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## THE DOGGED

*Resilience In The Ring*

## AND DETERMINED

*Bruce Silverglade '68*  
transforms his community  
through boxing



## UPFRONT

On May 17, 2021, the Class of 2021 reunited in Musselman Stadium for Gettysburg College's 186th Commencement, cheered on by faculty, families, and friends in person and across the world.

Class speaker *Anna Cincotta '21* reflected on the past four years, noting how special this Commencement ceremony was for her class and their future. "After a year defined by caring for each other from a distance, we're safely gathered in a space to celebrate a finish line that isn't really a finish line, and there's so much hope in that," Cincotta said.

Commencement speaker Michael Brown, co-founder and senior advisor of City Year, highlighted the importance of pursuing work that provides purpose and brings joy. "Purpose changes everything, and public purpose doesn't just change the world—it changes us," he said. "You all have untold powers to improve our world and make our democracy flourish."

In his final charge to the graduates, *President Bob Iuliano* echoed their sentiments, encouraging the Class of 2021 to go forth and make a difference in their communities and their workplaces, to forge new and wider paths for all people, and to "rise to the occasion of this defining moment."

*Photo by Jason Minick*

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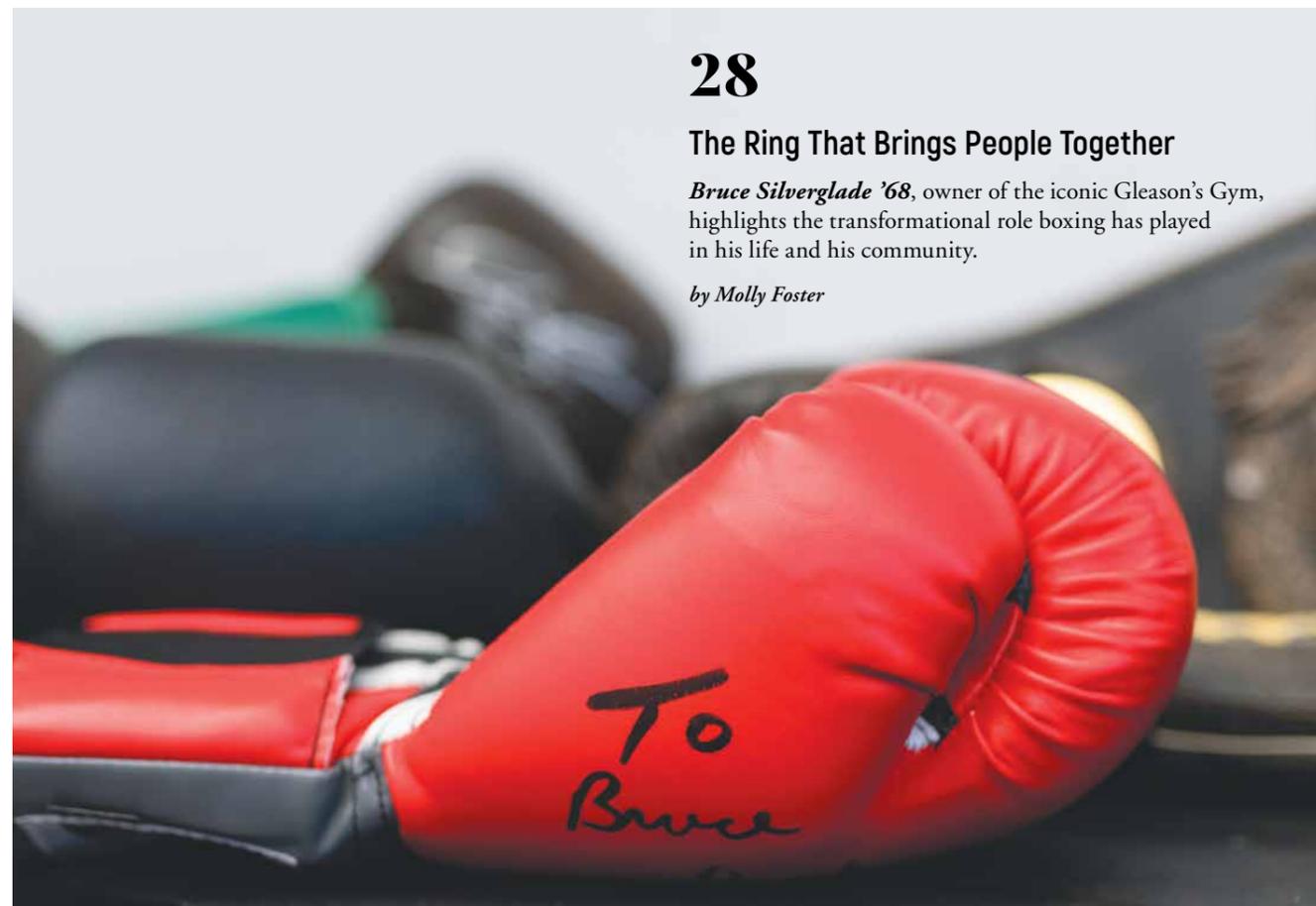
