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Military violates most basic legal tenets

I read with great interest in the Spring '97 issue of the Millersville *Review* that the campus ROTC program is being eliminated. I am very happy to hear this news; however, the reason that it is being disclosed is not my preferred reason.

Government funding problems and decreased requirements for new officers notwithstanding, the actual reason that this program should be canceled is that it violates the basic constitutional rights of gay people. The U.S. Constitution delineates many rights and freedoms, but the military continues violating these most basic of legal tenets by denying gay people the right to serve openly in its ranks.

Although I do not know for sure, I hope that Millersville University now offers a guarantee of civil rights and protections for gay people. This was not true when I was a student. Assuming that the University does, ROTC should have been eliminated sooner for violating that protection.

If it does not, this would be a good time for the University to add sexual preference to its civil rights regulations. Not having this type of civil rights protection would put the University in very poor stead when doing student recruiting. Young people today seem to be much more sophisticated about these issues than 20 years ago when I was a student at MU.

Daniel J. Cooper '79 Greensboro, NC

Photo credits: Will she never learn? Hooded innocence whets a lupine appetite as ACMO ventures Into the Woods. (Thanks to Tiffany Brandt and Hector Antonio López.)

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Let's keep the humor positive for everyone

While Alfred Forsyth finds ethnic and racial jokes to be intolerable (What's So Funny? Spring 1997), he obviously finds nothing wrong with negatively stereotyping Lancaster County as "an extremely right-wing area." Surely, any educator worth his salt would recognize that such statements are, at face value, demeaning to many of the native-born. His statements effectively disparage them merely for their biological part in the lineage and heritage common throughout the area. Strange, too, is his preference for putting down certain other individuals and institutionsblonds, police, lawyers, and football players-which to him is just a way of poking fun.

Is "the broad-minded" Forsyth truly that, or is he another undisciplined liberal (perhaps he would prefer being called a left-wing radical) who uses his position to inculcate young minds with his brand of bias and prejudice? It is unfortunate, to say the least, when an educational institution provides the forum for perpetuating drivel.

When used properly, humor can be positive. Positive humor brings forth laughter. Laughter, in turn, adds life to one's years and years to one's life. The lesson to be learned is to keep it positive for everyone!

Dr. James E. Seitz '50 Retired College President Sidney, Ohio

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Defying simplistic notions about them, the Plain People are making decisions each day about how they can remain apart from the world in one way, and be a part of it in another. In her latest book, Dr. Diane Zimmerman Umble details how the Old Order Amish and Mennonites dealt with the arrival of that most ubiquitous of modern communication devices: the telephone.

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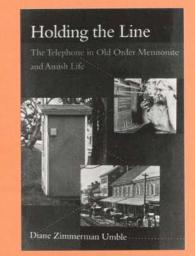
As the University's capital campaign approaches its goal, monies are being released and construction projects are being bid out. Details on this and more can be found in the Capital Campaign Update, inserted after page 16 of this magazine.

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Theme to focus on Electronic Village

To the truism, "The world is shrinking," can be added, "at the speed of electronic communication." Hence the University's seventh year-long academic theme "Culture and Communication in the Electronic Village," slated for 1997–98.

Theme events will explore global interconnections among cultures and information technologies, with a focus on the human aspect of "virtual communities," as well as increased involvement among cultures, according to Dr. Darla Williams, communication & theatre, and co-chairperson of the theme committee.

Theme originator Dr. Isaac Catt of the communication and theatre department, noted that, "Whether the rapid exchange of information has enhanced or will enhance our humanity is an open issue, one worth exploring as we attempt to communicate within and across cultures."

Although the theme steering committee is still in the process of finalizing many of next year's events, a number of

SSHE and faculty reach accord

Negotiators for the State System of Education and the Association of Pennsylvania State College & University Faculties (APSCUF), the faculty union, have agreed on a new three-year contract for the System's 5,500 faculty members at Millersville and the other 13 state-owned universities.

Ratified by the faculty rank-and-file in late February and by the SSHE Board of Governors on April 10, the contract calls for no raise for faculty this year, a



fall activities have been slated. They include:

In September, lectures and demonstrations by two MU faculty members— Dr. Bonnie Duncan, English, and Jeri Robinson, art—who have made contributions through their innovative use of technology; and

In October, a presentation by Dr. Stanley Deetz of Rutgers University, an expert in organizational communication who has written extensively on the importance of understanding organizations as political entities. His recent book, *Transforming Communication, Transforming Business,* critiques the present configuration of organizations and advances a multi-stakeholder model of organizing.

Gregory Seigworth, communication & theatre, is the other co-chair of the steering committee, whose members include Marjorie Warmkessel, library, and Dr. Beverly E. Schneller, English. For more information, call 717-871-2277 or 717-872-3874.

two percent raise in 1997–98, and a ten percent raise the following year.

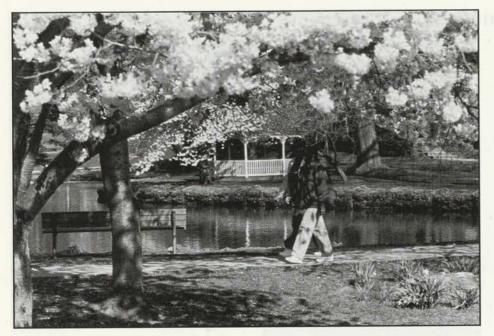
In addition, the contract calls for continuing the seven percent cap on the number of part-time temporary faculty. No cap was set on the number of fulltime temporary faculty.

Of the 3,119 union members casting ballots, 1,069 were opposed to the contract, the highest number ever cast against a tentative contract, according to union leaders.

Game snapshots on Web

Dr. Roger W. Webster, computer science, and his students had their snapshot of a virtual reality simulation of the "Star Wars" trench battle game, written at MU's Intelligent Machines Laboratory, published on the cover of the November 1996 issue of Simulation, the magazine of The Society for Computer Simulation International. The purpose of the simulation is to use the platform to teach undergraduates real-time game software. Information can be found on the world wide web at <:http://zansiii. millersv.edu/cs373.html>. Click on "Virtual Reality Projects and Demos@ IML Lab."

A scenario from the Star Wars version of trench warfare was turned into this snapshot, which then graced the cover of November's Simulation magazine.



A flowering bough marks the advent of spring along the Campus Lake, adding to the temptation to tarry there.

President's sabbatic leave to focus on technology in education

President Joseph Caputo has announced plans to be on sabbatic leave during the 1997 fall semester, during which time he will conduct research on technology as it applies to the future of higher education and its institutions.

"The technological revolution we are facing is nothing short of transformational in the effect that it is having on colleges and universities across the country, and Millersville and its sister System universities are no different," said the president. "It is my intention in this brief period away from my formal duties as president to learn as much as possible about the technological decisions that will face college and university CEOs over the next several years."

Caputo plans to study and research a variety of topics during the sabbatical: educational technology, distance learning, telecommunications, the World Wide Web as a learning resource, and the educational uses of satellite, cable, fiber and wireless transmissions systems.

A closely associated purpose of the sabbatical will be to begin formulating an MU proposal for generating the dollars necessary to acquire the appropriate hardware and software to implement its technology vision and plan and advance the University into the 21st century.

The sabbatical, which was approved some time ago by the State System of Higher Education, will be the first for President Caputo since he took office in 1981.

It is anticipated that Dr. Francine McNairy, provost and vice president for academic affairs, will serve as acting president while Caputo is away; Dr. James Stager, associate vice president for academic affairs, will become acting provost.

President's contract extended

The Millersville University Council of Trustees, meeting in its regular session on March 12, approved a motion recommending, "without reservation," that the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (SSHE) authorize the Chancellor to extend President Joseph Caputo's contract through June 30, 2000.

Prior to that, the trustees conducted the Triennial Formal Evaluation of Dr. Caputo's leadership, a process required prior to contract extension of all SSHE university presidents.

Admissions materials win top awards

Innovative Millersville University admissions materials—a booklet and a poster focusing on "The Story of a Boy and His Dog and How He Survived Against the Odds and Even Went to the College of His Dreams," recently received top awards in *Admissions Marketing Report's* 12th Annual Admissions Advertising Awards competition.

The 14-page four and one-quarter by six-inch booklet, called a search piece, received a Gold Award, while the 30 by 20 inch poster won a Bronze Award. The search piece introduces prospective students to MU. The poster is disseminated to high school guidance counselors. Both pieces were produced by publications staff in the public relations office.

Some 1,500 entries from colleges and universities across the nation were reviewed by a national panel of judges. MU's materials were listed under the category: School 5,000–9,999 students.

MU scholars win state accolades

The Pennsylvania Association for Adult Continuing Education (PAACE) recently honored two alumnae and one current University student for their achievement in adult education.

December graduates Betty J. Gress (special education/psychology) and Robin M. Young (elementary education/ special education), and graduate student Ann Farina (English), were honored at an awards ceremony in Hershey on February 5; attending was Eugene Hickok, Pennsylvania Secretary of Education.

They were selected from some 50 students who were nominated by their former or current professors to receive the award, which is presented annually to ten adult students from across the state. PAACE was established to honor individuals who have overcome difficult circumstances to complete their education.

Enrollment drops

Millersville's spring 1997 enrollment was officially tallied at 7,097 students, down 44 from the previous spring. The total, which comprises both on- and offcampus students, includes 6,306 undergraduate and 791 graduate students. CAMPUS NEWS

Room and board, fees to increase for fall 1997

Room and board costs at the University will increase from \$2,150 to \$2,255 per semester, a rise of \$105, beginning with the fall 1997 term.

This represents a \$45 increase in the board fee, from \$940 to \$985, and \$60 in the room fee, from \$1,210 to \$1,270. The board hike was made in anticipation of inflationary increases in operating expenditures, as well as negotiated pay increments and projected fringe benefit rate increases for employees. The room fee increase, is due to a number of factors, including negotiated salary and benefit increases and inflationary increases in operating costs.

In addition, the Comprehensive General Fee was increased \$16, from \$450 to \$466 per semester, effective with the fall semester. Individual fees within the general fee include health services, student center maintenance/operations, academic support, shuttle bus, student center expansion, and student activity; of these, only academic support, health services and student center maintenance/operations show slight increases over last year.

Public Affairs appoints Walker to fellowship

Former Congressman Robert Walker '64 has been appointed as a Distinguished Fellow in Public Affairs by the University's Center for Politics and Public Affairs. Under the fellowship, Mr. Walker will deliver a series of lectures at MU over the next few years.

Since leaving the government at the end of the 104th Congress, he has become president of the Wexler Group, a Washington-based public relations and governmental affairs group. While serving in Congress, Walker became a major Republican leader who specialized in strategy, tactics, and an understanding of House rules. A close friend of Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, Walker was involved in the strategy that led to development and implementation of the Contract with America.

Walker has already delivered two lectures as a Distinguished Fellow: "How Congress Really Works," on February 28, and "The Economy and Politics in the 21st Century" on April 11.



Flanking a portrait of themselves are Dr. William H. Duncan '40 and Alma P. Duncan. Painted by Charlotte Sorré of New York and to be displayed permanently in the lobby of Duncan Alumni House, the portrait was unveiled at a March 1997 ceremony attended by former and current University officials, members of the Council of Trustees, and members of the Duncan family.

MU Ambassadors and adviser receive three major District 2 CASE awards

The Millersville University Student Ambassadors (MUSA)—a chapter of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education's (CASE) Student Alumni Association/Student Foundation (SAA/SF) Network—one of its members and its University staff adviser recently were honored with prestigious awards at the CASE District 2 Assembly hosted by Shippensburg University. This was the first time that one institution received all three major awards in a given year.

• The MUSA was named the Most Outstanding Chapter of SAA/SF District 2 for 1996–97. Now in its 11th year and comprising 48 undergraduates, the group was cited for its many accomplishments over the past year, including an increase in membership, development of several new programs and continuous improvement of existing programs. The group sponsors dances and free ice cream days, and its members distribute final exam survival kits, and usher at major University events and programs.

• Student ambassador Margaret E. Barlas, a senior biology major, was presented the SAA/SF District 2 Most Outstanding Member Award. She has been active with the MUSA for four years, serving as fundraising chair, vice president and secretary.

• Steven A. DiGuiseppe, MU director of alumni services, was named the SAA/SF District 2's Most Outstanding Adviser. He has been the group's staff adviser for five years.

District 2 includes more than 50 institutions of higher education in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, West Virginia, Delaware and portions of Canada.



Debbie Schloss (left), MUSA president, Margie Barlas and Steven DiGuiseppe hold the awards presented to them or to MUSA. This year was the first time that one institution received all three major awards in a given year from CASE District 2.

Lecturers bring perspectives and inspiration to the 'Ville

An outside perspective, the lessons of experience, a healthy dose of inspiration—speakers bring this and more to the University community.

This semester, three endowed lectureships brought a journalist, an educator and a physician to the campus, while the Holocaust Conference brought two keynote speakers and others.

• The story of the Holocaust is one that "needs to be told and retold." Such was the message delivered by Miles Lerman (top right), chairman of the United States Holocaust Council, who delivered the Koppel Lecture at Millersville's 16th annual Holocaust Conference. When the world learned of the Holocaust, Lerman said, the immediate response was a resounding, "Never again," but "50 years later, we're still confronted with things like brutal ethnic cleansing."

Lerman, a partisan who fought in the forests of southern Poland during World War II, will be awarded an honorary doctorate at MU's May commencement ceremonies.

Also speaking at the conference were Gerhard L. Weinberg, who delivered the Aristides de Sousa Mendes Lecture; John Weiss, the Humanities and Social Sciences Lecturer; and Omar Bertov. A slide presentation, "Auschwitz Remembered," by Steven Paskuly, and a photo exhibit, "Resistance and Rescue: Denmark's Response to the Holocaust," were also held in conjunction with the conference.

• Syndicated columnist and national radio and talk show host Tony Brown (top left), urged the audience to strengthen the nation by following the model of the National Basketball Association, which keeps competition healthy by reinforcing weak teams. "American society can only grow if we strengthen our weakest link," said Brown, and the weakest link is the poor people.

Brown gave the Carter G. Woodson lecture, which is sponsored by CoreStates Bank.

• Arguing that educational standards should guide, not rule, the classroom, Dr. Elliot Eisner (bottom right) presented the Eighth Annual Anna Funk Lockey Endowed Lecture. Research into education "does not provide rules, but rules of thumb," said Eisner. He went on to outline qualitative parameters which could not be measured or evaluated easily, but which are invaluable in educating students.

Eisner is professor of education and art at Stanford University and a former

president of the American Educational Research Association.

• At the 12th Annual MU/Glenna Hazeltine Women in Mathematics and Science Conference held in April, Dr. Wanda Filer (bottom left), the state's first physician general, spoke to several hundred female junior and senior high school students about women in health care and some personal issues.

She challenged the young women to care about people, and to make a difference for the better in society. She

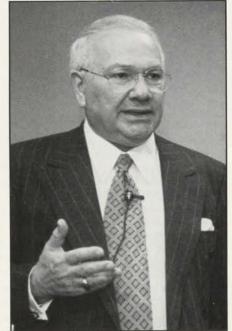




charged them with being good role models—"Every teenager needs an adult," she said—and assured them that they did not have to take on male characteristics to work in a male-dominated field. "Whatever job you're in," Filer said, "it's OK to be female."

A family physician, Dr. Filer was a medical reporter with WGAL-TV 8 prior to her appointment as physician general by the governor. She also was a member of the York Hospital Family Practice residency faculty.







Walter W.

Blackburn, associate professor of music, retired at the end of the spring semester. Blackburn began his Millersville work in 1971. In addition to teaching courses in

voice, he served as choral director. Before joining MU, he taught at Drexel University from 1964-71, and served as music director for the Penns Grove-Upper Penns Neck School District (N.J.) from 1962-64.

Born in Norristown, he received a bachelor's degree at West Chester University and a master's degree at the University of Indiana-Bloomington.



Dr. Sy Brandon,

music, had his composition, "Celebration Overture," selected for recording as part of a new CD series, "Bridge to the 21st Century,' produced by Fanfare Records.

The work will be recorded by the Czech National Symphony under the direction of Dr. Paul Freeman and released on the first CD of the series in June of this year. It will be distributed in the U.S. and internationally.

"Celebration Overture" was the winning composition in WITF-FM's 25th Anniversary Composition Contest, held in February 1996. The world premiere of the piece was performed by the Harrisburg Symphony in April of that year.



Dr. Francis J. Bremer, history, was elected recently to be a Visiting Fellow at St. Cross College of England's Oxford University. Bremer will hold the

position for the fiveweek Oxford Trinity term that began at

the conclusion of Millersville's spring 1997 semester. During his visit, Dr. Bremer will edit religious manuscripts relating to sixteenth century English history and also manuscript materials relating to John Winthrop, the first governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. He will also present results of his ongoing research at Oxford seminars on English religious history and American history.

Following his stay at Oxford, Bremer intends to devote two weeks to research in Ireland where he will investigate the Winthrop family's involvement in the sixteenth- and early seventeenth-century English colonization efforts there. His findings will be incorporated in a fulllength biography of John Winthrop which he is in the process of writing.

