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Academic Theme is "Community of Learners"

In 1998-99, MU's eighth year-long academic theme will put the focus on learning as the University's reason for being, and on how the institutions of learning interact with the individuals who learn and teach.

In recent decades, says Professor of Educational Foundations Dr. Barbara Stengel, "theorists have confirmed what we know by experience: human learning is an interactive and communal process. Conversely, the construction of community requires thinking and acting in concert, for example learning about and with one another.

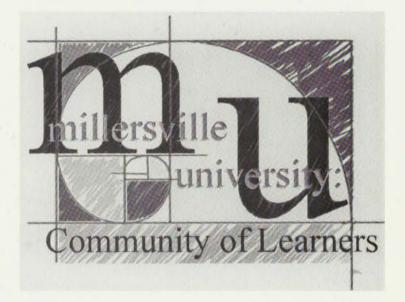
"In a sense," she explains,
"this theme simply highlights
the regular work of the



Dr. Barbara Stengel

University. We look at the University not purely as a community unto itself, but in interaction with other communities. We look at learning not purely as an academic affair, but also in its social and practical dimensions. We celebrate our connections with each other and with the communities beyond campus."

Stengel, a member of the theme steering committee, also notes that diversity will be celebrated—diversity that makes learning and growth both possible and imperative.



In other words, "we will seek to make conscious what we are about as a 'community of learners.'"

"Millersville University:
Community of Learners," is still in the formative stages, with the steering committee in the process of reviewing proposals for theme ideas. Dr. Keith Lauderbach, professor of industry and technology and a member of the committee, points out that the emphasis next year will be on highlighting activities of students, staff and faculty.

"We have encouraged standing lecture committees to give special consideration to speakers whose work highlights the theme," says



Dr. Keith Lauderbach

Dr. Pat Hill, professor of chemistry, the third member of the steering committee. "In addition we hope to plan theme activities around lectures when the topic is not directly related to the theme."



Dr. Pat Hill

A theme logo contest for MU students was held earlier this year and a logo, designed by Andrea Loch-Graver, an art major from Lancaster, was chosen as the winner—displayed here—will be used on the University's web site, banners and posters, and in newspaper and TV advertising and publicity to promote theme events and activities.

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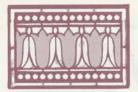
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VIEWS

Takes issue with Lyle Hall renovation

I found it ironic that in the last issue of the *Review*, you were applauding the renovation of Lyle Hall into an Administrative Center on one page and then wondering why people don't want to live on campus a few pages later. The reasons are obvious to anyone.

Why don't people want to live on campus? Millersville no longer has rooms for those who do want to live there, and the rooms they have are far behind other universities in style and diversity. We have no suites, we have no arrangements for married students, we have no apartment-like units (not counting Brookwood, which is not exactly what I would call on-campus). So what do we do with the existing residence halls? We spend millions of dollars to turn them into Administrative Centers. Had the money been poured into modernizing Lyle as a residence hall, students would probably be beating each other down to live there. We recently put

how much money into a hotel? Why couldn't that money have gone to modernizing the residence halls instead? Does Millersville, a school in the heart of tourist country, really need its own hotel, or are we simply trying to raise money for Student Services, Inc.? I would sincerely like to see Student Services use its vast resources to pay for things that actually benefit the students in a more direct way, instead of just giving people nicer offices.

As it stands, I miss the old Lyle, and I suppose I can join the ranks of those who lived in Old Main. Yes, it had some problems. Yes, I had to kick start my heater (literally). But it was my home, the place where I spent most of my four-and-a-half years. I sincerely wish that future decisions regarding residence halls will be made with more foresight to what is being given up—the on-campus life.

Sandy A. (Alberts) Crellin '94

Claims credits for keeping ACMO photos

Thanks for running the pictures and story about the ACMO shows in your "Post Script" column of the Spring 1998 issue. I will gladly take credit for hanging on to those pictures for the last twenty-five years, but I must also make it clear that I didn't actually shoot them. They were originally taken for either the *Snapper* or the *Touchstone*, perhaps by Mr. H. Bowers, a local professional photographer.

One day a box of old pictures appeared in the WMSR radio studio. Since they were being thrown out, we were told to take any we wanted. I found a few pictures of friends and took them home. I hadn't thought about them for years until Linda Mylin-Ross called to ask whether I still had pictures from those first two shows. I have especially warm memories of Forum in 1971 and How To Succeed in Business from 1972, and would love to hear from any cast or crew members from those shows. There are at least five of us who still live here in Lancaster County.

Joe Wells '72

Editor's note

Ms. Crelin's letter raises a number of important issues that need clarification.

While the conversion of Lyle Hall to a "one-stop" student services center did reduce the overall number of residences available on campus, no students were turned away from living on campus. As is the case at many institutions across the country, the number of students wanting or needing to live on campus has been dropping because students prefer different types of residential settings. The reduced need for housing created an opportunity to consolidate many services at Lyle, and the University acted on it.

Also, the University is addressing the need for modifications and upgrading in student residence facilities. The long-term plan is to have a mix of campus housing options that will enhance the University's efforts to attract and retain new students.

The Inn at Millersville provides conveniently located lodging for individuals in Millersville on University-related matters, and for other guests as well. It is not part of Student Services, Inc., but is operated by The Inn at Millersville, Inc., a separate, for-profit corporation, and is affiliated with Best Western. Its budget is completely separate from that of the University.

Student Services, Inc., is a non-profit corporation which, in addition to providing excellent, cost-effective services to University students, contributes toward worthy campus projects, including the University's capital campaign. Through its generous contributions to the MEDAL Fund (Millersville Employees Dedicated to the Advancement of Learning), for example, Student Services, Inc., has supported scholarships and faculty development. In addition, Student Services, Inc., contributes to a number of endowments which provide scholarships and awards to deserving Millersville students.

Alfonso Peña-Ramos

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ON THE COVER:

Senior Jessica Hill, a four-year PSAC-scholar athlete with a 3.85 QPA, now participating in cross country, helped us illustrate our front cover. She served as our model and created the initial composite.

CAMPUS NEWS





Grand dream comes true

The purchase of a new Steinway nine-foot concert grand piano struck a resonant chord with the music department faculty. The instrument replaces one that had been in use for several decades, and which was no longer of concert quality.

Dr. Anita Renfroe, music (at the piano), stated that the new instrument, which was delivered to Lyte Auditorium January 5, "will enhance the quality of performances by students and faculty, and will enable Millersville to host world-class artists on our stage."

Renfroe said that the music department was especially indebted to Dr. Barbara Montgomery, dean of humanities and social sciences, and other senior administrators for their vision and support in obtaining the new grand piano.

Bell Atlantic grant jump-starts technology development

Regional high schools, libraries, health providers, social agencies and county government soon will have the opportunity to participate in a distance learning project sponsored by MU. Thanks to a \$20,000 grant from the Bell Atlantic Foundation, Bell Atlantic-Pennsylvania has taken the first step to encourage other businesses and individuals to assist in the project.

The grant, presented to Millersville at a special ceremony in April, will be used to equip an electronic classroom and the broadcast studio within the University's renovated communications center. On hand for the ceremony were Barbara Kotch, director of external affairs for Bell Atlantic-Pennsylvania, MU President Joseph A. Caputo, and State Representatives John Barley and Jere Schuler.

The distance learning initiative is part of The Prometheus Project for technology development sponsored by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Under the guidelines of the project, Millersville University can receive up to \$250,000 from the Commonwealth if matched dollar-fordollar by private funding.

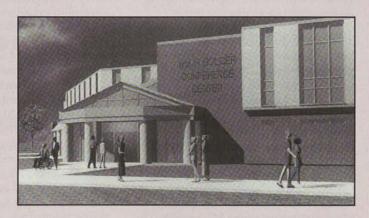
Gordinier, Lyle being upgraded

A \$2.8 million renovation and expansion project will upgrade conference and dining facilities in Gordinier and Lyle halls.

Approved by the MU Council of Trustees at its regular session on March 11, the project will add a conference room, expand food production areas, and renovate the food service and student dining facilities as well as the first-floor lobby of Gordinier Hall. Two patio-type areas will be created on the first floor: one for students who eat at the Sweet Shop snack bar and an enclosed area for faculty and staff dining.

Now some 32 years old, Gordinier Hall houses the Bolger Conference Center as well as student dining, a snack shop and mail facilities. As such, it is one of the most heavily used buildings on campus, with space always at a premium.

In Lyle Hall, the University's state-of-the-art student services center, renovations will include kitchen and storage areas. The dining area, which is still in use, will be modified to accommodate a deli.



Work at Lyle began in May, with the renovations to be completed in mid-August. Renovations at Gordinier will start in September. The University has applied for bond financing, not to exceed \$2 million, through the State System of Higher Education

For additional information, visit the public relations Web pages at <www.millersv.edu/~pubrel>, and click on "MU News."

CAMPUS NEWS



Club D'Ville opens

With salsa lessons and Sol y Mar, a regional salsa band, the Club D'Ville got an official kickoff on January 30. Developed jointly by Student Services, Inc., and the Office of Student Affairs, the club, located in the Student Memorial Center, is available for free to any campus organization, and is already being used heavily.

"We wanted to provide an attractive environment for inexpensive student programming events," said Cathleen Stollenwerk, a manager with Student Services. The only stipulation is that the event must be free and open to the public. The only expense the organization incurs may be for technical services.

Where our grads work

After graduation, the overwhelming majority of MU students stay in the region, building their careers as they contribute to the quality of life.

Here's a quick look at where our alumni are working: the fifteen companies that employ the highest number of MU grads.

Company	# of MU Alumni	
Lancaster General Ho	ospital	120
AMP Incorporated		90
Armstrong World Inc	dustries	77
RR Donnelley & Sons	s Company	70
First Union Bank	Maria Salah	59*
Lancaster Laboratorio	es, Inc.	56
Shared Medical Syste	ems	
Corporation		48
Fulton Bank		38
Wyeth-Ayerst Labora	itories	37
Merck & Company, I	nc.	34
Vanguard Group		38
AT&T		25
Hershey Foods Corp	oration	42
Air Products		27
Unisys Corporation		26
* Includes CoreStates, Hamilton, and Meridian.		

Trustees approve Master of Education in Leadership for Teaching and Learning degree

Beginning with the 1999 spring semester, a Master of Education in Leadership for Teaching and Learning degree could be in place at the University.

The MU Council of Trustees, meeting in regular session March 11, approved the new degree program, which includes principals' certification for elementary and secondary schools. The program is now being evaluated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education on how it addresses state standards. If approved, it will be sent to the State System of Higher Education's Board of Governors for final approval.

The new degree program has been identified as part of the Millersville School of Education's long-range plans and complements the University's mission of teacher preparation, through its goal to provide leadership for teaching and learning in elementary and secondary schools, according to Dr. Bennett Berhow, dean of the

School of Education. Components of the new program include portfolio development and assessment, an internship experience with a practicing principal mentor for each candidate, and the emerging role of technology in administrative functions as well as in teaching and learning.

Link-To-Learn Grant supports infrastructure

MU and its partners in The Regional Community Network, a local education technology partnership, recently received a \$420,000 Link-to-Learn (LTL) grant from the Governor's office to help create a regional telecommunications network, to benefit Lancaster, Lebanon and York counties.

The monies will be used to develop the infrastructure for an education and public information communications network that will link the main computer hubs of the partners, according to Dr. Diane Umble, associate professor of communication & theatre and coordinator for the partnership.

"Link-to-Learn, once in place, will better enable Millersville and its partners to share their unique resources with each other," Umble said. "Further, each of the partners will be able to serve as outlets for each other's programs," thereby fostering the lifelong learning of regional residents through increased accessibility to educational opportunities."

Millersville's partners include: Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology; Lancaster County; Lancaster County Career & Technology Center; Lancaster Institute for Health Education; Lancaster County Library; Lancaster-Lebanon IU 13; York Area Technology in Education Consortium; and Chesconet, a communications network provider.

MU People



Douglas P. LaPierre Sr., assistant professor of special education, retired on January 2. LaPierre joined the MU staff in 1969 as a member of the elementary education department. In addition

to teaching both undergraduate and graduate courses, he helped develop the University's major in special education, participated in revising the departmental curriculum and served on the Faculty Senate.

Dr. Anne Mallery, professor of elementary and early childhood education, will retire July 17. Dr. Mallery accepted her first position at Millersville, tutorial coordinator for the



Center for Academic Development, in 1977. She then served as a teaching assistant for Penn State's Department of Curriculum and Instruction for one year, returning to MU in 1980 as reading and proficiency coordinator for the Center for Academic Development. In 1985, she was named coordinator of tutoring and instruc-

tion for the Department of Developmental Studies, for which she also was chairperson, and in 1988 was appointed to her current position.

Michaeline S. Nissley, associate professor of elementary and early childhood education, will retire on July 17, 1998. Nissley was hired by



MU in 1963 as a supervisor of the fifth grade in the old lab school. Through the years she served as language arts coordinator, in addition to teaching both undergrad and graduate

courses. She also is known for the many monographs in reading which she developed for both undergraduate and graduate classes.

Dr. Elizabeth Phillips-Hershey, associate professor of psychology, retired on May 22. Phillips-Hershey worked part-time for the University beginning in 1985, then came aboard



as a full-time faculty member in 1992. Besides her classroom duties, she has served on the University's Teacher Education Council and the Faculty-Student Athletic Committee, and was a counselor in private practice.

Also, Phillips-Hershey was named Counselor Educator of the Year by the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association (PSCA), a designation based on an individual's contributions to the field of counselor education and to school counseling. She was recognized for the honor at PSCA's 42nd annual conference, held recently in State College.

Gordon P. Symonds Jr., associate professor of English, retired on May 22. Symonds joined the MU staff in 1963 and has taught courses at both the undergraduate and graduate level.



In addition to his classroom duties, he has served on the Communication Arts, English Department Curriculum, and **English Department** Graduate committees.

Dr. Roger W. Webster, computer science, had his National Science Foundation (NSF) Grant project, "A Virtual Reality and Scientific Visualization Laboratory for



Undergraduate Computer Science," selected for exhibit at the National Association of Computing Machinery Special Interest in Computer Science Education Conference, ACM SIGCSE '98, held in Atlanta last winter. Only a few of the most successful NSF projects produced during 1996-97 were selected for exhibition.

Books

Dr. Jack R. Fischel, chairperson of the history department, had his new book, The Holocaust, a history and a reference guide to the Holocaust, published this month as one in the series of Greenwood Press Guides to Historic Events of the Twentieth Century.

Dr. Samuel Knapp, psychology, had his book, Treating Adults With Memories of Abuse: Legal Risk Management, published by the American Psychological Association.

University recognized for excellence in technology education at association conference

Technology education at Millersville University was recognized for excellence recently during the International Technology Education Association conference, held in Fort Worth, Texas.

