Suzy Miller Retires  
by Joyce Sprague

For the past 25 years, Suzy Miller has been a familiar face in the Provost’s Office; however, on March 1, 2012, Suzy began a new chapter in her life — that of new retiree. Before taking the position in the Provost’s Office, Suzy worked fourteen years as a part-time teller at Community National Bank in McSherrystown. Her work experience also includes a position at Capital Airlines in New York City as a result of attending Airline School in Minneapolis, MN, soon after graduating from high school.

Suzy and Bob, her husband of 55 years, have two sons and three grandchildren. She was born and grew up in Littlestown, later moving to Hanover, and then to Gettysburg in 1980. Suzy loves living in Gettysburg, which she calls “the most famous small town in America.” She often wonders how different her life would have been had she remained living in Hanover, as she would have missed the “whole Gettysburg College experience.” Of course, just because she likes living in Gettysburg doesn’t mean she would pass up an occasion to travel. Suzy still remembers when she and Jean Stone were scheduled to travel to Ireland in 1999, but before they could leave Suzy fell and fractured her tibia. She hopes there will be another opportunity for her to visit Ireland, but at least she and Jean were able to take a trip to Italy together in 1997.

When asked what she would do differently if she had her life to live over again, Suzy’s response is an emphatic, “Nothing!” Her memories of “this life” include the friends she has made and the opportunities she has had — for example, taking the Dale Carnegie course, spending weekends visiting former Provost Baird Tipson’s family in Chestertown with Barb Herman and Pat Crowell, attending Presidential Inaugurations, being a character who was murdered in a Murder Mystery Dinner held at Provost Zappe’s home, and attending two of the “Best Place to Work in Pennsylvania” award dinners.

Suzy’s friends should not be concerned about what she will do with her free time now that she is retired. She loves to read, knit, go to the movies, watch the Phillies, play computer games and line dance, and she has already made a “to do” list which includes a trip to Georgia for her grandson’s wedding, a trip to the Flight 93 National Memorial, and a trip to Ocean City. She may even take the time to write her memoirs! Of course, Suzy still works as a ticket agent at the Majestic Theater.

Suzy’s advice to those of us still working is to live life to the fullest because time passes too quickly. This past year, Suzy made 22 sweaters for the World Vision “Knit for Kids” project. In fact, Suzy started a “Knit for Kids” group on campus, and they have already sent over 100 sweaters to World Vision. Suzy is also involved with Women of the Word, an on-campus Bible study and prayer group that volunteers at the Soup Kitchen. Over the past twenty-plus years, the group has put together and delivered a number of “SonShine” boxes to people who were recovering from surgery or an accident. The only rule for receiving a “SonShine” box, which is filled with wrapped gifts, is that the recipient can only open one gift per day — for a few weeks it’s like having a birthday party every day!

Suzy felt blessed during her 25 years at Gettysburg and would like to think that she made a difference during her time here. When she thought about retiring, it was with a mixture of sadness and joy, but she said she knew it was time to find her horse and ride off into the sunset.

Happy Trails, Suzy!
Farewell to Council Members
As we begin to prepare for Support Staff Council elections, we must say farewell to three members whose terms have come to an end. Andrea Switzer has served on Council for the past five years, Audrey Hatcher and Suzette Redding have each served three years. We thank them for their dedication to serving as an active voice on behalf of their support staff colleagues.

Suzette Redding
I sincerely thank the Council for the good times and hard work over the past three years. The experience was more than I could have expected and allowed me the freedom to develop as a professional member of the team. I also want to thank the President's Office and Human Resources for taking the time to share their expertise and knowledge. It is through the support of all of you that we are able to continue to strengthen our programs and develop new and innovative projects. The Council will continue to lead the charge in providing training and specialized services to support staff and professionals in our campus community.

Andrea Switzer
I have been honored to serve as a member of the Support Staff Council. I have seen the rebirth of the newsletter, Pillars, the implementation of the Pillars Appreciation Program, and the beginning stages of an employee volunteer program. I’ve hosted brown bag luncheons and had a great time organizing yard sale and re-gifting bingos. Through my time on the Pillars staff, I have learned that many of my co-workers have the most interesting and surprising talents/hobbies.

Audrey Hatcher
It has been a pleasure serving on the Council. I have enjoyed the experience and am very proud of being part of the Council’s “Great Work.” It has provided me with the opportunity to gain a greater knowledge of the campus community and to work with other support staff with whom I may have otherwise had very little contact. I wish the current and future members continued success and support.

Support Staff Council: Upcoming Events and Year-End Summary  by Linda Miller
Mark your calendar with these important upcoming events.

