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*Allan Dresner flying during World War II (above).  
Barbara (Harrison) Dresner '44 (below)*



When Barbara (Harrison) Dresner graduated in 1944 with a secretarial science degree from Williamsport Dickinson Junior College, the predecessor to Lycoming College, she could not have imagined that she would be working alongside some of the most prolific people during a pivotal point in world history.

Two weeks after commencement, Barbara and four other graduates were

recruited to work in clerical positions at the Carnegie Institution in Washington, DC. The Carnegie building was on loan to the United States government to set up temporary agencies during World War II.

When Barbara first arrived, she worked for an agency that was

recruiting many physicists. She recalls that the average age of a physicist working in

Washington at the time was 25 years old.

Among the first of notable people Barbara met when she arrived in Washington was Sir Alexander Fleming, who is attributed to

discovering penicillin and is a former winner of the Nobel Prize in Medicine. She says Dr. Fleming and the scientists were working on the synthesis of penicillin and mass producing the antibiotic to treat soldiers' injuries sustained in the war.

Barbara was soon selected by Dr. Vannevar Bush to be the lead secretary in the Office of Scientific Research and Development (OSRD). Established in 1941, the OSRD



*Barbara (r) and co-worker Theima Shabley outside of the Carnegie Institution*

evolved from the National Defense Research Committee formed by Dr. Bush and President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The OSRD began designing and building the first atomic bomb under the code name Manhattan Engineering District (MED), or Manhat-

tan Project. In 1942, the Manhattan Project came under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army and the leadership of General Leslie R. Groves.

"I can picture General Groves now in his huge office—he was always pacing back and forth," recalls Barbara.

Although Barbara often accompanied Dr. Bush to high-level meetings at places like the Pentagon and the elite Cosmos Club

in Washington, she says she "didn't know anything about the bomb at the time." She was the only secretary in the OSRD who held the combination to the safe where the top secret documents were kept. She worked six days per week, 9 am–6 pm, during the war.

Meanwhile, General Groves appointed American physicist Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer to direct the scientific research for the atomic



*Sisters (from left) Elizabeth (Harrison) Maule '41 and Barbara (Harrison) Dresner '44 reunite at Lycoming in 2007*

bomb. According to Barbara, Dr. Oppenheimer traveled from a secret laboratory in Los Alamos, New Mexico, to Washington to provide updates to Dr. Bush, General Groves, and government officials on the Manhattan Project.

Barbara remembers Dr. Oppenheimer as a tall, thin

man, with piercing blue eyes. She says he was a soft-spoken man who smoked pipes or cigars.

During this time, Barbara also met Dwight "Ike" Eisenhower while he was a commanding officer in the U.S. Army. On a lighter note, Barbara recalls being invited by "Ike" to go on a dinner date with him, which, she says, she declined—twice! In 1953, Mr. Eisenhower became the 34<sup>th</sup> President of the United States.

Under President Harry S. Truman, the United States of America dropped the first atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, on August 6, 1945. Barbara was called into the OSRD at 4 a.m. that day to open the safe. She remembers all of the scientists being in the office the morning the bomb was dropped.

"I was the only one called in to do that," recalls Barbara. "It was just a part of my job to [open the safe]. It stayed in my mind because Dr. Oppenheimer and all the rest of them were very upset. And I use the word 'up-



*Barbara, Allan, their four children, and pet dogs in Washington.*



*Allan flew B-24s and PBVs in the war.*

set mildly—Oppenheimer especially. I remember he did a lot of dictating to me that day.

“I thought [the bomb] was an awful thing,” she says. “At the same time I thought if this bomb was going to end the war it would also save more lives.”

A second bomb was dropped over Nagasaki, Japan, on August 9, 1945. “I didn’t see why there had

to be a second one,” she says. “I remember hearing all kinds of things—like it was the most immoral thing to do.” The war officially ended when Japan signed the Instrument of Surrender on September 2, 1945.

The OSRD was dismantled within a few weeks after the war ended. Barbara was one of the last employees to leave the headquarters. Afterwards, for ten consecutive days, she dictated notes and processed paperwork for Dr. Oppenheimer in a building located across the street from the Carnegie Institution. Dr. Bush went on to retire as President of the Carnegie Institution in 1955.

During the war, a young fighter pilot named Allan Dresner was dispatched to the Pacific to fly B-24s and PBVs. He was involved in a fighter plane



*The bomb’s mushroom cloud (above) and devastation (below)*



*Allan Dresner when he met Barbara*

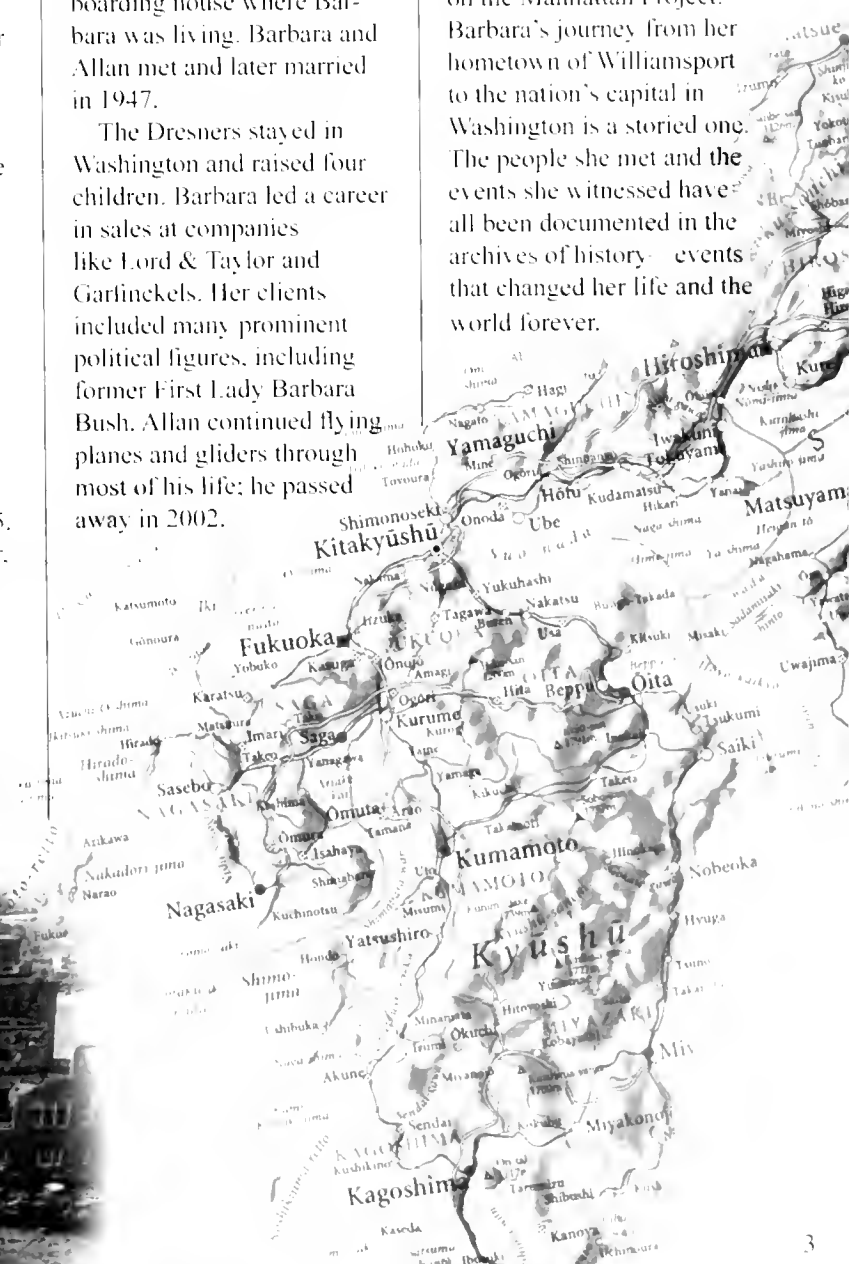
crash in which everyone miraculously survived. Upon his return to the United States, he moved into the boarding house where Barbara was living. Barbara and Allan met and later married in 1947.

The Dresners stayed in Washington and raised four children. Barbara led a career in sales at companies like Lord & Taylor and Garfinkel’s. Her clients included many prominent political figures, including former First Lady Barbara Bush. Allan continued flying planes and gliders through most of his life; he passed away in 2002.

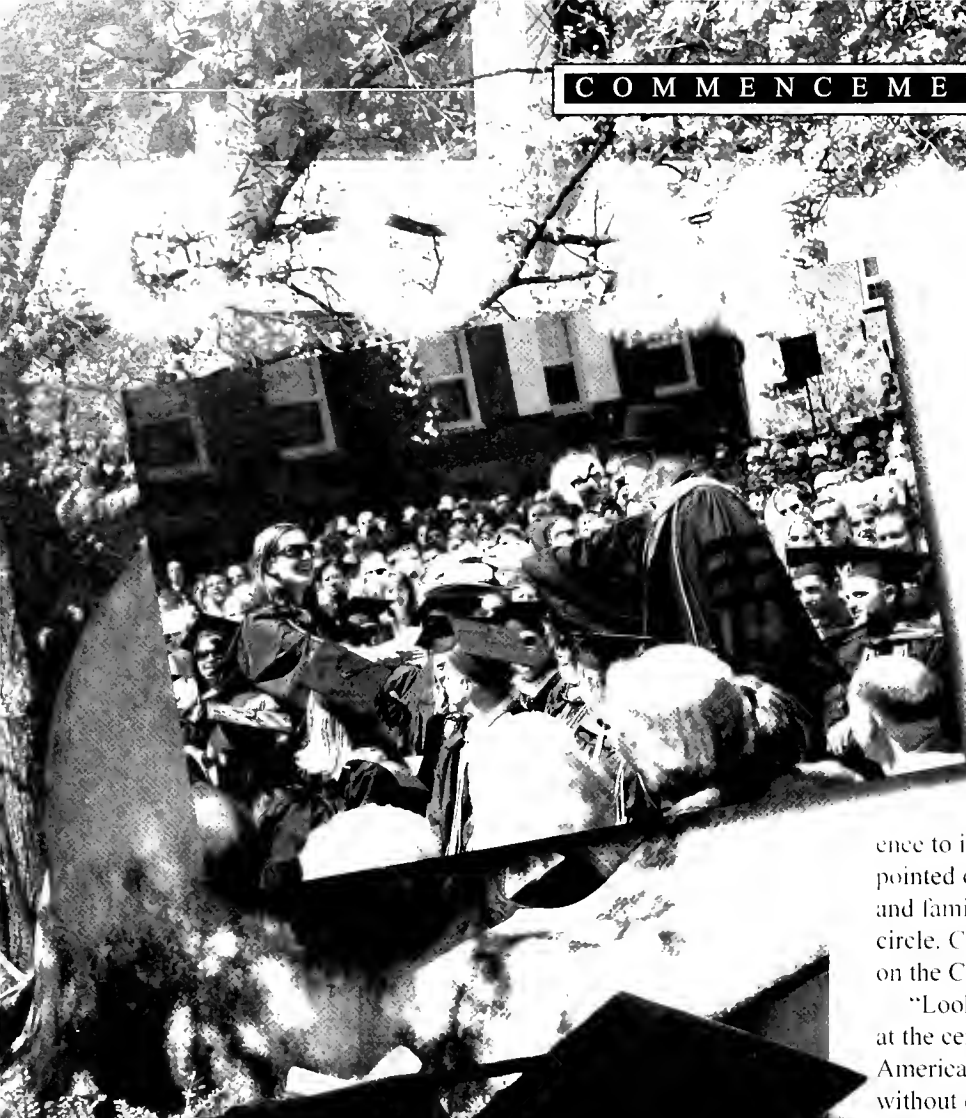
Today, Barbara enjoys traveling and taking classes in religion, culture, politics, and art. She stays in touch with her children and her family in the Williamsport area. Her sister and brother-in-law, Elizabeth (Harrison) and William Maule, are 1941 graduates of Williamsport Dickinson Junior College.

“Going to school at Lycoming was a foundation for a lot of my thinking,” Barbara says.

Barbara was recently contacted by Carnegie Institution officials who were conducting research on the Manhattan Project. Barbara’s journey from her hometown of Williamsport to the nation’s capital in Washington is a storied one. The people she met and the events she witnessed have all been documented in the archives of history—events that changed her life and the world forever.



## COMMENCEMENT

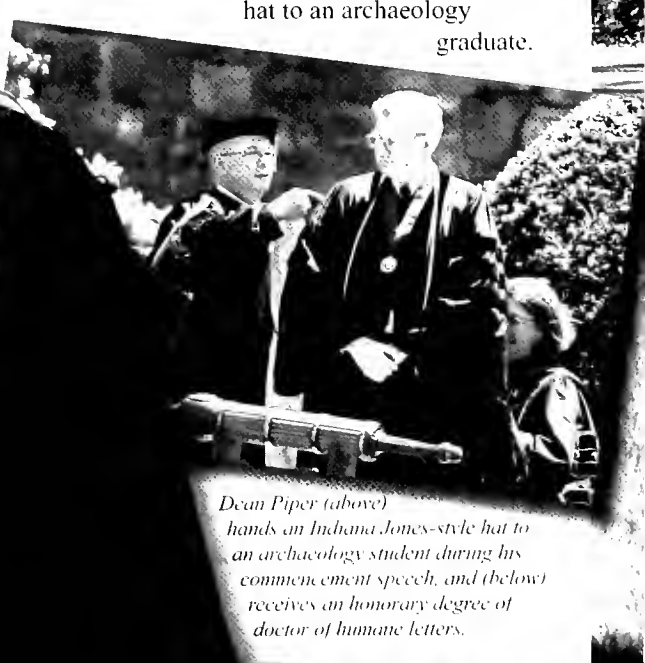


Retiring Dean of the College and Professor of History Dr. John F. Piper, Jr., delivered a stirring speech to the 318 graduates, their families, friends, faculty and staff at Lycoming College's 159<sup>th</sup> Annual Commencement on Sunday, May 6, 2007.

