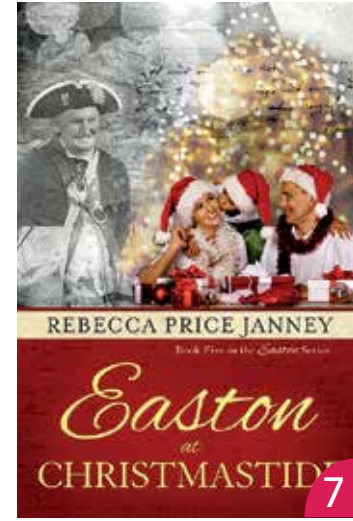


# ALUMNI highlights



Our alumni have incredible stories and milestones to share. Here are a few highlights from Class Notes.

- 1 **Len Ostroff '89** recently joined Crisp (gocrisp.com), a startup whose mission is to reduce food waste by providing data transparency into the supply chain. **Dave Leyrer '89** was the lead investor and serves on the board.
- 2 **Margi Bergamini '85** went to the Masters Nationals in Orlando, Fla., with Severna Park, Md., masters swim team, where she won two golds, four silvers, and five bronze medals, breaking the team record in the 1,650.
- 3 **Dallas Hetherington '84** has retired from the chemical industry and was recently named president of the board of Raritan Headwaters Association, a local New Jersey watershed watchdog and land trust.

- 4 **Henry Dubroff '72** recently received the President's Award from the Society for Advancing Business Editing and Writing (SABEW) at its annual conference in New York City for his work as chair of the First Amendment Committee and for overall advocacy on First Amendment/press freedom issues.  
*Caption Note: Henry is on the right. On the left is Caleb Silver, editor at Investopedia and president of SABEW.*
- 5 **Phil Kolarczyk '03** has been working as a physician assistant for several years and relocated to Greensboro, N.C., where he opened his own health and wellness clinic in August 2021.
- 6 After serving in government for the past 62 years, as both an elected and appointed official, **Anthony E. Russo '48** was honored by the residents and the local government of Union, N.J., as they dedicated a park in the center of town as the Anthony E. Russo Park, where they also erected a monument to honor him.

- 7 **Rebecca Price Janney '80's** newest novel, the fifth in her Easton series, *Easton at Christmastide*, has been named a Selah Award finalist in the category of historical fiction. The Selahs are a competitive national book award sponsored by the Blue Ridge Writers' Conference.
- 8 **Katherine Blair Mulready '04**, who now serves as SVP and chief strategy officer for the Colorado Hospital Association, was honored with the distinguished 40 Under 40 award by the *Denver Business Journal*.
- 9 **Lloyd Levenson '68** and his wife, Liane, were featured in a magazine article in *New Jersey Business Magazine* spotlighting the 10-year anniversary of the Lloyd D. Levenson Institute of Gaming, Hospitality and Tourism at Stockton University. The institute was founded by Lloyd and named after him.

- 10 **Don Kein '59** was on campus May 21, 2022, for the graduation of his granddaughter **Valerie Nieves '22**. Valerie will be the fourth generation of Keins to have graduated from Lafayette.
- 11 **Doug Walsh '97** is thrilled to announce his follow-up novel, *Shadows of Kalalau*, published November 2021. The novel is a coming-of-age thriller set along the majestic Napali Coast of Kaua'i.
- 12 In May 2022, **Bruce Ballard '75** earned his J.D. from University of North Carolina School of Law. He will begin his second career as an assistant district attorney in the fall, fulfilling his long-term interest in the law after successful careers (and degrees) in several fields.



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## I Say Goodbye and You Say Hello...

This distortion of the classic Beatles song title  
was suggested by Michael Weisburger '82, the  
incoming Alumni Association president, when we  
discussed my final column for *Lafayette* magazine.

On June 3, my term will come to a close. That evening,  
“Weissy” (as he is commonly known) will be handed the  
Alumni Association gavel and will graciously take over my  
role on the Alumni Association board. We will be in very  
good company that evening, among the hundreds of alumni  
who will be on campus celebrating milestone reunion years.  
In fact, Weissy and I are celebrating 40 years!

The position of Alumni Association president comes with  
many privileges, duties, and obligations, and it turns out that  
one of my final duties will go down as the most meaningful  
event of my presidency. I am writing this column days after  
returning from Commencement weekend on campus. One  
of the Alumni Association president's privileges is to be part of the academic procession and  
individually welcome each member of the graduating class into lifetime roles as Lafayette  
alumni.

On Saturday, May 21, members of the **Class of 2022** joined the ranks of an alumni family that  
is more than 30,000 strong. I shook every hand as they bounded down from the stage, newly  
graduated and proud. My “welcome to the Lafayette alumni family” greeting most likely did not  
resonate as they were being directed to take a photo and receive our Alumni Association gift.

On Sunday, May 22, the College welcomed back the **Class of 2020** for a real-life do-over  
of their 2020 virtual Commencement ceremony. This was the class whose members never  
returned to campus after spring break in March 2020 and watched their graduation ceremony  
online from their homes. It was a priority of the College to make it up to them and give  
them a tangible and celebratory experience so that they could walk across the stage and be  
acknowledged.

So, members of the **Class of 2020**, if you are reading this, your Commencement was my  
favorite experience as Alumni Association president. It was an honor to be on hand to greet  
you as you left the stage. In my remarks during the ceremony I said that I am not welcoming  
you as new alumni, I'm thanking you for doing the most important thing alumni can do: come  
back home to Lafayette to be honored by your alma mater.

This event summed up what makes the Lafayette alumni experience so rewarding. The  
Class of 2020 received their diplomas two years ago. Yet they were thrilled to return as alumni  
to celebrate with their classmates, their favorite faculty, fellow alumni, and their families.  
When I shook their hands and welcomed them back, almost every person said, “Thank you  
for having us, thank you for doing this.” I wish I could take all the credit.

I thank the College for giving me the honor of serving as Alumni Association president.  
Thank you to all members of the Alumni Association board and to the thousands of alumni  
and parents who attend events, partner with the Gateway Center to provide support for  
students' career endeavors, and so generously donate to the College.

Hopefully, our alumni will follow the example of the Class of 2020 by gathering back on  
campus and appreciating their connection to Lafayette. As I say goodbye and Weissy says  
hello, I know the alumni community is in good hands.

With Pard Pride,

Tracy Hagert Sutka '82 P'17  
President



## 1948

We received a lovely message from Analisa  
Stankus, granddaughter of **Anthony  
E. Russo**. Here's what she shares: “My  
grandfather was born and raised in the  
Pursel Hill section of Phillipsburg, N.J.,  
during the years of the Great Depression.  
As a result of those hard times, he  
developed an outstanding sense of  
character and strength. Because of what he  
witnessed during those years, embedded in  
him has been a burning desire to be of help  
to as many people as possible.

“In a few more months, my grandfather  
will be 96 years old, and in spite of his age,  
he continues to be at the same pace as he  
did when he was a young man in his 30s  
and 40s. He currently serves as an assistant  
county attorney in Union County, N.J., and  
that position includes his attendance at  
court hearings approximately two times  
each week, which requires his personal  
driving to various courts throughout the  
state of New Jersey. Also, he continues his  
private law practice every afternoon and  
evening in his office in the center of the  
town of Union.

“My grandfather has been serving in  
government for the past 62 years—both  
as an elected official and as an appointed  
official. He served his community of Union  
for 27 years as a member of its governing  
body, and as its mayor for 10 years. He also  
represented Union County in the New  
Jersey Legislature as a state senator in the  
late 1970s.

“Because of his dedicated record in  
government, my grandfather was admitted  
to the Hall of Fame of the New Jersey  
League of Municipalities. He also was  
admitted to the Hall of Fame of the  
Union Historical Society in recognition  
of his untiring efforts concerning the  
preservation of the colonial history of  
Union, including the Revolutionary War  
battles that occurred in that community.

“Recently, residents and the town  
government of Union dedicated a park  
in the center of the town as the Anthony  
E. Russo Park, where they erected a  
monument of him in the park.

“Records of the New Jersey Division of  
Pensions and Benefits would undoubtedly  
reveal that my grandfather is the oldest  
official serving in government at all levels  
including local, county, and state.

“My grandfather is asked the same  
questions frequently, ‘When do you intend  
to retire from government, and when will  
you terminate the private law practice?’ His  
answer is always the same—‘NEVER. One  
of the greatest gifts of life is to be of service  
and assistance to people who need help.’”

Thanks, Anthony, for your service. It  
makes Lafayette proud!

## 1951

**Stephen Slampyak** passed away July 21,  
2021. Born in Brainards, N.J., he attended  
Belvedere High School and completed  
a B.S. in electrical engineering from  
Lafayette.

He was drafted into the U.S. Navy in  
1955 and served in China Lake, Calif., until  
1957. He then earned his M.S. in electrical  
engineering at LaSalle University, then  
joined Philco and remained with it after its  
merger with Ford. He eventually started his  
own successful consultancy.

In 1960, Stephen wed the “most beautiful,  
loving, and graceful” woman he could ever  
hope to meet, Elizabeth Anne Doidge.  
They stayed happily in love until her death  
Nov. 11, 2012.

Stephen was a wonderful father. He  
encouraged his children, Stephen, Theodore,  
and Diana, to participate in sports and  
managed a team or two each season. He  
sacrificed a higher-level career in electrical  
engineering because he preferred a more  
family-oriented work/life balance.

Stephen enjoyed various activities.  
Every day, he would do all the puzzles in  
the newspaper—and get frustrated when  
his daughter, Diana, would figure out an  
answer before him. He also loved attending  
events with the TLA Warminster Group,  
where he had many wonderful friends with  
whom he bowled, went to house parties  
and dinners, played cards and games, and  
talked. He also had a trusted group of pals  
at the Spring Mill Athletic Club. He loved

to take jaunts around the neighborhood,  
playing amateur police officer and yelling  
at speeders to slow down. Finally, he loved  
nights in front of the TV with Diana and  
Totoro, Diana's cat.

He had two other passions: golfing and  
portraiture/wedding photography. He  
excelled at the first, shooting mostly birdies  
and pars with the occasional hole-in-one,  
almost always winning against his large  
circle of golfing buddies. He won countless  
tournaments around the area. As for his  
photography, he enamored many a bride  
and groom and lovely families as he shot  
their weddings or portraits.

**John B. Dolph** passed away March 31,  
2021. His son shared that news, but an  
obituary wasn't available.

**Charles R. Nony** died Jan. 2, 2022, at  
the Springs of Chenal Health and Rehab in  
Little Rock, Ark. He was born in New York  
City July 13, 1929, and married Nina White  
in 1953, who predeceased him in 2012.  
Charles graduated from Lafayette College  
with a degree in chemistry. He served in  
the U.S. Army during the Korean War  
(1951-1953). He worked at the Pine Bluff  
Arsenal (1954-1971) and the National Center  
for Toxicological Research (1971-1985).

He is survived by three sons, Kenny  
(Susie), Terry, Paul (Charlene), his  
daughter, Holly Hirschert (Kurt), and  
two grandchildren, Audrey Nony and  
Olivia Nony.

**Allen H. Arkett** passed away Jan. 8,  
2022. Allen was born Dec. 2, 1927, in East  
Orange, N.J. He was born with a beloved  
twin sister, Elizabeth (Betty), with  
whom he shared many experiences, and  
lived in multiple locations in New Jersey,  
Ohio, and Connecticut as their parents  
were dedicated officers in service to The  
Salvation Army. After graduating from East  
Orange High School in 1945, he started  
school at Lafayette College, but shortly  
thereafter was drafted for service into the  
U.S. Army, where he served as an instructor  
and paratrooper at Fort Benning, Ga. After  
the service, he graduated with a mechanical  
engineering degree from Lafayette. He  
became a dedicated employee of Babcock  
& Wilcox Co. for 38 years, initially in New  
York later transferring to Barberton, Ohio.

He soon was promoted to project manager and traveled abroad, overseeing the startup of power plants. Allen shared a cherished life with his wife, best friend, and devoted partner, Phyllis DesMarais Arnett, for over 70 years. They married in 1951 in East Orange, N.J. Their life took them to Bryn Mawr and Wayne, Pa., rearing their first two children, then to Morristown, N.J., having their third child, then relocating to Norton, Ohio, in 1958, where their fourth child was born.

While Allen was a proud professional, his true passion was music, notably the sounds of big band and classical music. His lifetime love of the cello began at age 6. He enjoyed playing in quartet ensembles, musicals, and the Medina Symphony. In song, he lent his alto voice to the harmony of college barbershop quartets, Kuebler Beer jingle commercials, and St. Andrew's choir. Allen was a man of various talents and interests, many shared with his family. He was an avid snow skier, ski jumper, and a founding member of the Akron Ski Club. Allen came from a water-loving family with a passion for sailing that was shared by Phyllis for over 25 years. He loved to swim in the ocean especially along the East Coast as a child and later in the Gulf of Mexico. Tennis was an all-time family favorite, and once retired, he played regularly with friends. With his engineer mind, there was little he, as a master tinkerer, would not attempt to build or repair. He passed along to his family his great love of nature and the outdoors, spending time traveling, camping, hiking in Summit County parks, and pedaling on rail trails. He and Phyllis enjoyed their bicycle outings so much that he would often say he wished he had been born 20 years later because he loved riding on the developing rail trail systems. He dedicated years as a faithful member of St. Andrews Episcopal Church. He was mindful of his family's devotion to The Salvation Army by volunteering time, ringing the bell for the Red Kettle Campaign, and serving on boards. His love of youth and the outdoors promoted his volunteerism with the Boy Scouts serving as a Cubmaster for 20 years. He is survived by his beloved wife

of 70 years, Phyllis; son Stuart (Marilyn) Arnett; daughters Jennifer (Lonnie) Arnett and Casley (Robert) Nagengast; son-in-law Jon Carver; seven grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

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## 1952

**Robert O. Lindstrom** passed away peacefully Jan. 15, 2022. Born in Nutley, N.J., he was a member of the Marine Corps, a graduate of Lafayette College, and a member of Delta Tau Delta. He worked as an industrial engineer for Glidden-Durkee Foods and obtained many patents for his work throughout the years. He is survived by his loving wife of 69 years, Pam Lindstrom; his children, Craig (Lisa) Lindstrom of Houston, Texas, Dana Nicloy of Cape Coral, Fla., and Beth Greene of Cleveland, Ohio; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He was a member of Cleveland Yacht Club for over 40 years and an avid sailor. He also loved woodworking, fishing, and finding new ways to create things.

## 1953

**Arthur H. Axberg Jr.**, who passed away Feb. 19, 2022, didn't have an obituary published, but his son passed this note along to us. "Arthur was a proud member of Phi Gamma Delta on 14 Sullivan Lane. Arthur and Alice were married Sept. 6, 1952, while still in college. Arthur is survived by his wife and best friend, Alice (92) and their three sons, Art, Alan, and Andrew. Dad was a strong Christian man who always helped people. Mom and Dad loved to sail and spent the summers sailing out of Long Island, N.Y., up into New England. They would drop a hook wherever they wanted. They gave up sailing when he was 80!" We will miss you.

Lt. Col. **Richard "Dick" A. Uhrig** passed away Dec. 17, 2021, at age 91. He was born Oct. 2, 1930, in Manhattan, N.Y. Dick spent his youth in New York City and from December 1941 to August 1946, Germany.

Dick was a graduate of Cliffside Park High School 1949 and Lafayette College 1953. He worked summers at Lenape Village in the Poconos, where he met and fell in love with Elly Keiser, the owners' daughter. Dick and Elly eloped Nov. 7, 1953. They were married for 67 years until her death.

The U.S. Army shipped Dick off to Germany; Elly followed a few months later. In 1958, they returned stateside, with assignments at Fort Bragg, N.C., Fort McClellan, Ala., and Camillus, N.Y. In 1967, they moved to Chester, Va., and resided at their home on Percival Street for nearly 44 years. In 2011, they moved to the retirement community at Lucy Corr Village.

In 1976, after serving his country for nearly 23 years, Dick retired as a lieutenant colonel. He worked briefly for the Garcia Corp. In 1979, the Republican party recruited Dick to run for Chesterfield County treasurer. He ran a valiant but unsuccessful campaign.

Around 1980, Dick found his second act: serving with the Bensley-Bermuda Volunteer Rescue Squad. He logged thousands of hours as a driver and paramedic. He also served as an instructor, chief of operations (1985), vice president (1987-1988), and president (1998).

Dick was an avid bridge player and led a local duplicate game for many years.

Dick is survived by eight children, Rick, Lee, Bob, Shirley Griffith, Kathy Braun, Mary Phillips, Tom, and Bill; 15 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

**Raymond V. Morrow** passed away Jan. 28, 2022. He was the devoted husband of Bonnie (Grovvatt) Morrow, with whom he shared over 48 years together. Born in Phillipsburg, Ray attended Blair Academy and went on to earn his bachelor's degree in chemistry with honors from Lafayette College. He established himself as a chemical engineer as well as a successful entrepreneur. He honorably served his country in the Merchant Marines as well

as the U.S. Army. Ray was an avid Notre Dame, Philadelphia Eagles, and Detroit Tigers fan. He was a lover of life, master scuba instructor, patent holder, inventor, and skydiver. Ray remained active well into recent years as an accomplished writer and poet.

In addition to his loving wife, Bonnie, he will be remembered by sons Shawn (Laura) Morrow and Kevin (Amber) Morrow; daughters Tara (Joseph Santilli) Morrow and Meghan (Matthew Dellecker) Morrow; and 13 loving grandchildren.

**Martin E. Carroll III** passed away Jan. 26, 2020. He was born March 28, 1930, in Trenton, N.J. He is survived by his loving wife, Carol, and three children, Nancy, Suzanne, and Michael.

**Dr. Lawrence Scharff** passed away Feb. 11, 2022, but there was no obituary.

**Harold J. Curry**, former New Jersey state assemblyman and Phillipsburg attorney, passed away March 21, 2022. Harold was born in Phillipsburg, N.J., June 7, 1931. He shared 57 years with his beloved wife, Joanne (Daly), enjoying many trips to the Jersey shore, Killington, and Disney World over the years. Harold graduated from Phillipsburg High School in 1949 and earned a B.A. from Lafayette College. He then served in the U.S. Army 1953-1955, attaining the rank of first lieutenant, infantry. After leaving the military, Harold went on to earn his Juris Doctor from Rutgers Law School, class of 1958. After graduating law school Harold clerked with the state of New Jersey Office of Attorney General and for the Hon. Frank J. Kingfield, judge of the New Jersey Superior Court. He engaged in the private practice of law from the building he grew up in on South Main Street, joined by his cousin, John (Jack) Kingfield, in the Law Offices of Curry & Kingfield, until his retirement from Curry & Curry, where he had worked with his son Matthew. He loved to tell of how that building housed his grandfather's shoe store before it became a law office. Harold was elected to two terms in the New Jersey State Assembly in 1964 and 1966, where he served as chairman of the Agriculture, Conservation, and

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Notices received Jan. 2022 through April 2022

1949	Walter Hartl Donald M. Seib	Jan. 29, 2022 March 8, 2022	1961	Karoly J. Dobay Donald S. Hillier Robert H. Kroeger, Jr. James J. Malloy Bruce D. McCumber P'89'92 William Sibal	March 20, 2019 Dec. 20, 2021 Dec. 17, 2021 Oct. 21, 2018 March 15, 2022 Jan. 6, 2022
1950	Donald A. Halpin P'75 Alfred J. Held, Jr. G. Stewart Leeder Robert T. MacNaughton	Feb. 19, 2022 Jan. 19, 2019 Feb. 27, 2022 Dec. 10, 2021	1962	Gale R. "Sandy" Schwikl P'94	Feb. 22, 2022
1951	Allen H. Arnett John B. Dolph Charles R. Nony Stephen Slampyak	Jan. 8, 2022 March 31, 2021 Jan. 2, 2022 July 21, 2021	1963	Lowell H. Johnson Craig M. Shields James L. Sculley William J. Teeter, Sr.	March 19, 2022 Jan. 3, 2022 Sept. 2, 2021 Jan. 27, 2022
1952	Robert O. Lindstrom	Jan. 15, 2022	1964	Mark J. Kadish William N. Pedersen	Jan. 17, 2022 Sept. 15, 2020
1953	Arthur H. Axberg, Jr. Martin E. Carroll, III Harold J. Curry Raymond V. Morrow Lawrence Scharff Richard A. Uhrig	Feb. 19, 2022 Jan. 26, 2020 March 21, 2022 Jan. 28, 2022 Feb. 11, 2022 Dec. 17, 2021	1965	Robert S. Gombos Ronald E. Tornwall	Nov. 11, 2021 Jan. 10, 2022
1954	William G. Miller	March 4, 2022	1966	John A. Black Barry A. Meltzer Jonathan D. Smith, Jr.	April 6, 2022 Dec. 6, 2021 Feb. 11, 2022
1955	Joseph M. Hunt Harry K. Leader Arthur J. Rothkopf Donald F. Steele, Jr. P'87	Jan. 18, 2022 Feb. 6, 2022 Feb. 9, 2022 Sept. 27, 2021	1967	Douglas LaPasta P'92	Sept. 15, 2020
1956	John W. Budd, Jr. Nicholas Ceto, Jr. John D. F. Oakes Paul P. Wisler, Jr.	March 16, 2017 Jan. 8, 2022 March 21, 2022 Sept. 19, 2014	1968	James W. Brotzman George Keith Martin Jr.	Feb. 26, 2022 Aug. 11, 2021
1957	Irvin A. Kunzman, Jr. Michael J. McCooley Richard S. Saul John M. Stanley Thomas L.M. Wiegand	April 17, 2020 Dec. 10, 2019 Nov. 22, 2020 Sept. 15, 2021 Jan. 25, 2022	1970	Mark L. Cozin Rev. Randolph Frank	April 19, 2022 Sept. 28, 2021
1958	Richard Faust Rev. William E. Foreman Dr. Robert H. Graham Donald L. Havey Paul F. Highberger William M. Houldin, Jr. P'91GP'08'15	Oct. 22, 2021 Feb. 15, 2022 Jan. 13, 2022 March 12, 2022 March 8, 2021 Jan. 17, 2022	1972	Martin G. Chilek Roman W. Osadca	Nov. 19, 2017 Feb. 15, 2022
1959	Charles M. Puckette, IV P'84'93 George M. Richmond Henry M. Weeks IV	Jan. 21, 2022 Jan. 14, 2022 March 13, 2022	1973	Frank D. Henderson Richard H. Steigerwalt	April 30, 2021 Jan. 16, 2022
1960	Robert L. Shear Natale A. Vivian	Aug. 13, 2021 March 25, 2020	1974	Michael A. Kovacs	Nov. 18, 2021
			1975	Ina Shapiro Hecker	Aug. 31, 2021
			1976	Dr. Honor G. Manilla Robert L. Rovins Kevin F. Tichacek	July 16, 2021 May 25, 2020 July 12, 2020
			1977	Gary L. Kessler Thaddeus M. Sowa Jr.	April 3, 2020 Oct. 9, 2013
			1980	Albert M. Giovanni Robert W. Northup, Jr.	Jan. 13, 2020 Jan. 16, 2020
			1989	Lawrence A. Usilaner	Jan. 26, 2022
			2000	Theodore Lucas, Jr.	Feb. 21, 2022
			2003	Kenya S. Flash	Dec. 24, 2021

