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Welcome to Currents

Greetings from the Provost and Dean...

Greetings and welcome to another issue of Currents, your Capital College alumni magazine. It always gives me great pleasure to greet you on behalf of the entire College community and to share news of your alma mater.

I have wonderful news to share.

In this issue of Currents, we display the "Honor Roll of Donors" from our campuses. We are extraordinarily fortunate for the continued interest and support from our alumni and friends.

In addition to acknowledging the personal commitment made by alumni and friends, this issue also recognizes the partner corporations and foundations that have supported our curriculum and laboratory development efforts and scholarship programs. We thank them all.

The generosity of friends and partners has resulted in two new Trustee Scholarships established at each of our campuses this year. The Roger and Betty Tobias, Elizabeth and Fred Wiest, George Zoffinger, and Lawrence and Julia Hoverter Trustee Scholarships will aid deserving students who have a demonstrated financial need to support their undergraduate educations.

The Hoverter Foundation is also providing funds for the construction of a tennis complex on the Penn State Harrisburg campus. We are grateful to the Hoverter Foundation for its generous financial commitment – one of the largest in Penn State Harrisburg's history. The tennis complex will be a vital asset to our campus recreation and athletic programs.

Additional gifts from Betty Tobias have placed a beautiful legacy clock that has transformed the skyline of our Schuylkill campus and provided for the upkeep and improvements of the tennis courts. A gift from Richard Weiss of United Metal Receptacle Corporation has enabled the Schuylkill campus to upgrade its physics and mechanical engineering labs.

Also showcased in this issue of Currents are two of our alumni, Stephen Burkholder, a 1994 graduate with a degree in Structural Design and Construction Engineering Technology, and Liz Bligan, who attended the Schuylkill campus from 1978 to 1980 and earned a bachelor's in Science at University Park in 1981, both of whom were the recipients of prestigious Alumni Association awards. A recent economic impact study for the campuses is featured as well, affirming the central role our campuses play in the economic vitality of their regions.

As part of our ongoing commitment to continuous improvement and quality, we have been revisiting our academic programs, revising our curriculum as necessary to assure relevancy, meet the dynamic needs of the region's employers, and fuel the workforce for capable graduates. Our MBA program, for example, has recently undergone a considerable curriculum revision and now offers increased choices for students to focus their studies in four new academic concentrations including e-business, human resources, financial analysis, and general business. We are promoting greater flexibility in the scheduling of our courses. Some two-credit courses are being offered on a seven-week cycle to accommodate working professionals who balance the personal demands of home, work, and education. The revised curriculum was approved by the Board of Trustees at its March meeting.

We reached an academic milestone at spring 2005's commencement when Sara E. Cottrell became the first undergraduate student to complete all four years of her baccalaureate program at Penn State Harrisburg. Sara, who began her studies at Penn State Harrisburg as a first-year student, was awarded her bachelor's degree. There will be many more to come.

The Schuylkill campus continues to enjoy a successful intercollegiate athletic program. The Harrisburg campus will reintroduce sports this fall 2005. Varsity teams in men's baseball, basketball, and soccer, women's basketball, softball, and volleyball, and co-ed cross country mark the return of athletics to Harrisburg. You have a standing invitation to cheer your Nittany Lion teams to victory.

This is truly an exciting time in the life of your College. We are good stewards of the Penn State name – committed to our students and to the broader communities we serve. Each of you plays a continuing role in the evolution and accomplishments of our College; you are, after all, the truest measure of our success.



Madlyn L. Hanes, Ph.D.
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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Madlyn Hanes".

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Campus milestones...

Several milestones were recorded when Penn State Harrisburg conferred 586 undergraduate and graduate degrees during spring commencement ceremonies May 14 at the Giant Center in Hershey.

Hummelstown resident Sara Cottrell became the first student who began her studies on the Harrisburg campus as a freshman to earn her baccalaureate degree. Sara, who was among the small group making up the first freshman class in the history of the campus in 2001, was awarded a degree in Psychology.

And Kevin Harter, the current chair of the Penn State Harrisburg Board of Advisers, was presented



Sara Cottrell and her father, Harrisburg campus Assistant Professor of Engineering David Cottrell.



his Master of Business Administration degree. Harter, Senior Vice President of the Life Sciences Greenhouse of Central Pennsylvania, became the first sitting board chair to earn a degree on the Harrisburg campus.

Kevin Harter, who received his MBA during commencement ceremonies, was joined by his mother, Elizabeth, his wife, Kathy, Provost and Dean Madlyn L. Hanes, and his daughters Allison and Lauren.

Intercollegiate athletics returning to Harrisburg

Beginning this fall, students on the Penn State Harrisburg campus will be able to cheer their own Nittany Lion sports teams on to victory.

Provost and Dean Madlyn L. Hanes announced at a campus celebration in March that after an absence of more than a decade, intercollegiate athletics will return to Penn State Harrisburg beginning in fall 2005.

The college has 2005-06 schedules in place for seven teams, will be the member of the newly created Penn State University Athletic Conference, and is in the process of hiring coaches. Penn State Harrisburg will field teams in men's



soccer, baseball, and basketball, in women's volleyball, basketball, and softball, and in co-ed cross country. Soccer, cross country, volleyball, and fall baseball kick off the inaugural schedule.

"We're starting from scratch," says Dr. Donald Holtzman, the college's Senior Director of Student Life and Enrollment Services. "Our students who wish to continue their athletic careers after high school now have a four-year opportunity here at Penn State Harrisburg."



Penn State Harrisburg fielded intercollegiate teams at the varsity level until 1993 when budget restraints and other factors prompted their elimination.

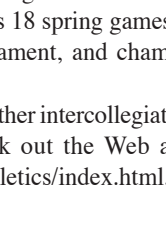
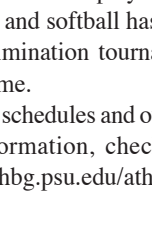
The decision to return varsity intercollegiate sports to the campus was prompted in part by the changing face of Penn State Harrisburg. Previously an upper division college delivering the last two years of baccalaureate education, the campus is now a complete four-year institution.

"Extracurricular activities should play an integral and constructive role in the lives of our students, enriching their college experience. For this reason, Penn State Harrisburg's administration is reintroducing athletics for the benefit of our entire student population," Dr. Holtzman adds.

The initial move to varsity athletics throughout the Penn State system came in 2003 when athletes at campuses with existing sports programs in men's basketball, women's volleyball, and team tennis were granted four-year eligibility. Previously, the Commonwealth College Athletic Conference offered sports at the junior college level. An increase in bachelor's degree programs at Penn State campuses throughout the Commonwealth precipitated the change.

The 2005-06 schedules have been finalized. Men's soccer will play a 13-game slate in September and October followed by semi-finals and championships at University Park, cross country has three meets and the conference meet at University Park, volleyball features 12 matches and mid-season and season-ending playoffs, baseball offers 13 fall games and an October tournament and 10 games and a double elimination tournament in the spring, women's basketball sports 13 games and conference playoffs, men's basketball will play 17 games followed by playoffs, and softball has 18 spring games, a double-elimination tournament, and championship game.