During his speech, Piper asked the audience to imagine two circles, one inside of the other. He pointed out that the graduates formed the inner circle, and families, friends, and educators made up the outer circle. Commencement attendees were seated as such on the College's quadrangle.

"Look around, Class of 2007, and realize you are at the center of this," said Piper. "The Dream and its American version are real but it does not exist or persist without dreamers, without men and women who dream. We are the dreamers, those of us gathered here."

Midway through his speech, Piper walked off of the platform and into the crowd to recognize graduates for their accomplishments in academics, community service, and other notable achievements. Piper briefly donned a top hat of College founder Reverend Benjamin Crever, and even presented an Indiana Jones-style hat to an archaeology graduate.



*Dean Piper (above) hands an Indiana Jones-style hat to an archaeology student during his commencement speech, and (below) receives an honorary degree of doctor of humane letters.*



# 2007



"Follow your dreams, remember this moment and these circles, a reminder that you are never ever alone," he said. "You are in our hearts and minds and prayers—and always in our dreams."

At the start of the ceremony, Piper was awarded an honorary degree, doctor of humane letters. He was invited to be this

year's commencement speaker in honor of his 38 years of service to Lycoming College.

Piper joined Lycoming from Mount Holyoke College in 1969 as an assistant professor of history. In 1993 he was appointed Dean of the College, the position from which he retired in June.

Christopher Cerasoli, of Cobleskill, N.Y., philosophy and

psychology majors, delivered the senior class greeting. Cerasoli employed the metaphor of building and sailing a ship to describe his class's Lycoming experiences and future paths. "It is now time for us to set sail upon new and exciting places," Cerasoli said. "It is with this spirit of anticipation and wonder that I encour-

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age each and every one of you to stand tall, let the winds of opportunity fill your sails, and embark upon the journey of a lifetime that starts from this very spot.”

Dr. James E. Douthat, President of the College, conferred and awarded 271 bachelor of arts and 47 bachelor of science diplomas. There were 18 graduates who achieved summa cum laude honors, 43 magna cum laude, and 61 cum laude.

In addition to Piper, President Douthat also recognized this year's retirees, Dr. H. Bruce Weaver (33 years of service), John Maness (19 years), Rev. J. Marco Hunsberger (18 years), Jane Keller (17 years), Dr. Kathleen Chamberlain (8 years), and Robert Griesemer (6 years).

The Lycoming College Choir, led by Dr. Fred Thayer, the Lycoming College Concert Band, conducted by Dr. William Ciabattari, and carillon player Dr. Gary Boerckel provided music for the ceremony.

The invocation and benediction were delivered by Sister Catherine Ann Gilvary and Reverend J. Marco Hunsberger, respectively.

The ROTC Commissioning Ceremony took place at Honors Hall on Sunday morning and recognized Jennifer Bonkowski '07. Bonkowski, who entered the Bison Battalion in 2003, received a first salute from Vincent D. Lapadual, Jr., SGM (Ret), Princeton ROTC, US Army.

Baccalaureate was held at 4 p.m. Saturday, May 5, in Lamade Gymnasium. The sermon was delivered by The Rev. Dr. David McAllister-Wilson, President of Wesley Theological Seminary. The senior class picnic was held that afternoon outside of the Academic Center.

*The senior class picnic is held outside of the Academic Center.*



*The procession for the 159th annual Commencement (above). Summa Cum Laude graduates and President Douthat at Clarke Chapel (right).*



*Seniors prepare for Commencement in Pennington Lounge.*



*AJ Francavilla '05 does a "zip line" through the rain forest.*

## Roatan Island, Honduras



*Nicole Rhodes is greeted by a dolphin friend.*

Dr. Mel Zimmerman, Professor of Biology and Director of the Clean Water Institute, has been teaching Tropical Marine Biology as part of the May Term at Lycoming College since 1984. He has made 16 trips to the Caribbean with more than 200 students from Lycoming. All but two of these trips were to the Hofstra University Marine lab in Jamaica.

During a sabbatical in 1989, Dr. Zimmerman and his wife, Gail (certified in Biology), were directors of the Hofstra lab for a semester. After 25 years in operation, the Hofstra lab in Jamaica closed in 2005, and Dr. Zimmerman used a professional development grant tied to his sabbatical in 2006 to complete an eight-day workshop organized by The Centers for Ocean Science Education Excellence (COSIEE) on Tropical Marine Ecology at the Roatan Institute for Marine Science (RIMS), a private teaching research lab housed at Anthony's Key, Roatan Island, Honduras.

The experience led Dr. Zimmerman to organize a May Term in 2007 that included an extended eight-day trip to Roatan. The RIMS lab is located in the middle of a 13km protected area known as the Sandy Bay Marine Reserve. The island of Roatan is along the southern edge of the second largest barrier reef in the world. The Meso-American Barrier Reef extends from Yukatan (Mexico) south to the Bay Islands of Honduras.

Eight students—AJ Francavilla '08, Patrick Hayes '08, Lauren Raby '08, Nicole Rhodes '08, Amber Rock '09, Jennifer Stinner '08, Alex Collins (St. Joseph University), and Eric Edelstein (Penn State Altoona)—joined Dr. Zimmerman, Gail, and Dr. Michelle Briggs, Assistant Professor and Chair of the Biology Department, for the "hands-on" experience that included snorkeling and diving the turtle grass lagoon, rocky shores, mangrove and reef communities around the Marine Reserve.

"Visiting the Caribbean and in particular Roatan was an incredible experience," says Francavilla. "The ability to take what we learned in the classroom and observe one of the best reefs in the world first-hand as a scuba diver was something that few people have the opportunity to do. It was a humbling and completely unforgettable experience."

According to Dr. Zimmerman, the two-to-three snorkel/dive trips each day were fantastic. The reefs were alive with coral, sponges and fish, including Groupers, Wrasse, Parrotfish, Butterfly fish, and an occasional Barracuda. Three students and Dr. Zimmerman were PADI-certified scuba divers and completed ten dives, including a night dive and wreck dive (the 200 foot El-Aquila ship sunk at 110 feet).

A scuba certification course is offered every semester at Lycoming for PE credit (Dr. Zimmerman is dive master). An added bonus to the lab was the dolphin training/research facility. Fifteen bottlenose dolphins reside at RIMS and, after lectures on their ecology and physiology, students were able to snorkel as part of their course encounter. Field trips also included a tropical forest/garden ecology tour and a "zip-line" canopy tour that started in the central-highland and ended at the sea.

The group agreed that Roatan is an island paradise, but its reefs are also stressed. During the past ten years, a combination of natural disasters (two hurricanes), coupled with sedimentation (from road building/agriculture erosion and deforestation), nutrient enrichment (from inadequate sewage treatment and agricultural fertilizers), as well as toxic chemicals (pesticides) and increased sea temperatures (which cause coral bleaching), has taken a toll on the health of the reef. These problems are similar to the problems of reefs worldwide and the staffs at RIMS and the Marine Preserve are involved in monitoring changes and conservation education for not only the "eco-tourists" but the Honduran community.

An added thrill for Dr. Zimmerman was the shark encounter dive. One of the early morning dives (three miles off coast and at 70 feet) included staff in appropriate shark-bite resistant wet suits feeding 20 reef sharks as five other "eco-tourists" from the resort sat on their knees taking pictures and video. The students created a Web blog of their trip that can be viewed at <http://hondurasmay.blogspot.com>.



*May Term in Honduras: (front) Nicole Rhodes, AJ Francavilla, Gail Zimmerman, and (back) Amber Rock, Alex Collins, Lauren Raby, Pat Hayes, Eric Edelstein, and Dr. Mel Zimmerman.*



*Divers AJ Francavilla, Dr. Mel Zimmerman, Nicole Rhodes, and Patrick Hayes.*

We began our journey as six Lyco students from very different places—New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and China. A couple of us had been friends before the trip but most of us had never spent much time together prior to embarking on our “European Business Experience.”

Our adventure began in London. While there, we toured the entire city, ate fish and chips, and rode the Underground. After getting a sense of the city’s culture, we visited companies like Bloomberg, a financial data company; the Chicago Board of Trade; the Bank of England; and Bell Pottinger, a public relations firm.

The next step on our trip was Paris. In the “City of Lights,” we went to the Eiffel Tower, visited the Mona Lisa at The Louvre, took a beautiful walking tour, and visited State Street Global Advisors.

Our last stop was Prague. Most of us agreed this old city was

# London, Paris & Prague

BY LISA STEUER '08



*Lycoming College students with Dr. Madresehee outside of the State Street Global Advisors offices. Students (below, l to r) Sarah Miller, Lisa Steuer, Kaylo Scott, Derek Yingst, Gwyn Bertelson, and Xue (Lala) Zhang stop for a group photo while on tour in Europe.*



the most beautiful. While there, we got a sense of the Czech Republic’s complicated history during a presentation on Communism. We also visited many businesses, such as the Prague Stock Exchange and the Orco Property Group. A particularly eye-opening experience was a visit to Terezin, a former Jewish ghetto and concentration camp.

Accompanied by Professor Alka Gandhi, we had the unique opportunity to spend the day with Petr Srsen, Pennsylvania’s Authorized Trade Representative in the Czech Republic. Mr. Srsen is the Director of the Czech Office of KTKL, a network of associated consulting and legal firms providing domestic and international consulting and legal services in many countries worldwide.

Mr. Srsen graciously hosted us in the Prague office and presented a lecture titled

"Doing Business in the Czech Republic." The Lycoming College Czech Republic connection was made through the Institute of Management Studies (IMS) internship coordinator and SEDA-Council of Governments (SEDA-COG) Export Development Team.

At the ORCO Property Group's Prague headquarters, we were guests of Mr. Barry Coleman, Director of Human Resources. Mr. Coleman spent a day on the Lycoming College campus in March

as the first IMS Visiting Executive. Mr. Coleman is a former business associate of Mr. Marshall Welch III, a trustee and IMS board member. Some students even met with Orco Property officials to talk about internships, so it's possible that some of us may come back to work in Europe.

Essentially, the trip was a business class, with the purpose of our seeing how businesses go global and operate around the world. We gained knowledge of this,

of course, but this experience was so much more than that. We saw aspects of these cities that other visitors never get to see. We were able to see these cities from the inside and how they operate day-to-day. We had the opportunity to walk the city streets in business suits, giving us a sense of what it would feel like to be in the working world there.

We started out on this journey as six students who didn't really know each other. We ended the trip as

friends who experienced an amazing part of the world together. Even though we are most likely going to go our separate ways in the future, I can't help but feel that this experience has connected us in a unique way.

We will never forget our time in Europe and hopefully we will all get to go back. Our May Term experience has certainly prepared us if the opportunity ever comes our way again.



## Concert Tour

The Lycoming College Choir completed the European Concert Tour May 11-23, 2007. Thirty-nine students performed six concerts under the direction of Dr. Fred Thayer. Musical selections ranged from Ernani Aguiar's *Salmo 150* to Marek Jasinski's *Ave Maria*.


The choir performed in St. Thomas' Church in Leipzig, Germany, made famous by Johann Sebastian Bach, who served as cantor there for more than 20 years. The choir also performed in Wagenfeld and Berlin, Germany; Pardubice and Prague, Czech Republic; and in Budapest, Hungary.

Joining the choir members were President James and Mrs. Emily Douthat, Mrs. Pat Thayer, and choir accompanist Mr. Tim Levan.

In its six decades of music, the Lycoming College Choir has performed hundreds of concerts, including appearances in the Washington National Cathedral, the Washington Shrine, the Crystal Cathedral, Coral Ridge Saint John the Divine, and Saint Patrick's Cathedral. The choir has also been featured twice in the Holiday Celebration at the White House.

*The Lycoming College choir (top) performed in St. Thomas' Church in Leipzig. Thirty-nine students (left) performed six concerts under the direction of Dr. Fred Thayer.*





# SPORTS

by Cotton Mayer • Sports Information Director

# review

WOMEN'S AND MEN'S LACROSSE SOFTBALL MEN'S TENNIS GOLF

During a wet spring season, five Lycoming College sports teams competed in hopes of a Middle Atlantic or Freedom Conference championship. Women's and men's lacrosse, softball, men's tennis and golf closed out the 2006-2007 academic year with hard work and dedication on the field, the diamond, the court and the course. Along the way, 10 student-athletes received All-Conference recognition and 18 student-athletes made the MAC Spring Academic Honor Roll.

## Women's Lacrosse (14-4)

The women's lacrosse team achieved great success in 2007, entering the national spotlight in late-March with a Top-20 division III ranking. The Lady Warriors remained in the IWLCA (Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse

Coaches Association) rankings for three weeks thanks to victories over nationally-ranked opponents Messiah and Montclair State. Late road losses to conference rivals Elizabethtown and Drew spoiled an undefeated season and dropped Lycoming from the Top-20. The Lady Warriors' only home loss came to Eastern in the second-to-last regular season game.

Nonetheless, Lycoming stormed into the MAC Play-offs and trounced Scranton 25-13 in the first round. The score topped the all-time Lycoming record for goals in a game, while

sophomore midfielder **Sarah Wingerden** equaled school bests with nine goals and 12 points on the day. The Lady Warriors then advanced to the second round where they fell 14-12 in a rematch with eventual MAC champion Drew. Lycoming finished with a 9-3 record in the MAC.

Wingerden and senior defender **Erin Dillon** claimed first team All-Conference honors after the season. Freshman **Megan McIntyre** and the team's leading scorer junior **Megan Wallenhorst** gained second team recognition at the highly competitive attacker spots.

