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If you’ve perused a college handbook or website recently, you’ve probably noticed some new buzzwords: Engaged Learning. Community-Based Research. High-Impact Educational Practices.

These terms describe opportunities that are already familiar to Gettysburgians: one-on-one research with faculty, discussion-based seminars, study abroad, career development experiences, or service-learning.

That’s because engaged learning and high-impact educational practices have always been part of the Gettysburg experience.

Now, as technologies and pedagogies change, we’re exploring new ways to expand these opportunities and make them available to even more students.

For example, in 2012 Gettysburg received $1.3 million from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute to enrich our science curriculum with an innovative, interdisciplinary approach (see the fall 2012 issue of Gettysburg). In one of the grant’s foundational courses, opportunities for conversation with faculty and staff, intellectual discussions outside the classroom, diverse peer interactions, and attendance at campus lectures and cultural events. Burg students also better understand Gettysburg’s academic and social offerings, and they are more positive about their College experience.

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Phage Biology, first-year students isolate, purify, and sequence DNA—conducting lab work here at Gettysburg that contributes to a national research project on viral genomes. Recently, researchers found that Phage Biology improves both student achievement and retention in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Thus, as industry leaders demand more STEM-trained graduates, courses like Phage Biology are putting Gettysburg students on this path and helping them succeed.

Another program that enhances our students’ first-year experience was launched on a pilot basis in fall 2011. Gettysburg’s Burg program houses first-year seminar students in residence halls devoted to a common intellectual theme. Students in these Burgs take field trips, screen films, sponsor speakers, and hold discussions that merge coursework, current events, and personal interests.

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Rebecca Croog ’14 was looking for an education and experience.

The environmental studies and Latin American Studies double major said she chose Gettysburg because she “wanted an academic experience that cultivated curiosity.”

During her first year, Croog decided to learn Spanish by going to Guatemala for the summer. She learned about U.S.-Central American relations and spent time in farming communities. “I realized agriculture was a way I could bring my two majors together,” she said.

When she returned, Croog and a friend found a farm near the College where they could join in a work-share program—volunteering labor in exchange for vegetables. By the end of the summer, she knew she wanted to study abroad for an entire year. She spent the fall of her junior year in Bolivia and the spring in Cuba.

“I went to Bolivia because I was fascinated by their current political and social transition, but once I got there, I realized a direct personal connection that I wanted to research further,” said Croog.

“That personal connection? Quinoa. “Bolivia is the number one producer of quinoa and the United States is the number one consumer,” said Croog. “I eat quinoa almost every day. I wanted my research experience in Bolivia to be an opportunity to do what most quinoa eaters cannot—to discover the other side of my daily portion of quinoa.” She focused her senior capstone project on the worldwide quinoa boom and the history of agriculture in Bolivia, shown through one community’s experience.

While in Cuba, Croog became interested in urban agriculture, an interest that she brought back to a project about Baltimore’s urban agriculture. She hopes to continue urban agriculture research in a graduate program. “I will have to keep exploring research questions in different ways,” Croog said. “That element of experiential learning—getting your hands dirty—that’s what I look forward to. In the United States, we have our ideas of what development and progress should look like. Some of these places with rich histories of protest and mobilization show you the flaws in systems and ways to improve. I began voraciously consuming everything I could find on Gandhi while I worked in after-school programs in New York City. One day, I literally Googled the words “education” and “peace” online and found a peace education program at Columbia University. That was my “aha moment.” I wanted that program and nothing else!

After being turned down three times for the doctoral program, I finally got accepted. Through the rejections, I kept a firm gaze on my personal prize: enacting social change in the field of education. Gandhi’s guidance to be the change you wish to see in the world” undergirds the urgency with which I live my life.

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This is the story I share with students often to encourage them to know that often in life we have to fight for the alternative visions we have crafted.

This is my second year at Gettysburg College, and I am having the time of my life. I teach courses on globalization, the intersections of postcoloniality and race, gender and identity, human rights, and education for social change. I share my experiences about growing up as a very poor kid in Trinidad and Tobago, clinging to the only possession no one could take away: my education. It is this positionality that fostered in me an insatiable desire to study structural violence and educational inequities in my home country. My long-term goal is to be part of an educational revolution in the Caribbean and I’m just getting started.

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What makes a great...Zoo?

Zoos have evolved from entertainment venues to a veritable ark, where species facing extinction have one last refuge. Those animals serve as ambassadors for their species and hopefully inspire visitors toward conservation actions.

Once you have seen a rhino playing in his exhibit with his soccer ball, you will be emotionally impacted when you hear that his wild relatives are being slaughtered for their horns at an alarming rate.

The San Francisco Zoo has a number of conservation projects in which it is involved, providing financial support for a number of in situ conservation projects for species it houses and helping to raise awareness about their status in the wild. The zoo restores native habitat in San Francisco for local species, promotes resource management through composting and recycling projects, and maintains a demonstration garden for sustainable gardening practices in the Bay Area. In addition, the San Francisco Zoo has worked on local animal conservation projects such as the very successful bald eagle breeding program, which released more than 100 bald eagles into the wild (remember "Stephen Jr." from the Colbert Report).

My job in the education and conservation department at the San Francisco Zoo is to help carry out the zoo’s mission, "to connect people with wildlife, inspire caring for nature, and advance conservation action." Those exciting programs are just a few of the things that I get to be involved with, and it is certainly an amazing and inspiring place to work!

Anne Elefterakis ’99 began working in the education office at the San Francisco Zoo in 2005 and now assists both the executive director as well as the vice president of education and conservation. She resides in San Francisco with her husband and her Boston Terrier.

Andrew Bellis ’14 and Devin Geiman ’14 were named Academic All-Americans by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). They are the first Academic All-Americans in the 83-year history of the men’s soccer program at Gettysburg.

A philosophy and political science double major, Bellis has taken upper classes and extracurricular activities geared toward the legal profession. He has served key roles in the Eisenhower Institute and the Gurtwhait Leadership Center. He worked at the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress and he served as interim campaign manager for Minnesota State Representative John Lesch.

He is president of Lambda Chi Alpha and a member of both the political science and pre-law honors societies. All this and more while maintaining a 4.0 GPA.

Geiman is a member of Phi Beta Kappa with a 3.88 GPA. The New Freedom, Pennsylvania, native has spent many hours in campus labs for his science courses, but he still found time to serve as assistant treasurer and scholastic chair of Lambda Chi Alpha and tutor a young child from the community.

The biochemistry and molecular biology major researched HIV at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and worked in local hospitals in York, Carlisle, and Gettysburg.

After graduation, Bellis aims to work with a consulting firm or think tank before going back to school to get both his law degree and his Ph.D. Geiman has a job lined up at Goldman Sachs in Hoboken, New Jersey.
Only a few people have access to the government’s best-kept secrets, said David Fort ’00, one of them. Fort works for the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) as deputy director of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)/(MDR) Mandatory Declassification Review Division of the National Declassification Center (NDC).

The Freedom of Information Act provides for the right to access disclosed governmental documents. A wealth of information is readily disclosed—even available online.

But with nine statutory exemptions (for reasons such as national defense, foreign policy, or law enforcement) and a huge volume of material, what may look black and white at first can easily be declassified or need to go into our processing queue to be worked. They decide using both agency guidance and individual judgment if—or when—it is appropriate to release the requested information.

Fort credits the critical thinking skills he gained in college for helping him scrutinize work processes, improve productivity within his team, and use technology effectively. He works with some fascinating documents.

“Possibly the most interesting records I have been able to work with were some World War I secret ink documents,” Fort said. “Those documents were over 90 years old when we declassified them for public viewing. A second project that has been especially interesting is reviewing documents relating to Nazi war criminals. Over the past few years, our office has seen a number of requests for report files from the late 1940s-1950s from the Department of the Army’s Investigative Records Repository detailing how possible former Nazi officers and other party members were treated following World War II.

“The United States is one of the few countries that allows such open access to the documents relating to our history. Requests are made by researchers throughout the U.S. and the world,” Fort said.

—by Macy Collins ’14

On January, Brendan Ripp became publisher of Sports Illustrated and its SI.com website. A fourteen-year veteran of Time, Inc., Ripp had been vice president of sales and marketing at Fortune magazine, and held the publisher posts at Money and TIME. The Phi Sigma Kappa brother majored in management and economics in addition to your degree. You had some experience during college—with whatever else appears tomorrow…all of it colors the rich pallet that our editors and marketers will use to paint new ways to communicate and connect with the public.

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Stephanie Smith ’88

Art acquisition

Students gain more firsthand access to works of art and curatorial opportunities thanks to an endowment for art acquisition established by history Prof. Michael Birnkner ‘72 and Robin Wagner P’10, dean of the library. The first purchase was Exodus of Confederate Artilleries from Atlanta by artist Kara Walker.

Fido: Should I stay or should I go?

Fido? Stand my ground? Let someone else mine closer? Biology Prof. Kathryn Lord studies evolutionary and developmental behavior in dogs and wolves. She and her students looked into the subset of “wolf” and the clues that bucks give.

“Mathematics is definitive”

Ryan Matzke ’15 said, “If you prove it, then it’s true.” For proof that the mathematics major, physics minor, Bullets runner, and Goldwater Scholar is one of the nation’s top undergrads in the study of Graph Theory and Edge Geometry Numbers, read more online.

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Leap of the century

The Trustee 360 Challenge reminds me of how my scholarship to Gettysburg was funded. I’d like to give back so some other student can attend G-burg!

Lyndsey Piecyk ’09

To HONOR Norman O. Forness, one of the best professors I had while a student at Gettysburg College, and Chris Clifford, teammate and friend.

Andrew Stephen Buck ’00

My grandfather, Donald Harman ’58, GP’14, was also a SCHOLARSHIP recipient and I couldn’t be prouder to follow in his footsteps.

Athena L. Mandros ’14

According to the old saying, records are made to be broken. But nobody told Howard Bostock ’18, who set Gettysburg College’s long jump record 100 years ago.

On May 23, 1914, Bostock turned in one of the greatest individual efforts in the history of Gettysburg College athletics. The track star won three events in a dual meet with Bucknell University at Nixon Field, including a school record-setting leap of 23 feet, 3.5 inches in the long jump. That mark still stands today, making it one of the longest-standing track and field records in the nation.