Economic Development Committee 1966-1968. He also acted as the Warren County delegate to the New Jersey Constitutional Convention. Harold was appointed Warren County adjuster in 1968 and served in that position until 1999. During his time as county adjuster, he served as vice president of the New Jersey Association of County Adjusters 1971-1984. Harold represented the Phillipsburg Police Department (1962-67), Phillipsburg Building & Loan Association (1959-67), Borough of Alpha (1971-78),

and the Warren County Election Board (1968-77). Harold was elected secretary and then president of the Warren County Bar Association (1975-76). He served as chairman of the Warren County Bar Association Ethics Committee (1970-72), New Jersey State Bar Association Judicial Appointment Committee (1970-74), New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness (1974-76), and New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on the Unauthorized Practice of Law (1975-84). Following his father's footsteps,

Harold was a member of the board of directors for Phillipsburg National Bank and Trust Co. 1978-1988 (chairman 1986-88), Vista Bancorp Inc. 1988-2002 (vice chairman 1995-98, chairman 1998-2002), Twin Rivers Community Bank 1989-2000, and United National Bank Corp. 2002-2003 and Warren County Welfare Board 1968-1999. Harold also gave back to his community, serving as a member of boards of directors—Joseph H. Firth Youth Center, chairman Warren County March of Dimes, Exalted Ruler BPO of Elks—Phillipsburg Lodge (1965-66), Phillipsburg Rotary Club, Knights of Columbus, American Legion—John Dolak Alpha Post, Holy Name Society, St. Philip & St. James Roman Catholic Church Building Fund Drive for High School and Convent, board of directors association for Retarded Citizens Warren Unit Inc. (1980-84), vice chairman YMCA Easton, Phillipsburg and vicinity Building Fund Drive (1980-81), board of directors Chelsea Title & Guaranty Co. (1982-86), Diocese of Metuchen Bequest & Planned Gift Committee (1985-86), Citizen's Advisory Committee of Town of Phillipsburg Warren County Historical Society, and as vice president and president of the Phillipsburg High School Class of 1949 Alumni Association, Phillipsburg Downtown Merchants Association, Phillipsburg Riverview Organization, and Phillipsburg Historical Society.

Harold also loved to spend time with his children's sports activities and volunteered as a coach for Steel Hill Bidy and Midget baseball, as a member and president of the Penn-Jersey Swim League 1973-1974, and one of the organizers of Penn-Jersey Summer Swim League for children in Warren, Hunterdon, and Northampton counties, treasurer of the Easton Area YM-YWCA Aquatic Club 1972-1983, and as a member and president of the Lopatcong Swim Team Booster Club for 20 years. He himself also enjoyed sports and was one of the organizers of the Hillcrest Racquet Club. He was always active, playing tennis, golf, going to the Y, and counting his vertical miles skied on his many trips to Killington.

He also participated in the 1995 Central Jersey Senior Olympic Games, winning three gold and three silver medals. For his many years of service, Harold received numerous awards, including 1965 Phillipsburg Area Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award, 1966 Award Citation by New Jersey Recreation Society Inc., 1966 Edition of Outstanding Young Men of America, 1967 Legislative Conservationist Award by the New Jersey Federation of Sportsman Club, and was inducted to the Phillipsburg High School Wall of Fame in 2001.

Harold was preceded by his wife, Joanne D. Curry, and daughter Mary Ellen Curry. He is survived by his three sons: H. Matthew (Grace) Curry, Robert J (Carey) Curry, and Christopher J. Curry, along with seven grandchildren.

**Charles "Chuck" A. Flanagan** died Sept. 8, 2021, after a short illness. Born Oct. 14, 1931, in Indiana County, Pa., he earned an undergraduate degree in engineering physics at Lafayette College, the first in his family to complete college. Through the ROTC program, he joined the U.S. Army, where he was able to assist in the Nevada atomic bomb tests in 1955. He then joined Westinghouse Electric Co. at the Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory in Pittsburgh, where he met his wife, the former Jane Pell.

Chuck was active for 40 years in technical management of nuclear fission and fusion programs. At Bettis he contributed to the design of the Shippingport Atomic Power Station, the first commercial nuclear plant. Later, he managed the nuclear engineering department, responsible for reactors in more than 100 ships in the nuclear navy. In 1975, he became a project manager in the newly formed Westinghouse fusion program. He moved to Oak Ridge, Tenn., in 1980 to become deputy manager of the Fusion Engineering Design Center at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. He was the U.S. delegate to the International Thermonuclear Reactor (INTOR), a collaboration of the U.S., European Community, USSR, and Japan, which led to the creation of the International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor

(ITER). He spent three years in Munich as project coordinator for the ITER conceptual design phase. Upon his return to Oak Ridge, he served as deputy team leader of the U.S. ITER program. He retired from full-time professional activities in 1995, and continued as an international consultant and scientific adviser until 1998.

Chuck enjoyed the outdoors. He was active in golf, tennis, swimming, biking, hiking, and tai chi. He was a proud member of a morning swim group. He climbed to the summit of each of the official 48 highest peaks in the White Mountains of New Hampshire and completed a monthlong trek in the Annapurna Mountains of Nepal. During his career and following retirement, he and Jane traveled to locations around the world, including to each of the seven continents. Following retirement, he and Jane spent six summers as staff members at a YMCA family camp in New Hampshire, a camp they loved as campers every summer since 1968. The young adult staff members knew Chuck as "Blue," a nickname he treasured.

His survivors include his wife, Jane, their daughter, Cathy (Andrew) Flint, their son, Bill (Ann), and four grandchildren.

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## 1954

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## 1955

**Harry K. Leader** passed away early this year in New Smyrna Beach, Fla. He is survived by Kathleen, his wife of 27 years, and daughter Susan, two grandsons, five great-grandchildren, three stepchildren,

and six step-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother **Charles Leader**, who was also a member of the Class of 1955.

Originally from Schenectady, N.Y., Harry graduated from Nott Terrace High School and Mercersburg Academy. He earned his degree in industrial engineering, joined General Electric after graduation, and spent 36 years with them, retiring in 1991 as manager of quality control in general manufacturing.

Golf was Harry's favorite recreational pursuit, and he was a member of Mohawk Golf Club for 65 years, had a hole in one, was on the board of governors, and was greens chairman for many years. He also made his own golf clubs.

After a long illness, **Donald F. "Don" Steele P'87** passed away last September in Pittsburgh, Pa. He is survived by his wife, Carol, daughter Alexandra, son Donald III, and stepdaughter Clarissa.

After graduating from Germantown Friends School in Philadelphia, Don came to Lafayette and obtained his degree in government. He was a member of Theta Delta Chi and served on its executive committee. He was on the sophomore, junior, and senior courts, and a member of the Kirby Society.

Following his service in the U.S. Army, he embarked on a career in the steel industry and retired as the national sales manager for British Petroleum. He was a member of the Philadelphia Cricket Club and Edgewood Country Club. He loved golf and attended 18 Masters tournaments. Don was a good friend and stayed in touch for many years.

**Joseph M. "Joe" Hunt** died in January in Strasburg, Pa. He is survived by his wife, Patricia, two daughters, and a son, as well as two grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother **Fred Hunt '56**.

Born in Newark, N.J., he was raised in Wharton, N.J., and was involved in several sports in high school. He played semi-professional football with the Franklin Miners (where **Jack Kazmar** also played).

After graduating with a mechanical engineering degree, he served in the U.S. Army, then joined Allegheny Ludlum

and was involved in research and product development for the specialty steel division in Breckenridge, Pa.

He was a member of the Strasburg Lions Club. He also was an award-winning photographer, garnering awards from the Delaware Photographic Society, the Photographic Society of America, and three photographer of the year awards from the Lancaster Camera Club.

The death of **Art Rothkopf** was a blow to all of us, and our sympathies go out to his wife, Barbara, and their daughters and granddaughter. The alumni magazine spring edition featured a tribute to Art. We, as a class, have much to be proud about, having him as a member. His contributions to the College, to education, and to his country go well beyond the norm. His last talk at our 60th reunion highlighted the high cost of higher education and the reasons for the rise. It is even more apropos in today's discussions on debt forgiveness for college loans.

Art was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and entered Lafayette at the age of 16, which was not unusual in our class. He majored in English and earned his law degree at Harvard. While at Lafayette, he was a member of Pi Lambda Phi and served as president. He was a member of KRT, president of Maroon Key, sports editor of *The Lafayette*, president of Calumet, baseball manager, a member of the Kirby Society, senior court president, on the dean's list, and won the Gilbert Prize in English.

He began his law career with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Treasury Department in Washington, D.C., and then joined Hogan & Hartson, a well-known Washington law firm, where he specialized in tax, regulatory, and legislative affairs. In 1992, he was appointed deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation by President George H.W. Bush. In 1995, he was named president of Lafayette after having served as a trustee for many years. He served the College for 12 years and was named president emeritus. He then became senior vice president and the counselor to the president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce until 2010. He was a trustee of

American University and the Education Testing Service (SAT). He was director of Verisk Analytics and Bristol West Holdings along with serving on the board of the Insurance Services Organization.

A full plate of legal, governmental, civic, and educational service by a great guy.

**Leonard A. Pennington** died in January after a battle with cancer. He is survived by wife Virginia (Ginny), sons Len and Chris, daughter Sheryl, three grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

A graduate of Ambler High School in Ambler, Pa., he came to Lafayette as an aspiring football player and was on the varsity for three years. His most memorable moment was in the 1954 Lafayette-Lehigh game, where he intercepted a lateral in the Lehigh backfield and ran it into the end zone for a touchdown. Len was a member of Phi Gamma Delta, was in Maroon Key, and worked on the *Marquis*. He was your correspondent's roommate, and we spent many summer evenings together at home.

Len's degree was in industrial engineering, and he began his career with Bell Telephone and spent most of his working life with Merck Sharp & Dohme in plant planning and construction.

He and Ginny celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary in October. They were married one week after Jean and I were, and I was part of the wedding party. We saw a lot of the Penningtons when we lived in Savannah, Ga., and Aiken, S.C., as they traveled to and from their home in the St. Petersburg, Fla., area to visit family in Richmond, Va., and New York.

**Tom McGrail** and wife Pat are still in Chadds Ford, Pa., and doing well. As you know, Tom was very active on the Board of Trustees for many years and is now a trustee emeritus. He has not been making the many trips he once did but stays current on developments. In that same 1954 Lehigh game that Len Pennington scored a unique touchdown, Tom also scored one with a spectacular catch while on his back in the end zone. Not many of us can say both of his roommates scored touchdowns in the same Lehigh game.

**Stan Appelbaum** reports that he and his wife are enjoying life in Palm Beach, Fla.

He plays golf three times a week. He has established a scholarship at Lafayette in memory of his first wife.

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## 1956

Let me start with a question: How much height have you lost in the past 10 years? **Jim Phelps**, one of my sophomore roommates in the Phi Delt house, recently learned from his personal doctor that he had lost almost 3 inches from the top of his 6-foot 3-inch college stature, no doubt from collapsing lower lumbar arthritis. My diminutive mother once admitted that she had never been taller than 4 feet 11 ¾ inches. My best effort to stay at 5 feet 8 ½ inches about 25 years ago has reduced me to 5 feet 4 ½ inches. Arthritis is also the thief in my case.

Enough of that, except to add that age, time, and circumstances take their toll, which brings me to a nice conversation with Virginia, **Don Kreuzberger's** widow. She called to be sure I was aware of Don's death, which I was since I had entered his obituary in my class notes at that time, sent to me by the College. Our chat reminded me of Don's and her loyalty to their church and that they raised three sons and four daughters together. You can't accomplish that in much less than six decades of marriage.

Of course, I can't mention the Kreuzbergers without bringing up **Richard Batts** and his wife, Mimi. They are proud Phi Gams. Dick and I survived an endurance test of two hours by phone sharing thoughts about Lafayette politics with respectful comparisons of former LC **President Byerly** and current **President Hurd**. I won't declare the winner, but it was neither Mitchell nor Batts nor Byerly nor Hurd. I'm prone to say it was a tie. And I assure you, Phi Gams and Phi Delt always fight clean. Anyway, jousting with Dick Batts is always fun.

And while mentioning Jim Phelps, I should also mention the late **Art Herrmann** and his widow, Anne. Several months ago she and I talked at length about her vacation in Park City, Utah, with her son, **Arthur Herrmann Jr.** '94, and his family. Much as she misses Art and his infectious sense of humor, she is doing well, managing to dodge the silver bullets of the virus and its insidious variants. Anne is an engaging conversationalist who still enjoys antique browsing. Stay well!

I picked up on an opportunity to talk with **Dick Graham**, who was unable to attend our 65th reunion because of chronic back pain and his unease with equilibrium as a component of Parkinson's. But he expresses appreciation for the doctors who have kept him less anxious. Like many in our age group, our spouses have taken our place in the driver's seat. Marion is a dependable chauffeuse.

We'd like to do a bit of bragging about our son, Donald Rayne Mitchell, whom some of you met at the 65th reunion. He has been recognized nationally and internationally for many documentaries that he has helped to produce, especially highlighting famous scientists such as Maurice Hilleman, the inventor of more vaccines than any other in the 20th century. For this documentary, Donald also worked with Dr. Paul Offit from Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, who is well known for his commentary on COVID-19 and its variants during the pandemic. *HILLEMANN—A Perilous Quest to Save the World's Children* won best documentary at the SCINEMA International Science Film Festival in Australia and was selected as one of six films to tour the northeastern U.S. with the 2016-17 Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation's On Screen/In Person series. In October 2017, *HILLEMANN* screened at the Smithsonian National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C.

Donald's most recent honor was winning an Emmy for his work as producer/editor on the Penn Medicine production *Miracle Baby: A Uterus Transplant Story*.

I had the good fortune to find **Armin Ulrich** "Rich" **Kuder** at home in Berlin,

Md., when I called him recently. The last time we talked, he and his wife, Peggy, were in Hawaii shortly after he had had a stroke and been diagnosed with leukemia. Naturally I was anxious to learn how his treatment for both conditions was progressing. Apparently, it is going well, since they have been cleared to vacation in countries in the eastern Mediterranean. Perhaps they will run across our Greek classmate **Angelo Paleologos** in their travels. Armin is the proud father of three and stepfather of two adult children. They are the proud grandparents of five grandchildren. Armin's wife, Margaret (Peggy) Trossen, had worked as the executive director of the U.S. Army Women's Foundation. Armin, prior to his retirement from his law practice in D.C., was chairman of the Arthritis Foundation, and was named chairman to the steering committee of the Bone and Joint Decade, an international effort to raise awareness of the high cost of musculoskeletal conditions. This responsibility took him and Peggy to China, Oman, Australia, and every continent except the polar masses.

I recently tried to call **Bob Tunnessen** only to learn that his phone had been disconnected. I was able to reach him, however, through his son Robert who, with his brother Chris, continues ownership of Tunnessen Auto Parts, Hazleton, Pa., though the business is operating under the corporate flag of NAPA until further notice. We extend our sincere, belated sympathies to Bob, Robert Jr., Beth, and Christopher on the passing of Carol, wife and mother, in November 2020, after 59 years of marriage. If the College attempted to contact me about her passing, I may well have been preoccupied with health-related issues in anticipation of my hip surgery.

**Chuck Hage** contacted me to get contact information on someone wearing a weird hat, whose initials are W.E So the Mitchell Sleuthing System was baptized into action. We were able to identify the strange figure with the hat with relative ease. Here is another hint—he stood and spoke to our group at the recent Class of '56 reunion luncheon. Take a guess on who this mystery man might be. If you don't guess correctly,

we'll reveal his ID in the next issue of *Lafayette* magazine in fall. That's all, folks!

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## 1957

As if anyone could substitute for **Glenn Grube**, our loyal, dedicated, and reliable class correspondent for 10, these many years.

**Mike Winship** writes that he's now solo in Greenville, Va., having lost his wife of 60 years and having retired after 50 years in Presbyterian ministry in Georgia, Alabama, and Pennsylvania. After Lafayette, he served two years in the U.S. Army, where he had to salute Kappa Sigma brother **Dan Shomon** at Fort Benning, Ga. Mike can be reached at [lmwinship@comcast.net](mailto:lmwinship@comcast.net).

I have six obituaries to report:

**Richard** "Dick" **Stanford Saul** died Nov. 22, 2020, at his home in Palm Desert, Calif. He was born in Allentown, Pa., and graduated from Allentown High School. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1948 to 1952 aboard the *USS Ingraham*, before coming to Lafayette. After graduation, he moved to Los Angeles, where he met his wife, Valerie, who survives him. He first worked for Douglas Aircraft Co., and in 1987 moved on to the Federal Aviation Administration, from which he retired in 1992.

**Michael J. McCooley** died Dec. 10, 2019, in Bethlehem, Pa., after a long illness. He came to Lafayette after Burr and Burton Seminary, where he was inducted into its hall of fame for his football prowess. After Lafayette, he served two years in the 82nd Airborne and went on to Bethlehem Steel, where he was national manager of its bar division until its closing. In 1989, he retired to his childhood home in Manchester, Vt., where he served for many years on the Bromley Mountain area ski patrol. Handsome Mike—as he jokingly introduced himself over the years—will be remembered for his love of cribbage, his incredibly high Scrabble scores, peanut-

butter-and-jelly poker games, and his reverence for the outdoors.

**John M. Stanley** died Sept. 15, 2021, in Punta Gorda, Fla. He was born in Marlboro, N.Y. After Lafayette, he worked in electronic-component sales in several large cities in the Midwest, before moving to California and then to the Burnt Store Marina in Florida in 2002. He was predeceased in 2017 by his wife of almost 60 years, Joan. His interests were sailing, travel, family, and the church.

**Irvin A. Kunzman Jr.** died April 17, 2020. A full obituary was not available.

**William H. Petrecca Jr.** died Feb. 6, 2021. He lived in Philadelphia.

**Thomas L. M. Wiegand**, of Morrisville, N.C. (formerly of Fredericksburg, Va.), died Jan. 25, 2022, on the 58th anniversary of his marriage to Susan, who survives him. After college, he was commissioned an ensign in the U.S. Navy, and served aboard the *USS McGoffin* in San Diego, Calif. He began his post-Navy service at Picatinny (N.J.) Arsenal, moving on to the Department of the Navy in Washington, D.C. After retirement, he and his wife, with their black Labs, traveled around North America. He enjoyed fishing, crossword puzzles, driving fast cars, cooking, telling a good story, and family.

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## 1958

Our hearts go out to class correspondent **Ed Brunswick**, who recently lost his spouse, Beth. His energy has been focused on family and friends at this time and will share news and updates with his classmates in the next issue. Ed, we send you our prayers at this difficult moment.

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## 1959

**Bill Campbell** sent his latest news. "Just thought I'd report that Anne and I broke out of the COVID-induced limitations by taking a Viking cruise on the Danube River. We had originally scheduled the trip for spring 2020, but it was postponed twice. The bonus was two cabin upgrades along the way to finally our departure this past April. We preceded the trip with a weekend in Budapest with one of our sons and three teenage daughters, who flew in from France where they live. Great weekend and great cruise." I remarked to Bill that must have been interesting times, since he was very close to Ukraine, and his response was, "I was surprised at the lack of discussion about the war in Ukraine, both on the ship and in towns. Obviously, we couldn't understand newspaper and television coverage, but we saw few signs of the war. In fact, we had hoped to buy a Ukrainian flag to bring home and display on our house, but had to wait until we got back home to order one from—you guessed it—Amazon! At any rate, we do have one flying from our home now. One thing to note: Hungary, although part of NATO, has Prime Minister Orban, who has been quite friendly with Putin in the past. That might have cast a big shadow on protesting. Actually, Anne and I had worried that the trip might have been canceled at any moment along the way. However, Viking assured us they had the safety angle covered. The ship was only about 60% full, so some had canceled.