For the schedules and other intercollegiate athletic information, check out the Web at <http://www.hbg.psu.edu/athletics/index.html>.



Provost and Dean presented Athena Award

Penn State Capital College Provost and Dean Madlyn L. Hanes has been presented the prestigious Athena Award by the Harrisburg Regional Chamber.

The Athena Award recognizes individual achievements in the professional advancement of women.

Under Dr. Hanes' leadership since 2000, Capital College has continued its effort toward diversification of its workforce. In the past several years, the college has appointed its first female academic school director, its first female academic officers for both campuses, and has intensified its efforts in hiring additional female faculty in the traditionally under-represented engineering and science disciplines.

The college employs 640 faculty and staff – nearly one-half who are women.

Dr. Hanes is a frequent presenter and invited speaker at regional, national, and international professional meetings on a variety of topics including women and leadership, leadership and change, and educational reform. In 2002, she was the recipient of the Bette Landman Award for contributions and dedication to the advancement of women in higher education presented by the Pennsylvania chapter of the American Council on Education Network.



Madlyn L. Hanes, Ph.D.

We're having a party!

The Harrisburg campus will mark its 40th birthday in 2006 and you are invited to join in the celebration.

A formal celebration is being planned for Oct. 27 and 28, 2006.

While the program is in the planning stages, alumni are encouraged to lend a hand. If you are interested in serving on the Penn State Harrisburg Anniversary Committee, please contact the Alumni Relations Office at 717-948-6106 or e-mail capalumni@psu.edu.

Newly revised MBA is all about choices for students

Penn State Harrisburg's newly revised MBA program is all about choices for its students.

Four new academic tracks within the program and the opportunity for part-time students to accelerate degree completion of the revised curriculum are the focal points of the program which is offered at the campus in Middletown and at Penn State, The Lancaster Center.

"The new MBA represents our efforts to keep the program relevant, anticipate future challenges, and provide our students with more choices and scheduling flexibility," says Dr. Mukund Kulkarni, Director of the School of Business Administration. "This is a significant change. We have built a new, dynamic program. It is truly an important step for the college and represents two years of work."

Enhancing flexibility in serving a diverse student population, many of whom are employed full-time and take MBA courses in the evening, the program introduces a number of two-credit courses to ease scheduling and cut the time needed to complete the degree for some students.

And to meet career-specific needs of students, the MBA now includes "Tracks" in e-business, human resources, financial analysis, and general business.

The program also includes 15 new courses and five significantly revised courses from the current program. It features expanded use of Penn State's online course management software to deliver Web-enhanced curriculum.

The 2-credit courses will be offered one evening per week for seven weeks with additional course content delivered online. Students will have the opportunity to take two of the 2-credit courses during a seven-week session, or four 2-credit courses during a standard 14-week semester, permitting them to complete up to 8 credits per semester, rather than the usual 6. Approximately half of the courses in the program remain at 3 credits and will be offered during the traditional 14-week semester.



Mukund Kulkarni, Ph.D.

Capital College contributes to state's economy

A recently released economic impact study positions Penn State as the single largest contributor to the state's economy – an engine of 24 campuses generating \$6.1 billion annually in direct net economic impact to the Commonwealth.

Penn State Harrisburg and Penn State Schuylkill are major cogs in that engine, with a combined total impact of \$165 million. In addition, both campuses contribute significantly to the University's total business impact in the region which is placed at \$816 million in surrounding Cumberland, Dauphin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Perry, and York counties and nearly \$38 million in surrounding Schuylkill County.

Overall, the University also influences an additional \$6.9 billion indirectly each year through business services, research commercialization, and the activities of alumni for a total of more than \$14 billion in annual economic impact in Pennsylvania.

Government revenue generated by the Harrisburg campus totaled \$5.4 million and \$3.7 million at Schuylkill and total employment impact was 1,263 jobs for Harrisburg and 374 at Schuylkill.

The purpose of the study, conducted by Tripp Umbach & Associates and commissioned by Penn State, was to analyze a number of economic factors spurred by the University and gauge the value of the institution in the commonwealth. Among the factors considered were government revenue, the impact of students, employees, and alumni, and research.

You can read the full news release for each campus on their respective Web pages.

Historic photos displayed for first time

Forty-year-old photographs documenting the 1965 civil rights struggle in Alabama were on exhibit to the public for the first time in history this spring in the Penn State Harrisburg library.

The State Police photos, documenting the Selma-to-Montgomery civil rights march, are part of a larger Alabama Civil Rights Collection donated to the Penn State Libraries by Professor of Public Administration and Public Policy Jack Rabin.

The full collection includes a wide range of photographs, slides, films, audiotapes, record albums, books, microforms, paper documents, and correspondence pertaining to the Civil Rights Movement in Alabama and other Deep South states.

Dr. Rabin acquired the Selma photos while teaching at Auburn University's Montgomery campus in the mid-1970s. He learned of their existence in a conversation with a State Police official enrolled in one of his classes and secured permission to copy most of the available photographs. The originals were destroyed in the 1980s by the Department of Public Safety to comply with federal regulations prohibiting police retention of photographs of individuals not under active investigation.



ALUMNI APPLAUDED

Stephen Burkholder earns Penn State Alumni Achievement Award

Stephen C. Burkholder, a 1994 Harrisburg campus graduate with a bachelor's degree in Structural Design and Construction Engineering Technology, is the first recipient of Penn State's new Alumni Achievement Award.



Stephen C. Burkholder
President of S&R Enterprises

Burkholder is the president of S&R Enterprises and S&R Stud Welding in Harrisburg which he founded in 2003.

The recently instituted Alumni Achievement Award recognizes Penn State graduates 35 years of age and younger for their extraordinary professional accomplishments. The young alumni are nominated by an academic college and invited by the President of the University to return to campus to share their expertise with students, faculty, and administrators.

Following graduation from Penn State Harrisburg, Burkholder joined Peterson Beckner, a nationwide steel erector based in Houston, Texas where he was part of wide range of unique projects ranging from a dual swing span bridge in Norfolk, Va., to a pharmaceutical facility in Barcelona, Puerto Rico. Projects of interest locally included the Giant Center in Hershey and the Bayer Chemical Plant in Myerstown.

Liz Bligan presented Mitchell Award

Former president of the Penn State Schuylkill Alumni Society, Liz Bligan '81, has earned the coveted Philip Philip Mitchell Alumni Service Award for 2005 presented by the University Alumni Association.

The Mitchell Award is presented each year to an alumnus, alumna, or friend who has contributed significantly to the area of public service by sharing or volunteering his or her talent, time, and resources on behalf of the University.

Established in 1980 by Elizabeth and Philip P. Mitchell, the award consists of a cash gift designated to the program area of the recipient's choice, a certificate, and inscription of the recipient's name on a permanent plaque.