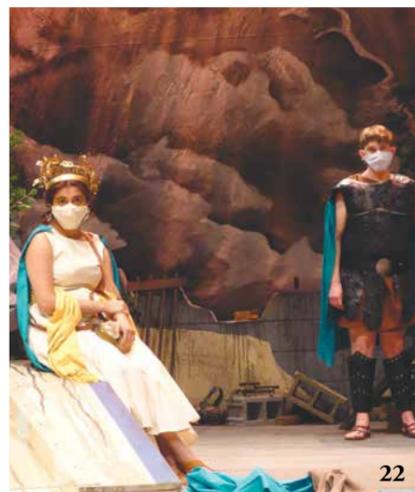
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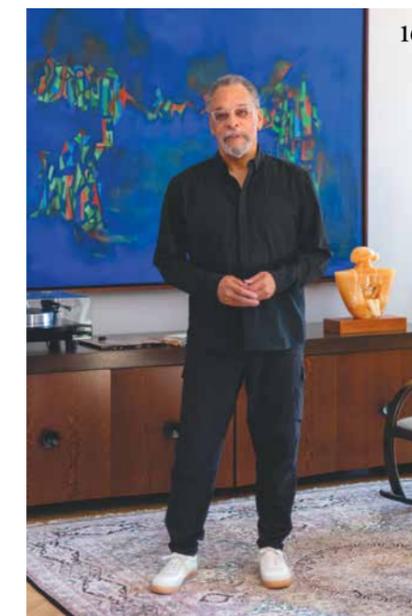
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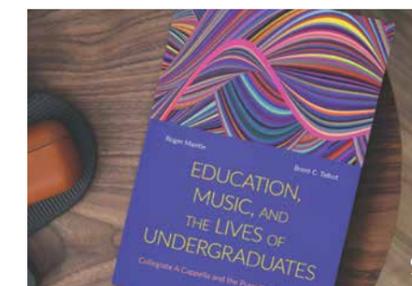
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Photograph by Eric Lee '15



# A GETTYSBURG EDUCATION LAYS THE FOUNDATION FOR A LIFETIME OF LEARNING AND EVOLVING.

As the pandemic begins to slow, our society is seeing with even greater clarity the importance of educating the whole person. We want Gettysburg graduates to benefit not only from having met the vigorous demands of a high-caliber academic experience, but also from having had curricular and co-curricular experiences that have allowed them to strengthen their tenacity, creativity, and flexibility—qualities they will surely need to maintain their balance in a world that will continue to shift beneath their feet. Ours needs to be the education that will equip graduates for fulfilling lives and careers in the time in which they live. This has been, after all, the ambition and purpose of the College since 1832.

Today's Gettysburg graduates are likely to hold many positions in multiple fields during the course of their dynamic careers. In fact, I was recently in a meeting of The Annapolis Group of Liberal Arts Colleges, where a leading higher education expert shared that this current generation of students on average will change jobs an astonishing *17 times*, and change industries *five times*.

