, and giving lectures.

**Maynard Dill** and wife Joan live in Engelwood, Fla. Daughter Lorraine ’80 is a Presbyterian minister in Mount Pleasant, Ohio. Maynard attended a Tampa Bay Rays baseball game and talked with manager Joe Madden ’76.
about catching for the Leopards. What a great team Maynard was on: two trips in four years to the College World Series in Omaha, Neb.

Dick Fetter, Absecon, N.J., retired as general manager of Marriott’s Seaview Resort Property after a long career in the hospitality business. He and wife Else regularly travel to Norway, her native country. They have a daughter, Aud, son Richard ’84, and son Greg ’87, father of Alexandra ’16. The Felters have seven grandchildren and one grandson.

Bill Snyder and wife Carol reside in Webster, N.Y. Bill retired from Wyeth after a long career in the chemical business, with a stint in the Philippines and years in Philadelphia. The Plylers have a son in San Francisco and a daughter near Webster. Sailing on Lake Ontario and tennis keep Bill active.

Former cross country star Bob Sweeney and wife Judy are in the Lehigh Valley. Bob spent his career in health care, his last position with the Sacred Heart system in Allentown, Pa. He was active in Boy Scouts, especially the Eagle Scout program. A stroke five years ago forced Bob to give up running, but he remains active. The Sweeneys have three children, all graduates of Judy’s alma mater, Bucknell. Eight grandchildren keep the Sweeneys on the road.

Dr. John C. Freda died Oct. 22 in Allentown, Pa. He was Alpha Chi Rho and graduated from Temple University School of Medicine. A family practitioner, he practiced in central New Jersey. He established the department of family medicine at Princeton Medical Center and served as its director for five years. Wife Dorothy survives him.

Rodman H. Hoffman, Carmel, Ind., a good friend and fellow Phi Gam, died April 13. Rod had a long career in the paper industry with Westvaco, mostly in Chicago, where he was manager. Wife Shirley survives him, as does brother Bob ’58.

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1956

Neil “Shark” Alexander accepted the presidency of the class. He appreciates the friendships he found on campus and those he acquired as class fund manager. Thanks, Neil, for accepting the job, and congratulations. Thanks to John Devlin, Dick Graham, Ed Landis, and Gordon Wright for recruiting Neil.


George G. Young Jr., Fairdealing, Mo., died Aug. 12, 2012. He grew up in Philadelphia and came to the Hill after time in the Navy. An industrial engineering graduate, he married while a student and lived in Sullivan Village with his wife, Marguerite “Peg.” George was an outstanding member of the fine basketball teams we cheered on. Among his sterling moments on the court, few of us will forget his 31-point performance against Niagara in the 1955 National Invitational Tournament in Madison Square Garden. Peg survives him.

A highlight of Dick Nemec’s early career was working on the Apollo II Lunar Module for Grumman in Alabama. When Dick and wife Cora moved to Long Island, they built their house and fell in love with construction. Before long they built another house—until they had built 14. Dick retired in 1985. The Nemecs live in Martinsville, Va., where one of two sons teaches math.

Arnold A. Schildkret, Culver City, Calif., died Oct. 15. Arnold arrived at Lafayette from Newark, N.J., as a Ford Foundation Scholar. An English graduate, he served four years in the Navy, part of it on the USS Wasp. He also studied computer science through IBM, taught at City University of New York and The New School. He was also a featured speaker at the United Nations World Conference on Computer Education in Amsterdam in 1970.

Arnold authored a musical libretto, Emerald City: The Glass Shoe Factory, with accompanying screenplay; and another, The Veteran Patient. His literary works included plays. He founded Starlight Productions and has been associated, along with his wife, Charlotte, with the Kentwood Players and the Westchester (Calif.) Playhouse.

Charlie Sitkin ends his term as president of ACT Theatre, the heart of Seattle’s arts and entertainment events. Its production First Date, a musical, hit Broadway last summer. Charlie looks forward to more globetrotting.

Robert Fell Rockafellow, New Canaan, Conn., died Nov. 21. Bob was born in Abington, Pa., and served in the Navy as a neuropsychiatric medic at the Philadelphia Naval Hospital during the Korean War. A psychology graduate, he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He also studied at NYU. He worked as an international banker, beginning with Marine Midland Trust in 1956 and later with Manufacturers Hanover Bank and American Express International Bank, among others. After retirement, Bob added new energy to his gardening, and volunteers with Americas and HomeFront.

He also assisted his brother-in-law at Primary Purpose, a halfway facility in Northern California. His wife of 55 years, Robin, survives him. (My wife, Marion, and I sat with his brother, Dr. John David Rockafellow ’45, and John’s son, Dan ’81, during the Inaugural Convocation.)

Dick Garnett retired 15 years ago from Shell Oil Co. after 40 years. He and Suzanne enjoy the winters in La Quinta, Calif., and summers in Carmel, Calif. He plays golf, and he and Suzanne are
charter members of the annual Indian Wells Tennis Tournament. Their twin sons and their daughter live in San Francisco, and another son lives in Fort Worth, Texas. Dick’s brother Albert ’51 is in a Texas assisted-living facility, The Woodlands, with Alzheimer’s.

Jim Phelps reports wife Jane had a second knee replacement and is recuperating from other serious health troubles. In September 2012, Jim also had a knee replacement. They hoped to attend their first granddaughter’s wedding in Georgia in November. After this, coddling their grandson and a multi-month cruise are planned.

Bill Hardy expressed sadness at the passing of Doug Horst and Dick Reichenbach, who were his roommates in Newkirk Hall in 1953. Bill recalls one day when he returned to Newkirk, Dean Frank Hunt was leaving the room with a storm cloud over his head. Doug was new to Lafayette and unaware of the authority figures. He told Bill some old guy came in while he was napping and insisted that he clean up the mess outside their window. Doug told him where to go. “He shouldn’t have gotten me out of the sack,” Doug said.

Bill anticipated going to the Lafayette–Lehigh telecast. Since he has been in Dallas, Bill arranged most of the telecasts, and he has missed only one in 30 years. Two of his and Patricia’s three children live nearby. Eldest son Bill ’85 moved to Minneapolis. Bill and Patricia spend summers on Long Beach Island, N.J. They attended the Princeton football game on campus in 2011. Bill hopes one grandchild will make it three generations of Lafayette alumni.

Charles “Chuck” Hage, Cooperstown, N.Y., was on campus last fall selling Lafayette to a grandchild. Chuck came to campus as a Ford Foundation scholar. With his engineering degree, he served in Army ordnance, stationed in France, 1957–58. Upon discharge, he resumed studies at Rensselaer Polytechnic for a master’s in applied math. He worked in the aerospace industry, where his responsibilities evolved from engineering into arbitration and evaluation of agreements and contracts. He occasionally crossed paths with Evans Hineman, also a mechanical engineer, who was involved in intelligence/classified work. From there, he moved into negotiating business agreements, touching on research and development, and consulting with startup businesses. Since retiring, he has worked with his sons in finance and marketing. Chuck has had contact with Jim Murphy, Misty Sayenga, and Dieu Khuonghuu. Chuck and wife Ursula spend summers in Hilton Head, S.C., and recently visited the Alps. While at Hilton Head, Chuck learned that George Young also occasionally resides there.

Ed Johnson attended inauguration and crashed the Phi Delt luncheon—and was more than welcome. Ed deserves our thanks for his long-time involvement in alumni relations. He and Nancy hold forth in Vero Beach, Fla.

Tony Brodruhr, Lake Lure, N. C., lost wife Karla more than a year ago. A visit to his son in New Jersey coincided with Homecoming, his first visit to campus since graduation. He retired as director of technology from the carbon division of Union Carbide more than 20 years ago. He has two sons in New Jersey and a daughter in Florida. Tony finished training as an EMT and is involved in other voluntary programs in Lake Lure.

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1957

I (Glenn Grube) and wife Joan are attempting to sell our home so we may downsize and extend our “responsibility-free” retirement and continuing commitment to Lafayette, the Boston Red Sox, and our extended families.

Loretta and Jim Sandford stayed with us, and we reminisced for hours. Sharon Tchon Gruet ’81 and I revisited our shared times working in the North Jersey Alumni Club. As her class’ fundraiser, she speaks yearly with Annual Fund donor
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Nia Katsapis ’81, who was a student at Bergenfield (N.J.) High School when I was principal and encouraged her to attend Lafayette. I encountered another graduate, Robin Wiessmann ’75, whose legacy extends to father Karl ’35, brother Ross ’72, and son Alexander Wiessmann Jarin ’15.

Al Bruhn and I hope to see everyone at the Lafayette-Lehigh 150th football game in Yankee Stadium. If not then, perhaps at a mid-reunion event in the planning stage for the fall of 2015, the Octoberfest in Helen, Ga. I would like to hear from interested classmates.

At the Inaugural Convocation, I connected with Gary Evans, George Tiger, John Becica ’69, and Don Chubb ’30. At the dinner celebrating the Greater Boston Alumni Group’s Club of the Year Award, I reconnected with Bob Wolff ’70, and he lauded the outstanding class leadership of Moss, Evans, Phil Wolfe, Walter Oechsle, Hugh Gallagher, Ray Carey, and others, and he introduced me as a great recruiter for the College.

Austin L. Beltrani, an engineer who spent his career with the Carrier Corp., died Sept. 30. He was an active Rotarian and an honored past commissioner of the Dewitt, N.Y., Parks and Recreation Department. He was married 58 years to wife Lucia.

H. Garth Heivly died Nov. 13. He held a variety of management roles in the banking and engineering businesses. He was an avid reader, baseball coach, member and leader of the Jaycees, and a Flyers fan for more than 25 years. His wife of 36 years, Louise, survives him.

Robert J. Nobmann, Anchorage, Alaska, died Nov. 25. His wife of 46 years, Elizabeth, has requested condolence donations be sent to Lafayette College.

Joseph Patlovich, former chief of pathology at Lake Forest (Ill.) Hospital, died Oct. 16. He served in a number of leadership positions, including executive director of Consolidated Medical Laboratories and president of the American Pathology Foundation. Wife Anne survives him.

William Pfotzer died Sept. 1. He was a vice president of Marine Midland Bank for 20 years before retiring in 1985. He also retired as a captain in the Naval Reserve.

I apologize to Allan W. Johnson ’59. In my prior column, I credited my deceased high school classmate Craig Jones ’59 with revitalizing the golf team at Lafayette. I now realize it was Allan who was the benefactor of the golf program. Thanks, Allan, for your steadfastness to Lafayette.

The class fund manager, Robert E. “Bob” Moss, died Dec. 4. Wife Norma survives him. We are renaming the class scholarship The Robert E. Moss Class of 1957 Internship Endowment. It will financially assist students seeking internships who would otherwise be unable to afford them.


I plan to contribute a more extensive and fitting tribute to Bob and David in the next edition of Class Notes.

PROFILE

Pierce ’81 Helps Foster Students’ Success

As vice president of real estate and facilities for Phoenix House, John Pierce ’81 oversees properties across 90 locations in 11 states for the substance abuse rehabilitation foundation based in New York City.

A civil engineering graduate, he credits Lafayette’s “caliber of academic rigor” for his career readiness. His mentor was Vince Viscomi, Long Professor Emeritus of Civil and Environmental Engineering. “He taught us to approach problem-solving from as many different angles as we could, and he instilled in me a passion for lifelong learning.”

Deeply committed to mentoring, Pierce welcomed more than 100 Lafayette students as interns or externs during his 10 years at Turner Construction Company as vice president and regional manager for Latin America and the Caribbean. He continues to mentor students and young alumni.

“Lafayette students make great interns and externs because they have been educated to be inquisitive—to ask ‘why?’ This interest makes a huge difference to the host,” says Pierce, who recently spoke to students of David Veshosky, acting chair of engineering studies and associate professor of civil and environmental engineering.

“The blend of liberal arts, sciences, and engineering yields students and graduates who are inquisitive, thoughtful, and understand the importance of a cross-disciplinary education,” he says.

The connection continues after graduation.

“John provided me with valuable insight into not only my thesis topic but also the industry as a whole,” says Michael Nilson ’05, a civil engineering graduate who is senior project manager at Langan Engineering & Environmental Services. “We have kept in close touch.”

Pierce, who received the 2011 Career Services Externship Service Award for 10 or more consecutive years of participation, also serves on Alumni Council and co-chairs the Affinity Groups Committee. He and wife Carolyn Slingland Pierce ’81 are Posse Pard-ners.

—Kevin Gray
1958

I (Ed Brunswick) attended the Lafayette–Lehigh telecast game at a Boston Beer Garden in Naples, Fla. About 25 Lafayette alums showed. Joe Skladany ’82 hosted, and the best part was WE WON. You should put the 150th game on your schedule, Nov. 22, at Yankee Stadium. A group of us got tickets and plan a dinner in midtown Manhattan. Class president Ed Alkire attended the inauguration.

Ed pulled a “Doug Cherry” several weeks after reunion: He totaled his 2000 Mercedes wagon in a most unfortunate accident. Neither driver was injured.

Nick Rotondo was hospitalized in California with a kidney and blood infection.

William L Benger Jr.’s brother Craig wrote to Mike Houldin to tell him Bill died Oct. 15. Bill was Phi Gam brother of Charley Rose, Al Caesar, Bob Lotz, and others. Bill was one of the first people I looked up when I moved to Bonita Springs, Fla., in 1997.

Remember the great speeches Bill Aukamp gave at the 45th and 50th reunions? He missed the 55th reunion, but I received a note from him Sept. 19. “I am back in the saddle and working full time. I noticed that the [football] game with Penn will be the 90th in the series, but no future games with Penn are on the horizon. Also in the future, we will play an Ivy team only once each year.” Contact info: waukamp@archerlaw.com.

Jim Wild wrote, “Have not played golf for six months, due to my left knee, but I bowl three or four times a week.” Beth and I visited Dave and Lois Zeyher in October. Their house outside of Annapolis, Md., has a personal boat dock. They took us on a tour of the Naval Academy where we lunched. Dave retired from dentistry but mentors young dentists. The Zeyhers love to travel to see their kids. We hope to see them in Maine next summer.

In New Jersey, Bill Kurtz and wife Lucille dined with Don Freimark. They get together periodically and ask other classmates to join them.

Bob Felsenheld and Al Karetsky connected. Bob missed the reunion because of a heart condition, but he is doing well. Al has lost weight, upgraded his diet, and plays golf.

