FIND YOURSELF IN FLORIDA?

If you will be in the Sunshine State next month, there will be some G-burg activities happening that you are most welcome to attend.

- There will be a celebration of Gettysburg Great: The Campaign for our College in Naples on March 17-18. Activities include a Friday night reception at the home of current G-burg parents, and a trio of events on Saturday: a “Learning Lunch” session led by Jim Chemel ’71, Chair of the Board of Trustees; a presentation by a Health Sciences faculty member on Saturday afternoon; and a cocktail reception and dinner featuring remarks from President Riggs. Learn more and register!

- The 6th-ranked women’s lacrosse team will play two games in Port Charlotte, facing Hamilton on March 14 and Fredonia on March 16. Both games begin at 5 p.m.

- The baseball team will also be in Florida over Spring Break. The Bullets will play five games in Ft. Pierce and five in Vero Beach from March 12 thru 18. See the full schedule.
DON'T MAKE A GIFT

Don’t make a gift to Gettysburg College! (you probably never thought you’d hear that, did you...?) At least, don’t do so over the next two weeks. If you just wait until February 15, your gift can have an even more significant impact than usual! Here’s why:

- The 3rd annual “Gettysburgives Challenge” will start at 9 a.m. EST on Wednesday, Feb. 15 and end at 9 p.m. EST on Thursday, Feb. 16.

- During those 36 hours, if the College attracts 2,558 donors – symbolically, one for each current student – a generous group of alumni and parents has promised to donate $350,000 to Gettysburg College. We will also be shooting to secure 125 new/increased sustaining gifts through the Challenge.

- In addition, a new feature this year will include a competition between alumni from G-burg’s 24 sports teams to see which one gives at the highest percentage, along with a similar battle among alums from each decade.

- Special thanks go to Barry & Barbara Shaw ’65, Paul Haldeman ’67, David Brennan ’75, Stewart Petrovits ’91, Michael Beinenson ’01, Jake Asplundh ’10, and Nick & Joelle Corcoran P’18 for providing the financial support for our Challenge.

- Make your gift or pledge online during the Challenge, or by calling 717-337-6501 or 6502. You will also have the opportunity to talk to some of your favorite campus personalities – such as retired athletic trainer Lefty Biser ’57, English professor Chris Fee, and women’s lacrosse coach Carol Cantele ’83 – between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. EST on Feb. 15.

- Keep an eye on your email, social media and the Challenge website in the coming days for additional details and for up-to-the-minute progress during the Challenge!

- Bottom line? Working together, we have the opportunity to make a significant difference for the College and our students by meeting the Gettysburgives Challenge!

GETTYSBURG GREATS IN THE NEWS:

- Paul Dunbar ’04 (1904!) was the 2nd Commissioner of the FDA, starting his term...
during World War II. Read about his impressive path and accomplishments.

- Russ Peery '49 continues to be active as he approaches 90, recently having his 2nd collection of poems published. His work, “Encore,” was announced in the New York Times Book Review last month. See more.

- Jack Bream '57, former Executive Director of the Orange & Blue Club at the College, scored his 5th career hole-in-one last month on the 14th hole at Port Royal Plantation’s Barony Course on Hilton Head Island.

- Jerry Spinelli '63, the Newbery Medal Award-winning children’s author, has had his most recent book published by Random House, “The Warden’s Daughter.” Read more about it.

- Cheryl McHale Carey '82 was selected as Delaware’s School Counselor of the Year, which earned her a trip last month to the White House, where she witnessed First Lady Michelle Obama’s farewell address (and was easily visible in video and photos from the event).

- Michael Mesmer ’00 was selected as a “40 Under 40” honoree in Arlington, VA, by the Leadership Center for Excellence. He joins his wife, Courtney Sneddon Mesmer ’02 – who earned the honor last year – as the only couple ever to earn the distinction.

- Tess Barton O’Brien ’06 is a green entrepreneur. See her story.

AROUND TOWN & CAMPUS:

- The Reagan Presidential Library (Simi Valley, CA) will be the locale for a Fielding Center for Presidential Leadership Study at the Eisenhower Institute event on Friday, March 31, and all alumni, parents and friends are invited to attend. The unique event will feature a reception in the Air Force One hanger (with access to Air Force One), presentations by Fielding Fellow students at the College, remarks from Fred Fielding ’61 (who served in the Nixon, Reagan and Bush White Houses), and private tours of the Reagan Library. Learn more.

- Gettysburg is No. 3 in the nation in a new ranking of “The Best College Alumni Networks,” behind only Stanford and Colgate. Read more, and thanks to the thousands and thousands of alumni who make this happen!