Dr. Bremer is editor of The Winthrop Papers. Recently, he was elected a member of the Massachusetts Historical Society; both this and his Oxford appointment are in recognition of his scholarship.



Linus J. Czap, associate professor of special education, retired in January. Czap, who joined the staff in 1967, taught a variety of special education courses while at the University. Earlier in his career, he

was the acting school principal and supervisor of the vocational and educational programs at Eastern State School and Hospital.

A native of Paterson, N.J., he earned his bachelor's degree in social science at Shippensburg University and his master's degree in special education at Trenton State College.



ly completed these three life-size bronze figures of an Explorer Scout, Eagle Scout and a Cub Scout for the Alabama State Council of the Boy Scouts. The sculptures, which

Ike Hay, art, recent-

weigh a total of 500 pounds, were executed entirely in the sculpture studio at MU, including the casting of the molten bronze. Commissioned as a memorial to a former Eagle Scout, Artie Manning, the sculptures have been installed at the entry to the new Scout Executive Center in Liberty Park, Birmingham, Alabama.





Marquis's Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare, 1997-1998, 1st Edition, and in Who's Who in the East, 1997-1998, 26th Edition. Sarojini Lotlikar, assistant professor of

Leigh W. Kendall,

library, retired in January. She began her work at the University in 1971, where she taught a number of library courses, served as catalog librarian, and

was a member of numerous University committees, including the Academic Policies and Women's Studies Steering committees. She also presented papers and contributed articles to publications

A native of India, she earned her bachelor's degree at the University of Bombay and her master's degree at Villanova University. She received additional graduate credits in academic librarianship at Drexel University and the University of Pittsburgh, and at the University of Wales and Oxford University in England.



Leon R. Miller, associate professor of philosophy, retired following the spring semester. Miller has served the University for some 29 years, joining the staff in 1968. In 1991, he became MU's own

weightlifting champion, winning a trophy during the American Drug Free Powerlifting Association's competition. He received the memento for winning the "over age 55 and under 165 pounds" category.

Born in El Centro, California, he moved to the region in 1968. He was educated at the University of California-Berkeley.



Gene R. Wise, director of financial aid, retired in January. Wise had held the position of director of financial aid since coming aboard in 1966. He also served as MU's head baseball coach from 1966 to

1977. During his reign, the team won three Pennsylvania State College Conference championships.

A Lebanon native, he earned his bachelor's degree at Elizabethtown College and his master's degree at West Virginia University.

Deaths

William S. Boisko, 68, a member of the anthropology and sociology department at Millersville for 29 years, passed away January 26 in Lancaster General Hospital. A World War II veteran of the Merchant Marines and the U.S. Army, Boisko was a member of American Legion Post 448 in Duquesne.

Prior to teaching at Millersville, he taught for eight years at King's College in Wilkes-Barre.

He is survived by his parents, William and Julia Boisko of Duquesne; his wife, Virginia Mason Boisko; a stepdaughter; various grandchildren and great grandchildren; and a brother, Robert Boisko.

Just a little Dinner for 500

... and plenty of thought for food

By Norene K. Lahr

It wasn't your average Friday night pizza among friends. No, this was a meal so simple but an event so uncommon that it could only be called extraordinary: dinner plus dialogue between total strangers.

The basic idea meant assembling people from diverse backgrounds-people whose paths would probably never otherwise cross-and inviting them to share dinner and discuss issues of importance to them. From this concept was born the first "Dinner for 500," which was held in 1996 at McCaskey High School in Lancaster.

"When you sit down and share a meal together, it makes people willing to talk and be vulnerable."

-Grace Byler

Dr. Issac Catt, professor of communication and theatre, was involved from the outset through his work on the board of the Lancaster Mediation Center, primary sponsor of the event. "This was a group concept, about three years in the planning, and totally original," he recalled. "None of us had ever heard of anything like this."

"What we wanted and still want to do is build community and generate meaningful interaction," reflected Grace Byler, director of the Mediation Center. "We wanted a great diversity of people-those who are homeless, those who live in mansions, Asians, Caucasians, Greeks, African Americans, Arabs, city and county residents, lawyers, homemakers and those whose philosophies include religious and political spectrums. We worked with a multitude of community service organizations to achieve this mix of people," she added.

At the first dinner, 260 people accepted invitations to sit at tables for eight, share a free dinner, relax and discuss the community. "We learned that uniting the diversity of our community even for one evening achieved both a breadth of understanding and an experience that enriched many lives. Just by the simple act of sharing dinner, people came to realize that others are struggling with the same local issues and are trying to make good lives for themselves, even if their ideas are different," Byler continued. This year's dinner was planned in a sim-



Conversations were flowing even before the meal was served at the April 18 Dinner for 500.

ilar fashion, including MU student volunteers who were trained to serve as facilitators at each table.

"We didn't want to overwhelm people with the trappings of formality. We were very aware that for some, this would be their first visit to a college campus," she said.

This year's April 18 event at Millersville University's Gordinier dining hall was preceded by an April 16 lecture, "Community Jazz: Celebrating Differences

Through Dialogue," by Dr. Barbara Montgomery, dean of humanities and social sciences at MU. Dr. Montgomery also provided introductory remarks at the dinner.

What happens after a dinner for 500? The results of such an effort are difficult to measure. Perhaps the best yardstick is that, for most of this year's 400 participants, (many of whom exchanged phone numbers and agreed to meet on their own in the future), the meal was excellent, but the experience was unforgettable.

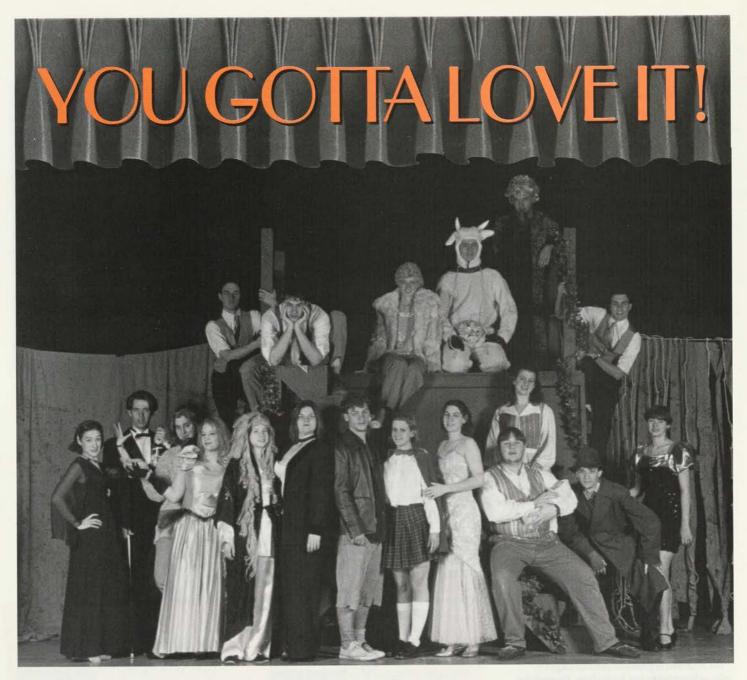


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- Lancaster's tradition of strong support for agri-businesses



by Charlene Duroni



ome break! Faculty and students are few and far between, this last full week of March. Daffodils are just beginning to replace the crocuses, and, with spring break in full swing, the campus belongs to the administrative and support staff until you get to Lyte Auditorium. There, a scrawled message on a sheet of paper taped to a back door propped part-way open says simply, "ACMO enter here."

In the auditorium, nobody's taking it easy. A wolf lusts after the goodies in Red Riding Hood's basket, a witch is casting spells, the baker's wife is exhorting her husband to action, people scurry back and forth backstage, technicians hover over control panels—all to the accompaniment of a small orchestra and under the watchful gaze of a director. It's ACMO, the All-Campus Musical Organization, a cultivated wildflower which blooms each year in Lyte Auditorium. This year, the particular blossom is Stephen Sondheim's *Into the Woods*, a challenging production for any company.

ACMO is to university theater what off-Broadway is to Broadway, what the independents are to major studio productions. It is totally student-run, finding its members in all corners of university life—the education major who loves to sing, the industrial technology major who enjoys building sets and the business major who promotes ticket sales.

It's also a tremendous amount of hard work, much of it over spring break, with no satisfaction or rewards other than the spiritual and emotional ones. Nobody is required to join ACMO. If you take this gig, you gotta love it.

While ACMO's genesis is recorded as 1971–1972 with the production of *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, the seeds for a student-run theater group were actually planted much earlier, according to James Zwally, who chaired Millersville's music department from 1965 until 1976.

"I suggested that the music department sponsor various productions," Zwally said in a telephone interview from his home recently. Student-run theater was a rather radical concept at the time, he said. "And it became a thorn in the side of some administrators."

One of the early advocates for student productions, Zwally says that productions like *Brigadoon* and *Finnigan's Rainbow* were successful and paved the way for broader student involvement. He also credits former president of the college, Dr. Luke Biemesderfer for his strong support of the concept in those early years.

Fueled by passion and energy

ACMO's energy and diversity of talent are its best features, says Tina Stout, the current adviser, who is also an ACMO alumna. "ACMO has always been a passion of mine," says Stout, who, with her husband Raiford shared the advisership of the organization beginning in 1990–91. Stout, who works as MU's production manager for university theater, saw the need for some planning and organization at the beginning of her tenure. "We tried to bring some consistency to it and set up a production calendar for every year," she says.

While her husband is no longer employed at Millersville, Stout has continued as ACMO adviser, a role she maintains is a peripheral one. "I try not to step in too much," she says. "I am always very conscious that it's student run and the students have to make the decisions. There is a lot of growing that goes on here. That is one of the neat things about ACMO."

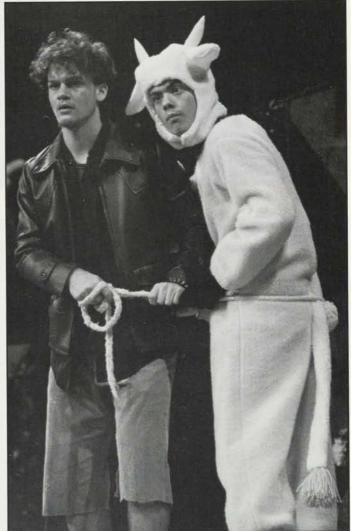
The Student Senate funds the organization, Stout explains, and then each year's ticket money gets rolled back into it. One production is barely finished when the next year's musical is being researched. "There is a selection committee," Stout says. "Then the board makes the final decision." The new production is announced each year at the spring banquet.

Anywhere from 90 to 100 students are involved in ACMO, Stout estimates, although there are only about 50 voting members—those who pay their \$2 dues and are involved throughout the school year. "Fall is slow," she admits, adding that many students find other activities before ACMO gears up in the late winter. While there are always people who audition for the show, Stout says that behind-the-scenes people are harder to come by. "It's hard sometimes to find people to actually build the set," she says.

Facing page: The Into the Woods cast (from left, bottom): Virginia Eileen Schoen, Michael Conte, Melissa Smith, Kami Longenecker, Tobiann Zerchar, Cole Reilly, Tiffany Brandt, Courtney Hamme, Brandon Williams, Keith Knowles, (top) Sean Paul Webb, Jon DiQuattro, Nicole Staudt and Dave Longabaugh. Top right: Director Charlie del Marcelle and Tina Stout share some observations

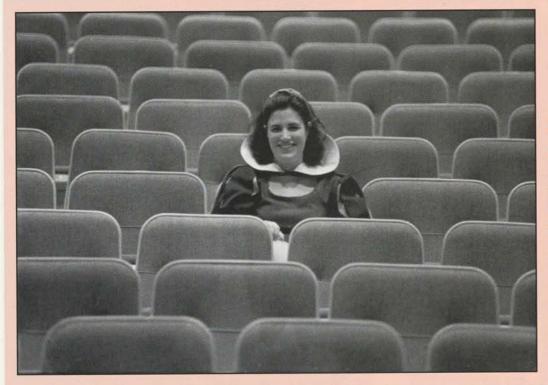
during a rehearsal. **Right:** Cole Reilly and David Longabaugh seemed to have found the key to their characters—Jack (of beanstalk fame) and his cow.











Twice a cameo, as Snow White in the play and in this article, Beth Childs awaits her turn to appear on stage.

But each year, as if by magic, everything comes together. Actors and musicians show up for auditions, mainly by word-ofmouth, and the selection process is fair, but exacting. Anyone not committed to putting on a first-class production need not apply. At ACMO, Stout says, nobody is a star, but everybody is a star.

Sophomore David Longabaugh, in his first ACMO production, knows that well. Longabaugh plays the cow in *Into the Woods*. He shrugs off the less-than-glamorous (but meaty) role with equanimity. "I am having a lot of fun with this," he says. Longabaugh, a communications major, has been involved in high school and university theater and sees ACMO as another outlet for his creative energies. "It keeps you busy and that is the way I like to be," he says.

Behind-the-scene roles rewarding

Sara Lane, a junior majoring in communications, is the current president of the ACMO board and has been involved in the organization since her freshman year. A veteran performer, Lane began doing musical theater in the third grade.

"What makes ACMO so special," says Lane, "is the fact that it is entirely student run." She views this collaborative responsibility as a valuable learning experience. "You have to know a little bit about everything," she says. Lane, who has also worked in university theater productions, brings a discerning eye to her role as president. And she is quick to give credit to her board. "The board members work together very well," she says. "It is a very democratic organizational body."

Probably the most valuable lesson her work in ACMO has taught Lane is how to manage her time. "I have learned how to use my time wisely," she says. "And I find the busier I am, the less I procrastinate." She also counts the friendships and personal growth as rewards for her years in ACMO. "When I first came here, I was very shy," she remembers. "Theater has helped that, and it builds really strong friendships. It is like a big family." Recognizing the complexities of this year's production, Stout insisted that an outside director with some experience be brought in to direct the musical. Charlie del Marcelle '93, an ACMO alumnus who recently received a master's degree in theater from Villanova University, was only too glad to accept the job.

"These students are so incredibly dedicated," says del Marcelle. "Who can say what makes people push themselves to do this?" he muses. "They must have a burning desire to be on the stage." Self-discovery is a factor too, according to del Marcelle, who says everyone learns more about his or her own talents and limits over the course of a show.

During the week of spring break, as the show begins to take shape, del Marcelle haunts the auditorium, going from stage to orchestra pit to the back of the auditorium to check on lighting and sound. Except for lunch and dinner breaks, everyone works from early morning until almost midnight. Opening night is little more than a week away, and this year's show is particularly ambitious, according to del Marcelle, who notes, "This is a huge production; it has so many logistical concerns."

It is the logistics of light and sound that concern Jeremy Stoltzfus, who sits quietly at the back of the auditorium in front of the large computerized control panel that monitors lighting and sound effects. Now in his senior year at MU, Stoltzfus is looking toward a career behind the scenes. A computer science major with a minor in technical theater, Stoltzfus maintains, "I'd like to do something that ties the two together." His experience with ACMO has helped bring that goal into sharper focus.

Hard work, but no complaints

Senior Keith Knowles, who plays the dual role of narrator and the mysterious man in *Into the Woods*, is clearly someone with a burning desire to act. Slender and angular with facial planes that seem destined for stage lighting, the communications/theater major throws his total energy into each and every performance. "You have to have that love of performing," he says simply. "It is a lot of hard work. Your give up spring break. Some kids have to find a place to live for the week of spring break," he says, "but I don't hear anyone complaining."

In the auditorium basement, cast members fine-tune their performance before taking their turns on stage. Tobiann Zercher, who has landed the plum role of the witch, sits in a corner, eyes closed, going over her lines in her head. A secondary education major, Zercher heard about ACMO her second day on campus. She has been involved ever since both as a performer and as public relations director. "I've been doing shows since I was in junior high," she says. "It's something that just gets into your blood." Now a senior, Zercher has had roles in the ACMO productions, *A Little Night Music, Baby* and last year's *Godspell*.

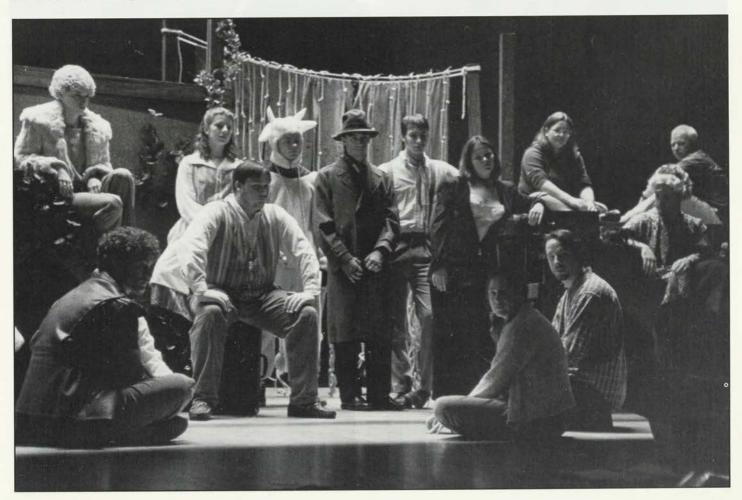
"There is always such a wide variety of personalities," she observes. "And because it is student run, you get a whole other dynamic. You feel like you have invested so much. It means a lot more." And always, Zercher notes, part of the challenge is dealing with the surprises. "Every year something disastrous happens," she says. "But in the end, when the curtain goes up, everything is fabulous."