The last Capital College alumni honored with the Mitchell Award was William C. Forrey in 1999.



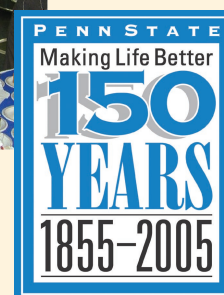
Liz Bligan
Former President, Penn State Schuylkill Alumni Society



Provost and Dean
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the University's
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Students enjoyed pieces of
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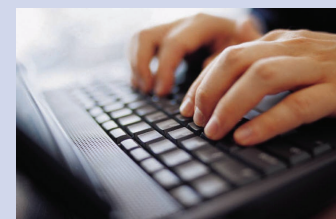


Donation funds laptop purchase

Thanks to a generous donation from Bob Weaver Chevrolet in Pottsville, the Ciletti Memorial Library on the Schuylkill campus has been able to purchase 10 new laptop computers to begin development of its Mobile Instruction Lab.

Each laptop has a DVD/CD-RW drive, two USB ports, wireless Internet access, and many popular software programs. When not needed for instruction, the computers become "loaner laptops" available for checkout by Penn State students, faculty, and staff for use within the library.

Wireless Internet access frees the laptops from a fixed location, allowing the use of the Mobile Instruction Lab in either the library Seminar Room or Studio. Additionally, wireless access unleashes users from the classroom altogether, giving classes the freedom to meet in areas closer to the collections. The laptops permit hands-on library instruction, helping students retain what they have learned and making instruction relevant.



Penn State Schuylkill

Fred Wiest establishes Trustee Scholarship on Schuylkill campus

Fred J. Wiest's longstanding commitment to Penn State Schuylkill now includes a Trustee Scholarship. A member of the campus Advisory Board for more than 50 years, Wiest has donated \$50,000 in stock to create the Elizabeth S. and Fred J. Wiest Trustee Scholarship. The conversion of Wiest's donation also provided \$1,460 toward the 10th anniversary celebration of Ciletti Memorial Library on campus.

Honored last year for his half-century of service to the campus, Wiest earned degrees in 1937 from Swarthmore College and in 1940 from the Harvard Law School. He is a member of the law firm of Williamson, Friedberg and Jones in Pottsville.

The University's Trustee Scholarship Program grew from the recognition that many students need financial help to attend Penn State, and that public funds are insufficient to meet this need.

Unlike other scholarships, contributions to the Trustee Scholarship Program will be matched by funds from Penn State, adding 5 percent of the original gift to the spendable income from the endowment. Since the average spending from an endowment is 5 percent of its market value over the preceding three years, the matching will, in effect, double the funds available. The University is adding a minimum of \$1 million each year though 2006-07, making at least \$5 million available.



Fred J. Wiest

Lesniak Scholarship shy of goal

The effort to fully fund the Robert Lesniak Scholarship in the School of Behavioral Sciences and Education has made progress, but is still short of its goal.

During Dr. Lesniak's 31 years of service to Penn State, he touched the lives of countless students, faculty, and staff members. Following his untimely death shortly after his retirement, Bob's friends established a scholarship fund that would be named in his honor. That fund, which now totals approximately \$15,000, is still \$10,000 shy of the required sum to formally establish an endowed scholarship.

Kimberly Fink, M.Ed., offered this statement in regard to why she donated to the Lesniak Fund: "Dr. Bob Lesniak was a passionate man – passionate about lots of things, especially his students. He believed in us and encouraged us to be better. He touched everyone he met. Through the Lesniak Fund, he will live on to touch future generations of students."

If you would like to contribute to the fund, or if you would like more information on starting an endowment, please contact Marie-Louise Abram in the college's Development Office at 717-948-6318 or e-mail mla9@psu.edu.



Robert Lesniak

Bob Rudy honored with Jefferson Award

For his tireless volunteer commitment to Central Pennsylvania, Penn State Harrisburg graduate Bob Rudy has been presented the 2005 Jefferson Award.

Best known as half of the morning team of "Mad Dog and Rudy" on FM 96.1 based in York, Rudy earned a bachelor's degree in Communications from Penn State Harrisburg in 1993 and returned to earn a master's in Training and Development from the college in 1995.

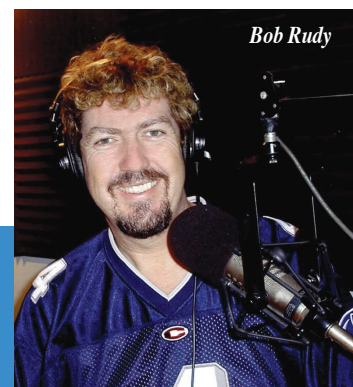
The Jefferson Awards were established in 1972 to encourage and honor individuals for their achievements and contributions through public and community service. The award is presented by the American Institute for Public Services, founded by Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, U.S. Sen. Robert Taft Jr., and Sam Beard. At the local level, Jefferson Award recipients are "ordinary people who do extraordinary things without expectation of recognition or reward," the institute says.

Rudy, who spends an estimated 35 to 40 hours each month on his volunteer commitments, has hosted the York County S.P.C.A.'s "Meet the Pets" television program for more than 3 years, and has hosted the organization's annual cable-a-thon for the past six years.

In addition to his S.P.C.A. commitment, Rudy has amassed an impressive list of volunteer service on behalf of children and child advocacy. Included is his current service as a member of the board and public relations committee chairman of the York County Children's Advocacy Center is assisting the organization's efforts to raise funds for a "safe house" for victims of abuse. He also created and maintains the group's Web site.

Rudy, who also maintains the Web site for the S.P.C.A., frequently presents programs and reads to elementary schoolchildren in the region and says, "At every opportunity, I volunteer to read to children – in the classroom, at the library, malls, everywhere. I believe strongly in encouraging children to stay in school, enjoy the educational process, and reach for their dreams."

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Bob Rudy

Students study West Nile Virus impact on hawks

An ongoing research project involving Penn State Schuylkill undergraduate students is studying the impact of West Nile Virus on American kestrels.

The project, begun last summer under the direction of Assistant Professor of Biology Darcy Medica, initially involved four students from the Schuylkill campus. This summer, five students will continue the research.

Last summer Crystal Evans, Wendy Ellwood, Amy Williams, and Rachael Clauser were the students involved. This summer, Jill Koppenhaver, Allison Stock, Sherry Schaeffer, Susan Geist, and Clauser will undertake the research.

During the first round of research last year, the students and volunteers from the Hawk Mountain Sanctuary took blood samples from 22 of the robin-sized hawks. The blood samples were sent to Cornell University for antibody testing. The team also took mouth swabs from about 40 nestlings to test for active infection.

"From Canada to the southern United States, researchers have seen that West Nile is causing bird numbers to decline," Dr. Medica reports. Since 1999 – when first year cases of West Nile were reported in New York – the number of nesting kestrels in the Schuylkill County area has been declining. The researchers are attempting to determine if West Nile is negatively impacting the kestrels. Until about 1999, kestrels used as many as 100 nesting boxes in the area each spring. That number plunged to 47 in 2004.