"Now back to Exeter, enjoying spring—could be warmer—and waiting for our time to enter a continuing care retirement community (CCRC) in the area. That is still a year or two away. Still enjoying the yardwork, but it is taking more time to get jobs done than it did 20 or 30 years ago. However, it still keeps me active, along with twice a week exercise class." Contact info: 111 High St., Exeter, NH 03833-2927; 603-778-0410; [wcampbell@exeter.edu](mailto:wcampbell@exeter.edu).

**Bill Foster** sent an update. "I hope all the Smiths are staying healthy during these trying times. Peg and I are both doing well

and got our second flu shot in April. I hope that COVID eventually goes the way of the flu. Obviously, our activities have been curtailed a bit with the pandemic, but we were still able to get away to Florida on Christmas-New Year's. We spent time in Fort Lauderdale visiting our older son, Fred. Our younger son, Andy, our granddaughter, Adina, and one of her friends were with us. I had rented a nice house on the canal, so I could spend some time fishing and relaxing in the hot tub. The house came with kayaks and bicycles, so we all got our money's worth.

"Peg and I drove to Fort Myers when the kids flew home, and we spent several days with my brother. We did drive through Naples, and I passed **Ed Brunswick '58's** locale, but we did not have time to stop. I would have enjoyed seeing him. Here at home, it's fairly quiet. I'm still not ready to get back to Wind Creek Casino in Bethlehem, but at least my Thursday night poker game has resumed. We are members of Orange Lawn Tennis Club, and expect to be out on the courts soon. And I got my boat out of winter storage, so I will be fishing about once a week until early November." 38 Herbert Terrace, West Orange, NJ 07052-1076; 973-736-1022; w.s.foster84@gmail.com.

**Dick Goudey** sent an interesting update, titled "How a Walk Across the Quad Changed My Life." "In the spring of 1959, the year I was to graduate, my ideas of what career to pursue were limited to a few interviews, none of which held much interest for me. Working in New York City for a large company didn't seem like what I wanted. So, one nice morning as I walked back to the Phi Delt house, a group of Navy officers standing behind some tables drew my attention, and I stopped by to see what they were doing. They explained that the Navy had a program where college graduates could learn to fly; that if I were to come to the Naval Air Station Willow Grove, take some tests, maybe get a ride in a plane, I could possibly be accepted into the program. Seemed like it was worth trying, as I had a flight in a Piper Cub the summer before and really thought it was neat. I was accepted into a class to begin in

October 1959. Little did I realize how this would change my life.

"To make the story shorter, I spent six years in the service, flying Navy and Air Force planes worldwide. Even though I had qualified in a jet on a carrier in training, I was assigned to multi-engine aircraft, a fate which probably saved my life as I badly wanted to fly A-4s, the same plane John McCain flew. He was three weeks ahead of me in the program, and as you know, spent six years in the Hanoi Hilton. I would never have been able to survive what he did, so being a transport pilot was my salvation. There were many furloughed airline pilots in the squadron I was assigned to, and I learned about the airlines from them. What a wonderful experience flying Military Air Transport Service (MATS) around the world with some of the best pilots to learn from. When they pin the Navy Wings of Gold on you, it doesn't mean you know a whole lot about aviation. Thirty-two years with a major airline and owning four planes of my own taught me to be humble, careful, and not trusting of a lot of situations. My wingman was killed in a training accident in Pensacola, the first of several I have known about. Anyway, that walk at Lafayette on the Quad changed my life. Looking back on that day from the viewpoint of an old naval aviator, the best thing that I ever did was to stop and talk to those Navy officers that beautiful spring day long ago." 1859 Seclusion Drive, Port Orange, FL 32128-6975; 386-760-5794; richardgoudey778@msn.com.

Dr. **Gavin Jenney** sent a note in March 2022 with remembrances of our late '59 classmate **S. Robert "Bob" Hays**, who passed away in November 2021. (His obituary was included in our '59 column in the spring 2022 edition of *Lafayette* magazine.) Gavin also sent the sad news of his wife, Carolyn, passing in October 2021. "I discovered Bob's passing just this past week, after wondering why we didn't receive a Christmas card from Bob and Terree this last year. Bob was my freshman/sophomore-year roommate. My wife, Carolyn, died Oct. 2, 2021. She was a Cedar Crest College graduate, and we shared the same birth date, hers one year earlier than

mine. We met at college and were married 61 years. I've been preoccupied with getting the taxes in on time—a learning process for me, as has been learning the household finances. Carolyn handled all that in the past, and she also ran our Dynamic Controls Inc. books and tax preparation for the 40 years we were in business." 7060 Cliffwood Place, Dayton, OH 45424-2929; 937-236-8112; gavinjenney.phd@gmail.com.

**Don Kein** sent a note that he would be on campus May 21, 2022, for the graduation of his granddaughter **Valerie Nieves '22**. If memory serves me correctly, Valerie will be the fourth generation of Keins to have graduated from Lafayette. 603 Mountain Ave., Apt. 207, New Providence, NJ 07974-2012; 908-578-6553; donaldkein@gmail.com.

Here's the latest from **Tom Neff**. "Norb, look forward to catching up sometime. As I approach my 85th birthday in October, I decided it's about time to begin thinking about retiring from Spencer Stuart after 45 years with the firm. Have reduced my client workload, but am still serving on a couple of corporate boards. Sounds like I am flunking retirement already! Sally and I celebrated our 33rd anniversary on Inauguration Day, Jan. 20, which helps me to remember the date. My first wife, Susan, died of cancer at the young age of 38, and I became a single parent with three boys, then ages 5, 7, and 9. Sally and I raised my boys and her two kids in our version of the Brady Bunch. We now have grandchildren, two of whom were 2022 babies. Late starters in our family. I had back surgery to remove a bone chip in early 2021, which necessitated a change to my workout routine and golfing. Still dealing with a drop foot—14 months after surgery. Sally has had surgery as well, but we are positive about our future. We are now hoping to rekindle some bucket list plans, now that travel restrictions post-COVID are relaxing. Mostly, just planning to enjoy life with friends and family. Contact info: 561-625-4930 in winter season, and 203-629-9079 in balance of year." tneff@spencerstuart.com.

I received the enclosed sad news. "**Charles McDonald 'Don' Puckette IV**, 83, died Jan. 21, 2022, in Glenville, N.Y.

He was raised in Ridgewood, N.J., and graduated from Ridgewood High School. Don was active in boy scouting for a number of years, where he received the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout. He was also a charter member of the Ridgewood Rifle Club, where he competed in small bore target shooting during his junior and senior year in high school. Don attended Lafayette College and graduated in 1959 with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering. While at Lafayette, he was a member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity; dean's list; Eta Kappa Nu; AIEE; IRE; Scabbard and Blade Society; rifle team; radio club; fraternity house manager; intramurals. Don married his high school sweetheart, Gail Benson, and spent his first two years following college working at RCA in Moorestown, N.J., and completed his master's degree in electrical engineering at University of Pennsylvania in 1961. He served his nation in the U.S. Army as a second lieutenant and captain at the Army Ordnance School in Aberdeen, Md.

"Don then joined General Electric Heavy Military Systems in Syracuse, N.Y., in 1963, where he designed radar and sonar receivers, and furthered his education by taking GE's three-year advanced engineering program. Following graduation from the ABC program, Don transferred to the GE Research and Development Center in Niskayuna, N.Y., in 1967. While at the R&D Center, he worked on a number of areas such as satellite communications, land mobile radio, computer-aided tomography, and ultrasonic imaging. Don was named manager of communications technology in 1979, and was named manager of the communications program in 1983. He retired from GE in 2000, after 37 years of service with 37 patents, 16 journal publications and 19 conference papers. Don was a licensed professional engineer in the state of New York.

"After retiring, he pursued several hobbies, including traveling, skiing, canoeing, camping in the Adirondacks, golf, fishing, hunting, and tennis. Don spent summers at the family vacation home on Lake George, where his highlight was to have his children and grandchildren

visit for water skiing, hiking, camping, and fun. He was a member of the Burnt Hills United Methodist Church, a senior member of IEEE, the GE ELFUN Society, Mohawk Golf Club, and Glenville Fish and Game Club, where he served on the executive committee. Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Gail, his son **Richard Puckette '84**, daughter-in-law **Debra Toffey Puckette '87**, son David Puckette, daughter **Debra Puckette Macaleer '93**, and eight grandchildren." Memorial contributions in Don's name may be sent to the American Cancer Society or the Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital in Boston. Gail's contact info: 28 Via Maria Drive, Scotia, NY 12302-5736; 518-399-7369; cpuckett@nycap.rr.com. Don and Gail attended every one of our '59 reunions, and he was a frequent contributor to our '59 columns.

The College has been notified of the passing of our '59 classmate **George M. Richmond**, January 2022, in Albuquerque, N.M., after a short battle with cancer. He was 84. George was born in Greenwich, Conn., and graduated from Loomis High School, an all-boys boarding school in Windsor, Conn. He attended Lafayette College, and graduated in 1959 with a B.S. degree in business administration. While at Lafayette, George was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity; Calumet; sophomore class marshal; psychology club treasurer; sailing club; investments research association; *Marquis; Lafayette*; fraternity secretary, treasurer, social chairman. He was also enrolled in a graduate studies program at the Baruch School of Business at City University of New York several years later.

George began his business career with Chemical Bank in New York as a personal trust adviser, and then worked for two years as a financial analyst for Trans World Airlines from 1965 to 1967. He continued to analyze airline stocks after his departure from TWA, working for J.R. Timmins on Wall Street, and at Butcher and Sherrerd in Philadelphia. In 1978, George worked for Northern Trust Co. in Chicago for seven years in private investing. "That's where I got my first exposure to venture capital funds. In the end, the bank changed its

mind about doing those investments, and I moved on to another job, but I learned a lot while there." After working at Northern Trust Co., George spent 10 years analyzing stocks and bonds in Detroit, and by 1995, he started his own investment firm, The Richmond Corp. The firm allowed him to invest his own savings over the years in privately owned companies. That didn't mean, though, that his eagerness in private investments didn't come with its downfalls. George told *Albuquerque Business First* that he had invested nearly \$100,000 into a long-distance telephone company. But as wireless phone service became more widely adopted, the phone company was sold, and he lost two-thirds of his investment. But in other cases, George hit the jackpot. Having invested \$50,000 into a company that was developing Y2K software, he returned \$1M back on his investment.

By 1998, George and his wife had settled in Albuquerque and began to carve out an investment legacy in New Mexico. Uniting local investors—"there were only like five venture capital firms operating in the state at that time"—he formed New Mexico Private Investors Inc. in 1999 "to pull people together." The group, now known as the New Mexico Angels, started with just six people. "My thinking, based on some investing experience in Chicago and Detroit, where I was investing on my own or with just one or two people, was that a larger group of people with different skills, talents, and backgrounds would be more successful than just one or two." Many of the current New Mexico Angels investors have commented on the legacy George has left. "None of us would be here without him. There wouldn't be all of these companies in the ecosystem we have without him. He was the visionary that saw that New Mexico needed this type of capital."

George's interests weren't exclusive to his work in investing. He volunteered with local nonprofits and sat on boards of the New Mexico Symphony, Opera Southwest, Amy Biehl Community School, and League of Women Voters of Central New Mexico. He is survived by his wife, Sheila, and his daughter, Alexandra Richmond, who lives

in Austin, Texas. Over the years, I have not had contact info for George.

**Dick Sarpolus** sent an interesting story. “This winter has been too cold, and I’m anxiously waiting for warmer weather. Here’s a little story, maybe for the newsletter. After 62 years, I lost my Lafayette ring. It was very beat up; had the stone replaced three times, and patched several times. I wore it almost constantly, when working with woodworking tools, on old cars, etc. I liked the beat-up look. I needed to get it resized smaller, my fault, because it fell off somewhere. I was upset, looked to buy a new one, forgot that idea, too many choices to make, too much money. When I bought my ring, you bought a Lafayette ring. So I looked on eBay for Lafayette rings for sale; lots of college rings for sale, but no Lafayette rings for sale. Finally found an ’89 Lafayette ring for sale and bought it. But I couldn’t get it made large enough for me, so now I have a pinky ring. I had the ’89 taken off. At 85 years old, and with all the stuff going on today, I don’t know why I just had to have a Lafayette ring, but now I have one again.” 32 Alameda Court, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702-4102; 732-747-9190; rsarpolus2@comcast.net.

Here’s **Terry Snyder**’s update. “Hello Norb. Hope you and Mary Ellen are handling aging well. Georgia and I are OK but struggling a bit. I would like to pass along a brief thought to our ’59 classmates, and more particularly, our Lafayette College. That is, Lafayette should implement, I hesitate to say require, a strong course in Civics and Constitutional Law, and the history of 1776 and our Founding Fathers. I believe our country needs uplifting immediately. I don’t think the Marquis de Lafayette would approve of the direction our country is going.” 711 Mancill Road, Strafford, PA 19087-2004; 610-687-1390; tersny3@yahoo.com.

The Hon. **Sid Strauss** sent an uplifting update. “Once again, I am happy to respond, as we have almost resumed living a normal life. We resumed our annual tradition of spending three weeks in Puerto Rico for the holidays through Jan. 12 with grown and married sons and little, 7 and 3, grandchildren joining us during that time. Back home, still working two days a week as a retired Supreme

Court judge, Queens County, N.Y., playing some tennis, going out to eat and theater. The next order of business was attending a family wedding in Israel. Naomi and I were there 33 years ago, which means we never saw Israel except for the Wailing Wall, Masada, and the Dome of the Rock. Almost everything else is new, and most exciting and quite hectic at 83, but we made it. Got back home and tested positive for the first time, and I’m recovering as I write this. No problem—I have quarantined for 10 days, and tomorrow it’s back to tennis. You don’t get much from any Pi Lam, but got a kick out of the Class of ’60 notes with the names of six brothers. What **Sandy Bing ’60** said about reading the notes applies exactly to me as well. Keep up the great work, stay safe, and stay healthy.” 6910 108th St., Apt. 6N, Forest Hills, NY 11375-3821; 718-261-2230; new email address: sfstrauss@outlook.com.

The College has been notified of the passing of our ’59 classmate **Henry M. “Hank” Weeks IV, Ph.D.**, who died unexpectedly at home in Carlisle, Pa., in March 2022. He was born in Philadelphia, Pa., and attended Solebury School in Solebury, Pa. Hank graduated from Lafayette College in 1959 with an A.B. degree in psychology. While at Lafayette, he received the James McKeen Cattell Award in Psychology. Hank was a member of Phi Kappa Tau fraternity; dean’s list; Alpha Phi Omega; pre-medical society; psychology club; WJRH; Kappa Phi Kappa; Little Theater; Marquis Players; intramurals. He received a master’s degree in clinical psychology in 1962 and a Ph.D. in clinical psychology in 1963, both from Purdue University, where he was a staff psychologist at the Cross County Guidance Center and the Logansport State Hospital, where he met his wife, Ruby.

They moved to California, where Hank was a licensed psychologist and licensed marriage, family and child counselor. He also taught psychology at Modesto Junior College. He was a consulting clinical psychologist for Catholic Social Services and for Stanislaus County Mental Health Services. He served as chairman of the board of directors for Mid-Valley Behavioral Science Foundation, maintained a private

practice in child psychology, and worked as a staff psychologist at Modesto State Hospital. In 1967, Don was licensed in Pennsylvania and became the director of psychological services at Harrisburg State Hospital, where he headed the adolescent unit and received a special assignment to plan and implement the state goals to establish a community hospital mental health facility, and to train volunteers for two new community drug abuse clinics. He was consultant to the William Payne Drug Drop-In Center in York, Pa., and clinical psychologist for mental health services in Camp Hill, Pa., as well as consulting clinical psychologist for Carlisle Counseling Center.

In 1972, Hank became the program director for Holy Spirit Community Mental Health Center, starting and initially directing the newly constructed 27-bed facility while he remained a clinical consultant at Harrisburg State Hospital. The Pennsylvania Office of Mental Health appointed him director of the training project in mental health administration. He was then named special assistant for legislation and policy for the Department of Public Welfare’s Office of Mental Health, where he consulted on pending mental health legislation and was responsible for the statewide implementation of the 1976 Mental Health Procedures Act. Hank then became director of psychological services at Haverford State Hospital and was a Pennsylvania gubernatorial appointee for four consecutive terms to the state Psychological Licensing Board and appointed by the governor to the Task Force for Children’s Mental Health. He retired from state employment in 2002, then started as a contract reviewer for Social Security disability claims until 2017, when he fully retired.

During his many years of private practice, Hank conducted forensic evaluations for prison wardens of criminally charged people, medical staff, prosecutors, and defense attorneys. He also provided consultations and testimony on competency, diagnosis, and treatment of potential prisoners, as well as doing custody and parental competency cases, and education and vocational

evaluations. He mentored and supervised both psychology and neurotherapy professionals and students, as well as taught at Shippensburg College. Hank was a fellow of the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards, American Psychological Association, Pennsylvania Psychological Association, and many other professional and medical associations.

As a youth, Hank was the youngest Eagle Scout at that time, and he competitively rode horses until a knee injury sidelined him. In retirement in Carlisle, he and Ruby farmed 11 acres, including orchards and gardens, and built a family-operated animal boarding kennel. He loved to ski and taught skiing at Roundtop Ski Resort, piloted a hot-air balloon, and traveled to more than 16 countries. Hank is survived by Ruby, his wife of 58 years and a retired attorney; two daughters, both of Carlisle, Kimberly Weeks, M.S., and E. Noelle Weeks, VMD; David F. Weeks, a younger brother. Ruby’s contact info: 211 Echo Road, Carlisle, PA 17015-9510; 717-249-8382; no email address.

Regarding yours truly, Mary Ellen has had some medical issues we are currently resolving, but nothing major. Late last year, I concluded a two-year term as president of the Crown Colony Club of Williamsburg, a social group of 65 retired business, medical, and military professionals. We meet every week for fellowship and lunch. To be in the company of these great people has been a highlight of my life, in addition to my business and military careers. Former Lafayette members who lived in Williamsburg included **Pierre Pelanne ’61**, who relocated to Scottsdale, Ariz., and the late **Larry Magnant ’71**.

Our next ’59 column for the fall 2022 edition of *Lafayette* magazine is due to the College on Sept. 15, 2022. This current column has some really interesting experiences, so let’s keep the great updates coming. Thanks so much for keeping our ’59 columns very informative for our classmates!

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## 1960

It is with great sadness that I write of the loss of **Dick Booth**, April 15, 2022. Dick played a key role in keeping the Class of 1960 the same spirited group we were as undergraduates. For years he was the driving force behind our reunion gatherings, but he was also a prominent figure in his community, where he was active in the Rotary Club and as a Lower Gwynedd Township supervisor, giving tirelessly of his time, energy, and organizational skills in many ways. **Bob Brodie, Al Siegel**, and I attended his funeral, along with class widows **Fran Nikles** and **Betsy Ohnegian**. The service included the rendering of military honors in recognition of Dick’s time in the U.S. Army. His obituary details the many ways he contributed to his community—urbanfuneralhomes.com. The class now needs a volunteer to organize our reunions—number 65 is fast approaching. If you are interested, contact Bob Brodie.

Let me know ASAP if you would be interested in a mini reunion at a fall football game. Home games are Sept. 3 vs. Sacred Heart, Sept. 17 vs. William & Mary, Oct. 8 vs. Princeton, Oct. 22 vs. Holy Cross, Oct. 29 vs. Georgetown, and Nov. 19 vs. Lehigh. These are very casual, fun-filled afternoons. Join us to cheer on the Leopards and new coach **John Troxell ’94**, who has an impressive coaching résumé.

**Bruce Boyd** sent this report: “My wife and I have now lived among the mountains of northern New Mexico for 17 years. It is a beautiful and sometimes raw place. Our house is at an elevation of about 7,600 feet, and the mountains around us range from 11,000 to 13,000 feet. Because we are in such a rural location, COVID has been easy to deal with. Mask wearing, while inconvenient, is something I still do when in a group. I also do it when woodworking and more recently because of the smoke and dust from our windy springtime. I was spending a few days a week volunteering at the Habitat for Humanity build site but backed off during the height of COVID. The manager and I hike once or twice a

week, generally off trail, and the beauty of hiking here is that you rarely see another person. While formerly an avid runner, I now walk 3 miles a day. I do sneak in the Up and Over Ski Valley 10K, where for the last five years I was the oldest but not last finisher. The course goes from 9,200 to 11,800 feet and is more of a hike than a run for most of us. Our grandson, who was born in New Mexico, recently entered an engineering program at Western Washington University. Traveling is not as easy as it once was so the likelihood of my getting back to Lafayette is slim. I wish one and all the very best.”

**John Strand** checked in with this news: “This is a long overdue update. I am fully retired and living in Richland, Wash. I am 83 and have been married to my wife, Ludveka, for 42 years. We have four children, five grandchildren, and a new great-grandchild. I am retired from the United States Navy and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, the latter operated by Battelle Memorial Institute for the United States Department of Energy in Richland, Wash. After graduating from Lafayette, I earned an M.S. in biology at Lehigh in 1962, and a Ph.D. in fisheries biology from University of Washington in 1975. While working at Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, I held an adjunct appointment to the graduate faculty in environmental sciences at Washington State University and taught courses in limnology and aquatic systems restoration. I would welcome hearing from my Phi Kappa Tau friends.”

In addition to losing Dick Booth, “Taps” have been sounded for the following. Obituary references are included if available.