Remember that we are “58 for 58.” We will celebrate the 58th reunion in two and a half years.

1959

This will be the last column before we ’59ers celebrate the 55th reunion June 6–8. The planning committee, chaired by Bruce Forbes and Jordan Engelman, is putting together a great weekend.

The following gathered on campus in September to tailgate and to attend the game with The College of William and Mary: Len and Marlys Acheson; Jordan Engelman; Ed and Mayleen Feather; Bruce and Bette Forbes and son Bruce “Gus” ’85; Rick and Barbara Huebner (Rick’s first ’59 tailgate); Ruth and Bill Hutnik; Allan and Marie Johnson; Don Kein and son Bill; the Honorable Jack and Kathleen Kingfield; Norb and Maryellen Smith; Terry Snyder; Kurt and Lynn Steckley; Joe and Peggy Stefanowicz; and Dick and Jackie Wright. Our great football team went on to become the 2013 Patriot League champs and advanced to the FCS playoffs.

Larry Lefkowitz wrote, “Dave Trutt found me after 50 years or so. I went to law school, worked for the state of New Jersey, and for HUD in Washington, D.C. I was a staff sergeant in the Air Force and a private in the Israeli Army after immigrating to Israel in 1972. I am married, with two children and two grandchildren. My hobby is writing. I was saddened to hear of the passing of Bob Jones, a person one doesn’t forget easily.” Contact info: 59 Leshem St., Apt. 3, Modi’in, Israel 71726, (077) 940–4598, lar_lef@hotmail.com.

Bob Brotman relocated within Bonita Springs, Fla. Contact info: 26121 Woodlyn Drive, Bonita Springs, FL 34134–5633, (239) 992–2435, elbobrot@aol.com.

Joe Emig has a new email address. Contact info: 4525 S. Atlantic Ave. Unit 1101, Port Orange, FL 32127–7057, (386) 322–5499, jomillie4201@gmail.com.

Tom Hosking wrote, “Thanks for the update on the loss of Ted Pennington. We were freshmen roommates. We called him ‘Speedo,’ because he was always in a hurry and running up the stairs.” Contact info: 220 Highland Court, Terre Haute, IN 47802–4915, (812) 299–1327, twhosk@msn.com.

The Rev. Ronald W. “Ron” Johnson died Dec. 19. Ron, a history graduate, was a member of Kappa Sigma, where he was fraternity president, vice president, and secretary. He was a member of the Calumet Society, Campus Chest secretary, Little Theater, Brainerd Society, Interfraternity Council, and Fraternity Council. Ron was also a member of the freshman cross country and lacrosse teams. He received a master’s in theology from the McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago. Ron was the pastor of Wyoming Presbyterian Church in Millburn, NJ, for 33 years, before retiring in December 2007. He also served as the Millburn Township police chaplain for years and helped organize ministry in area hospitals. Prior to
seventy colleagues, former students, and friends celebrated with Bernard Fried, Kreider Professor Emeritus of Biology, at his 80th birthday party given by his wife, Grace, in July. They included Amanda Balaban ’12 (L-R), Dr. Marshall Austin ’71, Karen LeSage ’10, Robert Peoples ’08, Dr. Adi Reddy ’96, Don Hosier ’64, and Dr. Kevin Harris ’70. Fried and Joseph Sherma, Larkin Professor Emeritus of Chemistry, have mentored hundreds of students.

becoming pastor of Wyoming Presbyterian, Ron served as assistant pastor for Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn, N.Y., and later Central Presbyterian Church in NYC. From there, he served as pastor of Germonds Presbyterian Church in New City, N.Y. Wife Jennifer survives him.

Son Thomas ’93 says, “Dad loved Lafayette and was always a proud and active alum.” Jennifer’s contact info: 15 Village Green Court, South Orange, NJ 07079-1506, (973) 761-4421, ronaldjohnson@optonline.net.

Bill Lee wrote, “We are still traveling, and most of it will be on the West Coast, where family is located, now that our son is moving to Travis Air Force Base.” Contact info: 1107 N. Bavarian Way, Payson, AZ 85541-2606, (928) 472-6023, wplee1937@hotmail.com.

Dave Trutt wrote, “I located Larry Lefkowitz in Israel. I attended the wedding of his son, Oren, and met Larry’s wife, Zehava, their daughter, grandson, and granddaughter.” Contact info: 14A/12 Tovia ben Hefetz Street, Jerusalem, Israel, 93585, (732) 710-4020, davetrutt@gmail.com.

Jim Painter reports, “I suffered an episode of heart block in 2012, but a pacemaker fixed me up. I play golf regularly, and Arlene plays bridge several times per week. She is active in a philanthropic sorority, and I’m in Kiwanis International. We are both involved in our Presbyterian church, and our lives revolve around our 11 grandchildren and our new great-granddaughter.” Contact info: 632 Muirfield Drive, Brownsburg, IN 46112-8322, (317) 286-7113, jpainter196@gmail.com.

Sam Payne is occupied with real estate, investing, and traveling. He and Anna-Steina planned to travel to the Dominican Republic for their daughter’s wedding in January. Contact info: 14 Wheeler Road, Kendall Park, NJ 08824-1112, (732) 951-1496, sampayne36@gmail.com.

Theodore D. “Ted” Pennington died Aug. 28 in Brentwood, Tenn. A mechanical engineering graduate, he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho fraternity, the marching and concert bands, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and Mu Upsilon Sigma music fraternity. Ted served four years in the Navy as an officer in the Civil Engineer Corps. He earned an MBA in industrial management from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, and an MBA in business and accounting from University of Hartford School of Business. He worked for Monsanto, Digital Equipment Corp., and Cryomedical Science. His wife of 49 years, Ruth, survives him. Ruth’s contact info: 9568 Sunnybrook Drive, Brentwood, TN 37027-8266, (615) 315-5856, tpenningtn@aol.com.

Cleveland Pratt: “We moved from Wichita Falls in late October to be closer to our daughter and family in San Antonio. We moved into the Army Residence Community.” Contact info: 7400 Crestway Drive, Apt. #903, San Antonio, TX 78239-3094, clevepratt@yahoo.com.

Sig Semon wrote, “I had lunch with Jerry Turnauer in Boca Raton, Fla. Jerry explained his search for people with unusual, if not life-altering, experiences with Dean Frank Hunt. I also spent Saturday afternoon at Duffy’s in Boca watching the Lafayette victory over Lehigh with Steve Weiner, who was in our class and transferred. I have been in contact with Sid Strauss. He had serious back surgery and has not yet resumed his duties on the bench but is making progress. I’m still judging and practicing.” Sig’s contact info: 11030-3906, (516) 365-8160, ssemor@meltzerlippe.com.

Dick Souders wrote, “My younger son, Todd ’13, is an economics and business graduate. His brother, Brent ’11, is enjoying early career success at the Willis Group in NYC. Barbara and I look forward to seeing you all in June.” Contact info: 45 Hamilton Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090-3736, (908) 354-5224, souders5@aol.com.

Dave and Janet Stephens celebrated their 50th anniversary Jan. 26, 2013, with their two children and four grandchildren in Hawaii. Dave and Janet both had careers at NASA and live in Yorktown, Va. Son Garrett graduated from Virginia Tech, and daughter Jean graduated from The College of William and Mary. Contact info: 113 Marl Ravine Road, Yorktown, VA 23692-4207, (757) 898-5079, stephens313@cox.net.

Jerry Turnauer’s granddaughter Gabby returned from a year of religious study in Jerusalem and planned to begin at Broward College in the winter term. Eldest grandson Yonaton graduated from high school in Ra’anana, Israel, and now studies at an English music school in Berlin, determined to make a career in the music industry. Grandson Jesse graduated high school, attended the summer session at University of Central Florida, and then left for a year of religious study in Israel. He returns to UCF in 2014. The Turnauers attended their first American Israel Public Affairs Committee Policy Conference last March in Washington, D.C., which drew 13,000 people.

Jerry’s update on the late Dean Frank Hunt: “My proposal to provide a tribute plaque for display at Lafayette to memorialize Dean Hunt’s selfless good deeds was countered with the idea of using a color panel with photos and copy conveying the story. I’m working with Lafayette on the composition and content. It would be great to
have it completed and on display outside the Dean of Students office in Hogg Hall before the 55th reunion.” Contact info: 10921 NW 3rd Street, Plantation, FL 33324-1539, (954) 476-9038, jturnauer@bayshoreford.com.

Bill Campbell was sorry to hear of Ted Pennington’s passing. “Anne and I are still well. Will be teaching this winter trimester at Phillips Exeter (N.H.) Academy, which will make the 41st year there and 55th teaching overall. Still working a bit with the town of Exeter on the budget committee. I’m also director of the Southeast Land Trust. Preserving land for future generations with a particular emphasis on preserving local farms helps the local farm-to-table efforts.” Contact info: 111 High Street, Exeter, NH 03833-2927, (603) 778-0410, wcampbell@exeter.edu.

Russ Wells’ zip code was incorrect in the fall Class Notes. The correct contact info: 189 Erdley Church Road, Winfield, PA 15889-8841, (570) 374-2773, wellsruss@verizon.net.

George Werner sent a brief note of thanks for Class Notes. Contact info: 106 Sewickley Heights Drive, Sewickley, PA 15143-8907; 412-741-0790; glww17@gmail.com.

After serving for six years and presiding over 36 meetings, I (Norb Smith) relinquished the presidency of the Navy League’s Williamsburg-Yorktown Council in December. I will remain as council treasurer.

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1960

Dennis P. Ryan died in fall 2013. He came to Lafayette after completing his sophomore year at Archbishop Stepinac High School in White Plains, N.Y. He was the recipient of a Ford Foundation Scholarship. I (Dave Saalfrank) sat next to him in lecture halls and classes before we both graduated in government. Dennis had a wry smile, with a sense of humor to match. He joined Kappa Delta Rho and served as house officer. He was president of Kirby Government and Law Society and graduated from Harvard Law School. He worked in the office of the New York State Attorney General. He is survived by his brother, retired Judge James T. Ryan ’56, a fellow Kappa Delta Rho.

Tom Rennert caught two Leopard games, Harvard and Holy Cross. The highlight of the Harvard event was meeting President Alison Byerly, where they exchanged “Middlebury moments.” Tom is a devoted Middlebury hockey fan. His email address: tomrennert@gmail.com.

Homecoming was an event to celebrate. I enjoyed seeing Don and Fran Nikles, Bob and Sheila Brodie (with Bob in academic garb for the ceremony), Dick and Colleen Booth, Alden and Dell Siegel, Dr. Tom and Judy Moyer, and Phil and Bernice Bollman.

Charlie and Deanna Raffay stay busy with travel, crafts, square dancing, and music. Charlie tutors grandson Alex in physics while he visits from Spain during the winter. Last summer, Charlie and Deanna visited family in Spain and then took a 16-day cruise home to New York. Charlie’s email address: charlieraffay@gmail.com.

“Working full time and in reasonable health, except for osteoarthritis,” was the self-diagnosis of Dr. Greg Culley, now chief medical officer of Family Health Center at Worcester, Mass. Health care is becoming a family tradition: “Two of my daughters refused to listen to me and one is a practicing physician in Atlanta; the other begins medical school next September. Our third daughter and son live in Lexington, Ky., and are also in health care.” A resident of Martha’s Vineyard since 1991, Greg encourages visitors. Greg’s email address: culley@vineyard.net.

Bill Schumacher, armed with a degree in electrical engineering and an ordnance commission, went to work as an intern at Penn Power and Light in Allentown, Pa. He served his Army active duty in Germany, returned to civilian life in 1964, and went back to PP&L. Bill returned to active duty in 1965 until he retired in 1992 as a brigadier general (the only general rank officer of the class). He picked up a master’s in aeronautical engineering from Penn State. In addition to three years teaching “generally engineering,” Bill completed the command and general staff course at the Army War College. Most of his postings were in the ammunition field, culminating in his role as deputy chief of staff of the Army’s Materiel Command, budgeting ammunition for the entire Army. He credits Dr. Ron Philipp ’54, his commander at Rock Island Arsenal, as a mentor. Bill moved into positions as project executive officer in missiles and advanced artillery development, ending his career as deputy commander at the Missile Defense Agency (Ronald Reagan’s “Star Wars”). He retired in 1992 into consultancy. After 25 years of marriage, wife Sandra died in December 2012. Great-granddaughter Charlotte brightens Bill’s life. Contact info: wjscshu@aol.com.

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The second annual Class of 1961 International Speakers Series lecture last October was a huge success, with more than 400 jammed into Colton Chapel. Professor David Lesch of Trinity University, a leading authority on Syria, was the speaker. The class won plaudits from Ilan Peleg, Dana Professor of Government and Law, and President Alison Byerly, for the ISS sponsorship. The Class of 1961 ISS fund was established in 2011 as the 50th reunion gift to the College. Thanks to the generosity of classmates, the fund has grown from the initial $145,000 to approximately $183,000. The goal is to reach an amount that will allow the ISS to exist in perpetuity. Please consider allocating an amount to the ISS fund.

Dr. James Zager retired from adult cardiology 10 years ago and now works pro bono at Children’s Hospital Orange County with kids who have congenital heart disease. He and wife Susan live in Corona Del Mar, Calif. They have two daughters and four grandchildren.

Ed Auble is serving a second term as president of the Paoli, Pa., business association. Last summer, he had a second hip replacement. Ed also spearheaded the class’s effort to arrange the October ISS lecture.

George Baker closed his law office at the end of 2013. A loyal supporter of Lafayette’s football team, George drove to Durham, N.H., to watch the team face University of New Hampshire in the first round of the playoffs. Dick Webster and wife Yvonne traveled on a safari in Kenya and Tanzania, a motor trip through much of Germany, and a trip to Burma.

Other recent visitors to Germany Jim Westkott and wife Nancy attended a wedding near Hamburg and then drove to Bonn and Dresden. Jim tutors at the Community College of Rhode Island near their home in Cumberland.

Paul A. Danco, 73, Bonita Springs, Fla., died Aug. 12. He was an industrial engineering graduate and a member of Soles Hall. Paul served in the Army both stateside and in Korea. He worked 30 years for Pfizer in New Jersey and was proud of his volunteer work for the Boy Scouts and United Way. Paul’s brother, G. Peter Danco ’51, predeceased him, but wife Judith Anne and nephew Thomas P. Danco ’75 survive him.