Meeting their high expectations

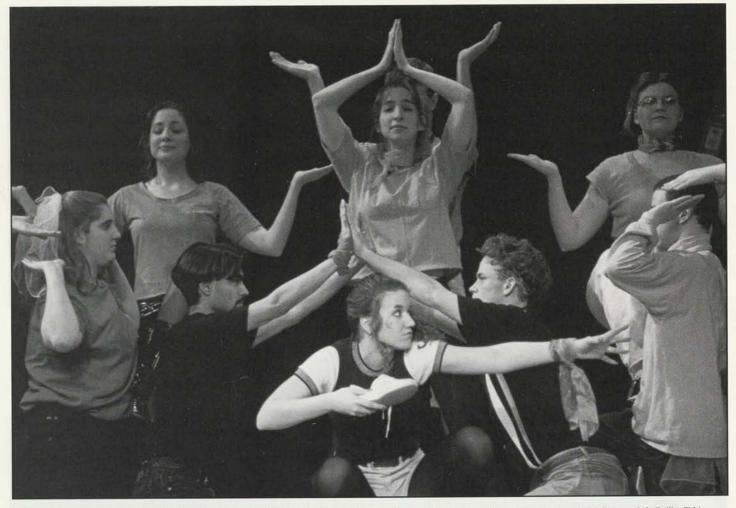
Ray Antonelli '83 considers his involvement with ACMO a defining element of his creative life. "I have been performing since I was 5 years old," says Antonelli, who now works in Harrisburg for the Mayor's Office for Special Events and is still involved in community theater.



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In a scene from the 1996 production, Godspell, are: (from left) Melissa Smith, Amy Mesoros, Hector Antonio López, Karen Lindenberg (top), Jen Brown, Cole Reilly, Tobi Zercher (top) and Sean Webb.



Dave Noble (left) and Brent Bell were part of Baby in 1995.



Dr. Paul Nichols was a long-time ACMO faculty adviser.

A communications major, Antonelli joined ACMO in his freshman year. He performed in *Pippin* that first season, and then in his second year did the choreography for *Applause*. But his most memorable production was *Godspell*, which he directed and choreographed in 1982, his junior year.

Godspell played in 1962, his junite year. *Godspell* played to a packed house on opening night, and word quickly spread that it was a smash. "This really elevated ACMO as far as its professionality," Antonelli says. He credits the wealth of talent at MU, and particularly the talent of the music director, Deb Klein, for the show's unprecedented success.

"We auditioned over 200 kids for *Godspell*," Antonelli recalls, adding that casting the show was a combination of the right chemistry and good fortune. Lead singer Michelle Dickenson, who went on to sing professionally, was discovered quite by accident when Antonelli and Klein heard her singing voice floating out of a school bathroom.

"I was thankful that we had ACMO," says Antonelli, "because it gave me the chance to work in the medium I wanted to work in. It gave you the sense that you were responsible for the end product. The level of expectation was very high, and we all had a vested interest in making it succeed. For me ACMO was almost a religious experience," he says.

The same year that Ray Antonelli directed *Godspell*, he was instrumental in getting one of his favorite professors, Dr. Paul Nichols, to accept the role as ACMO's faculty advisor. Although he had no theater experience, Nichols, who taught large enrollment classes in the Earth Sciences department, enjoyed a long tenure as ACMO's adviser.

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Designed for community consumption, the ACMO musicals provided another cultural opportunity for the university and surrounding community to come together. The shows always

ACMO History of Shows

1971–72	How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying
1972-73	Guys & Dolls
1973-74	Once Upon A Mattress
1974-75	Anything Goes
1975-76	Two Gentleman Of Verona
1976–77	Sugar (Spring), A Musical Review (Fall)
1977–78	Promises Promises
1978–79	Sweet Charity
1979-80	Pippin
1980-81	Applause
1981-82	Godspell
1982-83	Guys & Dolls
1983-84	Fiddler On The Roof
1984-85	Music Man
1985-86	Oklahoma
1986–87	Three Penny Opera (University Theatre/Acmo)
1987-88	Jesus Christ Superstar
1988-89	Sweeney Todd
1989-90	Anyone Can Whistle
1990–91	Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?
1991-92	Grease
1992-93	The Butler Did It Singing
1993–94	A Little Night Music
1994–95	Baby
1995–96	Godspell
1996–97	Into The Woods



met with enthusiastic response, Nichols recalls. And to see the dedication and work in the weeks prior to opening night was always heartening, he says. "It really rekindles your faith in the next generation."

Everybody got slicked up for Grease, but the slimiest of characters emerged in The Three Penny Opera. From left, David Kelleher, Terri Kline, Lis Cass and Daryl Swisher. The person kneeling before Swisher could not be identified.



Worldly Connections

By Maryalice Yakutchik

'm chatting with an Old Order Amish friend in his book-lined office, a comfortable outbuilding about 25 yards behind his Leola farmhouse. He runs a tax preparation business here to supplement the family's main income from produce farming. The insistent ring of a telephone interrupts our conversation: a caller wants to know when his forms will be finished. I am waylaid here, enroute to Millersville for an interview with Dr. Diane Zimmerman Umble, author of the book, Holding the Line, The Telephone in Old Order Mennonite and Amish Life. This was supposed to be a quick stop for the sole purpose of borrowing some books on farming; however, my friend invites me to take a seat by the coal stove, and I do. Soon, I notice the hour and get up to leave, but the phone rings again, thwarting my progress. The next time I make an attempt to get on my way, my friend's wife arrives on the scene, greeting me with a handshake, a smile, and a tale to tell about her own day away, visiting. It would be plain rude for me to dash out now.

Clearly, I am going to be late for my interview with Umble, but it never even occurs to me (until I am on Route 30 sans car phone), that I might have asked my friend to use his telephone so I could

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alert the Millersville professor about my delay. I sit in the rush hour traffic that clogs the major artery through this oncebucolic landscape and wonder why I didn't do the obvious. Maybe because it's not obvious to associate the horseand-buggy set with speed-dialing. Irrational though it may sound, I think I might have felt a tad uncomfortable using the Amish man's phone, as if I myself were committing an illicit act; tasting of forbidden fruit, if you will. You see, I am under the impression that the Plain People aren't really supposed to own phones, much less freely admit it to each other as well as outsiders. If Old Order bishops choose to look the other way in some areas under certain circumstances, surely the tourists who flock to Bird-in-Hand and Intercourse would stare down any straw-hatted farmers with phones to their ears. It simply doesn't ring true with the comfortable stereotypes many of us still cling to: that the Amish and Mennonites are silent caricatures caught in a 17th century time warp.

Enter Diane Umble, whose nonfiction book addresses all these issues and more. The text is a living history, sound in scholarship and remarkably readable. It tells a tale about the coming of the telephone into Lancaster County which, Umble writes, is "a critical episode in the



Florence Stoltzfus demonstrates the use of her mother's switchboard in this 1970s photo. From the personal papers of J. K. Stoltzfus and Alvin Glick, in the possession of Warren and Florence Weiler.

story of Old Order struggles to cope with social change." Her story is populated by real characters who are, more often than not, in conflict with each other and conflicted within themselvesover the phone. Uncharacteristically, they air their dirty laundry for Umble who reports with sensitivity that for more than a century-indeed until this very day-this seemingly innocuous technology has caused bitter dissent and divisions among the most cohesive of communities where harmony is not only valued, but mandated. Umble's focus is sharp. She defines the meaning of the telephone to a particular people situated

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in a set place and time. Umble's context is history, culture and communication practices.

When I finally show up, a full halfhour late, at Umble's office in the Washington Building, she is gracious. Traditional Amish quilts-which once were her mother's, Umble says-dress two adjacent walls in this hub of the communications department. Umble is an associate professor of communication and theater at Millersville, as well as department chairperson. She balances these roles with those of author, wife and mother. Though she assures me she would enjoy talking at length about her book, published last year by the Johns Hopkins University Press, she must leave campus earlier than anticipated to drive her daughter, Kate, to an eye doctor's appointment. She'll forego dinner tonight, she says, unless of course I would be willing to relocate our interview to the cafe across the street.

Between bites of fries, Umble recalls with a bit of nostalgia the interviews she conducted while researching her book. She describes how she and a source sat on lawn chairs outside in the cool of a summer evening, both with big bowls resting in their laps; while shelling peas and lima beans, they talked about "telephone troubles."

What she heard time and again during years of research was evidence of struggles that played out on several levels, not the least of which was internal. Some sources admitted wanting the phone, but ultimately deciding against it. The phone was anything but a neutral instrument for the Old Order people. The issue-to have, or not to have-was cast as a spiritual dilemma. Her sources believed that their decisions would make a difference in the next generation.

Umble respects and celebrates the conversational oral histories which are the backbone of her book. Given the subject matter, it's a bit ironic that Umble did not make any use of the phone as a research tool. Although she used it on occasion to set up inter-

views—which she refers to as "visits" she relied strictly on old-fashioned legwork and face-to-face meetings for collecting stories, gathering information, and checking facts.

"I was just so terribly concerned about establishing good rapport," she says, referring to the 30 sources whom she visited (some regularly) while researching the book.

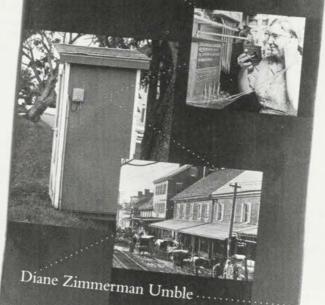
Her rapport with readers reflects a similar level of concern.

The first scene of the book sets an intimate tone that invites outsiders to journey deep into an insular culture and explore a controversial issue. The author is a knowledgeable and trusted guide. We are in Umble's passenger seat as she drives down a gravel lane in Lancaster County; by her side as she knocks on the door of a farmhouse, as she prompts an Old Order Mennonite bishop to explain recent changes to rules regarding phone ownership.

"When I started the project in 1988, I deliberately asked questions about the past," Umble says of her interviewing strategy. "It is easy for people to talk about their memories about use of the telephone. I was talking to older people in the beginning. The later research, especially that which is covered in the last chapter, focused on contemporary practices; then I began paying particular attention to talking to women, because I

Holding the Line

The Telephone in Old Order Mennonite and Amish Life



thought

there might be a difference between how women and men use the phone (now)."

One of the challenges of writing this particular book, she says, involved her own feminist tendencies as she came to terms with the limitations imposed on women in the Old Order communities. In fact, the story that sparked the entire telephone issue continues to be told to the community in a way that is particularly derogatory to women.

Umble first heard that story when she was a graduate student, working on a research paper about the community telephones that dotted the Lancaster County landscape.

"I had a friend who had co-authored a popular book about an Amish school with an Amish woman named Sarah," Umble said. "She told Sarah I was interested in talking about the phenomenon of the Amish telephone. So Sarah invited me to have supper with her and three other Amish people who were working together to update a genealogy.

"I was seated across the table from a fragile-looking Amish man with a long white beard and big blue eyes. He said the telephone wasn't always banned from the Amish home. Then he proceeded to tell me about two Amish families who had a party line. A third woman was listening in and heard the two

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women talking about her. It raised a stink in the church, and the leaders decided that if that's how the telephone was going to be used, it had no place in the Amish home."

Umble related the story to a professor who deemed it "fascinating" and encouraged her to pursue the idea. Pursue it she did. That initial group of four friends became Umble's primary sources over several years of research. She has been and still is protective of her characters' identities, she says.

"Many of them expressed they didn't want to make trouble in the community," she says. "It really has little to do with what the outside world thinks or does. But what they were telling me about could cause trouble within. There were particular families involved in the first division (of the Mennonites over the use of the telephone).

"This history is not in the past. This history is part of the oral tradition that preserves the ruling, in a sense. Those rules need to be affirmed with every communion. That story (about the gossiping women) gets told again and again as a reason for the present rule: disharmony won't be tolerated. They still justify to each other that's why they can't have phones in the home. It's a decision that gets repeated every day and lived out. I still think the notion (of women gossiping) is behind the prohibition against having the phone in the home."

Given the historical perspective Umble offers, it's no surprise that the technology of phones, faxes and computers is finding its way into Old Order

What the Amish are negotiating now is how a person can remain apart from the world in one way and be a part in another way. They are determining how permeable the boundaries are.

barns, offices, and shops—and therefore is owned by the men who work there much faster than it is into the home, where women would claim ownership.

It simply does not make sense to outsiders like myself, I tell Umble, that my Old Order Amish friend is allowed to have a phone in his office, but not in his home, just spitting distance away. I'm not sure it makes sense to my Old Order

"Wer Bischt Du?"

Diane Zimmerman Umble encountered this question time and again as she researched her book, *Holding the Line*, *The Telephone in Old Order Mennonite and Amish Life*.

"Who are you?" Her sources wanted to know. After the research was done, Diane ended up with not only a book, but also a better sense of self. She found out a few things about exactly who she was.

"I grew up here, in Lancaster County, but always felt, in some ways, that I was a stranger (to my Old Order sources)," Umble says, "just by the virtue of the kind of life I led (as an academic) and the way I looked. At one level, their question was a reminder about who I wasn't. I never presumed I was an insider."

She remembers being fascinated about the degree to which they needed to work out who she was.

"For me, what that really came to represent was how fundamental the notion of being part of a community was to their identity," Umble says, "and how strongly that operates in their communication with me, but also with each other."

Because people kept asking her about her personal family history, the book became an exploration of Umble's own roots in a way that she never expected to happen.

"I stumbled on one account (during an interview) when an Amish man informed me that the land we were standing on had belonged to someone in my father's family," Umble says. Umble's parents were Plain Mennonites at the time of their marriage.

"The bishop refused to go on with the wedding ceremony because my father showed up in a long tie," she recounts. "There was quite a bit of

friend, either, although he isn't required to understand so much as obey. Once a rule is set in the Old Order, it's very hard to undo, Umble explains; however, she thinks the phone will continue to be an issue.

"The more they go into business, the more necessary it becomes," Umble says. "The Old Order Amish are leaving farming (because there's no place for them in Lancaster County) while the Old Order Mennonites are leaving the county to stay on the farm."

"The mechanisms for articulating

struggle over the dress issue in my parents' generation. They left the most traditional aspects (of the religion) with many of their peers in the 1950s. My parents were no longer Plain when I was growing up."

Umble's parents still are Mennonites, as Umble herself is a Mennonite. "Having said that, we are a part of a relatively young, urban congregation that is almost all professionals," according to Umble "There is a real diversity across the Mennonite Church at this point.

"For me, being Mennonite is a theological orientation that looks at faith not so much as an individual experience, but as a community one. Faith is expressed in relationship with community. This whole notion of community and how to preserve it and in what form is a key question for me.

"That's something from my Mennonite heritage that I cherish and want to hold on to. Peace and social justice also are important parts of my heritage."

Umble's book is dedicated to her husband and children. But her parents also supported her research and writing, she says.

"My mother is a creative person," she adds, "and has always been interested in writing and history. There's a section in the book that analyzes the farmers' directory and provides some hard data on telephone ownership and penetration in the county. This information came from a book my mother just so happened to have bought at auction. When I was in the midst of research, she went and pulled this 1914 farmers' directory off her shelf."

Umble says that when she was growing up in Leola, she didn't really take much notice of her hometown. She left Lancaster County in 1970 for college. She married in 1974, and lived in Virginia, then Kansas, and North

social identity—worship, silence, work, and visiting—continue to regulate Amish social life," Umble writes in her book. "But occupational shifts have removed many Amish persons from the home, and this shift of locus from the home to the shop has the potential to blur once-clear notions of separation from the world."

"I think it's going to be a real test," Umble says. "I look at it in terms of the patterns of communication, and the way in which communication is limited or centered or framed by one style versus

Campaign Update

McCollough Communications Complex project moves forward



This 1993 file photo shows some of the facilities and equipment that will be replaced by new technologies and vastly improved facilites, part of the McCollough Complex and Broadcast Studio, a capital campaign project currently in the bidding phase.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under the state's Shared-Funded (formerly Jump Start) program, has released \$1.4 million for a project to renovate and expand the Velma A. Dilworth McCollough and Clair R. McCollough Complex and Broadcast Studio. The funds represent the state's share—including engineering and architectural costs—of the projected \$2.1 million cost for the project. The remaining \$720,000 will come from private giving to the University.

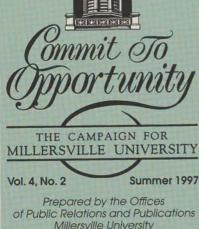
"Certainly, this will vastly improve our laboratories for students," said Dr. Diane Zimmerman Umble, chair of the communication and theatre depart-(continued on page 3)

R. R. Donnelley joins partnership

The Lancaster Divisions of R. R. Donnelley & Sons Company have joined MU, the School District of Lancaster and nine other corporations in the Lancaster Partnership, a program that provides college opportunities for minority youth in Lancaster.

In announcing Donnelley's association with the partnership, John Hallgren, senior vice president, and Mark Aho, vice president, said, "The company is most pleased to join other area corporations in encouraging minority youth to complete their high school education and continue on to college. We see Donnelley's involvement as a long-term investment to improve our community through education and employment opportunities."