When the IWLCA handed out its All-Region

honors, Wingerden and Wallenhorst made the first team, while Dillon and sophomore defender **Morgan Reale** were listed as second team. Dillon was Lycoming's only senior in 2007, so the future looks bright for next year's Lady Warriors.

Over the course of the 2007 season, not only did Wallenhorst break Lycoming's all-time career goal record with her 171<sup>st</sup> goal, but junior attacker **Heather Suit** eclipsed the school's all-time assist mark. Furthermore, junior goaltender **Kristina Peacock** shared co-MVP honors at the postseason banquet with Wingerden.

Next year's Lady Warriors should be fully loaded and prepared to compete for a MAC championship and a berth in the NCAA Playoffs.

*Paige Botti, Crystal Cook, Megan Wallenhorst, and Sarah Wingerden roam upfield after a score.*





All-conference attacker *Jim Cusick* prepares to rifle a shot

### Men's Lacrosse (4-10)

On the men's side, first-year head coach **Brian Anken** settled into MAC competition with a win over DeSales in Lycoming's opening conference game. Unfortunately, the win followed four out-of-conference losses. However, throughout Anken's debut season, his team's palpable energy was testimony to its fortitude. The Warriors came out pumped up for every game because coaches and players alike knew that their record was deceiving.

As upperclassmen and freshmen learned Anken's style of play, Lycoming took on the role of spoiler, knocking off top teams Elizabeth-town and FDU-Florham in consecutive weeks down the stretch. Consequently, the Warriors found themselves on the verge of the MAC Playoffs near the end of the year. Lycoming was eliminated by Drew in the final game of the regular season, but not before Anken's squad established itself as a tough future competitor in the MAC.

The Warriors lose five seniors from 2007, includ-

ing co-captains **Tom Nairn** and **Kyle Shearer**, but they return over 30 players next year. Sophomore long stick midfielder **J.P. Earp** was named first team All-Conference following the 2007 campaign, while junior attacker **Dan Cannon**, Lycoming's leading scorer, and junior midfielder **Jim Cusick** both made second team All-MAC. Also, returning goalie **Kyle Gilfoy** was named MAC Goalie of the Week prior to the final week of the season. Gilfoy will be a junior in 2008 and should lead a well-prepared Warrior team.

### Softball (1-13)

After losing four-time All-Conference pitcher **Morgan Mantle** to graduation in 2006, the Lady Warriors knew they would have to battle for every win in 2007. With the help of returning second-team All-Conference center fielder senior **Missy McCoy** and freshman upstart **Jessica Nabholz**, Lycoming gained experience that will be valuable in 2008.

McCoy batted a sparkling .409 this year, while starting all 14 games. She also recorded a team-high .523 slugging percentage, including a home run and a triple. Meanwhile, Nabholz led the Lady Warriors with a .410 batting average and started three games on the mound.

Much of the 2007 softball season was plagued

with rain. Several games were either cancelled or had to be rescheduled. Possibly the biggest challenge for Lycoming was having only one day to practice before beginning its Freedom Conference schedule. But head coach **Chris Ditzler** managed to bring her team together by the third game of the season,

which the Lady Warriors



Centerfielder *Missy McCoy* fields a fly ball.

won 6-5 over Scranton.

Lycoming said goodbye to three seniors in May, including McCoy, who earned her second straight second team All-MAC recognition in 2007. McCoy's bat will surely be missed next year, while the starting battery of senior pitcher **Katie Shaw** and senior catcher **Betsy Reese** was equally as important on the year. Shaw started eight games for the Lady Warriors and Reese's presence was always invaluable. Whether she was calling a game from behind the plate or explaining the opposing pitcher's tendencies to Lycoming's on-deck batter, Reese was the epitome of a team leader.

Ditzler will field a strong senior class again in 2008 with outfielder **Hilarie Powers**, second baseman **Dana Marek**, first baseman **Holly Billow** and pitcher **Nicole Rhodes** completing the list. If Rhodes and Nabholz can pin down the pitching, Lycoming should maintain a strong defense and consistent offense.

### Men's Tennis (0-6)

The Warrior tennis schedule was shuffled slightly because of inclement weather in 2007, but head coach **John Dornier**'s team managed to play six conference matches before the Individual MAC Tournament at the end of April.

In his final year of collegiate tennis, senior **Mike Byerly** earned first team All-Conference honors. Byerly won his first round match at the Individual MAC Tournament, but fell in the second round. In similar fashion, Byerly teamed with Lycoming sophomore **John Stutzman** in first doubles, where the pair advanced



to the second round before bowing out.

Stutzman and returning players **Colin Baier**, **Jeff Moreum** and **Michael Henao** all lost in the first round of the MAC Individuals. But, the experience should bode well for the group, as they will be joined by three other returning players next year. Baier, Moreum and **John Scarangelo** will be seniors.

**Golf**

The weather played havoc with Lycoming's golf schedule in 2007. Because of cold or rainy conditions, head coach **Jamie Spencer's** squad could only compete in two regular season events before heading to the MAC Tournament at Shawnee-on-the-Delaware.

Senior **Ryan Nelson** shot a team-best 79 in the Warriors opening match at Elizabethtown, while fellow senior **Jordan Isenburg**

led Lycoming at the Susquehanna Invitational with a 76. At the MAC Tournament, Nelson claimed second team All-Conference with a tenth-place finish. He shot an impressive 115 over the first day's 27 holes and then followed with a 125 on day two.

The Warriors return six golfers from this year's team and hope to compete for a MAC championship in 2008.



*The Warriors return six golfers from this year's team and hope to compete for a MAC championship in 2008.*

**Academic Honor Roll**

Eighteen Lycoming student-athletes were recognized on the 2007 MAC Spring Academic Honor Roll, which requires that a player holds a 3.2 GPA or

better (freshmen are excluded).

Softball led the way with seven players making the list. Seniors **Katie Shaw**, **Betsy Reese** and **Missy McCoy** were joined by juniors **Holly Billow**, **Dana Marek**, **Hilarie Powers** and sophomore **Amber Rock**.

The golf team placed senior **Matt Murdock** and juniors **Aaron Reiprich**,

**John Kerr**, **Nathan Tillson** and **Sean Driscoll** on the Honor Roll.

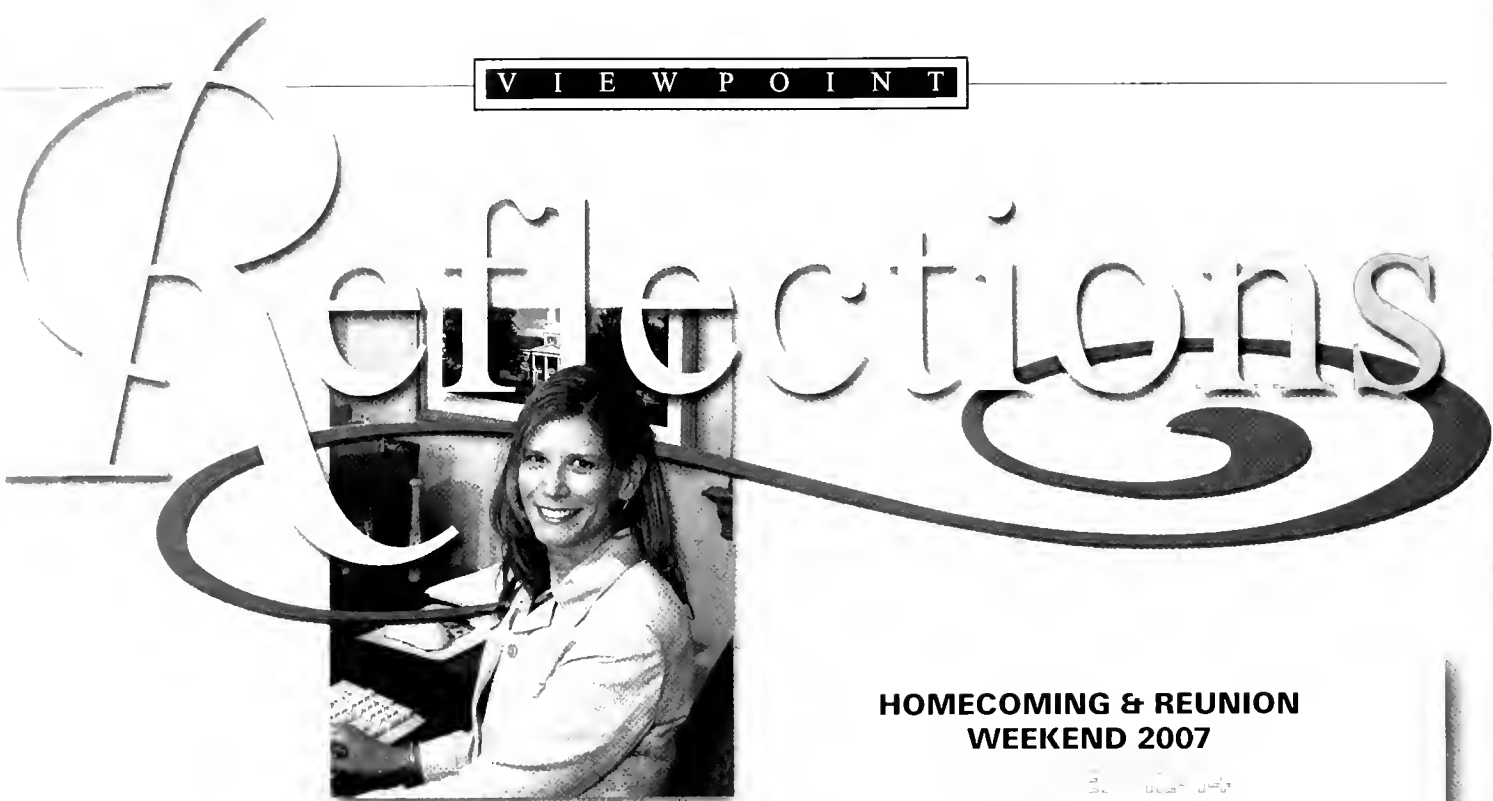
Tennis players senior **Niek Dalessandro**, junior **Colin Baier** and sophomore **John Stutzman** were honored along with women's lacrosse players senior **Erin Dillon** and sophomore **Kelly Mack**, and men's lacrosse player **David Labagh**.



*Number-one singles player Mike Byerly awaits a serve.*

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## HOMECOMING & REUNION WEEKEND 2007

Dear Friends,

The campus quiets in summertime. The Quad is still but for the chatter of birds and the breeze through the trees. Its mighty oaks and blanket of grass are vibrantly green. In the midst of this peaceful picture, we find ourselves awaiting the vibrancy our students bring upon their return to campus – our students, whose education is our mission and passion, our duty and privilege, as an institution and as an extended community of alumni and friends.

In the midst of this quiet season of the academic calendar, the Alumni Office is busily working as we await yet another return to campus – that of you, alumni, at Homecoming.

We look forward to the October 12-14 weekend and are planning opportunities to gather and enjoy one another's company and the beauty of campus that include both time-honored traditions and activities we hope will become new favorites. Shortly you will receive your 2007 Homecoming brochure. We hope you will explore the weekend's events and choose to join your fellow alumni here in Williamsport for the festivities that will take place during the height of north central Pennsylvania's fall foliage color.

We are planning for our 2nd Annual Homecoming Fireworks display, to kick off the weekend on Friday evening. This is no small show, as last year's inaugural event proved. Plan to start the weekend early and with a bang as we light up the sky above Lycoming College.

New this year will be an all-alumni dinner on Saturday evening, offering an opportunity for reunion classes and organizations to spend time with one another as well as other alumni who may not be marking anniversary years. The dinner will be held at the Holiday Inn Downtown, adjacent to the new Market Street Bridge and itself a site slated for expansion in the near future.

If you haven't been to Williamsport in a while, you may enjoy a stop at Starbucks Coffee at the Basin Street exit of I-180, or at one of our locally-owned coffee shops like Julie's Coffee on Third Street or, on Fourth Street, the Java, Juice & Art Café or the Coffee and Tea Room, located at the site of Williamsport's recently unveiled, larger-than-life, panoramic mural and across the street from the city's beautifully restored Community Arts Center (formerly the Capitol Theatre). All of these are within walking distance from the downtown hotels.

Even more exciting to us is what's new on campus: By Homecoming, our brand new dormitory complex on the corner of Mulberry Street and Washington Boulevard will be occupied, housing more than 80 students, and on Homecoming Saturday, the Class of 2007's gift to the College, a marker commemorating Old Main and honoring those who knew it, will be dedicated. If you have yet to see the Mary Lindsay Welch Honors Hall, on the corner of Basin and Fourth Streets, or the 54,000-square-foot Recreation Center, those alone are worth your trip. Campus tours depart from Burchfield Lounge at 9:45 and 10:15 on Saturday morning, October 13.

We eagerly anticipate welcoming you this fall and are grateful for the vibrancy that you continue to bring to our campus.

*Melanie Harris Taormina*

Melanie Harris Taormina '94  
Director of Alumni Relations

# A Message From Your Alumni Association Executive Board



## CLOSE

### ENCLOSURE

Have you ever been out wearing your comfy old Lyco sweatshirt when someone stopped you to say “Hey, I went to Lyco!” Wendy Park Myers '89 was with her family in a diner in New Jersey – on her way to Williamsport – when someone stopped her. Rick Felix '59 was at the US/Canadian border when a border officer saw the Lycoming sticker in his car.

We want your stories of Lycoming encounters – pictures are even better! Email your story and picture to the Alumni Association at AAEB@lycoming.edu. If your Lycoming sweatshirt needs updating, check out the bookstore online at <http://www.lycobookstore.com/>

It's summer time and the livin' is easy. For now, the letters and phone calls from Lycoming's development office have stopped. But the invitations to Lycoming events keep on coming. You see, Lycoming wants you to be an involved alumnus and there are a lot of ways to do that—not all of them involve money.