George Baker, 73, Macon, Ga., died Aug. 17. An outstanding Easton citizen, he earned a master’s in chemical engineering at Stevens Polytechnic. He worked for Union Carbide and Dow Chemical, where he registered several patents related to plastics and polyethylene. He received a lifetime achievement award from the packaging industry in 1998. He and wife Mary retired in 2001 to Warner Robins, Ga. They participated in the Golden Olympics and other athletic competitions. George was known for his success at cultivating daylilies, became a master gardener, and welcomed the entire community to enjoy the beauty of his flowers. He was an active worker in the class Annual Fund campaign.

William C. Lowe, 72, Lake Forest, Ill., died Oct. 19. Bill served as president of IBM’s Entry Systems Division and a corporate vice president, before moving to Xerox, where he guided its entry into non-copier markets. He then became president of Gulfstream Aerospace, the maker of corporate jets, and later held important leadership positions in other firms. Bill was a business and technical leader in everything he pursued. A physics graduate, he attended Lafayette on a basketball scholarship and was president of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. He served as a Lafayette trustee from 1988 to 1994.

Jim Livingood recently came across a memento—a Dartmouth “dink” (slang for a short-billed cap)—from his college years.

In fall 1958, Jim was a first-year student and friendly with a group of upper classmen in the marching band who invited him to go along on the band bus to the Dartmouth game. They drove through the night, arriving in New Hampshire early the next day. Jim said there was a tradition at Lafayette that if a freshman saw an upperclassman, he had to tip his dink. If the upperclassman took away the dink, the freshman had to say “top frosh” to get it back. A Dartmouth freshman thought Jim was a Dartmouth upperclassman. Jim said, “Doff your hat,” but the freshman was too slow. Jim said, “You have to give up your dink, that’s the punishment. If you want it back, meet me at the ticket gate after the game.” Unfortunately for the Dartmouth freshman, Jim couldn’t keep his promise. The Lafayette bus left immediately after the game and he had to be on it. “I won the dink,” he said.

Jim donated the hat to the College’s special collections. Jim’s contact info: P.O. Box 179, Gulfport, MS 39502, (228) 206-0748, darklon@live.com.
a wooden walking stick carved by John. The stick symbolizes leaning on those who can help you but still requiring you to stand on your own two feet.

*Rich* and *Roxy* *Flickinger* hosted the annual gathering of a group of Chi Phis and friends at their home in Ligonier, Pa., Oct. 4–6. *Bruce* and *Dana* *Applestein, Dick* and *Mary* *Gilbert, and Ted and Beverly* *Elsasser* attended. *Steve* and *Carolyn Altenderfer* were unable to attend.

Class President *Jeff* *Ruthizer* represented the class in the academic procession at the Inaugural Convocation. Jeff’s son *Joshua ’00*, who is president of his class, joined him in the procession.

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**Michael Stillman** reserved a block of 60 tickets on the 50-yard line for the 150th Lafayette–Lehigh game at Yankee Stadium and organized a dinner for the postgame celebration. Many classmates and families are taking advantage of this.

*Mark Shyman* gifted University of Miami with funds to purchase a telescope for its new observatory. He notes, “I think this telescope could help attract students from all over the world to come to UM to study physics and astronomy.” Mark trekked in the Mount Everest region of Nepal at upwards of 13,000 feet over 50 miles of rough trails both on foot and by horseback (see photo online). Austin, Texas, was the destination of *Hunt Dumont,*

**John H. Cooper, Jeb Bell, and Michael Stillman** for golf, music, food, and friendship. Coops moved to the west coast of Florida, and there is a plan to get together again with Bell and *Gary Coelho* for another ’63 foursome (see photo online).

*Arthur Topilow*: “I thoroughly enjoyed the 50th reunion weekend, even though I had to leave for Vassar, where my wife, Judy, was attending her 50th.” They visited *Richard Bernard* in Landenburg, Pa., where he enjoys retirement and will soon be a docent at the Hagley Museum. *Ernie* and *Mar Jackson* came all the way from Virginia to hear Art play piano in a concert in Deal, N.J. Art adds, “It was a thrill for me to play for two-time Tony Award-winner Christine Ebersole and the jazz violin virtuoso Aaron Weinstein.

More than 25 alumni were recognized for dedicated service at the annual awards ceremony Nov. 16. The Joseph E. Bell ’28 Award for distinguished service was presented to *Cynthia Oaks Linville ’80* (left) by President Alison Byerly.

President of the Maroon Club, she has been a class officer, Marquis Parents Council member, an associate member of the Board’s Committee on Athletics and Student Affairs, participant in the women’s engagement initiative, and leader in Friends of Women’s Lacrosse. As a student-athlete, she was captain of the field hockey team and of the lacrosse team that won the 1980 Division II National Championship.

Charles “Chick” *Salkeld,* died April 2, in Cape Coral, Fla. In February 2013, he was inducted into the Manasquan (N.J.) High School Hall of Fame as the unsung hero of its 1958 undefeated team. At Lafayette, he had a football scholarship and was a mechanical engineering graduate. A chemistry teacher at Wall (N.J.) High School, Chuck was football and baseball coach. He was an avid fisherman, boat captain, duck hunter, and taxidermist. In 2011, the mayor and police department of Brielle, N.J., recognized Chuck for aiding in the apprehension of a local thief. *Vice President of the Maroon Club, she has been a class officer, Marquis Parents Council member, an associate member of the Board’s Committee on Athletics and Student Affairs, participant in the women’s engagement initiative, and leader in Friends of Women’s Lacrosse. As a student-athlete, she was captain of the field hockey team and of the lacrosse team that won the 1980 Division II National Championship.*
**IN THE NEWS**

**McGee ’05 Heads Health and Safety at Top 100 Engineering Firm**

Her job title doesn’t convey the scope of current or future responsibilities for Caitlin “Kate” McGee ’05.

As the new health and safety coordinator for Pennoni Associates, an Engineering News-Record Top 100 engineering and design consulting firm, McGee leads the 11-member health and safety committee as she coordinates initiatives for nearly 1,000 employees in 28 offices in eight states. From her base in Philadelphia, she oversees training, technical writing, and inspections.

“The diverse education I received at Lafayette helped me develop my communication skills across multiple audiences, which is an essential part of my current position,” says the biology graduate. “I’m thankful to many professors for their attention and encouragement.” She adds that the lessons she learned as a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority are “innumerable and invaluable.”

McGee is slated to become Pennoni’s radiation safety officer, managing roughly 40 employees and equipment in three offices.

In her previous position as project manager at TTI Environmental Inc., a consulting firm in Moorestown, N.J., McGee discovered her interest in the health and safety field.

—Sharon Sanders

Bonelli’s Market in Wildwood.

Richard was a true lover and patron of the arts.

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1964

I (Don Evans) spent two weeks visiting college roommate Herb Harkins in Australia. Herb has lived in Cottesloe, Perth, Western Australia, for more than 25 years. He and his family live two blocks from the Indian Ocean beach. Herb is retired and he and wife Melissa have two children. They celebrated Thanksgiving with Don and another American family.

Lawrence Pih emailed from Brazil regarding a gift to Lafayette. President of Moinho Pacífico Indústria e Comercio, a wheat milling and corn processing firm in São Paulo, he recently was interviewed by Forbes Brasil magazine.

Tom Rarich and wife Anne, Concord, Mass., have two daughters and two grandsons. Tom writes, “My career included Index Systems Inc., Digital Equipment Corp., EMC, NetApp, and Hewlett-Packard. Product management and marketing roles enabled me to participate in new product creations and marketing to customers on four continents. I have visited over 39 countries. Singing, gardening, skiing, sailing, and web development have been my interests. My post-retirement career includes mentoring entrepreneurs at MIT, management consulting to nonprofits, singing, and church committee service.”

Charles H. Tenney Jr.
Elizabethtown, N.Y., died Nov. 4. Born and raised in NYC, he was the retired owner of Riverrun Restaurant. He is survived by wife Karen.

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1965

A number of Phi Lams in the class met in September, including Howard Heller, Joe Epstein, Andy Golbert and Harold Ganz. Michael A. Dellisant died Oct. 2. He celebrated 47 years of marriage Aug. 20 to wife Judith, who survives him. Michael, born in Hazleton, Pa., was sales manager at Smith Barney in Allentown, Pa., where he retired in 2012 after 35 years. Michael was involved with many youth support programs, including CYO basketball, Alton Park football, and Midway Manor baseball.

I (Marshall Gluck) look forward to the 2014 Lafayette–Lehigh game at Yankee Stadium. I will be in Section 107, Row 11.

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1966

I (Rod Heckman) am arranging a block of tickets for the Class of ’66 at the 150th Lafayette–Lehigh game Nov. 22. Interested in joining us? Contact me ASAP.
Regarding Homecoming 2013: What a great day at Fisher Stadium, sunny and 83 degrees. A broad brick pathway replaces the ring road around the Quad, which had new benches and Adirondack chairs. We spent time on the Fleck Concourse, looking at the bricks honoring consistent donors. Bob Zink rode up with Cathy and me. We saw Lynn and Walt Manuel at the alumni tailgate.

Trustee Kent Rockwell gave Lafayette stock that sold for $27.9 million, one of the largest gifts ever given to the College. “I’m pleased to help Lafayette strengthen its efforts to build on its commitment to innovative programs in fields I believe are important for future generations,” Kent said. The gift will support science, technology, and innovation.

Following his graduation from Lafayette, Kent attended University of Pennsylvania’s Wharton School. Since 1983, he has served as chair and CEO of Rockwell Venture Capital, a Pittsburgh-based firm with a technology focus. He serves as chairman and CEO of Rockwell Forest Products and of ExOne, a global provider of three-dimensional printing machines and printed products to industrial customers. He also is chairman of Strata Proximity Systems. He served on Lafayette’s Board of Trustees, 1971–75, and was elected to a second term in 2009.

Walter Mitchell, former mayor of Bear Creek Village, has been elected controller of Luzerne County, Pa. (see photo online). He is also the president pro tem of the Luzerne County Association of Boroughs and Townships, and has run an insurance and financial services business for 35 years. Walt appeared in a local production of Spamalot.

Robert Mills Crampton died Oct. 21. Bob was a social member of SAE and an active sportsman. He competed on the freshman baseball, bridge, and golf teams and was named golf MVP his senior year. Bob enjoyed squash, tennis, racquetball, table tennis, and basketball, but golf was his primary passion, and he was club champion at the Otsego, Leatherstocking, and En-Joie golf clubs. Bob earned a master’s in education from Montclair State College. He and his family moved to Cooperstown, N.Y., in 1974, where he taught at Schuyler Lake School until 2004. Bob enjoyed operating Maple Shade, the B&B he and his wife of 47 years, Linda, established in 1986. Linda survives him.

Fred Davis responded to the news of Frank Heery’s passing. They were fraternity brothers at Phi Kappa Psi. After graduation, Fred served in the Peace Corps in Micronesia. He later earned a master’s in chemistry from University of North Carolina in 1971 and has lived in Lantana, Fla., since 1972, working for the government in resource management. He retired in 2007 and hiked 2,000 miles of the Appalachian Trail to transition out of the work world. Having caught the long-distance hiking bug, Fred trekked the 275-mile John Muir Trail in California and the 280-mile Vermont Trail.

Robert B. Eggers, North Heidelberg Township, Pa., died Sept. 2. He was born in Baltimore and graduated from high school in Reading, Pa. An electrical engineering graduate, he attended MIT. Bob served Lucent Technologies (formerly Western Electric) as department chief for 30 years, after which he worked as a consultant and cofounded several businesses. He served as a board member for several Berks County, Pa., companies. He enjoyed travel, and he was a fan of the Orioles and the Nittany Lions. Betty, his wife of 55 years, survives him.

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1967

Jim Turner and wife Ruth, who operation the Estes Park, Colo., KOA campground, attended the annual KOA convention in Austin, Texas, the weekend of the Lehigh game. They ducked out of the happenings to watch the game at a sports bar/restaurant called The Tavern. A man came in, noticed Jim’s Lafayette shirt, asked him who he was, and then introduced himself as Dave Scholes. Jim and Dave were friends as members of Soles Hall 50 years ago. Dave retired from the oil and gas industry in Houston and moved to Austin.

Karl Pusch’s daughter Jennifer presented him with his third granddaughter, Lena Emilie Pusch, born March 20, 2013. Her cousins are daughter Katherine’s daughters, Courtney, 8, and Katelyn, 6.

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Karl “Walt” Flessa spent the academic year in Australia while on sabbatical from his position at University of Arizona. He is working for the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, Australia’s science agency, and is learning how the Australians manage their rivers.

In October, The Philadelphia Inquirer featured developer Paul Levy, in an article honoring the 20th anniversary of the Avenue of the Arts and its transformation of a section of South Broad Street. In the December issue of Philadelphia, “How Paul Levy Created Center City,” the magazine praised the developer’s transformation of downtown, saying that many
consider him to be “the unelected, defacto mayor of Center City.”

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Skin in the Game: Poor Kids and Patriots
By Dennis Laich ’71
iUniverse.com, 2013

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The class was well represented at the Inaugural Convocation: Gary Platt represented the class, Jay Parini, Alison Byerly’s colleague at Middlebury, Dave Roth, a member of the Board of Trustees, and me (Michael LeWitt), with my wife, Lynne, and daughter Rachel ’13.

Lyne, our kids, and I planned to visit Jorge and Maria Punchin in January in Puerto Rico. He is a professor of graduate mathematics at Universidad de Puerto Rico. Son Jose ’99 is a grad, Jorge and Maria attended the 40th reunion.

Frederick “Rick” Zecher, Freedom, N.H., died Aug. 28 at home. His wife, Janice, survives him. An English graduate, Rick was born in Easton, grew up in West Hartford, Conn., and attended Conard High School. He was a member of Carroll Masonic Lodge #57 in Freedom and served as master of the lodge for five years. One of Rick’s greatest pleasures was teaching and mentoring others to love the art of fly fishing, rod building, and fly tying. Annual trips to visit family and fish the Snake and Gros Ventre rivers in Jackson Hole, Wyo., provided material for ever-evolving fish stories.

Art Lawton, Sandy Edwards, Jim Morrison, and Jim McGuire helped Art celebrate his 65th birthday. They have been friends since Little League, as schoolmates, classmates, roommates, and neighbors. They recreated the “Pennington lineup” photo, taken 46 years earlier as Art’s dad was about to drive the four back to Lafayette after Thanksgiving Weekend 1967 (see photos online).