## It's up to us to prepare them for this future.

To respond to this charge—and in the spirit of our strategic planning process actively underway—the College launched its inaugural virtual January Term (J-Term) this past winter break, attracting nearly 1,000 student registrations. Our J-Term provided Gettysburg students with free, hands-on programming designed to build upon their classroom learning with tangible college, career, and life skills (read more on page 7).

I have spoken with many alumni who still look back fondly on their own J-Term experience at the College, and who fully recognize and value the transformative effect it had on their personal development. I am pleased to share that our students found this year's virtual J-Term sessions to be equally as gratifying, as it further deepened the human and intellectual capacities they'll need to thrive at every turn and in every pursuit.

I'd like to extend a hearty thanks to this special community of Gettysburgians, specifically our alumni and parent volunteers, as well as our faculty and staff, for helping to make our new J-Term such a treasured experience for our students. We look forward to expanding this offering in January 2022.

Of course, this is just one of the many exciting ways the College is reimagining its curricular and co-curricular experiences through our new strategic plan, *Living Our Promise*. Work on conceptualizing the programmatic aspects of the plan is actively underway, and we anticipate the entire plan to be adopted before the conclusion of the 2021-22 academic year. I encourage you to continue to add your voice to this planning ([www.gettysburg.edu/plan](http://www.gettysburg.edu/plan)).

While this past year has presented our community with many obstacles to overcome, it also has encouraged us, in the enduring words of President Lincoln, "to think anew, and act anew." Armed with renewed confidence in our ability to adapt to changing conditions, coupled with our faithful commitment to the mission and values of this remarkable institution, Gettysburg College is uniquely positioned to deepen its national footprint in the years ahead, and deliver to our students a truly *consequential education*.

I look forward to partnering with you in this important work!

Sincerely,



Bob Iuliano  
President

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## THE 'RESILIENT' RETURN OF THE ORANGE AND BLUE

by Isabel Miller '21 and Corey Jewart

After an extended pause in competition due to the COVID-19 pandemic and a long-awaited approval to resume play from the Centennial Conference on March 5, 2021, the Gettysburg College Bullets returned to play.

"After a year without competition, I am happy that we will now have the opportunity for our spring student-athletes to represent the Orange and Blue in the sports they love," said Executive Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Mike Mattia. "All of our teams, coaches, and support staff have been extremely resilient and have worked really hard to help put us in this position."

Twelve teams returned to play this past spring: baseball, men's and women's golf, men's and women's lacrosse, softball, men's and women's swimming, men's and women's tennis, and men's and women's outdoor track and field. At press time, a team conference title, individual conference title, and NCAA tournament appearance were marked in the record books. Additionally, 37 All-Conference performers and 10 All-Americans were honored.

Of note, softball captured its fifth conference title and advanced to the NCAA Division III regional championship, led by **Shelby Baker '21**, the program's all-time leader in home runs. Men's golf swept the conference's major awards: Player of the Year **Quinn Greene '21**, who won the individual Centennial title; Rookie of

the Year **Cameron Deiuliis '24**; and Co-Coach of the Year **Nate Davis**. In women's lacrosse, **Kerry McKeever '21** and **Caroline Sullivan '24** were also named Offensive Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year, respectively.

Longtime Men's Lacrosse Coach **Hank Janczyk**, who ranks second in NCAA history for total wins, retired at the conclusion of this season, having coached 163 All-Americans, 199 All-Centennial Conference players, 14 conference players of the year, and seven national players of the year. On July 2, Penn State University associate head coach **Peter Toner** was named Janczyk's successor.

Although the basketball season was canceled, **Meredith Brown '21** walked away with Academic All-America Third Team recognition and was selected as the Clair B., Mary E., and Constance Noerr (Baker) Memorial Award winner, presented to a female senior on the basis of proficiency in athletics, scholarship, and character. **Jack Edelson '21** from the men's swimming program was presented with the Charles W. Beachem Athletic Award, which goes to a male senior on the basis of character, scholarship, and athletic achievement.