The easiest way to get involved is to come out to a Lycoming event in your area. Throughout the year, Lycoming hosts events in areas of the country where there are heavy concentrations of alumni. Of course, if you're the one alumnus in North Dakota, you'll probably have to travel a bit to get to an event!

But, if you're not the social type, perhaps you'd rather get involved by coming to campus to speak to students about your current career path or avocation. As you peruse this and past issues of the *Lycoming Magazine*, you'll see stories about other alumni who have chosen to share their talents and interests with students.

Another great way to get involved and help the College at the same time is to give some time as an Admissions volunteer. Right now, the Admissions Office is looking for alumni to represent Lycoming at college fairs up and down the east coast. The College will provide you with all the appropriate materials and answer any questions you might have. Mark Ohlinger '92, a member of the Alumni Association Executive Board, is coordinating this effort with the Admissions Office. Please contact him at [mohlinger@comcast.net](mailto:mohlinger@comcast.net) to learn more.

You may recall visiting the Career Development Center (CDC) shortly before graduation to learn how to write a resume or how to behave at a business dinner (remember Wine, Dine and Act Fine?) In the next issue of the *Lycoming Magazine*, we'll explore ways that you, as an alumnus, can still use the services of the CDC to help a current student explore career opportunities or a recent graduate make business connections to find a job.

As you can see there are a lot of ways for Lycoming alumni to continue to have a relationship with the College and many of them don't involve money. But, don't get us wrong

Lycoming wants and needs your financial support. More than 90% of current students receive some type of financial aid and that would not be possible without the generosity of our alumni and friends. Your financial support is critical to the continuing success of the College. But, your time and involvement are just as important to continuing the success that the College has known since 1812. How will you become involved?

**If you have other ideas  
for staying connected to  
Lycoming,  
please email me  
Alumni  
Association Executive  
Board at  
AAEB@lycoming.edu  
We're interested in  
what our fellow alumni  
have to say.**

**FRIDAY - SUNDAY**

**OCTOBER 12 - 14**

FROM LYCO WITH LOVE

**2006**

**Come back and BOND this Homecoming weekend!**

## Featured Events

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

10:30 a.m. • Homecoming Classic Golf Tournament • White Deer Golf Course, Rt. 15, Montgomery (\$70)  
3:00 - 4:00 p.m. • Always Seen, Never Understood: Sculpture and Stained Glass Walking Tour with Dr. Amy Golahny Fine Arts Building Lobby to James V. Brown Library and Christ Episcopal Church  
6:00 p.m. • Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Social Hour and Dinner • Holiday Inn Downtown (\$18)  
8:30 p.m. • 2nd Annual Homecoming Fireworks • Mulberry Street Parking Lot

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. • Homecoming Registration & Campus Tours • Burchfield Lounge, WSC  
For the kids: Fencing demonstration and lessons by the Lycoming Fencers Club and Guild of Swordsmen (on the Quad)  
10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. • Alumni Brunch and Awards Presentation • Jane Schultz Dining Room, WSC (\$15)  
12:30 p.m. • Homecoming Parade: From Lyco With Love  
1:30 p.m. • Football Game: Lycoming vs. Wilkes • David Person Field • Reunion pictures; Alumni Awards and Athletic Hall of Fame Recognition  
4:30 - 6:00 p.m. • All-Alumni Reunion Social Hour • Holiday Inn Downtown  
6:00 - 8:00 p.m. • All-Alumni Reunion Dinner • Holiday Inn Downtown (\$25)

6:00 p.m. • President's Annual Dinner • Jane Schultz Dining Room, WSC (by invitation)

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

11:30 a.m. • Class of 1957 Recognition and Heritage Club Brunch with President James and Emily Douthat • Jane Schultz Dining Room, WSC (\$15; Class of 1957, no charge)

### SPECIAL REUNIONS

Class of 1957	50th reunion
Men's Soccer	50th anniversary
Men's Swimming	50th anniversary
Women's Swimming	35th anniversary

### SPORTING EVENTS

Men's Soccer	Saturday, 11:00 a.m.
v. Penn State Berks	
Football	Saturday, 1:30 p.m.
v. Wilkes	
Women's Soccer	Saturday, 4:00 p.m.
v. Penn State Berks	

**Other reunion year classes as well as academic departments, athletic programs, and Greek organizations are planning events during Homecoming Weekend. Watch for your Homecoming brochure in the mail or check the website for further information.**

# Alumni

H A P P E N I N G S

## & gatherings

### Alumni Picnic at the Pittsburgh Zoo

The fish and their fellow aquarium creatures weren't the only ones getting wet at the Pittsburgh Zoo on Saturday, April 28, 2007, when several Lycoming alumni and friends nevertheless donned their rain gear and met up to enjoy Lycoming memories and learn about what's new at the College. Thanks to the cover of our reserved pavilion, the group picnicked in relative comfort and also discussed plans for future gatherings in the western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio areas before visiting with some finned and four-legged friends.

### Tour Choir Send-Off Reception

Over 50 alumni, parents, and friends greeted one another and met representatives from the Tour Choir at a dessert reception prior to the group's bon voyage concert on the eve of its European tour. Choir president Meghan Strong '07 and vice president Josh Good '08 talked with guests who gathered in the social hall of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Williamsport, the site of the evening's concert. The choir was in fine form as it shared music from the

repertoire planned for its tour of Germany, Hungary, and the Czech Republic.

### NYC Area Alumni Meet in East Village

More than 30 alums and friends gathered on the evening of June 12, 2007, at Common Ground in New York's East Village. Alumni and guests noshed on assorted appetizers and panini while networking, swapping notes on the City, and sharing Lyco reminiscences. Lynn Jackson, Vice President for College Advancement; Melanie Harris Taormina '94, Director of Alumni Relations; and Chip Edmonds '98, Major Gift Officer, brought news and photos from "home" to share with the group, which is eager to get together again and expects an even larger turnout as word of the gathering spreads among our many alumni in the area.



Meredith Lewis '96 and Rick Shue '91



Alicia (Klosowski) Tillman '97 and Pauline Loh



'05 and '50 LaTrice McNeil-Smith and Henry Lucas were the youngest and eldest alumni at the New York City Alumni Social Hour in June



Todd Broccolo '90, Jennifer Likar '92 and Tracey Clayworth '00

# ALUMNI

# EVENTS

For all events, visit [www.lycoming.edu/alumni](http://www.lycoming.edu/alumni) or call 570-321-4376 for further information.

## SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2007

### Alumni and Friends Picnic at Treasure Lake • DuBois, PA

Gather at the lake for a relaxing afternoon of picnicking and conversing, courtesy of our hosts Bob '58 and Charlene Shangraw. • Time TBA

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2007

### Annual New Jersey Picnic • The Barnyard and Carriage House • 754 Totowa Road, Totowa, NJ

Gather with friends old and new on the patio at the Barnyard and Carriage House, owned and operated by Michael Holland '89 and Shannon (Holland) Desiderioscioli '92. Enjoy hamburgers, BBQ chicken, BBQ ribs, beer, wine, volleyball, horseshoes, and more.  
2:00 - 6:00 p.m. • \$30/person

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 2007

### Lycoming Alumni Picnic at Bowman Field • Williamsport, PA • T-shirt giveaway night!

Williamsport Crosscutters v. Mahoning Valley Scrappers • 6:00 p.m. – buffet picnic in Cutters Cove / 7:05 p.m. – game time  
\$17/person includes picnic, game ticket, and Cutters t-shirt

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2007

### King Tut Exhibit at Franklin Institute • Philadelphia, PA

Join fellow alumni for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. After its stop in Philadelphia, this exhibit leaves the United States. View treasures never before seen outside of Egypt. Don't miss this chance! Gather afterwards for an informal luncheon at a nearby venue to be announced.  
9:00 a.m. – tour / 1:00 p.m. – luncheon

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2007

### Midwest Alumni Gathering at Wrigley Field • Chicago, IL

Relax at the ballpark with this last chance to take in regular-season play as the Cubbies take on the Pittsburgh Pirates in an afternoon game. The fun continues afterwards with refreshments at a nearby venue to be announced.  
1:00 p.m. – meet at seats / 1:20 p.m. – game time • \$20/person

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2007

### Lycoming v. Albright Football and Post-Game Gathering • Reading, PA

Cheer on the Warriors and gather afterwards at the Pike Café for food and fun. • 1:00 p.m. - game time

## OCTOBER 12-14, 2007

### HOMECOMING WEEKEND

Mark your calendars now and plan to return to campus for fireworks, football, and all your favorite fall festivities. You'll want to see what's new on campus!

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2007

### Lycoming v. Delaware Valley Football and Post-Game Gathering • Doylestown, PA

Cheer on the Warriors and gather with fellow alumni afterwards at the nearby New Britain Inn for good eats and good times.  
1:00 p.m. game time

### HOMECOMING GOLF OUTING

The Annual Homecoming Golf Outing sponsored by the Alumni Association Executive Board will again be held in conjunction with Homecoming Weekend. This year's event will take place on October 12, 2007, at the White Deer Golf Course in Allenwood on the Vintage ("old") Course. Registration is at 10:30 a.m., with a shot-gun start at 11 a.m. Carts, lunch, and a participation gift will be provided for all golfers. The registration fee remains at \$70.00. More information will be available in the Homecoming brochure to be mailed this summer.



LYCOMING COLLEGE

# TOWER Society

# 20<sup>th</sup>

# ANNIVERSARY



*Dean Piper in costume as Rev. Benjamin Crever, acknowledges trustees*



*President Douthat recognizes Dale A. Bower '59 for his role in creating the Tower Society in 1987*



*Tower Society guests enjoy campus tours in Peter Herdie trolleys*



*Arthur Haberberger '59 leads the toast.*

More than fifty guests attended a special luncheon on May 10, 2007, in the Jane Schultz Room to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lycoming College Tower Society.

The Tower Society was established in 1987 to recognize the generosity of donors who have included Lycoming College in their estate plan by making a bequest or by making the College a beneficiary of a retirement plan, a life insurance policy, a charitable trust or a charitable gift annuity.

Remarks were shared by Dr. James E. Douthat, President of the College; Arthur A. Haberberger '59, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; and Nancy L. Kulchycki, Director of Major and Planned Gifts.

Dr. John Piper, Dean of the College, made a special appearance in costume as College founder Rev. Benjamin Crever and provided an historical account of the institution's ascension to national status. The Rev. Gerald D. Wagner '56 delivered the invocation.

Following lunch, guests were shuttled around campus in two Peter Herdie trolleys for tours narrated by Charles "Chip" Edmonds '98, Major and Planned Gift Officer, and Melanie Harris Faormina '94, Director of Alumni Relations. Jennifer Desmond Wilson, Director of Development, led a tour of Honors Hall.

The group returned to the Jane Schultz room that afternoon for a special archives program hosted by Janet Hurlbert, Associate Dean and Director of Library Services. Jane Landon, a Tower member, played the piano and Peter Ruhl, Admissions Counselor, made a special appearance in costume as "Yats I sool," a team spirit character well-known to students who attended in the 1940s and 50s.

For more information about the Tower Society, please contact Ms. Kulchycki at 570.321.4196.

# At Lycoming

## Chairman's Gift Securing the Future

Arthur Haberberger '59, Chairman of the Lycoming College Board of Trustees, and his wife, Joanne, have established The Chairman's Challenge. Because of their belief in the value of a liberal arts education and in an effort to increase the Lycoming College endowment, they have generously offered to help donors reach the minimum commitment of \$25,000 to establish an endowed scholarship.

Art and Joanne will invest \$5,000 toward a new endowed scholarship established with your gift of \$20,000. The name of your scholarship is your choice, and can be named after a family member, in memory of a loved one, or yourself. The Development Office can help you develop criteria to give preference to students in certain academic fields of interest or who possess specific attributes.

The endowment is the financial foundation upon which the institution's future lies and is a true indicator of its strength. In 1990 Lycoming College's endow-

ment was about \$17 million. Today, thanks to the generous support of our donors and strong fiscal policy, Lycoming College has over \$134 million in funds under management.

The endowment is invested by the College's fund managers and a portion of the earnings is used each year in perpetuity to fund scholarships, professorships, and other funds as designated by donors.

Approximately 95% of Lycoming students require some kind of financial aid to attend the College. The endowment provides a permanent funding base for financial aid and enables students to attend Lycoming regardless of their ability to pay.

The College is excited to announce The Chairman's Challenge and is grateful to Art and Joanne for creating this opportunity for our donors and our students. As with any gift to the College, you can fund your scholarship with cash or appreciated securities. The Haberbergers hope you will join them by investing in something as promising as the futures of Lycoming College students.

For more information or inquiries, please contact Jennifer Wilson, Director of Development, at 570.321.4193, or [wilson@lycoming.edu](mailto:wilson@lycoming.edu)



Arthur '59 and Joanne Haberberger

As an expression of sympathy, the Student Senate of Lycoming College coordinated the signing of a Book of Condolences that was forwarded to the Virginia Tech Student Government Association.

## Gough Wins Chieftain Award

Jessica Gough of Berwick was presented with the Chieftain Award, Lycoming College's highest honor given to a graduating senior, by President James E. Douthat at the College's Honors Convocation April 22.

The Chieftain Award recognizes "the senior who has contributed the most to Lycoming College through support of school activities; who has exhibited outstanding leadership qualities; who has worked effectively with other members of the College community; who has evidenced a good moral character; and whose academic rank is above the median of the preceding senior class."

Gough is a mathematics/actuarial mathematics/quantitative economics triple major, and has been on the dean's list every semester at Lycoming. She is the president of her senior class, a member of

## Lycos Sends Condolences To Virginia Tech

Lycoming College faculty, staff, and students gathered in the Mary L. Welch Honors Hall the evening of April 17 to offer prayers for those affected by the tragic events at Virginia Tech that unfolded on April 16, 2007. The group joined together to honor those who lost their lives, their loved ones, and for the Virginia Tech college community.