- Lambda Chi’s 100th anniversary celebration on campus during Homecoming weekend earned a nice feature in the fraternity’s national publication. Read all.
The Gettysburg College Choir will be touring over Spring Break, March 11-19, heading north and east for a series of six concerts, service events and community engagement opportunities in NYC, NJ, DE and PA (the full schedule will be listed in Bullet Points next month). All concerts are open to the public, and if you'd like to connect with the group, contact interim choir director Brent Talbot (Choir Director Rob Natter is on sabbatical).

A new program affiliated with Rutgers University will fast-track G-burg grads to a Masters of Human Resource Management in three semesters. Learn more about the program and why Provost Chris Zappe calls it a “win-win.”

MAKE SUMMER PLANS w/G-BURG:

The Eisenhower Institute will be coordinating a once-in-a-lifetime learning trip and tour of Israel and the Palestinian Territories Sept. 8-16, 2017. Modeling the Inside the Middle East trip students have experienced the last few years, unique access to thought leaders and institutions in the Middle East intelligence community will be provided by Avi Melamed, Salisbury Fellow of Intelligence and Middle East Affairs for the EI. Learn more, including registration information.

Do you have students in high school? If so, send them to Gettysburg this summer for a week of in-depth study of a particular field, including creative writing, psychology, politics and technology. See what's being offered.

CAREER CORNER:

Alumni and parent volunteers are needed for the 2017 Summer Externship Program! Inspire a student’s career path by providing one-week job shadowing experiences to current students, who find these experiences to be extremely meaningful to their career development and learning process. Hosts get the benefit of making a difference, while connecting with talented students! Read more about the role and expectations of serving as a host, and sign up online by Wed., Feb. 15. Contact the Center for Career Development at 717-337-6616 or career@gettysburg.edu with questions.

Does your organization have entry-level opportunities? Want to help a current student or young alum advance her/his career? If so, consider participating in the Center for Career Development's Job & Internship Fair on March 2nd in the
CUB Ballroom. Learn more about participating as an employer and register by Feb. 23 to reserve your spot for recruiting fantastic G-burg talent!

- Help inspire the next generation of entrepreneurs at Gettysburg College! Learn more about our Entrepreneurial Fellowship, find out how you can get involved, and make a donation today (or wait until Feb. 15-16 for it to count in the Gettysburgives Challenge).

CAMPAIGN CORNER:

- Mark your calendar for two Campaign celebrations this spring. The first will be a series of events in Naples, FL, on March 17-18, and two weeks later Baltimore will take center stage for an April 1 gala at the Sagamore Pendry. Get more info.

- See the latest news, learn about the five priorities of the Campaign, and see how you can make a difference – ALL gifts count and matter! The total goal is $150 million, and thus far – after a fantastic year-end push from supporters – more than $129 million has been raised to benefit current and future Gettysburg students.

February Alumni, Parent, & Campus Events of Interest

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Feb 15 DC Club Challenge Happy Hour
Penn Social, 801 E St., NW, 6-8 p.m.

Feb 15 NYC Club Challenge Happy Hour
SideBAR, 118 E 15th St, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Feb 16 Boston Club Challenge Happy Hour
Location and Time TBA

Feb 16 Philly Club Challenge Happy Hour
Bar Hygge, 1720 Fairmount Ave., 6-8 p.m.

Feb 16 Baltimore Club Challenge Happy Hour
Diamondback Brewing Company, 1215 East Fort Ave., 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Feb 17 Centennial Conference Swimming Championships @ F&M
Lancaster, PA, Friday, Feb. 17 to Sunday, Feb. 19, day/night

Feb 17 Wind Symphony Concert
Majestic Theater, Gettysburg, 8 p.m.

Feb 18 Annual Snowball
CUB Ballroom on campus, 9 p.m.

Feb 25 Centennial Conference Indoor Track & Field Championships @ Ursinus
Collegeville, PA

Feb 25 Jazz Ensemble Concert
Majestic Theater, Gettysburg, 8 p.m.
Trivia Time:

Former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich delivered a lecture in DC last week during which he positively mentioned Gettysburg College and one of our history professors. Who was the professor who got the nod in the speech, for helping Gingrich with background on Lincoln’s first Inaugural Address?

*A t-shirt goes to the first person to email alumni@gettysburg.edu with the correct answer!*

Congrats to last month’s winner, Christiana Gallo ’13, who knew that the Alumni Association presented Henry Hanson – upon his retirement in 1952 after 29 years at the helm – with a Cadillac sedan.

Bullet Points

Gettysburg College’s monthly E-newsletter for alumni, parents, and friends

Suggestions for Bullet Points can be emailed to alumni director Joe Lynch ’85 at jlynch@gettysburg.edu