The Technology Education Teacher Preparation Program was recognized as one of the four outstanding programs nationwide for the 1997-98 academic year.

Troy Pfoutz received a Donald Maley Spirit of Excellence

Outstanding Graduate Student Citation.

Jeffrey Lorson, a senior technology education major from Williamsport, received a \$1,000 undergraduate scholarship.

Robert Gaugler, a senior technology education major from Coopersburg, received the Technology Education Collegiate Association's (TECA) Award of Distinction.

MU's Beta Phi Chapter of Epsilon Pi Tau, the International Honorary

for Professions in Technology, was named the Region One (includes 12 chapters) recipient of the 1997 Regional Chapter Award.

Millersville's Technology Education Collegiate Association (MU-TECA) chapter, a professional student organization for technology teacher education majors, captured first prize in the Technology Challenge competition.

All told, some 250 students from 15 institutions participated at the Virginia event.

The troubling trend

by Susan Jurgelski

The scene in the counseling office was one becoming ever more common on college and university campuses across the nation.

The Millersville student sitting in front of Dr. Harold Harris shook, as if her whole world was crumbling. She began to cry, her emotional pain almost palpable. The young woman was deeply troubled, plagued by an abusive family and serious emotional problems that had undermined her emotional well-being.

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That's the personal side of the story; on the statistical side—and even more troubling-the young woman was part of what Harris sees as a disturbing trend. As director of the University Center for Counseling and Human Development for almost three decades, Harris has become a barometer of sorts for student struggles, and today he finds those struggles are deeper and darker than ever before. In recent years, more and more students have sought counseling for serious mental disorders, such as clinical depression and eating disorders, he says.

"It seems like the snowball started about 10 years ago, and it's gone on and gotten bigger," says Harris, who estimates that between 9 and 15 percent of Millersville students seek counseling, as compared to between 2 to 11 percent of students nationally.

"The world is changing so rapidly it has resulted in a great deal of stress for young people," says Harris, who cites the ongoing disintegration of the family unit as particularly problematic.

The disintegration he refers to includes social phenomena more subtle than the classic broken family. As an example, he points to the busy but separate schedules many families keep. "With the financial strain that many people are feeling, "both parents often have to work. The family doesn't sit down to have meals together, and they don't spend the quality time together as a family that people used to have a generation or two ago. Then, when students have troubles, they don't feel like they have that unit to fall back on. They don't have that security blanket when they need it."

Joe Sciarretta, coordinator of counseling services for the Program for Advancement of Compensatory Education Act 101 (PACE/Act 101), agrees. The program, which admits about 100 students a year, benefits economically and/or academically disadvantaged students who have the academic potential to succeed in college, but Sciarretta believes the students' difficulties are rooted in the

greater culture, not in their economic circumstances. He cites the pace of modern life.

"I think as a culture we're moving too fast for our own good," he says. As a consequence, "there is often the perception that there is little or no latitude to make mistakes."

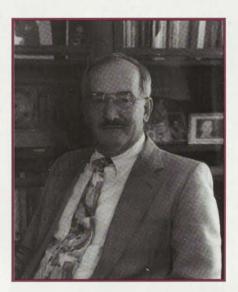
Indeed, in the fall of 1997, a record number of Millersville students sought counseling, according to Harris. The majority of these, perhaps 200 of some 272, sought personal counseling for serious issues. But Harris credits other factors—not just increased stress—with having at least an incremental effect on the numbers.

He feels that, while the increase no doubt reflects societal pressures and changes, the center's recent move from Dutcher Hall to Lyle Hall may also have contributed. A student entering the counseling office in Dutcher was clearly going to that office, and, unfortunately, the need for psychological services still bears a stigma. Because Lyle Hall, unlike Dutcher, has a number of university services housed there-admissions, registrar, financial aid, academic advisement-students may have a greater feeling of privacy and anonymity.

The upward trend is also evident at other local institutions of higher education, Franklin & Marshall College and West Chester University, for example, report an increased use of counseling services, particularly for more serious problems.

"We've seen a significant increase in the last three or four years," says Dr. Tom Spierling, chairperson of the Department of Counseling and Psychological Services at West Chester University. "The fact that students are coming to us on psychotropic medications is just evidence that there are more serious psychological conditions [among the student population]."

"While the overall percentage of the student body experiencing serious adjustment problems is still relatively small, we have seen an increase in the last 10 years," says Dr. Kenneth John,



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Dr. Harold Harris

director of counseling services at F&M. John believes the increase in students seeking help parallels an overall trend in society.

Spierling, however, attributes the increase to a different societal trend: the greater acceptance of counseling as a solution. "My sense is that to some extent students are actually feeling more open to getting counseling services than in the past," he says. "They're less tolerant of putting up with problems. They're less reluctant to talk about serious abuse issues than in the past. Ironically, as we succeed in letting more people know about help, we actually create more work for ourselves."

When Harris started his job in 1969, the students he counseled were concerned primarily with classes and careers, and there were far fewer of them. "We had three counselors and three thousand students then," he recalls. "Now we have four psychologists and 7,500 students."

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Students still seek counseling about careers and classes, but they are increasingly in the minority. "Personal counseling [as opposed to vocational counseling] has totally taken over our staff," says Harris. "It's all heavy-duty psychological things."

For instance, a voluntary depression screening at Millersville—part of a national depression screening day—found that 14 of some 75 students were severely depressed. All are now in counseling. Through the services of a psychiatrist who serves the campus on a contractual basis, one morning a week the most severely afflicted students, such as the young woman mentioned at the beginning of this article, are now on medication as well as undergoing counseling.

Similarly, forty students participated in a screening, also voluntary, for eating disorders, which include bulimia, a pattern of bingeing and purging, and anorexia, or self-starvation. "Through the screening, we identified a couple of students who needed help," Harris says.

Because of the significant response to both first-time screenings, the counseling center has decided to offer them on an annual basis. "The turnout was such that we feel it's important to offer them again," he says.

"Depression is probably the biggest category that has increased," says Harris. The ramifications of clinical depression can be profound, touching on every aspect of a person's life. The symptoms can include extreme sadness, anxiety, lack of sleep, lack of appetite, weight loss or gain, a lack of desire to do work, social withdrawal and inattention to hygiene.

Currently, Harris and the staff monitor about 30 students who are on psychiatrist-prescribed medication for depression. All of them also receive counseling. In a few cases, says Harris, students may require hospitalization.

Students with eating disorders receive counseling and are also moni-

tored medically. "We work closely with the student health center on checking weight and other medical issues such as electrolytes," says Harris. "All eating disorders are serious problems—even life-threatening—and should be monitored closely."

A variety of issues contribute to serious psychological disorders, says Harris. "It can be a current relationship or past abuse. There is no definite cause and effect." He adds that, in addition to family- or peerrelated issues, which can involve mental and physical abuse, today's students are troubled by everything from poor self-concept and anxiety to substance abuse.

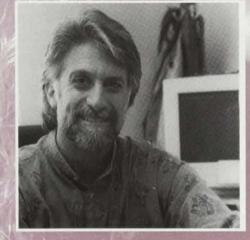
Students who receive one-on-one counseling usually do so on a weekly basis. While Millersville's counseling center is geared toward short-term therapy for six to eight weeks or six to 10 sessions, some students have been receiving therapy there for some two years. Those students who are receiving medication are also monitored by the consulting psychiatrist.

Counseling is individualized, and depends on each student's issues. It may focus, for instance, on helping students improve coping skills and enhance interpersonal relationships between family members and friends. Sometimes students need support to examine family or peer abuses.

Some students may receive spiritual counseling in concert with therapy. Both the United Campus Ministry and Campus Catholic Ministry provide short-term counseling with a theological focus for students.

"Students [who are already receiving therapy] may come to me as part of a plan," says the Rev. Susan Minasian, a minister with United Campus Ministry. Like Harris, Minasian finds that students are coming to her with more serious issues than in the past.

"They're not just theology questions but life survival questions dealing with relationships and gender issues," she says. Often, she notes, the



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questions come up in conversation, but may not be the initial reasons someone approaches her for help.

Of the 75 to 100 students Minasian might counsel, she refers about 10 percent to other clinicians for serious problems such as severe depression.

Like Minasian, the Rev. Mike Forrey of Campus Catholic Ministry works with many students on relationship issues. "A lot of what I do pertains to relationships—interpersonal relationships and those with immediate family. Girlfriend and boyfriend relationship issues are often the most difficult to deal with," he says. Forrey estimates that he refers about one-half dozen students a semester to other sources of help for a serious psychological or medical condition.

Forrey says the three primary areas in which he counsels students include relationships, issues surrounding medical conditions and overwhelming demands. He often works with students on improving their coping skills.

"I deal with many students who feel totally overwhelmed," says Forrey. "So much is expected and demanded of students today from the academic world, socially, by family, extracurricular activities and work. More students work today than ever worked before, and their plate gets really full,"

Success, however it may be defined, is highly valued socially, but it brings with it no small amount of pressurefrom family members, from teachers, and even peers. Harris believes that Millersville students, in particular, may feel an added pressure to succeed in college, since many are the first in the family to attend a four-year institution.

An intense pressure to succeed is something John sees affecting many F&M students. "Our students seem to feel more pressure about career than they used to," he says. "They think that by age 20 they should have a career locked into place."

Sciarretta believes students today are plagued by perfectionistic thinking as a result of cultural messages. "Young

people get the message, 'Don't thinkdo.' In watching TV, for instance, everything seems to be a blur, everything from Nike ads to a pitch for a Buick and the 'supercharged' families. The student's reaction is: 'If I don't do it now and don't do it right, the opportunity will pass me by.' I see more perfectionistic thinking as a result of that, and less positive risk taking. Unfortunaly, many students want a guarantee."

Students, says Sciarretta, need to have the requisite time to explore options and make choices, but in today's society, he says, the decisionmaking process is often accelerated. "This is causing students to second guess their decisions."

As a result, he says, many students tend to believe that they are poor decision makers, which isn't true; however they are poor information gatherers, and it's good information that fuels confident decision making. When it comes to careers, for instance, Sciarretta advises students to do some homework first. "They often want the answer now; however, it can be difficult to weigh the quality of information in a technology-driven environment. Good things still take time.

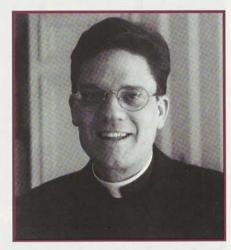
"As kids grow up," Sciarretta adds, "it's a common thing to believe that the more things they do, the better they are. Sometimes they get spread out too thin when it comes to their education or with their family. When I have students who believe if something takes too long something's wrong, or who get locked into a corresponding thought pattern that says 'I can't do it,' I have them do a reality check. Otherwise, they have a difficult time distancing themselves from the issues."

Are today's students substantially different psychologically from their predecessors? Sciarretta doesn't believe so; society, on the other hand, is considerably different, a point with which Harris concurs.

"In the computer age we are seeing dramatic changes in our options and the decisions we make," says Harris.

"Young people are in a period of life when they're going through changes. In today's fast-paced society this becomes magnified."

For all the problems that come through the door, Harris sees many rewards for himself and the other



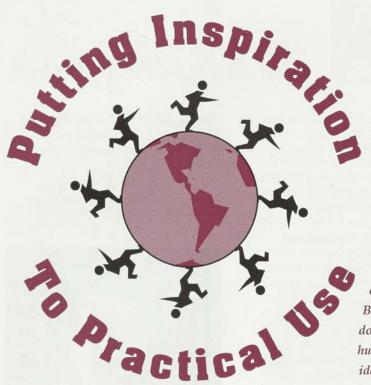
"I deal with many students who feel totally overwhelmed."

Rev. Mike Forrey

counselors. "Students come to our office because they want to get better," he notes. "The great majority of them go through the counseling process and move on with their lives.

"They don't come back and say, 'Thanks, I'm happy now.' But when you see them finish a semester they weren't going to finish, when you see them graduate, that's a very positive reward for all of us." &

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by Alfonso Peña-Ramos

Established March 1, 1961, the Peace Corps had drawn a total number of 147,000 volunteers who served in 131 countries as of April 1997. Most (37%) have served in the education sector.

Leo Shelley '64, professor of library and one of the 76 MU alumni who served in the Peace Corps, was one of these. He observes that, in the days before the Vietnam War came to dominate the national agenda and divide the country, "Camelot did influence a lot of people."

He adds that, "Some people joined the Peace Corps with the idea of changing things a lot. When they found out that they couldn't, of course they were frustrated. But many people just wanted to change something, even if it was small."

Shelley, a reserved man with an affable smile, explains that he was one of those content to make a small change in the world. "I also wanted to get to know a different group of people," he adds.

He outlines the mission of the Peace Corps as, "First, we were there to provide service, improving the lives of the people. And we were there to get to know them, so we could understand other cul-

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Camelot still beckons.

It has been some thirty-five years since an assassin felled John F. Kennedy, the man whose youthful energy and optimism seemed imbued with the idealism of that mythic castle, as imaginatively reconstructed in a Broadway musical. Since then, the harsh light of history has done much to strip away the illusions and reveal the flawed human being whose persona and presidency resonated with the idealistic themes in the famous musical.

But the ideals endure. Certainly, selflessness and a dedication to the greater good were not new, but the Kennedy magic, then at its peak, did much to burnish them and hold them up to the light. They inspired many; they inspire yet.

If ever that inspiration assumed a practical and enduring shape, it was in the Peace Corps.

they could get to know us, so they could get to meet some-body other than the 'Ugly American.'"

Shelley, who earned a double major in library science and social science with a history emphasis, had applied to the Peace Corps the fall of his senior year. After an extensive background check, he was accepted.

Assigned to Liberia, Shelley went for ten weeks of training at San Francisco State University, where the US Agency for International Development had a project to upgrade the school system in Monrovia, the capital of the West African



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nation. "There were 200 of us," he says, "all going to serve in education."

He was trained by faculty members who had worked in the country and interacted with students from Monrovia, themselves in San Francisco for training.

"Now," Shelley adds, "the training takes place in the host country."

Such was the case for the husband-and-wife team of L. Audrey '63 and F. David Marschka. Unlike Shelley, however, their Peace Corps assignment began in 1990, at the other end of their careers, after both had retired—she as a school nurse in Manheim Township, he as an engineer.

Audrey, a talkative, bright-eyed and energetic woman, explains that their decision was not a difficult one. "We were both healthy. David saw an ad in the paper which said that they were accepting people of all ages. And we thought, we'd really like to do something like that."

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Leo Shelley '64, today, at the Ganser Library.