Technically, the native of Wilmerding, Pennsylvania, wasn’t even a College student yet. He was enrolled in the preparatory school, but like legendary baseball player Eddie Plank before him, he was so talented he was asked to participate on the varsity team. The month prior to his record-setting display against Bucknell, Bostock helped Gettysburg claim its first title at the Penn Relay Carnival. It would take twenty-eight years before another team of Bullets won there.

Bostock enrolled as a freshman at Gettysburg in the fall of 1914. He competed on the varsity basketball team and honed his skills on the track by running in an indoor meet hosted by Johns Hopkins University. During the outdoor season, Bostock grabbed the spotlight once again, smashing school records left and right. At the Middle Atlantic Intercollegiate Track and Field Carnival hosted by Haverford College, he set conference records in the 100- and 220-yard dashes and claimed the top prize in the long jump.

His success led to high praise from the editors at the Gettysburgian: “It is proper then that we take off our hats to the man who has, by his individual work, brought such honor to Gettysburg.” Unfortunately, that was the end of Bostock’s time at Gettysburg. Despite being listed as team captain in the Gettysburgian throughout the fall of 1915, the track preview in March 1916 lamented his absence: “Howard Bostock will be greatly missed in the sprints.”

According to historical records, Bostock was working as a rancher in Weston, Wyoming, when he registered for World War I in 1917. He returned to western Pennsylvania at some point following the war to work in the steel mills. According to the 1956 alumni directory, he was living in Florida, which is where he passed away in 1972.

Bostock finished his collegiate career holding individual records in the 100-yard dash (9.8 seconds), 220-yard dash (21.4 seconds), the 440-yard dash (52.8 seconds), and the long jump (23 feet, 3.5 inches). Only the long jump record stands.

One individual has come within a foot of the record. Sophomore David Kaiser, the 2013 Centennial Conference Outdoor Field Athlete of the Year, cleared a season-long 22 feet, 7 inches—8.5 inches shy of Bostock—at the conference championships. “Howard Bostock’s record is really quite impressive and amazing, not only considering the time period in which it was achieved,” said head track and field coach Aubrey Shenk, “but also in the fact that it has stood the test of time more than any other track and field record at Gettysburg College.”

— by Corey Jewart

Why I give

The Trustee 360 Challenge in February lasted a mere thirty-six hours, yet 1,458 alumni, parents, friends, and Trustees gave a total of $1,069,643.

SUCCESS

Andrew Stephen Buck ’00
Athena L. Mandros ’14
Students research the origins of autism

D r. Carolyn Salafia ’16, mother of sophomore Claire Alexander, is researching the existence of links between autism and placental by examining early biomarkers of Autism Spectrum Disorder in the placenta. The hope is that this research could lead to the earlier diagnosis and treatment of autism.

Through the College’s Center for Career Development (CCD) Salafia provided internships for Elizabeth Andresen ’14, Carly Sterez ’14, Krupa Patel ’15, and Hannah Collins ’16. The four scoured patient charts to retrieve information, attended presentations on research in the field, and met with Salafia on a weekly basis.

Professional experiences

“Most of my time was spent conducting research; however, I was also able to shadow a developmental pediatrician, a clinical psychologist, a pathologist, and a neonatologist,” said Andresen, a music and psychology major.

The students made connections with other researchers and students, which helped them achieve new perspectives on their career goals.

“I gained a much better understanding of what I want to do with my future. When I told Dr. Salafia that I want to go to medical school, she made sure that I was able to get additional exposure to patient floors and doctors who deal with patients daily,” said Patel, a biochemistry and molecular biology major.

The CCD ensures that internship opportunities are available to all students, no matter their class year. “Internships are a great way to gain experience and figure out what you enjoy doing,” Collins, a sophomore, said.

Lasting impressions

“One of my favorite memories from mentoring Gettysburg College students is the fact that so many coworkers asked me not only if the students were coming back, but how soon,” Salafia said. All of the students recommending taking advantage of the internship opportunities provided by the CCD and the connections with Gettysburg alumni and parents.

“These mentors clearly have a love for the College and want to do everything in their power to make the experience a wonderful one,” Patel said.

—to Samantha Gagliano ’14

Understanding autism

Prof. Matthew Kittelberger’s research in neurobiology looks at how behavior is dynamically driven by circuits of neurons within the brain. He was instrumental in setting up the internships with Dr. Salafia. Kittelberger’s first-year seminar, Autism: Facts, Myths, and Controversies, explored the psychology and biology of autism and the myths that persist in society about the mystifying disorder. The reading list includes:

• Thinking in Pictures: My Life with Autism by Temple Grandin
• Autism: Explaining the Enigma (second edition) by Uta Frith
• Autism’s False Prophets: Bad Science, Risky Medicine, and the Search for a Cure by Paul A. Offit
• The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon
• Unstrange Minds: Remapping the World of Autism by Roy Richard Grinker

To provide a career exploration experience, contact the Center for Career Development at career@gettysburg.edu or 717-337-6616 to learn about the Career Connector Challenge.

H orse thief, gambler, lawman—the stories of Wyatt Earp bring the Wild West to life. Scott Dyke ’65 is considered an expert on Wyatt Earp and the shootout at O.K. Corral, the gunfight that captures the imagination and blurs the lines between the good guys and bad guys of the American West.

Dyke credits his grandmother for his interest in the Old West. “She grew up in Oklahoma and had a yearning to understand what it was like to live 150 years ago in the West. The topography out here hasn’t changed a whit. The deserts are the same; the mountains are the same,” Dyke said. “If you can get out in these areas where there is no one else around, you can really get a sense and feel for it. Very few places are the same as they were back then, and to me, it’s just really invigorating to grasp all of that.”

He said Gettysburg honed his appreciation for history, while also motivating him to take full advantage of historical spaces. “The Civil War shaped the character of the Old West and the people it attracted. The West is full of good guys and bad guys who had their essence honed in the Civil War,” Dyke said.

Dyke’s interest in the Old West was satisfied by many Gettysburg alumni and parents. He’s interviewed movie stars, athletes, politicians, and military personnel, all of whom have done some really interesting things, he said.

“I’ve felt like a kid in a candy store over the past twenty years,” Scott Dyke said. “My appreciation of history that’s been honed by Gettysburg has really been satisfied out here. It’s been a hell of a trip so far and I’ve enjoyed every minute of it. And I’m not even close to being done yet.”

—to Kasey Varner ’14

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It’s possible that senior leadership may not have read your résumé or may have glanced at it ten minutes before the meeting. Be prepared to come in with accomplishments that map to the role you’re looking to get and the company itself, and examples of your experience to back it up. “Also of important note: it’s never just them interviewing you. You’re interviewing them as well.”

The full text of Lauren’s insights can be found in the comments section under “Art of the interview” online.

Our “Turning the tables” feature turned up other alumni who are finding happiness on a road less travelled. Shannon Sweitzer Jones ’04 wrote:

“After reading in the most recent issue of Gettysburg magazine about alums working off the beaten path, I thought I’d take a moment and share some of our recent press.”

Jasen Jones ’04 and I are two of three partners who founded the Dashing Rogue, a company that provides in-home beer pairing dinner parties. We also have a weekly podcast (on our website and iTunes) with over 10,000 listeners in 20+ countries, as well as a website that features recipes and beer pairing ideas, beer reviews, and blogs.

On social media

On Facebook and Twitter, snow was a dominant theme during the relentless winter of 2014. In fact, a picture of Grallfelter Hall even made it into a photo gallery on The Daily Beast. Here are some comments from the series of wintry posts:

“I loved sitting in a library window seat watching the snow fall. No amount of snow ever shut down the campus,” said Karin Johnson Rontos ’88.

Chris Caruso Zim ’64 commented, “The cafe used to hand out plastic trays and we would ‘sled’ down the stairs at the chem building during a couple of the big snows they had while I was there....”

The College was named a “Best Value College for 2014” by the Princeton Review. Laury Bar’y ’76 commented, “Great news! Glad I’m a ‘Burgian.”

Ken Montgomery ’84 wrote on LinkedIn: “As a junior or senior in high school... I did not know for sure what I wanted to be when I grew up... I now know, more than ever, that a liberal arts education at Gettysburg College was the perfect fit. This world will again be very different in another four years—who knows what will be ‘hot?’ It is only logical to provide as many options as possible for ourselves.”

And in the news

“I couldn’t have asked for better preparation for my career and life,” said President Janet Morgan Riggs ’77 in an op-ed on the value of a liberal arts education that appeared in The Huffington Post.

Lisa Genel ’97 commented, “I love this. Time and again, I marvel at the privilege I had in attending Gettysburg, and the way I was stretched and challenged and made into more of the person I was always supposed to be. My liberal arts education at Gettysburg has been a huge blessing.”

Prof. Allen Guelzo appeared on NBC’s Meet the Press to talk about Lincoln’s legacy and was quoted in a Washington Post op-ed “Martin Luther King Jr. and the catalyst of change.”

The tell-all book written by former Secretary of Defense Robert Gates prompted Prof. Shirley Anne Warshaw to write an op-ed that appeared in the Harvardia.

Pennsylvania-based Patriot-News, “Bruised egos should not lead to tell-all books,” said Warshaw.

Career experiences help humanities majors stay relevant, wrote Kasey Varner ’14, a USA TODAY college contributing writer. To a cross-post on LinkedIn, College Trustee Stephen Mahinka P’10 commented, “This is a most impressive piece. Very well written and presented. A credit not only to the author but to Gettysburg College....”

Gettysburg College and Philadelphia Future were cited as “Educational Superpowers” by The Harbin Times in a story about the strategic partnership the two organizations formed in 2001. “Putting a human face on the minimum wage” was the subject of an opinion editorial by Prof. Christopher Fee. The piece appeared in the Wall Street Journal’s Marketwatch.

Prof. Gretchen Carlson Natter, assistant dean of College Life; and President Riggs each penned opinion editorials that appeared in the Huffington Post in conjunction with National Volunteer Week.

The winning philosophy of Chicago Cubs infielder Ernie Banks figured into commentary by Prof. Steve Gimbel, which appeared in The Baltimore Sun on baseball’s opening day. On April Fool’s Day, U.S.A. Today ran Gimbel’s piece on jokes and their function in society.

Keep the Conversations going on the College’s Facebook, LinkedIn, or Twitter accounts or send a note to alumnimagazine@gettysburg.edu.
Ken Mott P’07, professor of political science and the former Harold G. Evans Chair of Eisenhower Leadership Studies, has a bone to pick with undergraduate public policy programs. “What bothers me about most programs is that they have no true academic content, and their students invariably play a passive role as spectators at talks.”