**Robert L. Shear**, Aug. 13, 2021. No obituary reference available.

**Natale A. Vivian**, March 25, 2020. crstrunk.com.

Unfortunately, in the previous issue of this magazine, there was a typo. The correct listing should have read **John E. Gailer Jr.** (better known as “Ted”). Dec. 21, 2021. connerwestburyfuneralhome.com

In closing here is some excellent advice: Hold your wife’s hand in the mall because

if you let go, she'll start shopping. It looks romantic, but it's actually economic.

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## 1961

I hope you weren't expecting news regarding our 60th reunion. The College determined that the publishing date for correspondents for this issue of the Alumni News was going to be May 15. Thus, you'll have to wait until the next issue for any reunion information.

Last October, **Warren Eberlein** and wife Jan again hosted a Phi Delta Theta mini reunion at his home in Ocean City, N.J. 📷 **20** Attending were **Fred and Annette Bailine, Dave and Deb Bloys, George and Deb Halak, Chris Windeler,** and Barbara Cunningham (widow of **John Cunningham**). Warren noted that **Bill Buehler** could not make it due to his medical condition resulting from a ski accident.

**Jack Sedovy** wrote in telling about a book he recently published. He also included a somewhat detailed accounting of his post-Lafayette life since his graduation. Jack was raised in Hokendauqua, Pa. He graduated from Whitehall High School, and in 1956, against Emmaus High School, he struck out 26 batters, which is still a single game record for his school. Upon graduation Jack received a baseball and scholarship offer to Lafayette and went on to become a dean's list student and graduated with a B.S. in metallurgical engineering. He then worked for Bethlehem Steel Corp. at plants in Lackawanna, N.Y., and Johnstown, Pa., as an assistant general manager before going to Robins Steel in Buffalo as a vice president of technology. While working at Lackawanna, Jack became mayor of Boston, N.Y., for two 2-year terms. During his tenure as mayor and, with the help of Rep. Jack Kemp, Jack had a new town

hall built and the scattered town offices relocated to it. He says that every year in office he managed to cut the town's general tax. After Jack retired as mayor in 1977, the *Buffalo Evening News* wrote, "his 4-year record certainly exceeds that of any of his predecessors in the Town's nearly 160-year history."

Because he became thoroughly disgusted with what is going on in this country, Jack wrote a book, *A Great Depression Baby's Story*. It's about his mother and nine siblings growing up in his grandparents' big 100-year-old house. It shows how the family survived in a free society in the Christian tradition using their intelligence and ingenuity to raise their kids to be good citizens without the help of the government. If interested, the book can be purchased in paperback for \$7.99 or as an e-book for \$2.99. Contact amazon.com, enter sedovy, and scroll down.

Regarding Jack as a baseball pitcher, **Ed Auble** tells of the time he tried out for the freshman team at Lafayette and was batting against Jack. Well, to make a long story short, he had his favorite 34-inch bat broken by a Sedovy curveball. After the game, Ed decided that an hourlong chemistry exam the next day was more important than trying out for the team, so he quit.

Now that Ed is being focused on, he was recently contacted by Westchester University for an interview about his experiences in Vietnam. The results will be included with many other Vietnam vets' taped interviews and housed in the University of Kentucky archives for future generations to use. Ed served in the Air Force from 1965 to 1970, but his experiences in Vietnam were limited since he did not have any direct contact with the enemy. He did fly missions off the *USS Bennington* in the Gulf of Tonkin though.

Now I become an obituary writer, which is not a pleasant task:

**Robert H. Kroeger Jr.** was born in Newark, N.J., and raised in Norwell, Mass. At Lafayette he majored in industrial engineering and was a member of SAE fraternity and the ROTC program. Upon graduation he was commissioned as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army and assigned to

an artillery unit in Germany. There he was a training officer during the Vietnam War. He was discharged in 1967. After returning home, Bob worked in construction in various capacities, such as site work, processing bids, management, hiring, etc. He was especially known for his carpentry skills and craftsmanship. He was the one to call if there was something to mend, fix, or create. After retirement, Bob got a chance to enjoy some of his favorite hobbies—fishing, hunting, yardwork, and simply roaming the docks of Scituate Harbor. One day he will not forget was when aboard his boat, the *Eastwind*, he caught a 1,015-pound bluefin tuna using a hand line! Bob died Dec. 22, 2021, and leaves his wife, Eileen, and five children.

**Don Hillier** died Dec. 20, 2021. He grew up mainly in Springfield, N.J. He attended Lafayette for a year, went into the Army for two years, then returned to the College where he graduated with a degree in psychology. When in the service, Don was stationed in Hawaii as a member of the Army band. Most of his working career was spent as a senior vice president in human resources at MNC Financial and other companies before retiring. He had a strong work ethic, which led him to earn numerous awards and honors in his field. Don was active in the Presbyterian Church and served as an elder and deacon, on pastoral nominating committees, and the human resource ministry. He also enjoyed singing in the choir and leading a ChristCare group for men. Don leaves his wife for the past 35 years, Joan, and three children.

Dr. **Bruce McCumber** passed away March 15, 2022, at his home in Watchung, N.J. Raised in Belleville, N.J., he received a bachelor's degree from Lafayette then went on to earn a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University. Bruce served in the Navy during the Vietnam War and was the dentist to the Blue Angels. Afterward he ran a successful dental practice, first in Somerville then in Watchung, for many years before retiring in 2017. Bruce was very active in his community, serving as town councilman, president of the board

of health, and fire commissioner. He also was a primary factor in the development of the Watchung Village Green where a Tree of Lights stands to this day. Bruce enjoyed traveling, especially to Martha's Vineyard where he and his wife honeymooned and his children were all married. He also loved sailing on Chesapeake Bay, performing onstage, skiing, and playing the trumpet in concert jazz bands. But his true passion was spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Judith, his three children, and his seven grandchildren.

Although his death was reported late to the College, **James J. Malloy** died Oct. 21, 2018, at age 80. He grew up in Trenton, N.J. and received a B.S. in civil engineering from Lafayette and a master's degree in the same discipline from Penn State. With his degrees, Jim and his wife, Louise, headed to Charlottesville, N.C., to begin his career. Shortly after arriving there, he co-founded Makco Inc., makers of guardrails and highway crash cushions, as well as performing road construction work. After retiring from Makco, he concentrated on some of his favorite projects: gardening, fishing, taking long walks, and watching UVA sports. One of his biggest joys was being able to send his kids to any college they could get into. Jim leaves his wife, seven children, and 15 grandchildren.

**William "Bill" Sibal** died Jan. 6, 2022. Bill was from New York City and at Lafayette received a degree in geology. He was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity and active with the marching and concert bands. He spent most of his post-college life in Los Angeles, Calif., where he co-owned several restaurants and was the sole owner of a rental apartment. One of his first taverns co-owned was The Mark Twain's Notorious Jumping Frog Saloon in Brentwood. After selling his restaurants and rental home, he retired and moved to Ft. Myers, Fla., where he died. Bill was not married.

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## 1962

**Chuck and Tina Brick** notified us of **Gale R. "Sandy" Schwilk's** passing Feb. 22, 2022. Sandy and his wife, Jane, were long-time residents of Ewing Township, N.J., where Sandy taught science and chemistry for the Ewing School District for a total of 37 years at both junior and senior high school levels. He also served as a driver's education instructor and coached golf and basketball. He was elected to the Ewing High School Sports Hall of Fame. At Lafayette he majored in chemistry and was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He was a stalwart on both the golf and basketball teams but was best remembered for his accomplishments in basketball, helping to lead his teams to several outstanding seasons. As an alumnus, he served as a reunion co-chair for multiple events. Sandy and Jane celebrated 57 years together. They had three children (including **Gretchen Schwilk '94**) and four grandchildren.

**Tom Burns** reported that he was sorry to hear about Sandy and noted that in addition to being a very good basketball player he was an overall "good guy." Tom said he had very fond memories of our basketball teams and in particular, the freshman team that, as he recalls, was 17-2, a Lafayette record. Tom was able to join the men's basketball team as a walk-on to give the team needed bench strength. The core of the team included **Chip Lundy, Bob Kauffman,** and **Danny George** in addition to Sandy.

Tom continues to make progress with his neuropathy. He credits his four-day a week workouts at the local YMCA. He is looking forward to the resumption of the Lafayette-Lehigh football games and plans to be at the 2022 showing-party in Huntington Beach, Calif. The best news is that he and Nancy are working on reconciliation of their marriage. They are duly proud of their twin great-granddaughters, who recently turned 8.

**Jim Lyttle** reports that both Marie and he are in pretty good shape except for normal aging aches and associated pains. With COVID-19 on the wane—at least the

worst appears to be behind us—Jim and Marie have adopted a new attitude toward travel: "We are just going to travel the way we have wanted to" for the past two years but like many others have postponed such trips. So far in 2022, they have been on a cruise, gotten to their timeshare in Aruba twice, and have visited Mexico. They will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary during the summer of 2022 and would like to take a cruise from England to Ireland, France, and finally to Amsterdam.

**Doug Stiegler** checked in with a summary of Barb's and his decision to retire and move to Williamsburg, Va., seven years ago. They felt a call to go there as it was one of the key sites "of the founding of our Nation." He added that while it sometimes seems like the country has lost sight of our founding principles, they want to be right there when we return to these principles. Doug mentioned that they have been hosting a community prayer gathering on the first and third Fridays of each month for about six years, specifically praying for unity. They have found these sessions to be quite uplifting. He ended on a lighter note saying that while they have enjoyed living in Williamsburg, they get a big kick out of picturing "our northern brothers shoveling snow and chopping wood as we did for 42 years on 18 acres in Maryland!"

**Bob Steinberger**, who had faithfully served as our class correspondent for 15 years, provided a summary of a few major events during the last few years. Highest on his priority list, he was able to assert that he and Nancy were doing well "so far." In February 2020, they took a trip to Oahu, Hawaii. In addition to sightseeing and normal vacationing activities, they caught up with fellow classmate and Phi Delta Theta fraternity brother **Harry Brown**. Since they hadn't seen each other since graduation, they had a lot of catching up to do. Upon returning home from Hawaii, the pandemic was unfolding, and they decided to downsize and move from their home of 42 years. As Bob put it: "Talk about a challenge—WOW!" Nevertheless, by midsummer 2020 they had accomplished quite a lot: They sold their house and



moved into a brand-new 62 and older apartment complex. However, they didn't move far. They remained close to their old neighborhood and, more importantly, near to their daughter and her family. Consequently, they still have grandkids' baseball, swimming, and water polo to keep them busy. With things returning somewhat to normal and after a year and a half of apartment living, they started to get itchy to move again and have begun the process by looking at other options. They view it simply as just another challenge, but perhaps that's what keeps them going. Finally, they took a family trip to beautiful middle Tennessee for five days during Thanksgiving 2021 week. They rented a house on a lake west of Smithville and were joined by their daughter and family and their son and his family who live in Raleigh N.C.

At the time this article was submitted for publication, it was still two weeks prior to the 2022 reunion. Nevertheless, we would be remiss if we did not recognize the great work and dedication of our leadership team in planning the reunion. In addition to class president **Jeff Ruthizer**, kudos is also well-deserved for fundraiser **John Weis** and our reunion co-chairmen **Bruce Vakiener**, who provided invaluable on-site coordination with the alumni office, and **Jim Montgomery**. The next edition of our Class Notes will have firsthand accounts of the specific Class of '62 events, including the dedication of the class gift.

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## 1963

**Mark Shyman** writes: "My subject here is the Russian invasion of Ukraine. For some of us it is just the news of the day. For me it is deeply personal. My maternal grandparents fled the pogroms of Ukraine in 1900, migrating through Odesa to East

New York. In 2018, I traveled through Ukraine searching for family roots. Along the way I spent time exploring Kyiv, Kharkiv, Odesa, and my grandfather's birthplace of Medzhybizh. I wake up to the morning news these days with growing horror. 'Mzby' is so far spared, but I am afraid some of the friends I made are killed. I have lovely photos of me in snowy Kharkiv's Liberty Square. It was reported today that it had been totally destroyed by cruise missiles. I was welcomed as an honored American guest at Kharkiv's synagogue on Shabbat. I read last week that 60 families were huddled in its basement for safety. May God protect them! All I could do was send some money to their website, and pray the rabbi was still alive to receive it. I won't trouble you with more stories, each more gut-wrenching than the last. Just please have a thought for this country, its kind people, and beautiful women, who did not deserve this invasion. Oh, I moved my residence to a house on a river, and I got a cat."

**Michael McGrew** said, "I have met and partnered with Peg Thomas, a widow and retired Episcopal priest who had been living in Maine. We spent the winter in Greensboro, N.C., and enjoyed the climate there (compared to central Ohio!). I celebrated the big "Eight Oh" there with my great family. Photo depicts our state, not loyalty to our local university. 📷 33

Dr. **Michael Stillman** turned 80 April 28. He and his wife, Esther, are both healthy and living a wonderful life in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla..To mark the occasion, they threw a black tie party at BallenIsles Country Club. In attendance along with 150 other guests were Dr. **Gary Coelho** and his wife, Jane, as well as **Stephen Perl** and his wife, Elyse. Picture: <https://www.curatorlive.com/sharing/ZPUToA/10094758/7678715>

**Arthur Topilow** writes, "and you thought I only do jazz and classical." He played at the Axelrod Performing Arts Center April 24 with a great vocalist and jazz/rock group. Deb Lyons, their vocalist, did Carole King songs and others.

**In Memoriam:** Lafayette only recently learned of the death of **Joseph J. Gillings**

**Jr.** Jan. 27, 2021. He was a government and law major and a member of the Varsity L Club, student council, and Theta Delta Chi fraternity. Directly after graduation, Joe (who was a New Jersey All State baseball player and a key member of Lafayette's baseball team all four years at Lafayette) was recruited by the N.Y. Yankees and played on their minor league team in Greensboro, N.C. The following November, he decided he wanted to pursue a business career and joined his fraternity brother and best friend, **Robert Sellar**, in Bob's apartment in NYC and commenced his long career in banking by joining Chemical Bank, where he served many years. Eventually, he was recruited to a bank in Chicago and moved to Willamette, Ill., where he lived until after retirement when he and his wife, Patti, moved to Colorado to be closer to their daughter, Amy, and her family and their beautiful grandchildren. In his later years, Joe encountered a number of health issues, had a knee replacement, and eventually hip replacements.

To keep *your* class newsletter alive, please send us your family news and activities. Or, send us a story about your great life experiences, classmates, and fun times on the Lafayette campus: sports, clubs, fraternities, parties, etc. We all have stories to share and would love to hear about yours. Guys, please send us something to write about. Looking forward to our big 60th less than a year away. Best to everyone in the class, and stay safe in these hectic times.

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## 1964

Greetings. You may recall the evening we were denied the right to have a

homecoming parade in downtown Easton. The police held off the students' attack by spraying water from a fire department pumper. Unbeknownst to us, the incident was a preview of what the entire nation would soon suffer. Do you remember that "W S 1564-1964" was chalked or painted on a Quad path during our senior year? How about the school paper article dispelling the rumor that the under-construction Skillman Library was sinking? Or the white German shepherd named Gunner?

We lost two of our classmates: **William Pedersen** on Sept. 15, 2020, and **Mark Kadish** on Jan. 21, 2022.

Both served in the Army during the Vietnam War. Bill as a pilot, and Mark as an attorney. Bill's obit may be found at [bryantfuneralhomeandcrematory.com](http://bryantfuneralhomeandcrematory.com) while Mark's at Legacy. Requiescat in pace.

Surely I'm not alone in wanting to hear about your stay at Lafayette or your life thereafter. Please help out, for I'd rather read than write.

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## 1965

I hope you all had a wonderful summer, and now, welcome to fall. By the time the next edition of *Lafayette* reaches you, we will have had Reunion June 2 and 3. I will report on that in my next column, but for now:

**Thomas Snyder** emailed to say, "Because of the COVID pandemic, Gina and I spent our 2020 year and holidays in splendid isolation; we depended on Zoom to see our sons and their families, both in the Washington, D.C., area. In July, we drove to Wisconsin to help our younger son and his wife 'commission' a newly purchased cabin located on a picturesque little lake in the north of that state. Our older son and his family drove in from D.C., too, so we had a lovely two-week reunion with our four grandchildren. Gina and I completed our COVID immunizations in mid-February, and three weeks later were on an airplane to visit our two sons and their families in D.C. Having your shots

is so liberating! I've been enjoying a recent series of written correspondence—yes, actual letter-writing—with classmate **Ron Tornwall**, who's living the good retired life in Punta Gorda, Fla. Here's looking forward to Reunion 2022 in June. I've also been working with **Janine Casey** in the Alumni Office on a reunion get-together (virtual) for ROTC alums and all other uniformed service veterans." Thanks, Tom, let us know how the ROTC "virtual" went.

**Frank Bason** also emailed and said, "The year 2020 has been a difficult one in Denmark. My wife, Ingrid, and I have lived and worked here since 1971. We have two sons and five grandchildren—all of whom live in Copenhagen. In Denmark, intelligent and timely government action and a well-educated population has generally followed COVID-19 guidelines. These actions have thankfully limited infections and deaths."

**Howard Heller** emailed to tell us he heard from **Bill Goslaw** who reported that the Goz and his wife, Marianna, moved from Keyston, Colo., to Albuquerque, N.M. Goz says they actually have four seasons evenly spaced in ABQ, and doesn't miss -20-degree cold temps at all! Their son, **Tom '89**, is only five minutes up the road in ABQ and also has a place in Telluride, where he and Marianna can ski free there this year at 80, as well as in New Mexico. Tom's son, **Tommy '25**, has just finished his freshman year on the Hill and definitely raised the family GPA. Lafayette rugby also is in focus for Tommy. Sounds like Lafayette is in the Goz bloodlines.

**Norman Henry** also emailed to tell us that he is "semi-retired, having spent 40 years as a research chemist, certified clinical chemist, and certified industrial hygienist at DuPont in its central research and development department in Newark, Del. While working for DuPont, I also taught chemistry and environmental safety and health courses at Delaware Technical and Community College as an adjunct instructor for 30 years. Currently, I am teaching Hazwoper courses and consulting in my own business, Safety and Health By Protection. I have been a member of the Delaware Section of the American

Chemical Society for over 50 years and will receive the Emma-June Tillmanns Skolnick Award this year for dedicated service to the Delaware Section of the ACS. I have been married to my wife, Joy, for 55 years and attended my 60th Springfield Township High School Class reunion in Erdenheim, Pa., last October. I have a daughter, Heather Henry Pugh, and a 5-year-old grandson, Jack Henry Pugh, who visits me often at home and in Stone Harbor, N.J., where I have a summer home and began my career as a lifeguard with the Stone Harbor Beach Patrol during the summer months while attending Lafayette."

Unfortunately, with the pleasant news comes the sad news, and I am sorry to report on the following:

**Ronald Eric Tornwall** passed away Jan. 10, 2022, and his obituary notes that "he was the first of the generation. Ron was born in Indianapolis, Ind., during wartime. His father, Runar 'Cap' Tornwall, served as a captain in the U.S. Army. Cap was called back to serve our country in '52, supporting the post-war restoration of Europe. Ron and his brother, Mark, spent eight months in Germany and attended the '52 Helsinki Olympics. The family returned to New Jersey, where his mother, Florence, passed suddenly of heart failure in '57. The family supported the brothers extensively through the difficult years that ensued. After Lafayette, Ron obtained his Master of Science in parasitology at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. With his National Institute of Health grant canceled early by the Vietnam War, Ron began teaching at Woodward Academy in '67. He then earned his Doctor of Dental Surgery in '74 from Emory University. Leaving Atlanta, Ron returned to New Jersey and joined a practice in Bricktown. In late '83, Ron started a dental practice in Englewood on Florida's Gulf Coast and practiced dentistry for 36 years in Florida, retiring in 2019. Ron leaves behind his second wife, Camella; son Eric and his wife, Melody; grandson Blake and his wife, Janessa; and granddaughter Edythe, along with siblings and many cousins and friends."

**Arthur E. Morecraft** passed away May 22, 2021. Arthur studied mechanical

engineering at Lafayette and then proudly served his country in the Vietnam War 1967-1968 as a reconnaissance pilot in the Forward Air Control Group. Arthur received several citations and medals for his wartime service, including the Air Medal and Army Commendation Medal, and attained the rank of major. Following his military service, Arthur utilized his flying experience and began a long and rewarding career as a commercial airline pilot for Trans World Airlines. Arthur flew the Boeing 727 and Boeing L-1011 domestically and internationally for over 20 years. Art met the love of his life, Susan Jean Madison, and they married in 1968. He also enjoyed never-ending projects. Art and Susan later retired to Galloway. Arthur is survived by his siblings, Alex and Barbara, and his children, Julie Beiger (Andy Beiger), Jennifer Morecraft (Carole Finamore), and Keith Morecraft, and three grandchildren, Katie Beiger, Drew Beiger, and Madison Morecraft.

**Robert S. "Bob" Gombos** passed away Nov. 11, 2021, in his home in Mount Airy, Md. Bob is survived by his wife, Marylouise, his sister, Suzanne Schott, and his three children, Steve, Todd, and Jennifer Breaux, and their families. After graduation, Bob enjoyed an excellent 39-year career with PPL Electric, working in various areas of the company and ultimately becoming an executive vice president. In retirement, he enjoyed time with his family and especially golfing with the guys in Fort Myers, Fla., and at the Woodstone Country Club, Danielsville.

We send our condolences to the families and friends of our departed classmates.

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## 1966

First some happy updates, then some sad news...