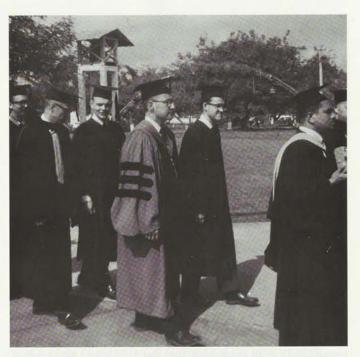
It took nine months, and a good medical recommendation, before the Marschkas received their final acceptance from the Peace Corps. Originally scheduled to fulfill a two-year commitment in Honduras, they were instead assigned to Liberia. After their eldest son had moved into their home, where he was to live for the duration of their term of service, they left, and were soon in Liberia.

"Our training was cultural," Audrey explains. "The Peace Corps wanted to make sure you weren't going with the idea that you would change the world. They didn't want you there to build white elephants. We

were there to 'empower them'—that's the term they used."
Before they left, the couple had fielded a great many questions about why they volunteered for the Peace Corps.
"When we got to Liberia, the best part was nobody had to explain why they were there," she recalls. "The young people in our training group were wonderful and caring, there were some in their fifties, and there was a nun with us, too.

"Only two people left. One young man did not heed the advice and went swimming in a pond; he developed malaria and was very sick. Another one, who was interested in the animals and the environment, didn't last, either."

Amy Franz Garnsey '89 recalls that, after the three-month training in Haiti, half of the original group of 18 elected not to continue, and returned to the United States. Haiti certainly was a politically unsettled place in January 1990, when she arrived to begin training, with events building to the election and installation of Jean Bertrand Aristide in February 1991 as the nation's freely elected president, and his subsequent





Top: Leo Shelley (in back with glasses) participates in a 1967 graduation ceremony at Cuttington University in Liberia. Above: a village scene in Liberia circa 1966. (Photos courtesy of Leo Shelley.) Opposite page: Amy Franz Garnsey '89 with schoolchildren in Haiti circa 1991.



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Audrey Marschka, second woman from left, at a village in Liberia, where volunteers were often welcomed with a live chicken and a fresh coconut.

unseating in a military coup some eight months later.
Asked whether she was inspired by Camelot, Garnsey

smiles and responds simply, "My mother was a social worker." The elementary education major did not want to go immediately from graduation into the daily grind. She wanted something different. "The Peace Corps was a place to start."

Collected in her demeanor, with a presence that recalls still, deep waters, Garnsey found herself, after the training was over, the only Peace Corps volunteer in a village. Her job was to work with Montessori D'Haiti, a German-funded project, developing materials and training teachers. Political tensions aside, she found the task complicated by the Haitian attitudes. "Montessori education does not match with the Haitian culture," she explains. Haitians favor a disciplinarian, sit-and-listen approach which is diametrically opposed to the teacher-guided, self-motivated learning at the heart of the Montessori method.

Six years of Spanish in secondary school and two semesters of it in college helped Garnsey deal with Creole, the Haitian brand of French, but the still waters ripple just a bit as she



David and Audrey Marschka at a village in Liberia in 1990. Though the scene is peaceful here, a burgeoning civil war would soon threaten the lives of many Liberians and force an evacuation of Peace Corps volunteers.

recounts her reaction to the harrowing poverty on the island, which is the poorest country in the hemisphere. "I thought I was prepared," she said, "but I was very affected."

Twenty-six years earlier, Shelley had left for Liberia after five days at home. Although his mother had no concerns for his safety (his father had passed away), friends worried because he was going to Africa. "While I was in Liberia is when the riots happened in the US," he says. "Chicago, Watts—from Liberia, it looked like all the United States was burning."

The plane landed in Dakar, Senegal, during a heavy rain, and Shelley recalls the heat and humidity rushing in when the doors were opened. Once he arrived in Liberia, he counted himself lucky to be assigned to a school located some 200 miles inland, at a government paddy rice growing program run by the Nationalist Chinese. "The annual rainfall there is only 80 inches," he quips, "compared to 110 on the coast."

"I taught third and fourth grade for local boys," he explains, "and for the children of Liberians who had come there for training along with government people assigned there."

"The school had been a large machine shop for the railroad.

It was one huge room. I was teaching in one corner, another teacher was working next to me, and in the other corner was another teacher."

Among the third- and fourth-graders that Shelley taught were some that would be considered non-traditional by American standards. "Some of them were 16 or 17 years of age," Shelley says. "They had been sent by their parents, who knew there was a school in the village, to live with their relatives so they could get an education."

Garnsey also discovered that the ages varied widely among Haitian elementary school students. "In Haiti, the government provides schools for roughly onethird of the children, but



L. Audrey '63 and F. David Marschka in the back yard of their Manheim Township home.

they must wear uniforms to school, and many parents cannot afford to buy these. Children start school when their parents can afford it."

In fact, Garnsey had a difficult time adjusting to how one young woman was paying for her schooling, by working as a servant for Garnsey. "The young woman, she was 15 years old, lived with me, and she did the laundry, the cooking and the cleaning. I had a hard time paying for her, but this was how she could go to school. I would pay her parents, and I would pay for her tuition."

When trouble loomed, the Peace Corps was quick to remove volunteers to safety. "During the election, we were

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whisked away to an island off the coast. The week of the coup, we were evacuated to the Dominican Republic."

The Marschkas' experience was even more tumultuous. Audrey remembers that, during their training, they were shown the spot on the beach where the forces of then-dictator Samuel Doe had massacred the previous dictator and perhaps 200 allies and members of his administration.

For a time, things were calm enough for training and work to proceed normally. She and David were stationed in temporary quarters in a village called Klaj, some 20 miles east of Monrovia. He was to work with computers, and she was to work in the medical field, with the Christian Health Association of Liberia.

"We learned Liberian English," she says, "which has lots of idiomatic expressions. And they taught us how medication

should be used properly, and how it could be integrated with folk medicine.

"Part of our training was to go to the villages. We did a lot of education, vaccination and immunization. We would go to a big rubber plantation where many people worked, and the last time we were there, we heard shots. People said they were from the nearby diamond mine, where the rebels were trying to take over. Of course, the people immediately scattered. We left, of course, and we had to dump the measles vaccine because we couldn't keep it refrigerated."



Amy Franz Garnsey '89, today, on a brief visit to Millersville.

David was having a difficult time doing any work, because the power supply was intermittent and unreliable. Soon, a political meeting was held every day, and shots from the erupting civil war rang out close by the camp.

"We were going to move into permanent quarters—we had even bought furniture from somebody who was leaving, when they decided to evacuate us. We left everything behind except for a few things." The couple had been in Liberia for about three months.

Back in the States, the Marschkas were offered a chance to retrain, but the lure of new grandchildren was too strong; they elected to stay home. Their spirit of involvement did not perish, however.

"We're still involved through the church, trying to help a homeless family in the area." With the same earnestness and concern that shone when she spoke of the tragedies in Liberia, she adds, "If each church would just help one family, we could really help make a difference in their lives."

Shelley's time in Liberia was peaceful. With the onset of the dry season in December, the school year ended, and he found himself working at the Cuttington University library, in the town of Kpelle.



Amy Franz Garnsey and friend, during her term of service in Haiti.

"A book collection from a women's college library in the United States had been donated to them, and the library was in the middle of changing cataloguing systems." There he remained until the end of his term with the Peace Corps, at which point he stayed on at Cuttington for another year, returning briefly to the United States for Christmas 1966.

"I saw the shell of the new library [Ganser] going up when I was here visiting," he says. "When I saw an ad in a professional journal, I applied for a position at the Millersville library." He got the job, of course, and returned to the United States in August 1967 to begin working at Millersville, where he soon got to do what he had just finished doing at Cuttington, moving the library to a new location.

Garnsey remembers that, on her one visit to the United States, "I had a hard time when I saw how much we waste here. I had a hard time spending money and enjoying taking a long shower." She had envisioned returning to Haiti and extending for another year, but the unstable situation made that impossible.

Reflecting on how her time in Haiti had changed her, she says, "It made me a bit more realistic about what role one can play in helping others. I approach things from a broader perspective now, and I'm more patient."

After she returned, she heard from a relative that teachers were needed in Florida, to teach Haitian immigrants. "I had the job in two weeks," she says. She has been there six years now, teaching in an English-immersion program. "Three-quarters of my students are Haitians," Garnsey says.

Shelley returned to a nation torn by the anti-war, anti-government protests. Like the others, he missed some of the people and the foods—he smilingly refers to fried termites, a seasonal delicacy in Liberia and other parts of Africa, as "sort of crunchy."

He has followed the ongoing tragedy in the nation via news reports and the Internet. Cuttington University is in exile, but the grim news has not diminished his esteem for what the Peace Corps has accomplished.

"I feel that the Peace Corps was an extremely valuable experience for me," he says, "and I feel that I did some good. &

Staying ahead of the game

by Charlene Duroni

or student athletes, the challenges never stop.

Millersville's student athletes have to meet challenges on the court, track or playing field as well as in the classroom. Some do more than rise to the occasion; they achieve excellence both in their sport and in their academic studies.

Last June, 72 'Ville athletes received Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Scholar-Athlete designation for the

1996-97 academic year, indicating that they had achieved a cumulative quality point average (QPA) of 3.25 or higher. Of these, 11 attained QPAs of 3.80, and nine scholar-athletes attained QPAs between 3.70 and 3.79.

In April, two MU studentathletes were picked for the PSAC Winter Top Ten Awards: basketball player Becky Stoner and wrestler Joe Klinedinst.

How do these achievers manage it? The *Review* asked five of them just this question. Here is a quick look at a handful of the 'Ville superachievers, who talk about how they balance the heavy demands of academics and athletics, and come out on top.



Joe Klinedinst

Joe Klinedinst was good at sports—soccer, baseball, basketball. But wrestling became his passion.

"I was just naturally better at it and stuck with it," says Klinedinst, an MU senior majoring in educational technology. It is a modest statement from a young man who has excelled at his sport through high school and four seasons in college.

"It is demanding compared to any other sport I was ever in," Klinedinst admits. Wrestlers keep up a grueling schedule working toward the regional tournaments that are held early in March each year. And a spring break in Florida is out of the queston: The team stays on campus, following a strict training regimen. Staying fit and making weight are always uppermost in a wrestler's mind. Klinedinst says his routine includes lifting weights, running and riding his mountain bike.

The discipline of his sport has strengthened him academically, too, Klinedinst says. "I was only an average student in high school. Wrestling taught me a work ethic." His QPA as he enters his fifth and final year at Millersville is 3.77. "I'm hoping to end up with a 3.8," he says.

Klinedinst, a member of the Technology Education Collegiate Association, is secretary of Epsilon Pi Tau, the honors fraternity for his major, and he represents the wrestling team on the Student Athletics Advisory Committee.

Despite his dedication to his sport, Klinedinst learned early to put academics first. "I would sacrifice a workout whenever I had a big test or a paper to do," he says. "Once I tasted a little success, to me it was like competition."

When it comes to role models, Klinedinst's are close to home. He credits his parents who have made it possible to help him go to college. And he says his high school coach in Dallastown, York County, put him on the right track and taught him what it means to work hard.

Klinedinst says he won't be wrestling this year, but as an assistant for the team he will still be close to the mat. He is looking ahead to graduate school and hopes to attend Ball State University. Then on to teaching and coaching a little too, if he is lucky. "And if it would work out," he says, "I would like to go back and teach at my old high school."



Lenora Bunch

Tall and lean with a nononsense cropped haircut, Lenora Bunch looks as if she could play most any sport, but volleyball is her game—and that of her four older sisters.

"I cheered for eight years," Bunch says. "I was on a competition squad and we went to nationals two years." But Bunch found she didn't want to be on the sidelines—she wanted to be in the game. "And volleyball

was just what I loved to do," she says.

Academics have always been important to Bunch too. "In high school I worked hard," she says, as she admits to being an over-achiever. "I pay for school myself, so I think I value it a little more."

A junior majoring in art education, Bunch says that playing volleyball actually helps her academic performance. "In off-season sometimes I get a little lazy when I have that extra time on my hands," she says.

The volleyball season runs from the end of August to mid-November, with practices five days a week, games on Tuesday nights and some travel on the weekends. Bunch, who was co-captain of her team this past year, takes it all in stride. "I tend to go to the library a lot to study," she

says, "if I don't want to be distracted." She also works 20 hours a week in the president's office on campus and has a 3.77 OPA.

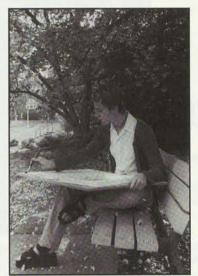
Bunch suffered a serious knee injury during the championships in her freshman year. "From November to August I rehabbed so I could get back in the next season," she says."When I was rehabbing, sometimes I would go twice a day—two hours a day. I would just figure that takes the place of practice."

Bunch will be certified to teach art in grades K–12 when she graduates. She isn't sure what grade level she wants to teach yet, but she definitely wants to coach as well.

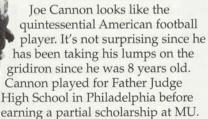
She says playing a sport has been an integral part of her education. "It not only teaches discipline and responsibility," she says, "you have friendships that are lasting." It also teaches one how to keep fit and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Bunch has learned to accept the wins and the losses in her volleyball career so far. "This year we have a very young team," she says. "As the season went on, we got better and better. You have to learn to lose," she says philosophically. "And when you do lose, it makes you want to win even more."

She is off to Italy for a scholarshipfunded archaeology study on June 10, but Bunch is already thinking about next season. "I think it will be a good one," she says with confidence.



Joe Cannon



A biology major, who will graduate in December, Cannon has a 3.31 QPA, but says it hasn't been a easy road. "I did badly in

my major classes at first," Cannon remembers. A failing grade on his first biology quiz was the red flag that got his attention.

"I knew I was going to have to work harder. So I put my nose to the grindstone," he says. Learning how to manage his time better became Cannon's game plan off the field and it has paid dividends. "Planning ahead is the biggest thing for me," he says. "Going over notes (continued on next page)





regularly doesn't take a lot of time, but puts it in your head a little better," Cannon says.

Cannon like many other collegiate athletes has found that the sport only adds to academic performance. "I really find it harder academically in the spring when I'm not playing football," Cannon says. In the fall when every hour counts he adopts what he calls the "now or never policy" when it comes to studying.

During the Marauders' season Cannon (left, foreground), who plays defensive end, generally puts in at least 20 hours a week for football. "You have to do the maintenance stuff on your own," he adds. Then there is the rou-

tine 21/2 to 3 hours of studying a daymore for a big test-and the time in a student athlete's day is used up quickly.

But Cannon wouldn't have it any other way. The team did well this past year, he says, "a 7-3 record with a lot of young guys on the team. We are always in the hunt for the play-offs and the title." Cannon looks forward to his last season at MU-"to get one more good one out," he says.

He is looking ahead too, to graduate school, perhaps at Temple, for physical therapy. Hopefully, his career will bring him back in touch with athletics on some

Cannon has plenty of role models in his family—his sister, who is a nurse, his parents and two uncles. Strong family ties and the discipline of a demanding sport have prepared Cannon for the future, he says. "When things get tough you have to meet the challenges, on or off the field," he says. "You can't give up, you have to keep going."