But take the eleven students who found themselves not only immersed in environmental policy—but also in the Bullets Pool. Besides months of classroom sessions on public policy issues and their individual research projects, the group took scuba training to prepare for their spring break assignment: to conduct the first-ever sustainability study on the Caribbean island of Bonaire.

The Environmental Leadership Program (ELP) is one of five Expert-in-Residence programs at Gettysburg College’s Eisenhower Institute. Now in its fourth year, the ELP is led by Dr. Howard Ernst, Seiden-Levi Fellow of Public Policy, senior scholar at the University of Virginia’s Center for Politics, political science professor at the United States Naval Academy, and widely-published expert on environmental policy and politics.
The ELP attracts students from a variety of majors, backgrounds, and professional ambitions—and with only ten to twelve openings each year, it is highly competitive. “I’m always impressed with the students at Gettysburg College,” said Ernst. “There’s a waiting list of students to participate in the program through July; they get no academic credit. They’re interested in the topic, and want to advance their academic studies and prepare for that next level of their career.”

During the fall semester, students meet with Ernst to develop an academic foundation in topics such as sustainability, environmental economics, market failure, and environmental policy. In the spring, they conduct environmental leadership from policymakers and conservationists; to southern Florida to study water pollution with these working to restore the South Florida Everglades and the Loxahatchee River; and to New Orleans to observe post-Katrina reconstruction efforts and discuss the BP oil spill and environmental security issues with scientists, activists, and lawyers. These experiences provide students knowledge, skills in organization and planning, wide-ranging perspectives, and networking and career opportunities.

The program theme for 2013-2014 was “environmental sustainability,” culminating with a trip to Bonaire in March. The fall’s classroom sessions explored the meaning of sustainability, and students examined case studies in sustainable economics, business practices, communities, buildings, and designs. Each student researched one component of sustainability on the island—including its governance, food issues, salt production industry, transportation needs, waste and recycling practices, imports and exports, and energy needs—and organized interviews with experts on the island.

The group’s sustainability study also included an assessment of Bonaire’s tourism industry, which cares primarily to visitors seeking to explore its easily accessible coral reef. This portion of the study is particularly timely, as Ernst’s forthcoming book from Johns Hopkins University Press focuses on coral reef management. ELP participants exult the value of Ernst’s expertise. “Dr. Ernst brings real-world insight into the program and a slightly different viewpoint than what we receive in class,” says Athena Mandra ’14. “Working with someone who has hands-on experience in policy provides unique insight on why certain marketing and advocacy tactics work and why others don’t.”

By providing what The Eisenhower Institute’s Executive Director Jeffrey Blavatt ’88 calls “interactive learning with a purpose,” Ernst and the Institute’s other Experts-In-Residence help students expand upon what they learn in the classroom.

Jessica Zupancic ’14, an environmental studies major and business minor, highlighted the program’s impact on her—both as a student and as a scientist. “With new perspectives and greater awareness of the current issues, I am better able to ask questions and contribute during class discussion,” she said. “One of the largest take-home messages that has stuck with me was the idea that as a member of the science community, it is not simply enough for me to just ‘do’ science; I must work to bring greater public awareness to what I have learned.”

Physics major Alex Indelicato ’15 agreed. “I chose to apply for this program because I have a strong interest in the environment and global issues,” he said. “The ELP has allowed me to learn more about sustainable energy. I can apply it to physics and engineering.”

Many of the program’s alumni have translated their experiences into careers. Valerie Leone ’13 and her ELP group spent their 2013 spring break in Washington, D.C., meeting environmental policy leaders, congressional staffers, and sewage treatment center managers in the Anacostia Watershed. Combining their research with her senior capstone project, Leone led the group in collecting data to explore how demographic variables influence worldviews.

Leone says the experience helped guide her professional path. “This research provided me with a greater understanding of policy development and with direction in my career.” As an environmental consultant at Booz Allen Hamilton, Leone now advises the U.S. Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, Installations, and Environment on environmental regulations and policies.

Engaged learning opportunities such as ELP help students make connections between theory and practice—connections that affect their success as citizens and leaders. Although many engaged learning opportunities are in place, funds are limited and student interest exceeds the College’s ability to support more experience-based programs. Trustee Peter Seiden ’73 is an avid supporter of The Eisenhower Institute’s Expert-in-Residence programs. “I think it is important to be able to open up an area to students and allow them to work with people who are ‘doing’ in the world,” said Seiden. “To give students not only an academic framework, but also practical experience and insight makes the College and the students stronger.”

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“Public policy has always been a big interest for my family and me,” said Peter Seiden.

As a student, Seiden was mentored by political science professor, Ken Mott, and over the years, this mentorship has evolved into a friendship. The two often discuss how to provide engaging public policy opportunities for students. Seiden and his family’s I.W. Foundation have supported public policy experiences since 1993–most notably through the SeidenLevi Public Policy Seminar. In 2012, through Gettysburg Great: The Campaign for Our College, they gave $750,000 to endow one of The Eisenhower Institute’s Expert-in-Residence programs.

While the gift currently supports the Environmental Leadership Program, Seiden anticipates growth into other fields. “Health, welfare, homelessness... there are all sorts of things that the students and the College could be looking at,” he said.

Seiden calls upon his fellow alumni to join him. “Gettysburg College needs to be at the forefront of this—and people need to understand that it takes money,” he said. “We’re not only hopefully enhancing society—but also the students and the value of a Gettysburg College degree. It should be a no-brainer; let’s build this up.”

“The Eisenhower Institute’s Expert-in-Residence programs.”

Peter Seiden ’73

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Ken Mott (left) and Peter Seiden ’73

“Let’s build this up.”

Gettysburg College’s Seiden-Levi Fellow of Public Policy Prof. Howard Ernst is a senior scholar at the University of Virginia’s Center for Politics and political science professor at the United States Naval Academy.
They traveled more than 21,000 miles over winter break to visit four cities in China—Beijing, Xi’an, Shanghai, and Suzhou—and the city-state of Singapore. Led by Prof. Russell McCutcheon, “East Meets West,” the first international concert tour of the Sunderman Conservatory Wind Symphony, provided students opportunities to strengthen their excellent performance skills, deepen their understanding of music, and work with people from other places and cultures.

Winds to the East
1 The Bell Tower of Xi’an, built in 1384.
2 Prof. Russell McCutcheon conducts. The concert program included “Hands Across the Sea” by John Philip Sousa, “Spring Festival” and “Dragon Rhyme,” both by Chen Yi, a contemporary Chinese composer, and “Gettysburg Triumphant” by F. William Sunderman ’19.
3 A water tour gave Carly Strelez ’14 striking views of Singapore, where the group was welcomed by the conservatory of the National University of Singapore.
4 The Wind Symphony visited the Shanghai Conservatory of Music, China’s first music institution of higher education. Mary Pearce ’16, Emily Wakschal ’16, Meg Sutter ’16, and Hannah Barnett ’16 (left to right) tried the Shanghai potato twists.
5 Highlights of the group’s time in Xi’an included a visit to see the famed Terra Cotta Warriors and the chance to try calligraphy.
6 In concert with musicians at Shaanxi Normal University. The marquis overhead reads “Welcome Gettysburg College Sunderman Conservatory of Music Exchange Performance.”
7 Music forges connections, like this trumpet face-off between Luke McCurry ’16 and his counterpart.

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haddeus Stevens was a mover and a shaker. Recognized as one of the country’s most powerful congressmen during and after the Civil War, it was his influence as an Adams County community leader that helped Samuel Simon Schmucker to found Pennsylvania College, now Gettysburg College.

An advocate of education, Stevens persuaded prominent decision-makers in the area to take a chance on Schmucker’s venture to jump-start an institution of higher learning.

While representing Gettysburg in the state legislature in 1834, Stevens was instrumental in securing $18,000 from the state to construct the College’s first building, iconic Pennsylvania Hall.

Our alumni are a distinguished group with one thing in common: they value a Gettysburg College education. They are connected through a distinctive experience defined by the campus, the College’s history, its academic excellence, the prominence of public service and active learning, and the expectation to do great work.

What made this College what it is today? The investments of generous people. Some are celebrated on the Benefactors Wall or the Visionary Gettysburgians Wall in the College Union Building. Many are recognized for their annual, reunion, and planned gifts.

Generous people, working together, made Gettysburg College what it is today. Here are ten gifts that capture the commitment, spirit, and intention of all those who honor the Orange and Blue.

A campus unfolds:
The Woman’s League

Gettysburg College is one of the most picturesque campuses in the nation—in large part because of the Woman’s League. Look around—Huber Hall, Stevens Hall, the Chapel, Old Dorm/Pennsylvania Hall, and Glatfelter Hall—all were renovated with the help of Woman’s League dollars. Not to mention Weidensall Hall, which was erected as a YMCA building and made possible by a Woman’s League campaign.

Through the years, the Woman’s League has provided more than $1 million for scholarships, library books, and academic and extracurricular programming, as well as the Center for Public Service (CPS), Musselman Library, and various music programs.
A special collection:
John H. W. Stuckenberg

Perspective is invaluable. No one knew this better than John H. W. Stuckenberg. Stuckenberg, a writer, traveler, and Army chaplain, had a lifelong passion for maps and an appreciation for the historical outlook they provide. Although not an alumnus, Stuckenberg gravitated to Gettysburg College due to its “progressive” curriculum and later bequeathed to the College his collection of more than 500 map sheets from the 16th to the 19th century. The rare collection includes handcrafted works from renowned cartographers Willem Janszoon Blaeu (1571-1638), Matthias Seutter (1678-1756), and Tobias Conrad Lotter (1717-1777).

Now housed in Special Collections of Musselman Library, the artifacts serve as primary sources for hundreds of students, faculty, and regional and national scholars each year. One donated map even proved vital in solving the Venezuela Boundary Dispute of 1895.

Preserving our history: Henry Luce Foundation

Union and Confederate armies swept through campus during the Battle of Gettysburg. The triumphs and tragedies of July 1863 forever intertwined Gettysburg College with the American story. Since 1998, the program has also attracted a world-class faculty and is regarded a leader in the national conversation regarding the Civil War. The impact was evident during last summer’s sesquicentennial commemoration of the Battle of Gettysburg, as numerous media outlets relied upon the program’s experts, recognizing the strong academic reputation of the CWES and Gettysburg College.