Inaugurated in 1988, the program assures all ninth-grade African-American and Latino students in Lancaster City schools, that, if they complete high school and meet guidelines for income, higher education costs not covered by state (continued on page 2)



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Donnelley joins partnership program (continued from page 1)



President Joseph Caputo accepts a check from (left) Mark Aho, vice president, and John Hallgren, senior vice president, of R. R. Donnelley and Sons Company, the Lancaster Partnership's newest private sector partner.

and federal grants—tuition and room and board fees—will be funded by the partnership's corporations.

Under terms of the partnership, African-American and Latino students who follow a specific academic program beginning in ninth grade, remain in good academic standing, and graduate from J.P. McCaskey High School, will be admitted to Millersville University. Professional employees from partnership companies serve as mentors to the high school students. MU students also are assigned to the pupils as mentors for the purpose of introducing them to the Millersville campus with its many special and informal activities.

Other components of the program include summer job opportunities, internships, and guaranteed job interviews after graduation from MU.

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The Partnership

- Current enrollment: 631 students from the School District of Lancaster
- Number who go on to pursue higher education: 77.4%
- The first partnership students to enroll at MU were 22 who entered in fall 1993. This spring, 55 partnership students are attending Millersville, while 74 students have enrolled at other institutions of higher education.

Senior gift committee supports Annual Fund

This year's seniors have opted for the long view, at least as far as the Senior Gift goes. Under the leadership of campaign co-chairs Denise Macaitis and Lisa Beresny, members of the Senior Gift Committee have decided to focus their fund-raising efforts on raising unrestricted dollars for the University's Annual Fund, which enhances opportunities for MU students in the classroom and beyond.

Two strong incentives attracted the students' attention to the Annual Fund. First, dollars raised by seniors and their parents will be matched dollar-for-dollar through this year's Annual Fund Challenge Match; second, the MU Alumni Association will provide a welcoming match of up to \$1,000.

As Beresny put it, "This is an important opportunity for our class to return the benefit of the Annual Fund to future Millersville students. Our Senior Gift Committee is committed to making 1997 a memorable year through our efforts."

Launched in December 1996 by an enthusiastic group of seven seniors, over 50 members of the Class of '97 had joined in the effort as team captains and solicitors by campaign kickoff time on March 2. As of April 30, seniors and their parents had pledged a total of \$2,900.

The seniors will also purchase a commemorative item such as a bench or artwork as a tangible sign of their gift and the years they spent on campus.

In addition to the co-chairs, the committee leadership includes Carey Borzelleca, Jeanette Fox, Kristin Garber, Maureen Gallagher, Heather Gerst, Natalie Goodbred, Debra Jackson, Melissa Patterson, Tara Volkel, and Carin Zufelt.

Campaign Update

Gift to help develop archives



A ceremony held at the Duncan Alumni House in March was the occasion for presentation of \$10,000 in gifts to help develop the Robert S. Walker Archives, which were officially established at MU in November 1996.

A gift of \$5,000 was contributed by representatives of the Robert Walker Retirement Dinner Committee. A check for an equal amount was donated by Mr. Walker '64; these monies are from past

On hand at the presentation ceremony in Duncan Alumni House were (from left) MU President Joseph Caputo; Dr. David Zubatsky, director of library services; Robert Coley, University archivist; and former U.S. Conaressman Robert Walker '64.

campaign contributions that he is distributing to various educational institutions.

The presentation ceremony followed the former Congressman's first lecture as a Distinguished Fellow of the University's Center for Politics and Public Affairs. His topic was "How Congress Really Works." Under the fellowship, Mr. Walker will deliver a series of lectures at MU over the next several years.

Dialers wrap up 1996-97 phonathon

As of press time, the months of hard work, long nights and countless phone calls were winding to a close in the lower level of Duncan Alumni House. As of April 30, the total amount of phonathon pledges stood at \$190,200.

"It takes a staggering number of personnel hours," said Tammy Powell, development, who coordinates the annual phonathon, "but it's all worth it. It's exciting to see how the effort brings together students, alumni, staff and other volunteers who pool their energy to make the thousands of calls.'

Alumni, parents of students and friends-4,800 in all-responded to the callers, who worked throughout the fall and spring semesters to bring the 1996-97 phonathon to a successful conclusion.

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ment. "The renovations will include two television studios, one large and one small, which will help support programming for students on the campus cable



Dr. Diane Umble

system, and expanding programming which will take advantage of our oncampus cultural and lecture series."

Umble added that the new digital video editing facilities will allow students to learn cutting-edge video production technology.

Dr. William Dorman, who teaches video production at MU, believes that the new facilities could not have come at a better time.

"There is a real technological revolution in digital equipment

happening right now," he noted. "We're fortunate in that we're building as the new digital editing technology emerges," he said. "The big creative studios are all using it, and the smaller television stations are getting into it. Without knowledge of this new technology, no graduate would be a viable job candidate.'

"The bottom line," Umble said, "is that educational quality will be greatly improved. The new multimedia computer instructional facility is a quantum leap up, from teaching about these things in the classroom to actually having access to the World Wide Web, desktop publishing technologies and international wire services in the classroom."

After the project is bid, construction should take about a year. The Complex and Broadcast Studio will include the Charles and Mary Hash Building (the old model school) and the adjacent Bassler Hall.

Among the many benefits and improvements to existing facilities will be:

 Accessible faculty and staff offices-28 in all-with the



Dr. William Dorman

latest in classroom technologies.

 A new entryway on George Street, for easier access to the McCollough Broadcast Studio.

 An elevator for entry to floors in both buildings.

 A broadcasting complex which includes studios, technical areas, staff offices and a suite of classrooms in addition to an electronic classroom/distance learning facility utilizing satellite and microwave technology.

Campaign Update

Endowments: a bulwark against uncertainty

by W. Lee Eastwood Director of Development

Maintaining stability in an age filled with uncertainty is no mean feat. Institutions everywhere—governmental, private, educational—are either reinventing themselves or struggling to keep up with new demands and technologies. For Millersville and other public universities critical transformations are happening elsewhere too, in the changing financial relationship between the government, the private sector and institutions of higher education.

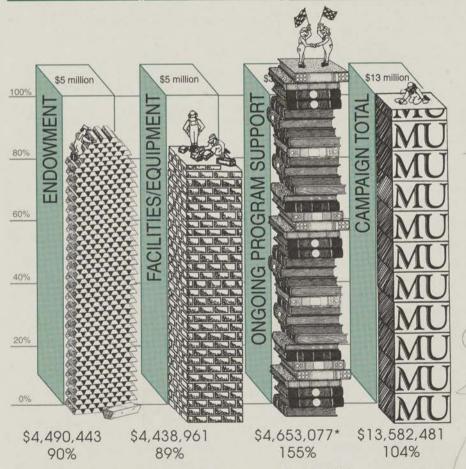
The trend for public colleges and universities has been toward more private support, away from a reliance on state or national governments for the greatest share of their operating expenses.

To meet the challenges of these changing times, financial stability is imperative. And one of the most enduring financial tools for achieving stability is the endowment.

While primarily used for scholarships, endowment funds are also in place for general operating expenses, facilities' maintenance, lectureships, instructional equipment and library acquisitions, as well as a number of specific programs which benefit today's students and will enhance the education of the future's students as well.

Thankfully, alumni and friends of the University have responded generously to the capital campaign. Their

Update: Meeting the Commitment



Figures represent pledges and funds received through April 25, 1997, compared with the total goal. *Amount includes \$1,163,715 in competitive grants in support of campaign objectives.

gifts—from \$100 added to existing endowments, to establishing named endowments of \$10,000 and above, to exceptional gifts approaching \$1,000,000—all make a difference.

Almost all endowment gifts which come to the University are managed and invested by the Millersville University Foundation. The foundation's direction is to maintain the value of accounts through time, so that, for example, an endowment with a corpus of \$50,000 today will have the same value, adjusted for inflation, years from now

The foundation stipulates that a percentage of the earnings equal to five percent of the market value be allocated for the use of each endowment, which reflects the practice of colleges and universities nationwide.

Although most of the growth in its assets has occurred since the beginning of the capital campaign, the foundation has not yet reached the campaign goal of \$5 million. As of March 31, 1997, the endowments' market value was estimated at \$4.6 million. In 1996, the foundation was able to give the University \$150,000, based upon the endowments' 1995 market value.

Present endowments may be enhanced by your gift in any amount. To name an endowment and play a role in determining the use of its income, there is presently a \$10,000 threshold. As we travel toward the close of Commit to Opportunity: The Campaign for Millersville, there is a pressing need to reach another \$500,000 mark in our foundation's endowment.

I can think of so many ways a thoughtful, well-planned gift of endowment can make a significant difference for our students in all programs, all majors, contributing to the overall high quality of education they receive at MU. If I can answer questions for you or assist you in making a gift, please do not hesitate to contact me. Millersville's students will thank you, now and far into the future.

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Carolina. She and her husband returned to Lancaster in 1984. It was then that she looked hard at her hometown.

"There were really quite noticeable changes in the county," she says, "particularly in terms of development, both housing and retail. Having been gone and come back, it was really striking to me, how much it had changed."

At that time, she began commuting by train to graduate school at the University of Pennsylvania. She remembers that journey to downtown Philadelphia as one of contrasts.

"I always paid attention as I went through the heart of the Old Order Amish community," she says. "There was a kind of a beauty about it I really enjoyed. I started to realize what an amazing thing it was that this community had been able to sustain itself in the midst of all this change.

"Because I had an inherent interest in cultural identity and change and the way in which communication was implicated in social change, it was a natural thing for me to look at this issue (of the telephone coming to Lancaster County). I was interested in communities that resisted change in one way or another. They are the forgotten pieces—the exceptions to the rule—in the larger discussions of communication technology in general."

She sees the Old Order as a model for how people can handle social change and still hold onto things that are important to them. But at the same time, she's concerned about how much change any one culture can manage.

"I have a kind of empathy," she says. "It's not just the Amish. All of us are coping with phenomenal change in our lifetimes. The kinds of changes we're experiencing now (fax machines, personal computers, and the Internet) are extensions of tele-

another. If you're on the farm, your focus is the farm and family; you all work together and according to the seasons. You're your own boss, albeit at the mercy of the weather.

"If you have your own business, the patterns of communication and social interaction are focused outward. The kinds of responses you have to make to your environment are established in terms of your customer for the most part. It's a lot harder to manage communication with the outside world when you're in a small business and needing



phones as communication. Our cultural debates are in some ways very parallel. We're asking the same kinds of questions. The difference is, the Amish value the community over the individual; for us, individual rights supersede those of the community."

There were any number of occasions when she—an outsider working on her own—had doubts about writing this book. Surprisingly enough, it was an Old Order Amish bishop who reassured her with these words, "You write this story. We will not. And it's important for us to know."

"The way I have come to terms with my bouts (of self-doubt) is to say up front that I know this is an interpretation I am making," Umble says, "and this is who I am in the story."

In other words, she answers the question, "Wer Bischt Du?" 😮

to go out, away from home."

While the Amish have proven amazingly resilient in the face of social change, Umble thinks that the move from farming to business is going to have a greater impact on that community than any other change they've seen up to this point. Why? Because it has the potential to fundamentally re-orient their patterns of communication, Umble says.

says. "Up to this point, they have really been able to maintain the center of communication within the community. And Dr. Diane Zimmerman Umble, whose book, Holding the Line, addresses the cultural parallels between Old Order Amish and Mennonites, and the communities that surround them.

the move to business will substantially challenge that kind of centralizing communication."

What the Amish are negotiating now is how a person can remain apart from the world in one way and be a part in another way. They are determining how permeable the boundaries are.

"What I see is that the circle of communication is broadening and that the lines into the center are increasing," Umble says. "There is increasing access to the center. Is there going to be a threshold? A time when the majority of the communication is oriented outward rather than inward? Then time becomes organized by demands outside the community. Obligations are structured by the values of clients or supplying services. That's the kind of threshold that will open the door for substantial change.

One of Umble's accomplishments with this book about a specific technology has been to debunk some general myths. The Old Order people aren't relics. They are making choices every day about how to live in this changing world. They make them from a different perspective than you and I, but they are making choices just the same.

"I see them as people who are trying to live with integrity," Umble says, "failing, like the rest of us do, at times. But trying to be what they think they need to be."

Alumni Interest

Spring Neimeyer Hodgson Research Grants awarded to eight

A total of \$3,200 in Neimeyer-Hodgson Research Grants was awarded to eight students at a special reception held on April 16. The grants are awarded each fall and spring in support of student research. Recipients, their year, major, award amount and topic are as follows:

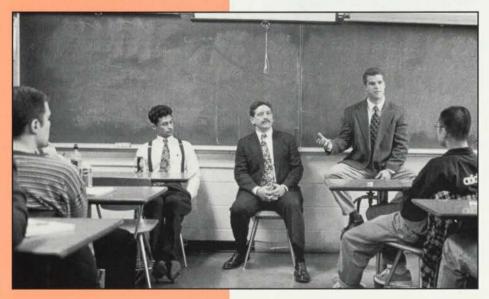


- Jill Fullager, senior marine biology major, \$500 to study zoo plankton;
- Laura Hickes, senior biology major, \$500 for research on embryonic chicks;
- Michael Johnson, junior molecular biology major, \$430 to study the encephalomyocarditis virus;
- Paula Kreiser, junior psychology major, \$150 for research on Hispanic motivation;
- Ryan Nolt, senior chemistry major, \$320 for a study on carbon electrodes;
- David Sanders, junior biochemistry major, \$500 for research on embryonic chicks;
- Scott Somershoe, junior biology major, \$300 for a study on nesting of Eastern bluebirds; and
- Holly Winters, junior molecular biology major, for research on embryonic chicks.

And the winners of the spring 1997 Neimeyer-Hodgson grants are: (from left) Scott Somershoe, Laura Hickes, Michael Johnson, Paula Kreiser, Ryan Nolt, Jill Fullager, Holly Winters, and David Sanders.

Student Advancement Committee sponsors events

The Alumni Association's Student Advancement Committee event "How to Get Into College and Make It Affordable" was held on March 8. Over 200 alumni from the classes of 1969 to 1979 and their children attended. Darrell



Davis, director of admissions and Dwight Horsey, assistant director of financial aid, gave presentations. Another program will be held on Saturday, August 9.

A career forum in computer science was held on February 11. The alumni panelists included Frank Aston '96, graduate student at MU; Jay Hoffman '94, systems analyst with AMP, Inc.; Wendy Mechler, senior computer specialist with Lancaster Laboratories; and Michael Tuzi '96, Internet engineer with GEO Systems.

A career forum in geography was held on March 17. The alumni panelists included Jack Doyle '69, director of corporate services with Tides Center (business and environmental research); Scott Standish '80, chief of long range planning, Lancaster County Planning Committee; and Andrew Wright '95, GIS Technician, ATS, Inc.

Talking to students about careers in geography are (from left) Scott Standish '80, Jack Doyle '69 and Andrew Wright '95.

MU By the Beach— Saturday, August 2

The dress code is casual, the agenda is fun and friends, the time is from 1–4 p.m. on Saturday, August 2, and the place is the same as last year: BJ's on the Water-South, First Street and the Bay, Ocean City, Maryland.

It's the annual MU By the Beach event, a special afternoon for graduates of the last decade or GOLD Club members, all of whom are invited.

On the schedule are MU prizes, music, food and fun! The \$10 admission covers food, DJ and an MU by the Beach T-shirt. Special prices for drinks will be featured, with a menu which includes potato skins, buffalo wings, meatballs, clams casino and a vegetable/cheese tray.

A special invitation will be mailed in the early summer. For reservations or information, please call the Alumni Services Office at 1-800-681-1855. Reservation deadline is July 24.



Sharing a smile at last year's MU By the Beach event are (from left) Kellie Feltcher '96, Kelly Patrick '96 and Heather Gillan '95,

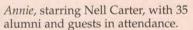
Lancaster County

On February 8 the annual Dessert Reception was held in conjunction with a performance by the Tamburitzans folk dance ensemble. In spite of the cold and snowy weather, over 40 alumni and guests attended.

FROM THE BRANCHES

The officers chosen for next year include: Cynthia Pagotto '72, president; Patricia Peoples Kline '87, vice-president; Walter Ledzinski '72, secretary/ treasurer.

February 22 proved a delightful evening when the branch attended the Hershey Theatre's production of



April 12 was the return of the popular Penn National Race Course event, attended by 40 alumni and guests.

Florida

Robert '49 and Elizabeth Zellers hosted a buffet and pool party at their Port Saint Lucie, Florida, home. Over 25 alumni and guests attended.

York

A new site was chosen for the annual dinner, which was held at the Olde York Inn on April 4, with 75 alumni and guests attending.

Officers for next year are: Kathleen Vosburg '88, president; Angela R. Lutz, vice president; Margaret Boyd '59, secretary.

Bucks County

The annual dinner meeting was held on April 12 in Warminster. Dr. Barbara Montgomery, MU dean of social sciences and humanities, was the guest speaker.