"Any free time I can get, I spend it studying." Ini Hazatones was a good swimmer, but in high school she wanted to play a team sport. She knew 1 de 1 she loved field

hockey the first time she tried it as a freshman at Hempfield High School in Lancaster. "And I have been playing ever since," says the friendly MU sophomore, who has taken to her sport and college life in general, like, well, the proverbial duck to water.

With an impressive 3.8 QPA, Hazatones is definitely making the grade academically. She says playing a sport helps her manage her time. "I really don't have a lot of free time to sit around and do nothing," she says with a smile.

During season, Hazatones says, the team shows up for 5:45 a.m. practices as well as afternoon practices. The spring season will include four tournaments.

Hazatones plays the center mid-field position, which she says people like to say is the quarterback of the team.

Just as practice sharpens her performance on the field, Hazatones believes that hitting the books is the key to academic success. "I spend a lot of time studying," she admits. "Any free time I can get, I spend it studying."

Majoring in elementary education with a coaching minor, Hazatones says she is always busy. "With elementary education there is so much work to do-so many projects and constant reading." So far, she has been more than up to the task.

When asked about her role models, Hazatones doesn't hesitate. "My parents, definitely," she says. "They have been so supportive. They have never pushed us, but have always encouraged us," she says. It has been a win-

ning formula. Developing good study habits from the beginning are impor-

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tant to a successful college career, Hazatones believes. "Discipline and time management and knowing how to set your priorities," she says, "They all make your life so much more structured."

Hazatones has found that athletics have given her a definite edge in terms of life skills. "Being an athlete tends

to make you more concerned about your health, your body," she says. "You think more about the consequences of your actions."

In sports, as in life, Hazatones says, "You learn from your experiences—what you need to improve on, how to prepare yourself for the next game."

Becky Stor

"The biggest thing about sports is the people that you're involved with."

A junior majoring in biology and carrying a 3.94 QPA, Stoner has made the dean's list at MU every semester. She also co-captains and plays point guard on the women Marauders basketball team.

With this devotion to sports and academics, Rebecca Stoner long ago learned to manage a busy schedule (or two, or three).

"Actually," says Stoner, who plays point guard on and cocaptains the women's basketball team, "for most of us, keeping all these schedules—practice, games, classes, studying, even when you're going to the dining hall—helps us academically. You know that when you're not playing or practicing, you have to study."

When Stoner, who was valedictorian of her class at

Mary Fleig, it was not with a promise of an athletic scholarship. "I had a number of local scholarships," Stoner says, "so I didn't have as much financial need as many other students might have had. I liked that Coach Fleig said, 'Work hard and you'll be rewarded.' To me, that's the way it ought to be. First you do the work, then you get the reward."

Stoner developed both her work ethic and her love of sports growing brothers," she recounts, "and we were always outside, always active."

Are her parents surprised by her success? "Proud rather than surprised," she replies. Both parents, as well as her brothers, have been very supportive. And, she adds, "It's a neat feeling, being a mentor to my little [13-year-old] sister."

Stoner credits athletics for helping with more than academics. "To me, the biggest thing about sports is the people that you're involved with," she says, "When you get to college, you're placed into a team made up of people that you'll be involved with all the timeand these are great people, people you want to be involved with. And when somebody I've never met comes up to me and says 'Congratulations!' I feel like I'm having a real positive impact on somebody's life."

Stoner has no immediate plans for graduate school. Although her training is in molecular biology, she wants to expand into a field that involves more field work and less time in the lab. "I want to find something that would be interesting for the rest of my life," she explains. 2

James Buchanan High School in Mercersburg, was recruited by Coach

up on a farm. "I had two older



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ALUMNI INTEREST

MEDAL Fund Aruba escape planned for January 8-16, 1999

With summer just ahead, few among us harbor any thoughts about the hassles and dreariness of winter, but now is the perfect time to plan that winter escape to the sunny southern latitudes.

To accommodate the southern sojourners among us, the MEDAL Fund Travel Program has scheduled another Caribbean winter escape to Aruba, the island known for its sunny climate and the warmth of its people.

Many cultures converge in Aruba, where Spanish, Dutch and over a dozen other nationalities have settled over the centuries. And travelers are always beguiled by the beautiful white beaches and luxurious resorts that coexist in harmony with wild, rugged cliffs and herds of desert goats.

It's a wonderful tonic for the post-Holidays, early winter blues. You can enjoy art, pottery, local handicrafts, the 25-foot bridge carved out of coral, blue waters, clear tropical skies, open air galleries, windsurfing or snorkeling—or do absolutely nothing for this week-long excursion.

This MEDAL Fund Travel Program to Aruba, which includes a Millersville University educational host, includes seven nights at a superior first class resort and casino (all rooms have private balconies and ocean views), roundtrip flights between Philadelphia and Aruba, a half-day, guided tour of the island, charter motorcoach between MU and the Philadelphia International Airport with an overnight stay at a Philadelphia Airport area hotel, transfers between Aruba airport and hotel, baggage handling, hotel taxes, international airport departure taxes, a pre-trip dinner meeting and a contribution to the MEDAL Fund scholarship program. Our special package is \$1,325 per person sharing a room, or single occupancy, \$1,745.

Contact the Alumni Services Office at 800-681-1855 for a detailed brochure.

State System signs contract with Rite Aid

Millersville University is a participant in a special discount program administered by the Rite Aid Corporation (Eagle Managed Care) that specializes in discount prescription card programs that provide savings for clients.

The prescription discount card is available for alumni, students, friends and other associates of participating universities of the State System of Higher Education, of which MU is a member. Pennsylvania alumni from State System universities should have received a brochure and membership card under separate cover by the end of June.

Alumni will be able to receive a discounted cash price of 10–40% of the standard retail price normally charged by the pharmacy. Spouses and dependents of a cardholder may use the card, too. There are no membership fees associated with this discount card.

If you have questions about the discount drug program as outlined, call the MU Office of Alumni Services 800-681-1855.



Guests at the Sarasota alumni event included left to right: Lois Began, Laura Williamson, Martha Marble '33, Evelyn Seaman '49, John Hawkins '82, Ann Louise Wikoff '60, James Wikoff, Sharon Lalicata '83, Michael Lalicata, and Al Thomae '70.

President, director attend alumni events

The MU presence traveled to Florida and California this March.

Steve DiGuiseppe '82, alumni services director, visited Florida, bringing University greetings to a few of the more than 650 alumni who reside in the Sunshine State. Events were held in three cities: at the residence of Robert '49 and Elizabeth Zellers in Port St. Lucie (photo, page 22) on March 22, Crawdaddy's Restaurant in Tampa (photos, pages 21 and 22) on March 23 and Hyatt Hotel in Sarasota on March 24. Alumni in attendance represented class years from 1926 to 1992.

President Joseph A. Caputo, who was attending a computer technology conference in San Diego, hosted alumni and friends at an afternoon reception held at the Clarion Hotel Bayview.

Florida ranks fourth in the number of MU alumni residing in the state, behind Pennsylvania (31,000), New Jersey (1,244) and Maryland (1,236).



Pictured at the San Diego reception are (left to right): Russell Cassel '37, Dr. Caputo, Jane Neal '42 and Godfrey Browne. Alumni from the '30s to the '90s were represented.

Alumni Calendar of Events

Details will arrive by mail as we near each date in your particular area.

For information and to make reservations:

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For the very latest calendar of events, check out the Alumni home page: http://www.millersv.edu/~alumni

Date Event/Area

June

19 Alumni Admissions Training. Alumni who are interested in assisting MU at preplanned college nights can volunteer with the Alumni Office for an all-day special training session, to be held on campus. Call Barb Nichols in the Alumni Office at 1-800-681-1855 by June 12 for more details.

August

- MU by the Beach: Ocean City, Maryland/Graduates of the Last Decade Event, 1–4 p.m.
- 9 York County Branch: Get Acquainted Picnic—Rocky Ridge Park, Scarlet Oak Pavilion, 4–7 p.m.
- 15-22 Bermuda cruise with State System alumni and friends: Join us for a week of sun and fun aboard a luxurious cruise ship.

September

- 12 Alumni Board of Directors meeting, 10 a.m., Audubon Room
- 19 Family Day at MU—Legacy Picnic

October

21-24 HOMECOMING '98: Highlights include the Saturday morning parade, the Kingston Trio concert, special free phone calls to alumni from alumni and so much more.

November

7 Lancaster County Branch Harvest Ball, Student Memorial Center

The Alumni Office also works with the MEDAL Fund Travel Program, which is open to all alumni and friends and hosts one-day, as well as extended trips. Upcoming 1999 trips planned include: a winter escape to Aruba (January 8–16), New York City Broadway: Ragtime & Cats (January - tentative), The Lion King (summer and fall); Holland (April), Gardens of England (June 25–July 4), Scandinavia (fall), and Prague and Budapest. For more details, contact the Alumni Services Office.

MU by the Beach— It's a shore thing! Saturday, August 1

The dress code is casual, the agenda is fun and friends, the time is 1–4 p.m. on Saturday, August 1, and the place is again 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 or keychain. 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. Reservation deadline is July 24. For reservations or information, please call the Alumni Services Office at 800-681-1855 or check out our homepage at: http://www.millersv.edu/~alumni

From the Branches

Lancaster County

The Annual Dessert Reception was held on Saturday, March 7. The featured entertainment that evening was The Capitol Steps. Over 150 alumni and guests attended. The branch officers who were elected at this reception were: Cynthia Pagotto '72, President; Patricia Peoples Kline '87, Vice President; Walter Ledzinski '71, Secretary/Treasurer.

York County

The annual dinner meeting was held on Friday, April 3, at the Atland House Catering of the York Fairgrounds. Approximately 50 alumni and guests attended. Please mark your calendars for 1999. By popular request, we are returning to Rutters Restaurant on Friday, April 9, 1999.

ALUMNI INTEREST



Recipients of spring 1998 Neimeyer-Hodgson research grants are (from left) Scott Somershoe, Gimena Bonsonetta, Donelle Adams, Kathy Casey, Tobi Schwartz, Angela Reisinger, Jamie Greenawalt, Kelly Kandra, Amy Harlan and Jeanette Craymer.

Alumni Connections On-Line Community takes alumni relations into the 21st century

Millersville University is leading alumni into the next century with an Alumni Connections On-Line Community, a cutting-edge virtual campus exclusively for Millersville alumni.

This innovative service takes the concept of the Internet to its next logical level-an exclusive "community of interest" for the interchange of information, ideas, goods and services, support and guidance. Via MU's Alumni Connections On-line Community, our alumni will be able to meet old friends, network for jobs, explore ongoing educational opportunities, market products and services and get the latest news about Millersville and its activities. This highly interactive gathering place will help alumni stay connected with each other and the University.

The Alumni Connections On-Line Community will include several valuable features. One of the most useful of these will be an On-Line Alumni Directory to help alumni quickly locate fellow graduates via a database of current biographical data and a powerful search engine. Another useful resource will be the Career Center, an on-line forum for career-related activity. Other features will include distance learning, permanent e-mail, personal home pages, bulletin boards, yellow pages and hot links to other exciting internet sites.

Access to the Community will be limited to members who log on from Millersville University's Alumni Home Page using a user ID and personal

The Alumni Connections On-Line Community is scheduled to go live in the winter of 1998-1999. For additional information, watch the Review or the alumni home page (click on "Alumni Interests" on the Millersville home page, <www.millersv.edu>), or contact the Alumni Services Office at 800-681-1855.

Spring Neimeyer-Hodgson **Grant Recipients Named**

Ten students received a total of \$3,243 in Neimeyer-Hodgson Research Grants in April from the MU Alumni Association. The grants, awarded each fall and spring, support student research. Recipients, their major, hometown, award amount and topic are as follows:

- · Donelle Adams, earth sciences, Malvern, \$412 to research the role that the mineralogy of Zimapan soil plays in the arsenic contamination of the water supply of Hidalgo, Mexico;
- · Gimena Bosonetta, earth sciences, Wexford, \$402 to determine if arsenic is being precipitated out of water and into the soil, or if arsenic in the soil is dissolving into groundwater;
- Jeanette Craymer, chemistry, Lancaster, \$400 to research oxygen atom transfer reactions;
- Kathy Casey, elementary education, Gettysburg, \$90 for her senior thesis in education;
- · Jaime Greenawalt, biology, Williamsport, \$500 to study the effects of light intensity on the ability of sunfish to feed successfully;
- · Amy Harlan, earth sciences, Mechanicsburg, \$500 for the study of water transport as a function of topography, rock types, fractures and faults in eastern Lancaster County;
- · Kelly Kandra, psychology, Harrisburg, \$290 to study the role of olfaction in memory and recall;
- · Angela Reisinger, anthropology, Millersville, \$100 for ethnographic research in the small Chicano town of Antonito, Colorado;
- · Tobi Schwartz, anthropology, Halifax, \$100 to do an independent study project entitled, "Museum Anthropology for the Public" in a small Chicano town in southern Colorado;
- · Scott Somershoe, biology, North Wales, \$449 to continue a research project on the nesting preferences of the Eastern Bluebird.

CLASS NOTES



Pre-1960s

Henry J. Kauffman '32, Lancaster, was honored by the Lancaster County Arts Association for his significant financial support. The association named the main art gallery after Kauffman, who is an author, metalworker and former MU professor.

Samuel C. Bear '39, Pennsauken, N.J., researcher, modeller, exhibitor of stationary historic steam engines, recently completed 30 years of exhibiting and demonstrating his work at the Rough and Tumble Engineers Historical Association of Kinzers, Pa.

Ethel M. Brendle '43. Lititz, was featured in an article in a recent issue of the Intelligencer Journal detailing her love of reading and the ways in which she has passed her lifelong passion for books to many people as director of the Books Abroad program with the Women's Missionary and Commission, now Mennonite Women, and as the librarian for her church and retirement community.

Geraldine H. Goss '45, York, taught in the Eastern York School district for 281/2 years.

Richard K. Dieterle '48, Millersville, a retired vocational drafting teacher, has crafted a gavel for House Speaker Newt Gingrich. Legal strictures on gifts to members of Congress thwarted Dieterle's attempt to endow Gingrich with the gavel, so it is on loan to the speaker.

Barbara Angle Haber '48, Lebanon, has added another publication to her list of



Charlotte Weisenbach '26 shows off the official alumni tee shirt she won at the Tampa alumni event, March 23.

Sixties sports reunion set

All former athletes, coaches or friends of MU sports of the 1960s are invited to the annual reunion, to be held at the Lancaster Tennis and Yacht Club on Columbia Ave., Lancaster, on Friday, July 31, from 8-11 p.m.