The talented writer and photographer bequeathed to the College his G.I. insurance “to create intellectually controversial activities.” His gift laid the groundwork for the Center for Public Service (CPS).

Today, 72 percent of our students are involved in community service, in the U.S. and abroad. The College was named to the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, the highest honor a college or university can receive for its commitment to volunteering, service-learning, and civic engagement.

A step for social justice:
Stephen Warner ’68

Gettysburg College students are charged to realize their responsibility as global citizens—an example set through the sacrifice of Stephen Warner ’68 (right). Warner, a proponent of civil rights and social justice, was ordered to serve a one-year assignment on the Army’s public relations staff in Vietnam. The photojournalist was killed in an ambush near the Laotian border in 1971, just three days before he was scheduled to return home. The talented writer and photographer bequeathed to the College Board of Trustees, later matched the gift, bringing the total endowment for the fund to $1 million.

Today, the Bruce S. Gordon Endowed Scholarship not only benefits its recipients, but also improves the learning environment and vibrancy of the campus for everyone at the College. Since 2001, the percentage of domestic students of color has risen from 5.4 percent to 10.4 percent.

An inclusive community:
Bruce Gordon ’68 and David LeVan ’68

Alumnus and former president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Bruce Gordon ’68 helped ensure the College could enroll more students from historically underrepresented groups. In 2001, Gordon presented Gettysburg with a $500,000 gift to establish an endowed scholarship in his name. His classmate David LeVan ’68, former chair of the Gettysburg College Board of Trustees, later matched the gift, bringing the total endowment for the fund to $1 million.

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In 2012 the College created the Gettysburg Scholarship to enable benefactors to commit at least $10,000 and provide an annual scholarship of $2,500 or more over a four-year period. Generous gifts from Holly Keller ’87 and Matthew McDevitt ’87 and from Ronald Smith ’59 helped to launch the program. A number of alumni have since followed suit, naming their own Gettysburg Fund Scholarships.

The Class of 1962 will host the NCAA Division III Women’s Lacrosse Championship on May 24–25. Clark Field will host the national contest for the second time.

The complex was made possible through the generosity of former Bullets soccer goalkeeper John Clark ’52 and his wife Mary. It is one of the couple’s many gifts to the College.

Women’s men’s lacrosse, women’s soccer, and men’s soccer have each won championships on its artificial playing surface. The Clark Field complex gives Gettysburg women’s athletics a battlefield advantage.

The venue enjoys the most breathtaking backdrop in collegiate sports: the Eternal Light Peace Memorial, with its flame lit in remembrance of the soldiers who gave their lives on these grounds in 1863.

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In 2005, its founding year, there were thirty-seven music majors and two degrees offered. A performance degree was added and today there are 103 music majors. Graduates are landing outstanding positions in performance, music management, arts administration, and writing, or are pursuing advanced degrees.

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Outside of the financial benefits to students, these gifts open the door for donors to develop lasting friendships with their student recipients—relationships that may endure for a lifetime.

—by Mike Baker
Working space

Long days are the norm for President Janet Morgan Riggs ’77, appointed the College’s fourteenth (and first alumna) President in 2009. Her office in Penn Hall is a space to work in peace, but more often a busy hub where she welcomes students, faculty, alumni— and recently Gettysburg magazine—to visit.

620-step commute
When she is not travelling to meet alumni and parents around the country (or the world—see pages 18-19) her day begins with a quick walk from the President’s House on West Broadway to the office in Pennsylvania Hall.

Orange and Blue, through and through
A scarf made by Bonnie Chemel (wife of Board of Trustees Chair Jim Chemel ’71) complements the many hats Riggs wears as a Gettysburgian: student, alumna, professor, administrator, and President.

Nod to the past
Riggs earned her PhD in social psychology at Princeton University and was recruited by her undergrad mentors to return to Gettysburg as a faculty member. One textbook from her College days has been with her through the journey: Calculus of Vector Functions for a course taught by (now) Professor Emeritus David E. Flesner.

First and foremost, a teacher
In her top drawer there’s a grade book that she used as recently as 2010. Riggs received the Gettysburg College Student Senate Faculty Appreciation Award after a mere three years of teaching, as well as the Thompson Distinguished Teaching Award and the Gettysburg College Woman of Distinction Award. She was psychology department chair from 1996-2001 and continues to hold office hours.

The face of Gettysburg College
Representing the College at official functions has many rewards. Among her mementos: jingle bells made by Cly-Del Manufacturing Company from College benefactor Bob Garthwait ’82; commemorative medallions; and photos with luminaries such as retired U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor and director Steven Spielberg.

Simple and familiar
Except for some personal items, the office looks much the same as it did when Riggs became President, in the midst of the economic turmoil that began in 2008. As the College weathered the downturn, Riggs did not want to use College funds to change the décor of the office or the President’s residence.

The President’s view
From her window she can watch chairs go up for Commencement and Convocation. Past the library and the path of the Twilight Walk, she can see Plank Gym. “That’s where I first met Ed,” she said. The two met on their third day on campus and married in 1978.

Hitting the beach
A photo of flip-flops on the sand and orange- and blue-framed starfish hearken back to summers at Long Beach Island, New Jersey. “As a kid, it’s where we always went on vacation, and I’ve gone to the beach every summer of my life except the year our twins were born,” she said.

Speaking of family
Janet and Ed Riggs ’77 have three adult children: Brian and twins Rachel and Tommy. Rachel painted the flower as a Mother’s Day gift and Tommy is known for his iconic photo of Cory Weissman ’12 hitting his 1000 to 1 foul shot. Oldest son Brian is a structural engineer in the Philadelphia area.

Speechless
If they could, these walls might talk about the wounded Civil War soldiers who were cared for in 1863. Or of student pranks and break-ins in the late 1800s. Of about John Jaeger and Eric Kolbe, both members of the Class of 1965 who visited and made multimillion dollar commitments to support Gettysburg Great: The Campaign for Our College.

A blog by President Janet Morgan Riggs ’77, Cupola Conversations, can be found online.

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Jimmy Nguyen ’15 plans to go to medical school and he also loves music. He didn’t know if he could balance pursuing his passion while also working to earn a biology degree at Gettysburg College.

The Sunderman Conservatory of Music encourages students like Jimmy to be well-rounded and experience the full benefits of a rigorous music curriculum in the context of an equally challenging program in the liberal arts and sciences.

In a video about Nguyen’s decision to major in both biology and music, Prof. Yeon-Su Kim said, “To be able to study music at a high level like this and to have the ability to broaden your horizons provides the foundation for a very rich life.”

Nguyen, winner of the annual Concerto Competition, said, “I thought I would only be a biology major, but I was drawn in by the amazing professors. I’m definitely a better violinist now, and whatever I learn in music I can apply to my studies in science.”

View the video and hear Jimmy play violin online.

Gettysburg means a wealth of choices, opportunities, and once-in-a-lifetime experiences.

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What makes Gettysburg Great

People, programs, and places that inspire our community.

A book by history Prof. Allen Guelzo, Henry R. Luce Professor of the Civil War Era and Director of Civil War Era Studies, was recognized with two prestigious awards this spring.

Gettysburg: The Last Invasion (Alfred A. Knopf) was the inaugural selection for the Guggenheim-Lehrman Prize in Military History, awarded in recognition of the best book published in English in the field of military history. Gettysburg: The Last Invasion was selected over 100 other texts.

The 2014 Gilder Lehrman Lincoln Prize honored Guelzo for Gettysburg: The Last Invasion, and Martin P. Johnson of Miami University Hamilton, for Writing the Gettysburg Address (University Press of Kansas). Steven Spielberg received a Special Achievement Award for the movie Lincoln at the April 24 awards presentation in New York City.

This is the third time Guelzo received this distinguished prize, which is awarded by Gettysburg College and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. The winners were chosen from 114 nominations.

Gettysburg: The Last Invasion appeared on The New York Times bestseller list for six weeks.

Doug Black ’94

What students Do

Great Work that makes a difference Make a difference, having an impact, changing the world.

What is it in a young person’s life that makes their friends and loved ones dedicate one weekend a year for fifteen years to their memory? Andrew LaVanway ’95 writes:

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Save the date

May 17–18
Commencement Weekend

May 24–25
2014 NCAA Division III Women’s LAX Championships at Clark Field

May 29–June 1
Alumni College and Reunion

May 29–30
22nd Annual Sara Lee/Butter Krust Baking Gettysburg College Golf Classic presented by the Cly-DeI Manufacturing Company

June 11–15
Gettysburg Fest

Celebration of the arts

June 13–15
Alumni Family Weekend

July–Aug.
Summer Send-Offs

Aug. 27–31
Class of 2018 orientation

Sept. 1
Classes begin

Sept. 19
Legacy Admissions Experience

Sept. 19–21
Gettysburg Great Weekend: Homecoming & Campaign Kickoff

Oct. 31–Nov. 2
Family Weekend

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Greetingst from cold, cold G-burg! It is
good to have the students back from a
long vacation. I hope everyone had a
memorable family Christmas. Recipients
of the Dr. John B. Zinn Scholarship in
the Sciences are chemistry majors Laura
Lee ’15 and Megan McDonald ’16. This
scholarship was established by our class
at our 50th Reunion to be awarded to
talented students pursuing a science
education. Richard Dwight Sheeds of
Tecumseh, MI died Nov. 18, 2013. He was
survived by his daughter and two
grandchildren. Dick earned his MS in wildlife
management from Penn State U and a
doctoral certificate in the same field from
the U of Mi. He taught biology at his alma
mater, and then, for 35 years, he taught
science, chemistry, physics, biology, and
German at Willow Run High School in
Ypsilanti, MI. Dick served as a lieutenant
in the medical administrative corps in WWII
and received several awards. He was a
member of several civic organizations,
including a 33 Degree Scottish Rites Mason.
His wife Adèle preceded him in death in 2005. We extend our sympathy
to his family. Dick was buried in Ever-
green Cemetery, Gettysburg.

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As always, I am concerned that my
column is full of sad news concerning
deaths of friends and classmates. This issue there are three: Richard W.
Ostrey, Carlisle, PA; William F. Green,
Monroes, GA, and Harry F. Rote Jr.,
Eustis, FL. I have the full obituaries and
will be happy to send them on if anyone
wishes to call or email me. I’ll claim
editor’s privilege and use a bit of space
to tell you all that I’ll be heading back
to York in the spring to an independent
living situation. Use the number and
address above until next issue when I’ll
have a brand new mailing address.