The service included scripture readings, prayers, hymns, and the lighting of "candles of hope." President James E. Douthat offered a message, reminding those gathered to pray for both the living and the dead.

Sister Catherine Ann Gilvary opened the service saying, "We're not trying to put words to this tragedy. As a community of faith, we gather tonight to be with one another."



The college community comes together for a prayer vigil for Virginia Tech.





Jessica Gough '07

student senate, the Panhellenic council treasurer, a math tutor, and dance instructor, to list a few of her accomplishments.

Gough, who earned 2007 second team All-Conference for her part in the women's swimming 200 free and 200 medley relay teams, is a perennial recipient of the MAC's student-athlete Academic Honor Roll. Gough was given the Teammate Award and the prestigious Mort Rauff Award for "the swimmer who demonstrated overall individual excellence and team spirit."

Beginning in July, she will work as an actuary for Prudential Financial.

### Four Faculty Members Honored With Top Teaching Awards

Four Lycoming College faculty members received awards for teaching excellence and service at the College's Honors Convocation on April 22.

**Dr. Gene Sprechini** was honored with the 2007 Constance Cupp Plankenhorn Alumni Award for Faculty Excellence. Dr. Sprechini is an associate professor of mathematical sciences. He is a member of the American Statistical Association

and is the coordinator of the College's Actuarial Mathematics program. He received his bachelor's degree from Wilkes College, and earned his master's and Ph.D. from SUNY at Binghamton.

**Dr. Alka Gandhi** was the recipient of the 2007 Junior Faculty Teaching Award for excellence in teaching. She is currently an assistant professor of Economics at Lycoming. She completed her undergraduate education at Duke University, her master's at University of Kansas, and her Ph.D. from Ohio State University.

**Dr. Timothy Carter** received the Makisu Award, which the student body presents to a faculty member for extraordinary service and dedication. Dr. Carter is associate professor and Chair of the Department of Criminal Justice. He completed his bachelor's and master's degrees at University of South Carolina, and his Ph.D. in Administration of Justice at The Pennsylvania State University.

**Dr. Mehrdad Madresehee** received The Robert and Mary Jackson Shangraw Professorship, recognizing an outstanding professor in the business, economics or



Dr. Mehrdad Madresehee is congratulated by Robert Shangraw '58.

accounting programs. Dr. Madresehee is a professor of economics and the director of the College's Institute for Management Studies. He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Tehran, a master's from the National University of Iran, a master's from the University of Idaho, and a Ph.D. from Washington State University.

### Art History Professor Awarded NEH Stipend

Dr. Amy Golahny, Professor of Art History at Lycoming College, was the recipient of a 2007 National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) summer stipend to further her current research project on the artist Rembrandt and the country of Italy.

The NEH stipend is awarded to fund scholarly work that will conclude with the publication of the recipient's work. Dr. Golahny will utilize the award to further her current research and, ultimately, publish a book on her two research subjects.

Dr. Golahny also received a Lycoming summer grant for a project she is completing on Pieter Lastman, Rembrandt's teacher. The Lastman project will result in the publication of an article.

She holds degrees from Brandeis University (BA), Williams College (MA), and Columbia University (PhD).

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) is an independent federal agency created in 1965. It is the largest funder of humanities programs in the United States. The Endowment provides grants for high-quality humanities projects in four funding areas: preserving and providing access to cultural resources, education, research, and public programs.

### Lyco Leadership & Service Awards

Lycoming College held its inaugural Leadership & Service Awards Banquet on April 11 in the Recreation Center. Dr. Daniel Miller, Dean of Student Affairs, made opening remarks to the more than 160 attendees on the theme of "Leading by Example."

Laura Johnson, Director of Student Recreation/Conference, presented the Intramurals awards; Allison Bressler, Assistant Director of Student Programs and Leadership Development, announced the Fraternity and Sorority Awards; and Larry Mannolini, Director of Student Programs and Leadership Development handed



President Douthat, Dr. Gene Sprechini, Dr. Alka Gandhi, and Dean Piper at Honors Convocation.



*Congratulations to the winners of the Leadership & Service Awards*



*Marco Hunsberger is congratulated by staff and students.*



*Staff and students socialize following the awards ceremony*

out the Student Program and Leadership Development awards. Students Kyle Peay '08 and Josh Williard '07 presented the Community Service Awards.

*Female Intramural Sports Athlete of the Year:*  
**Lindsey Artz '07**

*Male Intramural Sports Athlete of the Year:*  
**Joshua Williard '07**

*Panhellenic Spirit Award:*  
**Emily Patton '09**

*Panhellenic Service Award:*  
**Emily Patton '09**

*Panhellenic Scholar of the Year:*  
**Jamie Rowe '08**

*IFC Spirit Award:*  
**Nicholas Lucas '09**

*IFC Service Award:*  
**Eric Erb '08**

*IFC Scholar of the Year:*  
**Nicholas Lucas '09**

*Sorority Woman of the Year:*  
**Jessica Gough '07**

*Fraternity Man of the Year:*  
**Christopher Lee '08**

*Advisor of the Year:*  
**Diane Carl**

*Outstanding Program of the Year:*  
**Yellowcard Concert**

*Student Organization Advisor of the Year:*  
**Larry Mannolini**

*Student Organization of the Year:*

**United Campus Ministry Outstanding Leader on Campus**  
**Lindsay Martin '07**

*Outstanding Philanthropy Award:*  
**Colleges Against Cancer**

*Volunteer of the Year Award:*  
**Jamie Tribo '07**

*Sister Vincent Humanitarian Award:*  
**Marco Hunsberger**

**Senior Zachary Dotson Wins \$7,500 Prize In Business Plan Challenge**

Lycoming College senior Zachary Dotson of Hanover was awarded \$7,500 for his

second-place finish in the Second Annual Quad College & University Business Plan Challenge on April 17, funded by the Ben Franklin Venture Investment Forum and the Williamsport/Lycoming Keystone Innovation Zone.

Mr. Dotson, who will be graduating in May with a degree in physics, presented his business plan titled "Steady Stocks Design" in today's finalist event at the Community Theatre in Williamsport.

A total of eight finalist teams representing Lycoming College (4), Pennsylvania College of Technology (2), Mansfield University (1) and Lock Haven University (1)



*Zachary Dotson '07, holding check, is joined by (l to r) Anne London, Dr. Bomta Kolb, Dr. Mehrdad Madhesechee, and Dean John Piper.*

competed for the \$10,000, \$7,500 and \$5,000 prizes.

The competition began in December 2006, when 32 student teams submitted concept papers for their own business ideas, from which 16 teams were selected to submit 10-page written business plans. The eight finalist teams made their presentations to a panel of judges from the business community, and the award winners were announced at 3:15 p.m.

Other finalists who competed today from Lycoming College included Whitney Ropka '07, teams Sean Mullen '08 and Kyle Brennan '07, and Christopher Lee '08, Simon Kretchick '08, and Patrick McCabe '08.

### David Freet '68 Is Guest Speaker

David Freet '68 was the guest speaker in Dr. Mehrdad Madresehee's Government & Economy class on March 22. Mr. Freet spoke to students about the communications industry in general and about "real world implications of government and its control and regulation over industries transformed by either society or technology" in particular.

During his talk, Mr. Freet provided a history of the inception of competition and de-regulation to the aggressive actions to change laws and regulations by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) pursuant to a highly-competitive market.

"We as consumers are always better served by a competitive market, but that also has implications," says Mr. Freet. "Only those fulfilling consumer preferences ultimately succeed, absent government intervention."

Mr. Freet was named President of the Pennsylvania



David Freet '68

Telephone Association in 1996. He and his wife, Jane Edgar Freet, reside in Harrisburg. Mr. Freet has accepted an invitation to be Lycoming College's 2007 freshman convocation speaker.

### Hope Early Learning Center Opens at Lyco

The Hope Early Learning Center at Lycoming College officially opened on April 11 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at Forrest Hall, where the new preschool facility is located.

Speakers at the event included Mr. Barry R. Stiger,



Taking Back Sunday rocks Lyco on April 12

Chairman of the Board at Hope Enterprises, Inc.; Mr. Thomas Shivetts, Executive Director of the BLAST Intermediate Unit 17; and Dr. James E. Douthat, President of Lycoming College.

"Hope has always been a vital part of the community and we're delighted to be a part of that," said Dr. Douthat. "Our students will be better prepared to enter into the classroom to teach with this program."

The new learning center is a joint project between Hope Enterprises, Inc. and the Education and Psychol-

ogy Departments at Lycoming College. The preschool program offers a unique opportunity for local children to learn, socialize, and play.

"We feel very fortunate to be able to partner with Lycoming College," said Barbara Burke, Program Supervisor of the Early Learning Program at Hope Enterprises, Inc. "We are looking forward to having more Lycoming students participate. That is why we partnered—to give the students experience and opportunities and to keep us stimulated with new ideas and approaches."

Hope Enterprises, Inc., began its preschool program in the 1970s for children with special needs. The program eventually expanded to include children from the community with and without special needs. Hope Enterprises now has three locations in Jersey Shore, the Miller Center in Williamsport, and Lycoming College. Classes formally began at the Lycoming College location in July 2006.



Participants in the Hope Enterprises Lycoming College ribbon-cutting (l to r) children Conner Mattie and Megan Knorr; Barbara Burke, Program Supervisor; Thomas Shivetts, Executive Director of the BLAST Intermediate Unit 17; Dr. James E. Douthat, President of Lycoming College; and Barry Stiger, Chairman of the Board at Hope Enterprises, Inc.

Warner Brothers recording artist Taking Back Sunday performed a rock concert



Photo courtesy of Valleycrest Productions, Ltd.

Robert Martin '95 is in the "Millionaire" hot seat

on April 12 in the Recreation Center at Lycoming College. The group wrapped up a major spring tour in the United States and Canada before traveling to the United Kingdom to perform its energetic style of rock music this spring.

Taking Back Sunday is touring in support of its most recent CD titled, "Louder Now," which was released in 2006 as a follow up to the band's first two albums, "Where You Want To Be," in 2004 and the 2002 debut, "Tell All Your Friends."

Taking Back Sunday has already enjoyed much success in the recording industry, and the band's current album features such notable singles as "Liar (It Takes One to Know One)" and "Make-DamnSure."

### Millionaire Moment

Robert Martin '95 recently had a "Millionaire" moment—or two of them, at least. Martin appeared as a contestant on the popular *Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?* game show two days on May 3 and 4.

Martin said he had been trying to get on the show for

three years. He took the test in New York in September, passed it, and received a postcard in October informing him that he was selected to be in the contestant pool. He got a call on December 6 to be in New York the next day for taping.

"I flipped out," says Martin. "I didn't believe it at first. Even if you're selected to be on the show that day, there's no guarantee you're getting out of the green room." That all depends on how the other participants are faring on the show. As one contestant goes off, another one comes on.

"I was nervous until I got into the \$1,000 plateau because I didn't want to be one of those people who ended up on YouTube as the biggest idiots who go out of 'Millionaire' on the first question," says Martin.

While he was in the "Millionaire" hot seat, he won a cool \$16,000. Martin says he plans to use his winnings toward a down payment on a new house. The hardest part was not revealing how well he did until after the show's airdates.

"You have to sign a letter of confidentiality," says

Martin. "For about six months I couldn't tell anyone how much I won or give them any details about the show. If they [the show's producers] find out you gave it away, you don't get your money. You don't get your money until after the show airs."

Hosted by Meredith Vieira, "Millionaire" currently is in its fifth season. "It was one of the best experiences of my life," says Martin.

"I got to spend a lot of quality time with Meredith Vieira. She's a great host."

Martin is currently in his fourth year as Director of Development at the Mental Health Association of New Jersey. He resides in Morris County, New Jersey. While at Lycoming, Martin was president of the student senate and played on the basketball team.

### Turning Back Time

Gene Landon '57 recently gifted to the College a hand-crafted reproduction of a one-of-a-kind clock that is in the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The original, which he had the opportunity to inspect for measurements and detail for his reproduction, is circa 1770.

Landon made the clock using the same tools, techniques, and craftsmanship that would have been employed back in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The clock is on display in the Honors Hall foyer. He also crafted the beautiful altar in the Mary Lindsay Welch Honors Hall chapel.

Landon recently created a life-size eagle for display in the new Constitution Center in Philadelphia. The eagle carving is scheduled to be on display there for five years before going into the Smithsonian Institution.



Gene Landon '57 presents a beautiful one-of-a-kind clock reproduction to President Douthat.

# HABITAT IN BILOXI

by Laura Holdredge '07

Instead of tanning on an exotic beach, forty-three Lycoming College students and five staff members spent their spring break working hard to build homes for families in need.

Lycoming's chapter of Habitat for Humanity traveled to Biloxi, Mississippi, over spring break February 24 to March 4 to participate in the Habitat for Humanity International's Collegiate Challenge.

Student members of Lycoming College's Habitat for Humanity joined the Biloxi affiliate of Habitat in an effort to build four affordable homes in a three-block area. This was part of the overall effort to build 17 new homes in a three-block area.

The new homes were built to replace those destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. During the hurricane, Biloxi was hit with a 30-foot surge of water. Much of the community was flooded, with homes suffering extensive damage from both wind and water.

Students worked on the homes from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. everyday. The students' jobs included putting up siding, preparing interior partitions for dry wall, shingling the roof, and putting up particle board and trusses.

After working hard during the day, students enjoyed their nights at an alligator farm, bowling, roller skating, and seeing the area. As is tradition every year, the group went out to dinner one evening to experience the cuisine of the local area.