It was Do It Royal in the fourth at Penn National on April 12. Preparing to present the winner's trophy to the owner and jockey are (from left) Don Crownover '62; owner (unidentified); Luis Munar, jockey; Steven DiGuiseppe '82, alumni services director; Merle Schnee '59; and Harry Lines '40.

Itineraries set for Hawaiian excursion, Mississippi cruise

Millersville University's MEDAL Fund Travel Program has slated two trips for the winter of 1998: an excursion to the National Parks of Hawaii and a Delta Queen Steamboat Cruise to retrace the path of Mark Twain's youth on the Mississippi River, with a special plus two days in New Orleans.

The 9-day Hawaiian trip leaves Millersville on January 14, 1998, and returns January 22, with tours of Honolulu, Pearl Harbor, Maui, Haleakala National Park, Maui-Hilo Volcanoes National Park-Kona, Pu'uhonua O Honaunau National Park and much more. Sights will include volcanic spires, the Great Wall in Kona and rain forests, with an opportunity to sunbathe in Maui. Included in the price are round trip airline ticket, a fresh flower lei, deluxe accommodations, 14 meals, tours of the parks and lots of extras.

The Mississippi Cruise begins with two nights in New Orleans before boarding the American Queen, one of the greatest steamboats ever built, boasting a white exterior laden with gingerbread filigree, soaring twin smokestacks, intricately adorned Victorian fretwork, refurbished vintage steam engines and a colossal red paddlewheel.

On-board amenities for the American Queen's 435 passengers include a pool,

athletic club and theater. The entertainment will feature music of the classic big bands, while ports of call include St. Francisville, Natchez and Baton Rouge. With the trip scheduled for March 3–11, 1998, passengers will be experiencing the South during its loveliest season.

For additional information, to register or to be included on the MEDAL Fund Travel mailing list, call the Millersville University Alumni Services Office at 872-3352 or 1-800-681-1855.

You can also check out the full line of upcoming MEDAL Fund trips on-line, 24-hours-a-day, at http://www.millersv.edu/~alumni.

Legacy contest winners to get a taste of Italy

Win an Italian feast! The MU Alumni Association is sponsoring a legacy contest for Millersville University graduates. The family with the largest number of family members to graduate from Millersville University since 1855 will enjoy a festive Italian dinner at the Duncan Alumni House. Family includes (great, great-great, etc.) grandparents, parents, children, aunts and uncles, nephews and nieces, even cousins.

Entry forms must be received no later than August 29. The contest is open to all graduates of Lancaster County Normal Institute, First Pennsylvania State Normal School of the Second District, Millersville State Teachers College, Millersville State College, Millersville University of Pennsylvania.

All entries will be verified through the Alumni Services Office, and the winning family will be featured in a future issue of the *Review* as will the runner-up families.

LEGACY CONTEST FORM (Use additional sheets if necessary)					
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Upcoming alumni events

Call 1-800-MU1-1855 (681-1855) for information.

Call it in Toll-free!
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Or E-mail it! You can also communicate with us via the Internet. Send your class note or reservation to Sarah Bernot, alumni services secretary, at: mualumni@marauder.millersv.edu

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Date	Event / Area
June 14	MEDAL Fund Travel Program: Annie! On Broadway
27-29	African-American/Latino Alumni Reunion Weekend
28	Lancaster County Branch trip to the Washington Zoo and Baltimore's Inner Harbor (departure from MU: 7 a.m.)
July	
9	York Branch Picnic, inviting May grads and incoming MU freshmen
August	
2	MU By the Beach, BJ's on the Water—South, Ocean City, Maryland, 1–4 p.m.
9	How to Get into College, Staff from the MU Admissions and Financial Aid department talk with alumni and their high school age children about going to college. 10:30 a.m.
	Lancaster County and Harrisburg Branches team-up for a picnic and day with the Harrisburg Senators (5:30 p.m. dinner; 7:05 p.m. game time at River Stadium on City Island, Harrisburg)
23	Lancaster County Branch Night at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre: <i>South Pacific.</i> 6 p.m.
September	
6	Alumni Board of Directors Meeting, 10 a.m.
13-26	MEDAL Fund Travel Program: Austria/Switzerland
27	Family Day at MU—Special Legacy Luncheon
October	
4	MEDAL Fund Travel Program: <i>Phantom of the Opera/Jekyll & Hyde</i> on Broadway
16–Nov.1	MEDAL Fund Travel Program: China
22–26	Homecoming (the parade returns this fall) Look in the fall issue of the <i>Review</i> for a full calendar of events
November	
1	Lancaster County Branch Big Band Night of Dancing with Bob Troxwell's band, Gordinier Hall, 8 p.m.
January 199	8
14-22	MEDAL Fund Travel Program: Hawaii's National Parks
March 1998	
3–11	MEDAL Fund Travel Program: New Orleans & Natchez Trace (Big Bands/Spring Pilgrimage), Steamboatin' on the American Queen Cruise down the Mississippi River

Pre-1960s

A mini-reunion was held at Homecoming '96 for five couples who have remained in constant friendship since the early '50s when they first met at Millersville. Cheering on the Black and Gold the whole weekend were **Gene '51 and Betsy Irwin '51** of Medford Lakes, N.J.; John '51 and Maryann Michalcewiz '51 of Wilmington, Del.; Gene '51 and Kathleen Moran '51 of Laramie, Wyo.; Jack '53 and Patty Overholt '54 of Jekyll Island, Ga.; and Bill '52 and Rose Mae Wilson '50 of Norristown. They marveled at how Shenks Lane has changed!

Pauline B. Eshleman '29, Lancaster, was recently featured in the *Lancaster Sunday News*. She is pictured presenting a photo of the students who attended the Millersville Model School in 1921 to the Manor High School Class of '26. Other alumnae pictured include Helen Petre '28 and Betty James. E. Florence Ruof '34, Millersville, recently received the Valiant Woman Award which is

presented by Church Women United. Mark R. Herr '39, Reading, has recently changed his career for the third time. At the age of 73, he has obtained a real estate license and is involved in the sale of farms

Richard Keller '45, Millersville, a former Millersville University history professor, recently lectured on York's role in American

recently lectured on York's role in American history at the York County Colonial Courthouse.

Dr. Victor Bove '54, Lancaster, became a Distinguished Fellow in the American College of Physician Executives in May 1996. He also received the Lifetime Achievement Award offered by Saint Joseph's College, Windham, Maine, in June 1996.

Merle T. Schnee '59, Lancaster, has recently retired from the Lampeter-Strasburg School District. Currently, he is the satellite workshop coordinator in the Millersville University Office of Continuing Education. Dr. William R. Shirk '59, Lewes, Del., professor of geology at Shippensburg University, recently retired after 32 years. Dr. Shirk was the first geology professor hired at Shippensburg in 1964.

1960s

Richard McIntyre '60, Lansford, was named Educator of the Year by the Panther Valley Chamber of Commerce.

James H. Elder '62, Saxton, recently retired from the United States Navy after 20 years of combined military service.

Daniel C. Witmer '62, Lancaster, president and chief executive officer of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and Industry, was elected recently as president of the American Chamber of Commerce at its annual meeting in Norfolk, Va.

Clyde McMillan-Gamber '63, New Holland, recently wrote a story about turkey and black vultures for the "I Know A Story" section of the *Lancaster Sunday News*.

Darla K. Schorr '63, Mount Joy, recently wrote a story about her memories of World War II for the "I Know A Story" section of the Lancaster Sunday News.

Gahrad L. Harvey '64, Shickshinny, was selected the Outstanding Employee of the Month at the State Correctional Institution at Retreat.

Bill Smith '64, Columbia Cross Roads, was recently featured in a newspaper article about his fine woodworking skills.

Robert Walker '64, East Petersburg, recently retired from his seat in the United States House of Representatives, a position he held for twenty years. A lifelong public figure and former school teacher, he plans to remain active throughout the community.

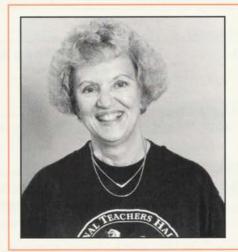
Norma Witmer Line '64, San Francisco, has temporarily moved to Seoul, South Korea, with her husband while he helps with the planning and construction of a high-speed train system.

Walter Engle '65, Hampton, was one of 50 people selected to participate in 1996-97 Leadership Pittsburgh. He also spent six weeks in England as a Fulbright Scholar. William R. Roher '65, New Holland, has announced that he will step down as superintendent of schools in the Eastern Lancaster School District. He has held the post for eight years.

Gordie Groome '67, Lancaster, a math teacher in Manheim Township, was the subject of

Reneé Genbauffe O'Leary '50 is still stepping into the limelight. An article about her in a recent issue of Discover, published in Newark, Del., pointed out that O'Leary has been with the local Chapel Street Players (formerly the University Drama Group) since 1961. She began playing what she calls "prima donna, sexy fun parts," and now plays the older ladies and "more bizarre characters." Despite a battle with throat cancer, the actress remains active on the stage and as a volunteer, serving as the group's hospitality chair, which includes planning the opening night wine and cheese parties.

O'Leary was the subject of a fall 1994 "Family Album" detailing her success in capturing national and state awards for her teaching. She still spends three days a week as an early childhood resource teacher at Caravel Academy in Newark, and two days in New York City, where she instructs teachers in how to teach science to children.



an ongoing *Lancaster New Era* series, titled "Inside Your School."

Wesley Newswanger '67, Strasburg, director of the Mennonite Information Center, was recently featured in the Q & A column of the *Intelligencer Journal*.

Michael Roshak '67, Yonkers, N.Y., was ordained to the Holy Priesthood of the Russian Orthodox Church. This also marked the 20th Anniversary of his diaconate, during which he served in several positions.

Dr. W. Robert Kennedy '68, New Wilmington, was honored last month for his administrative service to the Northeast Ohio Universities College of Medicine.

Evelyn E. Sullivan '68, Lancaster, executive director of the Lancaster Bar Association, was featured recently in a *Lancaster New Era* article.

Ruth Katherman '69, York, retired last June after 35 years of teaching at York Junior College/ York College of Pennsylvania.

1970s

Kathleen Brabson '70, Lancaster, principal of Fred S. Eshleman Elementary School, was recently elected president of the Pennsylvania Association of Elementary School Principals.

James Lombardo '70, East Petersburg, has recently been promoted to deputy director of the newly created Center for Local Government Services of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Brian Long '70, Johnstown, has been named retail advertising director for Lancaster Newspapers, Inc.

James R. Miller '70, Williamston, Mich., was the subject of an article in Michigan State University's *Natural Science*. Mr. Miller recently took over the directorship of the Science and Mathematics Education Division. **Eileen C. Toomey '70**, Ellicot City, Md., was part of a four-member delegation of the

Children's Center at Johns Hopkins to conduct a two-week seminar at the University of Zagreb, Croatia.

Carol Goldfarb '72, Springfield, Ill., was selected recently to be the first program director of the Springfield Jewish Federation. Charles T. Stromfeltz '72, Lebanon, was featured recently in the "Apples for your Favorite Teacher" section of the Lancaster

Favorite Teacher" section of the Lancaster Sunday News.

William J. Tyson III '72, Perkasie, a captain in the U.S. Navy, took command of Naval Air Station Sigonella, Sicily, Italy.

Nancy C. Adams '73, Huntington, N.Y., was named Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Ergonomics Coordinator.

Bernard Citerone '73, Wallingford, was recently appointed CPA Vice President of Finance/Operations of the St. Mary Medical Center.

James C. Hower '73, Lexington, received the Gordon H. Wood Jr. Memorial Award presented by the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

John D. Johnson '73, Dallas, Texas, is the president of J.D. Johnson Associates, a con-

sulting and training company specializing in Progress database software.

Susan McCoy '74, Lancaster, a teacher in the Solanco School District, was featured recently in the "In the Spotlight" section of the Lancaster Sunday News.

Tim McNamara '73, Lancaster, received a Ph.D. in communications from Temple University. Currently, he is a high school English teacher.

Larry VanBrookhoven, Jr. '73, Lititz, was recently named project manager of Clabell Management.

Daniel Wiley '73, Fairfax, Va, recently retired from the U.S. Army after 20 years of service and received his M.Ed. from Marymount University. Currently, he is teaching fifth grade in Fairfax, Va.

Paulette Steffa '74, Pompton Lakes, N.J., was a guest at President Clinton's fiftieth birthday party at Radio City Music Hall in New York.

Terrance G. Jones '75, San Diego, Calif., reported for duty with Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Eight last November. Austin Kreeger '75, Kirkwood, principal of Quarryville Elementary School, was featured in a recent *Sun Ledger* article. The article focused on his dedication to his job and the honor he received being selected runner-up for the Distinguished Principal Award of the Pennsylvania Association of Elementary School Principals.

Diane Field Raspen '75, Schwenksville, was named 1996 Educator of the Year by the Pennsylvania Association of Gifted Education.

Bill Bull '75, Berwick, was inducted into the Berwick Sports Hall of Fame.

Janet Bryant McIlhenny '76, Fleetwood, was appointed vice president of sales and marketing at The First National Bank of Leesport.

Marian Book '76, Thompsontown, has joined the East Juniata School District as a school nurse.

Elizabeth Johnston '76, Wyomissing, is part owner of Best Bets Software, an educational software consulting business.

John Francis Purcell '77, Baltimore, has been serving as the assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Maryland since 1990.

Marcia Shellenberger '77, Somerset, was featured in a recent newspaper article which focused on her enthusiasm for teaching.

Ralph G. Barrett '78, New Orleans, La., has reported for duty with the Navy Band in Washington D.C.

Robert Francis Jr. '78, Stroudsburg, has accepted the position of Stroudsburg borough manager.

J. Robert Petersheim '78, Lancaster, has been named to the board of directors of the Friendship Community, Lititz.

Rebecca Kauffman '79, Lititz, a harpist, and **Vicki L. Hill '81**, Lancaster, a flutist, gave a recital in the sanctuary of the Palmyra Church of the Bretheren.

James D. Warner '80, Columbia, has been appointed executive director of the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority. Mary R. Frey '81, Lancaster, received her elementary principal's certificate from Penn State University. Currently she is a statewide educational consultant for the Pennsylvania Bureau of Special Education.

John C. Neil '81, Lancaster, was promoted to manager of retirement community banking of the Bank of Lancaster County.

Kathy Stasiowski '81, Mount Juliet, is the administrative officer for Breathe America, Inc., a healthcare management company located in Nashville, Tennessee.

Trish Doll '82, Bowmansville, was recently named to the Commonwealth's "Best 50 Women in Business" for her outstanding accomplishments, both professionally and personally. Doll is the president of Publicity Works, a marketing-public relations ad agency.

Laura Montgomery Rutt '82, Lancaster, was featured in the "In the Spotlight" section of the Lancaster Sunday News. The article focuses on her work to promote equality and equal rights.

Gloria Kacinko '83, Lancaster, was featured in the "Apples for your Favorite Teacher" section of the *Lancaster Sunday News*.

Rick Brinton '84, Trappe, was appointed product manager of Certainteed Corp.

Daniel Munyan '84, Elizabethtown, was featured in the *Intelligencer Journal* for his company's invention, the electronic book.

Darlene Newman '84, Pottstown, was recently inducted into the Pottstown Sports Hall of Fame.

Steven Brill '85, Pine Grove, has been appointed principal of North Schuylkill Jr./ Sr. High School.

Dominick DiMichael '85, Coatesville, received his master of science in environmental health from West Chester University. **Herbert Hutchinson '86,** Sharon Hill, has started a new position as technical recruiter

for F.P. Lennon Associates. Howard Kramer '86, Schaefferstown, has

joined the PNC Bank as vice-president and treasury management officer.

Karen Bremer '87, Lancaster, is the director of the Palmyra Public Library.

Kellie A. Butsak '87, Robesonia, has been named Walk America director for the Berks County Chapter, March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation.

Jeffrey A. Martin '87, Mercersburg, is a teacher in the Waynesboro Area School District.

Steve Rockleman '87, York, has been named the principal of Summit Valley Elementary School.

Stephen Rutner '87, Statesboro, Ga., completed his Ph.D. in business at the University of Tennessee. Currently, he is on the faculty at Georgia Southern University.

Michael Showalter '87, Denver, was appointed museum educator of the Ephrata Cloister last August.

Brian D. Smith '87, Strasburg, is the president of Semper Primus, an executive search company.

Joseph D'Annibale '88, Fleetwood, was promoted to claims service manager of the Philadelphia Region for Hartford Specialty Risks Service.



Robert E. O'Connor '88

Lancaster, was featured in the "Apples for your Favorite Teacher" section of the *Lancaster New Era*. Currently, he is a social studies teacher at Lampeter-Strasburg High School.

Club.

Robert E. O'Connor '88,

Law Firm of Marshall,

Lancaster, has been pro-

moted to head golf pro at

Tanglewood Manor Golf

Dennehey, Warner,

Coleman & Goggin.

Brian Kramp '88,

Darin Wagner '88,

Wallingford, has joined the

Matt Conn '90 and his wife Daphne Sentz Conn '89, Boones Mill, Va., appeared on the cover of the January 1997 issue of *Money Magazine*. They were accompanied by their two daughters Kelsey and Elizabeth. The magazine was highlighting families who save money in interesting ways. The Conns searched for jobs in and moved to lower cost Virginia. Matt also was quoted on the front page of the *Wall Street Journal* and was interviewed by Fox News for a story on northerners who had moved to the south.