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This is a hard class notes time for me,
since I have four obituaries and only
one letter, from Allen Pannell. I’ve
mentioned that he and his wife are now in
a retirement community in
Lansdale, PA. When at the College,
Allen had an act “Burnell the Magician,
The Man Who Makes Time Fly.” He is
no longer doing that act, but has a new
one, which is “Magic Radio Nostalgia,”
a musical review and parody of the early
days of radio and features segments
of children’s broadcasts, soap operas,
crooners, talk shows, newscasters and
radio comedians. The act also features
some old-time parlor magic. This latest
program is designed for senior centers,
retirement communities, and nursing
homes. Sounds great—I’d love to see it!

Charles Taylor, who died in December,
as a veteran of WWII, serving in the
Army Air Corps. He worked in sales in
the pharmaceutical industry and
most recently in advertising. He was a
member of the Dallastown Lions Club
and received the Helen Jones Award
for dedicated service to the community.
Charles is survived by his wife, Helen;
a son, Daniel; a daughter, Eta Banks;
and three grandchildren, Christopher
Taylor, Peter Taylor, and Andrew Banks.

Glen Meisenhelter, who was one of
eleven children, died in Towanda, PA.
After high school he enlisted in the
Navy during WWII and came to
Gettysburg College. Glenn received a
degree in chemical engineering and was
employed by GTE Sylvania in Towanda
until his retirement. He was a member of
WWII Last Man’s Club, the VFW,
Elks, and Towanda Country Club. He is
survived by his wife of 63 years, Sally,
and three children, Cathy, James, and
Glen. The Rev. Charles Ruby, who
died in December, attended Gettysburg
seminary. He served three parishes
in PA before moving to Phoenix, AZ,
where he was Senior Pastor of Faith
Lutheran Church for 13 years before
founding Lord of Life in Sun City West.
He retired after 13 years in that parish
and was survived by, Shelly, his wife
of 55 years, two children, Jeffery Ruby
and Melissa Dugan, and grandchildren
Kaitlin and Erik Ruby and David Dugan.
Richard “Dick” Cadmus also died in

Please write!

Your classmates would love to
know what you’re up to. Please
submit information to your class
secretary by these deadlines:

Winter issue, Oct. 15
Spring issue, Jan. 15
Fall issue, June 15

Class Notes Editor
Devan Grote White '11
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Dec. 18. After serving in Korea in the Army, Dick came to Gettysburg College to be active in the swim team. He was married to Valerie for 56 years before her passing in 2009. Dick and Valerie enjoyed traveling with their grandchildren both in Europe and the United States. Dick was an agent for the Prudential Insurance Co. for 25 years in northern Palm Beach County. Dick leaves brother, David ‘58; son, Scott; daughter, Cindy; grandchildren, Kara and Kyle Quinn; and great-granddaughter Kyle Quinn. That’s our news; please write me about what you are doing!

1953 Barbara Stover King 6131 Greenbriar Lane Fayetteville, PA 17222 717-952-7363 barbara731@comcast.net Graduate of Gettysburg class of 1953. A big thank you goes to Jo Sierer Fowcutt who saved us for many years. I will try to fit her shoes. To update you on the King family, Larry ’50, our son Steve ’80, have just celebrated the holidays with us. Among other good years, visits with family and friends, we want to miss this weekend, so put the call on your calendar for the 55th Reunion soon. It will be good to have that time together. Dr. John N. Moore, Jr., retired U.S. Army Colonel, passed away in Apr. 2013. John was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa and a biology major. Mary Ann McGowan ’62 called to inform me that her husband Walter “Walt” McGowan died on Nov. 2013. As I spend a cold winter day writing these notes for the spring issue of the magazine, I want to offer my sincere condolences to the families of their loved ones. We extend our sympathy to the family of Gerald Shealer who passed away in Apr. 2013. He was a native of Gettysburg and owned and operated Shaler’s Furniture Store in Gettysburg for 35 years. He was an active member of the community. Our condolences go to his wife of 55 years Suzanne Ziegler Shealer ’57 and his extended family.

1954 60th Reunion Year Helen-Ann Comstock 34 Ruby Lane Ridgefield, CT 06877 hcomstock@earthlink.net Ruth Davis Spelman has retired from public office but she is busy as ever. She continues on the boards of Chilton Hospital and Pheasantcreek Library, and she enjoys bridge, book club, and travel. She has just returned from a delightful river cruise on the Danube. Glenn Pannell is Chair and Board Representative of the Resident Advisory Council of the Trinity Terrace Foundation in Fort Worth, TX. He and Connie ’56 recently hosted Chris Hamor, B-B’s development officer for Dallas, Houston, and Austin. He and Connie both had a wonderful G-burg “update” on all that is now at the College. Our 60th Reunion will take place May 29-June 1 1954 YEAR! Let’s have a big turnout for this amazing Reunion. Plans are being made by the committee, headed by Class President Charles “Chuck” Harrison, along with Al Comery, Barbara Holley, Audrey (Rawlings) Weinblom, and me.

1955 Rev. Joseph Mohlar 4190 Park Place Bethlehem, PA 18020 610-814-2960 bmohlar1858@yahoo.com Inadvertently, I omitted carrying a few lines earlier from Nelson Souto. Nelson writes that he and his wife Kija Choate ’55 “had grown accustomed to frequent household travel while serving 21 years in the Navy Chaplain Corps. Living in active retirement for 24 years with a large move has been an enjoyable dream. We’re so thankful, dear readers, that your “checkcils,” people. Our 60th Reunion is coming up in 2015, I hope to see as many of you as can. Let’s increase both the percentage of the participation and the support of our beloved College in those years. We received notice that Alice May Davis passed away on Aug. 5, 2013. Alice served in the U.S. Army and achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. At the College, she graduated magna cum laude and went on to receive an MA from Columbia University. In her military career, she served principally in military intelligence and also as a Soviet specialist and Russian linguist. The high point of her career, however, was her assignment as chief presidential and senatorial translator and of the Washington-New-Moscow “Hot Line” at the Pentagon in the National Military Command, Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, 1971-75. She completed her career in Charlotteville, VA, as director of technology services at the then Fraction Science Technology Center, 1978-80. Alice is survived by her brother Wayne and her sister Doris. She was interred at Arlington National Cemetery. We send our belated condolences to her family.

1956 Georgiana Bowenman Sibert 739 Hillops Lane Hershey, PA 17033-2924 717-539-5396 bangards@verizon.net I received a note from William Morro just after the deadline for the last issue, but nonetheless, I am happy to report his outstanding news. His son, Stephen Morro ’80, was inducted into the Windingwood High School Hall of Fame, Class of 2013, as an outstanding alumnus. The family is excited that father and son are both enshrined in the same hall of fame. Congratulations to both Billie Woods who also wrote that his granddaughter Amanda graduated in May as a member of the Gettysburg Class of 2013, thus giving this family three generations of Gettysburg graduates. I think that is great! The only other piece of news that I received was notice of the passing of Richard W. Gaenzle on Jan. 9. He is survived by his wife Sandy, his son and daughter, and five wonderful granddaughters whom he adored, as well as several close relatives. Richard was a professor for 42 years and was given the honorary designation of a “life tenured Professor in Senior Class.” He was a member of Phi Delta Theta and served as president of the Intra-Fraternity Council. After graduation, he attended the USMA from Northeastern U and a Master’s degree from Houston. Texas. He used his expertise in the sales and marketing industry, as well as in the hospital and medical care industry. We are sorry to hear of his passing and send our sympathies to all of his family and friends. Be sure to send news of your activities and travels so I have news to send out. Everyone stay warm and look forward to spring.

1957 Don Holchak 7 Jeanes Way Forestville, MA 01064 508-889-4276 PBHDR@comcast.net Continuing his political activism in retirement, former Representative Robert Schultz tells of his present efforts With the help of a member of NH Senator John licensee ’57 and of local politician Scott MacDonald, he looks toward a symposium that will engage NH faith and community leaders. They will be drafting to discuss the moral imperative for congressional action on climate disruption. He’s been involved in similar programs on behalf of the McCain-Palin campaign. NH faith and community leaders. They will be drafted to discuss the moral imperative for congressional action on climate disruption. He’s been involved in similar programs on behalf of the McCain-Palin campaign. He’s been involved in similar programs on behalf of the McCain-Palin campaign.

1958 Janet Blake Hoenninger Davis 407 Chamonix Drive Fredericksburg, VA 22405 540-371-1045 jahreno@verizon.net We extend our sympathies to the family of Gerald Shealer who passed away in Apr. 2013. He was a native of Gettysburg and owned and operated Shaler’s Furniture Store in Gettysburg for 35 years. He was an active member of the community. Our condolences go to his wife of 55 years Suzanne Ziegler Shealer ’57 and his extended family. College info for next Reunion Weekend is May 29-June 1 and Homecoming Weekend is Sept. 19-21.
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1964 50th Reunion Year Kenneth Gibbs 24 Heathwood Lane Bendersville, PA 17311 717-924-1893

Jeff Smith retired 3 years ago from a career in IT management and consulting. He is currently volunteering at the United Methodist Church Food Pantry. His days are full of volunteering, golfing, traveling, and photography. Eric Van Glider retired after a 40-year career in banking. He and wife Gail Larson Von Glider moved to Lewes, DE to a house they've had for 17 years. The house has been a hub for kids and eight grandchildren. He is involved in several not-for-profits in Lewes.