The 2007 Habitat for Humanity group in Biloxi, Mississippi



Allison Batties '10 operates a saw



Lyco students prep a piece of plywood



Lyco students work with the locals in Biloxi.

Students and staff stayed at a stadium run by the Salvation Army, which provided them with cabins in which to sleep. There was also a common area under the stands for meals, TV, and games.

"This year the students worked harder than ever," said advisor Marco Hunsberger. "Because of the area we were in and the need to build as soon as possible, the students were pushed to work very hard. They didn't receive the customary breaks and free evenings that they have in the past. However, many of the veterans of the Habitat trips said it was the best year yet."

This is Lycoming College's 18<sup>th</sup> year of participation in the Collegiate Challenge year-round program. Throughout the past 18 years, 578 Lycoming students, faculty, and staff have traveled all over the continental United States to participate in this alternative spring break program.

Participants have traveled to 20 different cities in 10 different states and donated 23,280 volunteer hours. Places they have worked include sites in Arizona, California, Florida, New Mexico, North Carolina, South Carolina and Texas.

Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian ministry dedicated to eliminating poverty housing. Founded by Millard Fuller and his wife Linda, Habitat for Humanity International and its affiliates in more than 2,000 communities in 100 countries have built and sold more than 175,000 homes. All homes partner families with no-profit, zero-interest mortgages. By the end of this year, Habitat will be sheltering 1 million people.



Christian Kochon '10 hammers away



# Faculty Notes

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**Lynn Estomin** was invited to San Diego to introduce *Becky's Story* at the San Diego Women's Film Festival; *Walkin' to New Orleans* and *Heroes* were picked up for national distribution by Free Speech TV; *Heroes* was featured on the American Friends Service Committee national Website; *Becky's Story* was broadcast nationally in the UK on SKY-TV and chosen for the UK Super Shorts Tour, with theater screenings in Brighton, Cardiff, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Manchester, Margate, and Oxford, England; *Disturbance* was screened at Samek Art Gallery at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa.

**Dr. Amy Golahny** published "Het Rembrandtjaar 2006: Enkele opmerkingen" in *Neerlandica extra muros*; edited with Mia M. Mochizuki and Lisa Vergara *In His Milieu: Essays on Netherlandish Art in Memory of John Michael Montias* (Amsterdam University Press); edited with R. van Straten and M. Roscam Abbing "Lievens' Reading: Some Observations on His Mucius Scaevola before Por-senna" in *Rembrandt*; was appointed the Ailsa Mellon Bruce Visiting Senior Fellow at the National Gallery of Art; was the invited lecturer

at Cornell University for Rembrandt 400; participated in the international Rembrandt conference in Berlin at the end of the major Rembrandt paintings exhibition at the Gemaeldegalerie, part of the 400th anniversary of the artist's birth; participated in the national conference, "Motions of the Mind," at Queens University in Kingston, Ontario; was awarded the Ailsa Mellon Bruce Visiting Senior Fellow.

**Roger Shipley** participated in the art exhibition "Heart of the Valley 2," at the Packwood House Museum, Lewisburg, Pa.

**Howard Tran** participated in the juried group exhibition, *Crossing Borders*, at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual International Group Show Juried, Laredo Center for the Arts, in Laredo, Texas; *Faculty Show*, Lycoming College; *Across the Divide*, Invitation, Reed Whipple Cultural Center Gallery, Las Vegas, Nev.; *Across the Divide*, Invitation, Lycoming College Gallery, Williamsport, Pa.; *Inside+Out/Big & Small* at The Pittsburgh Center for the Arts in Pittsburgh, Pa.; *Best of Bald Eagle Art League* at Bald Eagle Art League; and the solo exhibition *To-Tien* at the Sloan Gallery at Lock Haven University in Lock Haven, Pa.

## Astronomy/Physics

**Dr. David G. Fisher** published "The Russians Launch the Salyut Space Station" (1971), "Galileo Achieves Orbit Around Jupiter" (1995), and "Cassini-Huygens Probe is Launched" (1997), in *Great Events of the Twentieth Century* (Salem Press).

**Dr. H. Paul Shuch** published with Ivan Almar "Updating the San Marino Scale" in the *57th International Astronautical Congress Preprints*; "The San Marino Scale: a new analytical tool for assessing transmission risk," (with Ivan Almar), *Academy Transactions Note, Acta Astronautica*; "Shouting in the jungle: the SETI transmission debate," (with Ivan Almar), *Journal of the British Interplanetary Society*; "Testing a claim of extraterrestrial technology," (with Allen Tough), *Journal of the British Interplanetary Society*; "Archimedes' lever: how long is 'long enough'?", *The Physics Teacher* (in press), JBIS, the *Journal of the British Interplanetary Society*; published the journal columns: "1000cc science," *AMSAT Journal*; "Reinventing the cube," *AMSAT Journal*; The Orbital Classroom: "Hams in space," CQ VHF; Dr. SETI's Starship: "Testing a dubious claim," CQ VHF;

"Education vs. training," *AMSAT Journal*; "Publisher's page: Twelve years and counting," *Contact In Context: The Orbital Classroom*; "Reinventing the cube," CQ VHF; Dr. SETI's Starship: "Journalistic exuberance," CQ VHF; "Following suit," *AMSAT Journal*.

## Biology

**Dr. David Broussard** published "Heritability of a Neuronal Trait within a Natural Mammalian Population" in *Physiological and Biochemical Zoology*; "Previous Experience and Reproductive Investment of Female Columbian Ground Squirrels" in *Journal of Mammalogy*;

**Dr. Mary Morrison** published the paper (with Stamatias Zeris, Lycoming College graduate) "Purkinje neuron development: intracellular signaling pathways that regulate dendrite formation" as part of the 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Academy of Science in Grantville, Pa.

**Dr. Mel Zimmerman** published "The Clean Water Institute at Lycoming College," *Developing and Sustaining a Research-Supportive Curriculum: A Compendium of Successful Practices* edited by K. K. Karukstis and T. E. Elgren (Council on Undergraduate Research); was awarded



Dr. Mel Zimmerman and a student working in the field.

three Growing Greener Grants to Lycoming's Clean Water Institute: \$40,000 to continue work on the Keystone Stream Team Website ([www.keystonestreamteam.org](http://www.keystonestreamteam.org)), stream restoration data base and development of reference reach data using River Morph software; \$10,000 to support a technical assistance system for watershed groups working in the West Branch of the Susquehanna; \$7,551 start up costs for the Rose Valley Mill Creek Watershed Association (RVMCWA); was named current chairman of Keystone Stream Team.

**Dr. Peter Petokas** was awarded \$48,000 by the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission to study the distribution and status of the Eastern Hellbender in tributaries of the West Branch Susquehanna.

### Business

**Dr. Neil Boyd** became a business columnist for the *Williamsport Sun Gazette*; was named contributing editor for the Action Research section of the *Encyclopedia of Public Administration and Public Policy*; edited "Organization Studies and Community Psychology" for *Journal of Community*

*Psychology*; published "Appreciative Inquiry as a Mode of Action Research for Community Psychology" in *Journal of Community Psychology*; "Resuming the Dialogue on Organization Studies and Community

*Psychology: An Introduction to the Special Issue,"* with H. Angelique, in *Journal of Community Psychology*; "Resuming the Dialogue on Organization Studies and Community Psychology: An Introduction to the Special Issue," in *Journal of Community Psychology*; "Implementing Large-Scale Organization Development and Change in the States" in *Public Administration Quarterly*; was a presenter for the Action Research Practitioner's Series Pre-Conference Workshop, *Sustainable Practice and Action Research*, at The 58<sup>th</sup> Academy of Management Conference, Practice Theme Committee in Atlanta, Ga.; "Lessons for Managers and OD Professionals When Implementing Large-Scale Change" at The 58<sup>th</sup> Academy of Management Conference in Atlanta, Ga.

**Dr. Arthur Sterngold** published the paper "The over-selling of marketing rhetoric to arts and cultural organizations," at the annual Social Theory, Politics and Arts Conference in Vienna, Austria.

### Chemistry

**Dr. Holly Bendorf** published "Chemistry Research Methods: A Capstone Course" in *Developing and*

*Sustaining a Research-Supportive Curriculum: A Compendium of Successful Practices* (Council on Undergraduate Research).

### English

**Dr. Sascha Feinstein** published the poem "A was an Artist" in *The New York Quarterly*; reprinted interviews with Jayne Cortez and Sonia Sanchez in *Innovative Women Poets: An Anthology of Contemporary Poetry and Interviews* (University of Iowa Press); hosted *Jazz Standards* weekly on WVIA radio.

**Dr. Gary R. Hafer** will publish the forthcoming essay "Well-Intentioned Failure at All Costs" in *The Best and Worst About Freshman Writing*.

**Dr. Andrew Leiter** published the essay "Progress and Reaction in W. J. Cash's Concept of the 'Rape Complex'" for the South Atlantic Modern Language Association Conference in Charlotte, N.C.

**Dr. Darby Lewes** was the invited lecturer for the Teaching Effectiveness Workshops: Lilly East Conference on College Teaching in Wilmington, Del.; invited lecturer at the National Lilly Conference on College Teaching featured presentations in Oxford, Ohio; invited lecturer



Dr. Holly Bendorf instructs a chemistry student

for "Literature for Linebackers: Overcoming So-called 'Natural' Aversion in the Classroom," as part of the 13th International Conference on Learning in Montego Bay, Jamaica; invited lecturer for "A Portrait of the Student as a Young Wolf" at the Conference on Faculty-Student Partnerships in Teaching & Learning at SUNY, Geneseo, N.Y.; invited lecturer for "Dressed to Kill: The Politics of 19th-century Fashion" at the Thomas Taber Museum in Williamsport, Pa.

**Dr. Carole Moses** will re-publish an article on Jane Austen in an anthology of essays on "Pride and Prejudice" in a volume of *Bloom's*



Dr. Darby Lewes and Lyco Dog



Dr. Todd Preston

*Modern Critical Interpretations* series (Chelsea House Publishers).

**Dr. Todd Preston** published the paper "King Alfred and the Legitimization of Authority" as part of the 82nd Annual Meeting of the Medieval Academy of America at the University of Toronto in Toronto, Canada.

**History**

**Dr. Cullen Chandler** published the paper "A Carolingian Program on the Virtues: Two Texts and Their Influence," in a sponsored session "Early Medieval Europe



Dr. Cullen Chandler

III" as part of the 41st International Congress on Medieval Studies at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Mich.

**Language**

**Dr. Barbara Buedel** published the article "Integrating Art, History and Literature in the College Classroom" in *The International Journal of Learning*.

**Dr. Len Cagle** was awarded a travel grant to attend a workshop on autobiographical writing in contemporary literature at the Deutsches Literaturarchiv, Marbach, Germany, sponsored by the Washington University of St. Louis and supported by Volkswagen.

**Dr. Sandra Kingery** published the paper "The Power of Silence in Ana Maria Moix's 'Autobiografía mínima'" as part of The Louisville Conference on Literature and Culture since 1900.

**Marketing**

**Dr. Bonita Kolb** has a signed book contract with Sage Publications for the forthcoming *Marketing Research: A Practical Approach*; and with Butterworth-Heinemann for the forthcoming *Marketing Research for Nonprofit, Community and Creative Organizations*.

**Political Science**

**Dr. Michael Roskin** published the ninth edition of *Countries and Concepts: Politics, Geography, Culture* (Prentice Hall); and with Nicholas Berry, the seventh

edition of *IR: The New World of International Relations* (Prentice Hall); and with James Coyle, the second edition of *Politics of the Middle East: Cultures and Conflicts* (Prentice Hall).

**Psychology**

**Dr. Kathryn M. Ryan** co-authored with **Dr. Gene D. Sprechini** (Mathematics) the paper "Accuracy in couples' perceptions of their partner's enjoyment of playful force and aggression" for the Symposium on What Counts as Violence? (Re)conceptualizing Dyadic Interactions at the 32nd Annual Conference of the Association for Women in Psychology.

**Religion**

**Dr. Richard Hughes** published the essay "Schicksalsanalyse and Religion Studies" in *The Journal of Religion* (University of Chicago).

**Sociology/ Anthropology**

**Dr. Betty McCall** published the paper "Eden for All? Inequalities in Long-Term Health Care" for the Eastern Sociological Society

Conference in Philadelphia, Pa.

**Dr. Susan Ross** edited *American Families Past and Present: Social Perspectives on Transformations* (Rutgers University Press); published the reprint with **Janet Hurlbert** (Dir./Library Services) "Problem-Based Learning: An Exercise on Vermont's Legalization of Civil Unions" in *Teaching Work and Family: Strategies, Activities, and Syllabi* (the American Sociological Association); and will co-author with Michael Musheno (Director, Criminal Justice, San Francisco State University) the forthcoming *Deployed: The New Conscripts of the Twenty-First Century U.S. Army* (the University of Michigan Press).

**Theatre**

**Dr. N. J. Stanley** directed *Six Characters in Search of an Author*, by Luigi Pirandello and adapted by Robert Brustein, at Bloomsburg University in Bloomsburg, Pa.; published "See It Live!: Area Theaters Come Out Big This Fall" in *The Williamsport Guardian*; and "'The Vagina Monologues: A Worldwide—and a Local—Phenomenon" in *The Williamsport Guardian*.



N.J. Stanley instructs a theatre class.



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### Barbara (Neff) Price,

Ph.D. (psychology) was recently inducted into the Mechanicsburg High School "Hall of Fame" for her "Service to Humanity." This honor is given each year by the school's Alumni Association, which is one of the largest in the country. Barbara is a retired Professor of Social Science at Luzerne County Community College, where she not only taught but also ran the Career Development Center. She continues to teach Human Services courses part-time. Her devotion to counseling others has extended beyond the world of academia to the community where she has served on numerous boards. A few years ago, the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association also honored her by naming her the Pennsylvania Counselor-of-the-Year. She resides in Hanover Township, Pa.