A buffet and refreshments will be served; price is \$15 per person. A golf outing will be held in the

early afternoon.

Reservations must be in by July 1. For more information, contact Dick Hibshman '67, 100 Velma Lane, Washington Boro, PA 17582, 717-872-5833.

accomplishments—a coffee table book, The National Air and Space Museum.

Don Mowrer '51, Quarryville, was the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award for Combat Survivability, presented for the first time, for his work in survivability research.

Loretta Libricz Skean '59, Mechanicsburg, retired in June of 1997 after 33 years of teaching. In 1996, she was honored by being nominated for the Pennsylvania Teacher of the Year.

1960s

Connie Hoffmaster Place '61, Norristown, retired from Upper Merion Area School District in June 1997 after 36 years of teaching kindergarten.

Dr. Margaret R. Tassia '63, Lancaster, a professor of elementary education who teaches about children's literature at MU, will be a part of a 15-member panel which selects the 1999 Newberry Medal awardwinning author for children's literature.

Phillip R. Loht '65, Pequea, has been named vice president of James Havice, Inc., a wholesale distributor. Loht will be responsible for development of sales and marketing strategies.

Jere R. Rentzel '65, Jonesboro, Ariz., retired from the Rochester Institute of Technology.

Linda Chronister '66, Lancaster, a fourth grade teacher at Leacock Elementary School, won the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching for her creative teaching methods and outstanding credentials and has received \$7,500 from the National Science Foundation to spend on advancing mathematics and science education within Leacock Elementary and the Pequea Valley School District.

Dr. Solomon Lausch '68, Leesport, has been appointed superintendent for Schuylkill Valley School District.

Mary Ann Gerber '67, Millersville, a 1996 graduate of Widener Law School, was one of 24 attorneys who were recognized in a joint ceremonial session of the Lancaster County Court and the Lancaster Bar Association. Gerber is working as a sole practitioner.

1970s

Carole Dusman Jennings '70, Millersville, was named the 1996 Manheim Central Secondary Teacher of the Year.

Douglas L. Minnich '70, Lititz, will retire as principal of Hempfield High School in June. Minnich served 26 years with Hempfield, 14 of these as principal.

Peter Rohall '71. West Chester, owns a law firm in West Chester and has also been the head varsity coach of the Henderson High School Girl's Soccer Team for the past six years. During the past six years, the Henderson teams have a 108-28-8 record and have been to the Pennsylvania State Championship finals three straight years, winning the State title twice, and have also been to the District I finals four straight years, winning three District titles.

Galen L. Zook '71, Columbia, an adult and junior bowling coach/instructor for more than a decade, was recognized in the Lancaster Sunday News for sharing his talents at Leisure Lanes, combining his love of kids, teaching and bowling. Zook is a math teacher with Manheim Township.

Donna Smith Dix '72, Tampa, Fla., received a Master of Arts in Library Science in December 1997 from the University of South Florida.

Mary Anne Haffner '72, Waynesboro, was a recipient of the Ad Multos Annos Pro Deo Ét Patria Pedagogia Award (Many Years for God And Country in Education) for her service to St. Andrew School. Haffner has taught grades two through six since 1974 and is a professional writer.

Carol Mershon Stead '72, won the 1997 Presidential Award for Excellence in Secondary Mathematics from the state of Delaware. Stead was be honored at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., in June and will receive a grant from the National Science Foundation.

Dennis R. Eckels '72, Dallas, was promoted recently to manager of the Wilkes Barre office of First Financial Group. Eckels had been the assistant manager in Towson, Md.

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Darlene F. Woody '72, Lancaster, has been hired by J.V. Heidler Roofing Co., Inc., to serve as personnel administrator for all divisions. Previously, Woody served for five years as director of human resources for a regional bank and also held a similar position with the Auto Club of Southern Pennsylvania.

Margaret A. Judge '73, Millersville, has been appointed director of nursing education by the School of Nursing at Roxborough Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Gary L. Todd '73, Cumming, Ga., has just published From Reformation to Colonization, volume two of a projected sixor seven-volume U.S. history textbook for Christian and home schooling, written in cooperation with Gary DeMar and Dr. Fred Young.

Donald McCarty '74, Washington Boro, has been named senior vice president of the Middle Market Lending Division and is responsible for all commercial lending to mid-size companies in Summit's Eastern Pennsylvania region.

Michael C. Grim '74, Mohnton, has been named a manager of Beard & Co.'s management advisory services for the firm's three offices. In his new position, Grim will be responsible for coordinating the profit enhancement services, including strategic planning.

Lois Serifried Landis '74, Hilton Head, S.C., was named South Carolina's Adult Female Tennis Player of the Year in 1997. Her perfect 1997 record in South Carolina events means she will be ranked No. 1 in both singles and doubles for the first time in her career. Landis won singles titles in several state events in 1997, including the S.C. State Hard Court Championships and the S.C. State Clay Court Championships.

John H. Rudick '74, Mechanicsburg, recently graduated magna cum laude from Messiah College, earning a B.S. degree in nursing. Rudnick was also awarded the Department of Nursing Faculty Award for Excellence in Nursing for his graduating class. Rudnick currently works as a staff nurse at Polyclinic Hospital in Harrisburg.

James E. Bowers '76, Lancaster, has been named to the management post of real estate specialist in the real estate department of Armstrong World Industries

Kathleen Kautz Perkins '76, Mansfield, Ohio, works as a full-time ventriloquist and magician for Creative Safety Products. Perkins performs assembly programs in elementary school throughout Ohio.

Linda M. Steinmetz '76, Millersville, is currently working as a technical support specialist at Manheim Central High School. Sue Ireland '77, Waynesboro, was a recipient of the Ad Multos Annos Pro Deo Et

More sun shines on MU

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Shown at the Tampa alumni event, held at Crawdaddy's restaurant, are, front row seated left to right: Bob Emerick '72, Jim Impink '82, and Charlotte Weisenbach '26. Second row standing: Anna May Howry '53, Morris Rannels '38, Norma Rannels, Kathy Calabro '92, Joe Calabro, Irma Colon-Ewing '93, Ed Weisenbach, Robert Ewing '95, and Christine Impink.



Alumni attending the St. Lucie event at the home of Robert '49 and Elizabeth Zellers included, left to right: Robert Zellers '49, Terri Fitts '84, Norvin Whitmore '40, Robert Dietz '49, Barbara Crawford '61, Cynthia Bartal '75, Mary Fulginiti '46, Ruth Lubbe '50, Gene Kling '48, Joe Rodriguez '48, Clarence Lubbe '50, Robert Frantz '51, Ed Keppick '84, and Steve DiGuiseppe '82 alumni services director.

Patria Pedagogia Award (Many Years for God And Country in Education) for her service to St. Andrew School, where she has worked for the past 14 years.

Roger J. Willard '77, Conestoga, was recognized in an article in the Lancaster Intelligencer Journal for the book he wrote, PI, A Self-Study Guide on Becoming a Private Detective. A private detective for the past 15 years and a former police officer, constable, and bounty hunter, Willard gives a nononsense portrayal of a profession that is often glamorized in movies and books.

Donna L. Ziegenfuss '77, North Wales, joined the Souderton Area School District as an instructional technology support specialist as part of an initiative to bring computers, networking and internet access to all the school buildings. Ziegenfuss will work with staff and equipment at the elementary and secondary level.

Debra Meckley '78, Gettysburg, along with Deanna Stegeman and Lorraine Edwards, has published a teaching resource for early reading strategies. The resource is used to teach beginners the basic strategies to be successful readers.

Alan C. Michaels '78, North Palm Beach, Fla., is currently teaching and coaching at Lake Worth High School. He also teaches math at Palm Beach Community College. James H. Nehr '78, Stevens, was hired as an advanced senior accountant in the tax department of Simon Lever and Company.

Nehr, who has worked in the public accounting field for nearly 11 years, will be involved in all areas of tax planning and compliance and will provide specific support in the area of state and local taxation.

Freda (Beaver) Hershey '79, Chambersburg, received her master's degree in church music and Christian education from Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary in May 1996. In February 1997, Hershey was commissioned as an associate in ministry at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Biglerville where she is the minister of youth and church music programs.

Roy D. Hoffer '79, Lancaster, received his 17th patent. He currently works for Robson Lapina, Inc., Forensic Engineers, Architects & Scientists, in Lancaster, as a licensed professional electrical engineer, fire and accident investigator and expert witness.

1980s

Dr. Linda Chávez-Wilson '80, Camp Hill, received her doctorate in educational administration from the Pennsylvania State University, University Park. Currently she is a middle school principal in the Big Spring School District. Prior to receiving her doctorate, Dr. Chávez-Wilson was a Spanish teacher and foreign languages department head in the Lower Dauphin School District.

Kathy Vansant Sanders '80, Boston, Mass., and her husband recently accepted positions as career missionaries with Wycliffe Bible Translators. They will serve in management roles overseas after one year of training.

Anna Catalano Kambic '82, Harrisburg, received a master's degree in nursing from Widener University in August of 1997. Currently Kambic is working as a Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner (CRNP).

Terrance Keating '82, Harrisburg, was named deputy chief counsel for litigation, Pennsylvania Department of Insurance. Keating has guest lectured at Dickinson School of Law on administrative litigation and insurance regulation.

Sharon Thorn '82, Upper Darby, has been

named director of student activities at Chevney University of Pennsylvania. Thorn previously served the university as an assistant director of resident life.

Jeannine Paraskevas Burd '83, Easton, has been honored as 1997 Teacher of the Year at Hampton Public Schools, Hampton, N.J. Burd teaches art, gifted and talented and enrichment for grades K-8. She has been in the field of education since 1983.

Robert W. Waite '83, Lancaster, has been named general manager of worldwide metal ceilings for building products operations by Armstrong World Industries, and will be based in London. He joined Armstrong World Industries in 1984, and, since 1994 he had been the Latin American sales and marketing manager for worldwide building products.

Joseph E. Arsenault '84, Media, has been appointed director of systems development for Norfolk Southern Corporation in Philadelphia.

Andrew T. Scheid '84 has recently been named local sales manager at UPN 57, WPSG-TV in Philadelphia. In this position, he will be responsible for overseeing local advertising. Scheid also will work closely with his local sales team to increase revenue and establish new business.

Wendy Orner Young '85, Johnston, R.I., is employed part-time as a gifted and talented teacher at the Washington Oak Elementary School in Coventry, R.I.

Linda J. (Dark) Meals '86, Oaks, is the district manager for Chase Financial Corporation in Wayne.

Douglas S. Tshudy '86, Lancaster, has been promoted to assume additional responsibilities as assistant credit card manager in the credit card department at Fulton Bank.

Steven P. Buterbaugh '87, Landisville, has been named manager of the Alternative Risk Division of E.K. McConkey & Co. insurance firm in York. Buterbaugh has worked for the company since 1991.

Thu M. Le '87, Philadelphia, has been appointed to the accounting department of Benchmark Construction Company, Inc., where she will be responsible for payroll and assist with accounts payable.

Tracy J. Reppert '87, Alexandria, Va., received a master of education degree, specializing in learning disability, from George Mason University. Currently she is teaching in Charles County, Md.

James E. Schwartz '87, Stevens, has been named vice president of traditional banking at Commonwealth Bank in Norristown. Schwartz will be responsible for managing the traditional banking department, including the cash management, sales and general administration of Commonwealth's network of 40 traditional branch offices.

Rev. Augustus Sullivan Jr. '87, Harrisburg, preached and ministered in Jamaica, West Îndies, during a five-day missionary tour in October 1997 with a ministry team from the Church of the Living God. He has ministered in over 31 cities spanning 13 states and four different denominations. He also traveled to Jerusalem in December 1997 for a Holy Land tour.

Dawn R. Wentzel '87, Ephrata, was promoted recently to the position of product engineer at D&E Telephone Co.

Lori Mikula Rishar '88, Lansing, Mich., has been named managing editor of the Michigan House of Representatives' Republican Press Office.

John Rishar Jr. '88, Lansing, Mich., earned his law degree from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School and was admitted to the Michigan Bar. He is the assistant prosecuting attorney for Presque Isle County.

Lynn Sayman Welgoss '88, Wethersfield, Conn., was promoted to manager of the database administration team for Aetna/US Healthcare in October 1996. In January 1997, Welgoss was transferred to Aetna/US Healthcare's Connecticut office.

Thomas J. Jordan IV '89, Millersville, was promoted to assistant vice president-community development officer at the Bank of Lancaster County. Jordan joined the bank in 1993 and most recently served as community development officer.

Thomas A. Lennox '89, Freehold, N.J., was promoted to District Sales Manager for UCB Pharmacy, Inc., in Atlanta, Ga.

1990s

Susan B. Bergen '90, Landisville, has been promoted to assistant vice president at Keystone Financial, Inc., of Harrisburg.

Melissa Sosenko DeStefano '90, Pottstown, received her master's degree in elementary education at West Chester University in August of 1996. DeStefano is currently teaching learning support at Pottsgrove Senior High School.

Mary P. Garvey '90, Clifton Heights, is currently teaching science at G.W. Childs School in South Philadelphia. She earned her master's degree from St. Joseph University in May 1995.

Laura J. Lockhart '90, Philadelphia, recently accepted a position as copy editor for The American Board of Internal Medicine in Philadelphia.

Sharon Meyers '91, Holland, teaches first grade at The Pen Ryn School, Fairless Hills. Jeremy J. Harvey '93, Alexandria, Va., is

currently working in Old Town Alexandria at the Alexandria Convention Visitors Association and working on a master's degree in American history at George Mason University.

Heather L. Adams '94, Elizabethtown, was among 24 attorneys, who are beginning their law practices or careers in Lancaster County, honored in a joint ceremonial session of the Lancaster County Court and the Lancaster Bar Association. She has accepted the position of law clerk for Judge James P. Cullen.

Stephan R. Beachey '94, Millersville, senior accountant with the accounting firm of Pollock, Musser & Goss, recently earned his Certified Public Accountant designation.

Karen Boyer '94, Lancaster, is currently employed as a social studies teacher at Wheatland Middle School (School District of Lancaster).

James T. Brown Jr. '94, Lancaster, was promoted to senior analyst at Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories, Radnor campus.

R. Chris Coble '94, Allentown, accepted a position at NovaStor Corporation, Simi Valley, Cal.

Jonathan R. Klotz '94, Reno, Nev., recently received a Master of Science in Hydrology degree from the University of Nevada, Reno, in December 1997. He is currently employed by the University of Nevada, Reno, as a research riparian hydrologist.

Kenton E. Kreider '94, Hershey, accepted a position as junior and senior high history teacher at Lititz Christian School.

Diona Staino Lovejoy '94, Wilmington, Del., is currently an online media designer/editor for InteliHealth, Blue Bell.

Shari M. Brenizer '95, Carlisle, currently works as a program specialist at Cumberland-Perry Association for Retarded Citizens while studying for a master's degree in human services at Lincoln University.