Jack Templeton and I had dinner to celebrate his birthday in October. Jack, a physics grad, started a construction company, which he ran for 25 years. He now works for the state of New Jersey interpreting and applying building codes. Jack Jack, married 32 years, has three daughters, ages 23 to 29, and a son, 14.

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1971

Semi-retired telecommunications lawyer and Lafayette Trustee Emeritus Riley Temple, Washington, D.C., expects to graduate from Virginia Theological Seminary in May. His thesis is on August Wilson, the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright.

Mike Hromyak, a retired Prudential Financial representative, moved with wife Mary Lou to 1054 Brentford Place, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579, mikehla@ptd.net.

Tom Toth, a world-class quoits player, held a Kappa Sig reunion party in August. Art Bernard, Jack Hickl ’72, Duffy Kernan ’72, Bob Hughes ’72, Bill Penberthy ’70, John T. Pierce ’70, and Joel Pisano attended. Joel remains competitive on the golf course, often playing Philadelphia attorney Bob Bauer.

Neither says who loses (or wins) more often.

Retired Army Maj. Gen. Dennis Laich published a book that discusses whether the all-volunteer Army works now and will work in the future. It offers alternatives to close the civilian and military gap, provide for national defense, and save American taxpayers $75 billion. Dennis’s email: majendj@yahoo.com.

Steve and Peggy Zamore’s daughter Dena married Gideon Frankel at the Loeb Boathouse in Central Park, NYC, Oct. 12.

Dr. Marshall Austin (see photo, page 52) attended a surprise 80th birthday gathering for Bernard Fried, who inspired Marshall to pursue his medical career. Marshall and wife Patti are the proud grandparents of two and hope for more.

Dan Griggs is now financial instrument (oil) trader at iDEAL Acquisitions. Daughter Sarah, a Middlebury graduate, got married Sept. 9 in St. Joseph, Mich., to Pete Lish, a Notre Dame graduate. Daughter Jersey ’06 moved to Watertown, Mass., from Bozeman, Mont., and is engaged to John Wallace, with an Aug. 23 wedding planned at Kezar Lake in Maine.

Jeff Sherman, Bay Head, N.J., died Aug. 26. He was owner/ operator of a wholesale meat business, Hickman Packing, Newark, before co-owning Dutch Prime Foods, Long Branch, N.J., for the past 20 years.

William Shedden Jr., Convent Station, N.J., died Nov. 28. Bill was a member of the Army Reserves and a partner at Rubber & Silicone Products in Fairfield, N.J., retiring in 2003. Wife Susan survives him.

The Rev. Richard Leiby died Oct. 31 in his Muhlenberg Township, Pa., residence. Wife Brenda survives him. Richard served as a captain with the Army Reserves and was a 1989 graduate of Lancaster Theological Seminary. He was the pastor of
Rosendale United Church of Christ in Laureldale, Pa.

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1972

**Ladimer Nagurney** represented the class at the Inaugural Convocation.  

**John Powell** joined Bellwether Enterprise, a commercial and multifamily mortgage banking company, in August 2012. He will open its new office in Chicago, where he has lived and worked for more than 35 years. John is chairman of Mercy Housing Lakefront, which provides affordable housing and supportive services for low-income families, individuals, and seniors. He sits on the board of directors of Mercy Portfolio Services. He is a member of the Urban Land Institute and serves on the Chicago District Council and Seniors Housing Council.

**Peter Mitchell** will help with alumni contact activities, so don’t be surprised to hear from him. He lives in Point Pleasant, N.J., but spends much of his time in Bloomington, Ill., at State Farm Insurance headquarters. He is a consumer psychologist in the customer experience insights division.

**Ed Yakobitis** enjoys Ohio yet stays involved in College issues as class president. He maintains close contact with the Alumni Relations office and class representatives.

**Phil Noto,** Easton, is the local alumni rep and will usually be the first involved with any College activities. However, because he was in Italy with his olive oil importing business, he could not attend the Inauguration.

1973

Condolences to class president **Caron Anderson,** who lost husband Richard Kotschessa, Oct. 27. Caron describes Rick, who had a degree in manufacturing engineering, as a “truly brilliant man, self-taught in many areas, with a myriad of interests and hobbies.”

**Richard Maxwell,** an attorney with Woods Rogers PLC of Virginia, was named a fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy. He is one of 39 nominees honored and recognized for their professional excellence and exceptional contributions to the fields of bankruptcy and insolvency. Richard focuses on bankruptcy and creditors’ rights, which he heads, and commercial law and equine law. He is a former director and chair of the bankruptcy section of

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**I (Frank Julia) am in my 19th year as a middle school math teacher. My wife, Bonnie, and I are evaluating our situation and will decide if I retire this year or next.**

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As a staff writer for *Mental Floss,* **Lucas Reilly** '13 has found the perfect fit, a quirky magazine that promises to help you “feel smart again.”

A self-described “cultural omnivore,” he delights in the variety of assignments he covers for the print magazine, website, and blog. “How to Pick a Lock,” “7 Schools That Dropped Their Native American Nicknames,” and “What’s the Difference: Orchestra, Symphony, and Philharmonic?” illustrate the range.

Reilly, an English and music graduate, was an EXCEL Scholar, pianist for The Jazz Ensemble, and member of Concert Choir.

He connected with the magazine’s editors during junior year through an externship with **Bob Bliwise ’76,** a journalism instructor at Duke University and editor of *Duke Magazine.* Bliwise introduced Reilly to the Duke alums who launched *Mental Floss.* That connection resulted in a paid summer internship with the magazine, freelance writing assignments during his senior year, and what Reilly calls “the ultimate compliment”—a job offer a month after graduation.

“None of this would have happened without my externship,” says Reilly. “I knew very little about magazine journalism, but after three days with Bob I knew that’s what I wanted to do with my life.”

Reilly cites two additional mentors: **Suzanne Westfall,** professor of English and theater, whose marginal notes on his papers helped him realize how much more he had to learn, and **Ken Briggs,** former visiting part-time instructor of English, who “taught me how to write concisely” in a journalism course.

—Robert S. Benchley
It’s Not All in Your Head: Unearthing the Deep Roots of Depression
By Tony Giordano ’73
Psyche Books, 2010

Between 2011 and March 2013, John Rehm completed a second tour in the oil and gas business, working as a well-site geologist in North Dakota, Texas, and Louisiana. Back in Salem, Ore., with his family, he is a consultant to Marion County for rural water wells. He and wife Betsy are parents of Jonathan, who runs a laser business for computer-designed products. Daughter Catherine is a guitar soloist and writer, besides her day job as a rental car agent. Youngest son Daniel is completing his senior year at Willamette University. Willamette is much like Lafayette, and Daniel wants to be a geologist like his father.

After five semesters at Lafayette, three at Universidad Complutense de Madrid, and with the close mentoring of Joseph Arboleda, associate professor emeritus of foreign languages and literature, and Samuel Pascal, professor emeritus of foreign languages and literature, Dennis Vitrella completed a master’s in Spanish at University of Connecticut. Throughout graduate school, he worked for IBM’s office products division in Hartford. When IBM offered him a choice of where to begin his career, he selected New Orleans and stayed for 20 years before moving to Lafayette, La.

In 1978, he started his own company (a multilingual publishing firm that transitioned to medical marketing and then to medical conference management), which he sold in 2012. Dennis married Angeles Scougall, Puebla, Mexico, in 1980, and they worked their company together. Daughter Alessandra is a Carleton College and University of Minnesota Law School graduate. She lives in Minneapolis with her husband and their daughter, Maya. Elder daughter Claudia lives and teaches in Verona, Italy.

Dennis reconnected with a number of college friends. Lifelong friend Doug Brown lives in the Outer Banks of North Carolina with wife Bonnie. Daughters Frieda and Lucy are the Virginia State Bar. He was chair of the Advanced Consumer Bankruptcy Law Conference and serves on the planning committee for the Mid-Atlantic Institute on Bankruptcy and Reorganization Practice. He edits and writes about enforcement of liens and judgments published by the Virginia Law Foundation. Richard, an economics and business graduate, earned an MBA from Eastern Michigan University and a law degree, cum laude, from University of Richmond.

Steel Dynamics, Fort Wayne, Ind., announced John Nolan, vice president and general manager of the structural and rail division, was appointed to the newly created position of vice president, product development. John will be responsible for identification, development, and innovation of new products for the automotive, construction, and rail markets. A metallurgical engineering graduate, John has served in technical, operational, and commercial positions within the steel industry. He graduated from executive development programs at Northwestern University and Harvard Business School. John is active in the steel industry in matters involving governmental trade policies and compliance with United States and international trade laws. He serves as a trade policy adviser to the Industry Trade Advisory Committee, No. 12—Steel.

Doug Elgin, Missouri Valley Conference commissioner since 1988, hosted Dennis for his conference basketball tournament in St. Louis. Dennis described Doug’s leadership of his conference and national sports as “gracious, insightful, creative, and as persistent as he displayed at Lafayette on and off the gridiron.”

Dennis reunited with Shahzad Akbar, who visited Louisiana with wife Nelly and the first of two sons. Planning to attend the 150th Lafayette–Lehigh game at Yankee stadium are Phil Gocke, Richard Bussert ’77, Dave Partington, Ned Bedrossian, Joel Nemec, Joe Ferdinand, Doug Brown, Doug Elgin, Dennis Vitrella, Pete Newman, and me (Larry Gasda). Please let me know if you will be there.

When not doing research and program evaluation, Tony Giordano wrote a book about his personal struggles with midlife-onset depression.

Reunion chair Joe Grimes reminds us to reserve June 6–8 for the 40th reunion. If you want to assist in planning or to receive
further information, contact him at josephpgrimes@aol.com or visit the Class of ’74 Facebook page.

**Thomas Bagg** is risk manager for NASA’s OSIRIS-REx asteroid sample return mission. OSIRIS-REx will make a three-year voyage to the asteroid Bennu, which is located between Earth and Mars. OSIRIS-REx will use a robotic arm to pluck samples from the asteroid for scientific study, which could better explain our solar system’s formation and how life began. Launch of OSIRIS-REx is scheduled for September 2016.

**Jeff Margolies**, Dallas, had to choose between parents’ weekend at his daughter’s school, Colorado College, and a Homecoming weekend tailgate among Sigma Nu fraternity brothers. He vows to attend the 40th reunion in June and the Lafayette—Lehigh game at Yankee Stadium.

**John Hasnas** served as Georgetown University’s delegate to the Inaugural Convocation. John enjoyed being on campus when classes were in session and students were around. He was particularly pleased to meet his former professors **Ralph Slaght**, Hogg Professor Emeritus of Philosophy, and **Rado Pribic**, Williams Professor of Foreign Languages and Literatures.

**Rosemary Konner Steinbaum** was guest curator for the special exhibition *Philip Roth: An Exhibit of Photos from a Lifetime* at Newark (N.J.) Public Library last year.

**Donald Grossmann** looks forward to the 40th reunion. Daughter Julie is a first-year music education major at Penn State. Don serves on its nonprofit board as vice president, finance. He is in his 11th year with MetLife in Bridgewater, N.J., managing its Sarbanes-Oxley compliance unit.

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**Godshall ’86** Leads Firm to FDA OK of Lifesaving Device

On any given day, about 3,000 Americans with advanced heart failure wait for a transplant. Yet, only about 2,000 donor hearts are available each year according to the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute.

With the recent FDA approval of the HeartWare® Ventricular Assist System (HVAD), used internationally since 2009, many patients now have a “bridge to transplantation.”

**Doug Godshall ’86** is president and CEO of HeartWare, Framingham, Mass., the company that created and markets HVAD. “Nearly 1,000 HVADs have been placed in patients in the U.S., for a total of approximately 5,000 implants in 37 countries,” Godshall says.

The HVAD fits in the pericardial space beside the heart and is a major improvement over larger devices placed in the abdomen. Those pumps require more surgery, which could increase the chance of infection.

“One of the most important things in my life was going to Lafayette,” says Godshall, an economics and business graduate who earned an MBA from Northeastern University. “I thought I was going to be an engineer for a year and a half, and that gave me just enough exposure to the engineering discipline. I can have a reasonably intelligent conversation with our engineers, and they’re comfortable talking to me about technical issues.”

An English minor, he adds, “Writing skills are vastly underestimated. You can’t lose sight of the fact that you’ll be communicating your ideas to other people.”

The company is now working on introducing the miniaturized pump. “We expect first in-human clinical trials to begin early this year,” he says.

—Sharon Sanders

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Stodard ’99 Basks in the Spotlight

Founder of Thinking Cap Theatre, Nicole Stodard ’99 says she’s drawn to work that’s bold and unconventional. Critics and audiences are lauding the Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., company’s offerings. Stodard received “best director” awards from the New Times for Sarah Kane’s Cleansed (2011) and Aphra Behn’s The Rover (2012). A Silver Palm Award from South Florida Silver Palm Theatre Awards Committee for the 2012-13 season recognized her “for producing consistent and outstanding presentations of daring and challenging works.”

Stodard’s interest in drama flourished at Lafayette. “Suzanne Westfall has been an invaluable inspiration and mentor,” she says. “Her classes were not just interesting, but also entertaining. She instilled in me an appreciation for research that has stayed with me. I recall an assignment in modern drama that invited students to stage scenes. I chose one from The Importance of Being Earnest, as Suzanne introduced me to Wilde.”

Stodard seeks to stage plays that treat issues related to women, gender, and the LGBTQ community. “I also have a thing for dark comedies. To me, it’s the genre that’s most reflective of life.”

A doctoral candidate at University of South Florida, Stodard earned a master’s in theater at Trinity College, Dublin. Before founding Thinking Cap in 2010, she blogged at Drama Daily, wrote theater reviews, studied contemporary theater, and read many new plays.

In February, her company presented the Florida premiere of Pool (No Water) by Mark Ravenhill, artist-in-residence at Royal Shakespeare Company. This spring, Stodard and her crew will move into The Vanguard Sanctuary for the Arts, a renovated church that will be the permanent venue for Thinking Cap Theatre.

—Kevin Gray

Jean’s dad, Harold Boddorff ’44, are well.