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1970 Jo Dorem Graham and husband Tom are retired physicians. She was on the medical faculty at the U of Pittsburgh for 45 years. An internist gastroenterologist, but her career is best defined as a clinician-educator. She is now working on a formalization program of study at the Pittsburgh Medical School. They've traveled a lot, including a trip to Taiwan and a stay in France. She's coming to our Reunion for the first time ever! Since graduation, Tom went to medical school and became a specialist in the medic; a consultant for computer systems, worked with renewable energy, and international trade, and wrote two books about the brain and computer graphics. Thinking Like Einstein and In the Mind's Eye. Kurt Kaltreider is also an author, with Knidd's number one bestselling book, The American category, number three in Native American Studies, and number five in Minority Studies. His titles include, American Indian Prophecies and American Indian Cultural Heros and Teaching Telekinesis. Salmon Hall is his cited book. It held this position for 13 years. As we bid adieu to a stormy winter in the Northeast, check out locally written stories of the campus this past holiday season on the College website. It almost makes it worthwhile. See you at our Reunion!
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Class of 1967
Susan Waddell Kerr lives in London with her husband. They both are in the arts; Susan is a writer with a new novel nearing completion. Her daughter is a clinical psychologist and has two daughters. Their son is a chemist, Ted Gilbert retired in 2011 from music education after 44 years. He stayed in Gettysburg. He and his wife have four children and two grandchildren. When not teaching, he played in bands, directed choirs at the Gettysburg Presbyterian Church, and now directs the Hanover Standard Barbershop Chorus that includes his 91-year-old father Bob Ehrhart retired in 1967 and is still active. Janette Guarisco Scott

Class of 1968
Susan Walksy Gray is marking their 50th anniversary in their home in Gettysburg after spending more than 40 years in New Jersey. Betsy tells that they are enjoying visits from Gettysburg friends and both sing with the College/ community choir. Two of their four grandchildren are in nearby Frederick MD and the younger two are in South Africa, where their daughter Megan is a conservation biologist.

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Judy Lauer worked for 30 years as a law librarian with the NYS court system. She retired in June 2012, and she loves spending time with her husband and children in Ocean City, MD, and Ocean Springs, MS. She frequently volunteers and has worked on projects that were the first college to provide slots to federal service last Apr. with over 30 years. He had a double bypass in Oct and is finally settling down to retirement in Red Lion, PA. Tom ‘75

Class of 1976
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President Janet Morgan Riggs. Charlie and Janettie Guarisco Scott, who after all these years, the Philadelphia Alumni Association hosted a meeting of approximately 150 alumni and friends this past Oct. at the Union League Club in Philadelphia. The group was given an update on our alma mater. Janettie accepted, on behalf of the College, an award from Philadelphia Future for being the first college to provide slots for this program for first-generation-to-college income students: Pam Murray Maimone, Deandra Keller Murphy, and Richard Scheff were all in attendance. Keith Lenihan retired from federal service last Apr, with over 30 years. He had a double bypass in Oct and is finally settling down to retirement in Red Lion, PA. Tom ‘75

Class of 1977
Bob McFarland lives in London. He is a retired executive with various companies, including I-5 Publishing. Peter is a graduate of the College of William and Mary and a PhD candidate at UVA, focusing on Civil War studies. Bruce and Barb Turner White’s daughter Hilary ‘15 participated in Semester at Sea for her junior fall semester abroad. Barb and Bruce traveled to London in Aug to launch her from Southampton. In lieu of Parents Weekend, they met the ship in Cape Town, South Africa where they did a safari and toured Robben Island. Mary and Gayl Barone visited Sydney and Melbourne in Dec. 2013. Mary’s cousins hosted them, I was able to participate in the celebration of the Beethoven Symphony tour of China (Beijing, Xian, Shanghai, and Suzhou) and Singapore (see pages 18-19), I climbed the Wall and saw the terra cotta warriors. I hope that I’ll see all of you at our 40th Reunion Let’s get ready to party!

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May 28–31, 2013; put these dates on your calendar. That’s our next milestone Reunion! our 40th You’ll receive more updates as the get closer. For those of you who are long-range planners, you now know when to schedule a trip to Gettysburg. Unfortunately, we have some members that won’t be able to join us. Elwood Woody Christ received recognition as a well-known local historian and was a well-known folk musician in the D.C. music scene. He performed with his wife Janette Monely as the duo Calico. For more than a decade in and as Drake Mallard with The Pyrates Royale for 7 years at the Mid-Atlantic Renaissance Festival. He is survived by his wife and sons from a previous marriage, Chris and Paul IV. The family asked that donations be made to the Renaissance Entertainers Staff and Crafters Union (RESCU), a nonprofit aid organization that assists performers and other fair workers with a range of health expenses.
Hello, classmates. I hope 2014 has been a great one for you thus far. Here’s the latest news:

Rump Kemp is still in Richmond as an accountant and office manager for their husband’s flooring business. Her patriotic appearance at the U of Pittsburgh—Bradford and plays baseball. They played the Bultets in FL over spring break! Wendy much enjoys her 2 grandchildren as well. On the business front Bob Garthwait’s Cy-Del company was part of a four-company merger; leaving Bob as CEO of both Cy-Del and his new umbrella. Congratulations on this new adventure, Bob! Jen Fisher Bryant’s book, A Splash of Red, which premiered Feb. 16 in NYC. Jen and Nancy Sanders’ 30th Reunion Year issue. I hope to hear from more of you.

When not working, Rob can be found working as an accountant and office manager for her husband’s flooring business. He always had a smile and a bionic umbrella. Congratulations on this new adventure, Bob!

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Gottingen College Class of 1980
John Cippolino was promoted to the western division at Morrison Management Associates in Sept, resulting in a move from the city life in Chicago to the western life in Denver. His wife, John, and son love the CD life. From what I see on Facebook, and I agree with all of you, John, is a very nice person.

Gottingen College Class of 1980–1985

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Gottingen College Class of ‘81–
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Linda L. Brown, resides in NJ and is a freelance writer specializing in educational and health topics. She and her husband Mark have 2 kids; Corey is a freshman at Montclair State U, and Abby is 12 years old. Jeffrey Oak was the recipient of a Gottingen College 2013 Diversity Innovation Award, the highest honor given by the Gottingen College Alumni Association. After graduating cum laude from Gottingen, Jeff earned his Master of Divinity degree from Yale U, where he was awarded a Prize Fellowship for Teaching Excellence. For 10 years, he worked as an ethics consultant to educational and nonprofit organizations and was an executive administrator and pastor of a large multinational Methodist congregation. He returned to Yale in 1994 to pursue his MA and PhD in philosophy. Jeff is senior pastor of the Columbia Presbyterian Church in Columbia, SC and a member of the WA State Bar Association Elder Law Section, he works with the probate, trust, and commercial litigation. As a member of the WA State Bar Association Elder Law Section he provides regular reporting to guardians, and to improve court monitoring of guardians to ensure guardians are fulfilling their responsibilities to incapacitated persons.

when not working, Rob can be found

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They recently relocated to Cranford, NJ due to a job transfer for Ray. Congratulation! If you’re in central VA, stay tuned for news about our new alumni club. Don’t forget to keep the news flowing. Our 30th Reunion is scheduled for May 28–31, 2015. Save the date.

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Gettysburg College Class of 1986–Class Page

Greetings, Class of ’86! Hope all is well with you and your families. John Harris wrote, “Despite my performance in the classroom as a student at Gettysburg, I am pleased to note that my nephew Ned Hughes was accepted early decision and will attend Gettysburg College as a member of the Class of 2018!” Thanks, John. I am sure you will closely monitor Ned throughout this 4-year career at Gettysburg! Social media group HNB redesignated the book, No Reservations at Todd Gothberg, a ‘Hot New Book’ for 2014. The second publishing of his book has already sold out, and the third set is in the printing press. Way to go, Todd! In Nov 2013, a group of our classmates attended a birthday bash for Chris Miller at the MadFox Brewing Company in Falls Church, which was founded and is operated by our very own Bill Madden. In attendance from the Class of ’86 was: Paul Bailey, Bill Madden, Tom Thistle, Pat Hannah, Chris Miller, Eric Handler, Mike Feuer, Jeff Thompson, Chuck Draughb, Robin Harling, Carl Nizolek, and Gail Powers. Sounds like everybody had a wonderful time. Happy Birthday, Chris. That’s all the news that I have to share. Please remember to send updates. It is always great to hear from you.

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Gettysburg College Class of 1987–2015 Reunion

Michael Baum sent an update on his whereabouts. Mike has been a professor of political science (followings throughout his (G-burg major) at the UMass–Dartmouth for the past 16 years. He was appointed by the U.S. and Portuguese governments to the executive council of a Portuguese foundation called the Luso-American Foundation. The foundation promotes closer relations between the two countries and in particular in the area of higher education. Mike has relocated with his wife and two kids (ages 8 and 6) to help run our UMass in Lisbon and will be there for at least the next 5 years. Mike wanted everyone to know this is a great opportunity for Gettysburg students to study abroad at an exceptionally reasonable cost. Dave Tohn wanted to report his new position as the senior vice president for strategy at BTS Software Solutions in Columbia, MD.

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Gettysburg College Class of 1989

Happy spring, everyone. I didn’t receive updates or news from our classmates, but I surely wanted to remind everyone of our upcoming 25th Reunion. Please save the date, May 29–June 1! You will receive more information from our wonderful Reunion Co-chairs, Ralph and Anne Kassakert Kohart. Thanks so much to the Koharts and their Reunion committee for working on such an important event. I’m sure it will be a memorable time, so mark it on your calendars. The Class of ’89 is getting old! Send news, please!

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Gettysburg College Class of ’90

Happy spring, all! Elizabeth Lenda Meighan married Marty Karstetter on Sep 1, 2015. Marty is one of the Adams County Commissioners and is “a towrier,” as Elizabeth jokingly writes, Marty’s son, Landon (11), and Elizabeth’s children, Nick (13), Kate (13), and Sam (10) were all part of the wedding ceremony. The couple was married at the Adams County courthouse by their minister and the Priory of Our Lady of Lourdes. Steve Shearover was Elizabeth’s matron of honor. Also in attendance were Karen Kay Sloane, Jen Olivo, Aimee ’90, and Courtney Wedge ’10. The couple enjoyed an extended honeymoon in Europe. Elizabeth works as a civil servant for the Department of the Army. Elizabeth and Marty bought a house on Broadway in Gettysburg next to Lambila Chapel. Interestingly enough, their new place used to be Professor Leslie Cahoon’s house! Lianne Heaver Saverling was Elizabeth’s matron of honor. Also in attendance were Karen Kay Sloane, Jen Olivo, Aimee ’90, and Courtney Wedge ’10. The couple enjoyed an extended honeymoon in European. Elizabeth works as a civil servant for the Department of the Army. Elizabeth and Marty bought a house on Broadway in Gettysburg next to Lambila Chapel.

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Gettysburg College Class of 1991

Many thanks to Rachel Pope Tucker, for serving as class correspondent since graduation. As of this update, Michael Hughes takes the keyboard.