With the assistance of Penn State Schuylkill undergraduate student Amy Williams, Hawk Mountain Sanctuary wildlife volunteer Brad Silfies takes blood from an adult kestrel.



Penn State Schuylkill undergraduate student Amy Williams, left, takes an oral swab from a nesting kestrel. Assisting is Hawk Mountain Sanctuary wildlife volunteer Sue Robertson.

The blood collected from the first round of testing showed West Nile Virus antibodies in all but one of the 22 adult birds. The oral swabs, which would show the presence of active infection, were all negative, showing that the birds were not infected at the time that they were sampled. "Viewed in a positive way, you could say the results are a good indicator that the kestrels are developing a resistance to the disease," Dr. Medica told the *Pottsville Republican and Evening Herald*. "But viewed another way, the results indicate that the birds we're capturing are the survivors, and that somewhere there are bodies of the ones who didn't survive," she adds.

Continuing the research is important, Dr. Medica points out. Although the results aren't definitive, they may be an important piece of the puzzle. "The research does show that we need to increase the attention we are giving to West Nile, before species become endangered."

"We will be trapping adult birds again this year and also taking blood from the nestlings to test them for antibodies to West Nile. We will also collect mosquitoes near the nest boxes and the state will test these for West Nile," she adds.



Fund nears its goal

The initiative to create the first Renaissance Scholarship on the Schuylkill campus is nearing its goal.

Fueled by a \$20,000 contribution from the First Federal Charitable Foundation in Hazleton, the scholarship to honor Dr. William R. Davidson, is \$3,500 shy of its \$30,000 goal.

Renaissance Scholarships are granted to the top students among those who have the greatest financial need and are designed to follow a student throughout his or her Penn State career. To contribute to the Davidson Scholarship, contact Jane Zintak at 570-385-6260 or e-mail jqz1@psu.edu.

Four Penn State Harrisburg students awarded Highmark Blue Shield Fellowships

In today's economy, scholarship assistance is many times the difference between a promising student remaining in school or dropping out.

Highmark Blue Shield, through its endowed fellowship at Penn State Harrisburg, is currently assisting four graduate students majoring in health administration. The students are Susan K. Parker of Womelsdorf, Patsy C. Taylor-Moore of Jonestown, Catherine E. Kirkham of New Cumberland, and Wallace Pope of Harrisburg.

The Highmark Blue Shield Graduate Fellowship in Health Care Policy and Management was established in 1989 with a donation of \$50,000 to Penn State Harrisburg. Since then the endowment has grown and is providing several students per year with tuition.

Parker, a health care consultant in Harrisburg, said, "Before my grandmother passed away, she gave me money and I promised her that one day I would use it for a special purpose in my life. She would be proud that I am using the money for my education. However, the money was about one-third short of what I would need to complete my graduate coursework. Now that I have been awarded the Highmark Blue Shield fellowship, I can fill the financial gap."

An employee of the Department of Welfare for 24 years, now with the Department of Community and Economic Development, Taylor-Moore said, "I'm honored to be one of the fellowship recipients. I believe this program is another example of Highmark Blue Shield's commitment to the health care community. The fellowship has enabled me to continue my studies in the program." Taylor-Moore is a single mother of two.

Penn State Schuylkill students 'adopt a family'

Ever been far away from home and wish your family was closer?

Through an innovative new program, Penn State Schuylkill students are finding their own "family" away from home.

The campus Adopt-a-Family program is part cultural exchange, part support, and part helping students make the transition from home to college. And it has been an immediate success.

The program was conceived in September by DeEdra Lewis-Johnson, assistant director of student support services on campus. It pairs students with families in the Schuylkill campus area and although it is open to any student, it is particularly geared to those from urban areas.

The program had 88 participants and a waiting list in its first year. "Students were disconnected and weren't interacting with the community," Lewis-Johnson points out. "The new program has gone a long way toward introducing the community and students to each other. Through the Adopt-a-Family program, they learn about life in a smaller, rural area and the local family learns about larger cities through the eyes of the students."

"It gets them to know that just because it's a different area and culture, people are still people. We all can mesh together real well," Lewis-Johnson told the *Pottsville Republican and Evening Herald*.



Schuylkill campus Student Government Association President Greg Humphrey enjoys a moment with his "little brother" Derek Johnson II.

Student award honors memory of long-time faculty member

Students in the School of Business Administration on the Harrisburg campus will benefit annually from the recently established Robert J. Brown Award for Excellence in Finance.

Dr. Brown, who died in 2003, was a faculty member in the school for 22 years until his retirement as an associate professor in 1991. In addition to his teaching responsibilities, he served the college in various academic and administrative positions, including associate dean of faculty. He also directed the Master in Administration program from 1973 to 1980.

His family has honored his memory by establishing the award. His wife, Irene, and her sister, Penn State grad Christine S. Hale, are major sponsors and are requesting others to contribute to the fund in Dr. Brown's honor.

Those interested can contact the Penn State Harrisburg development office at 717-948-6316.



Irene Brown, left and Christine S. Hale

Commitment enhances lab

Doug Neidich has again stepped forward to assist engineering and technology students on the Harrisburg campus.

The founder of InterCon Systems in Harrisburg, Neidich previously funded a scholarship for undergraduate students in the School of Science, Engineering, and Technology and has just committed an additional \$50,000 to the school.

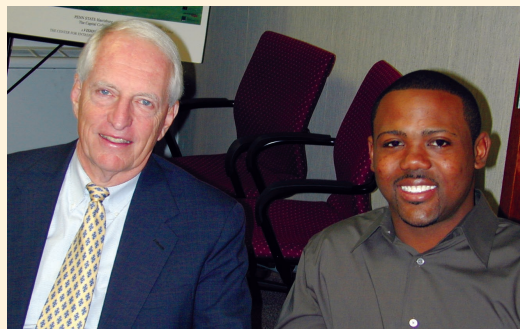
Director of the School of Science, Engineering, and Technology Omid Ansary reports the latest commitment covers five years at \$10,000 each year "to support upgrading laboratory equipment in the Mechanical Engineering Technology program. This money is used as part of our match for the equipment grant we receive from the Pennsylvania Department of Education."

"Support from friends like Mr. Neidich and his company is essential to maintaining our equipment at the adequate level to deliver Penn State-quality education while maintaining our accreditation," he continues.

Since its founding in 1985, InterCon Systems has established itself as an industry innovator in high-density, high-speed interconnection systems for the data processing, telecommunications, avionics, consumer electronics, and medical electronics industries.



Doug Neidich



Structural Design and Construction Engineering Technology major Lamon Harris benefited from the H.B. Alexander Foundation Engineering Scholarship during the 2004-05 academic year on the Harrisburg campus. Harris, right, is shown during a meeting with the scholarship's benefactor, William Alexander. Established in 2003 to provide recognition and financial

assistance to outstanding juniors, the annual scholarship is presented to a student "who has a demonstrated need for funds to meet college expenses and whose ethnic, cultural, and/or national background contribute to the diversity of the student body."