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Reid Stevenson (business administration) is still coaching high school basketball. This past season he was an assistant coach at Monsignor Pace High School in Miami, Fla. The team won the Class 4 A State Championship, defeating Lakeland Kathleen 77-58.

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Bruce Patterson (sociology) was recently awarded the Distinguished Service Medal with Oak Leaf cluster, New Jersey's highest military

award and the New Jersey Vietnam Service Medal at a special ceremony at the New Jersey Vietnam Memorial in Holmdel, N.J. Bruce served with the U.S. Army in Vietnam from 1967-68 as a Military Police officer where he was awarded the Bronze Star medal. Bruce and his wife Sandy reside at Cedar Lake in Denville, N.J.

Walter Edmonds (music) is the senior pastor at Damascus United Methodist Church, Damascus, Md., where the Lycoming College tour choir performed February 24, 2007.

Marion Hoobler (sociology) retired as the seventh-grade mathematics teacher at Norfolk Middle School. She resides in Norfolk, Neb.

**Terry Wild** (English), photographer, has recently been honored with the purchase of a large collection of his early California and Pennsylvania vintage photographic work, to the Joseph Bellows Gallery in La Jolla, Calif. Wild is a graduate of The Art Center College of Design. He returned to Williamsport, Pa., in 1972 to establish and grow a commercial studio which still flourishes under new leadership. Terry's attention has shifted to fine art again and to the development of an online searchable stock database of his work. Most recently he was instrumental in the establishment of 'Artists On The Green,' a cooperative seasonal fine art gallery in Eagles Mere, Pa.

**Bill Bladt** (English) and his wife Audrey recently celebrated their second full year of retirement in Sedona, Ariz. Just over two years ago they had no grandchildren. Now they have four with a fifth due in August; true feast or famine. The grandchild count stands at one boy and three girls with a second boy on the way. Audrey and Bill have a blended family of five children spread from Boston to NYC, Philadelphia, Denver and L.A. When they aren't traveling to weddings, showers, and births they are busy visiting family members and friends, sightseeing in the western U.S., hiking in beautiful Sedona, and teaching English to immigrants under the auspices of Sedona United Methodist Church.

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**Dianne (Davis) Johnson** (German) retired in June 2006 after teaching elementary school in the Antietam School District near Reading, Pa., for 36 years. In the past year, she has traveled to Bermuda, Hawaii, the Dominican Republic, Disney World, and Iceland. Dianne reports that she has fond memories of her years at Lycoming.

**Wallace (Tom) Skok** (psychology) retired March 2007 from ConocoPhillips Company's employ as Senior Counsel, where he was head of the group providing legal services to ConocoPhillips' US Marketing organization. Although he spent a little over 36 years in the US energy business, he hasn't actually retired. Following Wallace's departure from Houston he went to Zug, Switzerland, where he is Associate General Counsel of Petroplus Marketing AG, the largest independent petroleum refiner in Europe. The company recently completed the acquisition of a refinery in Ingolstadt, Germany, and closed on a transaction involving the acquisition of a large refinery in Coryton, England, at the end of May. He is excited about living in Zug and exploring central Europe.

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**Dean A. Handley** (biology), MSc, PhD, MBA, was recently promoted to Executive Director of Business Strategy and Intellectual Property at Sepracor, Inc., Marlboro, Mass. While working full time, he is also a full time second-year law student at USC, a three-year cyber law JD program. Dean, who married the dazzling April Tiffany Benedict, lives with his family on Lake Quinsigamond in Shrewsbury, Mass. Dean is a board member of several venture start-up companies and the holder of several key drug patents, including the discovery of Clarinex<sup>®</sup> and as co-inventor of Allegra<sup>®</sup>, Xopenex<sup>®</sup> and Brovana<sup>®</sup>. He has also developed an inordinate fondness for roses. Drop him a note at drdhandley@yahoo.com.

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**Elizabeth (Woodruff) Kidd** earned her MBA degree from Gannon University in Erie, Pa., in December 2006. She went back to school at a time when many of us are starting to think about retiring because she won a full scholarship for a graduate degree by competing in and winning a local reality television series modeled on "The Apprentice".

Elizabeth has been the CFO of St. Benedict Education Center in Erie since 2001, the same year that **Craig (1969)** retired after over 30 years with state government. In addition, she is now an adjunct professor

in the Dahlkemper School of Business Administration at Gannon.

Elizabeth and Craig have two sons, both US Naval Officers, and five grandchildren. In their spare time they travel, having been to Australia, New Zealand, Greece, Spain, Morocco, Italy, Ireland, and England within the last few years.

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**Hildamina Ibrahim**, formerly Hilda Schmerling Landesberg (English), has relocated within Rochester, N.Y., where she retains her position as an itinerant substitute librarian in the Rochester Public Library system.



**W. Clark Gaughan** (business administration) is involved with a service project called the Lazarus Caucus, a non-profit organization which works with the Westside Freezing weather shelter in Baltimore. The overall mission and goal of the Caucus is to feed and house the homeless in Baltimore County. Over 15,000 meals were served last year.



*Pictured from left are former Maryland Governor William Donald Schaeffer; Gloria Powell, Treasurer of the Lazarus Caucus; and W. Clark Gaughan '77, Director and founding member of the Lazarus Caucus, Inc., on December 6, 2006.*

**Mark A. Goforth** (nursing) finished his first Ironman distance triathlon that consisted of a 2.4 mile swim/112 mile bicycle/26.2 mile run. Daughters Abigail and Olivia crossed the finish line with him. He recently accepted a position with Cook Medical Incorporated as a District Sales Manager



*Mark A. Goforth*

for the southwest territory. He resides in Vail, Ariz.

**V. Rev Edward W.**

**Hughes** (Near East studies) and his wife Anna are proud to announce the graduation of their daughter, Sarah, from Lycoming this May. She is an honors graduate majoring in Art History and Religion and plans to attend Holy Cross Orthodox Seminary (Boston) in the fall.

For them, Lycoming is a family affair. Son Michael is in the class of 2010 and daughter Martha will be a freshman in the class of 2011. They reside in Methuen, Mass.

**Rev. Haydn McLean**

(biology) has had an article, "Files That Never Grow Old," accepted for publication in *The Journal of Pastoral Care and Counseling*. Publication is slated for the fall 2007 issue.

**Randall Steiner** (history),

former Lycoming football player, was presented the annual Maryland Assistant Coach of the Year 2007 by the prestigious Baltimore Touchdown Club. Randy is presently teaching and coaching at Frederick High School in Frederick, Md. He is currently the assistant head football coach and has been a football assistant coach at the school for 15 years. Randy was the former head varsity girls' softball coach at Frederick, where in four years as head coach he compiled a .679 win/loss record; won two consecutive regional championships and two runner-ups; won one county and one league championship; and was named coach of the year for softball in 2004. He was an assistant boys' basketball coach for nine years and head girls' coach for two years before resigning for

educational purposes. He is currently an assistant head coach of softball at Frederick and will return as the freshmen girls' basketball coach at Middletown High School in Middletown, Md.



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**Rep. David Argall**

(political science) taught a course titled "Pennsylvania Government & Politics" during the May term at Lycoming College.



**David Bowman** (religion)

was selected to participate in a two-week spiritual pilgrimage to Israel with 20 other alumni/ae from Princeton Theological Seminary. Their travels will be directed by Dr. James Charlesworth, an expert on the Dead Sea Scrolls. David currently serves as co-pastor, with his wife, at the First Presbyterian Church of Freehold, N.J., and also as the Interfaith Chaplain at Renaissance Gardens



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**Geoffrey R. Forester**

(biology) was named district manager of Shingle and Gibb industrial automation company. He will manage the firm's Northeast and Central Pennsylvania territory.

**Holly (Wells)** (interdisciplinary) and **Thomas '77** (economics) **Tillman** made their third mission trip to China in March 2007. Holly started Little Lambs PS/CC in 1987 and celebrates 20 years of operation in September 2007. She reports their sixth grandchild arrived in June to their daughter, who resides with her husband in Jerusalem, Israel.



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at Seabrook, an assisted living/skilled nursing facility in Tinton Falls, N.J. He resides in Freehold, N.J.



**Richard J. Dalton** (business administration) and **John N. Ryley** (business administration) '81 had their own reunion at Snowbird/Alta in Utah, in March 2007.

**Kathleen (Cody) Brady** (business administration) sends this note: Friends since 1978, this group of 1982 alumni met for an early 25th reunion in Duck, N.C., in March 2007. Though living in many different states, Calif., Conn., N.Y., N.C., Pa., and Va., they make every effort to get together as often as possible. In attendance, pictured bottom to top, Mary Kay (Steffich) Duus, Valerie (LaDuca '81) O'Connor, Isa-



bel (VanDeusen) Landzert, Kim (Gammell) Loudis, Sam Milich, Catherine (Milarczick) Haymans and Kathleen (Cody) Brady. A great time was had by all!



**Karen Sayman Black** (biology) recently had a coloring book published featuring all original sketches of the Endless Mountains of Pennsylvania. Books are available from her website [www.karensart.donblas.org](http://www.karensart.donblas.org). She resides in Dushore, Pa.

**Bruce A. Wehler** (English, religion) was honored by Pennsylvania College of Technology as a distinguished part-time faculty member. PCT recognizes staff members who have distinguished themselves through their accomplishments each year.



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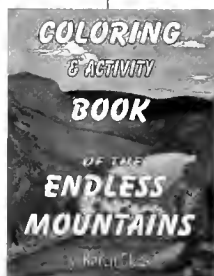
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**S. William Hessert, Jr.** (accounting) recently started Bill Hessert Ink which provides freelance writing/editing, grant writing, and strategic communication services to various nonprofit clients. Since launching the business

in September 2005, Bill has completed projects for the Hershey Medical Center, Juniata College, Leadership Lycoming, Music for All Seasons (Scotch Plains, N.J.), the Pennsylvania Office of Rural Health, Rutgers University-Newark, Virginia Tech, and several Penn State clients. He resides in Port Matilda, Pa.



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**Donald Jacobs** (computer science) retired from private sector IT in 2003, having served as a consulting executive in the pharmaceutical industry and CIO for a national real estate investment trust. In July 2005 he was called out of IT retirement to serve as Deputy CIO for the County of Bucks, PA. In November 2005 he was named acting CIO and in April 2006 was appointed CIO. Don and his wife Kathryn live in the Lehigh Valley with their daughters Caroline, Kara, and Michelle, where they also run their residential real estate investment business. In 2003, Don was appointed fire marshal for his township and continues to serve in this volunteer position. In 1988 Don received a B.S. in Mathematics from Upsala and 1993 he received an M.Div. from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.



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**Tina M. Muheim** (international studies/economics) received her master's degree in Information Science from Penn State University - Great Valley Campus. Tina is currently working at Colonial Penn Life Insurance Company as a Senior Project Manager/Site Lead in the technology services department. She lives in the Society Hill section of Center City Philadelphia.

**Lou Ann (Miller) Tom** is currently a Visiting Assistant Professor of Chemistry at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa. She has accepted a position as an Assistant Professor of Chemistry at Susquehanna University, Selingsgrove, Pa., starting August 2007.



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**Margery Hinebaugh** (biology) joined the Airport Chiropractic Center of Commerce Township, Mich., in

March 2007 as a Chiropractic Physician. The office is located about ten miles northwest of the Detroit area. She is honored to be serving out of a very sophisticated and well-known chiropractic clinic which specializes in treating with the Pierce technique. Margery resides in Waterford, Mich.

**Shawn Langen** (economics) has been named Vice President of Development by Arcadia Properties, LLC, a Bethlehem-based real estate development and management company. He is a board member of the Northampton County General Purpose Authority, Northampton County Higher Education Authority, and the Northampton County Hospital Authority. Langen serves on the Economic Restructuring Committee for the City of Easton's Main Street Program. He resides in Easton, Pa.

**Ken Weingartner** (communications) was honored by the Standardbred Marketing & Media Association (SMMA) with the 2007 Golden Pen Award. The award is given by SMMA to an outstanding individual in the Standardbred industry for career achievement in publicity and public relations. Ken is the media relations director for Harness Racing Communications, a branch of the United States Trotting Association. Ken resides in Yardsville, N.J.

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**Jeanne (Perry) & Donald "Skip" Stark** (history) live in Erie, Pa. Skip is principal at Rice Avenue Middle School in Girard, Pa. They have two children, Ethan, 10, and Morgan, 7. Jeanne writes that they are looking forward to Homecoming this year.

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**Dr. Alison (Greenberg) Plessinger** (mass communication) has recently accepted a position as a senior instructor at the Defense Information School in Ft. Meade, Md. She is developing and teaching senior level public affairs courses for the military and

Department of Defense civilians. She also had an article, "Results of Gannett purchase of Indianapolis Star mixed," published in the Fall 2006 issue of the *Newspaper Research Journal*. She resides in Alexandria, Va., with her husband, Eric, and daughter, Victoria, 4.

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There was a "mini" Lyco reunion in the Outer Banks. Five Lycoming alumni vacationed together in May 2007 (see photo below).

**Julie A. (Sheets) Moore** (psychology) is currently pursuing a degree in Nursing from Millersville University while expecting baby number three due just before Christmas. Husband Scott Moore was promoted to Administra-



Picture from Left - Right - Christine (Corrison) Villari '95, Sophia Villari, Rocco Villari '95, Donnie Richardson, Michele (Long) Banc '95, Maddie Banc, Tracy Finegan, Patrick Finegan '95, Liam Finegan, Jeff Oakley '95, Julia Oakley, Jodi Oakley, and Mach Oakley

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**John Tobias** (history) was appointed Bald Eagle Area High School's assistant principal. He received his Master of Education degree in the Administrative Program for Principals from California University of Pa.