ALL-CAMPUS MEETING
Wed May 16 1:30 - 3:00pm Ballroom
Please join us for an all-campus meeting, which will include an address from President Riggs, both Support Staff and Administrative Council updates, and special recognition of support staff and administrators.

SUPPORT STAFF PICNIC
Tues June 5 11:30am Ballroom
Come join us for the annual Support Staff Picnic. Great food, fun, and BINGO!!!

Council elections will be held at the picnic. Council will be looking for three new faces to replace outgoing members Suzette Redding from Department of Public Safety, and Audrey Hatcher and Andrea Switzer from the field of clerical/paraprofessional. We will request nominations in April, or send your suggestions/interest right now to Cathy Bain at cbain@gettysburg.edu. For more election information, check out the Support Staff Council website at www.gettysburg.edu/staff/support_staffcouncil.

YEAR-END SUMMARY
The Council has been busy this academic year. Our President Cathy Bain has continued to lead us in a forward and positive direction. Treasurer Suzette Redding has kept us on budget, and Secretary Audrey Hatcher has kept us informed and done a great job organizing welcome lunches for new staff.

The Employee Relations Committee of Amy Ellicott, Karla Swinn, and Brian Herrell organized a fabulous Support Staff Dinner at the Eisenhower Inn in January. Support Staff were treated to a wonderful evening of food, recognition, and dancing. They are currently working out the details for the summer picnic.

The Training & Development Committee of Jim Baer and Andrea Switzer organized several brown bag luncheons in the fall and have several more scheduled for the spring. Please see our Council website for details.

The Communications Committee (members listed on this newsletter) have worked diligently to bring you personal stories and work information through the Pillars newsletter.

Check out the photos from the Support Staff Dinner in the newsletter insert and also in the photo gallery of our Support Staff Council website at:
www.gettysburg.edu/staff/support_staffcouncil
Janet’s Post
by President Riggs

I hope those of you who attended the January Support Staff Dinner enjoyed yourselves as much as I did! The return to the dinner format was well-received, and I want to thank the Support Staff Council for all they did to organize a very successful evening. It is appropriate that we take a moment each year to thank those who have reached significant milestones in their years of service to Gettysburg College. I am always struck by the dedication to excellence and the commitment to Gettysburg College that I see demonstrated by so many of you. This is what makes Gettysburg a truly great place to learn, live, and work.

We all contribute to what I consider to be a very important mission: the preparation of students for lives of positive impact. We prepare students for successful professional lives; but we also prepare them to be leaders in their communities, global citizens, individuals who will make a positive difference in the world. Some of us have direct contact with students on a daily basis, and others work in areas of the College where contact with students is less frequent. However, all of us are bound together in this extraordinary undertaking. Thank you for all you do to support the intellectual and personal development of our students. Thank you for providing them with an excellent college experience. I hope you are proud of your great work, and I hope you are proud to be associated with Gettysburg College.

The Importance of an Annual Financial Review

No matter where you are along life’s journey, it’s a good idea to take time out occasionally to make sure that you’re heading in the right direction. An annual financial review, which can occur any time during the year, provides an opportunity for you to assess your progress over the last year and adjust your strategies as needed to help you meet your goals for the future. Consider the following steps as you conduct an annual review:

- **Identify your goals.** Do you want to retire in a community with a golf course? Reduce portfolio risk? Leave an estate for your family? Pay down debt? Save for a child’s college education? Be sure to consider any changes or potential changes in your personal situation that may affect your finances, like marriage, home purchase, job change or new child in the family.

- **Calculate your net worth.** Make a list of all the things you own (your assets) and all the things you owe (your liabilities). Subtract your liabilities from your assets to determine your net worth. You may want to talk with a professional advisor about strategies to help grow your net worth over time.

- **Evaluate your day-to-day expenses.** Many people wonder where their money goes, but you can solve the mystery by keeping a budget. When you learn how you’re really spending on a day-to-day basis, you may make different choices and find ways to save for your future.

- **Assess your insurance needs.** Life can sometimes bring unexpected challenges: a leaky roof, an extended illness or disability, or an untimely death. Evaluate your current insurance coverage and make changes as needed to help ensure that you’re adequately protected.

- **Examine the performance of your investments.** Track the performance of your stocks, bonds and mutual funds. Are you satisfied with their results compared to various market indices? Consult with a professional advisor to adjust your investment strategies according to your goals, your time horizon and your tolerance for risk.

- **Plan for the future.** Do you have a will and estate plan? A professional advisor can help you develop strategies to help ensure that your assets are distributed according to your wishes upon your death. If you already have these documents in place, be sure to periodically review them in light of changing tax laws and personal circumstances.