William D. Milheim appointed school director

Dr. William D. Milheim, the chief administrator at Penn State's Great Valley School of Graduate Professional Studies, has been appointed Director of the School of Behavioral Sciences and Education at Penn State Harrisburg.

Dr. Milheim, who has served as Great Valley Campus Executive Officer and Associate Dean of the Graduate School since 2000, will assume his duties at Penn State Harrisburg July 1. He succeeds Professor of Education and Reading Ernest Dishner, who served as interim school director for four years.

In announcing Dr. Milheim's appointment, Penn State Harrisburg Provost and Dean Madlyn L. Hanes said, "His many accomplishments as an academic leader include shepherding a number of curricular and program development initiatives on behalf of his school and in collaboration with other Penn State campuses and colleges." Dr. Hanes added, "He has developed an impressive number of academic courses in instructional design and technology and seminars and workshops for professional audiences."

Dr. Milheim holds a B.A. in Psychology from the College of Wooster in Ohio and an M.Ed. in Community Health Education and a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction from Kent State University. In 1994, he received the Penn State College of Education Outstanding Faculty Award and in 1996 he earned the Great Valley Award for Teaching Excellence. The National Society for Performance and Instruction honored him with its Young Academics Award in 1990.



Dr. William D. Milheim

Zoffinger establishes Trustee Scholarship

George Zoffinger has reached the summit of the sports and entertainment world.

But he has never forgotten his alma mater.

The President and CEO of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, Zoffinger has established a Trustee Scholarship at Penn State Harrisburg for students enrolled or planning to enroll in its School of Business Administration.

Zoffinger, who earned a degree in Business from Penn State Harrisburg in 1970, was honored in 2003 as an Alumni Fellow and previously established the Zoffinger Family Fund Scholarship in the School of Business Administration. As part of the Alumni Fellow program, Zoffinger visited with students in business classes on campus last fall.

As President and CEO of the NJSEA since 2002, Zoffinger is responsible for the continuing viability of the Meadowlands Sports Complex, which consists of the Meadowlands Racetrack, Giants football stadium, and the Continental Airlines Arena. The NJSEA also manages Monmouth Racetrack, Atlantic City Convention Center, Historic Boardwalk Hall, Wildwood Convention Center, and the New Jersey Sports Hall of Fame.

Unlike other scholarships, contributions to the Trustee Scholarship Program will be matched by funds from Penn State, adding 5 percent of the original gift to the spendable income from the endowment. Since the average spending from an endowment is 5 percent of its market value over the preceding three years, the matching will, in effect, double the funds available. The University is adding a minimum of \$1 million each year through 2006-07, making at least \$5 million available.



George Zoffinger

Gift provides scholarships

The Capital Area Institute for Mathematics and Science at Penn State Harrisburg has received a gift of \$4,500 from the PPG Industries Foundation to provide scholarship grants for teachers of mathematics and/or science to participate in professional development activities.

Charles H. Hanley, the Carlisle agent for the foundation, made the presentation to the Institute.

"Research has shown that for sustained professional development, it is most important for teams of teachers to be formed, trained, and then to plan their curriculum and delivery as a focused team," Institute Director Judith Zaenglein points out. "These funds from PPG Foundation will be used to provide matching funds for teachers as part of district teams in Cumberland County to participate in sustained professional development programs. Learning as a team will greatly increase the probability that the instructional techniques and materials will be used to enhance the classrooms in sequential years," Dr. Zaenglein adds.

The Institute's mission is to improve research-based teaching and learning in the areas of mathematics and science preK-16 with a primary emphasis on long-term, sustained professional development of those directly involved in the education of children and youth. This also includes the support of educators, both pre-service and in-service, in order to help students attain high levels of mathematic power and scientific literacy. For additional information on the Institute and its professional development offerings, visit the Web at www.mathscience.org.



Charles H. Hanley

Want to assist your alma mater?

Interested in lending support to your alma mater?

Have just a few minutes a month to connect with fellow alumni?

Then join the Alumni Society Board at the Harrisburg or Schuylkill campus.

If you're interested in serving, simply contact the college Office of Alumni Relations at 717-948-6106 or 570-385-6262 or e-mail capalumni@psu.edu.

Alumni Gatherings

A group of Philadelphia-area alumni gathered at the Manayunk Brewery for an evening of socializing and reminiscing about their years at Penn State. The evening was so enjoyable for those attending that they are planning another get-together April 6, 2006 at the same location. Another event saw an estimated 70 Schuylkill and Harrisburg alumni gather for dinner and a Hershey Bears hockey game.



Nearly 40 Harrisburg and Schuylkill alumni and Schuylkill Chapter Alumni Association members took a bus trip to a Lady Lion basketball game Feb. 20 in the Bryce Jordan Center on the University Park campus. The group was treated to a behind-the-scenes tour of the Jordan Center by former Lady Lion basketball player Marissa Graby-Hoover. They got to meet with head coach Rene Portland and had brunch at the Penn Stater Hotel.

UPCOMING Alumni Event

Join your fellow alumni to network and have fun at this upcoming event

Harrisburg Senators Baseball Game and Dinner Friday, August 26, 2005

City Island, Harrisburg
Cost: Adults \$13, Children 3 – 12 \$5
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Limited Number of Tickets – Register Early!

To register for this events go to either campus alumni Web site or call 717-948-6106.

2005 Speakers

Penn State Schuylkill



Jeffrey J. Vrabel

Jeffrey J. Vrabel '81 and William F. Christ '73g delivered the keynote addresses at Penn State Capital College's May 2005 commencement ceremonies. Vrabel, a partner in the Audit and Accounting Services Group of Beard Miller Company, spoke to the Schuylkill campus graduates, and Christ, retired Executive Vice President and Chief Operations Officer with Hershey Foods Corporation, was the Harrisburg campus speaker.

Penn State Harrisburg



William F. Christ

You can make a difference in a student's life

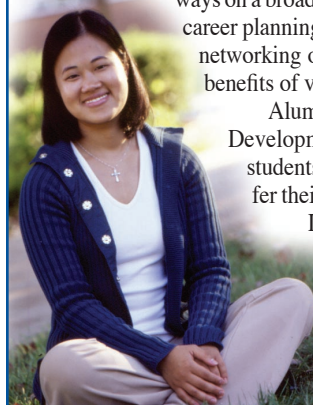
Remember when you were a Penn State student planning a career and really needed someone with experience to help you plot your course?

The rejuvenated Penn State Harrisburg Mentor and Career Development Program is a great opportunity for you to share those life experiences and make a difference in a student's life.

The program offers alumni the chance to return to campus to pass those real-world experiences along to students in a variety of settings. As a mentor, you can assist Penn State Harrisburg students in a number of ways on a broad range of issues, such as: selecting a major, career planning, steps to success, how to use that degree, networking opportunities, professional ethics, and the benefits of volunteering.