In Sep 2012 I took my high school junior daughter to the Legacy Admissions Experience Day for children of alumni to take tours and get to know Gettysburg College, I put pictures on the Gettysburg College Facebook page (ed note: along with a recent one with her current wife). Last May I hosted two Gettysburg College students for an externship in pathology. (pathologists assistants who are physician extenders in pathology). Hosting students for the externship was a great way to give back the opportunity I was given when I participated in the Service Learning Project with the University of Maryland Medical Center in 1989 (I received my MS in pathology there in 1999). Please remember to send your updates to me by June 15.

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Gettysburg College Class of 1992

Happy spring! Class of ’92 You all must have been very busy trying to stay warm this winter, because I only heard from 2 of you. Thank you, Gordon Lewis and Sandra Hickin. Gordon Lewis started his second term this year as a County Commissioner last Jan. in Clarksville, TN. After 17 years with the U.S. Army Special Forces (including numerous tours through Iraq), Geoff deores the honors of Geoff’s Army buddies waiting to hear all about his days as a theatre major at G-burg. Jamie is a partner at the law firm of Buckley/Gardner/Smith in DC. He does international compliance and white collar criminal defense work. His task was to help Ivan to Stiahla Dahi, Singapura, and Western Europe over the years. Jamie is married to Susan. They reside in DC, with their two little girls. Bill is married to Diane Atkinson. He works at George Washington U. in D.C. Take care, everyone, and please keep the news coming.

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Gettysburg College Class of 1993

Recent acceptance packet, congratulations!

Note: along with a recent one with her current wife.

Be sure to check out the 1993 Gettysburg College 1991 Facebook page.

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Congratulations to Matt Haag who started his second term this year as a city council member in Rochester. The commencement speaker this year will be Flora Darpino ’83, the first woman to head the judy’s advocate. General. She will receive an honorary degree along with ELCA Bishop Callon Holloway ’76 and music great Dave Davies. Make sure your calendar is marked for the Reunion–May 29 to June 11

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Gettysburg College Class of 1997

Our class has been very busy with families, earning advanced degrees, doing community work, and expanding careers! Kenton Lennstrom Kilkenny wrote of her son’s wonderful spring of ’13, “I have to share news for next time. Come on; temperatures will entice more of you!” Gordon started a new job last fall as a product line manager for Crum & Forster Insurance. He splits time between Philadelphia and far away, who donated generously. The convener group for the Federal AIDS Policy Partnership, a national coalition of local, regional, and national organizations advocating for progressive federal HIV/AIDS legislation and policy. She has worked at the Office of HIV Planning in Philadelphia for over 11 years in various positions (most recently) as the senior health planner. Over the course of Dec., she organized a donation drive (backpacks, winter clothing, toiletries) for local students in need (co-authored with five others) was published. She wrote that she and her husband welcomed a third baby, Julia Anne in Aug. 2013. She joins big sisters Emily and Christina. Kim Morton received her PhD in educational leadership and higher education in

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Michael Mattasino and his wife Jamie welcomed their first child Emily Ann Mattasino on May 19, 2013. She weighed 6 lbs. 11 oz. She was baptized at the Student Run Emergency Housing Unit building at the University of Pittsburgh. She credits the success of the drive, in large part, to many fellow Gettysburg alumni who volunteered their time. Jamie wrote that she and her husband welcomed a third baby, Julia Anne in Aug. 2013. She joins big sisters Emily and Christina. Kim Morton received her PhD in educational leadership and higher education in

Emily Celano began a new job as an environmental project manager for an engineering firm called EFL Global, Inc. She works in their Wilmington, MA office and will work on Phase I and II, energy efficiency, and indoor air quality projects. Juliette Sargent McGuire and husband Bill McGuire welcomed their second daughter in January of 2013 (Morgan Kayla). Ashley is so excited to be a big sister! Juliette Hope Hofmanner was ordained as an Episcopal priest on Dec. 8, 2012. G-’04 alumnae Susan Davis ’01 and Rev. Samantha Vincent Alexander ’99 were in attendance. Julie married Jeremy Kerr on Jan. 4, 2013. Rev. Samantha Vincent Alexander ’99, Jennifer Roberts Lobo ’99, Anielia Hoffman, and Susan Davis Hill ’97 were in attendance. The wedding was in Brooklyn where Julie serves as a pastor at Grace Church Brooklyn Heights. Catherine Spangler completed her second Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 27, 2013. Her first MCM was on Oct. 28, 2012. Additionally, Catherine was promoted to nurse manager at the largest certified stroke center at MedStar Washington Hospital Center.

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Greenberg College Class of 1998

Chrsissy Shott Kopple and her husband Scott welcomed baby number two last April. Zachary Howard joins his very proud and protective big sister Sydney (4). They reside in Alexandria, VA. After maternity leave, Chrissy resumed her position as vice president of media relations for the National Basketball Association. Big sister Paul III and sister Kaitlyn.

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Greenberg College Class of 1999

Reunion:
I hope you are all making your plans for our 15th Reunion. It will be great to see you all at Gettysburg this spring reunion dates are May 29-31. We have lots of fun events planned throughout the weekend. Check out the Facebook page. Kenneth Clark was listed as one of the “40 under 40” in the Baltimore Business Journal. Kenneth is the president of Kenneth Clark Co. Please keep the news coming.

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Greenberg College Class of 2000

Jason and Nicole Hammerstrom Vlishio welcomed their first child Brecken R. Vlishio in March 2012. They relocated to Naples, Fl where Apparel, a PA. as a senior associate. Jason writes: “We would enjoy people looking up to us if they are in the Naples

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Greenberg College Class of 2004

Our classmates have had wonderful news events in their lives. Danielle Ballinger Loveless and husband Tanner moved to Charleston, SC following their May 2012 wedding in the city. After almost 10 years of teaching music, Danielle made a major career change into the world of entrepreneurship; they started an artisan candle company called Haypenny Confections. It specializes in handcrafted marshmallows and s’mores. Their products are now available both online and on the shelves of gourmet stores in SC, NC, GA, and CT. Matt Miller joined Marketing, a Crossmark Company and the leading consumer engagement firm in North America. He is senior account strategist in the company’s NY office. Matt is responsible for driving cross-departmental collaboration and is a key member of the strategic development of client brands’ consumer engagement strategies. He oversees strategy and tactical planning amongst cross-functional partners to ensure a holistic approach to client business and to assist in business development. Danny Hryshak still resides in Philadelphia and started working at the Reading Terminal Market in Nov. 2013. He has been involved with its’ veterans’ support organization, Operation Stand Down. He also gets veterans involved in their local communities through social activities and physical programs. His previous position was officially promoted in instructor in medicine and assistant director of clinical pharmacy at School of Medicine, Dartmouth College. Many classmates welcomed new additions to their families! Grant and Liz MacBartlett welcomed their first child Henry Drummond Bartlett on Dec. 22, 2013. Lindsey Morlock is excited to share that Aileen Weisen Shuman had a girl, Sylvia Marie Davidson, on May 24, 2013, and Whitney Tuttle Klack welcomed her son Nathan George in the spring of 2013. Cassandra Pickens Jewell and husband Mike welcomed daughter Kayleigh Elizabeth, born Sept. 30, 2013. Megan Van Kirk Porthen speculated that her and husband Kevin welcomed a baby boy, Benjamin Frederick, in Dec. 2013. Holly Hogan Taylor and husband Blaine bought a new home in Atwater, Tl, in Apr. 2013. Lastly, when I first agreed to be our class correspondent 10 years ago, I joked that it would be 10 years before any update since every 10 years. I can’t believe 10 years has passed since graduating from Gettysburg! I am so glad to see our Big Brothers Big sisters (BBBS) of Greater Manchester, and I just purchased a new home in Canterbur, NH. After attending the Union Leaders’ top 40 business professionals in NH luncheon in 2012, she is working in higher education, nonprofit fields, and my volunteerism throughout NH. Our BBBS agency was awarded the NH Program Champion of the Year last fall if I can do it, you too can keep your updates coming. I look forward to seeing you at our Reunion!!

2005
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Greenberg College Class of 2005

Kyle and Jessica Drake Ibbittson welcomed their baby boy Chase Frederick on Nov. 27, 2013. What a surprise! He is doing great and was the best surprise and gift for the holidays! The Ibbittsons also just bought their first home in Sandy Hook, CT. On Sept. 7, 2013, Emily Voss and Steve Light got married near Ithaca, NY. Ryan Wilder and his wife Brooke got married near Ithaca, NY. Also in attendance were: Jeff and Tina Tao Maynes, Chris Mohn, Kyle Schmidt, Anne Kennedy, Kailey Kuehn, Derek ‘03 and Carolyn Kratz Moazt, Jeannette Myers McDavit, and Ashley Dotson ‘07. Following the wedding, Emily and Steve relocated to Charlottesville, VA. Steve works at Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello and Emily works at Madison’s Montpelier.

2006
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I hope the winter wasn’t too brutal on everyone. Gettysburg has had its share of snowstorms. As you can recall, we power through all types of weather here! On Sept. 29, 2013, Monique published her annual Party for Poppa K charity golf...
tournament in Allentown, PA. This is the seventh year of Party for Popka, which Gettysburg has sponsored since 2004 as a Phi Sigma Kappa philanthropy event. In its fourth year, they blew past past the $50,000 mark and met the goal of $50,000. To date, Party for Popka has raised over $50,000 for hospice care. Popka hopes to raise $10,000 to $20,000 this year.

Sarah Reintjes ’14, Kate Atwater, Andrea Corson Council England/National Lottery Artist Grant. The project is titled “Thunders of Divine Wrath.” The paper examined how popular songs’ metaphors of revenge and violence have been transformed into country music. It was presented at the Saber and Scroll Journal of History. As always, if you have any updates, send them in! I hope to see everyone in Sept!

2008
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Kara Sharky graduated from U Penn Law School in May 2013 and now works as an associate at Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett, LLP in NYC. James Russell ’08 married Allison Gold on Nov. 23, 2013 at the Radnor Valley Country Club in Villanova, PA. Best man Ryan Keane and groomsman David Olson were in attendance. Matthew Hall, Eric Onidik, Matthew Presby, Gillian Dunn, Connie Williams, Phoenix, Paul, Magdalena, Nick, Isaac, and Michael were also in attendance.

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Gettysburg College Class of 2010 Alumni

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There is no news this time around for the Class of ’11. I hope everyone is enjoying the spring. Please send news by June 15 for next fall’s issue.