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Jim Pudleiner has worked at Alfred Benesch & Company since 2006 as a senior project manager at its Lehigh Valley office. He works on the Allentown Arena, assisting in the raising of the long span trusses. Jim’s sons, James and Josh (see photo online from Josh’s wedding), are structural engineers with Walker Parking Consultants and AECOM. Daughter Jen is an occupational therapist. Jim and wife Judy have six grandchildren, with more on the way.

Sue Barnes Carras, senior managing director of HFF, an international commercial real estate firm, was featured on Washington Business Report, the Washington, D.C., affiliate of ABC News (see photo online).

Stuart Colville, Newport Beach, Calif., died March 27, 2012. Stuart practiced law in California for over 35 years and was a dedicated volunteer. Stuart was happiest with wife Susan McNally by his side, one of his four cats on his lap, and his goldendoodle at his feet.

The Class of ’76 is going to the Lafayette–Lehigh game Nov. 22 at Yankee Stadium. Related class activities will commence Nov. 20.

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Kathleen Hintenberger Lucas is a contractor at Merck with a position as a financial/business analyst. She has three children, ages 20, 22, and 26.

Karol Kolarek Frank and husband Henry will leave their positions with Penn State and move to University of Missouri–Columbia. One daughter is moving to North Carolina; the other is in Denver.

Spotted at the Legacy Dinner during Family Weekend: Stephen Brunquell, wife Donna, and son Andrew ’14; Rob Suher, wife Randa, and daughter Cody ’14; and Barbara Levy with daughter Alyssa Hollander ’14. Also spotted at the football game: Michael and Marion Saffer.

“We should all be very proud of Barbara Levy, who was the chair of the Inauguration committee. It was an amazing day, and to see a woman president leading our Alma Mater was an experience I am so glad to have enjoyed.”

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Barbara Brooks Kimmel, founder and executive director of Trust Across America–Trust Around the World, was named one of “25 Women Who Are Changing the World” by Good Business International in 2012. Her latest book includes essays by more than 30 renowned business leaders, including Stephen M.R. Covey, Jim Kouzes, Barry Posner, Ken Blanchard, Lolly Daskal, and Patricia Aburdene, sharing their insights on the impact of trust on business success.

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Mary Kolarek Frank and her husband, Howard, fund internships and living expenses for Lafayette students with Save Venice. Frank serves as a board member for the art restoration organization.

A chance occurrence at Baltimore–Washington International airport put me (Tom Feehan) in the concourse with Dan Boldt. He is a division manager with eye care company Alcon, managing its vitreoretinal business in the southeastern U.S.

Dan and wife Maria celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary and live in Annapolis, Md. Eldest child Adam is a first-year student at University of Tampa. Daughter Casey is a sophomore at the Severn School (founded in 1914 by alumnus Rolland Teel Sr. 1907 and wife Susan) in Severna Park, Md. The youngest, Danny, is in the eighth grade. Dan and family typically attend the Lafayette–Navy basketball game at the Naval Academy, where we hoped to link up in January.

Barb Kerlavage Siegel is the business manager at Right Angle Educators, where she has worked for almost 10 years with company founder Laura Roberts. The business is expanding, and Barb’s responsibilities are following the trend.

Larry Duttweiler’s family keeps him busy. Eldest son William married at the Duttweiler home in Clermont, Ga., and later deployed to Afghanistan with the Marines. In June, first grandchild Hunter was born, and William was elevated to the rank of captain.

Upon completion of his final tour, William is now with Raymond James Financial Services. Larry’s daughter, Chelsea, is a graduate of Emory University and enrolled in law school at Penn. Finally, the youngest, Colton, started at University of West Georgia, where he plays varsity baseball.

Ironman Tom Blair took leave of pastoral duties at Second Presbyterian Church in Baltimore last summer to bicycle over 2,000 miles in July and August (see photo online). Tom rode in the Rocky Mountain Bicycle Tour and the Chris Carmichael Hors Categorie Climbing Camp, which includes trips up Pikes Peak. He reports that he is still in shape after that schedule.
Not nearly as motivated (nor as strenuous) as Rev. Blair’s exploits, Jack Green, Dermot Murphy, Scott Sautter, and I trekked to the wilds of western Maryland for a golf weekend last August and enjoyed The Wisp and Lodestone layouts in conjunction with some beautiful weather and scenery in the Appalachian Mountains and at Deep Creek Lake (see photo online).

Dave Spartin says a tradition of almost 30 years stayed on course when he and a group of Zeta Psi brothers again gathered for a weekend of poker, golf, and rehashing of their years on College Hill (see photo online). The group met last October in Bethany Beach, Del., and concluded the gala with an old-fashioned Eastern Shore crab feast.

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Peter Gummeson and Susan Sheehan Lee enjoyed a tailgate party at Homecoming 2013 (see photo online).

Scott Beisler’s daughter, Allison, got married in October. Scott is with Navigant in Washington, D.C.

Randy Young, a senior analyst with the Navy, reports that his daughter, Sarah, graduated summa cum laude from The College of William & Mary with a double degree in geology and environmental science. She started a professional internship with Disney World in Florida in June.
Class Notes

Francey Kanengiser Burke reports Burke Motor Group’s annual fundraiser was a great success. Proceeds are donated to the Mid-Jersey Cape Rotary Club and are used for college scholarships as well as other worthwhile community projects. Burke Motor Group has been recognized by the New Jersey State Assembly for contributions and dedication to the community.

Jeff Robinson returned to Lewis Baach, the firm he helped found. He specializes in complex litigation matters, in addition to expanding the firm’s government relations and public policy work. He also will be using his expertise in alternative dispute resolution. Jeff has been successful in using litigation to advance public policy.

As former associate-director counsel at NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Jeff was involved in a number of high-profile legal endeavors. He successfully led the ballot initiative to reform California’s Three Strikes law, worked for civil rights protections in the Affordable Care Act, and championed reforms before the Senate and House Judiciary Committees to nullify racial disparities in sentencing. Jeff represented then-Vice President Al Gore as trial counsel and media spokesperson during the Florida vote-count challenge in 2000.

Debra C. “Debbie” Kirsch, Bernardsville, N.J., died Sept 26. After her second year, she transferred to and graduated from University of Maryland. She received an MBA from Fairleigh Dickinson University. Debbie worked for AT&T for more than 30 years.

In her leisure time she starred in lead roles for many musical productions. During her tenure as president of the Hexagon Players of Medham, N.J., it became one of the preeminent community theater organizations in New Jersey.

Debbie directed many shows and was honored with three Perry nominations for outstanding community theater. In 2012, Debbie was named Somerset County, N.J., outstanding woman of the year in the category of arts and entertainment. In addition to her theater and professional work, Debbie was a vice president of the American Maltese Association and headed up efforts to find homes for countless rescues.

Sharon Tchon Gruet writes, “On Oct. 18 and 19 our new president Alison Byerly visited Boston (see photos online). The weekend kicked off Friday night with an energetic group of alumni. It continued Saturday with the Lafayette–Harvard football game. The pleasure of having the head of the Charles Regatta and Lafayette’s crew team in town, along with glorious weather, could not have been planned better. In addition, Boston was recognized as Chapter of the Year, and Lafayette was named to Kiplinger’s list of ‘Top 25 Best Value Educational Institutions.’ What great news for Lafayette! Let us continue to support our legacy and provide your gift, of any amount, to assist our new president on her new initiatives.”

Dave Rappaport, CEO of Investec USA Holdings Corp., performed in the musical Love in the Middle Ages, which he and wife Cheryl Soloman produced. Ana Duarte McCarthy, Moggie Bakes Davis, David Wilson, Eric Perlman, John and Carolyn Slingland Pierce, and Ali Rappaport ’13 all attended. The show sold out its limited November run at Stage 72 (The Triad) in NYC, and Dave had a second run in February and March.

Becky Haag Sommi and Moggie Davis have enjoyed much fun living nearby and watching their children grow up together. Becky’s son, Tucker, is at Lehigh, and daughter Kaila is at USC and has been part of its first lacrosse team. Moggie’s son, Logan, is at George Washington University, while daughter Mallory, NYC, is a dance performance graduate of Oklahoma City University.

Mark ’82 and Louise Seto Coles of Burlington, Vt., went on a trip this past fall to visit her sister and travel through southern Europe (see photos online). Daughter Michelle is working on her master’s in international business at Regent University’s European Business School in London. She graduated from Susquehanna University, spring 2013, in creative writing. Son Will is a sophomore at Western New England University. Mark is controller at Bruegger’s Enterprises (they own the bagel shops). After 30 years as an engineer with IBM, Louise retired. She is pursuing her certification in coaching through iPEC.

Anne Dunbar Fetters and husband Joe visited daughter Rebecca while she was studying in Africa last spring with Gettysburg College.

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Jeff Robinson ’80 is senior counsel at Lewis Baach.
1982
I (Bob Meindl) had two great interactions with the College that reminded me what a great growth experience Lafayette provides.

First, my daughter, Andrea; wife, Betsy Sullivan Meindl ’83; and I attended the Lafayette—Harvard football game and met the new president, Alison Byerly. We took a few minutes to talk to her and were impressed with the focus she places on student growth and learning. Andrea is a junior in high school, and President Byerly deftly handled her questions about student life and being undecided about what she wants to do.

On Oct. 10, Catholic Guardian Services Humanitarian Award. Anyone interested in helping to plan how the Class of ’82 can show up “big” for the game at Yankee Stadium, please reach out to me.

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1983
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1984
President: Mandy Shane Dicker
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Reunion Chair: Douglas K. Easterly
Outgoing Correspondent: Karen Ziegler Kelly
Incoming Correspondent: Open

1985
The class added five legacies: Matthew Barrett ’17, son of Teresa Laincz Barrett; Matthew DeSantis ’17, son of Carmine; Jack Kling ’17, son of Neill; Elizabeth Parks ’17, daughter of Ken; and Michael Ippolito ’17, son of Michael.

For the past two years, I (Betsy Phillips) have served in a mentoring role on Pi Beta Phi’s Alumni Advisory Council with Wynne Whitman ’86 and Melissa Spitz ’06 and have enjoyed working with legacy students Melissa Epstein ’14 (niece of Amy Burkholer and daughter of Jon Epstein), and Amanda Jeffers ’16 (daughter of Sarah Sheeliegh Jeffers ’83), who
have served on Pi Phi’s collegiate executive board. I also had the pleasure of meeting Kappa Kappa Gamma president Abby Floyd-Jones ’14 (daughter of John and Jamy Galliker ’86 Floyd-Jones). David Fryman’s daughter Liza ’16 is also a Pi Phi.

Mike Ippolito was elected to the global board of Hay Group, a human resources management consulting firm. Mike completed a lifelong dream of recording his original score. “Over the last 10 years, I worked with a music producer in Los Angeles and some of the greatest musicians in the world to complete a collection of 37 epic songs, or highly orchestrated popular songs, that will be incorporated into an innovative stage theatrical production and motion picture. The site, ORPHEA.com, is now live, and the first 27 songs are posted, with the final collection of songs distributed later this year.”

Amy Burkholder won an Emmy for her work as a producer at CBS News.

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1986

Lisa Lacroce Patterson wrote with news of the passing of her sister, Anne Lacroce Linden ’88 (see 1988). Anne was visited by many Lafayette friends, who traveled long distances to see her in her final weeks, and many attended her funeral services. Lisa is grateful for all the love and support she and her family received from both her and Anne’s caring friends. Her mother remarked how impressed she is by the strong and lasting friendships her daughters made at Lafayette.

Bill Altier, while working for Jennings Associates, led the acquisition of Alberts Associates, a leader in the technical sales and distribution of high-efficiency plate heat exchangers made by Alfa Laval of Sweden. The new firm, Jennings-Alberts, proves even small companies can find success in mergers and acquisitions. As to play, Bill not only serves as weekend shuttle driver for youth hockey and soccer, he also straps on a pair of skates weekly, gliding with the local Bucks County, Pa., men’s hockey club, the Tunicum Squirrels.

Legendary lacrosse and swim coach Bill Lawson was honored at a memorial service last September at the Kirby Sports Center. The attendees were numerous. I (Paul Hackett) recognized around 50 alumni from years bordering 1986. My remembrance of Bill is that he wasn’t a stereotypical X’s and O’s coach. He was a player’s coach, as defined by the simple photo on his office wall. Standing on windswept Metzgar Field, Bill is calmly hugging and supporting an injured player unable to make the sideline, whose braced knee belies his pain. To the end, that was the coach he was, and at some point in each of our lives, he carried us all.

1987

Paul Marcotullio joined TD Bank as head of global retirement and benefits. He will oversee the bank’s retirement, benefits, savings plans, and recognition programs.

Scott Kyreakakis celebrated five years as manager of global internal communications at Bayer HealthCare.

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1988

Anne Marie Lacroce Linden died Oct. 28. Husband Tom

Stephanie Tolischus McGovern ’96 (fourth from right) chaired Deutsche Bank’s 19th Annual Women on Wall Street conference “Game Changers” in October. She is head of U.S. regulatory management group at Deutsche Bank. Among the 2,000 attendees were Rachel Bohlander ’14 (L-R); Abby Floyd-Jones ’14; Allyson Papageorge ’14; Emily Smith ’14; Rose Marie Bukics, Jones Professor of Economics; Barbara Nastro Keenan ’96, vice president, U.S. Bancorp; and Erin Evans, associate director, Career Services.
DeLoatch ’59 Is a Pioneer in Engineering Education

In 1959, less than half of 1 percent of engineers in the United States was African American. Today, that figure is 5 percent, due in large part to the work of Eugene DeLoatch ’59, founding dean of Clarence M. Mitchell Jr. School of Engineering at Morgan State University.

“He is an iconic leader in engineering education who has made an indelible impact on our field,” says Keith Moo-Young, a Morgan State graduate who is now chancellor of Washington State University's Tri-Cities campus. “On a national level, Gene has changed the conversation about the importance of high-quality engineering education and the need for diversity in the engineering education arena.”

DeLoatch, who received an honorary degree from Lafayette in 1988, was honored recently by Career Communications Group for his contributions to the engineering profession.

Career Communications produces Black Engineer Magazine, Hispanic Engineer Magazine, and sponsors the Black Engineer of the Year Awards, cofounded in 1986 by DeLoatch.

DeLoatch, who holds a master’s degree in electrical engineering and a Ph.D. in bioengineering from Polytechnic Institute University, is chair of the Council of Engineering Deans of the Historically Black Colleges and Universities and previously served as secretary of the board of directors, Technology and Economic Development Corporation of Maryland.