**David Ogden** reports that he and his fellow Theta Chis met last October at his

beach house in Seaside Park, N.J. The brothers were: **Barry Arch**, **Tom Mudge**, **Steve Brainard**, and **Lee Purcell**. They try to have a reunion every two years. Unfortunately, **Paul Vince** and **Harry Ward** were unable to attend. Lee says they offered some lame excuses about long distances. He tells me they were all mobile, quick with a rude joke or two, with most of their body parts working, although wine seems to have replaced beer as beverage of choice since college days.

**Bill Dunlap** wrote to tell us that he and Nancy moved to Naples, Fla., 15 years ago and spend their summers in Round Hill, Va. Bill served on the board of the International Wine and Food Society of Naples, Culinary and Hospitality Foundation of Southwest Florida, and Culinary Advisory Board of Lorenzo Walker Technical College. He now serves on the board of the Old Naples Association. After retiring as managing director of firm taxes for Andersen Worldwide 22 years ago, he rehabbed old homes for about eight years, installing seven kitchens in the process. Now he plays golf twice a week, poker once a week, and men's bridge once a week. Life is good for both Nancy and Bill.

As for myself, I am keeping busy at Hershey's Mill (our 55-plus community near West Chester, Pa.). I serve as the marketing manager for the Hershey's Mill Players, and I have a prominent role in the upcoming play. I sing tenor with the Hershey's Mill Singers, and I am leading a project to restore wood duck nesting boxes throughout our 800-acre property. When I get away, I have really enjoyed connecting with friends and classmates on my boat trips. I have a new first mate (Lynn), and in mid-July, when the Chesapeake heats up, we (along with Guinness the Wonder Dog) will be heading up to Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard, then up the Hudson River and through the canal to Lake Champlain. In November, as the boating season ends on the Chesapeake, we'll take the boat to Key West and the Abacos for five to six months. I hope to connect with some of you along the way!

Now for the sad news:

I'm sorry to report that **John Black** passed away April 6, 2022. A graduate of

Scarsdale High School, Lafayette College, and Dickinson School of Law, he settled in Endwell, N.Y., with his family in 1972. He served his community as an attorney, a Rotarian (president and an awardee of the Paul Harris Fellow for service), an elder of Northminster Presbyterian Church, a three-term Broome County legislator, and a Town of Union justice. He also served as a board member of the Union Volunteer Emergency Squad, Broome County Library System, Four County Library System, and held volunteer positions with the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. He shared his love of skiing with members of the Triple Cities Ski Club and with his family.

I'm also sorry to report that **Barry Meltzer**, a resident of East Aurora, N.Y., died Dec. 6, 2021, surrounded by family. He was 74. Barry was a distinguished Vietnam veteran: he received a U.S. Army Bronze Star and the Army Commendation Medal for heroism. He was a member of the American Legion. He is survived by his wife, Joyce Ames Meltzer; children Melinda Meltzer Hulme, Jason Meltzer, and Seth Meltzer; and six grandchildren.

Similarly, I'm sorry to report that **Jon Smith** passed away unexpectedly Feb. 11, 2022, in Millbrook, N.Y., where he was visiting friends. Jon was born in Point Pleasant, N.J.; he attended public schools in East Orange, N.J., and studied electrical engineering and anthropology at Lafayette College and finance at University of Chicago Graduate School of Business. His career included experience at Capital Cities/ABC, and 25 years at the Hearst Corp., where he was appointed assistant treasurer of the William Randolph Hearst Foundation and The Hearst Foundation. An elegant gentleman, Jon enjoyed colorful socks with his bespoke suits, and his passions included Porsches, photography, architecture, and the arts. Jon and his wife of 27 years, Wendy, maintained homes in Manhattan and Santa Fe, N.M., filled with the works of Black artists. They were stalwart stewards of Wright's Sol Friedman House in Pleasantville, N.Y., for 20 years. Jon was an avid traveler, spending time in Asia, France, Australia, and Cuba. For many years, the couple returned on

anniversaries to the little village in France where they were married. Jon was involved in the Whitney Museum Photography Acquisition Committee; the Friends of the Museum of Modern Art; the International Center of Photography; and the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy, of which he was a member of the finance committee. He was a fan of Formula One car racing and cheered Lewis Hamilton's barrier-breaking feats on that circuit.

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## 1967

Congratulations to Ann and **Don Alsted** on their 55th wedding anniversary in June. They were married in Williamsport, Pa., the evening of our graduation from Lafayette by chaplain Peter Sabey. **Michael Greenberger** was Don's best man and the groomsmen, all Lafayette alumni, were **Al Romano**, **Charlie Bartberger**, **Mark Thompson '68**, and **Ed Rubenstone '68**. They married on Don's graduation day to get in a honeymoon and Don's start of a job with DuPont as soon as possible since he was classified 1A for the military draft. He was drafted that October and enlisted for Infantry Officers' Candidate School because he knew he was headed for a tour of duty in Vietnam. In 1970, after a year's tour of duty in Vietnam, he returned to his job with DuPont. In 1974, he left DuPont to form a specialized metal-forming business near Williamsport. After 30 years of intensive involvement with that business, Don and Ann sold it to their employees through an ESOP in 2004. They headed west to Jackson, Wyo., and moved into a home that Ann had played an integral role in designing and building. Don and Ann soon became involved with multiple nonprofit organizations aligned with their interests in horses, the arts, wildlife, nature, geology, and Don's newly found love of road-bike cycling. They

both became dedicated riders of Icelandic horses and participated in several Icelandic horse clinics in Colorado. They traveled to Iceland for clinics and treks to improve their "Icy" riding skills. For five years, Don organized weeklong summer horseback pack trips for fishing and hiking into the Wind River Mountains out of Pinedale, Wyo. Septembers saw him riding a leg in the Logan to Jackson 205-mile bicycle race as a member of a relay team. Don also partnered with four cyclist friends to operate a for-profit road-bike cycling performance training business called *The Athletes Place*.

In 2006 when Ann got the home-building bug again, they formed an LLC to build a "cabin" in an exclusive new ranch development called 3 Creek Ranch. Don obtained a real estate license and sold real estate in Jackson for six years. He enjoyed small-stream fishing, platform tennis, and cross-country skiing on the golf course in winter.

By 2013, Don and Ann were ready for another adventure where they could escape the increasing hustle and bustle of Jackson, experience a more-remote, nature-filled environment, and especially be closer to their horses. They found a rustic western-style home in a forest of douglas fir and aspen on a 2,000-acre managed ranch south of Cameron, Mont., near the western gate of Yellowstone National Park. Here they take complete charge of their horses, which are stabled a mile away from their home. Although they have enjoyed being close to their horses, Don reports that "the winters are starting to take their toll on us, and we are now ready to move back east to be near our son, Matt, and his family in Annapolis, Md. We have chosen a wonderful development in Cooke's Hope, a planned community near Easton, Md."

**Kei-ichi Ohara** was hoping to return to Easton for our 55th reunion, but flying from Japan to the United States is very difficult due to COVID-19. However, Kei reports that there is now a Lafayette College alumni network in Japan with at least six members residing in Tokyo. Anyone desiring to join may contact Kei at keiohara@yahoo.com. Kei enjoys

watching Los Angeles Angels baseball games managed by Lafayette alumnus **Joe Maddon '76**. He follows Angels slugger/pitcher Shohei Ohtani, a 6-foot-4-inch left-handed batter/right-handed pitcher from Oshu, Japan, who hit 46 homers and won nine games as a pitcher for Maddon's Angels in 2021.

After graduating from Lafayette and a tour of duty in Vietnam, **Harry Roach** earned his master's degree in history at Kutztown University on the GI Bill. He spent most of his working life in the history field, first as a researcher with the National Park Service at Valley Forge, then as an editor of history publications. He retired early and then taught part time for 10 thoroughly enjoyable years at Northampton Community College, specializing in ancient and medieval Europe. Harry writes, "Igniting the fires of history in student brains and seeing the light in their eyes was immensely satisfying." He keeps in touch with fellow Dekes **John Hatfield**, **Jeff Kovner '66**, and **Noel Mishkin**. Harry and his wife live in sunny North Carolina, where they love dancing and dance every day.

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## 1968

**Bob Clements** sent a note to share that the 14th Annual Phi Delt Golf Invitational was held March 18-21, 2022, at the Hammock Beach Resort in Palm Coast, Fla. 📺 22

Over four rounds on the Ocean and Conservatory courses, **Bill Twardy** and **Jim Engelland** emerged as co-champions, with Bob finishing a close second. There was no mention of any holes in one by him. **Chip Jesser**, **Tom Dean**, and **Steve Bottcher** also participated in this year's competition, which has become an annual event for the Class of '68 Phi Delt.

The golf, excellent food and wine, and rehashing of old stories make for a fun four days every year. The group plans to hold

next year's event at The World Golf Village in St. Augustine, Fla.

**Lloyd Levenson** wrote to advise that he and his wife, Liane, had been featured in a magazine article in *New Jersey Business Magazine* spotlighting the 10-year anniversary—delayed two years by the COVID-19 pandemic—of the Lloyd D. Levenson Institute of Gaming, Hospitality and Tourism. The institute was founded by Lloyd and named after him.

According to the article, the Lloyd D. Levenson Institute of Gaming, Hospitality and Tourism (LIGHT) at Stockton University celebrated its 10th anniversary March 9 and recognized Lloyd's significant contributions to the university and the community.

Lloyd was honored for his efforts in developing the institute in 2010 and his ongoing support for the university.

Stockton University President Harvey Kesselman praised Lloyd and his wife, Liane, saying, "They are also enthusiastic and long-term supporters of our entire university. Their commitment is demonstrated through contributions of their time, expertise, and sponsorship—not just to Stockton, but to the many charities and nonprofit groups they support throughout all of South Jersey."

Lloyd remains CEO of the Cooper Levenson law firm and chairman of the casino and gaming law practice group, as well as of the government services and cannabis law practice groups.

LIGHT is an academic resource for governing agencies, private industries, and the community on issues involving the gaming, hospitality, and tourism industries in New Jersey.

Lori Peppenella, president of the New Jersey Tourism Industry Association and CEO of the Southern Ocean County Chamber of Commerce, stated, "This institute that was founded by Mr. and Mrs. Levenson has surely been the standard for the future of hospitality in our state."

Lloyd also advised that the couple's son Lucas, a former star basketball player at Drew University, is now a member of the State of New Jersey Bar and an associate at the Cooper Levenson law firm, where

he practices casino, gaming, and criminal law. Lucas is married, and he and wife Whitney recently had a baby girl. She is one of six grandchildren Lloyd and Liane enjoy. The Levensons' younger son, Logan, is set to be married May 29, 2022. He runs his own digital marketing business, Argyle Interactive, based in Philadelphia.

**George Keith Martin** passed away Feb. 13, 2022. His death is being met with accolades from his friends and colleagues in northeast and central Pennsylvania. He used the stage name "Keith Martin" while serving as news anchor at WBRE in Scranton, Pa., in the late 1970s and again from 1990 to 2003. He also served as news anchor at WDAU-TV in Scranton and as news anchor at WGAL-TV in Lancaster.

George died in Charleston, S.C., following a heart attack suffered at his retirement home in Pawleys Island, S.C. He was predeceased in death by his wife, Kay Grant Martin, who died Aug. 11, 2021. George was descended from artists. His mother was an actress and singer; his father a museum director and artist.

While at Lafayette, George was president of his fraternity, Theta Xi, and participated in freshman football, the IFC, and intramurals. True to his artistic nature, he performed with the Little Theatre for three years.

In the course of his 30-year television news career, he interviewed presidents and politicians, and covered historical events around the world in Egypt, Israel, Lebanon, Panama, and Vietnam.

George served in the U.S. Army as a commissioned officer, including a combat tour in Vietnam and Cambodia 1969-1970. He retired with the U.S. Army rank of colonel, served in the U.S. Army Reserves, and was a brigadier general in the Pennsylvania National Guard.

In February 2002, Gov. Edward Rendell appointed George as the first director of the Pennsylvania Department of Homeland Security. He held the position for 20 months and served afterward as a senior adviser to the governor.

George visited 20 countries and traveled 100,000 miles, touring U.S. military installations on behalf of the Overseas

Base Commission. He ended his military service as a program manager for the Military Education Coalition, a Defense Department program to assist children of U.S. military personnel.

George is survived by his two stepsons and their wives, and four grandchildren. He also is survived by two brothers and their wives, numerous nieces and nephews, and many, many friends.

A memorial service was held May 7, 2022, at Elm Park United Methodist Church in Scranton, Pa.

George's passing was marked by expression of accolades by his peers and colleagues in the television news business, which included testimonials to his devotion to the First Amendment, accuracy in the reporting of the news, his professionalism, and salutations for the manner in which he shared his knowledge and experience, and the mentorship he provided to young colleagues.

On a micro level, all members of our class will miss him greatly in no small measure due to his warmth and professional manner in serving as MC of our class reunions.

**James W. "Jim" Brotzman** of Schwenksville, Pa., passed away Feb. 26, 2022. Jim was husband of James McFarlane, his soulmate of 52 years,

After Lafayette, Jim, who was a Phillipsburg, N.J., native, earned a master's degree from West Chester University. Jim turned down lucrative offers from pharmaceutical companies to fulfill his lifelong ambition to be a teacher when he accepted a position at Spring-Ford High School in Royersford, Pa. Jim taught biology, life science, anatomy, and AP biology courses there for 35 years.

While at Spring-Ford High School, Jim chaperoned senior trips, briefly coached tennis, and participated in staging school drama productions. He would participate in anything that would improve his impact in the classroom on his students. Many former students wrote to Jim to express their gratitude for the "head start" he gave them, which enabled them to skip first-year college level courses.

Jim participated in a panel convened in Pittsburgh, Pa., to rewrite standardized tests for the state of Pennsylvania.

At Lafayette, Jim was a proud and honored member of the choir under Dr. **John Raymond's** direction. He later sang at Pilgrim Presbyterian Church in Phillipsburg, N.J., and performed solos at weddings. Jim was also president and membership chair of the Greater Norristown Art League, which under his stewardship grew from 200 members to nearly 700. He was also an award-winning sculptor.

Jim and his partner traveled the world. On one occasion they drove 17,000 miles round trip to and from Mexico. The couple also traveled throughout Europe and cruised to Panama, Columbia, and Jamaica. They took two trips to Egypt, and a river cruise on the Yangtze River. In spite of his worldwide travels, Jim's favorite place was Maine.

Jim's survivors include James McFarlane, dog Eiren, a sister, nieces, nephews, and their spouses and children, all of whom will miss Jim's good heart, generosity, and sense of humor. Donations may be made in memoriam to the Perkiomenville ASPCA, Mainline Animal Rescue, and Pilgrim Presbyterian Church/Sue Redcay Music Scholarship.

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## 1969

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## 1970

As of mid-May, we have seven classmates who have registered to come back for Reunion. There were 10, but three canceled. Perhaps it is a combination of COVID, travel distance, finances, apathy, conflicting events, etc., but our class has never had a good turnout for any College-related events. It's too bad. Our 50th was likely the last opportunity we would have had to get together, to see people you

spent a number of formative years with. Many, I suspect, are contacting those who were most important and may see them in another setting. C'est la vie. A large number of our classmates don't have any information on file with the Alumni Office, so there doesn't seem to be an effective way to contact them.

**Larry Cook** is alive and well, living in New York. He is visiting his family (granddaughter and great-granddaughter) in Montana.

**Bill Harrington** is alive and well, living in San Diego. He is planning a cruise to Alaska in June, and then a trip to Africa.

**Howie LeWine** is living in the Boston area, where he is the chief medical editor of Harvard Health Publishing, and practicing part time as a hospitalist at Brigham and Women's Hospital.

**Rob Natelson** is reducing his travel to focus more on writing and commentary.

**Bob Williams-Neal** is enjoying his time in Lexington, Ky.

**Tim Michel** writes: "I have been married to Virginia for 43 years. We have two sons, Lincoln and Robert, but no grandchildren (yet). I am 95% retired, after getting a master's degree in landscape architecture from UVA, and ended up staying in Virginia, and getting into real estate. I create art in several media including etchings and lithographs. One of my brothers and several nieces/nephews went to Lafayette. I keep in touch with Larry Cook, **George Halekas**, and **Steve Thomas '71**."

**Phil Zeidner** is a retired anesthesiologist, now living in Kauai, enjoying the benefits of Hawaii, and retirement. He has a small farm, is playing music, studying language, and paddling an outrigger canoe.

And, on a sad note, Rev. **Randolph Frank** died Sept. 28, 2021, leaving his wife, Pam, a nurse, two adult sons, and three grandsons. He was born and raised in Wisconsin and later ordained as a pastoral counselor and minister.

At Lafayette, he was a member and secretary of Theta Delta Chi, and a member of the sailing club, Fine Arts Society, president of the Hockey Club, co-captain of the hockey team, and

participated in soccer, tennis, and intramurals.

He was a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army Reserve Medical Service Corps during and after the Vietnam War, retiring as a captain after 12 years. Subsequently, he attended Bethel Seminary (Minnesota). He served as a health care chaplain in long-term care and hospitals, as well as a pastor. He enjoyed fly-fishing and hunting, and he served on the national Ski Patrol for many years, competing in ski marathons.

**Mark Cozin** died suddenly April 19, 2022. He was an anthropology and sociology major, and taught this at Raritan Valley Community College. He had taught at Lafayette 1998-2004. At Lafayette, he played football and was a McKelvy Scholar his senior year. He leaves his wife of 50 years, Sybil, and three sons, Ben, Matthew, and Andrew. May his memory be for a blessing.

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## 1971

Some pre-Reunion news. Excursions: **Bill** (and Lynn) **Sprecher** were not able to attend Reunion, as they were taking a trip to Great Britain and Ireland—delayed due to COVID. Rest assured, I gave Bill a few sites and eateries in Ireland to take in. **Don Davis** and his wife, Mary, went on an African safari this past November, along with eight friends, staying at Kruger National Park in South Africa and Hwange National Park in Zimbabwe. They toured Victoria Falls in Zimbabwe and Zambia, and spent a week in Cape Town and its close-by wine country. Don was able to actually see The Big 5—lions (30, nine eating a zebra, with hyenas circling for leftovers); leopards (a couple), one black rhinoceros, hundreds of African bush elephants, and a hundred cape buffalo. **Bob Bauer** spent a weekend in Ft. Myers, Fla., with his Theta Delta Chi

brother **Robin Amesbury** and his wife, Karen. Robin is an avid and proficient golfer, and an accomplished tropical plant gardener. Robin retired from being an auditor at Arthur Anderson, at 55. Robin and Karen split their time between Ft. Myers and Paramus, N.J.

**Don Ehre** married his high school and college sweetheart Cindy Morrison in October 2020. Both Don's and Cindy's spouses had passed away, and Don's brother served as a form of matchmaker. Don is still running his Boulder Consultants, a consulting engineering firm, looking for a buyout so he can retire.

**Mike McClintock** continues his oenophile (a fancy term for wine connoisseur) winemaking ways with Conundrum 2020, a blend of chardonnay and sauvignon blanc, with lesser amounts of other white wine grapes and aged in natural oak barrels, and Super Tuscan, a blend of sangiovese and lesser amounts of cabernet franc and merlot aged in a new Hungarian oak barrel. Mike also has barrels of a 2021 vintage chardonnay in new French oak and a cabernet sauvignon in new Hungarian oak. Mike and Linda celebrated their 50th anniversary by taking their entire family of 10 McClintocks to Waikoloa Beach on the Big Island of Hawaii, where they snorkeled, scuba dived, sportfished, hiked through Volcanoes National Park, and danced the hula at a luau (video not provided).

**Mike Volpe** celebrated his 50th anniversary June 10, same date as the reunion, so he understandably chose to be with his wife rather than his classmates.

**Marshall Austin's** trip of a lifetime to Israel, took him to Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, the Wailing Wall, Sea of Galilee, Golan Heights, and Cana, where he renewed his vows. Marshall was one of five former students of Prof. **Bernie Fried** who spoke at Prof. Fried's June 5, 2022, Memorial Celebration.

**John Sommers** is enjoying his new home at Dominion Valley, a retirement and golf community in Haymarket, Va.

By the time you read this, **Ken Cole** and wife Laura's oldest son, Mathew, will have married Kelly Cutchshaw, May 28, 2022, in Costa Mesa, Calif. The Coles hosted a rehearsal dinner party for 80 in their

backyard, where Ken has been upgrading his patio with pavers and flagstones.

**Steve and Peggy Zamore's** son, **Zac '09**, a NYC tax lawyer with Ropes & Gray, was married May 8, 2022, at the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston.

**Dennis Laich** continues to serve as the director of veterans programs at Old Dominican University and has oversight of the ROTC program. Dennis writes and speaks on national security and military affairs as a senior fellow of the Eisenhower Media Network and serves as the chair of the Veterans Advisory Council of the National Veterans Memorial and Museum. Dennis and his wife, Colleen, have five grandchildren, who all live near them.

**Dan DeRoner** and his wife of 13 years, Hilda, moved to Sarasota, Fla., seven and a half years ago, after Dan retired from A.M. Castle Inc. in Houston. Dan enjoys bocce three days a week, bikes, kayaks, plays bridge weekly, is an officer of the local Rotary Club, and is active in the Homeowners Association. Dan also occasionally exercises what he calls a "senior luxury"—a nap.

**Louis Prevost**, senior vice president and general manager of the Radnor Hotel, Wayne Hotel, and Glenmorgan Bar & Grill, in Wayne, Pa., rode the New York City 40-mile Five Boro Bike Race in May. Wearing a Lafayette lacrosse sweatshirt, Lou got five "Go Pards" shoutouts. The night before, he had a celebratory dinner with three of his eight grandchildren. Lou's son **Matt** is a 2003 Lafayette grad, with three future Leopards.