With these successes this spring, the Gettysburg College community celebrated together with an eye toward the future. On June 25, the Centennial Conference announced it anticipates a full return to competition for the 2021-22 academic year.

Photograph of women's softball by Jennifer Mower  
Photograph of Hank Janczyk, courtesy of David Sinclair

# SOCIAL MEDIA

THE REIMAGINED J-TERM, OUR 189<sup>TH</sup> FOUNDER'S DAY, A STUDENT-ATHLETE'S STORY ON WHY SHE TRANSFERRED TO GETTYSBURG COLLEGE, AND OUR SERVO COOKIE SHOWDOWN STIRRED NOSTALGIA. MANY OF YOU TOOK TO THE COMMENTS—SHARING YOUR FOND MEMORIES AND LASTING ENTHUSIASM FOR ALL THINGS GETTYSBURG.

## AMY CANTRELL'S '22 TRANSFER STORY

Idaho native *Amy Cantrell '22* shares her transfer journey to Gettysburg College and reflects on its unique sense of place: "Every time I tell people from back home where I go to college, they instantly bring up the battlefields," said Cantrell. "I share that our teams get to run through the battlefields for practices. People don't realize that is something that we get to do daily." Cantrell, a student-athlete on the women's cross country team, notes that both academics and athletics were important in her decision-making process. "Choosing to attend Gettysburg was and remains one of the best decisions I have ever made," she added.

*"This was a terrific profile; so glad Amy 'found' Gettysburg and that she's so happy there. Congrats on an impressive season as well! I was a Bullet as well (Class of '95) and on the XC team (Coach Schenk was asst. coach); the time I spent there was fantastic and filled with so many wonderful memories, many from XC. She's right. Battlefield runs were amazing—workouts were named after major battles—Pickett's Charge, etc. (I think Devil's Den was a particularly brutal w/o). Best wishes, Amy, for continued academic and athletic success and enjoy your time there!"*

[in Molly Hoke '95](#)

*"It's wonderful that you feel so positive about your college choice! 45 years later, I feel the same way!"*

*Academics, athletics, and the aesthetics of living in this special place are all important factors in where to spend extended time. We've appreciated the battlefield roads during the pandemic as restorative walks and changing scenery help keep us healthy and calm."*

[in Nancy Lorenson Cook '75](#)

## FOUNDER'S DAY

Happy 189th birthday to Gettysburg College!

*"G'burg was my Dad's Happy Place... '64 and mine too! '95... I will always treasure the friendships and memories made on this beautiful campus! ♥♥♥"*

[f Ann Ritchie Stuart '95](#)

*"Happy birthday to one of my greatest loves! The people my life gained from G'burg have blessed my life for over 30 years now. ♥♥♥♥♥"*

[f Noël Ciferni Baumann '92](#)

*"So proud that our oldest daughter will start at GC in the fall. It's been her dream school forever. Happy Birthday!"*

[f Alissa Hermann Sgro](#)

*"Congratulations! Welcome to #gburg2025!"*

[f Gettysburg College](#)

*"Happy birthday to a great college. Both sons played football and graduated from Gettysburg. They were four years apart, so I went up there eight straight years. Loved the history of Gettysburg."*

[f Don DeLisi P'92, P'96](#)

*"I am wearing my Gettysburg T-shirt today to commemorate the date."*

[f Bill Schiff '73](#)

## J-TERM

This past winter break, Gettysburg College launched its inaugural virtual January Term (J-Term). The sessions earned rave reviews from students and presenters alike due to their intentional focus on leadership, networking, skill-building, and advocacy. Thank you to all who made our J-Term a success!