DeLoatch attended Lafayette through a special program between Lafayette and Tougaloo College to train engineers. He graduated with degrees in electrical engineering and mathematics. A member of the cross country and track teams, he was Middle Atlantic Conference half-mile champion in 1959.

“We had all the requirements of engineering, but also the social sciences and humanities... it was a foundation from which I could build the rest of my professional career.”

The College’s Eugene DeLoatch ’59 Excellence in Science and Engineering Award is presented each year to a senior with outstanding academic accomplishments.

—Kevin Gray

survives her. Carren Panico provided us with this update:

“Anne was born in Camden, N.J., Oct. 7, 1966, and raised in Haddonfield, N.J. She graduated cum laude with a bachelor’s in business and economics, a minor in computer science, and a concentration in psychology. Anne was a dedicated sister in Alpha Gamma Delta sorority. She was beloved for her leadership, dedication, determination, and commitment as she led the team to many medals.

“Following graduation, Anne moved to Jersey City before settling in Gillette, N.J. She worked as a CPA for Deloitte & Touche LLP and then at Colgate Palmolive in NYC. Realizing that her talent lay in helping others achieve their potential, Anne moved to teaching at Riverdell Regional High School in Oradell, N.J., and at Bound Brook (N.J.) Middle and High schools. While a teacher at Bound Brook High in 1997, she completed the NYC Marathon in four hours, five minutes.

“Anne was CFO and an education consultant at Informed Educators Consulting Group. For the past seven years, she worked for PEF Services in West Orange, N.J., as an administrator of private equity funds. She served as the COO and subsequently as an executive vice president.

Many friends from the Lafayette community attended the services, including Ed Aguayo ’86, Felix Aguayo ’86, Jennifer Lashen Caplin ’86, Beth Halberstadt Rosenblatt ’86, Karen Levin Asofsky ’86, Karen Lau ’85, Debbie Giordano ’84, Maria Lucci Beitel ’84, Christine Borrazzo McCoy ’86, Wynne Whitman ’86, Nancy Elzey Binder ’83, Leigh Ann Alexander Evans ’89, Eric Voit ’87, Christopher McCoy, Susan Foight Kovar, Allison Cromey Crean Davis, Carren Panico, Mara Brodsky Mortman, and Hayes and Eileen Daly Williams, plus Rose Marie Bukics, Thomas Roy and Lura Forrest Jones Professor of Economics and June Schlueeter, former provost and Charles A. Dana Professor Emerita of English.

Allison Cromey Crean Davis, Leigh Ann Alexander Evans ’89, Carren Panico, and Susan Foight Kovar are honoring her memory by creating the fund drive called A Boat for Anne. The goal is to raise enough money to buy and endow a boat, in Anne’s name, for Lafayette women’s crew. To donate, go to bit.ly/18VmhRJ. Please include “In memory of Anne Lacroce Linden ’88” in the description for your gift. For more information, visit the Class of ’88 Facebook page or contact the Development Office.

Craig Bonnist joined as a partner in the law firm of McCarter & English in Stamford, Conn. In addition to litigating before federal and state trial and appellate courts, he has appeared before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and state and local discrimination agencies. Craig serves as a co-chair of the Westchester County (N.Y.) Bar Association’s labor and employment section. An economics and business graduate, Craig earned his J.D. from American University.
Phil Ng, Wayne, N.J., is a sales manager for Cablevison. He and wife Laurie Jezierski Ng ’91, have three children: Savannah, 17, Noah, 15, and Callie, 7. In his spare time, Phil provides commentary for the Lafayette Sports Network.

Silas Beane’s work is discussed in “Is the Universe a Simulation?” in The New York Times (Feb. 14, 2014) in the Gray Matter column by Edward Frenkel (see nyti.ms/rc2ESN9). Beane’s research paper, “Constraints on the Universe as a Numerical Simulation,” was coauthored with Zohre Davoudi and Martin J. Savage. Beane, associate professor at University of Washington, is a fellow of the prestigious American Physical Society (see story on Lafayette website).

The 25th reunion gift fundraising effort enabled the Class of 1988 to donate three trees, a bench, and four Adirondack chairs for the Quad. They’re on the right side of the Quad along the road as you’re facing Skillman Library.

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USA network
Chris McCumber ’89 was named president of USA Network in September 2013.

Association awards as well as exponential growth in viewers.

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1990

Chris “Bird Dog” Blakelock got together for a November weekend in Washington, D.C., with Jeff “Jibby-Jib” Steele, Ron Roveda, and Tyrone Cabalu. Jeff and Tyrone were playing in a band reunion house party, and other friends, Dave Waldman and Joe Borsuk, attended as well.

Dave Anshen finished his first Ironman triathlon July 28 in just over 12 hours. The event took place in Lake Placid, N.Y., and included a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike race, and 26.2-mile run. Dave has competed in triathlons for about 10 years. He and wife Tish live in Delaware with their two children, Brian, 15, and Lauren, 13.

Aiden Cooney Briggs shared that Karen Karcher Beers will come from Seattle to attend the 2014 Lafayette-Lehigh game at Yankee Stadium.


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1991

Kristian Bornemann posted Nov. 10 to our Class of ’91 reunion page on Facebook: “We hope most of you received the mailer from the school on the presale for the 150th game next year at Yankee Stadium. Wife Amy and I bought tickets and will fly in from San Fran. Hope a lot of you go also.” Kathy Diener Sonier responded: “Kris, so glad you posted this. Jennifer Pinola Gunzenhauser, Sandie Payne Timm, Sarah Infante Muir, and I were just talking about it.”

After 12 years at NBC Universal as senior vice president of business and legal affairs, Dawn Botti Szczecina left to pursue a better work/life balance, which included pursuing her musical endeavors. She landed a position as the general counsel and head of business affairs for startup Iconic Entertainment, a multichannel network creating online video content. Dawn is touring with her band, New Day Dawn, which performed at Rocklahoma. Dawn and husband Gary (the band’s drummer) took their 8-year-old son along.

Merri Lee Newby writes, “It was a tremendously exciting fall at Lafayette with the inauguration of Alison Byerly. I was honored to participate as our class delegate, processing between David Rose Jr. ’88 and Thomas Di Giovanni ’96, a fellow musician. There were 38 alumni classes represented, 1941–2013. A few years back, I played with President Byerly’s brother, Keith Byerly, in the Merion Concert Band. In the evening, Mark Federov and I had a lovely dinner together (see photo online). For those who didn’t know, Mark is a captivating storyteller with a fascinating family history. My dad, Richard Newby, was my guest at the inauguration; it was his 79th birthday, and all the festivities made it a day to remember.”

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1992

Donald R. Koch’s daughter, Kaitlyn ’15, is an A.B. engineering major and works part time in the Pfennig Alumni Relations office. Don and wife Donna’s son, Andrew ’12, works as an engineer full time and is enrolled in a dual master’s of engineering and MBA program at Lehigh. “But during the big game with Lehigh, the Kochs are 100 percent Pards,” says Don. The Koch family cruised the Caribbean last summer, and Don says a chance meeting occurred with five other Lafayette alumni during the muster station drill at the start of the voyage.

Mike Sharkey started his own analytics company, Blue Canary, in the Phoenix area. As a math graduate, he gets to leverage all of his skills to build statistical models and create dashboards that help companies extract value from their data. Mike’s twin daughters started middle school this year, and his wife’s college consulting business keeps her busy.

PROFILE

Mandaglio Parifax ’08 Advocates for Gender Equity

After meeting Gloria Steinem at Lafayette in 2008, Lia Mandaglio Parifax ’08 vowed to work for social justice. Today, she advises corporations about the value of diversity in marketing strategies and recruiting practices.

A psychology and English graduate with the highest cumulative grade-point average in her class, Parifax is an attorney and COO at Coda Leadership in Manhattan, a consulting firm with Fortune 500 clients.

Businesses recognize the importance of diversity and gender rights because consumers who support these ideals account for $740 billion in spending power, Parifax says.

“There are so many young people who want to work at companies with a progressive business philosophy that features LGBT inclusion,” says Parifax, who earned a J.D. from George Washington University Law School.

She and her husband, Hudson Taylor (above left), founded Athlete Ally in 2011. The group seeks to end homophobia and transphobia in sports by encouraging athletes to support LGBT rights. Former U.S. Congressman Barney Frank penned an article praising the couple’s work in the March issue of Vanity Fair. Frederick Raffetto ’87, a partner with the law firm Ansell Grimm & Aaron, Clifton, N.J., is also on the board.

Athlete Ally has been featured in The New York Times, MSNBC, and other media outlets. Last year, Mazzoni Center, Philadelphia’s leading HIV/AIDS health provider, honored Parifax for her work.

Parifax credits Carolyn Van Dyke, March Professor of English, for sparking her interest in social justice. Van Dyke also advised her honors thesis, “Women’s Reproductive Rights Rhetoric,” which was published in Cambridge University’s International Journal of Law in Context.

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Her commitment to gender equality is reflected in the new last name she and her husband created—combining the Latin words pari (same) and fax (flame).

—Benjamin Gleisser

1993

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1995

Brooke Sheahan Danciak and husband Todd ’94 moved to the Alpharetta, Ga., area last summer. They have three sons: Ethan, 11, Cal, 9, and Sage, 5.

Ben Stump wrote an article about optimizing cellphone and tower sites during data explosion, published by Antenna Systems & Technology magazine. He is a senior vice president and chief technology officer for Westell.

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1996

Jennifer Kaas MacMurray and husband Joel welcomed daughter Julia Madeline Nov. 6, 2012. Julia joins brother Austin, who was born in May 2010. Jennifer is a stay-at-home mom and enjoys spending time with the family.

Patricia Carabello and husband Joseph Di Toro welcomed daughter Julia Carabello Di Toro Nov. 19, 2011.

Audrey Twyman Langan and husband Ryan celebrated their first year as new homeowners in West Hartford, Conn. Audrey works in the global trade compliance office at Stanley Black & Decker, and Ryan works for General Electric’s lighting division. They love being close to family.


Ryan White is founder and manager partner of Price for Profit, a consultancy that delivers pricing expertise to business-to-business manufacturers and distributors. In 2012, Ryan won Ernst & Young’s Young Entrepreneur of the Year for Northeast Ohio.

Jessica Leas moved back to Washington, D.C., after a five-year journey through Sri Lanka; India; Portland, Ore.; and San Francisco. After working in the foundation world for four years, she returned to full-time, nongovernmental organization life and is development director for field program management at Conservation International. She’s renovating an old house in the Kingman Park neighborhood, biking, and connecting with friends.


Todd and Jessica Idstein ’08 have moved to Northern California where he works as vice president of mobile and emerging media at WebMD. Jessica is a yoga instructor for special needs children. They have a daughter, Ella, 8, and a son, Jax, 5.

Lisa Valentino has been named chief revenue officer of Condé Nast Entertainment responsible for leading revenue generation for the division, including advertising and marketing solutions across the CNN digital video network.

Peter Gilligan was married to Sohini Chowdhury in April 2012. Peter works as a vice president in the global wealth management unit of Morgan Stanley in NYC, where he advises clients on taxes, estate plans, and other investments.

Joshua “Josh” Nelson and wife Valerie live in Pound Ridge, N.Y., with their two children, Julia, 9, and Jason, 6. Josh is a director for the management consultancy, The Hackett Group, which provides strategy and operations advisory services to clients throughout North America.

Amy Jerrow Novosel died Oct. 1. Amy was a financial aid consultant for New Jersey Higher Education Assistance Authority in Trenton. She enjoyed reading and traveling, especially to Disney World with her family. Amy’s greatest joy was spending time every day with her family and close friends. Husband Dennis survives her.

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1997

Josh O’Harra married Paul Massey in September in Washington, D.C. Josh is an assistant general counsel with Eli Lilly & Co. His husband is the executive vice president for advising clients on corporate social responsibility, sustainability, and foundation issues for Weber Shandwick, a public relations agency.

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Maureen Rafferty Hopper and husband Merritt welcomed their third son, Beckett Lachlan, Sept. 1. Big brothers Ian, 4½, and Finn, 2½, are proud of their new family member. The Hoppers live in (and love) Denver. Maureen is taking time off from teaching to be at home with her boys.

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1998

This May will be 15 years since we sat in front of the library for the last time as a class. Much has changed in our lives and on campus including new buildings, a renovated Quad, and even air-conditioning in McKeen Hall. Planning is underway for Reunion 2014, and we promise the itinerary offers more opportunities to socialize and see the campus. Join us June 6–8 on the Hill to catch up with each other and reminisce. Contact Taryn Boland, tarynboland@alumni.stern.nyu.edu

Jessica Leas ’96 works to help conserve ape habitats.

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taryn.boland@gmail.com, to get involved.

Plans are underway for a post-game event in NYC to celebrate the 150-year Lafayette-Lehigh game at Yankee Stadium. Join the conversation on Facebook.

Last fall, Alex Knight (son of Amanda Alpert Knight) and Elle Waite (daughter of Chris ’oo and Megan Sweeney Waite) started kindergarten together in Northfield, Ill. (see photo online). The two are best of friends and enjoy their first year in school together. Their siblings, Thomas Knight and Luke Waite, enjoy time together, though they aren’t ready for kindergarten yet. Megan and Amanda both serve as room moms for their respective classes.

Jessica Fisher Johnson, Northampton, Pa., has a 1-year-old daughter, Norah, with husband Alan ’01. Jessica works for The Morning Call.

Michael Higdon and wife Jamie welcomed their second child, Elliott Grace, Oct. 28 (see photo online). She joins Ryder Joel, 2. Michael will be joining Cornerstone Government Affairs, a government relations practice in Washington, D.C.

Tony Baker and wife Katie, along with twin boys AJ and Jackson, relocated in October to Lucerne, Switzerland, to work at Merck’s site in Werthenstein (see photo online). Tony and Katie support the commercial launch of Merck’s oncology treatment (anti-PD1). Tony is a director, leading the technical operations department, and Katie is a senior specialist in quality assurance. “The experience from the Lafayette study abroad program in Dijon, France, was invaluable preparation for the cross-cultural awareness needed to succeed in my new role. I still consider my time in Dijon with the late Marcantoin Creopi, professor of French, as some of my most treasured memories of my Lafayette career.”