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**Pete Metzgar** (art) has recently been named as the travel and leisure editor for *Mogulmagonline.com*. *Mogul Mag* is an online publication of all the major ski areas in the west, Breck-



Pete Metzgar

enridge, Arapahoe Basin, Beaver Creek, Keystone, and many more). In addition to mogulmag, Pete also writes a monthly column in *LKN Lifestyle* magazine called, "Around Lake Norman with Pete." Based mostly upon restaurant reviews, nightlife, clubs, bars, and other exciting social events going on around Lake Norman, Pete gives his opinion of the best places around Lake Norman, N.C. Lake Norman is located roughly 20 minutes north of Charlotte. To check out any of the columns, please go to

www.lknmagazine.com and click on "in this issue."

**Dave Hood** (history), firefighter, received a Cancer Society award. Hood, of Lansford, was diagnosed with colon cancer when he was only 30. "My advice to anyone with cancer is to keep your

spirits up," he said. Because of the positive attitude he adopted while battling his cancer he was named a 2006 Courage Award recipient by the Tamaqua-Carbon Chapter of the American Cancer Society. Hood has returned to his job as a technology education teacher at Panther Valley Middle School. He also volunteers with the American Hose Company in Lansford as safety officer. He is a member of the Red Knights Motorcycle Club, based in Lehighton, in which he serves as secretary. The

Red Knights is a motorcycle club consisting of firefighters. Hood drives a Honda motorcycle.

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**Heather Myers** (music) accepted a position as Retail Sales Consultant for Cingular Wireless in August 2006. She is currently based at the store in Pennsdale, Pa.

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**Joye Crowe-Logan** (English-creative writing, philosophy) graduated from grad school in May. She attained her Master of Library and Information Science from SCILS (the School of Communication, Information, and Library Studies) at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J. She has been promoted from Library Associate to Librarian at the New Brunswick Free Public Library.

Joye resides in Somerville, N.J.

**Candice (Dietterick) McGaw** (communications) has decided to put her people

skills to work on the frontline of real estate after working for a year as the Business Manager of Villager Realty, Inc., of Bloomsburg. She is now a licensed PA Realtor serving the Central Susquehanna Valley and specializing in residential and investment properties. Candice resides in Bloomsburg, Pa.

**Rosie Wise** (biology) was hired by the Snyder County Conservation District as a Watershed Specialist/Agricultural Land Preservation Coordinator. Her responsibilities include watershed assessment, procurement of funding, technical assistance, and the creation of work plans and strategies to restore and protect groundwater and surface water resources. Projects she is currently working on are continued establishment of the Lower Penns Creek Watershed Association, environmental education programs, and a native plant garden design for the District. Rosie resides in Beaver Springs, Pa.

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**Kendra (Craig) Seaver** (accounting and business administration) successfully completed all exam and practice requirements and is now a licensed Certified Public Accountant in New York State. She currently works as an internal auditor for Lockheed Martin Systems Integration - Owego, in Owego, N.Y.



After the Men's Soccer Alumni Gathering April 14. After the game they gathered at the Mill Tavern in Montoursville for fellowship.

Front Row (l-r): Phil Kratochvil '06, Scott Kennell - Coach, Andrew Weber '06, Joe Balduino '03, Jake Malishchak '02, Chris Mason '06  
Back Row: Jeff Kocher, Jason Fessler '06, Ryan Burgett '06, Jason Mathews '04, Matt Edmonds '02, Chip Edmonds '98, Ryan Wertz '06, Chris Brennan '02  
Not pictured: Mike Bonner '98, Mike Bennett '98, Chris Bidelspacher '98, Paul Zippel '05, Peter Ruhl '06

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**Scott Moerschbacher**

(astronomy and physics), a doctoral student in the department of physics at The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., spoke on February 7 at the Astronomy and Physics Colloquium on campus. His presentation was titled "Hadron Polarizabilities from Dynamical QCD (Quantum Chromodynamics) Configurations." Scott received his master of philosophy in nuclear physics from George Washington and expects to complete his Ph.D. in nuclear physics at GW this year.

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**Angela Bohr** (biology) graduated from the Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine in May 2007 with a medical doctor-

ate (MD) degree. She will be starting her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center in July.

**James McCafferty** (criminal justice) will be entering the Criminal Justice Ph.D. program this fall at the University of Cincinnati and received a Distance Learning Assistantship for the 2007-2008 school year.

**Charissa A. Nayduch** (international studies) graduated in May 2007 from Pennsylvania College of Technology with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Nursing. She has been hired by Geisinger Health System in Danville as a Registered Nurse in the Emergency Department.

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**Joe Balduino** (history) was recently named head women's soccer coach at Lycoming College. He is an assistant director of admissions at Lycoming.

**Phil Sunderland** (political science, business) graduated from The Pennsylvania State University Dickinson School of Law in May 2007 with a J.D., and will be taking the bar exam in Pennsylvania at the end of July.

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**Bradley M. Webb** (history) graduated May 12, 2007, from Indiana University of Pennsylvania with a

**Mary (Bonner) '95** and Edward Guenther were married on June 17, 2006, in Avon by the Sea. Also in attendance were: **Alice (Kline) Alt '94**, **Alyssa (Waite) Summer '96** and Dr. Susan Alexander.

**Alicia (Klosowski) '97** and William Tillman were married on May 5. William and Alicia met in London three years ago. Their ceremony was held in Flemington, N.J., and reception in New Hope, Pa., followed by a relaxing honeymoon on the island of Anguilla. **Stephanie (Maggitti)-Rachuba '97** was a bridesmaid.

Alicia works for American Express in NYC and resides with Bill in Hoboken, N.J.



*Alicia (Klosowski) and William Tillman*

M.A. in Student Affairs in Higher Education. He has accepted a position as a Residence Director at Marymount University in Arlington, Va.

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**Priscilla Walker** (psychology) was guest speaker at The 18<sup>th</sup> Christian Education Scholarship Banquet

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**Nicholas Nastasi** (English-literature, secondary education) has been hired as the new eighth-grade Language Arts teacher at West Perry Middle School in Elliptsburg, Pa., for the 2007-2008 school year. He resides in Little Egg Harbor, N.J.

A son, Jackson Charles, to April and **Dean Handley '71**, October 22, 2006.

A daughter, Kyra Mackenzie, to **Dana (Smith) '88** and Jeff Smolik, February 24, 2006.

Twins daughters, Vaughn Elizabeth, and Seren Dara, to **Victoria (Scudder) '90** and Hankins Parichabutr, May 17, 2007.

A son, Levi James, to **Jennifer (Robinson) '93** and Timothy Stumbaugh, October 11, 2006. He joins big brother Jonah, 2.



Levi James Stumbaugh

A daughter, Alexis Jayde, to Tonya and **Theodore Butler '94**, September 20, 2006. She joins her 4-year-old sister Allison.



Mary, Edward, and Edward III Guether

A son, Edward J. III, to **Mary (Bonner) '95** and Edward Guenther, March 2, 2007.

A son, Hunter William, to Heather and **Heath Renninger '96**, March 8, 2007. He is the nephew of **Amie Renninger '05**.

A son, Bryce Christopher, to **Ashley (Bryerton) '97** and Eric Brungard, March 30, 2007. Bryce joins brothers, Brent, 10, and Brock, 19 months.



Jason Robert and Mackenzie Jane Guckavan

Twins, Jason Robert, and Mackenzie Jane, to **Sarah (Wolff) '96** and Kevin Guckavan, March 13, 2007.

A son, Jason Louis, to **Kellie Ann (Collins) '97** and **Michael P. Ritter '95**, April 28, 2007. He joins big sister Samantha (3).



Jason Louis and Samantha Ritter

A daughter, Lila Banks, to **Heidi (DiFelice-Antonio) '97** and **Eric Pfirman '96**, March 23, 2007. She joins older sister, Anna Caroline, 6.

A son, Luke Joseph, to Melissa and **Nathan Mangan '97**, February 13, 2007.

A son, Andrew Ryan, to **Jennifer (Roberts) '97** and Michael Long, December 16, 2006. He joins big brother, Matthew Jay, 2.

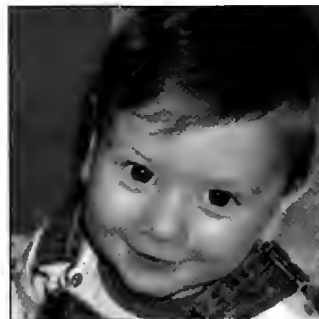
A daughter, Elizabeth Reed, to **Dana N. (Lewis) '98** and Andrew Eberz, August 11, 2006. She joins big brother, Will, 2.

A son, Andrew Joseph, to Tara and **Jeff Harvan '97**, January 17, 2007. He joins big brother, Bradley.



Bradley and Andrew Joseph Harvan

A daughter, Avy Elisabeth, to **Alicia Kim (Hinkel) '98** and Fred Warren Stoner III, July 1, 2006. She joins big brothers, Kayne (7), Gabriel (5), and Jacob (3).



Jackson Earl Yenner

A son, Jackson Earl, to **Kimberly (Hafer) '99** and Gregory Yenner, June 2, 2006.



Tyler Albert Nash

A son, Tyler Albert, to **Stephanie (Wilkie) '99** and **Noel Nash '98**, February 4, 2007.



Macy Elizabeth Plowman

A daughter, Macy Elizabeth, to **Jaime (Mann) '01** and George Plowman, February 23, 2007. Macy also has a proud uncle who is a Lycoming alum, **Phil Mann '05**.

A daughter, Julie Lee, to **Lara (Collins) '04** and Jeffrey Breon, January 21, 2007.



Julie Lee Breon



**1930**

**Ruth L. Cupp Diehl**, of Skiatook, Okla., died March 9, 2007. She is survived by a daughter and a son.

**1935**

**Eugene L. Daye Sr.** of Picture Rocks, Pa., died April 14, 2007. He is survived by a son.

**1936**

**Thursa Bakey Sanders**, of Me Lean, Va., died April 11, 2007. She is survived by her husband, **Col. Marshall E. Sanders '36**.

**1944**

**Doris Miller Belock**, of Williamsport, Pa., died April 17, 2007. She is survived by her husband, **Henry Belock '50**.

**1945**

**Mary B. Busson Huffman**, of Montoursville, Pa., died April 19, 2007. She is survived by a son.

**1953**

**Edward G. Shurer, Jr.**, of Muncy, Pa., died April 27, 2007. He is survived by his wife, Rae Jean, a daughter, and a son.

**1954**

**Jan Hoover Blaser**, of Palmyra, NY, died April 9, 2007. She is survived by a son.

**1957**

**Edward P. Stroek**, of Elliott City, Md., died November 9, 2006. He is survived by his wife, Jo Ann, and three daughters.

**1965**

**Rev. Richard Bender**, of Lewisburg, Pa., died April 16, 2007. He is survived by his wife, **Janet (Hunter) Bender '57**.

**Barnard C. Taylor II.** of Lewisburg, Pa., died April 8, 2007.

**Thomas W. Decker**, of Myrtle Beach, S.C., died March 29, 2007. He is survived by a son.

**Barbara L. Wentzler Coffman**, of Montoursville, Pa., died November 27, 2006. She is survived by a daughter and a son. Barbara was a fourth generation Lycoming Alumnus: great-grandmother, class of 1898, grandmother, class of 1923, and mother, class of 1944.

## David B Sykes '38

David B Sykes '38, of Boca Raton, Florida, and Chevy Chase, Maryland, passed away on March 26, 2007. Dr. Sykes' generosity to Lycoming College has helped to assure the educational future of generations of students from Lycoming County.

Dr. Sykes grew up in Williamsport and graduated from Williamsport Dickinson Junior College in 1938, predecessor of Lycoming College. He completed his bachelor's degree at The Pennsylvania State University in 1940. He was awarded an honorary doctorate of laws by Lycoming College in 1989.

After serving in World War II, Dr. Sykes joined the accounting firm of H.A. Schultz & Company. In 1955, he accepted the position of controller at Giant Food, Inc., the company from which he retired in 1996 as director, senior vice president of finance, corporate secretary, and chief financial officer.

In 1988, Dr. Sykes endowed a lectureship at the College. In 1999, he funded the David B Sykes Endowed Scholarship, the income of which is used for scholarships to students from Lycoming County who are majoring in accounting, business administration, or economics.

A supporter of both education and the arts, Dr. Sykes established an endowed professorship in finance at The Pennsylvania State University and an endowed scholarship with the Washington Ballet. He is also a supporter of the Holocaust Museum and Adas Israel Congregation in Washington, D.C.

In September 1999, Dr. Sykes and his wife, Diane, were honored at a special dedication ceremony of the College's new entrance, a beautiful brick and wrought iron structure which bears the name of the "Sykes Gate." Every fall semester, incoming freshmen pass through the gate located at the corner of Market Street and Little League Boulevard to begin their matriculation at Lycoming College.

In October 2006, the College presented Dr. Sykes with the Outstanding Alumnus Award.

Dr. Sykes is survived by his wife, Diane Himmelfarb Sykes; children Ginny (John Goldsmith) Sykes, Terry (Diane) Gans, Marcy (Robert) Blumenfeld, and Lori (Ron) Bubes, and eight grandchildren.



*Dr. David B and Diane Sykes at Lycoming College.*

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*Events Calendar*

**July 14**

Baltimore Team Timeout  
Camden Yards

**August 4**

New Jersey Picnic  
The Barnyard and Carriage House

**August 24**

Freshman Check-In

**August 27**

Classes Begin

**August 31**

Lycoming Alumni Picnic  
Bowman Field, Williamsport

**September 8**

King Tut Exhibit  
Franklin Institute, Philadelphia

**September 28-30**

Family Weekend

**October 12-14**

Homecoming Weekend

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