*"All J-term courses were exceptional. Senior year attending the winter outdoor survival course at the North Carolina Outward Bound School with 11 others from G'burg was the pinnacle experience."*

[in Peter Kirby '79](#)

*"So cool! After graduating Gettysburg in '99, I went on to work with the educational publisher that produced the Mount Everest simulation used in the leadership series! My bachelor's in English prepared me well for the almost 14 years I spent working there. Thank you, G'burg!"*

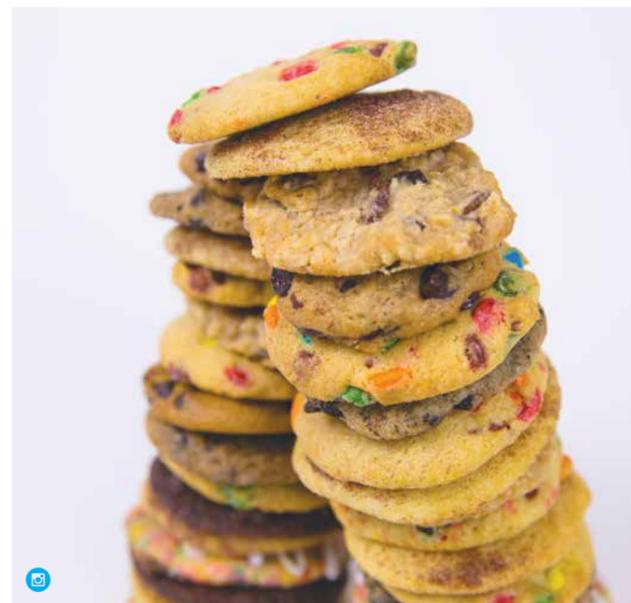
[in Jacqueline \(Trottier\) White '99](#)

*"J-Term was the most unique learning experience at G'burg back in the early 1980s. Truly set the College apart from the others and was an opportunity to study something truly different. Both students and professors looked forward to J-Term back in the day."*

[in Bob Lewis '86](#)

*"Bob, you're absolutely correct—J-Term was a unique opportunity to take a course on a subject that was not offered in regular semesters. The professors liked the opportunity too. I remember taking an entomology course by Dr. Robert Barnes that was excellent."*

[in Gary Engelhart '76](#)



## SERVO COOKIE SHOWDOWN

Inspired by March Madness, our "Great Eight" voting bracket on Instagram Stories was loved by students and alumni alike. Among the equally delicious double chocolate, lemon, M&M, oatmeal raisin, Oreo, snickerdoodle, and sugar cookies, the chocolate chip cookie was crowned champion.

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## IN THE MEDIA

Jewish Studies Department Chair and Interdisciplinary Studies **Prof. Stephen Stern** wrote a blog post for The Times of Israel, reflecting on action and inaction and connecting past with present. He discussed the treatment of Jewish refugees during the Holocaust and connected it to the immigration policy change made by the Trump administration in 2020.

East Asian Studies **Prof. Yoko Nishimura** was quoted in a *Washington Post* article about the history of the Tidal Basin lantern in Washington, D.C. The article mentions that the lantern, which the mayor of Tokyo gifted to the United States in 1954, was originally a part of a set, and Nishimura adds that she is confident the D.C. lantern's twin, though it might not be well displayed or labeled, is still around.

**SUSAN EISENHOWER**, CHAIRMAN EMERITA AND A FOUNDING DIRECTOR OF THE EISENHOWER INSTITUTE, WAS INTERVIEWED ON FOX NEWS' "THE UNTOLD STORY WITH MARTHA MACCALLUM" ABOUT PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN'S INAUGURATION SPEECH, AND HOW HE, MUCH LIKE PRESIDENT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER THROUGHOUT HIS PRESIDENCY, TOOK THE MIDDLE WAY IN AN ATTEMPT TO UNITE THE "RIGHT" AND THE "LEFT."

Political Science and Public Law **Prof. Scott Boddery** and **Benjamin Pontz '20**, a Fulbright postgraduate scholar at the University of Manchester, co-authored an op-ed for *The Dispatch*. In the article, they discuss the legislative filibuster and argue against removing it altogether. "Instead of using it always or never, let it be used sometimes and selectively," they write, suggesting that the path forward should be reformation as opposed to elimination.