**Peter Malsin's** son, Jared, married Ruth Michaelson of London, Oct. 21, 2021, in Copenhagen, Denmark. Jared is a Middle East correspondent for *The Wall Street Journal*, and Ruth writes for *The Guardian*. They are both located in Istanbul. Peter's daughter, Mikaela, is now the director of debate at Emory University, her alma mater. Peter broke into the film business with the release of *The Last Irene*, about Tropical Storm Irene. Peter wrote the screenplay, edited, co-produced, and co-directed the film, in collaboration with the Vermont Institute of Natural Science. Peter is also working on a new film about climate change, titled *World Warp III*.

After spending 10 weeks in Lake Worth Beach, Fla., during the winter, honing my tennis skills, my wife Linda and I spent five "tough" days in the Bahamas on a friend's 91-foot motor yacht. **Len Conte** passed away May 1, 2022, from ALS.

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## 1972

Hi, Class of 1972. I really do not have any updates to talk about here because most of you have added items to the Reunion pages on LeopardLink. I have enjoyed reading them all and urge any classmate who is unable to attend Reunion to do so as well. I am not going to talk about the reunion because it will have come and gone when this column is in print. I will say that I hope to see many at the reunion and have stories to share for my next column.

**Henry Dubroff** shared that he recently received the President's Award from SABEW, the association for business journalists, at its annual conference in NYC. "It was a surprise to me to receive the award, which is not given every year. It was for my work as chair of our First Amendment Committee and for overall advocacy on First Amendment/Press Freedom issues."

**James Grant** sent a note: "How to cover 49.75 years in 100 words or less?"

My Lafayette language skills took me to the USSR from 1969 to 2016. Perhaps my most (in)famous sales deal was SWIFT. In 1988, I led the team that sold the first hardware and software solution to the Soviet Foreign Trade Bank (VEB). Along the way, other fame and (un)fortune, our two-man business, Elefantus Rus, was Europe's largest garbage disposer distributor. The Slavic consumers were great customers. During Gorbis's thaw we were one of the first 10 foreign joint ventures. (We toured European Russia on

bikes.) In 1993, I met Putin. He was a desk jockey for the city of St. Petersburg in charge of foreign economic development. He didn't seem to be very motivated. We delivered the first computer system to the Russian Orthodox Church and to Catholics of the Armenia Church. Business was booming until March of 2014. Eventually the international sanctions cost us \$1.5M, and we came home. 'All's well that ends well.'"

My wife and I have been doing well and getting out a little more now that the weather has turned to the good. I have high hopes for my garden this year. We have also begun to do some major rehab projects around the house (doors, windows, house trim, etc.) and are astounded at the prices quoted by some companies. Luckily, we have found an excellent contractor to work with as we get the work done.

I will sign off now and again urge you to look at what's online. Go Pards!

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## 1973

Think back 50 years. In the summer of 1972, we were gearing up for job searches, honors theses, grad school applications, and the like. Now, think ahead one year, when we celebrate the 50th anniversary of our graduation.

As we plan for the reunion, perhaps we can help the College locate a few of our classmates whom they've lost contact with (majors and living groups included to jog your memories). Drop me an email if you know the whereabouts of:

**Leon Adams** (biology-Phi Delt)  
**Karl Baymor** (history)  
**Roger Blum** (chemistry)  
**Ted Brown** (government and law)  
**Jim Guerra** (history-Phi Gam)  
**Thomas Raezer** (English)  
**Willard Swartz** (civil engineering-AXP)  
**Geoff White** (English)

And now to the news. Something about the Lafayette experience seems to have prepared our classmates for leadership positions in homeowners' associations.

Signing off: Early this year **Stan Trout** stepped down from his HOA board in the Denver area. He had served two years as treasurer and three as president. However, he says, "Apparently, my experience with vice was considered inadequate, and I was never the VP." He oversaw a housing complex with 282 units and an annual budget of nearly \$2 million. Stan credits two Lafayette experiences that helped him: being the treasurer of KDR and serving as president of the Physics Club. While visiting Philadelphia last spring, Stan watched some of the Penn Relays and caught up with **Jack McGowan**, who was both a college roommate and on a winning high school team at the relays.

Signing on at his HOA: **Scott Spitzer** was elected president of the McLean (Virginia) Citizens Association. The association, with 500 members and 19 HOAs, serves as an unofficial town council for the residents of the McLean area. Scott's also maintaining his law practice for entrepreneurs and small and growing technology-driven companies.

There's also a recurring theme of appreciating the education we received.

**James Luca** says he's grateful to Lafayette for a great education. He took evening classes toward his B.S. in electrical engineering while working at Bell Labs and supporting his family. He later worked at Pratt & Whitney and Monsanto before taking early retirement in 1991. "My wife and I have traveled the world and now travel to visit our 21 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren in 13 different states."

**Gene Viviano** recalls, "The best thing that my time at Lafayette provided for me was excellent preparation for a wide variety of work and life experiences. I survived the exciting, and yes grueling, years of the very challenging courses that led to my B.S. in chemical engineering." After graduation, he worked in production engineering and R&D for National Starch and Chemical and Olin Chemical. After completing an MBA at night, Gene switched to

management roles in finance, marketing, strategic planning, and sales for Hoechst-Celanese. Then his career shifted to business development for another decade for Zachry, an industrial engineering, construction, and fabrication company. As he approached retirement age, he switched from the industrial world to gig jobs such as Uber and DoorDash. "Working with the general public was quite a change."

Now retired, Gene's interests include traveling, playing piano, photography, model railroading, pickleball, singing in a church choir, and cooking. He's also working through all 27 James Bond movies. This year he and his wife, Karen, will travel to Germany for the Oberammergau passion play. Next year: Sicily, where his four grandparents came from. He and Karen live close to the beach in Ocean Isle, N.C. He calls it paradise on earth. "Sure beats solving thermodynamics problems or chemical process modeling!"

And in other news, **Dave Yanik** plans to retire just before our 50th reunion. For October, he and his wife have planned a Mediterranean cruise from Barcelona to Athens. "We did this previously when we lived in Europe, but loved it so much that we jumped at the chance to do it again," he writes.

Some may recall that **Nick Sabatine** and some school buddies earned beer money by playing in a horn band called "The Crowd." He's still practicing law full time, but also decided to try writing songs ("maybe **Dr. Watt** rubbed off on me a little") and become an aging songwriter focusing on political issues. A year or so ago, he had the pleasure of doing a concert of his material with some great musicians, including Ted Nugent's bassist, Billy Joel's lead guitarist, and Tommy James' keyboardist.

**Rick Beltram** hopes to see some classmates at the Lafayette-Temple football game Sept. 10 in Philadelphia. His "avocado project" in the Dominican Republic is continuing to prosper. The project helps provide an economic stimulus by assisting local folks in establishing family agricultural businesses.

After a corporate career in marketing, branding, and strategic planning, **Rich**

**Newman** is consulting while living in Pine, Ariz., a small town at an elevation of 5,400 feet. “We are about 100 miles northeast of Phoenix, where we have five of our 15 grandkids.”

**Phil Gocke** says he’s doing fine in his home outside of Philadelphia, where he and his family have lived for 39 years. He’s in good health and has three kids and three grandkids.

**Walt Lewis** stays busy in balmy Naples, Fla., with kayaking, cycling, and lots of competitive tennis. Senior tournaments and team events with former Division 1 players are a great challenge. He and his wife walked the Camino de Santiago in Portugal and Spain just before COVID. And they’ve enjoyed visits from some Sigma Nu brothers and their spouses when they head to Florida to thaw out, **Paul Coates** and **Buzz Gancarz** ’74.

Tireless fencer **Rich Mayer** continues to compete and referee. In July, he competed in his age group at the national fencing championships in Minneapolis. Depending on that outcome, he might then travel to Croatia in October for the 50-plus world championships. He and **Tom Rodgers** ’65 serendipitously met at their outings group’s New Year’s Eve hike along the Hudson River (neither knew the other was a member). 📷 2

**Mark Sankey** is serving as secretary of the Frederick County (Maryland) Sustainability Commission. The experience has left him more convinced to never run for office, but it is providing material for his second book (this one on sustainability). “The task grows as I learn more,” he says. “The return to semi-normal has allowed for more exposure regarding development, which is intertwined with sustainability. We live a very affluent lifestyle, and materialism is a strong foe to a livable community.”

Sad news only recently reached the College that **Frank Henderson** passed away April 30, 2021. Some of us might remember him as a government and law major or as a DJ on WJRH. After graduation Frank earned master’s degrees at University of Houston and University of Massachusetts and worked in information technology at

AT&T. He later became chief technology officer at the Netplex Group. Frank had been living in Basking Ridge, N.J. He was predeceased by his wife, Vicki, and is survived by a son and a daughter. See Frank’s obituary at [tinyurl.com/LC-FrankH](https://tinyurl.com/LC-FrankH).

**Richard** “Dick” **Steigerwalt**, passed away Jan. 16, 2022. An EE grad, Dick was a retired construction engineering project manager. He had worked at Bechtel for more than 35 years and had lived in North Augusta, S.C., for the past 32. An avid outdoorsman, Dick enjoyed his time on the water and in the woods. He’s survived by Brenda, his wife of 56 years, a son, two daughters, and seven grandchildren. See Dick’s full obituary at [tinyurl.com/LC-RichardS](https://tinyurl.com/LC-RichardS).

**Lew Kurland** retired from practicing law in 2017 and still lives in Shrewsbury, N.J. His volunteering includes chopping vegetables for a nonprofit called LunchBreak and ushering for the Jersey Shore Blueclaws, a minor league baseball team. At press time, he and **Joe Ferdinand**, **Phil Gocke**, and **Larry Gasda** were attempting to restart their COVID-interrupted golf foursome, which has them converging in Easton for 18 holes.

Back in March, **George Kaplan** attended the Founders’ Day event in NYC. “I met some very nice people, but nobody who attended Lafayette during our years there.” That experience reminds us that there’s nothing like reconnecting with our own “cohort.”

And while Lew, Joe, Phil, and Larry have organized their own reunions, there’s another way: Mark your calendars for our 50th reunion (pandemic-permitting) June 2-4, 2023. It’s most likely the last time that we will gather as a class in any numbers. So come back, catch up with old friends, make some new ones, and have a celebratory dinner with Lafayette’s new president, **Nicole Farmer Hurd**.

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## 1974

**Michael A. Kovacs** passed away Nov. 18, 2021, at age 83, after a life of accomplishment. He earned a degree in mechanical engineering from The Ohio State University and Lafayette College. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. A lifelong resident of Washington Township, N.J., Michael was a long-time public servant. He was mayor for 12 years, served on the Township Committee over 30 years, and was inducted into the New Jersey Mayor Hall of Fame in 2017. Michael coached wrestling at Phillipsburg Catholic High School and multiple sports at Warren Hills High School.

Michael was a parishioner at St. Theodore Catholic Church in Port Murray. He was married 54 years to Barbara Giorlando, who passed away in 2019. Michael is survived by sons Mark, Matthew, and Michael and daughters Mary and Miranda, as well as six grandchildren.

**Edward DeHope** says: “I continue practicing law-of-counsel with Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland & Perretti, LLP, where I have practiced since 1978. My wife, Leanne, and I are eagerly awaiting a visit in July from our daughter, Aimee, her husband, Bobby Gomez, and our grandson, Blake, whom we have not seen in person since December 2019. They reside in Sherman Oaks, Calif., and COVID restrictions and risks have kept us apart for too long. Thank goodness for FaceTime. This year we also will return to our old haunts at Cape May, N.J., Camden, Maine, and hope to visit California to reunite with extended family there.”

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## 1975

By the time you read this column, another Class of ’75 reunion will be in the books. Please send me pictures and comments for the next column.

In May 2022, **Bruce Ballard** earned his J.D. from North Carolina School of Law. He will begin his second career as an assistant district attorney in the fall. After leaving Lafayette, Bruce obtained his master’s and Ph.D. in computer science from Duke, then taught and conducted research in artificial intelligence at The Ohio State University and Duke University. He spent seven years at AT&T Bell Laboratories, leaving in 1991 to market an entry-level color graphics program he’d written for the Macintosh. Bruce was then hired by Scholastic Inc. to create and manage a software development office in North Carolina. On the first business day of 2000, Bruce started a job with SAS Institute in Cary, N.C. Nineteen years later, he accepted an offer of early retirement, which freed him to pursue his long-term interest in the law. Bruce is married to Martha Lynn Ballard, a North Carolina native and graduate of Duke University and Duke Divinity School. They have a son, a daughter, and two grandchildren living in the Washington, D.C., area.

**Cindy Donley** and her husband, Tom, continue to live in York, Pa., with a multigenerational seasonal home not too far away from Lafayette College in the Pocono Mountains. Cindy and Tom have four grandchildren ages 4 to 8 years old, including twins. They also have a teenage stepgrandson. Cindy and Tom stay active, spend lots of time with family and do volunteer work with their church, community, and kids’ schools. They also play lots of bridge and pickleball, and are having a great time in their retirement years.

On a final note, **Joe Harpster** ’73 and I are grandparents again! Douglas Michael Giordano made his grand entrance March 9 and joins big brother Timothy. 📷 12 He’s the son of our daughter, Alison Harpster Giordano, and Stephen Giordano. Time to set up another 529 plan!

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## 1976

**Bob Stern** writes: “Three years after moving to Boise for retirement, I think we are finally fully settled in. We both worked the 2020 Census locally, upstate, and in California during the heavy fire season, walking our beats in the smoke for weeks at a time. Now I spend my days hiking and biking, enjoying a 2-year-old Australian labradoodle, and working for Legacy Corps as a volunteer to three vet families, providing respite care for the caregivers, raising money, and working on Sunrise Rotary Club of Boise for local nonprofit and schools supplemental support programs, and for National and International Rotary Foundation programs. I serve as president of Our Lady of the Rosary Church Legion of Mary presidium, doing homebound and assisted-living visits to our elder or sickly parishioners among other projects. Life is all about giving back these days, and Otis is a great solace to me. After living a nomadic lifestyle around the globe serving in the Army and as a civilian in support of the Army in Europe (Germany and England) and Asia (Japan) and traveling through both continents for 26 years, I recently have all three kids and their families in the same state at the same time for the first time since 2003. A lot of Nana and Pop Pop time with the four grandchildren.”

**Brad Kemmerer** writes that he retired as president and CEO of ABCO Automation last year after 21 years in that role and over 30 years at the company. He is continuing on a part-time basis as chairman of the board. ABCO provides custom automation including robotic systems to leading manufacturers. Prior to ABCO, Brad worked at Richardson-Vicks, Procter & Gamble, and Bristol-Myers Squibb. He credits his engineering education at Lafayette as preparing him for a rewarding career. Greensboro, N.C., has been his home since graduation. Brad and his wife, Joyce, have been married 44 years and are blessed with two daughters, two sons-in-law, and three grandchildren.

**Leslie Howard** reported that she and **Diane Morgenthaler** hosted the first

Wine 3/9 in Madison, Wis., to honor Founders’ Day. With only 70 or so alums in the entire state of Wisconsin, they weren’t sure what the response would be but were thrilled with our loyal Leopards. 📷 18 Classmate **Bill Werner** and his wife, **Linda** ’77, drove 100 miles from Neenah to attend. They were joined by their son Eric who lives in Madison. **Van Walling** ’77 and his wife, Kelly, and **Kathy O’Leary** ’80 and her husband, **Alex Mulligan** ’79, rounded out the 70s-80s crowd. **Lauren Cullen Huibregtse** ’09 and her husband, Jack, as well as **Grant Kempfski** ’16 represented more recent grads. Along with some good food and champagne, they all had a great time connecting, sharing stories, and learning more about their common experience and what happened since then.

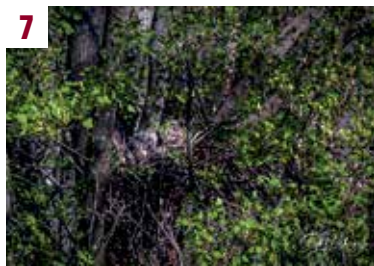
I am saddened to report that we lost several class members recently.

**Dr. Honor Grace Manilla**, of Worcester, Pa., passed away July 16, 2021, at her residence. She was a daughter of Vivian M. (Marino) Manilla and the late Anthony A. Manilla. Born April 12, 1954, in Norristown, Pa., she grew up in Worcester, Pa., and graduated from Bishop Kenrick High School in 1972. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Lafayette and continued her education, earning her Doctorate in Podiatric Medicine from University of Des Moines Osteopathic Medicine’s College of Podiatric Medicine in 1984. After medical school, Honor performed her residency training at the Hunter Holmes McGuire Veterans Association Center in Richmond, Va., from 1985 through 1986. She then started her podiatric practice in Worcester, Pa., in 1987, and served the surrounding area’s podiatric needs for over 30 years, retiring in 2017. She was board certified in wound care and limb salvage, and served on the Mercy Suburban Hospital Center for Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Medicine in East Norriton, Pa. She also was a member of the PennSuburban Chamber of Commerce.

**Robert L. Rovins**, Esq. passed away May 25, 2020.

**Kevin F. Tichacek** passed away July 12, 2020 Always obsessed with learning and sports, Kevin excelled at Lafayette,

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where he received his bachelor's degree in engineering. After years in the field with Toys"R"Us and Grand Union, he later owned and operated his own engineering company prior to his short stint in real estate sales. He was a loving, patient, and faith-filled man who rarely didn't have a smile on his face. He greeted everyone with respect and kindness. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen, his daughter and son-in-law, Kelsi and Sal, and their three children, Domenico, Giulia, and Benedetto.

I am sorry to report the death of classmate **Ray Pomeroy** after a long illness in Sierra Vista, Ariz. Ray was active in the Boy Scouts, earning the rank of Eagle, and was captain of his high school cross country team. After college, Ray studied at the Defense Language Institute before serving in U.S. Army Intelligence. He lived in several stations in his U.S. Army Regular and Reserve careers. He retired as a high-ranking non-commissioned officer at Fort Huachuca in Arizona. Ray is survived by his wife, Lori, daughter Shannon, and predeceased by his first daughter, Morgan. He was also the grandfather to six young women: Hailey, Courtney, Lindsay, Noel, Madalyn, and Addison. Our deepest sympathy goes to the Pomeroy family.

I wish there was more news to report, but hopefully after a successful Reunion back on the Hill in June, there will be lots of great stories to share!

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## 1978

I greet you with the words of a note sent in by our classmate **Susan Oaks Little**: "I hope you are doing OK and starting to crawl out of your COVID-19 cave like me!" Sue lives in Cary, N.C., and has worked for the same law firm in Raleigh for many years as a medical analyst responsible for working up cases and interfacing with experts. Sue shared that in the course of her work, "I actually have reached out to some '78 fellow alumni, who are now physicians including, Dr. **Ped Fisher** and Dr. **David Albala**, to help navigate some cases. It is so much more fun if you can combine work with reconnecting with old friends! I tease these two doctors that I had no idea while I was in college that they were so dang smart! Ha!" In her note, Sue shared news about her family: Her youngest daughter, **Kelly Tapson '13**, lives in Maine and is getting married there in September 2023. Her middle daughter, Lauren, just welcomed her second boy, so in Sue's own words, "I now have five grandchildren who I am obsessed with." Her oldest daughter, Kelly, has three children, and luckily they live close by, so Sue acknowledges: "I know I am blessed with that!" Sue and her husband, Stewart, still both work full time and between the two of them have 15 grandchildren! About her large extended family, Sue says: "I know that is a lot and we tend to get exhausted when we all get together (which has been less due to COVID, so we have some catching up to do), but we love it!" Sue also reported she had a great Zoom call with her former field hockey and lacrosse coach, **Sharon Gish**, which included some prior teammates: **Barb Kerlavage '79**, **Laura Roberts '79**, **Catherine Hanlon '79**, **Cindy Oaks Linville '80**, and **Amelia Erickson '76**. They plan to do this every few months and hope to add more alumni athletes who want to talk to "Coach" and to reconnect with old teammates. During the call, these former players and friends had many laughs and caught up on what everyone has done since they graduated.

Congratulations to **Robert Pruden** on his retirement Jan. 1, 2020, from a 40-year career

in finance (accounts receivable factoring to be precise). He worked for eight firms over that time having started as a collector and ending as a SVP/account executive. In his own words, Robert says: "I guess I could say that the industry I fell into was very good to me. Especially when I add that I met my wife, Deborah, of 37 years over the phone as a client of mine." Five days post-retirement, Robert's only son, Billy, and his wife, Jenelle, welcomed his first grandchild, William Heston Pruden V. Within five months, the Prudens sold their house of 31 years in Glendale, Calif., and moved to Riverside County to be just 2 miles from young Will. As a proud new grandfather, Robert says: "I must say that being his Grandpa has been so much more fun than I expected." Soon the Prudens will close on the purchase of a house in Murfreesboro, Tenn. (a Nashville suburb), as the whole brood, including Jenelle's parents, is moving east to Tennessee. "Having been quite invisible in the Lafayette Alumni News since 1978," Robert added that his journey to California to go to film school was not a total bust as his thesis film did win an honorable mention award at a film festival in Rochester, N.Y. Robert ended his note by writing that "making a career in that field was clearly never in the cards, and I am a very grateful retiree who is so excited to be escaping from the insane state that is California."