Alumni volunteers in the Mentor and Career Development Program will work with interested students – either one-on-one or in groups – to offer their advice. Interested alumni should contact

Laurie Dobrosky in the Alumni Relations Office, 717-948-6715 or e-mail lad4@psu.edu. You can also register by way of the alumni Web site at www.hbg.psu.edu/alumni/mentor_program.html.



Harrisburg campus plays active role in KIZ

Penn State Harrisburg and Penn State's Hershey Medical Center and College of Medicine are playing active roles in one of five Keystone Innovation Zone (KIZ) projects announced by Department of Community and Economic Development Secretary Dennis Yablonsky.

The KIZ initiative is designed to fuel economic growth and promote collaboration between colleges, universities, local economic developers, local government, and businesses within a region.

The Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority approved operational funds for five new KIZs, focused on offering graduates an incentive to stay in Pennsylvania by creating an environment where opportunities are abundant, help is accessible, and innovation is supported and rewarded.

In addition to Penn State Harrisburg, the Medical Center and College of Medicine, Messiah College, Central Pennsylvania College, Harrisburg University, Harrisburg Area Community College, Dickinson College, and Shippensburg University are involved in the initiative.

As part of its contribution to the KIZ, Penn State Harrisburg is providing space in three of its existing buildings to provide: business development and technical assistance programs; business incubators; and education, training, and research programs.

Penn State Harrisburg's initiative will focus on three industry clusters – advanced manufacturing, life sciences, and business technology solutions.

Tobias Trustee Scholarship established

Deserving students on the Schuylkill campus will now benefit from a second Trustee Scholarship.

The Roger and Betty Tobias Trustee Scholarship has been funded by Mrs. Tobias, who is a member of the campus Advisory Board. Her late husband also served on the board.

The University's Trustee Scholarship Program grew from the recognition that many students need financial help to attend Penn State, and that public funds are insufficient to meet this need.

Unlike other scholarships, contributions to the Trustee Scholarship Program will be matched by funds from Penn State, adding 5 percent of the original gift to the spendable income from the endowment. Since the average spending from an endowment is 5 percent of its market value over the preceding three years, the matching will, in effect, double the funds available. The University is adding a minimum of \$1 million each year though 2006-07, making at least \$5 million available.



Betty Tobias' longstanding support of the Schuylkill campus now includes a legacy clock and additional landscaping and improvements to the tennis courts. Mrs. Tobias has donated \$50,000 to erect the clock, shown here, a new backboard and enhancements around the tennis courts. She has also committed additional monies from her estate to continuing upkeep of the courts. Previously, the Orwigsburg resident provided newly surfaced courts, nets and dividers, ball curtains separating the courts, benches, a gazebo, and landscaping.

Donation improves lab facilities

Additional upgrades to labs and facilities on the Schuylkill campus are being funded this summer through a \$15,000 donation from Richard Weiss, owner of United Metal Receptacle Corp. in Pottsville.

The donation, coupled with a grant from the University Committee on Instructional Facilities, is funding improvements to the physics and mechanical engineering laboratories on campus. The work includes new technology, lighting, the creation of an instrumentation lab and new cabinetry.

Also being constructed is a student project room adjacent to the mechanical engineering lab.

Landscaping fund created

The family of the late William Omlor has established a memorial landscaping fund on the Schuylkill campus in his memory.

Mr. Omlor, who died in February, owned and operated a tree farm adjacent to campus.

The memorial fund has already supplied three trees which were planted around Ciletti Memorial Library as part of its 10th anniversary celebration. To contribute to the landscaping fund, contact Jane Zintak in the Schuylkill campus development office at 570-385-6260.



Craig and Judith Omlor Gerber, who initiated the landscaping fund in memory of her father, William Omlor, are shown with Patti Mills, right, Schuylkill campus Interim Executive Officer and Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs.

Gift creates scholarship, provides tennis complex

One of the largest gifts presented to Penn State Harrisburg in its nearly 40-year history will create a Trustee Scholarship and fund a new tennis complex on campus.

The Lawrence L. and Julia Z. Hoverter Foundation provided the financial gift to the college through the efforts of two of its board members, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Cecere. Mrs. Cecere is a grand-niece of Julia Zeiders Hoverter and Dr. Cecere is a long-time member of the Penn State Harrisburg faculty and chair of the Structural Design and Construction Engineering Technology program.

The Ceceres recognized the need for expanded athletic facilities as the college became a complete, four-year institution in 2004. They wanted the college to once again offer an intercollegiate tennis program as well as provide this lifetime physical education sport.

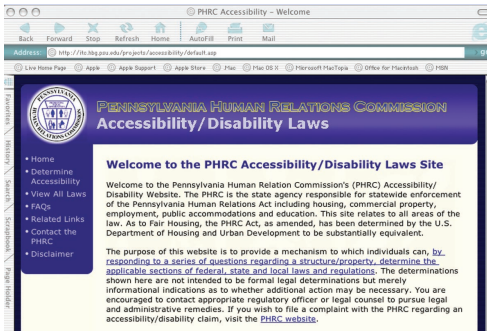
Mrs. Cecere is a professional tennis instructor who played numerous summers with her aunt. Her aunt and uncle understood that young and old can enjoy playing tennis and they were very supportive of education, having both started their careers as teachers in one-room schools. Dr. Cecere remembers Penn State Harrisburg tennis teams playing in several NAIA championships when he started at the college.

The second portion of the Hoverter gift will create the Lawrence L. and Julia Z. Hoverter Trustee Scholarship to assist undergraduate students enrolled or planning to enroll at Penn State Harrisburg who have a demonstrated need for funds to meet their necessary college expenses.

The purpose of the Trustee Scholarship Program is to encourage establishment of endowments to provide essential support for need-based scholarships. Unlike other scholarships, contributions to the Trustee Scholarship Program will be matched by funds from Penn State, adding 5 percent of the original gift to the spendable income from the endowment.



Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Cecere



Students, staff design Web site

The work of Harrisburg campus students and staff is now assisting Pennsylvanians identify the level of legally mandated accessibility of a building or commercial property by way of a Web site.

The Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission's new Internet Accessibility/Disability Laws Web site, which was designed and created in the college's Institute of State and Regional Affairs, was formally unveiled during ceremonies April 1.

Mike Behney, the institute's director, said the project "fits perfectly with Penn State's commitment to partner with agencies to improve the quality of life for residents of the Commonwealth." He adds, "The project demonstrates how Penn State Harrisburg faculty, staff, and students interact to not only provide valuable services to the community, but learn and gain valuable experience as well."

Dave Horan, a student in the Penn State Harrisburg undergraduate program in Information Sciences and Technology, worked on the project along with Sudeep Agrawal, who has since earned his master's in Information Systems. Erik Li, Director of the Institute's Information Technology Center, Brady Stroh, Director of its Geographic Information Services Center, and Sue Copella, Director of the State Data Center at Penn State Harrisburg, served on the design team.

The Web site is designed for use by architects, builders, real estate industry personnel, building owners, developers and the general public in order to ensure voluntary compliance.