Carrie Lyn Strong manages the wine collection of more than 1,700 selections, with over 15,000 bottles at Aureole NYC. The restaurant is a consistent winner of Wine Spectator Best of Award of Excellence. “I realize not many graduates from Lafayette end up in the wine and restaurant business, but I wear both aspects of my life quite proudly. I consistently meet new people in my business who have some connection with either Lafayette or my friends from Lafayette.”

Melissa Veitengruber Skrocki and husband Stephen welcomed Jack Stephen into the world July 21. Big sisters Mia and Kate are smitten with him.

Yoek-Nam Khor shuttles between Silicon Valley and Asia, working with tech startups on both sides of the pond to help them gain access to markets and fund world-class manufacturing capabilities. He would like to connect with any Lafayette friends in California and China. Email yoeknam@gmail.com.

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2000

Joanna Hallac, a history and global studies teacher at The Hun School in New Jersey, is also the new head coach of the varsity girls’ soccer team.

Amanda Frieh-Marriner received her MBA from St. Joseph’s University Haub School of Business, graduating first in her class. She works for Hartford Funds as director of financial planning analysis.

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2001

John and Shauna Pedowitz ’03 Leffler live in Morristown, N.J., with daughter Caite, 1. Shauna started teaching at The Pingry School in Basking Ridge, N.J., and John has been at FactSet for 12 years, managing its southeast mid-Atlantic sales team.

Amy Scott Mobley and husband Gregory live in Madison, Ala., with son Elijah, 2. Amy is a contractor for the Museum of Fine Arts in Houston.

Kyle Culver graduated in May with her doctorate in clinical psychology from Florida Institute of Technology. She planned to move to Salt Lake City in September for a postdoctoral fellowship in pediatric psychology.

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2002

Christina Theile married Steven Bini in Wyckoff, N.J., June 8.
Matt Hubschmidt ’01, Beth Crane Graves, Meghan Mara

†Ken Poli ’02 (center), pictured with merchants at Forward Operating Base (FOB) Shoja, recently completed a 16-month assignment in Afghanistan as a risk manager with CH2M HILL, a global engineering and construction firm. An A.B. engineering graduate, he worked with the logistics civil augmentation program, providing engineering, logistics, and other support services to U.S. military and coalition forces at 15 FOBs.
IN THE NEWS

Maung ’07 Honored for Leukemia Research

Ko Maung ’07 is one of only 19 medical students to receive the 2013 Hematology Opportunities for the Next Generation of Research Scientists Award from the American Society of Hematology. The award will enable Maung to continue research with his faculty mentor, Koyamangalath Krishnan, chief of the hematology and oncology division, James H. Quillen College of Medicine, East Tennessee State University. They are investigating a new treatment for leukemia that marries tocotrienol, a form of vitamin E, with statins, cholesterol-lowering drugs.

Maung’s honor takes on added luster in light of his persistence in overcoming obstacles to reach his goal. In 2000, he was enrolled in medical school in his native Myanmar. But before classes began, the school was shuttered, a casualty of the repressive military regime. He learned about Lafayette from college guidebooks at the American Embassy in Myanmar and was accepted the following year.

“The international students program helped me adapt,” he recalls. “I was barely able to speak English when I arrived. Janine Block was a phenomenal person for international students. I could not imagine a better place than Lafayette for my undergraduate study.”

Maung graduated with a double major in mathematics and economics & business and students. I could not imagine a better place than Lafayette for my undergraduate study.”

Maung says he benefitted greatly from working as an EXCEL Scholars with Gladstone Hutchinson, James DeVault, and Susan Averett in the economic department, and Chester Salwach from the mathematics department.

With the expectation to graduate in May, he plans a career in academic medicine doing research, teaching, and clinical work.

—Sharon Sanders

Ryan, and Laureen Krawse attended (see photo online).

On Oct. 29, Joy Krueger Roberson and husband Joel welcomed son Luke Thomas (see photo online).


Sara Tavrow Weiner and husband Lawrence welcomed daughter Jordan Sloane Oct. 8 (see photo online). They live in Hoboken, N.J.

Jessica Dotson Melchior and husband Keith expanded their family with the Feb. 2, 2013, birth of daughter Caitlyn Jane. She joins brother, Alex (see photo online).

Christa Accaria Sipper and husband Joe welcomed a son, Joseph Anthony, Aug. 9. Christa and family reside in Pine Brook, N.J.


Mark Kolba published his first novel, Awakening from the Shadows, the initial ebook in an epic fantasy series. Mark also published several fantasy short stories and is working on future novel projects, including the second book in his series as well as a political-terrorism thriller.

Stacie Truesdell Michaels and husband Justin welcomed twin daughters, Harper and Sloane, April 27. The girls join older sister, Jemma, born July 2011.

Cara Belardi married AJ Goodman in October 2012. Cara works in fundraising and events at The Stop Community Food Centre, which works to increase access to healthy food for low-income individuals while maintaining dignity, building health and community, and challenging inequality. Cara and AJ live in Toronto.

Evan White was recognized by the New York Metro edition of Super Lawyers as a 2013 Rising Star. He is a partner at White Harris PLLC, specializing in labor and employment law.

Patricia Brown and Darnell Chisholm Azeed wed July 2, 2011. Patricia gave birth to their son, Darnell Jr., Aug. 11. The family lives in NYC. Patricia works for BMO Capital Markets as an associate analyst.

Jim Charnley was hired as managing director by Saucon Mutual Insurance Co. In addition, Jim will lead employee benefits and human resources consulting practice.

Scott Wynne was promoted to middle school principal from assistant principal at Eastchester (N.Y.) Union Free School District.
Scott expects to earn his Ed.D. in educational leadership from Manhattanville College in May.

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2003

Kathy Vassos is engaged to Mark Stamidis. The couple planned to wed in January.

Jessica Hamnett graduated in May with a master’s in interior architecture and design from Academy of Art University. In October, Jessica was married in Munich to Steffen Henoch (see photo online). The couple will live in Munich for the next year. Jessica is studying German full time before pursuing her design career.

Lauren Mack and William Ford wed in San Diego Sept. 28.

Kate McGovern Ferriola, Carrie Chaitt, and Liza Lesser Schwager attended (see photo online). While continuing to work in the pharmaceutical industry, Lauren launched a new company along with her husband called PetBox, a monthly delivery of toys and treats for dogs and cats.

Suzanne Montgomery was married June 2, 2012, to Joseph DiGirolamo. Suzanne and Joseph welcomed their baby girl, Leslie Anne, Aug. 3.

Morgan Albus Mooney had her third baby Sept. 19, Andrew Lawrence. She has two other children, Jack and Grace.

Peter Susi and wife Meagan welcomed their third child, Jillian, in July (see photo online).

Kelly Martin Dubois and husband Frank welcomed a son, Nathan John, Aug. 8.

Jennifer Langoski Tastad and husband Nick welcomed Eric James, born Nov. 10 (see photo online).

Ted Kapusta, Venice, Calif., works as a creative director at Saatchi & Saatchi ad agency.

Corinne Loveland is training manager at iCIMS, a software company in Matawan, N.J.

Dan Fitzgerald was elected president of the Greenwich Bar Association and has been selected by Connecticut Law Tribune as one of the 2013 New Leaders in the Law. Dan was also elected principal of Cummings & Lockwood.

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2004

Dr. Jessica Merkel-Keller returned from teaching medical students in Malaysia. “This was truly an experience of a lifetime. I traveled halfway around the world and saw the mind break in predictable ways. Family members of the mentally ill still chain and shackle their difficult-to-control loved ones. Practicing psychiatry in South Asia meant practicing human rights.”

Allison Carrier earned her doctorate in clinical psychology from Pacific University in August and is completing her residency at Milton Hershey School. She works with at-risk children and youth.

Ilana Strauss and Seth Bronheim wed in NYC May 25. Jim Strauss ’68, Peter Marks ’69, Mike Cohen ’70, Gary Greenfield ’71, Nancy Muldberg Roth ’77, Cory Delafield Townend ’03, Rob Czarnecki ’03, Drew ’03 and Sylvia Ansarian Cooper, Kim Sica La Spada, Amy Giacobone Healy, Tara O’Neil Clarke, Kate Quinn O’Hara, Stephanie Napolitano Mejia, Beth Callies, Samantha Molyneaux, Christine Siebold Haunss, Samara Newman Caplan ’05, Steve Zamore ’71, and Zac Zamore ’09 attended (see photo online).
Craig and Amy Magos Alexander welcomed a baby boy Oct. 16, Carter Crew (see photo online).

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2005
Sandra Goldman and Rob Petitt (Dartmouth, 2006) wed July 13. Bridesmaids included Emily Groves, Kim Whelan, and Liz Litchfield. Also attending were Erika Pepe and Natalie Kamphaus. Sandra works as a third-grade teacher in the Boston Public Schools.

Julia Rosenbloom and Michael Fine wed Sept. 29 at Meadowlands Country Club in Blue Bell, Pa. Lafayette grads present included bridesmaids Katrin Przuyski Mowrey, Elizabeth Cassidy Cook, and McKenzie Wells Frett, and attendees Angela Guarino ’04, Kevin Penderghest, Jeremy Cook, Thomas Brennan ’06, Xiomara Villalva Loxham, Suzi Ryder-Webster, Rachel Korn ’06, and Janine Tkach ’06.

Katie Schule Malagiere and husband Matt welcomed baby girl Madison Katherine Aug. 9 (see photo online). Mom and dad love every minute with Madison in their new home in Howell, N.J.

Brendan Rivage-Seul finished a one-year diplomatic tour at the American Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan, where he served as a special assistant to U.S. Ambassador James B. Cunningham. He now works on Secretary of State John Kerry’s staff.

Jessica Bogia recently joined the University of Memphis athletics department. Jessica was an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Eastern Illinois University for the 2012–13 season and will help her new team achieve big things.

Also in July, American Council of Engineering Companies recognized Ronald Manney for work excellence. Ronald is a senior staff engineer at Langan Engineering and Environmental Services in Arlington, Va. He has traveled the world and worked in more than 10 countries, contributing his knowledge to some of the most prestigious projects in the world.

2006
Stacey Altrichter is engaged to Alexander Hoyland. Stacey received a master’s in mathematics from University of Delaware–Newark in 2008. She works as a systems engineer in Baltimore.

Megan Rhadigan-Brack and Michael Brack welcomed twin boys,

PROFILE

Von Schroeder ’01 Creates Exclusive Menswear

As a goalkeeper, he played professional soccer on three continents. As an attorney, he fought for social justice in the courts. Now Craig Arthur von Schroeder ’01 is five years into a third career as founder of Commonwealth Proper of Philadelphia, selling both ready-to-wear and custom-made clothing to “the new American gentleman who wants a little bit of an edge.”

Von Schroeder, a government and law graduate, was starting goalie on coach Tim Lenahan’s Patriot League championship team. As a senior, he received the Class of 1913 Trophy, presented annually to the College’s best male and female student-athletes. He takes his College connection seriously, and likes to give back.

“Lafayette prepared me for the rest of my life,” he says. “I’ve sponsored Lafayette interns in both my law practice and my clothing business, and I always take calls from Lafayette grads.”

The company has garnered media attention from Esquire and Elle, as well as local CBS and Fox affiliates. In July, it won in the Made-to-Measure category in the Best of Philadelphia Style competition. The showroom on Rittenhouse Square offers stylish garments.

“Our made-to-measure clothing begins with basic patterns that we customize,” he says. “Then our tailors make the garment, which takes three to four weeks.”

He began studying the garment trade while earning a J.D. at Rutgers. “I’m the creative director; a sense of styling is what I bring to the company,” he says. The business savvy comes from his investors and advisers, including Lafayette soccer teammate Matthew Hoffman ’01, an analyst at Morgan Stanley in Hong Kong.

Female fans have asked for a similar line for women. Although von Schroeder has not made a decision, he gets expert advice from his fiancée, Rhonda Clark Carlson, an interior designer.

—Robert S. Benchley
In 2007, Step Sinatra ’98 was hospitalized, weighing 83 pounds. Life itself, not its quality, was in question. His ambition to be a stock trader had led him to Wall Street, where he worked for a hedge fund. “It was like the Wild West,” he says. “I was surrounded by computers, with a phone on each ear, and the financial reward was overwhelming, a positive reinforcement to keep working hard.”

Working 100 hours a week, the stress was non stop. Two years in, he began breaking down physically. It started with ringing in his ears and steadily progressed, as though some internal battery was dying. In fact, that was what was happening, but he kept working.

Then, his stress-related health breakdown nearly killed him. He experienced adrenal fatigue and subsequent endocrine dysfunction. He consulted with 15 physicians before exploring alternative treatments with the support of his father, cardiologist Dr. Stephen Sinatra.

His recovery took nearly a decade. But Sinatra adds that a conversation with God in a near-death moment at the hospital was no laughing matter. “I was given the option to go or to stay,” he says. “I realized that I still had a reason to live, channeling my dreams in a positive direction.”

Today, Sinatra lives in Calistoga, Calif., and directs four companies based on his philosophy of giving back. One of these—a boutique organic California winery called FreeSpirit—donated wine as gifts for guests during the inauguration of President Alison Byerly.

Sinatra, an economics and business graduate, first learned about Lafayette from his uncle, Richard Sinatra ’60, professor and chair, department of human services and counseling, St. John’s University. “I received a wonderful education, and it made me a better person,” he says. He keeps in touch with Donald Chambers, Walter E. Hanson/KPMG Peat Marwick Professor of Business and Finance. “He was my mentor, and he fueled my passion for entrepreneurship.”

Sinatra serves on Lafayette Leadership Council and sponsors internships and externships. He also connects with alumni through business. Anthony “Chris” DiMarco ’98, owner and CEO of lamps.com, is a client of StepMedia.com, which specializes in optimizing domain names for maximum profitability.

He believes a process known as “grounding”—connecting to the Earth’s vibrations and energy for healing—helped save his life. He’s made it the focus of another business, Grounded.com.

—Robert S. Benchley
2007

Jesse Campoamor was honored by City & State NY LLC as a member of the “40 Under 40” rising stars for 2014 in New York politics. Jesse was honored by the Manhattan Young Democrats, the official youth arm of the Democratic Party in New York County, with the Young Gets It Done award, which celebrates the top five leaders under 35.

Andrew Arkema earned his MBA from Carroll School of Management, Boston College, in May, specializing in asset management. He is employed as a portfolio manager at Deutsche Asset and Wealth Management in Manhattan.