An annual financial review can help you stay on track to meet your goals for today and tomorrow. For many people, an annual financial review provides an opportunity to regularly track their progress toward retirement. No matter where you are in the retirement planning process, a PNC Retirement Services Consultant can help you prepare for the future — from setting a retirement goal to developing a savings plan, monitoring your progress and providing objective guidance as your situation and priorities change.

To learn more, stop by PNC Bank at 245 Breckenridge Street near campus, or visit pnc.com/retirement.

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Wellness 2012 by Cathy Bain

Wellness kicked off with a bang this year with our first ever Wellness Showcase. The Showcase was so well attended and the feedback was such that our Wellness Committee decided to do more. At noon on the first Wednesday of each month, there will be two 20-minute “demos” of different classes. Employees can try one or both, or just watch to see if it is something that they might enjoy. The Wellness Committee started a Buddy System for exercise, and I know from experience that it works. We have 368 participating in Wellness this year, 59 doing Points and 309 doing Independent tracks.

Gettysburg College has also entered the “Spring into Fitness Challenge,” competing against Bucknell, F&M, York, and Dickinson for clocking the most purposeful exercise minutes. Over 280 employees have signed up to try to win the trophy for Gettysburg College as well as bragging rights for the year. As a fun addition, we are competing internally, division against division. If you have questions about any of the Wellness Programs, please contact Human Resources.

Wellness Raffle

Each day you work out or take a wellness class in the new Center, you may complete a raffle form to win a great prize. The more times you visit per month, the more chances you have to WIN!

One entry per person per day. Must work out for at least 30 minutes to enter your name.

Good luck!

Wellness Raffle winners over the past 8 months:

- February 2012: Melissa Garber
  - TECHO watch

- January 2012: Pamela Eisenhart
  - 45 minute massage-Gburg Spa

- December 2011: Wendy Quinley
  - $50 Amazon Gift Card

- November 2011: Christine Shanaberger
  - SanDisk MP3 Player

- October 2011: Robert Brown
  - Teton Sports Sleeping Bag

- September 2011: Jennifer Coale
  - Techo Watch

- August 2011: Eric Yurick
  - Ozeri Digital Bathroom Scale

- July 2011: Michael Cantele
  - iPod Shuffle

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Lisa Antonich .............................. Custodial Services
Ray Aughinbaugh ........................ Custodial Services
James Baer .............................. Maintenance Services
Stephen Belenski ........................ Public Safety
Sandra Blair .............................. Visual Arts
Chad Brodbeck ............................ Dining Services
Maribeth Cortina ........................ Dining Services
Nicholas Heller ............................ HVAC Services
Leslie Johnson ............................ Math/Computer Science
Lan Khuu .............................. Dining Services
Christina Marsh ........................... Infrastructure & Computing
Karen Mesher ............................. Dining Services
Sally Miller .............................. Financial Aid
Lindora Myers ............................ Provost’s Office
Terry Oyler .............................. Dining Services
Debra Small ............................. Grounds Services
Lasandra Spivey ........................ Custodial Services
Nelda (Mickie) Woodward ........ Planned Giving
Tammy Strawsburg ........................ College Store

10 YEARS
Pamela Dalrymple ............................. Civil War Institute
Eric Day ...................................... Dining Services
Melissa Garber ............................ Finance & Administration Office
Travis Griffe ............................. Public Safety
Pamela Lafferty ............................ Admissions Office
John McNally ............................. Dining Services
Paul Miller ............................. Infrastructure & Computing
Susan Moyer .............................. Orange & Blue
Cott Nelson .............................. HVAC Services
Michael Plank ........................... Transportation Services
Stephanie Sanders ........................ Infrastructure & Computing
Jose Sierra .............................. Custodial Services
Anne Wade ............................. Dining Services

15 YEARS
Dian Cramer .............................. Health Services
Lisa McNamee ............................. Musselman Library
Lisa Snyder .............................. Dining Services

Retiree Suzanne (Suzy) Miller

15 YEARS

20 YEARS
Donald Brill .............................. Dining Services
Larry Hower ............................. Infrastructure & Computing
James Kressley .......................... Athletics
Carol May .............................. Dining Services
Harry Melhorn ........................ Maintenance Services
Matthew Miller ........................ Dining Services
Deborah Rinehart ........................ Development, Alumni & Parent Relations Office
Eileen Thomas ............................ Registrar’s Office

20 YEARS

30 YEARS
Kenneth Legore ............................ Custodial Services
Carol Priest ............................. Religion/Philosophy/Latin American Studies

30 YEARS

40 YEARS
Pat Crowell ............................. Provost’s Office

40 YEARS