### 'HOW BLACK PEOPLE LEARNED NOT TO TRUST'

Gilder Lehrman NEH Professor of Civil War Era Studies and History **Prof. Jim Downs** was an expert source in a *New York Times* opinion article about how history has made Black Americans distrust medical services, such as the recent COVID-19 vaccinations. Downs provides context that at least one-fourth of all former slaves got sick or died between 1862 and 1870 as white doctors refused to treat Black people, and white hospitals refused to admit them.



### 'THE UNFORESEEABLE IMPACTS OF ART'

**Tara O'Shea '10**, director of forest programs at Earth-imaging company Planet, was interviewed on the "Shaping Business Minds Through Art" podcast by The Artian. She shared how Planet brings together art and science to build a culture of creative entrepreneurship and innovation.

READ MORE ABOUT O'SHEA AND HOW SHE'S COMBATING CLIMATE CHANGE IN OUR NEWS SECTION ONLINE.

### GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

Economics **Prof. Rimvydas Baltaduonis**, who is also an affiliate of the College's international affairs and global studies program, was quoted in the French daily newspaper *Le Monde* about the voter engagement campaign #MusuMetasDABAR in his home country of Lithuania, as part of its coverage on diaspora's participation in elections across Central Europe. Baltaduonis is co-chair of the Commission of the Lithuanian Parliament and the Lithuanian World Community. Last year, he helped pass a law that allows internet voting for Lithuanian citizens living abroad.

READ MORE ON THE COLLEGE WEBSITE.



A 2021 report from *The Wall Street Journal* showed that the U.S. economy declined 3.5 percent in 2020, the largest since World War II and the first since 2009. Economics **Prof. Maria Ivanova Reyes** analyzed the report on WITF's *Smart Talk* and discussed what the economy will need to grow and move forward from the pandemic.

# NEWS

by Delaney Adams '21



## WILLIAMS WORLDWIDE

Daria L. and Eric J. Wallach Professor of Peace and Justice Studies **Hakim Mohandas Amani Williams** was honored twice in the past year and aims to uplift student voices around the globe.

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## DEDICATION TO EDUCATION

With her love for a liberal arts education, **Kathryn "Kate" Morris '92** was named the 19th president of St. Lawrence University.

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## CULTURAL COMPETENCY

Accepting its first cohort of applicants in October 2020, the new international and global studies major shapes Gettysburgians into global citizens.

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## LIFE AND LOYALTY

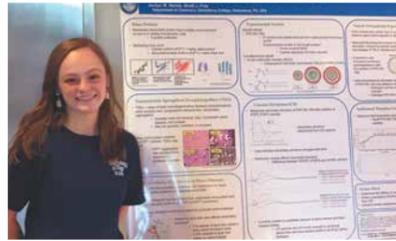
Fulfilling the Do Great Work mantra of Gettysburg College, **Carlo Testa '06** leads a Guatemalan nonprofit to improve the quality of life in rural areas.

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STUDENTS

CHEERS FOR CHEMISTS

More than half of Gettysburg College students conduct research before they graduate. **Paige Ashby '21** and **Jordyn Markle '22** were recognized with prestigious chemistry merit awards from the American Chemical Society for their 2019 Cross-Interdisciplinary Science Institute (X-SIG) research projects. With the support of the College's chemistry department, these two students made impressive contributions to scientific knowledge as undergraduate students, an accomplishment worth celebrating.



Top: Paige Ashby '21 Bottom: Jordyn Markle '22

ALUMNI

GETTYSBURGIAN AS PRESIDENT

**Kathryn "Kate" Morris '92** was named the 19th president of St. Lawrence University. Proudly honing the skills she cultivated at Gettysburg College, Morris dedicated her life to higher education, working as a professor and chair of the department of psychology, as well as provost and vice president for academic affairs at Butler University. She has also served on Gettysburg College's Board of Trustees since 2015.

"Throughout the search process, Dr. Morris demonstrated a clear and compelling love for a liberal arts education," said St. Lawrence Trustee Marion Roach Smith, chair of the presidential search committee. "The committee was captivated by her pragmatic approach to problem-solving, as well as her warmth and down-to-earth connection with the constituencies most important to St. Lawrence—our faculty, students, staff, alumni, parents, and trustees."