Nicole E. Francis '95, Carlisle, was the recipient of the Conrad A. and Rocco C. Falvello Memorial at the Dickinson School of Law of the Pennsylvania State University for the 1996-97 academic year. Francis is a second-year student at Dickinson.

Jeffrey Graczyk '95, Norristown, has been working for Merck & Company, Inc., since 1995 as a biochemist.

James S. Hoch '95, Pequea, was a featured artist at Lancaster's Poetry Continuum 1997 Sunday Reading Series.

Mami Katsuki '95, Trenton, Tenn., was promoted to head the finance and accounting department of R. K. Trucks Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Ryohin Keikaku Co., Ltd.

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Christopher N. Martin '95, Lancaster, is currently the marketing coordinator for Acer Engineers Consultants, Inc., Lancaster. Acer specializes in water and wastewater system design.

Lisa Mayschok '95, West Hazelton, recently started a master's program in organization management at College Misercordia.

Melanie Gunia Poperechny '95, Linwood, currently works for the Bell Atlantic Yellow Pages as an advertising executive.

Kelly A. Whitcomb '95, Enola, is teaching English through Partnership Abroad in Wrockaw, Poland.

Lori A. DeLello '96, Yardley, is teaching sixth grade learning support in the Lower Moreland Township School District.

James E. Helman '96, New Providence, was featured recently in an article in the *Lancaster Sunday News*, explaining his special connection to his 1978 GMC 4X4 truck.

Stephanie L. Seip '96, Gratz, is pursuing a master's degree in music at Bowling Green University.

Thomas A. Gash '97, Danboro, is currently working on a master's degree at Texas A&M, researching the thyroid functions of sharks.

Leann Mattoscio '97, Toughkenamon, recently began first-year studies at The Dickinson School of Law of The Pennsylvania State University.

Christine R. Savicky '97, Lancaster, was featured recently in an article in the *Lancaster Intelligencer Journal*, describing her tutoring service. Savicky is president of Knowledge is Power Tutoring Services, Inc.

Kelly Linck Smith '97, Palmyra, was promoted to employment specialist for HeatlhAmerica in Harrisburg.

Terri L. Souders '97, Reading, was hired as the leadership development coordinator of the Police Athletic League of Greater Reading.

Marriages

Laura Coleman '45 and Harry Willier in October 1997, in Pitman.

Rodney S. Loose '70 and Suzanne Ludlum on September 28, 1997, in Princeton, N.J.

Freda Beaver '79 and Barry Hershey on January 22, 1995.

Lisa E. Obrecht '79 and Bruce R. Lutz recently in Glenmoore.

Harold M. Lefever '80 and Heather C. Logan on December 20, 1997, in Cape May, N.J.

David C. Kendig '82 and Debbie Beyer in November 1994.

Angelique Miller '87 and Hanice Sabree on December 31, 1995.

Jan L. Sechler '87 and Stuart L. Emanuel on October 19, 1997, in Orefield.

Suzanne E. Bosold '88 and Todd Poole on November 28, 1997, in Lancaster.

Lynn Sayman '88 and Raymond Welgoss Jr. on September 14, 1996, in Havertown.

Debra A. Davies '89 and Joseph E. Savoca on December 27, 1997, in Lancaster.

Kimberly Kostival '89 and Robert Walma on January 23, 1998, in London, England.

Karen M. Richards '89 and Joseph Kowalchick on October 25, 1997, in West Scranton.

Dianne M. Stone '89 and Jason P. Fussaro on October 25, 1997.

Angela Strickler '89 and Todd Grumbine on October 18, 1997, in Elizabethtown.

Brian M. Barley '90 and Anissa F. Williams on September 13, 1997, in Millersville.

Colin M. Black '90 and Ann M. Coyle on August 15, 1997, in Wallingford.

Kevin A. Hinkle '90 and Erin M. Byron on October 25, 1997, in Easton.

Diane L. Johns '90 and Dwayne S. Clinton on October 4, 1997, in Lancaster.

Darrell C. Seitz '90 and Wendy L. Kolb on February 14, 1998, in Lancaster.

MaryBeth T. Vogt '90 and Gregory Davis on July 26, 1997, in Southampton.

Janice L. Fletcher '91 and Mark O. Wolpert on October 11, 1997, in Lancaster.

Amy L. Gahles '91 and David S. DiDomizio on June 28, 1997, in Milmont Park.

Shawn Kershner '91 and Jack Tonkin on October 11, 1997, in Tamaqua.

Victor A. Lecuona '91 and Aida Laviena on June 21, 1997, in Chambersburg.

Kathryn M. Rinino '91 and David A. Mountz recently in Douglassville.

Christopher L. Rothwell '91 and Alison A. McKenna on October 4, 1997, in Scranton.

Danielle R. Delap '92 and Patrick G. Hruz '91 on November 8, 1997, in Lancaster.

Noelle Dongas '92 and Kevin Green on June 21, 1997.

Kristi A. Kerns '92 and Michael D. Greco '92 on October 25, 1997.

Kimberly McCormick '92 and Bob Dixon on April 23, 1994, in Hamilton Square, N.J.

Cynthia R. Merrill '92 and Duncan G. Smith '93 on September 20, 1997, in Rehoboth Beach, Del.

Jill E. Morrison '92 and David. M. Goretski recently in Camp Hill.

Courtney L. Button '93 and Damon Troy on September 12, 1997, in Doylestown.

Tracy A. Klinger '93 and Peter M. Gervasio recently in Camp Hill.

Dr. Maria E. Higgins '93 and Dr. Noah M. Eger recently in Dallas.

Staci L. Kaylor '93 and Jean-Willie Hood on November 15, 1997, in Elizabethtown.

Chadd R. Kline '93 and Susan L. Leinbach recently in Las Vegas, Nev.

Dr. Leanna K. Lape '93 and Joseph K. Stoudt recently in Reading.

Heidi L. Shrawder '93 and Rande S. Anderson recently in Millersburg.

Michael A. Wolf '93 and Barbara M. Garbrick on December 27, 1997, in Lancaster.

Melanie S. Barber '94 and Christian B. Geib '97 on December 12, 1997, in Lancaster.

Ann Bickford '94 and William Sywensky '92 in August 1996, in Kensington, Md.

Elizabeth E. Brittain '94 and Morgan J. Nec on April 26, 1997, in Muncy.

Heather M. Buzzard '94 and Mark E. Mohn '92 recently in Reading.

Donna Hahn '94 and Christopher Jamison on August 16, 1997, in Huntington Valley.

Joan E. Hejna '94 and Michael J. McCarthy on April 26, 1997, in Chalfont.

Deborah A. Karolitzky '94 and David Solomon on May 25, 1997, in Savage, Md.

Holly A. Kefauver '94 and Brian McCleary on July 27, 1997, in Stewartstown.

Ann E. Mikes '94 and Michael A. Moyer recently in Sinking Spring.

Dana L. Miller '94 and Michael Wolfe on March 22, 1997.

Suzanne M. Schroeder '94 and Matthew L. Sentman recently in Carlisle.

Diona Staino '94 and Duncan C. Lovejoy, on August 16, 1997, in Wayne, Maine.

Gretchen L. Tucker '94 and Todd M. Colombo on November 8, 1997, in Worcester.

Heather A. Wanner '94 and Andrew P. Oberheim '94 recently in Harrisburg.

Kristin L. Young '94 and Drew D. Ward '95 on May 24, 1997, in Delroy.

Allison E. Biggie '95 and Steven A. Kirk '96 recently in Allentown.

Jennifer D. Czarnecki '95 and Geoffrey E. Beers '96 on July 19, 1997.

Bradley S. Fickes '95 and Tracey L. Schantz on October 11, 1997, in Catasauqua.

Arthur C. Gaspari '95 and Nicole M. Kennedy recently in Reading.

Gail M. George '95 and David L. Runkel '95 recently in Palmerton.

Melanie C. Gunia '95 and Brent N. Poperechny on September 27, 1997.

Marci J. Keiser '95 and Karl A. Prutzer '95 recently in Fleetwood.

Jami B. Kohl '95 and Bryan A. Faus '95 on September 13, 1997, in West Lawn.

Susan E. Lape '95 and Michael L. Stone recently in Lincoln Park.

Jeff T. Miller '95 and Ann M. Dellibovi on July 13, 1997, in Shawnee on the Delaware.

Kimberly L. Progin '95 and Craig A. Minetola '92, recently in Mechanicsburg.

Melissa J. Sipe '95 and Michael D. Yowler on October 11, 1997, in Beaver Springs.

Lynn A. Spayd '95 and Thomas Alston recently, in Fleetwood.

Lauri A. Young '95 and Craig E. Sanders '95 on August 16, 1997.

Jeanette A. Ackerman '96 and Matthew D. Stein on July 23, 1997, in Las Vegas, Nev.

Tina M. Alexander '96 and David M. Thomas '95 recently in Coatesville.

Andria L. DeAngelo '96 and Dr. James C. Guarino on June 7, 1997, in Hershey.

Nichole E. Geesaman '96 and Jeremy D. Kinsey recently in Myerstown.

Matthew J. Kennedy '96 and Holly Nicastro on April 12, 1997.

Jennifer L. Lambert '96 and Luis M. Diaz '96 recently in Mesa, Ariz.

Deborah J. Mohler '96 and Brett Cooley on October 4, 1997, in Lancaster.

Corey L. Myers '96 and Carla J. Tillman on October 18, 1997, in Wrightsville.

Shannon K. Sandoe '96 and Kelly L. King '87 on December 27, 1997, in Gap.

Kelly L. Swartz '96 and Jason A. Bausher recently in West Lawn.

Elizabeth R. Ahlfeld '97 and Craig A. Single on October 18, 1997, in Lancaster.

Karen J. Beaver '97 and Christopher M. Hitz recently in Hummelstown.

Susan D. Brown '97 and Brian J. Sensenich on January 17, 1998, in Lancaster.

Kerri A. Filak '97 and Drew N. Behmer on June 21, 1997, in Lancaster.

Amy M. Hall '97 and Brian W. McCowan '95 on October 11, 1997, in Hughesville.

Meade J. Huggins '97 and Kathi A. Frederick on June 28, 1997, in Harrisburg.

Rochelle M. Breneman '97 and Thomas M. Jones on September 13, 1997, in Marietta.

Pamela A. Moleski '97 and Joseph W. Nichols '97 on September 27, 1997, in Kulpmont.

Laura E. Nielson '97 and Christopher T. Doe on June 28, 1997, in Macungie.

Angela I. Stipe '97 and Kevin D. Shope on October 4, 1997, in Lancaster.



FAMILY ALBUM

Designing the better basket

Stacev M. Fink, M.D., Ph.D., had a great idea. Unlike most people, who let great ideas slip away unrealized, he applied a large measure of perspiration to the inspiration. The result: U.S. Utility Patent 5,715,968, for an ergonomically-improved hand-carried shopping basket.

"For years," he explains, "whenever my wife and I would pick up a few items at the grocery store, I'd be carrying the basket. While we were standing in line, waiting to pay, the carrying handles would pinch my fingers, the weight would hurt my shoulders and elbows, and I'd complain to my wife. The current basket is not user-friendly.

"My wife said to me, 'If this thing is so bad, why don't you do something about it?""

Some two-and-a-half years after that



Stacey M. Fink '72 '77

momentous question, after numerous time-consuming steps, Fink and his wife of eight years, Karen L. Ketner-Fink, are co-holders of the utility patent. Two design patents are also in the works. But Fink anticipates a wait of several years before consumers begin to see his ergonomically-improved model at the store. "We're not interested in becoming a manufacturer," he says. "We will license to an established manufacturer."

In the meantime, Fink has a career as a neonatologist to keep him busy, working with critically-ill newborns, most of them premature, while they are at the hospital. "I work locum tenens," he explains. Licensed to practice in Georgia, South Carolina and Mississippi, he has locum tenens hospital privileges at a number of hospitals in Mississippi, all within a reasonable drive from his home in Lawrenceville, Georgia, in the Atlanta area. "When colleagues need time off," he says, "to go to a conference or take a vacation or deal with a family situation, I relieve them, so I work away from home a lot. It's not for everybody, but it allows us time to travel and do things." Fink's parents live in Hershey, where he grew up, and his wife hails from Harrisburg, "so we enjoy traveling to Central Pennsylvania to see family and friends."

An avid reader who enjoys fiction as well as keeping up on medical information, Fink also enjoys golf, photography and his regular jogs.

A biology major at Millersville, Fink was a catcher on the baseball team, president of the interfraternity council and even went out for the golf team. While working on his master's degree, he was employed at Lancaster Malleable Foundry in Lititz, where he attained a journeyman ranking. "It was an eye-opening experience," he says. "You appreciate that some people have to do hard physical work every day of their lives.

After Millersville, Fink went on to the University of Louisville School of Medicine, earning a Ph.D. in anatomy in 1982 and an M.D. in 1985. He finished a pediatric residency (1988) and a neonatology fellowship (1990) at the Medical College of Georgia.

Still, Millersville is special to him. "Of all the different universities I've attended, Millersville is my home, my favorite place. It really did make me feel good, and it shows the opportunities students have at a small school."

CLASS NOTES

Births

Bruce M. McLaren '81, and wife Gabriele, a son, Dominik Lukas, on June 26, 1997.

David C. Kendig '82, and wife Debbie, a son, Duke, on November 28, 1996.

David Pozda '82 and wife Kathy, two daughters, Megan Michelle, on September 26, 1994, and Kelly Ann, on December 13, 1996.

Abram G. Koser '82, and wife, Roxann, a son, Alex Michael, on October 9, 1997.

Patricia Gibson Wilson '82, and husband Richard, a daughter, Olivia Ann, on January 1, 1998.

Jeanette Kiger Rosenberger '83, and husband Robert, a son, Eric Robert, on December 7, 1997.

Anne Riley Cowher '84, and husband Gordon, a son, Trey Matthew, on November 4, 1997.

Lisa Sazastano-Hennessy '84, and husband Robert, twin sons, Reed Christopher and Aidan Francis, on June 25, 1997.

Sherry Cramer Reidenbaugh '85, and husband Robert, a son, Daniel Cramer, on October 15, 1997.

Caroline Marshall Loy '86, and husband Phillip, a daughter, Amelia Kathleen, on December 31, 1997.

Rick Maurer '86, and wife Colleen, a daughter, Brooke Catharine, on February 6, 1998.

Elizabeth Towner Thyrum '86, and husband Geoffrey, a daughter, Emily Anne, on January 16, 1998.

Angelique Miller Sabree '87, and husband Hanice, a son, Christian Hanice, on August 16, 1997.

Debra Hersh Miller '87, and husband Timothy, a daughter, Cheyenne Brianna, on October 19, 1997.