There was a fun night spent this winter in Naples, Fla., by a group of Phi Delta Theta brothers and their wives. Check out the picture of **Jim Valenti** and wife **Sue Feehan Valenti '80**, **Bill Johnston '81** and wife **Jude**, and **Pete Gargiulo '81** and wife **Kate**. 📷 27

Ted and I enjoyed a visit this winter with **Mike Kessler** (Phi Delta Theta) and his wife, Terry, as they passed through Austin on a road trip around Texas. 📷 28 The Kesslers live in the Fort Worth area and were enjoying a vacation touring a few Texas state parks as they traveled in their luxury camper. Their dog, Zeus, was a fun added guest!

By the time you read this column, our 45th class reunion will be less than a year away. You will start receiving reunion information with exact dates and events, but here is the first heads up to reserve the

first weekend in June 2023 for your return to College Hill. Hopefully, we will be able to safely have an "in-person" reunion to enjoy reconnecting with classmates and old friends. Everyone is welcome, whether you have come to all our '78 reunions over the years or may be attending for the first time in a long time. Bring your family! As my own personal pitch: I know that the 50th is considered the "big one," but please don't wait—come to our 45th if you are able. Having a large Class of '78 turnout will make it more fun for everyone!

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## 1979

**Chip Bergh**, president and CEO of Levi Strauss & Co., delivered the keynote speech for Lafayette's 187th Commencement ceremony for the Class of 2022 May 21 and the in-person Commencement celebration for the Class of 2020 May 22.

Dr. **Catherine Hanlon** was the featured speaker for the Feb. 10, 2022, edition of *Primetime Pards*. Those of us who watched agree that she was enlightening, witty, entertaining, funny, and more. Here's the link if you missed it. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jS8IWfCutM>

In February, **Larry Jacobs** was selected as Georgia Tech's senior vice provost for education and learning (SVP-EL). Since joining Tech's faculty in 1988, Larry has served as professor and associate dean for Academic Affairs in Georgia Tech's College of Engineering (COE) and has served twice as interim dean for the College of Engineering. He earned a B.S. in civil engineering from Lafayette College, an M.S. in civil engineering from Polytechnic Institute of New York, and a Ph.D. in engineering mechanics from Columbia University. Prior to joining Georgia Tech, he worked as a staff engineer for Grumman Aerospace Corp., and as a structural engineer with Ammann & Whitney Consulting Engineers.

**Michael LaGattuta's** son Dean and a West Point classmate have started a podcast on Spotify called *Global Talk Tuesday*.

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## 1980

I am sad to report that **Albert Giovanni** passed away Jan. 13, 2020. Albert was a 1969 graduate of Notre Dame High School in Easton, Pa. He earned his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Lafayette College while working. Post-graduation, he was a professional musician and toured the country playing the accordion with his band. He started his own electrical contracting business, ECM Electric, and eventually he retired after 15 years with Albarell Electric Co. Albert was an antique car enthusiast and enjoyed dancing and being outdoors.

This is the most frustrating issue to write in a reunion year as you will receive the Alumni News after Reunion, but I submit the column before Reunion. I hope to have a lot of news next time! For now I can tell you a bit about why some classmates weren't able to make it.

**Alison Roedler-King** was on vacation in Florida.

**Barbara Lan Kaplan** was unable to make Reunion because she was committed to taking care of her ever-growing group of adorable grandchildren while her children made their escape. She also had a wedding to attend on Sunday.

Barb's roomie **Nancy Keller Shumeyko** was also unable to come due to a wedding weekend. She would love to see a big turnout for Homecoming in the fall to make up for it.

**Peter** and **Sue Gummesson** were off on a postponed birthday and anniversary celebration to Paris and Nice at the same time as Reunion.

**Rebecca Price Janney's** newest novel, the fifth in her Easton series, *Easton at Christmastide*, has been named a Selah Award finalist in the category of historical fiction. The Selahs are a competitive

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Until the next issue, then—send any news you have!

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## 1981

**Geoff Bermingham** made it to the top of Mt. Chocorua (Mt. Lafayette is in the background). 📷 23 He writes he moved to Maine in July 2019. He met **Terry Davies** and **Paul Allen '80** in Portland and also developed a new network of friends. He is absolutely loving the beauty and geography plus remarkable people. He rebuilt a telehealth practice, and his day job is an opioid treatment program for a clinic called Health Care Resource. He is hoping to sit for the state licensure exam. He is calling on all classmates to visit.

**Moggie Bakes Davis** writes she is artistic director of a theater in Edison, N.J., and gearing up for summer. The season will include *Something Rotten*, *The SpongeBob Musical*, and *A Chorus Line*. She welcomes visitors and writes it is a beautiful amphitheater in Roosevelt Park where you can bring a chair and sit outside. She sees **Becky Haag Sommi** often. They vacation yearly and named their vacation "senior week."

**Tony Fernandez** and **Susan DePhillips Fernandez '83** have lived in Ridgefield, Conn., for 22 years. They recently moved to a new house in the center of town and are enjoying being able to walk to nearby restaurants, entertainment venues, and shopping. Their youngest daughter, Anna, moved in with them after graduating from Boston College last May. She is currently studying at Fairfield University and will be graduating this August with a nursing degree.

Tony and Sue's family is quickly expanding 📷 8, as they recently became grandparents for the third time. Their daughter Elise and son-in-law Andrew

welcomed their daughter, Zelia, who was born mid-May, to their family. Their son, Leo, is almost 2 1/2 years old. Tony and Sue were in Michigan for this special occasion and stayed for a week to help out. They have another granddaughter, Ember, who is 15 months old. She is the child of their eldest daughter, Christina, and son-in-law Max, who live nearby in Brookfield, Conn. Tony and Sue are greatly enjoying this new phase of their lives and savoring their role as grandparents. As they say, it keeps them young!


Your classmates enjoyed meeting for reunion over the past six months. More importantly, calls included the adjoining classes which gave an opportunity to chat with our friends in other classes.

Try to catch the Lafayette Trail and placement around your state of markers acknowledging the Marquis' unique role in the history of the revolution. His historic 24-state tour is cited in each state as they are funded. I enjoy the Massachusetts and New Hampshire dedication ceremonies.

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## 1982

As you read this, our 40th reunion is a part of history. Hopefully, we added another memorable chapter to our time at Lafayette. See you at the 45th!

A chance meeting on a Vero Beach, Fla., pickleball court turned into a Lafayette reunion of sorts for **Rockwood "Rocky" Keith '64** and **Renae Schneck Tesauro P'12**.  **6**

"We were paired up in a doubles match and ended up talking about where we were from," says Tesauro. "When I mentioned Allentown, Pa., Rocky said 'I know where that is. I went to Lafayette.' After that, we talked about our own experiences on College Hill and what led us to Vero Beach."

Rocky, originally from Scarsdale, N.Y., was an economics major and a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. "We had the best chef on campus, but unfortunately there were no girls at that time."

A retired information technology manager, Rocky and his wife, Joan, recently decided to spend winters in Vero Beach after selling their home in the Bahamas following Hurricane Dorian. Renae moved to Vero Beach full time in 2017 with her husband, Jay. She has a public relations firm and is a feature writer and columnist for *Vero Beach Magazine*. Both Pardes have become formidable competitors on the pickleball court, sometimes pairing up to volley, dink, and serve their way to victory.

Ironically, while Rocky lamented the lack of coeds on campus during his Lafayette experience, Renae chaired last year's Council of Lafayette Women's conference, celebrating 50 years of coeducation. Today, more than half of Lafayette's students are women.

It goes to show... in life and pickleball, timing is everything!

**Brad Addison** writes that he is still working for Chemours, a DuPont 2015 spin-off, as an industrial rotating machinery engineer. [*Editor's Note: Being an EE, the only spinning thing I remember is something having to do with electromagnetism, but I'm too lazy to look it up.*] He was recently promoted to "mechanical engineering senior principal consultant," with the next step being corporate fellow. Brad writes that he's not sure if his "walking-on-water abilities" are up to the task of reaching this level before he retires.

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## 1983

It was a slow cycle for news from our classmates, so we will have to (humbly) share our own news until we hear more from all of you.

Nancy and Anne Marie saw each other in person for the first time since this two-year pandemic pause started. It was great to roam around the Upper West Side and

stay up late catching up (just like old times at Laf!). Anne Marie was in NYC helping her older daughter, **Katie '16**, move to yet another new apartment. She also got to watch Katie play coed softball in Central Park with three other Lafayette alums on her team. Anne Marie's younger daughter, Lauren, flew in from Nashville, where she works at Vanderbilt University, to also help with the move. It was great for all four of us to be together!

Our 40th reunion is one year away as we write this. Please send in your news as we build up to the big event. We know that some of you are retiring, planning weddings, and becoming grandparents—we would love to hear from you!

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## 1984


I hope you are well as I jot a few notes on a bright spring day full of promise and possibility. I heard an interesting definition of joy the other day: living with positive energy in a supportive community in alignment with your values. Happiness is an inside job. I feel fortunate to put my energy into our grass-fed beef operation near Newport, R.I., welcoming stop-by visitors at Cloverbud Ranch with a day's notice. I caught up with the Chi Phi brothers on a Zoom call, where you may rest assured that a social alternative was made available to everyone.

**Bob and Elizabeth Hughes** have been blessed with a grandbaby courtesy of their son. He is a naval officer like the old man, teaching nuclear power in Charlestown, S.C. A real slacker. Hughes' dream retirement home on Lake Alto in Waldo, Fla., was completed last year. So far they have hosted

family and friends, **Ted Gumbart** and **Mark Schwarzmann**, and look forward to having more Pardes stop by.

**Dallas Hetherington** has retired from the chemical industry and picked up the camera with an eye toward nature imagery.  **7** His patience and ability to capture incredible moments have Frans Lanting at Nat Geo reassessing career options. Well worth a follow on FB. Dallas was named president of the board of Raritan Headwaters Association in March. "RHA is our local N.J. watershed watchdog and land trust. I've also presented to over 1,500 people on climate change for C-Change Conversations. C-Change's presentation is a nonpartisan overview of this critically important topic, and we seek mainly conservative and centrist audiences". With you, bro.

**Bob "JR" Malley** has sworn off his troubling habit of topping off the coffers of other colleges—University of Pittsburgh, St. Joseph's University, and Kutztown. While congratulations may still be premature, Bob and Karen are nevertheless planning to shrug off the yoke with a few pints touring the old sod in Ireland this summer.

**Paul Greene** and **Beth Illingworth Greene** celebrated the 40th anniversary of their first date on her 20th birthday. A milestone decade. Beth has been seen still substitute-preaching at churches around the Albany, N.Y., area. Their daughter Julian is getting married in June in the Catskills, and son Isaiah is killin' it at med school in Brooklyn. In an uncharacteristic lapse of judgment, Paul has invited the group of deplorables to an August gathering at their Lake George home. Boating fun and an educational seminar at Saratoga racetrack have been scheduled. **Jim Benjamin** and the usual suspects met in NOLA for the Final Four.  **35** Reliable eyewitnesses have confirmed reports of ongoing buffoonery throughout the weekend.

Karen and I will spend our 30th anniversary weekend in St. Croix on Labor Day weekend, hoping to see nesting sea turtles, sample the rum and seafood, and explore graveyards looking for ancestors.

The Black blood in our family is a great mystery for my genealogist wife. Keep in touch, friends.

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## 1985

**Pete Demers** shared a photo at Myrtle Beach from fall 2021, where he, **Carl Huppert**, **Tom Moriarty**, **Wally Cooney**, **Tom Ellison**, and **Dave Daniels** headed for some golf.  **9** Keep up what I think is an annual outing with those irons and woods.

**Art Williams** remarked that **Sandy Kazinski** has been our class correspondent since Ronald Reagan was President. Wow... that makes you think a bit. He's working remotely as head of business development for Disciplined Alpha, a firm that manages a long/short equity hedge fund. He lives seasonally in Ocean City, N.J., as well as in Jupiter, Fla. Art is in regular contact with **Brian Guttman**, **Joe Welsh**, **Ted Sharkey**, **Eric Kambour**, and **Joe McFarland**.

**Stevie Lucas Thompson** sent word that she broke her hand golfing back in October. Her words of caution? Check how old your golf shoes are before playing in wet conditions. She's healed and back on the course.

Daughter No.1, Andi, gave birth to Stevie's third grandchild, Feb. 28. Eleanor Rose Schmerin joined big brother Will and big sister Raegan. Daughter No. 2, Melanie, gave birth in April to her first child (Stevie's fourth grandchild), Jonathan Rainer DeStefano.

In between welcoming new grandchildren, Stevie, **Doreen Ventresca Sullivan**, and **Joanne Ruziska Wachenfeld** headed out to the Hamptons to visit with **Karen Siegel Gruenberg** at her new vacation home.  **32**

Shoutout to swimmer **Margi Bergamini** who went to the Masters Nationals in Orlando, Fla., with Severna Park, Md., masters swim team. She won two golds,

four silvers, and five bronze medals. In addition to breaking the team record in the 1,650, Margi expressed how much fun it was and that she's grateful to both love and be able to swim. Way to bring home the medals, Margi!

Keep sharing news, classmates!

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## 1986

Hello, '86ers! I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at our special reunion event in a few weeks. About 80 of our class are registered, so it should be a good gathering on the Zete lawn, along with our shoulder classes of '85 and '87. I appreciate the core reunion committee who worked hard with me and our counterparts in other classes to plan a great event: **Wynne Whitman**, **Dan Huffenus**, and **Chris Nolan**, as well as the many who volunteered to help get the word out. Our next reunion will be the big 4-0 in 2026, so make a note of it now, and let's have an even more tremendous turnout when we have a few more gray hairs.

**Ward Follette** is still out there skiing and excited to attend several reunions this summer.

Please send in your updates to share with the class. I didn't get any notes this time, probably because everyone's saving their news for Reunion. What personal achievements do you want to share next time? Did you check something off your bucket list? Make a move professionally? Start a business or hobby? Connect with other Pardes somewhere cool? Send in your news—we're eager to read all about it!

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## 1987

No news to report at this juncture. The deep breath before the plunge. I'm sure my next column will be brimming with news from alums I've had the pleasure of seeing at our 35th reunion June 3–5.

The two best things I can do right now are 1) to acknowledge the two hardest-working members of the Reunion organizing committee—**Lisa Grant** and **Fred Raffetto**, and 2) to thank the rest of the committee as well, along with all the classmates who helped the committee reach out to other alums, which is a fairly long list of helpers: **Art Bell**, **Martie Smith Byrd**, **Carol McArthur Amedeo**, **Bob Ball**, **Michi Calcagno**, **Peter Cardelia**, **Scot Duvall**, **Karen Griffin Ernst**, **Tom Gibbons**, **Eric Hatke**, **Leo Helmers**, **Scott Kyreakakis**, **Seth Landau**, **John Santos**, **Joanne Berkow Schwartz**, **David Scott**, and **Chris Tedeschi**.

Hope you all have a wonderful summer.

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## 1988

In February, **Jon Conner** hosted a group of '88 DTD brothers at his home in Bedford, N.Y. 📷 **5** In addition to the host, **Jeff Callan**, **Mike D'Angelo**, **Sal Fiordelisi**, **Pat Kelly**, **Adam Lemisch**, **Dan Ries**, and **Marty Screen** were all able to make the gathering. The night was spent catching up, looking at photos, and discussing great memories from our days at Lafayette. Dan Ries wrote: "Unable to locate a keg of Stroh's, Jon arranged for imported beer, fine wine, and aged single malt whisky, continuing the Delt House tradition of only offering guests the finest booze. Dinner was kicked off with a toast to much beloved brother **Larry Usilaner '89**, whose passing in part inspired the get-together. Dinner was a Delt favorite—

chicken parm, better known as scabs. Aldo would have been proud."

**Rachel Nelson-Moeller** and **Tim Moeller** celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary in October 2021—she wrote that "it's hard to believe we got married in Colton Chapel so many years ago! We have finally had the chance to travel a bit these last few months, after such a long time in COVID lockdown. This included a pre-pandemic planned trip to Costa Rica with **Eileen Daly Williams**, **Hayes Williams**, **Kim Checkur Gibbons**, and **Ed Gibbons**. 📷 **25** We have also visited our daughter **Lucy '21**, who now lives in Salida, Colo., working as part of the AmeriCorps program. While in Colorado, we were so happy to catch up with **Rich McNamara**."

**Beth Freebairn** writes that she's moved back to the Lehigh Valley. "My full-time job is still with Chubb, but my fun part-time job is teaching fitness classes. I teach BodyPump currently at Maxx Fitness Clubzz in Bethlehem and Saucon Valley. I'm looking for a yoga class to lead, my other fitness passion. I'd love to see some Pard, especially in that brown Mountain Hawk territory!"

Let the countdown begin to Reunion 2023! It'll be our 35th reunion next June. Hope to see you there!

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## 1989

Little did we realize in May 1989 how significant that year would be and how appropriate was the selection of Dr. **Robert Darnton**, an expert in the Revolution of 1789. Although it was most likely lost on us at the time, he tried to explain the difference between "tu" and "vous" and how our lives would change following graduation. These are the things a parent thinks about as they watch their children graduate and begin their own journeys. In that spirit, we offer congratulations to members of the Class of 1989 who are

enjoying the graduation of their children this spring. We also offer condolences to the families of our classmates who will not be with them for future milestones.

**Bob and Sue Littlejohn Berry** celebrated the graduation of daughter Megan from Clarkson University with a B.A. in psychology, cum laude. She will be pursuing a Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Spalding University in Louisville, Ky.

**Jeff Boxer's** son Spencer is graduating from Quinnipiac University with a B.A. in political science and a minor in history.

**John Donovan's** daughter Campbell graduated from Mount St. Joseph's Academy (home of **Kristen Kenney '90**) and will attend University of Southern California.

**Andrew Kennedy** and Dr. **Jacqueline Olich '92** celebrated the graduation of son Jackson from Duke University with a B.S. in mechanical engineering, magna cum laude. Following a summer internship at SpaceX in Hawthorne, Calif., he will be pursuing a master's degree in aeronautics and astronautics at Stanford University.

**Tony Laino** reports that daughter Lauren is graduating from Villanova and heading off to University of Pennsylvania School of Law.

**Jeff Nelson's** daughter Casey is graduating with a master's in computer science from Brown University and heading to Google in Cambridge, Mass.

**Len Ostroff** recently joined Crisp (gocrisp.com), a startup whose mission is to reduce food waste by providing data transparency into the supply chain. As part of his due diligence prior to joining the company, Len discovered that **Dave Leyrer** was the lead investor in the last round and serves on the board. Now 30-something years after they were last in Econ 304, Len and Dave reconnected and are working together to build a meaningful company serving an important mission.

From the *Baltimore Sun*, "**Scott Stern**, of Ellicott City, Md., passed away on Sunday, April 24, 2022, at the age of 55. He is survived by his beloved wife, Elizabeth Stern (nee Koenig); cherished twin sons, Andrew and Gabriel Stern; mother, Arlene Stern; brother, Steven Stern (Linda Neuwirth);

and parents-in-law, Rita and Jack Koenig. Scott was predeceased by his dear father, Sol Stern." Funeral home: Sol Levinson & Bros., Pikesville, Md. Scott was a loyal friend, McKeen dungeon mate, and proud classmate. No one who read this news didn't have their heart break a little. Or a lot.

**Scott Taylor's** son Kevin graduated from Port Washington High and will attend Vanderbilt in the fall.

**Lawrence A. Usilaner**—We were notified of Larry's death by his fraternity brother **Rob Hess** (DTD). Rob shared the following, "I wanted to pass along the sad news that our brother Larry Usilaner '89 passed away last Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022, after a long battle with chronic debilitating pain. He was an amazing person—struggled with his disease without complaint to the very end. He is survived by his wife, Susan Usilaner, who resides in New York City. His service was held in New York City on Jan. 28."

**Mike Watson** celebrates the graduation of son Nick from Washington & Lee with a B.A. in economics and a minor in poverty/human capabilities, and daughter Katy from University of Virginia with a master's in teaching and special education.

'89ers, please keep us informed of your exploits and adventures, ithappens1989@gmail.com.

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## 1991

**Pam Richards Marusic** just started a new position as director of community engagement with Alzheimer's New

Jersey in Roseland, N.J. Pam lives in New Providence, N.J., with her husband, Kevin, and children, Connor, 18, and Paige, 16. Connor is heading off to University of Miami in Coral Gables, Fla., in fall 2022.

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## 1992

Greetings, classmates! By the time this column has been printed, we will have celebrated our 30th reunion together. If you missed Reunion and want to catch us up on your news, send it my way for the next Class Notes this fall at srmk22@verizon.net or via LeopardLink (leopardlink.lafayette.edu/classnotes).

Classmate **Becky Bown Harobin** wrote in with some family news. Her oldest son, **Tate**, graduated from Lafayette this spring 2022. "He's an econ major and a Phi Psi, and has had a great experience. As he graduates, my daughter **Lucy** will fill his shoes as she will be a Lafayette first-year in the fall. The bad news? Her twin sister is headed to Lehigh! I've managed to put the Lehigh sticker on my car, but don't think I can stomach actually wearing Lehigh gear on my body. Lucy is the 13th in our family to attend Lafayette, so the odds are still in our favor!"

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## 1993

Hello, Class of '93. Hoping this finds you well and that you are all inspired to send me some updates. And my thanks to those of you I have reached out to over FB messenger. Your updates are really appreciated.

Getting us rolling first is classmate **Mike Tennaro** who got engaged on March 18 to

Mildred Bourdoin. They are busy planning the wedding and will reside in Hoboken, N.J., after the wedding.