Photograph of Musselman Library courtesy of Peter Francis '21

ON CAMPUS

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

This year, the **Majestic Theater** celebrated its 95th birthday in an incredible way. A \$100,000 matching grant from the J. William Warehime Foundation of Hanover, Pennsylvania, inspired Majestic fans to donate and pledge an additional \$218,615, allowing the theater to establish an endowment fund for the continuous upgrade of its theatrical equipment. The theater has animated downtown Gettysburg as a cultural treasure, with high quality productions of drama, comedy, dance, music, and film. This year also marked the 40-year anniversary of **Musselman Library**, which has provided a beautiful space on campus for students to engage in quiet study, research, and collaborative work.

PUBLICATIONS

SPARKING CONVERSATION

**Suzanne (Rupp) DeMallie '89** published *Can You Hear Me Now?* to raise honest awareness of the problematic issues and practices in public education, such as incidents of violence and the fact that almost two-thirds of public school eighth graders aren't proficient in reading or math. DeMallie's book sparks a conversation for parents and educators aimed at improving these issues and making a difference, starting with individual districts.

FACULTY

JOURNAL EDITOR

Africana Studies and History **Prof. Abou B. Bamba** recently joined the Board of Editors of *The American Historical Review*, the leading journal in the field of history. In this role, Bamba will review innovative research and make suggestions about manuscripts, while also helping the journal's board publish more diverse perspectives.

"My hope in doing this is to open a space where underrepresented scholars can engage and be engaged in the production of historical knowledge as it appears in the pages of the *AHR*," said Bamba.



FACULTY

MUSIC AND MEANING

Sunderman Conservatory of Music **Prof. Brent Talbot's** book, *Education, Music, and the Lives of Undergraduates: Collegiate A Cappella and the Pursuit of Happiness*, co-authored with Roger Mantie of the University of Toronto, shares the formative impact of recreational music-making on college students. The book features insight from our own a cappella groups at Gettysburg College and shares how a cappella contributes to our understanding of issues such as gender, sexuality, diversity, and class, and what it means to be a musician.

PUBLICATIONS

POETIC PROSE

*Above the Rim: How Elgin Baylor Changed Basketball* by **Jen Fisher Bryant '82** won the 2021 National Council of Teachers of English's Orbis Pictus Award for Nonfiction for Children. Bryant's book focuses on one of the first professional African-American basketball players, Hall of Famer Elgin Baylor, who gained national attention from the press, public, and NBA after protesting against the racism he experienced while traveling for away games. Bryant, who has also served on Gettysburg College's Board of Trustees since 2017, poetically captures Baylor's influence as a stellar athlete and changemaker, bringing to light the story of this inspirational individual who fought for what is right.

ON CAMPUS

SACRED GIFT

In October 2020, leaders of the Beth Shalom congregation presented a sacred Torah scroll to Gettysburg College's former chaplain and associate dean of religious and spiritual life **Rev. Dr. Kristin Largen**, who then transported it to Gettysburg. On behalf of Gettysburg College and our Hillel community,



Largen said she was "honored and humbled to receive this Torah." Once on campus, the Torah was received by **David Bass**, former director of the College's Hillel chapter, and placed in the campus Center for Religious and Spiritual Life, where it is displayed as a meaningful donation for current and future Jewish students at the College.



ON CAMPUS

NEW GLOBAL MAJOR

Gettysburg students are passionate about inspiring change in the world and striving to become more thoughtful global citizens. The new international and global studies (IGS) major, which accepted its first cohort of applicants in October 2020, challenges students to develop a global perspective while focusing on topics such as international relations, conflict studies, and global business. Students choose between two tracks: international affairs or global studies. Regardless of their chosen path, students develop a cultural competency that will position them as informed and engaged citizens after graduation.