Crista Crago-Spangler '89 Timonium, Md., is the director of support services at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. Joseph Ditmer '89, Lititz, has been named cost accounting manager at Kunzler & Co., Lancaster. Lisa Graham '89, Chester, has been named the public information associate at WHYY, Inc.

Crista Crago-Spangler '89

Linda Blair Johnson '89, Morton, has received her master of arts degree in English from West Chester University.

David L. Mason '89, Orwigsburg, has been promoted to small business loan officer at Heritage National Bank, Pottsville. Brian C. Vibbert '89, Missoula, Mont., is a safety officer for Envirocon, Inc., a company that is involved in environmental clean-up projects.

Cheri A. Vogel '89, Philadelphia, received a master of arts degree in psychology from Villanova University.

1990s

Kerry B. Hagel '90, Mountville, is the branch loan operations manager at the Mountville branch of the Fulton Bank.

Rhonda M. Kurtz '90, Blue Ball, was appointed corporate manager for safety, industrial hygiene, and environmental services at High Industries, Inc.

Linda Lamparter '90, Gouldsboro, has been named the director of outpatient services/ case management for Allied Services Rehabilitation Hospital in Scranton. Jandy Lou Liebl '90, Lancaster, is currently

working in the apprenticeship program as a

machine operator at R.R. Donnelley. Diane Heckmann Russo '90, Salem, Ore., received her master of science degree in biological sciences/marine biology from the Florida Institute of Technology.

Nancy Steffe '90, Oley, has joined the Reading & Berks County Visitors Bureau as director of tourism.

Dianne M. Wright '90, Norristown, received a master of arts degree in physical therapy from Beaver College. Currently, she is employed as a physical therapist at Paoli Memorial Hospital.

Andy Duncan '91, Lancaster, a teacher at Hand Junior High School in Lancaster City, was recently featured in "In the Spotlight," a section of the *Lancaster Sunday News*.

Jon Flatley '91, Dauphin, received a master of science degree from the Pennsylvania State University. Currently, he is a meteorology instructor here at Millersville.



Vincent M. Garcia '91, Lancaster, has been promoted to accounting services manager of Macy Advertising. Shawn D. Kofluk '91, Lake Wynonah, recently graduated from the Pennsylvania State Police Academy in Hershey. Nancy Kordalski '91,

Vincent M. Garcia '91

Carcia '91 Abingdon, Md., is a special education teacher at Perryville High School in Cecil County, Md. Diane E. Moore '91, Lancaster, was recently hired as executive director of the Republican

Committee of Lancaster County. Moore is also an elected member of the Republican State Committee of Pennsylvania. Jeanine Paradis-Olenick '91, Southampton, obtained her master's degree in art therapy and is presently employed by KidsPeace

National Hospital as an Art Psychotherapist. Michael Olenick '91, Southampton, teaches science and math at Souderton Area High School.

Vickie L. See '91, Lancaster, has been appointed general manager of Isaac's downtown Lancaster restaurant on North Queen Street.

Matthew Cleveland '92, Lancaster, owner of Occasions Disc Jockeys, was named recently to the Co-op America National Green Pages Honor Roll.

Michael Hosler '92, Thompsontown, appeared in *Burn This*, a play presented by Phoenix-Ravenwing Co. at Mulberry Art Studios.

Anthony W. Polini '92, Oxford, has been



William F.

Wurm '92

appointed Corporate Safety Director for VFL. Technology in West Chester. Kathy Proctor '92, Safety Harbor Fla. is a special

Harbor, Fla., is a special education teacher at Leila Davis Elementary School in Clearwater, Fla.

William F. Wurm '92, is an instructor of German at Saint Vincent College in

Latrobe. After traveling the world and gaining valuable life experiences, Rev. Wurm has chosen to share these experiences with his students and encourage them to travel to enrich their own lives.

Kimberly Ann Zeigler '92, Fullerton, Cal., has accepted a senior social work position at family & children services in Orange County, California.

Michael H. Bailey '93, Columbia, has been named a senior accountant at Dorwart, Andrew and Company.

Jennifer Bartish '93, California, Md., is currently teaching sixth grade at Spring Ridge Middle School in Lexington Park, Md.

Kevon L. Boll '93, Lititz, is on assignment in Honduras. He is working for Youth Evangelism Service (YES) which is sponsored by Eastern Mennonite Missions, Salunga.

Grace Lehman Caskie '93, Chapel Hill, N.C., was recently commended by the Millersville University Psychology Department for achieving noteworthy success in her field. Ms. Caskie recently received a master's degree in psychometrics from the University of North Carolina.

Michael D. Crocona '93, Reading, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Charles Delmarcelle '93, Lebanon, appeared in *Burn This*, a play presented by Phoenix-Ravenwing Co. at Mulberry Art Studios.

David Drumeler '93, Kearny, N.J., has passed both the Pennsylvania and New Jersey Bar exams and is currently a lawyer in New Jersey.

John S. Emberger '93, Secane, recently attended a National Respiratory Conference in San Diego, California, where he presented three papers on mechanical ventilation.

Partick Felton '93, Cleveland, Ohio, has been accepted to the Podiatric Residency Program at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lebanon.

Jeffery Lobello '93, Pottstown, is currently employed by Shared Medical Systems in Malvern as a computer programmer/analyst.

Daniel Maass '93 Linglestown, is a teacher in the Waynesboro Area School District.

Janelle Mohler '93, Ephrata, is on assignment in Halle, Germany. She is working for Youth Evangelism Service (YES) which is sponsored by Eastern Mennonite Missions, Salunga.

Sam Rueppel '93, Lebanon, was recently selected Real Estate Agent of the Month by Jack Gaughen Realtor.

Tami Wittenberg '93, White Pigeon, Mich., is a first and second grade teacher at Baldwin Prairie Elementary School, Union, Michigan.

Richard Young '93, Ephrata, is chairing the 1996-98 New Century Campaign for the Advancement of Ephrata Community Hospital.

Andrew Alvarez '94, Midland, Texas, is the director of community relations for the Midland Angels (AA affiliate of the California Angels) and the Odessa Jackalopes Ice Hockey Club. FAMILY ALBUM



Stephen R.

Beachy '94

Stephen R. Beachy '94, Millersville, has been promoted to the position of senior accountant at Pollock, Musser & Gross, PC.

Robert L. Beaghan '94, Glen Rock, has accepted a position with Picasso Software Group of York as a software engineer. Sam Ellis '94, Salisbury, Md, is a tenured teacher at

Wicomico Middle School in Maryland. Carlos Graupera '94, Lancaster, has been selected one of the featured artists in the

"Emerging Series" which is on exhibition at the Lancaster Museum of Art. **Bruce Kilmoyer '94**, Lebanon, is a social

studies teacher at Troy High School. Andrew Marshall '94, Lancaster, is the head coach of the York City Cyclones of the Eastern Basketball Alliance.

Donna Matthews '94, Silver Spring, Md., is an eighth grade earth science teacher at Takoma Park Middle School in Montgomery County, Md.

Matthew Netzley '94, Lancaster, has been named manager of information systems at Tri-Starr Services of Pennsylvania.

Cassandra M. Pettis '94, West Lawn, has been selected to represent Dickinson School of Law at the Association of Trial Lawyers moot court competition.

Mary Scarzello '94, Columbia, Md., is a meteorologist with the Office of Systems Operations at the National Weather Service Headquarters in Silver Spring, Md.

Thomas White '94, Lancaster, has been appointed computer services manager by Monchik & Associates PC of Lancaster.

Sam Wolownik '94, Willow Street, has joined Capital Advisors, Inc., as a trading officer.

T. William Altermatt '95, Champaign, Ill., was recently commended by the Millersville University Department of Psychology for achieving noteworthy success in his field. Mr. Altermatt was awarded a three-year National Science Foundation Fellowship.

Ellen Rydell Altermatt '95, Champaign, Ill., was commended recently by the Millersville University Department of Psychology for achieving noteworthy success in her field. Ms. Altermatt was awarded second place in the National Psi Chi/Allyn & Bacon Outstanding Student Research Competition. James Hoch '95, Pequea, was featured recent-

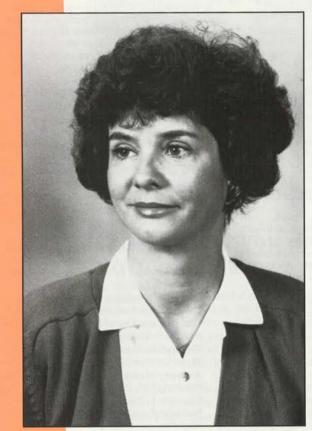
ly in the Lancaster Intelligencer Journal for his collection of poetry.

Amy L. Kirkner '95, Danville, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Jeffrey W. Palmer '95, Bristol, is currently working as a lab technician in the Department of Biomolecular Discovery at SmithKline & Beechman Pharmaceuticals in King of Prussia.

Marsha L. Peel '95, Upper Darby, has been appointed to a temporary professional position with the Upper Darby School District.

A folklorist with a familial twist



Patricia Levin '87

Dr. Patricia Levin's enthusiasm is infectious, and she would be the first to tell you that it's why she loves teaching.

"I love teaching because I love infecting people with the interest in looking into family history," says Levin. "Once people get involved, they find out how fascinating it is to go looking through records at the historical society or visiting old cemeteries. After that, they don't take things for granted."

Her own fascination with family history and genealogy led her from a career in nursing—she holds a degree from the University of Illinois in 1969-to a recently earned Ph.D. in folklore from the University of Pennsylvania. Sandwiched between the two is a degree in history from Millersville, with the option in applied history, which she received in 1987.

"I was a nurse and became interested in genealogy in the midseventies, but I didn't have much of a background in history," Levin explains. Her husband, Dr. Frank Levin, a surgeon, was the one who encouraged her to start taking courses in history.

Once she delved into the subject matter, Levin discovered that what held her most in thrall were the books written by folklorists. Her interest in local and family history coalesced in that field. When she heard folklorist Henry Glassie speak as part of a course taught by Frank Bremer at MU, she was convinced.

Graduate school brought some time-management challenges, as she was taking care of the large farm on which they still live, helping at her husband's office and remodeling their home. During her graduate career, she taught as a graduate assistant, and upon finishing her course work, taught family and regional folklore studies while she worked on her dissertation.

After receiving her Ph.D. last year, Levin taught at Penn State-Harrisburg for a year, and then a course at Penn State-Harrisburg, Lancaster campus, last fall. That schedule is fine with her; she is not pursuing full-time work.

"Part-time is fine," Levin says. "I'm a very active genealogist, and I'm in Leadership Lancaster, on the township planning commission, on the board of the Lancaster Museum of Art and the Preservation Trust, and on the Destination Downtown Committee for the Lancaster Campaign."

With all this to fill the days, Levin still finds time for hobbies. "I love to fish. And I don't train and show golden retrievers anymore, but I still have some. I love to sew, and I'm an avid reader." And, she confesses, "Genealogy is my hobby."

CLASS NOTES

Kimberly Phillips '95, Chester, is working for a data entry information company in King of Prussia and is a member of the Chester Chapter of the NAACP.

Anthony Rickert '95, New Holland, an art teacher at E.T. Richardson Middle School, was featured recently in the *Springfield Press* for challenging his students to paint Springfield as they see it.

Michael L. Wagner '95, recently graduated from The Basic School at Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico, Va.

Ronald E. Bleacher '96, Lancaster, is the promotions director of 105.7 The Edge radio in Elizabethtown.

Stephanie Chupein '96, Mount Joy, has recently accepted a position with Philhaven as a mobile therapist.

Sean Evans '96, Newark, Del., joined Information Technology Solutions, a division of Placers, as a technical recruiter.

Betty Gress '96, Lebanon, was commended recently by the Millersville University Department of Psychology for achieving noteworthy success in her field. Ms. Gress has been selected as one of the

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Outstanding Adult Continuing Education graduates.

Daniel Hollinger '96, Lititz, is on assignment is Mexico. He is working for Youth Evangelism Service (YES) which is sponsored by Eastern Mennonite Missions, Salunga. Lee Landis '96, Strasburg, is on assignment in Mexico. He is working for Youth Evangelism Service (YES) which is sponsored by Eastern Mennonite Missions, Salunga.

Brian T. Mulroney '96, Lancaster, is currently employed at the Pennsylvania State Employees Credit Union.

Paul A. Plowcha '96, Corpus Christi, Texas, recently received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Fla.

Megan A. Smith '96, Lancaster, has joined UPN in Harrisburg as an account executive.

Marriages

Dale MacGregor Godbey '67 and Robert L. Dimond on July 20, 1996, in Springfield. Mary M. Neary '75 and Robert M. Morley on October 4, 1996, in Los Angeles, Cal. Kristine A. Schwenzer '79 and Lex A. Parsons on June 23, 1996, in Stone Harbor, N.J.

William W. Southward Jr. '80 and Susan M. Fittipaldi on October 26, 1996, in Lancaster. Carolyn K. Ronemus '81 and Jeffrey A. Epler on September 21, 1996, in Montoursville. Jenny L. Bricker '83 and G. Grant Russian on July 6, 1996 in St. Davids.

Debra J. Brander '85 and Todd M. Ryland on September 21, 1996, in Lancaster.

Curtis C. Hitchens '87 and Michelle E. Bloss on October 5, 1996, in Lebanon.

Theresa Fry '88 and Richard Trauger on November 2, 1996, in Reading.

Janet Stephens '88 and Howard Libera on October 5, 1996, in Manchester, Conn. Mary M. Conley '89 and Cory S. Livering on September 1, 1996, in Philadelphia. Joann Gessner '89 and David Deyo, on August 21, 1993. In their wedding party were Millersville University graduates Sharon Smith '82, Danielle Fisher-Tillman '89, and Debbie Henry-Basehoar '89. Gia Marie Sardzinski '89 and Andrew G.

Ristvey on September 7, 1996, in Mount Carmel.

Dorothea A. Shaud '89 and James Gallagher on November 30, 1996, in Malvern. Lisa Faus '90 and Randall Wagner, on September 28, 1996, in Manheim.

Janice E. Hustis '90 and Andrew K. Mansur on October 5, 1996, in Lancaster.

Lisa C. Naylor '90 and Andrew C. McCarty on October 5, 1996, in Shiremanstown. Lisa M. Pacharis '90 and Darrin Smith '93,

recently in Reading.

Kelley L. Sullivan '90 and Ronald R. Andrews, recently in Middletown.

Trinh K. To '90 and Scott Weichler '96 on October 12, 1996, in Lancaster.

David L. Yoder Jr. '90 and Susan E. Miller, recently in Drifton.

Patricia L. Cosgrove '91 and Scott G. Morrison, on August 10, 1996, in Lansdale. Lisa DeCostanza '91 and Thomas J. Burke, Jr., recently in Delaware.

Deborah A. Kura '91 and Robert N. Gerbrick III, on October 12, 1996 in Thorofare, N.J. **Anthony Marino '91 and Pamela Hay '93**, on

September 21, 1996, in Newtown. Michelle L. Reif '91 and Steven C.

McFarland, on September 21, 1996, in Marietta.

Elizabeth A. Shoenfelt '91 and Jeremy E. Gates, recently in Wyomissing. **Holly Sill '91** and Thomas Schwering, on

October 19, 1996, in Trelawny, Jamaica. Julie L. Spearing '91 and Jeffrey G. Clouser '91, on December 7, 1996, in Lebanon. Todd W. Walter '91 and Kathleen R. Soistmann, on October 19, 1996, in Lancaster.

Kirk L. Altrichter '92 and Jennifer D. Griffin, recently, in Macungie. Diane M. Atherholt '92 and Christopher A.

Stettler, on October 12, 1996, in Danielsville. Michele L. Duffey '92 and Eric R. Bush, on May 25, 1996.

Kevin Giffhorn '92 and Monica Davis on July 20, 1996, in Carlisle.

Scott R. Henrick '92 and Arlene M. Brockel, on November 9, 1996, in Bethlehem.

Karla Kruse '92 and Robert Donohoe '92, on November 2, 1996, in Lancaster. Diana Magliocchetti '92 and Ronald

Hofmanner '93, recently, in Pottstown. Christine Mayberry '92 and Bogie Rosypal,

on October 12, 1996, in Perkasie.

Dwayne M. Menges '92 and Heidi D. Snedden, on July 20, 1996, in Lebanon.

Steven L. Saunders '92 and Gama C. VanOrmer on May 18, 1996, in Hershey.

Roger E. Christman '93 and Kimberly A. Bauscher, recently, in Blandon.

Tina Ehrhart '93 and Larry LaVigne, on December 21, 1996, in York.

Karen E. Frankel '93 and David A. Bloom, on June 29, 1996, in Lansdale.

Janice M. Keating '93 and Gene Soster, on

October 12, 1996, in West Chester. Michelle A. Larson '93 and John A. Costanzo '93, on November 9, 1996, in South Williamsport.

Michelle L. McGuire '93 and Dan. C. Ullrich, on June 29, 1996, in Tunkhannock. Constance J. Miles '93 and Jared S. Burkholder, on December 15, 1996, in Marietta.