Sheri Shenk Oberholtzer '87, and husband Steven, a son, David Harrison, on November 19, 1997.

Pat Moyer Weaver '87, and husband James, a son, Samuel David, on October 4, 1997.

Debbie Barnett Parvin '88, and husband Doug, a daughter, Meredith Elaine, on December 29, 1997.

Ann Eagler Shambaugh '88, and husband Jeff, a daughter, Callan "Callie" Michele, on October 18, 1996.

Michael Stettner '88, and wife Kathy, a daughter, Laura Kathleen, on November 18, 1997.

Kimberly Gibbs Banzhof '89, and husband Donald, a son, Thomas Gibbs, on January 19, 1998.

Thomas A. Lennox '89, and wife Jill, a son, Ryan Thomas, on January 21, 1997.

Gretchen Shelly Beddia '90, and husband John, a son, Andrew Michael Shelly, on October 2, 1997.

Deanna Wilson Dare '90, and husband, Chris, a daughter, Kathleen Kasey.

Jennifer Fox Reinhart '90, and husband David '90, a daughter, Maya Elizabeth, on February 2, 1998.

Kathy Schucker Coughlin '91, and husband Thomas, a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, on February 15, 1997.

Laura Turley Crocker '91, and husband Daniel '89, a daughter, Sarah Marie, on September 25, 1997.

Kelly Coffey O'Brien '91, and husband James '88, a daughter, Erin Nicole, on October 5, 1997.

Lori Mitchell Scifers '91, and husband John, a son, John R. III, on December 10, 1997

Kimberly McCormick Dixon '92, and husband Bob, sons Christopher, on December 12, 1995, and Alex, on February 28, 1997.

Kristen McLean Fogelman '92, and husband Keith, a daughter, Kaley Alicia, on August 13, 1996.

Christine Kennedy-Drain '93, and husband Eric '93, a son, Samuel Adam, on February 24, 1997.

Shannon Shearer Kennedy '93, and husband Larry, a son, Nathan Dail, on October 18, 1997.

Cynthia Ebersole Mahon '93, and husband Gregory, a daughter, Gabrielle Alexandra, on March 10, 1998.

Amy McLean Pelletier '93, and husband Laurent '92, a son, Alexandre Patrick, on March 5, 1998.

Heidi Hoff Tinsman '93, and husband Richard, a daughter, McKenna Susan, on November 18, 1997.

Jennifer Scheffman Bitner '94, and husband Dwayne, a son, Daniel John, on November 26, 1996.

Robert J. Brescia '94, and wife LaTrina, twin sons, Marvin and Leopold, on January 2, 1998.

Tammy Matter Herbein '95, and husband Scott '94, a son, Eric Scott, on November 19, 1997.

Lisa J. Collins '96, and husband Michael, a daughter, Michaela Jeanette, on October 30, 1997.

Deaths

Anne Davies Harnish '19, Lititz, passed away on November 9, 1997, at the age of 98. A schoolteacher in the Reading, South Philadelphia, and Lancaster Township school districts, Mrs. Harnish was a long-time member of the First Baptist Church.

Mary Harnish Lohmann '21, Ephrata, died on November 11, 1997. Mrs. Lohmann was a member of the Immanuel United Church of Christ, Shillington. She was 96.

Ada L. Lobach '23, Lancaster, passed away on February 28, 1998. Miss Lobach taught elementary school for more than 50 years in the Lancaster and Mountville area schools. A member of St. Peter's United Church of Christ, she received a meritorious service award from the American Red Cross during World War II. She was 94.

Mary Fohl Witwer '23, Medford, N.J., passed away on November 26, 1997. A former kindergarten and first grade teacher, Mrs. Witwer was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Merchantville.

Marian A. Connell '24, Lancaster, died on January 3, 1998. Miss Connell taught in the School District of Lancaster for 29 years, retiring in 1964.

Evelyn Zimmerman Maguire '25, Mechanicsburg, passed away on December 8, 1996. She was a former corporate treasurer of Capitol Trailways of Pennsylvania and a former math teacher at Everett High School and Harrisburg Area Community College.

Edith I. Williams '25, Windsor, died on January 31, 1998. Miss Williams taught in the Ashland area for 44 years, never missing a day of school. She was a member of the First United Methodist-Presbyterian Church

Helen Worley Eisenbise '27, Denver, passed away on January 25, 1998. Mrs. Eisenbise was employed as a teacher and later worked in the hosiery industry in Reading. She was a past president of the ladies auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 170, and District 13. She was 90.

George S. Fleischmann '28, Manheim, died on February 9, 1998. Mr. Fleischmann taught in Pennsylvania, for the U.S. Department of the Interior in Alaska, and in the Southwest on Navajo reservations. He also worked for the U.S. Department of Defense, teaching in Japan, Hawaii, Micronesia and Indiana, and for the U.S. Foreign Services as an educational expert, serving in Beirut, Lebanon, and Afghanistan. A music lover and gem collector, he was a patron of the arts in Washington, D.C., and Virginia.

Margaret Haas Zimmerman '28, Harrisburg, passed away on January 10, 1998, at the age of 88. A retired teacher from Central Dauphin School District, Mrs. Zimmerman was a member of the Charlton United Methodist Church.

Lena M. Clark '29, Lititz, died on January 21, 1998. She was a reading specialist in Pequea Valley School District for 12 years, retiring in 1975. She had also been an elementary school teacher in the Octorara and Pequea Valley school districts. She belonged to the Calvary Baptist Church of Greater Lancaster. She was 87.

Mildred Kieffer Hess '29, Lancaster, passed away on December 2, 1997. An avid bridge player, she taught at Smoketown and Elias Fritz elementary schools in the Conestoga Valley School District. Mrs. Hess was 87 years old.

Hazel Wesley Risk '29, Quarryville, died on December 15, 1997. A member of Little Britain Presbyterian Church, she taught in the Solanco School District for more than 20 years.

Sue Myers Dietz '32, Hellam, passed away on November 13, 1997. Mrs. Dietz was an elementary school teacher for many years, retiring from Eastern York school district. She was a lifelong member of St. James Lutheran Church.

Evelyn Yingst Good '32, Ephrata died on February 28, 1998. Mrs. Good worked at the Harrisburg Public Library and later became the first high school librarian for the Ephrata School District. She and her husband operated the Hotel Good in Ephrata for many years.

Charles A. Rutter '32, Cocoa, Fla., passed away on December 13, 1997. Mr. Rutter was a math teacher for 32 years in Wilmington, Del., and then became the first general manager of the Delaware Turnpike. He was 88.

Martha Hershey Cherry '33, passed away on February 19, 1998 at the age of 84. She taught elementary school in Lancaster and West Chester counties, and she was a member of the United Methodist Church of West Chester.

James R. Evans '33, Fort Myers, Fla., died on March 1, 1998. He was chief auditor and assistant to the controller at Armstrong World Industries, retiring in 1971 after 42 years. Mr Evans was director of education for the Institute of Internal Auditors in New York City and president of the Institute of Internal Auditors. He was also the former chairman of the board of the Office of Aging in Lancaster.

Emily Carrigan Clark '34, Washington Boro, passed away on November 22, 1997. She was in the education field for 41 years, retiring from Hempfield High Shool as librarian and department chair. Mrs. Clark

Orpha Byler Kutnow '34, Springfield, died on January 22, 1998, at the age of 86. Mrs. Kutnow was a teacher and librarian for more than 20 years at the Manoa Elementary School in Havertown. She also taught at Girard College in Philadelphia.



FAMILY ALBUM

Insuring the public trust

When she was at Millersville, says M. Diane Koken, "as with many students I wasn't really sure about what I wanted to do, but my desire was to go into law."

Asked if she would ever have imagined her career leading her to the post of insurance commissioner for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, she states flatly, "Not in a million years." On December 9, 1997, Koken was confirmed in that position by the Senate. Now, as chief executive of the department, she executes the laws of the commonwealth pertaining to the regulation of the insurance industry and the protection of consumers.



M. Diane Koken '72

"I love it," she says of her job. "What we're doing is very important. Somewhere in the state right now, a child is going to the hospital, a house is burning down, a bread winner is dying."

Many of the families touched by tragedy, she notes, rely on properly paid insurance claims to keep them on a sound financial basis.

Before joining the cabinet of Governor Tom Ridge, Koken had risen to the position of vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary of Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company, where she had worked for 22 years. Why the move from private industry to public service?

Koken credits multiple factors for the change. "I was very content in my job," she explains, "but I have the greatest respect for Governor Ridge, and this was a marvelous opportunity to work with him. Also, we have raised our children to give back to the community. And I wanted the challenge of developing policy at this time, with the many important changes occurring in the insurance industry."

Koken has been a familiar face at Millersville for many years. Most recently, she has been serving on the Capital Campaign Cabinet, but her memories go back to her childhood. James E. Koken, her father (whom she also acknowledges as her role model), taught chemistry at Millersville for 29 years, so his daughter went to the lab school, learned to skate on the pond in front of Wickersham and took for granted the many resources at the University. "I grew up in a house on East Frederick Street until I was sixteen," she says. In addition, both her mother and sister are MU alumnae. At MU, she made Dean's List and graduated magna cum laude before earning her juris doctorate from Villanova University School of Law in 1975.

As with her previous position, Koken finds little time left over after job and her family.

She and husband John K. Herr III have two teenage daughters. "I'm very lucky to have such wonderful children, and a terrific husband who recognizes that it's a joint effort."

The entire family enjoys traveling. "We've been traveling with the children for four or five years," Koken says. "We've been to many places, including the Pacific Northwest, the Far East, England and Greece."

(Editor's note: M. Diane Koken received the Distinguished Service Award at the May 1998 Spring Reunion Weekend. See the fall Review for details.)

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William J. Wilkinson '34, Springfield, passed away on September 6, 1997. Wilkinson was a teacher with the Netherford Providence School District, retiring in 1976 after 42 years of service. A veteran of World War II, he was a freelance photographer and was one of the founders of the Industrial Arts Association of Pennsylvania. In 1963, he was the American Industrial Arts Association Outstanding Teacher of the Year for Pennsylvania and was the recipient of the Man of the Year award from the Delaware County Industrial Arts Association.

Jane Gawthrop Bennett '35, Lancaster, died on December 13, 1997. Mrs. Bennett taught in Lancaster city schools from 1935 until 1946 and was one of the first kindergarten teachers in Lancaster. She was the editor of an internationally distributed magazine on German shepherd dogs. In 1945, Mrs. Bennett founded the former Lancaster Dog Training Club. She also is listed in Who's Who in The East and Who's Who of American Women.

Helen Hanna Graybill '35, Rydal, passed away on January 10, 1998. She was 84. Mrs. Graybill was an active member of the Abington Presbyterian Church.

Edith "Dede" Wood Palmer '35, Lancaster, died on January 29, 1998. A schoolteacher, she taught in the Hatfield, Lower Merion, and Penn Manor school districts. In Penn Manor, she taught at the Central Manor, Hambright, and Eshleman schools for a total of 25 years. An active member of the First Presbyterian Church in Lancaster, Mrs. Palmer also was involved in many community groups.

J. William Palmer '35, Lancaster, passed away on February 26, 1998, at the age of 84. Mr. Palmer was a member of the initial inductee class of the Millersville University Athletic Hall of Fame in 1995 and the Susquehanna Valley Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame in 1996. He was a facilities administrator for foreign plants with RCA from 1942 to his retirement in 1977. He returned to Millersville as a baseball assistant coach from 1936-1939. Mr. Palmer also played for the Durham Bulls minor league club in the Cincinnati Reds' farm system.

Vance A. Criswell '38, York Township, died on June 14, 1997. Mr. Criswell taught at Western Maryland College and Gettysburg College and was a school principal for the Baltimore County School system for 38 years retiring in 1980. Later, he taught at York College. He was former president of York Township Board of Commissioners and a former member of the Board of Dallastown Area School District. Mr. Criswell was an active volunteer, a World War II veteran and a member of the Red Mount United Methodist Church.

J. Beulah Werntz Sweigart '41, Ephrata, passed away on January 2, 1998. A public school teacher for 42 years, her career began in a one-room school house. Mrs. Sweigart was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Adamstown.

Florence A. Ruelens '43, Lancaster, died on December 6, 1997, at the age of 75. She retired from the Lampeter-Strasburg school district in 1982 after teaching elementary school for 33 years. In 1968, the district honored her as Teacher of the Year. She belonged to St. Luke's United Church of Christ, Lititz, and was active in a number of voluntary organizations.

Betty Geisler Donohue '48, West Chester, passed away on February 6, 1998. Mrs. Donohue taught for 25 years in the West Chester Area School District. She was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Naomi B. Madlem '49, Baltimore, Md., died on November 28, 1997. Miss Madlem taught math and physics for 30 years in the Baltimore County Public Schools. She was also principal of the adult education apprentice center at Loch Raven High School, where she chaired the math department until retiring in 1984. In 1984, she was a finalist for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching. The next year, she was awarded a Doctor of Humane Letters Degree from Loyola College of Baltimore, the first teacher so honored.

Mary Warner Hoover '51, Manchester, Md., passed away on July 11, 1997. She taught fifth grade at Manchester, Md., from 1951 to 1958. After teaching she became a homemaker and assisted in her husband's construction business. She was a member of Lazarus United Church in Lineboro, Md.

Mary Jane Reinfried Bohner '53, Lancaster, died on January 1, 1998. A retired fifth grade elementary school teacher, Mrs. Bohner was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church. She was 66.

Cora Ertley Scharfenberg '59, Willow Street, passed away on March 1, 1998. Mrs. Scharfenberg was a registered nurse for Conestoga Valley School District from 1952 to 1976. She was also a member of Highland Presbyterian Church and many other organizations.

George Holovka '61, Windber, passed away on January 11, 1997.

Susan K. Schiele '62, East Norriton, died on December 8, 1997, at the age of 57. Miss Schiele taught elementary education in the Colonial School District for 35 years, retiring in June 1997. She was a lifelong member of Grace Lutheran Church in Norristown.

Samuel J. Thompson '62, Paoli, passed away on January 23, 1998. A safety consultant for Hartford Insurance Co., he had also worked for PMA, Reliance, Harleysville and Hanover insurance companies. Thompson was 58.

Ann Baird Wagley '63, Crofton, Md., died on November 26, 1997. She taught elementary education in Pennsylvania and Maryland, and she was a member and volunteer worker at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church.

Lawrence N. Morrell '69, Pleasantville, N.J. a former mathematics teacher at Pleasantville High School, passed away on October 4, 1997.

John L. Krantz '71, Lancaster died on December 13, 1997. For 10 years Krantz owned John L. Krantz & Associates, specializing in water and waste water treatment. He received various industry awards, including the Ted Hazeltine Award and the Ted Moses High Hat Award. He was 53.