"As the state agency mandated to enforce the Commonwealth's anti-discrimination laws, this site will take the guesswork out of knowing what accessibility laws apply to any commercial building or property in just one stop," said PHRC Chairperson Stephen A. Glassman. To access the Web site, go to either www.accessdoctors.com or www.accessibilitypa.com.

Faculty member Simon Bronner earns another academic first for college

Penn State Harrisburg's Distinguished Professor of American Studies and Folklore Simon J. Bronner has registered another academic "first" for the college.



Simon J. Bronner

The first faculty member in the School of Humanities to earn a Fulbright Fellowship, the first to teach a distance education class, and the first recipient of a National Endowment for the Humanities grant, Dr. Bronner has just been awarded the college's initial Fulbright Chair – a rare honor for the entire University.

Recognized nationally and internationally for his teaching, research, and writings on aspects of American studies and American culture, Dr. Bronner's latest academic honor is the Fulbright Program's Walt Whitman Chair in American Culture for a four-month teaching assignment at the University of Leiden in the Netherlands in fall 2005. He will be responsible for teaching graduate and undergraduate courses in American studies theory and method, popular and consumer culture, and folklore.

A member of the Penn State Harrisburg faculty since 1981, Dr. Bronner was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship to teach at Osaka University in Japan in 1996 and 1997 and was a visiting professor in folklore and American civilization at Harvard University in 1997 and 1998.

State grant establishes Recycling Markets Center at Penn State Harrisburg

A state-funded initiative to encourage the continued growth and economic health of the Commonwealth's recycling and reuse industry has a home at Penn State Harrisburg.

Environmental Protection Secretary Kathleen A. McGinty awarded an \$863,429 grant to Penn State which creates the Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center on the Harrisburg campus. As part of the announcement, Secretary McGinty indicated the \$863,429 grant covers the first year of an anticipated \$5 million, five-year DEP commitment.

Penn State Capital College Provost and Dean Madlyn L. Hanes said "This partnership with the Department of Environmental Protection moves the University forward in fulfilling not only its mission of integrated teaching, research, and service for the citizens of the Commonwealth, but also the mission of the recently created Environmental Consortium, which encourages cooperation across disciplines with the participation of local, state, federal, and international stakeholders."

The mission of the Recycling Markets Center, or RMC, which is headquartered in Church Hall on campus, is to expand and develop more secure and robust markets for recovered secondary materials, stimulate demand for products with recycled content, and research and maintain up-to-date market trend data.



Environmental Protection Secretary Kathleen A. McGinty announces the creation of the Recycling Markets Center on campus.



Penn State Capital College is extraordinarily grateful for the generous financial support it receives from alumni, friends, corporations, foundations, faculty, and staff. A gift to Penn State Harrisburg or Penn State Schuylkill is returned to communities in many ways through scholarships for students, graduates who work in diverse fields, practical applications of faculty and research, public service, and outreach programs. We are pleased to recognize on the following pages those individuals, corporations, foundations, and organizations that have helped strengthen the College and its service to the community through their philanthropic support.



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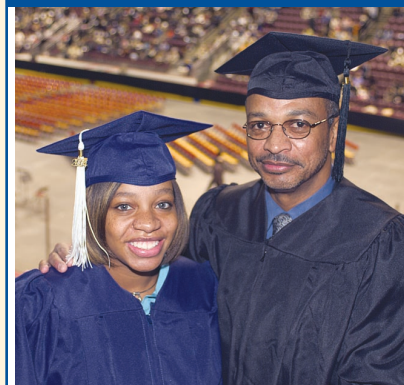
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A Family Graduation



December's Penn State Harrisburg commencement ceremonies were a family affair for Joi and Lewis Webster of Harrisburg. Daughter Joi graduated with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and father Lewis was awarded his Master of Arts in American Studies.



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Alumni News and Notes

Schuylkill Campus

Adrienne B. Timilty Vigilante, '94 Sci, who attended the Schuylkill campus from 1988 to 1990, recently graduated from Harvard University with a master's degree in English American Literature and Language. She and her husband, Dennis, a firefighter in Cambridge, Mass., are the proud parents of their first child, son Timothy James born in April 2004. E-mail: dennisvig@comcast.net.

Harrisburg Campus

Robert J. Gunoskey, '67 SecEd, Hamilton, N.J., recently retired as Director of Guidance at Nottingham High School in Hamilton, but came out of retirement one month later to serve as a substitute counselor.

Jim A. Boyce, '69 SocSci/'71 M.Ed., Birdsboro, Pa., a sixth grade teacher, social studies coordinator, and president of the teachers' association at Pottsgrove Middle School, will retire in June after 36 years in education. He plans to work at Hopewell Furnace National Park as a Historical Interpreter Park Ranger. E-mail: jboyce@pgsd.org

Renee F. Frank, '70 EIED, Metuchen, N.J., is a practicing attorney in New York and passed the New Jersey Bar Exam in July 2004. Frank was admitted to the New York Bar in 1982. E-mail: rffrank@bigzoo.net

Ron S. Soloff, '70 EIED, Philadelphia, recently retired after 34 years as a teacher in Philadelphia. Ron notes he was "very well prepared at Penn State" and that he visits Harrisburg as a legislative representative for the Pennsylvania Federation of Teachers. He adds that three of his children are Penn State grads. E-mail: ronadaire@aol.com

Thomas S. Musso, '70 B.Tech., Moscow, Pa., is an electrical engineer at the Tobyhanna Army Depot. E-mail: thomas.musso@tobyhanna.army.mil

Rosemary T. Scanlon Fadden, '71 B.Hum., Philadelphia, is a professor at Peirce College in Philadelphia and married Richard Fadden in 2003. E-mail: rnfadden@hotmail.com

Beatrice Hulsberg, '77 Hum/'93 AmStudies, has been named Acting Senior Curator of Community and Domestic Life for the State Museum of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg. E-mail: bhulsberg@state.ps.us

David L. Lutz, '78 MPA, Harrisburg, is a trial attorney with the firm of Angino and Rovner, Harrisburg. E-mail: dlutz@angino-rovner.com

Donald M. Brill, '78 Bus, Bath, N.Y., is a 911 dispatcher with the Steuben County Enhanced 911 Center. E-mail: bear@infoblvd.net

Eugene V. Bonanno, '79 MET, Canfield, Ohio, is President – Internet Consultant of The Bonanno Group, LLC, a franchise of WSI. He and his wife of 22 years are the parents of Elizabeth, a pre-law student at Mount Union College, and Justin, a high school student. Gene worked for IBM Global Services for 21 years as an IT consultant and left the firm in 2003 to start his own firm. E-mail: gene@OhioWebConsultants.com

Mark W. Clauser, '84 Hum, Allentown, operates Clauser Photographic Studio in Allentown.