Richard W. Neill III '93 and Vicki Christopher, on September 27, 1996. Christina M. Rapp '93 and Thomas M. Roberts III '94 on May 18, 1996. Kristen L. Rathman '93 and Timothy D. Hunter, recently, in West Lawn.

Melissa Reber '93 and Todd Higgins, on October 5, 1996, in Lebanon.

Laura A. Rehrig '93 and Scott D. Elliott, on July 27, 1996, in Flat Rock, N.C.

David S. Shaffer '93 and Kelly L. Sartini '94, recently, in Mount Bethel.

Olivia L. Schiraldi '93 and Stephen R.

Albright, on November 9, 1996, in Lancaster. Andrea L. Shurr '93 and Harry J. Sianis Jr., recently, in Reading.

James J. Solomon '93 and M. Christine Hatfield, on November 9, 1996, in Harrisburg. Jennifer R. Wagner '93 and Mark R. McCall, recently, in Marsh Harbor, Bahamas.

Tonya L. Zimmerman '93 and Oby L. Gale, December 21, 1996, in Lewes, Del.

Laura J. Aiken '94 and Earl S. Herzog '96, on September 28, 1996, in Ardmore. Mari Bond '94 and Seth Hendershot '95, on

July 13, 1996, in Scranton.

Cheryl L. Boyer '94 and Christopher J. Vassallo '94, on September 28, 1996, in Lebanon.

Curtis H. Crone '94 and Christine E. Adelhelm '95, on June 22, 1996, in Bryn Mawr.

Julie L. Crossan '94 and Michael A. Lyons, recently, in Mount Penn.

Athena C. Lombardi '94 and Greg Lavelle '95, on November 23, 1996, in Lancaster. Christine Long, '94 and Robert Rishell, on

August 3, 1996. Brenda A. McGuigan '94 and Steven C. Keller '95, on September 21, 1996, in

Phoenixville. Lynelle Merryman '94 and Todd Dousa, on

May 18, 1996, in Fawn Grove. Jennifer L. Reams '94 and Brian M. Mills, on

June 29, 1996, in Chambersburg.

J. Paige Sanni '94 and Victor H. Urzua, on August 2, 1996, in Wyncote.

Kelly Scheno '94 and Mark Ertel '94, on July 13, 1996, in Berwick.

Jane L. Schroeder '94 and Chris E. Palmer '94, on May 11, 1996, in Royersford.

Amy Seier '94 and Michael J. Vanden Berg, on July 27, 1996, in Catasauqua. Teresa L. Sheaffer '94 and Mark E. Freeland,

on October 26, 1996.

Keith M. Sims '94 and Kristina M. Kendig, on November 29, 1996, in Mount Kenya, Africa.

Mark C. Stallard '94 and Kristen J. Gladey '95, on July 6, 1996, in Shavertown. Timothy J. White '94 and Tracy L. Dunlap '96, on August 10, 1996, in Hatboro.

Jennifer L. Abraham '95 and Michael J. Borst,

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recently, in Reading.

Susan M. DiClemente '95 and Robert R. Louer, on October 5, 1996, in Hershey. Karl M. Gee '95 and Shannon M. Reinbold, recently, in Oley Township.

Heidi L. Hartmann '95 and Richard E. T. Strickler Sr. on January 1, 1997, in Mountville. Shirley F. Hostetter '95 and Thomas A. Herr, on February 15, 1997, in Willow Street. Laura B. Kochert '95 and Matthew J. Rhyne,

on August 10, 1996. **Pamela A. Matterness '95** and John C. Overmeyer, on October 12, 1996, in Lancaster. **Korey L. Parsons '95** and Eric L. Cox, recently, in Robesonia.

Michele J. Stauffer '95 and Brian K. Trdina, on February 29, 1996, in Las Vegas, Nev. Alison R. Tatum '95 and Christopher T. Arnold '95, on November 8, 1996, in Allentown.

Amy Thompson '95 and Christopher Wiggins, on November 23, 1996, in Lancaster. Michael L. Wagner '95 and Jacqueline E. Wynn '96, recently, in Strasburg.

Jody L. Bookhamer '96 and Alex G. Melson, on June 15, 1996, in Millersville.

Dena L. Gockley '96 and Troy R. May, on December 7, 1996, in Lititz.

Kristen A. Fekete '96 and Scott C. Arnold, recently.

Molly K. Kavanaugh '96 and Owen A.
Blevins, on December 21, 1996, in Lancaster.
Allison B. Larkin '96 and Ronald Schiding Jr., on October 19, 1996, in Montoursville.
Wendy A. Lesh '96 and Brandon M.
Posmoga, on October 13, 1996, in Harrisburg.
Traci L. Sanders '96 and Scott C. Kinney, on August 10, 1996, in Bloomsburg.
Jamie L. Wonder '96 and Michael A. Piersol, recently, in Wyomissing.

Births

Karlene Eliff Kelley '78 and husband Mark, a daughter, Caroline Grace, on December 11, 1996.

Dr. Rosemarie Cirulli Scoboria '79 and husband Joseph, a son, Joseph Robert, on January 28, 1994, and a daughter, Catherine Rose, on February 9, 1996.

Cynthia Fessler Clapperton '83 and husband Gary, a daughter, Alexa Marie, on June 18, 1996.

Michele Phillips '83 and husband Bill, a son, Ryan William, on November 24, 1996.

Christina Chelius Segner '83 and husband Charles, a son, Bryan Adam, on October 15, 1996.

Rick Brinton '84 and wife Susan, a son, Brian, on March 10, 1996.

Pamela Cupp Bush '84 and husband Reggie, a daughter, Kendra Nicole, on September 2, 1996.

Elizabeth Miller '84 and husband Peter, twin sons, Justyce and Coulson, on December 18, 1996.

Laura Love Decker '85 and husband Mark, a daughter, Kristen Anne, on July 3, 1996. Thomas A. Faust Jr. '85 and wife Julie, a son,

Daniel Joseph, on December 9, 1996. Ken Loose '85 and wife Judyann, a daughter, Alyssa Ann, on March 27, 1996.



Rebecca Simeral '71

Loving what you do takes you down roads never imagined

When Rebecca Simeral did a presentation at Millersville University about careers, she had some simple advice: "Find something you love to do. Making the money will grow out of it. I really believe that if you keep your mind open, it will take you down roads you never imagined."

Simeral's own life is a case in point, and she is the first to point it out.

"I graduated with an art education degree the first year it was offered at Millersville," she says. "I taught for 12 years, at York Suburban High School for six, three years with the Conestoga Valley School District and three years with the Manheim Township School District. And I loved teaching."

But ten years ago, her husband, Mark, started a construction business, and Rebecca went to work in the office.

"When we started, we had the office in the home," Simeral explains, "and people started to ask who had designed it."

The designer was none other than Becky Simeral; soon, she was designing and decorating other people's homes as part of Simeral Construction. "Now," she notes, "I design 90 percent of the homes we build.

She laughs and adds the comment that, "Designing a home was not what I thought would be my vocation. My career has gone in a completely different direction. I also have a decorating business for existing and new homes, and I do some commercial work, too."

But it's not just her career, it's also who she works with that Simeral finds enjoyable. "This is just as much fun as teaching," she adds, "and my husband and I love working together."

Ask her what her weeks are like and Simeral answers, "Incredibly busy. We work 60 or 65 hours a week because the job consumes an enormous amount of time. But when you love your work so much, it's not a huge burden. We're very fortunate."

Their hard work and good taste was recognized by their peers recently, as the Simeral's home was featured in *Custom Home*, a trade publication, as part of a story titled, "Where the Pros Live." The March 1997 issue of *Lancaster County* magazine featured a home designed by Simeral, in the article "Carte Blanche."

To relax, Simeral turns to reading, especially fiction, and both she and her husband play golf.

She still has dreams about melding her current and previous career. "I would like to take what I've learned and teach others about what I'm doing now," she says.

Looking back over her career since graduation, she can only say, "It's been an amazing 26 years."

CLASS NOTES

Kathleen Knezits Werley '85 and husband Mitch '86, a son, Cole John-Jay, on November 25, 1996.

Elisa Woolridge Zimmermann '85 and husband Curtis '85, a son, Marcus Anton, on January 26, 1997.

Lisa Doyle Edwards '86 and husband Mark, a son, Thomas William, on December 9, 1996. Susan Althouse Westhoff '86 and husband Blaik, a son, Nathan Blaik, on June 21, 1996. Lisa Kurtz '87 and husband David, a son, Ryan Matthew, on July 25, 1996.

Leslie Kratzer Malcolm '87 and husband Gene, a son, Matthew Wesley, on April 18, 1996.

Stephen B. Skrocki '87 and wife Catherine, a daughter, Alexis Gabrielle, on June 25, 1996. Joseph D'Annibale '88 and wife Leslie Donohoe '89, a daughter, Annelise, on August 25, 1996.

Michael Henry '88 and wife Patti Patterson '89, a daughter, Jordan Quinn, on January 14, 1997.

Heidi Hirth Mark '88 and husband Chris, a daughter, Noel Nittany, on November 29, 1996.

Kim Smee Olcese '88 and husband Richard, a daughter, Rebecca Ann, on November 16, 1996.

Scott Lee Rickert '88 and wife Pam, a son, Spencer Liam, on December 13, 1996. Scott Senft '88 and wife Lori, a daughter, Megan Marie, on July 30, 1996.

Joann Gessner-Deyo '89 and husband David, a daughter, Brittany Morgan, on September 29, 1996.

Bill Munz '89 and wife Amy Howles '90, a daughter, Elizabeth Anne, on January 17, 1997.

Lisa Bailey '90 and husband Scott, a daughter, Abigale Grace, on September 30, 1996. Melanie Davis '90 and husband Alan '92, a

son, Andrew Robert, on May 22, 1996. Heidi Shearer Ferry '90 and husband Mick '92, a daughter, Maggie Erin, in August, 1995. Kerry B. Hagel '90 and wife Michele Hamm '92, a son, Jordan Brent, on December 18, 1996.

Kimberly Kelley Kirk '90 and husband Todd, a daughter, Samantha Jo, on April 15, 1996.

Deborah Lockwood Marks '90 and husband Kirk, a son, Alexander Evan, on January 30, 1996.

Stephen Maurer '90 and wife Holly Claar '91, a son, Jeffrey Stephen, on April 1, 1996. Valerie Bailey Hoffman '91 and husband Wayne, a daughter, Shauna Renee, on October 29, 1996.

Kristina Garrett Wenger '91 and husband Timothy '92, a daughter, Katia Lynn, on October 6, 1996.

Haley L. Haldeman'94, a son, Kade Christian, on April 14, 1996.

Deaths

Blanche H. Snyder '18, Lancaster, passed away on January 12, 1997. A former school teacher and speech therapist in the Reading School District and a member of West Valley United Methodist Church, she was 99. Blanche E. Haugh '21, State College, a teacher of primary education in Norristown and Lancaster and an active member in her community, particularly the State College Meals on Wheels, died on January 4, 1997, at the age of 94.

Margaret Trout '21, Lancaster, passed away on January 9, 1997. She was a teacher for 44 years, 39 of these in the Upper Darby School District. Miss Trout was a lifelong member of the McKendree United Methodist Church in Airville.

Louise Gray Eberly '22, Levittown, a former elementary teacher in Perry County, died on January 2, 1997, three days shy of her 101st birthday.

Mary Dewey '23, Acton, Cal., died September 15, 1996.

Elma Reynolds Trupin '24, Philadelphia, died at the age of 93. A former teacher and world traveler, Mrs. Trupin was active until her death. Mrs. Trupin was featured in a fall 1995 *Review* article chronicling her career, travels and her zest for life.

Ruth Stabolepszy '25, Reading, a teacher in the Reading School District for 30 years, died on January 3, 1997.

Leona D. Trout '25, Stewartstown, passed away on January 25, 1997, at the age of 94. A teacher in the South Eastern and Red Lion School Districts for 45 years and a life member of Stewartstown United Methodist Church, she also served as a representative for World Book Encyclopedia for 25 years. Miss Trout was an active member of her community.

Josephine Constien '26, Brownstown, passed away at the age of 90. Mrs. Constien taught elementary school in Earl Township, Linden Grove, Sunnyside and Brownstown until she retired in 1972.

Millie McD. Watts '26, Holtwood, a former sixth grade teacher at Martic Elementary School, died on December 29, 1996, at the age of 93.

Irene Welker '27, Dalmatia, passed away on December 16, 1996. She was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ and a school teacher in the Shamokin Area School District. Edna Troutman '28, Lewisburg, a former ele-

mentary teacher in Berrysburg, died on November 27, 1996, at the age of 91.

Mildred Fasnacht '29, Lititz, a charter member of the Millersville University Century Club and an elementary teacher in various Lancaster County schools for over 30 years, died January 27, 1997.

Treva Greblunas '29, Ephrata, passed away on January 16, 1997. A teacher for 34 years, 19 of which were in the Ephrata Schools, Mrs. Greblunas was known for her fraktur paintings.

Miriam S. Kay '30, Reading, a school teacher in the Reading School District for 35 years and a member of Kesher Zion Synagogue, died January 15, 1997.

Clara B. Myer '31, Lancaster, a school teacher for 35 years in the Lancaster city and county public schools, passed away at the age of 87 on December 16, 1996.

Lillian R. Narducci '32, Dock Terrace, died on January 1, 1997. A teacher for 40 years in Norristown and a member of St. Eleanor Roman Catholic Church, Miss Narducci enjoyed traveling.

Sara B. Wissler '33, Lancaster, passed away on January 1, 1997. A resident of Suffern, N.Y., for many years, she was a librarian in the public library there. Mrs. Wissler was a deacon at Suffern Presbyterian Church and a member of the Suffern Theatre Company. Dorothy Showalter '34, Lancaster, died on November 30, 1996. A school teacher for more

than 40 years in Lancaster County, Miss Showalter was a member of Highland Presbyterian Church.

John E. Mattis '36, Warner, N.H., passed away on May 9, 1996. Mr. Mattis was a superintendent of schools in New Jersey.

Robert Shoff '37, Lancaster, passed away on December 24, 1996. Mr. Shoff was the mayor of Millersville from 1974 to 75. He was an educator in Pennsylvania and served as the superintendent of schools in the New Jersey public school system. A world traveler and Fulbright scholarship recipient, Mr. Shoff was 80. He was also active in many civic and community related programs.

David Hable '42, Phoenix, N.Y., recently passed away.

Clarence Weik Jr. '52, Sinking Spring, educator, sportsman, leader, died January 4, 1997. Clutch, as his friends called him, was a longtime teacher and coach in Chester County. He was a respected PIAA football and basketball official.

Patricia Griffen '55, Mason, Ohio, passed away on October 21, 1996.

Louise H. Sayles '55 passed away on January 17, 1997.

Ann Reeves Hall '57, Ottsville, died on May 28, 1996, at the age of 62.

Erma Eshleman '64, Lancaster, passed away November 27, 1996. An elementary school teacher, Mrs. Eshleman began her teaching career in the former Manor School District. She taught in the Hempfield School District for 25 years. She was a member of the Faith Calvary Church in Bausman.

Donald Glenn Miller '64, Coraopolis, died on January 28, 1997. Mr. Miller was an insurance adjuster for Crawford & Co. for 31 years. Dorothy Bozarth '69, Pottsville, passed away

on February 2, 1996.

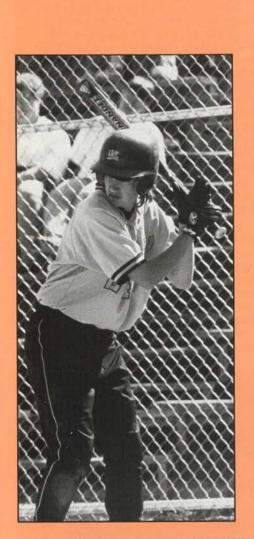
Bernard Buckler '71, Green Farms, Conn., passed away on June 5, 1996.

Barbara Ann Rutchauskas '72, Wilkes Barre, died on January 26, 1997. A member of St. Nicholas Church in Wilkes Barre and an art instructor in the Wilkes Barre Area School District, she was 47.

M. Patrick Rafter '73, Towamencin, a long time teacher and coach in the North Penn School District and the Norristown Area School District, died on November 24, 1996. Katherine Jean Abell '74, Lancaster, passed away on January 4, 1997. A former teacher and nurse, she was 77.

Stephen D. Alesiani '80, Downingtown, a former news broadcaster with WCOJ-AM, passed away on December 1, 1996. Karen E. Lane '95, Saltillo, a registered

nurse at Lancaster General Hospital in the neuroscience department, died on December 9, 1996. SPORTS

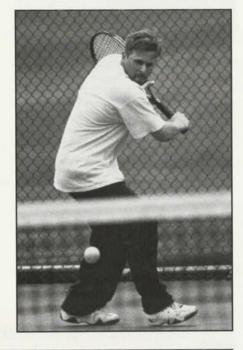


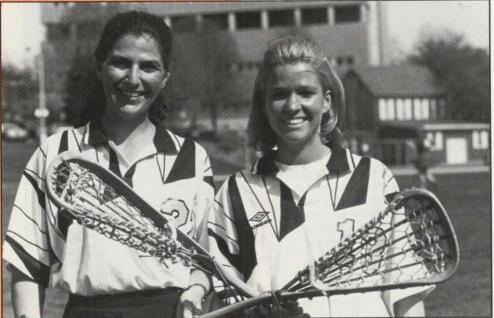
Marauder teams cap successful spring

Outstanding team and individual performances highlighted the 1997 Millersville spring sports season.