2012
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Lyndse Guy lives in NYC and teaches for City College. An educational nonprofit, Andrea Carson is in her second year as the center’s water resources policy and management graduate program. She recently returned from running China where she collected data for her thesis. Kathleen Hillery works as a R&D technician at a medical device company in NH. Last summer, she reenacted the 150th anniversary Gettysburg reenactment. She entered several running races last year, including two half-marathons and a 5K. This summer, she will participate in her 13th Trans NH Bike Rides, which benefits the NH Muscular Dystrophy Association. David Tekie serves as a community health volunteer for the Peace Corps in Chichigalpa, Nicaragua. If you have exciting news you want to share with your classmates, please send me an update. I would love to hear from you!

2013
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Gettysburg College Class of 2013

Hela, Class of 2013 Brian Walter attends Villanova Law. Alyssa Bosold works as an AmeriCorps Vista member with the Trans NH Bike Ride Program in NH. Michael Boyland is a credit analyst in Prague. Jacqueline de Moraes in Owings Mills, MD working with Toyota/ Lexus/Scion dealers across the MD, DC, and DE regions. Falon Deimler is a corps member with City Year in Philadelphia. Brian Denis is in Nashville, TN working at a corporate job. In addition to his main job, Brian is the newly appointed manager. Marit Garrow finished eighteen weeks of training for a position with Nation-Wide Insurance in Herkewyks, PA. Laura Koenig is in Omaha, NE with the Lutheran Volunteer Corps working as a caseworker at a nonprofit that does homelessness prevention. Anassil Margherita works as a concierge at Montage Deer Valley in Park City, UT. She is also the girl’s Lacrosse coach at Park City High School. Rebekah pixels is pursuing a master’s degree from WWU with a dual concentration in public history and 19th century US. History major. She is in her second year at the PhD level. Allison Papada is a case worker for a residential treatment center and foster care agency called Divorced Parents’ Treatment Alternatives. Claire Quinn lives and works in Beverly, Nicaragua as a Peace Corps volunteer learning the local language. She is pursuing a master’s degree in Developmental Psychology. Mohammad Sheehan is a financial consultant for AXA Advisors in NYC. Katelyn Stauffer is a graduate student in teaching at the University of Kentucky. Andrew Young is a community health officer in Chishagua, Nicaragua. His Google Alumni profile indicates that he is in the Peace Corps. U. Margaret Weismann is pursuing her master’s degree in social sciences. She has worked as an Environmental Science teacher in Chicago. Katelyn Stauffer is a CASE consultant and works as a check-out volunteer for the Peace Corps in Chichigalpa. She is pursuing her PhD in political science at the University of Tennessee in Chattanooga.

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Mildred D. Johnson '33

Mildred D. "Dimi" Johnson, 102, died Feb. 18 at the Gettysburg Lutheran Retirement Home. Born in York, PA, Dimi graduated from Gettysburg College in 1933 with degrees in history and English. While on campus, Dimi participated in Owl and Nightingale, the Gettysburgian, and Delta Gamma Sorority. After raising her family, Dimi became very active at Gettysburg College, serving as the dean of women and executive assistant to the President. During the period of time when President Dwight Eisenhower recuperated from his heart attack in Gettysburg, Dimi was his administrative aide. Following his retirement, Dimi continued her association with the College in both the alumni office and the student infirmary. For her efforts, she received the Gettysburg College Alumni Meritorious Service Award in 1951.

Dimi was also involved in the founding of what is now known as the Adams County Library and she was a member of the American Association of University Women. She was known as the Adams County Library and she was a member of the American Association of University Women. She was also involved in the founding of what is now the Littlestown Senior Center. In memory of her husband, the late Prof. Lester O. Johnson.

Rev. William K. Karns Jr. '32

Rev. William C. "Kit" Karns Jr. died on Dec. 29, 2013, then Gettysburg College’s oldest living alum at the age of 104. At the time of his death, Bill was a resident at Utz Terrace in Hanover, PA, but was formerly from Littlestown, PA, where he served as pastor of St. John’s Lutheran Church for more than 20 years. He was also the oldest living graduate of the Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary and the oldest retired rostered leader in the Lower Susquehanna Synod.

Bill graduated from Gettysburg College in 1932 with a degree in English and participated in men’s track and wrestling while he was a student. After being licensed to preach by the Allegheny Synod in 1934, Bill graduated from the Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary in 1938. Following ordination, Bill served as pastor in Somerset County, PA, and later Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Abington, PA. During his pastorate in Abington, he assisted in the establishment and organizing of two new mission congregations under the direction of the Board of Home Missions of the Lutheran Church in America.

While serving as pastor in Littlestown from 1952-1975, Bill served on the Board of Home Missions and Rural Church and the Stewardship Committee of the Central Pennsylvania Synod. He was also Secretary of the Hanover District of the Central PA Synod. Bill was active in the community, having served as president of the Littlestown Lions Club and as Chairman of the Littlestown Senior Center.

John Kenneth Rigby ’36

Another centenarian, John K. Rigby, passed away Jan. 15 in Atlanta, GA, at the age of 100. John received a BA in mathematics from Gettysburg College in 1936. While on campus, he participated in football and wrestling and was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. According to his family, he loved talking. He passed away Nov. 30, 2013.

Dates 2014 unless noted

19 '33 Mildred D. Johnson, Feb. 18
19 '36 John K. Rigby, Jan. 15
19 '37 John G. Walborn, Jan. 3
19 '39 Spurgeon A. Messmer, Feb. 19
19 Elisabeth Kidd Miller, Dec. 8, 2013
40 Victoria Haslip, Jan. 22, 2012
41 Richard D. Sheads, Nov. 13, 2013
42 Katherine Stroehmann Crane, Dec. 10, 2013
42 Paul Berts Gips, Jan. 13
42 Jane Hamer Homberger, Nov. 24, 2013
46 Donna Long Bell, Nov. 9, 2013
46 Jean Cameron Laubauch, Jan. 8
47 Simon J. Monforte, Jan. 4, 2011
48 Bruce W. Raffensperger, Dec. 15, 2013
48 Holger Rasmussen, Feb. 3
48 Miriam Brace Cole, Feb. 14
49 Robert C. Mahler, Dec. 20, 2012
49 Richard P. McLarnon, Jan. 23
49 Martin E. Cornek, Nov. 9, 2013
49 John D. Grant, Dec. 2, 2013
49 Paul S. Nore, Jan. 31
49 Herbert L. Smith, Feb. 1, 2013
50 Richard W. Dushey, Jan. 19
50 William F. Green, Dec. 26, 2013
50 Hany F. Roto Jr., Nov. 20, 2011
51 Robert B. Warshem, April 28, 2008
51 Richard W. Gaenzle, Jan. 9
51 Glenn J. Maenenthaler, Nov. 26, 2013
51 Charles H. Ruby, Dec. 19, 2013
53 Ann-Foosie Dennis, Feb. 11
54 Glenn F. Leister, Feb. 17
54 Charles W. Rude, Dec. 22, 2013
55 Alice May Davis, Aug. 5, 2013
55 Diane Kennedy Kephart, Feb. 7
55 Katherine Stroehmann Crane, Dec. 10, 2013
56 Richard W. Gaenzle, Jan. 9
56 Albert P. Woodward, Jan. 27
56 Shirley Ann Bollinger Woodward, Jan. 27
57 Joseph E. Bieler Jr., Nov. 28, 2013
57 James E. Fuller, Nov. 2, 2012
58 David T. Byrne, Feb. 16
58 Gerald Sheafer, Apr. 2013
59 Walter McGowan, Nov. 1, 2013
59 John L. Magin, Jan. 10
59 John N. Moore Jr., April 6, 2013
60 Charles H. Corbett, Jan. 19
60 Karen Schaumann DNardo, Jan. 17
60 Darlene Ann Miller, Nov. 30, 2013
61 John D. Freed, Jan. 2
61 Leonard B. Alerick, Jan. 12
62 John E. Gardner Jr., Dec. 19
62 Julia Yeager Hayes, Nov. 21, 2007
62 Joanna Nellie Jakober, Jan. 7
63 Nancy Clegg Tulisien, Nov. 25, 2013
63 Peter A. Wood, June 27, 2006
63 Charles W. Rude, Dec. 22, 2013
63 Peter W. Fredrickson, Dec. 13, 2013
65 Elwood E. Christ, Jan. 6
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“Do Great Work” is terrific advice for students and alumni alike—for our careers and for our volunteer work.

Just eleven miles south of Gettysburg at the National Fire Academy is a simple yet stirring monument. Topped by a Maltese cross, a traditional symbol of the fire service, the monument is the site of the national memorial service held each year to honor those career, volunteer, wildland, and military firefighters who die in the line of duty.

As a fresh-faced congressional staffer, one of my first assignments for then-Senator Paul Sarbanes of Maryland was convincing Congress and the White House to designate that monument as the official national memorial for firefighters killed in the line of duty, our country’s official tribute to these fallen heroes.

My three-year effort to win approval of that bill introduced me to every major organization in the fire service, including the International Association of Fire Fighters, the National Fire Protection Association, the International Association of Fire Chiefs, and the Maryland State Firemen’s Association, among others. My relationships with these amazing partners made me realize that there was much more that could, and should, be done to assist the families of these heroes.

Working with Senator Sarbanes and Representative Steny Hoyer, we drafted and pushed through legislation to create the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation.

Now more than twenty-one years later, the foundation is a major force that runs the national memorial service, provides counseling as well as a multitude of other services for survivors, and leads a successful national campaign to reduce firefighter fatalities and improve their overall health and safety. What started as a simple legislative assignment has become what I consider a key part of my “great work.”

Today, I am the longest serving member of the board and its treasurer. I also continue to serve, as I have for twenty years, as the chair of our scholarship committee, which has awarded nearly $3 million to children and spouses of these fallen heroes. Thanks to thousands of volunteers and our amazing staff, the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation has made a real difference in the lives of thousands of survivors.

Senator Sarbanes put it best when he keynoted the 1990 dedication, saying:

“In recent years, many people have bemoaned our country’s lack of national heroes. What they fail to realize is that we do have heroes in every fire hall across this land.”

For additional information, please visit www.firehero.org, or, the next time you are on campus, take the twenty-minute trip down to the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial, right off of Route 15 in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Seth Statler ’83 serves as Associate Administrator of NASA for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs and a board member of the College Park (Maryland) Volunteer Fire Department.

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