Galen R. Berger '72, West Pennsboro Township, passed away on January 29, 1998. Berger was a retired graphic arts teacher from Big Spring High School and a former middle school wrestling coach. He was the founder of Jet Copy Center in Shippensburg and was the owner/operator of Berger Vending Services, Newville.

Kay Kester Smith '74, Allentown, died on November 20, 1997. She was a medical technician at Sacred Heart Hospital for 14 years. She was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ, Slatington.

D. Scott Good '82, Lancaster, died on November 24, 1997, at the age of 37. He was an office manager for Good's Disposal Service in Lancaster and was a board member of the Lancaster Solid Waste Authority. He was a former assistant football coach at Manheim Central High School and helped coach Manheim Township youth athletic teams. He was married to Nia Zourides Good '81 and had two sons.

Christopher M. Blundi '83, Havertown, passed away on December 8, 1997. Blundi was a second year student at Widener Law School. He was employed by PECO Energy as an acting field manager of field services. Mr. Blundi served in the U.S. Marine Corps as a first lieutenant. An active member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, he was 37.

Michael W. Diefenderfer '91, died on December 10, 1997. A fire weather forecaster for the National Weather Service in Redding, Calif., Mr. Diefenderfer died from injuries sustained in a paragliding accident in Ecuador.



Baseball, tennis and track exploits highlight spring season

An unprecedented top-20 national ranking, a PSAC Eastern Division championship, and a record-breaking campaign for the baseball team . . . a first-ever NCAA regional title for the women's tennis team . . . a third consecutive post-season appearance for the men's tennis squad . . . and the emergence of the men's track & field team as a PSAC championship contender.

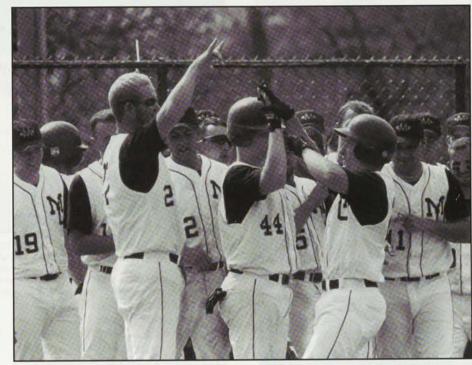
Those were among the many highlights for a productive 1998 spring sports season at Millersville.

The MU baseball team emerged from the shadows after several years at or near the bottom of the PSAC East standings, and zoomed straight to the summit in 1998 with a season that can best be summed up as historic.

Under the guidance of third-year mentor Glenn Gallagher, who was a unanimous selection for PSAC East Coach of the Year honors, the Black and Gold posted its finest regular-season record in team history: 32-13, and surged to a number-19 ranking in the USA TODAY/Collegiate Baseball Division II top 25 poll.

The Marauder diamondmen won the PSAC East title in convincing fashion, winning key doubleheaders at Bloomsburg and Mansfield in the final week of the regular season to finish with a conference record of 18-6, one game better than runner-up Shippensburg. The 18 wins marked an 11-game improvement in league play from the 1997 season; and, remarkably, that total equaled the Marauders' conference win yield for the previous four seasons combined.

This was a Millersville team that had all the elements necessary to excel: a potent hitting lineup from top to bottom (.333 batting average), sound defense, and an improved pitching staff that posted records for strikeouts (280) and finished second in the PSAC in earned run average (4.35).



Baseball was very, very good to them this year. The MU diamondmen celebrate a home run, a common occurrence during a season which ended with MU holding a conference record of 18-6, an 11-game improvement over the 1997 season.

Sophomore first baseman Ryan Brink terrorized enemy pitchers with his slugging prowess all season. The Lewisberry native completed the regular season with a .415 average and led MU in runs (46), hits (54), doubles (13), triples (3), home runs (club-record 13), RBI (44), total bases (club-record 112), slugging percentage (club-mark .862), walks (22), hits-by-pitch (8) and put-outs (298).

Junior outfielder Steve Tallon, who earlier in his collegiate career was cut twice in trying to make the team, batted over .400 all season and led the team in stolen bases with 10.

Senior third baseman Scott Kuhn and junior designated hitter Steve Hart overcame slow offensive starts and batted well over .300 by the end of the regular season. Senior outfielders Shawn Hoffman and Mark Keller tallied near-identical batting marks (.361 and .360, respectively) and were steady defensive players. Junior all-star catcher Matt Unger had anoth-

er productive season at bat (.323, 10 HR, 38 RBI) and was a steadying influence behind the plate. The emergence of sophomore shortstop Torrey Bomberger as one of the PSAC's most versatile players was also a Marauder plus. The Manheim product not only hit for average (.329, 30 RBI), but also provided outstanding leadership in the field with a fine .966 fielding mark.

However, it was in the pitching area where Millersville made its greatest strides. The 'Ville starting quartet of senior Chris Bensing, juniors Timm Bromirski and Joe Corvino, and sophomore Jason Bradley combined for 22 of Millersville's 32 regular season triumphs and accounted for 56 percent of the team's total strikeouts.

Bromirski excelled in PSAC East action with a 7-0 record, and completed the regular season with an 8-2 mark. And, with Bradley (5-1) and Corvino (5-4), he combined for 11 of the team's 12 complete games performances.



Junior Jerami Stucchio, here caught in the act of having some fun-on-a-stick, set a 'Ville record 15-4 performance in the pole vault, one of the highlights of the spring outdoor campaign. (Photo by Brent Buzby.)

From the bullpen, 6-3, 240-lb. righthander Eric Eckert was the Marauder closer who not only led the team in ERA (2.23), but also posted a club-record 11 saves—one shy of the PSAC standard—and had the team's best strikeout ratio (10.3 per nine innings pitched).

The Marauder women's tennis team picked up where it left off last fall and continued its string of championship performances.

Coach DeWitt Boyd's team, which won its first PSAC championship last October, captured the NCAA Division



Receiving their well-earned accolades for a smashing seaon, the women's tennis team—(from left) Kelly Miller, Theresa Farne, Pam Kaylor, Kristin Maneval, Abbey Neff, Lauren Witmer and head Coach De Witt Boyd—unfurls the team banner at half-time ceremonies of the MU-Bloomsburg basketball game, February 4 at Pucillo Gymnasium. The 1997 PSAC champion Millersville women's tennis team finished a recordsetting season with a 14-1-1 record, the best in team history

II East Regional title the weekend of May 1-2 with victories over Pfeiffer and host Wingate (N.C.). Hence, the Black and Gold advanced to the NCAA national tournament for the first time in team annals.

The Marauders advanced to nationals largely on the strength of their doubles play at regionals. MU won five of six regional matches, including two dramatic victories over Wingate by 9-7 and 9-8 (7-5 tiebreaker) scores. The Marauders closed out the match with singles victories by junior Kristin Maneval and freshmen Pam Kaylor, Lauren Witmer and Abbey Neff.

Millersville's aggregate overall record, including dual matches played in the fall and spring seasons, was 20-3-1 entering the national tourney.

Coach Boyd's Marauder men's tennis team had another fine season. The netmen compiled win streaks of nine and five matches and completed their 1998 spring campaign with a 14-4 overall record. The Marauders' quest for an NCAA-II title ended with a loss to Erskine (S.C.), 5-2, in their opening East Regional match.

Millersville received fine singles play from junior David Stimmler and freshman Ryan Mellinger, who each

won 14 and lost only five. Two other freshmen, Mick Marmor and Roy Rumsey, excelled in third doubles (15-3 record), one win ahead of the second flight duo of Mellinger and junior Pepe Garriga (14-4). Marmor also contributed a 13-7 mark in number-five singles.

In men's track & field, Coach Keith White assembled one of Millersville's best squads in recent years—one that was blessed with talent and depth particularly in the field disciplines.

Among the highlights during the spring outdoor campaign: a 'Ville record 15-4 performance by junior Jerami Stucchio in the pole vault, a 47-11 1/4 triple jump effort by sophomore Wade Fauntleroy plus a 6-101/4 leap by senior high jumper Kurt Potocki that both resulted in NCAA-II provisional qualification for the national championships, and consistent point scoring outings from the throwing trio of senior Ed Moore, sophomore Sam Gates, and freshman Josh Artau.

Junior decathlete Keith Hershey performed well in the Millersville Multi, finishing third with 6,149 points in the grueling 10-event, two-day competition. In the running events, junior

Mark Hagan posted conference-qualifying marks for the 'Ville in the 800 and 1,500 meters.

As a team, the squad captured its first Millersville Metrics title in late April and ended Shippensburg's three-year championship reign.

The 'Ville women's track & field team finished a respectable third place at the 20th annual Metrics meet. Leading the way were a pair of talented freshmen: sprinter Kim Stoweand jumper Gena Allen, who ranked near the top of the PSAC performance lists in their respective disciplines all season.

Junior Carisa Heiney also emerged as Millersville's top performer in the 800 meters and the 400-meter intermediate hurdles. In the throwing events, freshman Allison Hess was a weekly point producer in the shot put, discus, and javelin. Heptathlete Heather Hopf was MU's top competitor in the Millersville Multi, finishing sixth.

In other Marauder spring sports action, the 'Ville GOLF team won

three tournaments, including the 36-hole MU Invitational April 5-6 at Crossgates Golf Club, and placed third in the PSAC championship tournament in nearby Lebanon.

Three Marauder linksmen—seniors Scott Fritz, Matt Hagens and Matt Voigt—finished in an 11th-place tie at the state tournament. Hagens was individual medalist in the Millersville and Susquehanna Invitationals, and Voigt finished atop the leaderboard in the Wesley Invitational.

In lacrosse, Millersville had an up-and-down season. The laxers started strong (4-1) but struggled down the stretch and finished 6-8 overall and 3-3 in the PSAC.

A quartet of players scored more than 20 goals for Coach Barbara Waltman's team—Tami Wenger (30), Kellie Connor (27), Kellie Polinski (24), and Kate LaBarr (21).

In goal, senior Laura Kaufman had the most memorable performance of the season, when she posted a club-record 32 saves, many of them spectacular, in MU's 8-7 triple-overtime loss to league rival Bloomsburg on April 25. That 32-save effort was the best among NCAA-II goalkeepers this spring.

The Marauder softball squad won eight of 10 games during its spring break trip to south Florida, but found the going rough in PSAC East competition and finished 5-19 in league and 13-22 overall.

Nevertheless, Millersville proved it could hold its own in the hitting department. Freshman first baseman Sabrina Atkins had a record-setting season. The team's leading hitter with a .463 average, Atkins posted MU records for doubles (13) and total bases (71) and also was an adept fielder with only two errors in 265 total chances.

Freshman third baseman Audra Landers and sophomore outfielders Brandy Gerstenberg and Janell Smith provided ample offensive support with .350, .347 and .343 batting marks, respectively.

On the mound, junior Jen Birt led the way with a 7-8 record.

MU takes proactive approach to assist student-athletes

Student-athletes at Millersville University are among the most dedicated and hard working students on campus. They have to be. They face the challenge of balancing the pressures of practice and game time plus their academic responsibilities.

Within the past two years, the University administration and the Faculty-Student Athletic Committee have collaborated to strengthen the support for student academic success:

• Appointment of personnel to coordinate and oversee academic support services in both the women's and men's athletics departments. Sandra Peters, assistant director of women's athletics, has served in that capacity since 1985. Joseph Sciarretta of the developmental studies department will now serve as assistant director of men's athletics. They will organize orientation for newly enrolled student-athletes, offer academic skills workshops (time management, note taking and study skills), and negotiate

problems, when they arise, with faculty and/or coaches.

• Streamlining the process by which faculty advisers and the Registrar's Office can assist student-athletes in avoiding and resolving schedule conflicts between classes and athletic team responsibilities.

• Establishment of required semester academic performance standards for student-athletes. Millersville has strengthened its eligibility standards for student-athletes to practice and compete above NCAA minimum requirements.

Student-athletes must meet these standards every semester—and not just at the beginning of the academic year: Student-athletes whose grade point averages fall below 2.0 will be evaluated and action required on an individual basis. They may be required to participate in study halls and academic assistance programs, or use counseling services.

Student-athletes whose grade point averages fall below 1.65 receive the same academic support, but will not be permitted to practice or compete the following semester.

Celebration to honor those
Millersville men and women who
were recognized by the Pennsylvania
State Athletic Conference as
scholar-athletes for the preceding academic year at a dinner, the first of
which was held in February 1998.

The Faculty-Student Athletic Committee, under the leadership of former chair Dr. Fritz Erickson and current chair Dr. Richard Frerichs, is working on other ways to assist Millersville student-athletes. They include the preparation of a handbook, the identification of faculty "mentors" in each academic department, and organizing workshops and forums on broader issues that affect student-athletes, such as eating disorders, alcohol/drug abuse, NCAA regulations review, etc.

Mendez, Komsisky named MU's top senior athletes

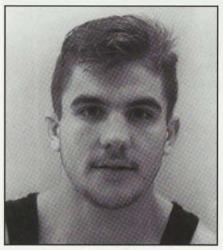
Wrestler Luis "Tony" Mendez and field hockey player Karen Komsisky received the Elwood J. Finley Award as Millersville's top 1997-98 senior athletes at the University's annual Honors and Awards Convocation May 9.

Mendez, a resident of New Providence, Pa., closed his fine Marauder mat career with a 27-9 overall record this past winter. Wrestling at 118 and 126 lb., Mendez won 90 bouts in his four-year varsity career wearing the Black and Gold and was a three-time MU Belles Tournament champion. He qualified for the 1997 NCAA Division I national tournament in Iowa and carded a 29-11 record in his junior season.

Komsisky competed as a starting back for the Marauder fielders and was a model of consistency during her four-year varsity career. The Hunlock Creek, Pa. native earned NCAA Division II All-American second team honors and All-PSAC first team laurels in 1996. She helped Millersville accumulate 41 victories in her collegiate service.

Also, the Faculty-Student Athletic Committee cited Jill Cook (cross coun-

First season on new lacrosse field

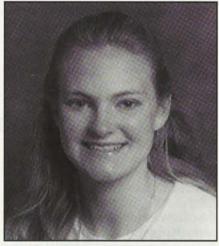


Luis "Tony" Mendez

try and track) and Joe Klinedinst (wrestling) with its Scholar-Athlete Award, presented annually to the graduating seniors who post the highest cumulative grade point averages. Cook, from Pipersville, Pa., attained a 3.87 GPA as a elementary and special education major, while Klinedinst, a Jacobus, Pa. native, achieved a 3.80 GPA majoring in industrial technology.



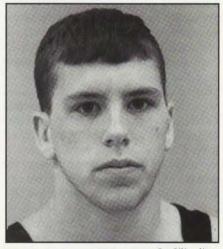
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The new lacrosse field, located behind Pucillo Gymnasium, was used for the first time this season. The field is a great improvement over the previous site, which had serious drainage problems.



Joe Klinedinst

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