Among the team highlights were regional championship appearances by the Marauder men's and—for the first time—women's tennis squads, and the lacrosse team's first trip to the PSAC championship match in five years.

Individually, the scoring exploits of laxers Courtney Elvanian and Nicole Boyer sparked the lacrosse team's resurgence in 1997, and freshman shortstop Janell Smith led the PSAC in batting and





ranked among the national Division II leaders. The improved Marauder baseball team, which posted its first winning season since 1992, featured outstanding hitting up and down the lineup and received a boost from freshman reliever Eric Eckert.

Tennis

Millersville "doubled its pleasure" in the sport of tennis this spring, as Coach DeWitt Boyd directed both the Marauder men's and women's teams to NCAA Division II East Regional berths.

The 'Ville netmen posted a 14-3 regular season dual record, and all six singles players and the three doubles squads finished with double figure win totals.

Millersville, which finished runnerup to Bloomsburg in the PSAC Championships in April, had four tournament singles runners-up: senior Lamar Jackson, sophomores Matt Rupert and Pepe Garriga, and freshman David Wolfe. MU's top doubles combination of Jackson and senior Rob Kintner also placed second in the state tourney.

The Marauder women's tennis squad, which posted a club-record 11 triumphs in the fall, added to that total in the spring with three additional wins and finished 14-9 overall. Like their male counterparts, all six MU singles competitors finished with double-digit victory totals.

Sophomore Kristin Maneval, one of the league's top players, posted a clubrecord 20 regular season triumphs, and she combined with freshman Brianne Peiffer (1996 PSAC #2 singles flight champion) to finish 19-7 in doubles prior to their first national tournament appearance.

Peiffer (16-10), Maia Marmor (16-8), Abby Suereth (15-11), and Erin Lukens (15-7-1) also excelled in singles for MU, and Marmor and Kelly Whisman teamed for a club-record 20 wins in the second doubles flight.

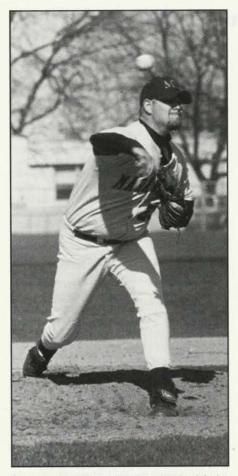
Lacrosse

The Marauder lacrosse squad, guided by 19-year veteran coach Barbara Waltman, returned to winning form

Top left: Shortstop Janell Smith, a freshman, rewrote the team's season record book by leading the PSAC in hitting.

Top right: Sophomore Matt Rupert was one of the four tournament singles runners up at the PSAC Championships in April.

Bottom: Senior All-Americans Courtney Elvanian and Nicole Boyer became the seventh and eighth laxers, respectively, in team history, to record at least 100 career goals. SPORTS



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after a three-season absence and notched its first campaign over .500 since 1993. In addition, the laxers won four of five PSAC contests by a combined margin of two goals per match.

Senior All-Americans Courtney Elvanian and Nicole Boyer paced the potent Marauder attack with 37 and 27 goals, respectively, and both stars became the seventh and eighth laxers, respectively, in team history, to record at least 100 career goals.

Elvanian led the Marauders in scoring with 60 points (37 goals, 23 assists) and ranked among the PSAC and NCAA women's collegiate offensive leaders all season.

Baseball

Under energetic second-year mentor Glenn Gallagher, the Millersville baseball team became competitive for the first time in five years, and although they did not make the PSAC post-season tourney, the Marauders served notice that they will be a contending team in the near-future. The team bolted to a 15-5 start but struggled in April against the PSAC elite (Kutztown, Shippensburg, Mansfield and Bloomsburg) and finished 7-17 in the Eastern Division. However, the Black and Gold managed to finish at .500 overall at 21-21.

On the mound, freshman fireman Eric Eckert was sensational during the first month of the season when he did not allow an earned run in his first 13 appearances and carded a club-record seven saves. Overall, Eckert posted a 3-3 record and a team-best 1.89 ERA.

Softball

Although the Marauder softball team failed to earn its first winning season in three years, the squad showed down the stretch that it can play competitively with the elite teams when it minimizes its mistakes.

In a late-season game at perennial conference and national power Bloomsburg, the Marauders held a onerun lead in an extra inning contest before the Huskies rallied to a 5-4 triumph.

The name to know in MU softball circles this spring was shortstop Janell Smith. The freshman from Hanover rewrote the team's season record book by leading the PSAC in hitting with a phenomenal .495 average. Smith also established new season marks in hits (49) and total bases (67) and emerged as one of the league's most feared batters.

Outfielders Danielle Kelly and Sue Wychowanec also finished with batting averages that exceeded .300. On the mound, senior Sarah Lawson completed her career as MU's all-time strikeout leader.

Golf

The Marauder golf team won five regular season tournaments during the year (three in the fall and the Millersville and Wesley Invitational titles this spring). However, the linksmen faltered in the PSAC Championships at the Royal Oaks Golf Club near Lebanon and finished a disappointing fourth.

Junior Matt Hagens was the Marauders' sole All-PSAC performer; he finished in a tie for third place at the state tourney. During the spring campaign, senior captain Brian Garnsey led the 'Ville with a 77.9 scoring average and carded eight rounds under 80.

Women's Track & Field

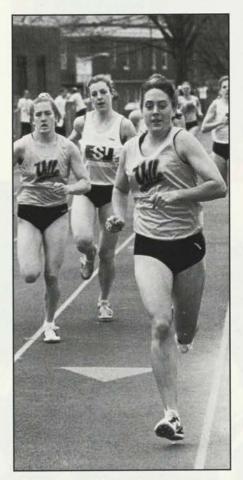
The Marauder women's track and field team won the Lock Haven

Invitational title at April and placed sixth in the 19th annual Millersville Metrics at Biemesderfer Stadium.

Sophomore Erika Smith and freshman Cherie Martin were MU's sprint pacesetters, while all-star senior Brenda Pennell and promising freshman Jessica Kaminski sparked the MU middle-distance contingent. Versatile Tara Niglio emerged as Millersville's leading pentathlete, and she also excelled in the 100-meter hurdles and the long jump. Junior Jessica Hill and sophomore Carisa Heiney performed well all season in the 400-meter hurdles. Once again, Jen Schubert earned top team honors in the javelin.

Men's Track & Field

For Coach Keith White's Millersville men's track and field squad, sophomore Larry Lewis earned PSAC meet qualification in the 100 and 200 sprints, and classmate Mark Hagan was the team's best middle distance runner. Freshman Jim Carney was a bright spot in distance events, and first-year athlete Brian Kozicki contributed in the hurdles and relays.



All-star junior Brenda Pennell helped spark the MU middle-distance contingent.

Carpenter, Fritz to leave men's athletics administrative posts

There will be a changing of the guard in the administration of Millersville's men's athletics program this summer.

Dr. Gene A. Carpenter announced in late February that he decided to step down as director of men's athletics, a position he has held since 1981, effective August 1. He will continue as head varsity football coach and professor of health and physical education.

In addition, Eugene "Cy" Fritz, a member of the MU staff for nearly 30 years, has announced his retirement from the University effective August 22. Fritz, who was a successful men's cross country and track and field head coach at MU, served as both associate director of men's athletics and as director of intramurals and recreation at the University since 1985.

In announcing his decision to leave the men's athletics director post, Carpenter stated that "the growing complexity of administering athletic programs requires a full-time athletic director. I am very proud of what we have accomplished over the past 16 years. Now I am ready to see someone new take the program into the 21st century."

As men's AD, Carpenter directed a nine-sport intercollegiate program that has made its mark on the conference, regional, and national scenes. He was successful in improving facilities, notably Biemesderfer Stadium and Pucillo Gymnasium, and expanding scholarship support for student-athletes.



Although he will continue as head varsity football coach and professor of physical education, Gene Carpenter will be stepping down as director of men's athletics effective August 1.

He is also well-known for establishing an annual drug and alcohol symposium on campus in the summer.

As Dr. Carpenter's valuable assistant, "Cy" Fritz was responsible for management of University athletic facilities, assistance with scheduling, coordination for events for home football, men's basketball and wrestling contests, plus organization of special athletic events such as PSAC and NCAA basketball and wrestling tournaments. In addition, he oversaw the University's varied and extensive club and intramural sports programs.

1997 Marauder Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Sept. 13	Clarion (Family/Community Appreciation Night)	Н	7 p.m.
Sept. 20	New Haven	А	1 p.m.
Sept. 27	Shippensburg (Family Day)	Н	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 4	Mansfield* (All Sport Body Quencher Night)	Η	7 p.m.
Oct. 11	Lock Haven	А	7 p.m.
Oct. 18	Bloomsburg*	А	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 25	Kutztown* (Homecoming)	Н	1 p.m.
Nov. 1	West Chester*	А	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 8	East Stroudsburg* (Youth Day)	Н	1 p.m.
Nov. 15	Cheyney*	А	1 p.m.
Nov. 22-	NCAA-II Playoffs	tba	tba
Dec. 13	(if qualify) *= PSAC East Game		



After 30 years on the MU staff, Cy Fritz will be retiring August 22.

Fritz brought distinction to MU as head cross country mentor from 1969 to 1985; during that time frame, he guided the Marauder harriers to a 124-16-1 dual record. In 1981, he skippered Millersville's first and only NCAA championship team when his cross country squad won the Division II title. His Black and Gold thinclads also won two IC4A titles (1978 and 1979), the 1979 PSAC championship, and the 1984 NCAA-II East Regional title.

He also was equally successful in coaching men's track and field: a 41-3 dual mark from 1969 to 1974 for a 93.2 percent win ratio that ranks among the best in any sport in Millersville's 100year-plus athletics history.

The University is conducting national searches to fill both positions and hopes to have both Dr. Carpenter's and Fritz's successors on board prior to the start of the fall, 1997 semester.

Access Marauder athletics website for the latest

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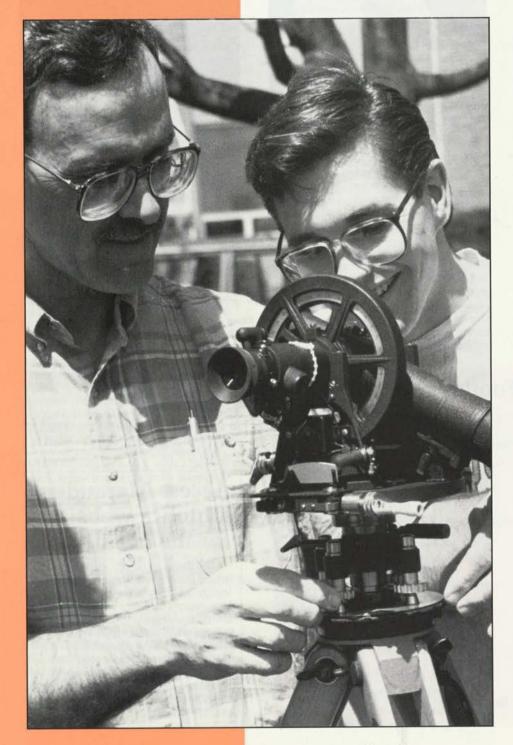
Also, for updated scores, highlights and information on MU athletics, call the Marauder Pride Hotline at (717) 871-2111.

POST SCRIPT

Of memories, hope and realism

Cancer taught Dr. Russell L. DeSouza how much he didn't know. A lecture in "Earth Sciences 107: The Atmosphere" always included a discussion about cancer, but faced with the reality of melanoma himself, DeSouza realized his lectures were just scratching the surface. So he became a student. "I got edu-

cated," says DeSouza. "I thought I was



educated. The one you don't want is the one I got." Melanoma, he says, is the fastest-growing cancer.

He walks slowly across the hall from his office, a thick file of papers in his hands. They go into the trash, like other remnants from his more than 20 years as a professor in the earth sciences department at Millersville. Walking slowly and swaying a bit, he makes his way to the table and sits down. Sifting through the years of memories, he remembers a promise he made to parents early in his career at Millersville.

He reassured parents, saying, "When they don't have a chance to find a job, I'll leave."

DeSouza joined the university in 1973, specifically to bolster the earth sciences department. Back then, parents were reluctant to allow their children to major in earth sciences, fearing a less than favorable climate for building a career. He reassured them, saying, "When they don't have a chance to find a job, I'll leave."

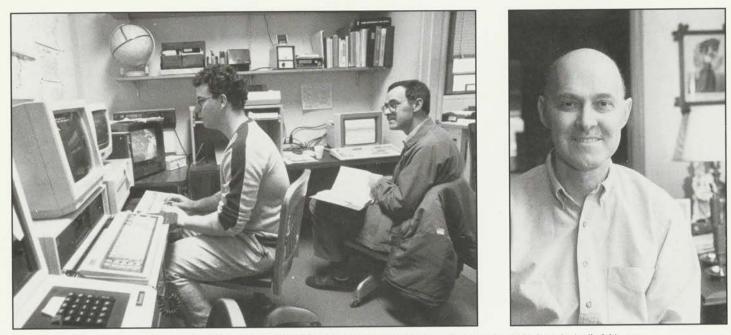
By a cruel twist of fate, he plans to end his career with disability retirement after this semester. He says the once bright future of meteorology is shifting a little, and confesses he wouldn't have the courage to leave teaching. "I am fulfilling the promise. I didn't want to," he says.

The cancer developed without warning, says DeSouza. He had a suspicious area of skin removed from his wrist, but never thought about cancer. There is no family history. Growing up, he never heard of cancer. Touching his wrist, the source of the disease, he says, "This surprised the hell out of me."

He suspects early years of sun exposure is the culprit. In graduate school, he did research in Barbados. "I have a feeling that's when things started to go wrong. Keep an eye on your skin," he warns others.

His initial diagnosis was dismissed as easy to cure, he says. But the cancer spread. By now he is familiar with the wrath of a full course of chemotherapy and radiation. Although the first round seemed to destroy the cancer, last October it returned and has spread to his lungs and brain.

He's in his second round of chemotherapy. "I'm hopeful but realistic," he says. "It can go any way."



Dr. Russ DeSouza works with students in 1989 (facing page) and 1987. The photo at right shows him in his home in April of this year.

His symptoms are tolerable, he says. He gets thirsty. And he walks with a sway, which he tries to correct by keeping his feet pointed out a little.

And he's almost never out without his cap. "I've been trying to make myself as visible as I can with that hat," he says. It promotes Relay for Life, a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society. This year, DeSouza is honorary chairman of the team relay walk. But he's never participated. "I've never been strong enough to walk a half hour," he says.

"I mentioned melanoma. All of a sudden it was a changed class." Two girls joined hands with him to pray.

Since his disclosure, DeSouza hasn't stopped talking about his disease. "You never forget about cancer," he says. "Once you've had an involvement of any kind, it won't go away." And he doesn't shy away from questions. "I never want to make this thing private," he says. "I'm open to discuss it, what I know about it." But he cautions, "My comments probably won't be uplifting."

DeSouza remembers when he revealed he had cancer to his 107 class. "I mentioned melanoma," he says. "All of a sudden it was a changed class." Two girls joined hands with him to pray. "That was an amazing class," he says. "It will stay in my mind forever."

Still, he hasn't forgotten the early years, when taking attendance was easy because there were only two students in a class. But he shook things up in the department, boosting enrollment in the program to 12 to 15 by 1980. Now Millersville has about 80 earth science majors, he says, claiming it's "too high."

He recalls many of his students and has kept in touch with several. "I have become very aggressive with e-mail," says DeSouza.

Looking back, he calls up some of their names, one by one, remembering a story about each one. He starts with the first students in his class, like Frank Crum '79. "If he was in there, he'd be correcting me," says DeSouza. "He'd say, 'You got that up there wrong.'" And usually, he says, Crum was right. Dorothea Nase '79 was pretty bold, too, he recalls. "She was another one who could challenge you," says DeSouza. But she often waited until after class.

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His first student, John Jensenious '74, made some notable contributions to meteorology while working in Washington, among them the statistical algorithms now used to predict the chance of fog or snow. Doug Young '85 is a head forecaster with a news station in Boston. Debbie Dutcher '86 got her master's degree and formed her own company. Even one of the worst students in his department, he says, has a brilliant career in meteorology. Undeterred by the "F" he received from DeSouza, this student created the program for forecasting used by the Millersville meteorology department. Later, he went on to work for the National Center for Atmospheric Research, which he left to pursue his doctorate.

"I'm hopeful but realistic. It can go any way."

Such accomplishments, says DeSouza, should "make all of us feel good."

DeSouza continues to make himself useful at Millersville. He's working on a handbook to make working his department's lab computers easier to understand. And he's busy on the selection team to find his replacement.

With a laugh he admits he's looking for himself. "We're going to look for someone who can teach almost the same courses that I taught," he says. "The position won't be missed. I hope I'm missed. If I'm not missed, I'll be disappointed."

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