Kaye L. Fessler Schwenk, '84 SecEd, Schuylkill Haven, is a teacher in the Schuylkill Haven Area School District, teaching academic biology to grades 9 and 10, advanced biology to grades 11 and 12, and Advanced Placement biology to grade 12. E-mail: kdschwenk@verizon.net.

Tony D'Arcangelo, '86 Mrkt, Harrisburg, has been promoted to Director of the Technical Services Group for Foot Locker, Inc., Camp Hill, Pa. His responsibilities include overseeing global client services for all corporate offices and technical integration for the Information Systems Division. His specific duties include providing strategic direction, operations oversight, project management, and capital and expense planning. Tony has been employed with Foot Locker, Inc. since 2001. E-mail: tdarcangelo@footlocker.com

Lynn A. Shrader Donnini, '90 Mgmt, Peckville, Pa., was recently promoted to Commercial Lending Specialist IV at NBT Bancorp-Pennstar Financial Center, Scranton. E-mail: ldonnini@pennstarbank.com

Christopher J. Darabant, '91 Acct/Mrkt, completed an MBA at Eastern University with a grade-point average of 3.97. He is commodity manager with Unisys. E-mail: Christopher.Darabant@unisys.com

Dwight E. Collins, '92 CrimJ, Huntington Beach, Calif., took command of the U.S. Coast Guard Maritime Safety and Security Team 91130 in June 2004 and was promoted to Lieutenant Commander in July 2004. He and his wife, Catherine, celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary in June 2004. E-mail: dcollins@d11.uscg.mil

Christopher F. Messner, '93 SDCET, Etters, is a senior civil engineer with Benatec Associates, New Cumberland. E-mail: cmessner@att.net

Barry G. Treece, '93 ENVET, Everett, Pa., is a civil engineer with the Baltimore District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Duncansville, Pa. and is

a Registered Professional Engineer in Pennsylvania. E-mail: Barry.G.Treece@nab02.usace.army.mil

Kenneth L. Kauffman, '94 SDCET, has been named vice president of Moore Engineering in Lancaster. He has been employed with the firm for 19 years, serving as a project engineer. His new responsibilities include assisting in management and general business operations. He is licensed as a Professional Engineer in Pennsylvania and Maryland. E-mail: kenk@mooreengineering.com

Debra Papciak Carney, '94 EIED, Durango, Colo., is a kindergarten teacher in Aztec, N.M. and is married to Olympic cyclist James Carney. E-mail: bizneetoch@aol.com

John Raho, '94 ENVET, Tower City, Pa., is an environmental engineer with Tyco Electronics Corporation, Jonestown. E-mail: jfraho@tycoelectronics.com

Douglas M. Hoeffner, '96 SDCET, Gettysburg, is a project manager with The Donohoe Companies, Inc. His most recently completed project is Bethany Village West in Mechanicsburg. Doug is married to **Elizabeth Caralyus Hoeffner**, '95 CrimJ. They are the parents of three.

Steven W. Todd, '96 ENVET, Hummelstown, is a senior engineer with Buchart-Horn/Basco Associates, Hershey. E-mail: steventodd@hotmail.com

Tanya Clark Reinhard, '96 ENVET, Kingston, N.Y., is employed by the Dutchess County Health Department, Poughkeepsie. She and her husband, Edward, celebrated the birth of son Bradley in August 2004.

Julie G. DiSalvio, '97 B.S., has joined the Philadelphia law firm of Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young. DiSalvio is a graduate of Penn State's Dickinson School of Law.



Julie G. DiSalvio

Todd C. Hough, '99 PubPol/'02 J.D., Carlisle, has joined the law firm of Maria P. Cognetti and Associates in Camp Hill.

Roderick L. Lee, '00 Infsy/Mkt, '01g/'02g, Harrisburg, has been selected as one of the 40 individuals chosen as an Outstanding Harrisburg Area Community College Alumnus in honor of the college's 40th

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anniversary celebration. Lee is an instructor in Information Sciences and Technology at Penn State Harrisburg and is completing doctoral studies with the University. E-mail rlee@psu.edu.

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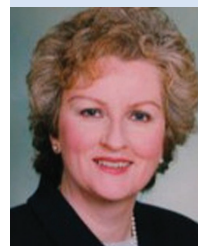
Cynthia A. Keough, '00 MBA, Lancaster, has been elected president of the National Association of Purchasing Managers, Central Pennsylvania for the 2004-05 program year. She was also recently promoted to Senior Manager, Strategic Sourcing at AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals, Wilmington, Del. E-mail: cynthiaann66@aol.com

Luann M. Lawrence, '01g, is the vice president for university advancement at Oregon State University. She was formerly the executive director of public affairs and marketing at the University of Maine.

Jennifer A. Mackauer Emmick, '03 Acct, Leesport, Pa., is employed by Beard Miller Company, LLP in Reading. She married Brandon Emmick on July 3, 2004. E-mail: JenEmmick@comcast.net

Erin L. Fisher, '04 Mrkt, Lebanon, has been named an assistant account executive at PPO&S, a Harrisburg-based advertising agency. She was formerly a senior account manager with Quality Builders Warranty.

Eva (Natalie) M. Goodrich, '04 EPC, LaVerkin, Utah, is employed by the National Park Service and recently completed an assignment as a member of the botany crew at Shenandoah National Park. She also celebrated the birth of twin sons on Dec. 20, 2004.



A longtime member of The University of Southern Mississippi faculty and a 1975 Penn State Harrisburg graduate has been chosen for one of the university's most prestigious awards.

English professor

Dr. Maureen Ryan, who came to Southern Miss in 1983, is the recipient of the Charles W. Moorman Distinguished Alumni Professor in the Humanities award. The endowment provides as much as \$30,000 over two years for research projects to selected professors.

Ryan, who earned a bachelor's degree in Humanities from Penn State Harrisburg, will use some of the funding to complete work on a book of cultural criticism of the Vietnam War era titled *Bringing the War Home: The Home Front and the Aftermath in American Narratives of the Vietnam War*.

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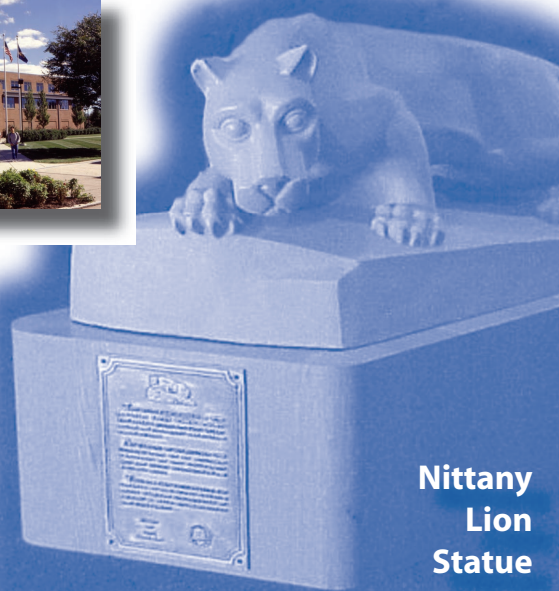
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