Ben Goldstein graduated from Drexel University College of Medicine in 2011 and is completing his pediatrics residency at Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital in Cleveland, where he will begin a fellowship in July. Ben also announces his engagement to Hannah Bursiek (Ohio Northern University), a pharmacist at the hospital. The couple plans to wed this November.

Stephanie Danchak and Andrew Boyd, (University of Pennsylvania, 2007; Columbia University Dental, 2011) got engaged in Newport, R.I., last July. Although Andrew is not a Pard, Stephanie reports he has Lafayette blood in his family, including grandfather Dr. Norman Boyd ’28, father Dr. Alvin Boyd ’67, uncle Dr. Norman Boyd Jr. ’64, and brother Evan Boyd ’99. The couple resides in NYC. Their planned September 2015 wedding will be held in Newport, with six Lafayette alumni in the bridal party: sisters of the bride Heather Danchak Bochnovich ’04 and Jaclyn Danchak ’09, Emily Gillespie, Kyle Hoover Pennesi, and Kim Nieskens.

Amanda Lalley announces her engagement to Corey Thomas (Elizabethtown College, 2007). Corey proposed to Amanda in Zambia, where they met while in the Peace Corps. Amanda served as a Peace Corps education volunteer, 2008–11, and subsequently earned a master’s in education from University of Pennsylvania. Amanda has been working for Bridge International Academies in Nairobi, Kenya, since January 2013. The organization runs low-cost, private schools, many in impoverished areas. Small world: Before Corey met Amanda in Africa, he went to high school with Lora Nageli Slusher and Sara Davis Bowman in northeastern Pennsylvania.


Thao “Liz” Nguyen and Joseph Peralta ’09 wed Sept. 21 at Valley Crest Farm in Clinton, N.J. (see photo online). The wedding party included many alumni: maids of honor Samira Fowler and Xia “Charlotte” Wang ’10, and Sarah Stoudemire ’09, Ricardo Rodriguez ’09, Josh Shek ’09, Nicholas Diaz ’09, and Devin Canavan ’09, Nolan Pick, Danielle Bero, Ken Suarez ’09, Marek Kolun ’09 and Carla Benedek-Kolun ’09, Matt Gibbons ’09, Nick Perretti, Sheynor Hall ’09, and Ed Yao ’08 attended. The couple resides in Washington, D.C. Liz is doing a postdoctorate at National Institutes of Standards and Technology, and Joseph works at FLOC, a need-based nonprofit, and is earning his master’s at George Washington University in education policy and human development.

Last September, Karolina Janasek and Bryan Abess were married at Our Lady of the Mount Church in Warren, N.J. (see photo online). Bridesmaid Corinne Casey and Karolyn Kopcza, Trish Sumpf Gordon, Christine Burke, Claire Bourquin, Allie Minieri, Michael Canterino, Thomas Ormandy, and Amanda Zungoli ’09 attended.

Lauren Marie Fisher and fiancé Louis P. Cote announce the July 23 birth of daughter Grace Frances Cote. Lauren and Louis plan to marry this June 14 in their hometown.

Eric Backlund and wife Kolleen announce the birth of their son, Joshua Oden, July 17.


2008

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Thomas Boutin and Sara Walter were married at Stokesay Castle in Reading, Pa., Sept. 14. Clara Fisher ’10 was maid of honor and Jordan Kaplan ’10 was best man. A number of other Lafayette alumni attended the event: Sarah Smith ’07, Karen Murray ’08,
Emily Brown ’08, Jeff Beavan, Keith Kesten, Andrew Fagal ’07, Elliot Fried-Box ’08, Chris McGuinn ’07, Mike Gibson ’06, Garland Millican ’07, Ardin Marchetta ’06, Tommaso Marsella ’06, and Kyle and Kristie Cavanaugh ’11 Kotch (see photo online). Geoffrey Weyl and Emily Mallory wed in Lutherville, Md., Oct. 13. The bridal party included Lauren Timpson ’08 and Amy Solomito, Tyler and Christie Atkinson Pelton, Colin Lancaster and Megan Cummins, Kate Liptak, Andrew Dapkunas, Tabor Pearson, Joey Haymaker, Tom and Sara Walter Boutin, and Daniel Jarem ’07 attended (see photos online). Emily works for the Food and Drug Administration in College Park, Md. Geoff passed the Pennsylvania Bar in July and currently works for the Pennsylvania Court House in Harrisburg.


Kyle and Kristie Cavanaugh ’11 Kotch wed June 22 at Mayfair Farms, West Orange, N.J. (see photos online). They reside in Riverdale, N.J. The bridal party included Tom Boutin and Keith Kesten as groomsmen and Cara Murphy ’11 as a bridesmaid.

Kristin Gilman and Gary Steinberg were married Aug. 31 in Greenwich, Conn. Gary’s best man was Keith Kesten. Kira Moore, Rob Fehn, Dan Goldberg, Jesse Hatgis ’08, Sam ’08 and Christine Fitzherbert ’08 Singer, Zac Zamore, and Sarah Smith ’07 attended (see photos online). Kristin and Gary live in Manchester, Conn. Gary graduated from University of Illinois School of Veterinary Medicine last May and is a vet in Manchester, Conn. Kristin is a cardiothoracic surgery nurse in Hartford, Conn.

Jen Czochor married Paul Guarino ’08 June 1 in Chadds Ford, Pa. Kerry Nichols was a bridesmaid. Pat Kelly ’08 was best man and Mike Hohenadel ’08 was a groomsman. Meghan Kelly, Rebecca Teitelbaum, Dan Sheehan ’08, Jim Horting ’08, Steve Melnic, Jason George, Chael Bell ’08, Sarah Sykes, Janie Beckwith, Kelly Hinkel, Kevin Oswalt ’10, Brian Cronise, Sarah Reddan, Brian Sacharczyk ’08 and Chip Nataro, professor of chemistry attended (see photos online). Jen is in her fifth year at Yale University, anticipating graduating in December with a Ph.D. in genetics. Paul works for SAC Capital in NYC. The couple lives in Stamford, Conn.

Joseph Peralta and Thao “Liz” Nguyen ’07 tied the knot at Valley Crest Farm in Clinton, N.J., Sept. 21 (see photo online). Samira Fowler ’07 and Xia “Charlotte” Wang ’10 were maids of honor, and Sarah Stoudemire, Ricardo Rodriguez, Josh Shek, Nicholas Diaz, and Devin Canavan were also in the wedding party. Nolan Pick ’07, Danielle Bero ’07, Ken Suarez ’07, Marek Koltun and Carla Benedek-Koltun, Matt Gibbons, Nick Perretti ’07, Sheynor Hall, and Ed Yao ’08 attended. The couple lives in Washington, D.C. Liz is doing her postdoctorate at National Institutes of Standards and Technology, while Joseph works at FLOC, an educational nonprofit, and is earning his master’s in education policy and human development at George Washington University.

After working at Christie’s as lead property manager for private sales, Natalie Cothren joined Bruce Silverstein Gallery last July as registrar. She also serves as a private art installation and collection consultant for dealers and their clients in NYC. Additionally, she accepted a grant proposal by The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center of NYC to implement a comprehensive inventory and gallery system for its growing and historically important fine art collection.

Sarah Sykes graduated from University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine last May and is completing her one-year internship at Cornell University’s Hospital for Animals. In July, she begins a residency position in veterinary anatomic pathology at Penn (see photo online).

Cary Marshall lives in London and works as a life skills worker for Eaves, a charity/NGO that supports women who have experienced domestic abuse, sex trafficking, and prostitution. Her 2011 University of Essex master’s is in human rights and cultural diversity with a focus on violence against women.

Abra Berkowitz lived in the Israeli desert for about three years with a group of scientists and conservationists. She completed her master’s in environmental studies at Ben-Gurion University and the Arava Institute for Environmental Studies. Her thesis looked at urban planning for the indigenous, formerly nomadic Arab-Bedouins living in the Negev area of Israel. Half the Bedouin population in southern Israel live in unrecognized dwellings, considered illegal by the authorities. Residents of these villages subsist in extreme poverty. Abra researched a new project slated by the government to recognize some of these villages. She returned to the States to work as a program coordinator at the Arava Institute. Since her return, Abra has traveled the U.S. with one of her triplet brothers. She may start a Ph.D. in urban planning this fall.

Jenny Boyar is completing her second year in graduate school at University of Rochester.

Riley Jacoby was admitted to both the Pennsylvania and New Jersey bars this fall and began work as corporate counsel at U.S. Realty Capital LLC, a commercial real estate brokerage and investment firm in Conshohocken, Pa. In early November, Riley and Gardner Halloran (Lehigh, 2009) got engaged.
**PROFILE**

**Cherry ’58 Recognized for Lifetime Achievement in Engineering**

In recognition of outstanding accomplishments in a civil engineering career spanning more than 50 years, *Doug Cherry* ’58 received the Dr. John L. Buzzi Award for Engineering Excellence from the New Jersey Alliance for Action (NJAJA) in 2013 and was the first recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from the New Jersey chapter of American Council of Engineering Companies.

NJAJA is a coalition of more than 2,500 business, professional, academic, and government leaders. The New Jersey chapter of ACEC includes 115 firms employing more than 5,500 people.

Cherry’s experience includes serving as a highway and bridge designer for Penn DOT as well as municipal engineer for Phillipsburg, N.J., and county engineer for Hunterdon County, N.J. He founded C. Douglas Cherry & Associates (now Cherry, Weber & Associates) in 1970 where he served as president and CEO until his retirement in 2011. The firm established a scholarship in his name, which is awarded to a student in the field of engineering who exemplifies Cherry’s commitment to community, profession, and society.

A civil engineering graduate, Cherry holds a master’s in civil engineering from NJIT. He was inducted into the College of Fellows in 2011 by the American Council of Engineering Companies, having been selected from a membership of more than 500,000 representing more than 5,000 engineering firms.

For his dedication and generosity to the College, the C. Douglas Cherry Room in Pfenning Alumni Center is named in his honor. A member of Lafayette Leadership Council and Maroon Club, he is also a consistent supporter of the engineering program and has sponsored a member of the football team for the past six years. The College recently completed the 16th annual Doug Cherry Wrestling Tournament, named in his honor.

Growing up with an interest in creating and building things, Cherry was destined to become an engineer. A graduate of Abington High School, he applied to three all-male colleges with strong engineering programs. “Lafayette was my first choice because it also had a top competitive wrestling program and 19 fraternities.”

As an undergraduate, Cherry was on the varsity wrestling team, serving as co-captain in 1958. He was also a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity and later served as national vice president. He will be presented with the organization’s alumni achievement award in New Orleans in July.

“When I started my career and interacted with other engineers, I found that my technical knowledge was equal to or better than my peers,” he says. “My fraternity experience made it easy to interact with the public and fellow engineers. The wrestling program gave me the confidence to tie everything together and prepare for the next level.”

For many years, Cherry’s hobby was restoring cars. A 1954 Corvette that he restored by hand from 1975 to 1979, took 20 first and 13 best-of-shows in 1980. The polo white convertible with red interior also received two National Corvette Restorers Society “Top Flight” awards.

Cherry has received many other professional awards and been an officer in a variety of organizations including New Jersey Society of Professional Engineers and Consulting Engineers Council of New Jersey. In addition, he is a director of the Phillipsburg Urban Enterprise Zone Committee, served 15 years on the board of United Trust Bank (later sold to PNC Bank), and was chair of the Phillipsburg Planning Board.
Jared Mintz ‘11 was awarded a Victory Scholarship by the Sports Changes Lives Foundation.

IN THE NEWS

White ’02 Achieves Success in Legal Career

Evan J. White ’02 has been tapped as a 2013 Rising Star in labor and employment law in the New York Metro edition of Super Lawyers Magazine, a nationwide rating service. Only 2.5 percent of attorneys in a given state are recognized.

White is a founding partner in White Harris PLLC, a firm that focuses exclusively on the legal representation of business in employment law matters. “Counseling businesses gives me the opportunity to work hand-in-hand with corporate clients and guide them on avoiding employment-based lawsuits or complaints,” he says.

A government and law graduate with a J.D. from New York Law School, White credits Pam Brewer, director of student leadership, with helping him develop his capabilities through his roles as an orientation leader and member of Student Government.

White has been quoted in articles related to employment law issues in Fox Business News, Law 360, and American Express Open Forum. He also has contributed articles to Priori Legal, Small Business Update, and the New York State Bar Association Labor & Employment Law Journal.

—Kate Helm

2012

Former head sports editor for The Lafayette Eric Goldstein wrote a front page article for ESPN.com about the start of the Philadelphia 76ers’ 2013–14 season. Eric runs the Twitter feed @Hoop_76, which is associated with the ESPN TrueHoop Network. He also writes for Gazette.Net, a Maryland online community news service.

Engineering graduate Brian Asingia is business analyst at USA Development, IntercontinentalExchange Group, Inc. NYSE.

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2013

After spending five and a half months in Bali, Indonesia, Morgan West returned home to California to pursue a midwifery apprenticeship. While in Bali, she trained with professional midwives at birth centers. Morgan shared in the joy of the births of 25 babies.

Lara Lash is earning her master’s Ph.D. in aerospace engineering at the University of Tennessee Space Institute. She enjoys the academic atmosphere and is passionate about her classes and research.

Matt Mezger is in his first year at George Washington University Law School. Alec Eidelman works as a research database manager and clinical research coordinator for the genitourinary department for radiation oncology at Massachusetts General Hospital. Alec is deep into the dental school application process.

Christa Martinez is a master’s candidate in industrial design at University of the Arts. Sabbir Siddiqui is a program analyst for consulting firm SMC Partners LLC in Hartford, Conn., working with Nicholas Martinez ’13, Ryan Murphy ’13, and Zach Cleary ’10. He continues to learn about using technology to improve health care.

Tony Johnson, former varsity basketball point guard and fourth in Lafayette history in steals, signed a contract to play professionally for the Dutch Basketball League. He starts for the Den Bosch Shoeters, 2012’s regular-season champion.

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2011

Jared Mintz attends University of Ulster in Jordanstown, Northern Ireland, and will play basketball during the 2013–14 school year. As part of his Victory Scholarship, he will work with youth in community programs to help them raise their aspirations.

Jessica Swanson is employed by Serco in Harrisonburg, Va., as a patent classifier. She works with John Quodomine, Dyana Picache ’12, and Katie Reinhardt ’12.

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