**Kim L. Coulson** is teaching yoga and especially enjoys working with her daughter and other high school athletes. Her older kids are keeping her busy traveling between her daughter playing lacrosse for Dartmouth and her son at Bowdoin. She recently ran into **Andy Burdick** at a soccer match. Andy has a daughter who has committed to play lacrosse at Dartmouth as well, while his son finished up a four-year run of playing lacrosse for Williams. **Billy Hazard's** son also just finished up his college lacrosse career leading Wesleyan to a berth in the NCAA tournament.

**Eric Wuchiski** recently caught up with **Keith Oxenreider** and **Dan King '94** while Keith was back east. 📷 **36** He currently lives in Denver.

There was even a sighting of Dr. **Pete Izmirly** this past spring while he was watching his two older daughters compete in a track meet out on Randall's Island in New York City. He still lives in NYC with his wife, Lucy Farr, and their three girls, and is a rheumatology specialist at NYU Langone.

**Jeannine Fallon Anckaitis** laughingly accepted Cintron World's first ever Soccer Mom of the Month award, presented in connection with the Philadelphia Union. Her husband, **Todd Anckaitis '95**, has been head coach of the women's soccer team at Swarthmore College since 2005, and their children, Amanda, 16, and Colton, 14, play for both school and club teams, so it's fair to say that she spends a lot of time on soccer sidelines. Also, after a 20-plus year public relations career in the auto industry, Jeannine recently took over as executive director of Chester Upland Youth Soccer, which uses soccer as a channel for mentoring youth, engaging families, and promoting healthy living in underserved communities in suburban Philly. She asked all to consider making a donation of money and/or time at cuys.org/donate.

Jeannine's soccer world happily collides with a number of Lafayette alum. Neighbor and friend **Megan Koelle**

**Slootmaker '96** has donated to Chester Upland Youth Soccer, and her daughter Annika has kicked around with Colton for years. **Nicole Beyer Brook '97's** son Brendan plays on Colton's ECNL club team. **Kathy O'Shea Crocker** and her family have been regulars on the Swarthmore sidelines for years, and Anckaitis family soccer travels have been the foundation for recent visits with **Diane Staz** and **Kristin Williams Corcoran '92**.

Please send updates and pictures.

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## 1994

The 50th birthday celebrations continue! **Heidi Caruso Commins** shared that she and **Nancy Cianfrocca Athanas, Margaret Cunningham Lyon, Andrea Piper Parker, Gretchen Schwilk, Trina Brandt Mertz, Janna Kludzweit Hodge, and Lucy Maher Regan** traveled to Scottsdale in early May to celebrate their milestone. 📷 15

**Kristi Dutt Thatcher** updated me on her news. She's switched from chemical engineering to her second career of elementary school teaching. In September, she began as a first grade assistant teacher at The Willow School in Peapack, N.J. She absolutely loves it! Her youngest, Adison, started seventh grade there this year. Daughter Chelsea is a junior at Blair Academy, and they are visiting Lafayette soon as part of her college search. Son Tanner is a freshman at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Massachusetts, studying environmental engineering, and he is on its wrestling team. Finally her oldest, Tyler, is 21 years old and working full time at Sanofi-Pasteur in the quality control department. Kristi is happily living in Blairstown, N.J., with her husband, Chris (25th anniversary in November!), children, goldendoodle Copper, cat Tiger, rabbits Bella and Daisy, and 13 chickens (the girls know their names!). Kristi is still

in touch with **Chang Lee** and **Jannine McColgan**. She tries hard to keep in touch with **BJ Hall '95, Regina Braun '95, and Michelle Zuckerman '95**. She also saw **Clarissa Lerch** a few years ago when she was a substitute teacher for her son's English class.

**Kathryn Kerge Couch** has been living it up in tropical Montserrat all winter with her husband, Mark, where they bought a home and have been working on the renovations. Kath knows that I will be there ASAP!

During one of my visits to south Florida this year, I ended up playing tennis with a Lafayette alum, **Matthew Scheps '12**. 📷 19 Small world! Then on another trip, I had lunch with Prof. **Bob Weiner** and his lovely wife, Sandy, along with their adorable dachshund. It was great to catch up with them! In other news, I recently presented at the N.J. Speech and Hearing Association's annual convention on "Animal Assisted Intervention in Special Education." I work with dogs at my school and incorporate them into speech/language therapy with my students. Our school has one of the biggest AAI programs in the country, and I was honored to have the opportunity to share my experience with other therapists in the field. By the way, my newest obsession is the Peloton. **Carl Gambello** is my newest follower. To all other Peloton riders, my leaderboard name is "marajaye12". Let's start a #Lafayette94 group.

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**Doug Walsh** is thrilled to announce his follow-up novel, *Shadows of Kalalau*, published in November 2021. The novel is a coming-of-age thriller set along the majestic Napali Coast of Kaua'i. Learn more at dougwalth.com.

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## 1998

**Rob Feuker** and wife **Sara Struble Feuker '97** will be celebrating 20 years of marriage this September in Paris, France. In March, Rob accepted a directorship at the London-based firm Pret a Manger as a leader in its supply chain. Rob and Sara are grateful for all of their relationships formed on College Hill. Their daughter Sophia will be visiting colleges soon, and they hope that Lafayette is on the list. 📷 34

I hope everyone is having a fun-filled summer! Please remember to take a moment to share your adventures and updates with your classmates.

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## 1999

Hello, fellow Pards! I'm very excited to serve as our class's new correspondent. Looking forward to hearing from all of you and finally getting some updates as our class has been quite quiet over the past few issues.

Since I am new to this role, I wanted to share with you a few bits of information about me. I reside in Yardley, Pa. My wife, Christine Heil Luke, and I are happy to announce the birth of our third child, Adeline Grace, who was born Dec. 10, 2021. Brothers Dominic, 10, and Jackson, 5, have been doing a great job helping

out as much as possible. I recently left my job as director of clinical operations within ICON Clinical Research Medical Imaging Department and accepted a role as senior director of Proposals/Business Development at ICON.

I try to get back to College Hill as often as possible and still stay in close touch with **Leonard Moore**, who lives in Easton, Pa., and works at Lehigh Valley International Airport in its TSA department. I recently attended Lafayette football's spring game and had an opportunity to catch up with several former teammates. In addition, I was able to visit the school's new bookstore—which I would highly recommend—along with the campus's new diner and several new facilities. Though I admit I was sad to see that a staple for our class, Campus Pizza, no longer exists.

**Charles Lovell**, who is a senior vice president of wealth management at Merrill Lynch, resides in Huntingdon Valley, Pa. His son, 13, who will be attending The George School next year, has started a fantastic business called Baseball BBQ, which combines the love of baseball with grilling (building tools for fans of baseball and the grill). You can visit/purchase items at baseballbbq.com.

**Todd Greenbaum** is the owner and founder of Title Town Settlements, LLC. Title Town specializes in residential and commercial purchase/refinance and can be found at titletownsettlements.com. Todd and his family currently reside in Potomac, Md.

**Damian Wroblewski** is the offensive line/associate head coach for offense at James Madison University. Prior to accepting this position, "Wrobo" had a five-season stint at Elon University. During the 2021 season, JMU had an overall record of 12-2 and unfortunately lost to No. 3 North Dakota in the FCS semifinals. Damian and his family reside in Harrisonburg, Va.

**Justin Rouse** currently resides in Dallas, Texas, where he often meets up with **Jerry Terry '00**.

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## 2000

Hope everyone is well! I received a few updates to share with the class.

After her 16th year working for the NYPD, **Jessica McRorie** was promoted to lieutenant.

**Amy Mussen** writes: "In 2021 I went back to my roots: moved to a small town in Mountain Maryland near my hometown in West Virginia, retired from teaching, and took a job as a home energy auditor with a local nonprofit agency. Midlife crisis? So far so good."

Unfortunately we have lost a fellow classmate too soon.

**Theodore Lucas Jr.**, 58, formerly of Allentown, passed away Feb. 21, 2022, at Lehigh Valley Hospital. He and his wife, Maria, shared 25 years of marriage together last June 1. Born in Fountain Hill, he was the son of Theodore Lucas (Sara Lucas) of Florida and Patricia Stoudt (Gerald Stoudt) of Allentown. Ted was a Navy veteran and was a graduate of Lafayette College. He enjoyed working with his fellow co-workers at Microsemi. He liked gardening, grilling, and hanging out in the backyard. Ted was a devoted husband and father.

Survivors: Wife; daughters Olivia and Jency; grandchildren Carmine and Malonia; sister Tami; half-sister Jennifer; stepsiblings Jerry, RoseMarie, Joanne, and David; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews. He was preceded in death by his stepsibling Shari.

Contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at stjude.org, or to the Mercy School for Special Learning in Allentown at mercyschool.org.

I recently spent the weekend with fellow alumni **Keri Grunther Brady, Marissa Kimmel Hine, and Janelle Maginnis Coyne**. 📷 24 It was a great weekend with lots of laughs and NO KIDS!

Hope everyone has a great summer! Keep me updated on any news—would love to share it with the class.

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## 2002

Earlier this year, good friends **Sarah Ryan Clausen, Jessie Lupo Morey, Ami Davey Opisso, Alyssa Zagrobski Witt, Lida Terry Mullarkey, Haley Sarsfield Harton, Jaime Schwartz Gubbins, and Ali Streim Mathias** convened from all over the country to reconnect in Charles, S.C., to celebrate a belated birthday milestone. 📷 16

**Lauren Specht** shared a note: "Hi everyone! I'll be retiring from the U.S. Navy after 20 years of service as a physician assistant this October. We are excited to then take a year off on the road to see all the national parks in the continental U.S. From there, who knows! My family has also grown since last report as I am the proud mom of Wolf, 6, Bear, 5, and Lynx, 2." 📷 4

Sadly, we lost a member of our class. **Adam Scheer** died March 4, 2022. As his good friend **Buddy Burns** writes, "Anyone who was lucky enough to know Adam or had the privilege of interacting with him while at Lafayette knows that he was one of the brightest, funniest, and most charismatic persons you've ever met."

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## 2003

Hope everyone is having a good summer. Don't forget to continue to send in your updates; it's always good to hear from classmates.

**Phil Kolarczyk** decided to change careers into the medical profession and has been working as a physician assistant for several years. He started out in Texas, but has since relocated to Greensboro, N.C., where he

opened his own health and wellness clinic in August 2021. Since opening, it has grown to over 350 active patients and the phone keeps ringing. His goal is to promote healthy living and aging to as many people as possible.

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## 2004

I know this year continues to be big for milestone birthdays for our classmates. Cheers to everyone marking their 40th. Write in and let us know how you celebrated!

**Joe Goodwill** and **Adriel Linyear '02** were part of a surprise 40th birthday party for **Bruce Wayne**. 📷 **31** The three enjoyed reminiscing about their time at Lafayette, introducing their families to each other, and discussing the disparate paths their hairlines have taken since their college days. (photo included)

In March, **Katherine Blair Mulready**, who now serves as SVP and chief strategy officer for the Colorado Hospital Association, was honored with the distinguished “40 Under 40” award by the *Denver Business Journal*. She often sees fellow Pard **Scott North '03**, who also lives in Denver, and is looking forward to some Colorado mountain time when **Ryann Dubiel Nickerson** comes to visit this June.

**Mike Altmeier** is excited to be opening a startup veterinary practice along with his wife, Stephanie. Rox Falls Vet General Practice and Urgent Care is slated to open doors in the summer in the Roxborough section of Philadelphia. Check it out at [Roxfallsvet.com](http://Roxfallsvet.com). When not business planning, Mike enjoys taking Steph out to the occasional nice restaurant, coaching baseball, and helping out with Cub Scout projects for his boys, Isaac, 7, and Henry, 5.

**Brandon Ripley** is proud to share that his team at Penzance recently delivered The Highlands, a mixed-use community in Arlington, Va. The project consists of two 27-story towers and a 24-story tower, totaling 780 apartments and 104 luxury condos with rooftop pools. The project, which you can

check out at [thehighlandsva.com/](http://thehighlandsva.com/), also includes 28,000 square feet of retail, a new fire station, public park, public road, and 1,030-car below-grade parking garage.

**Elizabeth Schaefer** and husband Will Ragland welcomed their third daughter, Emma Rose Ragland, in March. Big sisters Zoey, 4, and Penelope, 2, are excited, and all are enjoying lots of snuggles. 📷 **29**

I knew the Lafayette connection was strong, but to my surprise, I ran into a fellow Pard while taking a ski lift. While I was on a recent family trip to Park City, Utah, **Drew Weisman** and I coincidentally caught the same lift up the mountain.

📷 **13** Drew and his wife, **Valerie Simone Weisman '07**, are doing well and currently live in Hoboken, N.J., with their two kids.

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## 2006

**Tommaso Marsella** is moving onto the next stage of his career as the network director of annual giving for St. Luke's University Health Network. After serving Lafayette's College Alumni Relations and Annual Fund teams for over a decade, he is wished the best by everyone in the LC community.

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## 2007

The Class of 2007 has been adding lots of future Pards to the world.

**Emily Goldman Garibaldi** and her husband, Pete Garibaldi (Lehigh '07), gave

birth to their fourth child and first boy, Charles Michael Garibaldi, Sept. 9, 2021. He is adored and loved by his big sisters and will spend his life caught in the crosshairs of picking the “right” side of the rivalry. 📷 **11**

On Dec. 26, 2021, **Amanda Finkelstein Reiss** and her husband, Greg, welcomed a baby boy, Jake Luca Reiss.

**Kerry B. Kenny** and his wife, Mallory, welcomed Harper Rose Kenny, Jan. 8, 2022. This is the couple's first child.

Congratulations, moms and dads!

In other exciting news, **Maggie Oberrender** was promoted to director of marketing and communications at the Entertainment Community Fund (formerly The Actors Fund), a nonprofit that provides social services and emergency financial assistance to people in need in the performing arts and entertainment industry.

In fall 2021, my husband, son, and I moved “back home” (for me, anyway!) to northeastern Pennsylvania. I hope this means more visits to friends in the northeast and trips to College Hill.

I love hearing from you, and I know our other classmates do, too—so keep your updates coming!

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## 2008

**Jennifer Namias Bienemann** and husband Greg Bienemann welcomed their third child, daughter Eleanor “Nora” Margaret, Feb. 3, 2022. Nora joins older brother Robbie, 3, and sister Annie, 5.

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## 2009

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## 2010

It's great to hear from so many classmates with their exciting updates! I started a new role as internal communications manager for Mercari, a popular resale app. I started to do a lot of reselling during the pandemic to keep me occupied (lots of time to clean out my closet!), so the role really feels like a great fit. In December 2021, I moved with my fiancé to Indio, Calif., just east of beautiful Palm Springs. We are preparing for very, very hot days in the summer, and are also busy planning our May 2023 wedding.

**Sarah Christy** and Brian Gowen were married March 11, 2022, in Lancaster, Pa. 📷 **3** The couple lives in Philadelphia, where Sarah is the COO of a nonprofit organization and Brian is a chef. **Jenn Romano Bucholtz**, **Lindsay Besecker Woodcock**, and **Alexandra Rigos Castellano** served as bridesmaids. Also in attendance were **Keara McCarthy** and **David Bucholtz '11**.

**Rhodes Baker** and his wife, Margaret Block, welcomed daughter Julia Marie Baker Oct. 25, 2021. 📷 **14** They're all doing well and glad to be done with the long, snowy COVID winter.

**Austin Kennedy** started a new job at Philip Morris International in Lausanne, Switzerland, in December 2021, crossing over from the nonprofit world.

After two years as a contractor in the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor (DRL), **Jeffrey Zimmer** accepted a civil service position with the same bureau in March 2022. He continues to work on democracy and human rights programming in the Near East region, specifically for Iraq and the Arab Gulf States.

**Chris LaTempa** and **Taylor Miller '13** are excited to announce the birth of their daughter, Gianna Renee LaTempa, who arrived in March 2022. 📷 **30** The family is doing well and is looking forward to baby's first campus visit!

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## 2011

Happy summer, Class of 2011! I hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather and all that comes with it. This summer started off with a bang, known as our 10-year class reunion. For those who were able to attend, I hope your time on The Hill was spent with old (and maybe some new) friends and filled with laughter, excitement, and enjoyable walks down Memory Lane. Many of you were able to catch up, but for those who were not, here are the latest happenings in our class.

**Ingrid Warner** married Alex Whitley in October at a small family ceremony in New York. They celebrated with a winter reception in Park City and were joined by several Lafayette friends, including **Darlene Cerullo**, **Lauren Holck**, **Laura Kaplan**, and **Lauren Novotny**. 📷 **10** On behalf of the Class of 2011, congratulations and cheers to a lifetime of happiness!

**Susan Gurnewald** will be starting as an assistant professor of 20th century European history at Louisiana State University in August 2022.

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## 2012

**Becca Heslin** and **Eric Docknevich '13** were married Nov. 6, 2021. They were joined by a number of Lafayette leopards: Front row: **Gavin Lotz Kaiser '09**, **Ashley Tagen '11**, **Allison Hawkey '11**, **Bethann Coradino '13**, **Eric**, **Alexandra Behette '13**, **Becca**, **Ryan McVeigh '13**, **Emily Davis '11**, **Rosanna Fulchiero**. Back row: **Phil Schaffer '13**, **Ralph Blumberg '13**, **Lorna McGonigal Sheehan '11**, **Melissa Blumberg '14**, **Tom Yeager '13**, **Liza Blank '14**, **Sean Grim '14**, **Tom Hampsey** (College Relations), **Christy Kuhns**, and **Mark Davis**. 📷 **26**

**Emily Pizzino Yarbrough** and her husband, JR, welcomed their first child, Anne Sarah, Dec. 19, 2021. The family resides in Reading, Pa. **Andrew King '11** is Annie's godfather.

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## 2013

**Jiselle Peralta Rowley** had her anticipated wedding celebration this past summer after having to postpone it due to the pandemic. She married Jared Peralta Rowley, who went to medical school with fellow classmate **Glenford Robinson**. The celebration was attended by fellow Lafayette Posse alum and mentors/professors **Gary Gordon** and **Liz McMahon**. 📷 **17**

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## 2014

**Taimoor Sohail** is starting a new position as an associate investigator at the Australian Centre for Excellence in Antarctic Science.

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## 2015

**Stephen Hodge** shared news of the birth of Holly Naia Hodge Oct. 23, 2021, in Ventura, Calif., where they call home. “We are blessed with a happy and healthy baby.” 📷 **37**

**Jaimie Bandur** graduated in August 2021 with a Master of Public Health in Epidemiology. Then she and **Vincent DeMarco '17** took a much-needed vacation, where they traveled to seven national parks out west. Vincent proposed at Mt. Rainier! 📷 **21**

**Joshua Dodick-Sperber** was recently hired as the broadcast and media relations assistant for the Bowling Green Hot Rods, the High-A affiliate of the Tampa Bay Rays. He currently lives in Bowling Green, Ky., where he will serve as the secondary broadcaster for Hot Rods games during the 2022 Minor League Baseball season, which air on WKCT Talk 104 Radio.

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## 2016

**Joseph Rothschild** and **Jillian Andres Rothschild** were married in July 2020, and have enjoyed two happy years as husband and wife in Hyattsville, Md. They are joined in marital bliss by an extremely spoiled mutt, Sadie. 📷 1

Joseph has become a full-time content creator on YouTube and Twitch while pursuing a law degree part time at George Washington University School of Law. Jillian has been pursuing a Ph.D. in political science at University of Maryland.

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## 2019

Three years after graduating from Lafayette, a handful of our class is finding themselves

in caps and gowns again! **Lauren Steinitz** graduated in May from Arcadia University with a Master of Medical Science in Physician Assistant Studies. She will be starting her career as a physician assistant in plastic surgery at Modern Aesthetic Plastic Surgery this July. Similarly, **Amanda Baidon** graduated in May with her master's degree after successfully defending her thesis, titled "Development and Validation of the BIPP-SAM: Bystander Intervention for the Primary Prevention of Sexual Assault Measure." Congratulations to everyone who graduated this spring!

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## 2020

Hello, Class of 2020! Happy spring/summer! It was bittersweet, but wonderful to see many of our class members reunited on College Hill this May for our graduation celebration. Remember to submit any updates you may have online via LeopardLink or email them to me (see email address below). I would love to hear from you.

Our classmates continue to pursue fantastic opportunities.

**Jack Mueller** is graduating from American University's School of International Service with a master's in U.S. foreign policy and national security. Jack successfully defended his research capstone on emerging threats and challenges to NATO and is presently clerking for the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition in Washington, D.C.

**Cameron Zurmhul** is earning their master's in computer science at Georgia Tech. In addition to their graduate work, Cameron is working as a software engineer at JPMorgan Chase.

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## 2021

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MY SPOT IN EASTON

## Our Spot: Hugh Moore Park

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Parks at play:  
The Anderson family—  
Evan, Chris, Lauren,  
and Ethan.

### PROFS. LAUREN ANDERSON '04 AND CHRIS ANDERSON

**Lauren Anderson '04**, William Jeffers Director of Engineering, and **Chris Anderson**, associate professor of chemical and biological engineering, and their sons Evan, 7, and Ethan, 5, are weekend regulars at Hugh Moore Park. "When we moved to nearby Riegelsville, Pa., we tried to find a new park to explore every weekend, and this became one of our favorites," Lauren says. The 520-acre park, located between the Lehigh River and the Lehigh Canal, is a 15-minute drive from downtown Easton. Evan and Ethan climb on the playground equipment, toss rocks in the creek, and enjoy impromptu playdates when they run into friends here. With a bike-skills course, canal boat rides, and opportunities to kayak and canoe here, it's a spot the young Andersons won't soon outgrow.

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