ALUMNI

RIGHTFUL RECOGNITION

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, is a distinguished location brimming with history, yet not everyone's history is equally shared. **Andrew Dalton '19**, director of the Adams County Historical Society, is determined to change this disparity. Using his education in history and political science, along with the help of **Gavin Foster**, Gettysburg's associate vice president for information technology, **Haider Tariq '21**, and **Begench Atayev '19**, Dalton compiled a database documenting the lives of the hundreds of Black individuals buried at Lincoln Cemetery in the 19th and early 20th centuries. This database includes 30 members of the U.S. Colored Troops who were denied burial in the Gettysburg Soldiers' National Cemetery due to segregation.

Dalton consulted with the members of the local Black community to ensure that the information would be valuable to local descendants. The digital database is now available for public viewing, finally giving rightful recognition to the Black community of Gettysburg.

ALUMNI

## GREAT WORK IN GUATEMALA

**Carlo Testa '06** has remained loyal to the three words Do Great Work since his time as a Gettysburg College student. As the director of educational outreach for K'uhul Balam, a nonprofit organization committed to improving the health and quality of life in rural Guatemala, Testa volunteers his time in a way that aligns with his lifelong passion for education. He works to give Guatemalan children better access to and materials for basic education, continuing to make an impactful and rewarding difference to others.

ALUMNI

## CARING COMMUNITY

**Hamasa Ebadi '16**, along with a colleague at UCLA, started the nonprofit 3.50CARES, which provides Los Angeles' homeless population and families in need with free care packages. Each package costs only \$3.50 and has helped countless individuals, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Gettysburg College **Prof. Alex Trillo** was among many individuals on campus offering support toward Ebadi's project.

"I still turn to many of my Gettysburg professors for guidance in both my personal and professional life," said Ebadi. "Not all colleges can boast this type of student-professional relationship."



FACULTY

## DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR



Biology and Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino Studies **Prof. Alex Trillo** was honored with the 2021 Luther W. and Bernice L. Thompson Distinguished Teaching Award, the highest honor Gettysburg College's faculty can bestow upon a colleague. At Gettysburg, Trillo teaches courses on animal behavior and entomology, as well as a tropical terrestrial biology course where she leads students through the Peruvian Amazon, using the forest as a living classroom. She is also actively engaged in efforts that support diversity, equity, and inclusion within the field of biology.

"I am very grateful for this award because it is a recognition that comes directly from my colleagues," Trillo said. "Faculty at Gettysburg College not only excel at teaching, but they also hold teaching to very high standards, so being recognized for my teaching at this institution is a real honor. This award helps me see that I am on the right track and gives me the energy to continue to find ways to better engage and support students."

FACULTY

## PROGRESS IN PEACE AND JUSTICE

In November 2020, **Prof. Hakim Mobandas Amani Williams** was nominated to serve as the inaugural holder of the Daria L. and Eric J. Wallach Professorship of Peace and Justice Studies. The generous \$1.5 million endowment from **Daria Lo Presti Wallach '76** will be invested in our student leaders, offering them programming, training, and workshops in conflict resolution, restorative justice, mediation, and organizing. Some of Williams' goals for the College's peace and justice studies program include uplifting student voices and funding innovative student research.

Then, in April, Williams was also awarded the U.S. Fulbright Scholar Program Award, which he will use to conduct research focused on raising the voices of African youth in Ghana, Brazil, Jamaica, and Georgia in the United States.

STUDENTS

## INSPIRING INCLUSIVITY

Over the past two years, **Hera Molina '22** has worked to develop Hera's Closet, a safe space and resource on campus for transgender and nonbinary Gettysburgians. The closet accepts donations of new or lightly worn clothes, shoes, and accessories, as well as monetary donations for additional resources to support transitioning students. Molina's ambition and positive effect on the campus community contributes to the institution's broader inclusivity efforts of making Gettysburg College a home for all.

ON CAMPUS

## LINCOLN PRIZE

David S. Reynolds was awarded the 2021 Gilder Lehrman Lincoln Prize for his biographical book, *Abe: Abraham Lincoln in His Times*. Presented by Gettysburg College and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, the award includes a \$50,000 prize and a bronze replica of Augustus Saint-Gaudens' life-size statue, "Lincoln the Man." Reynolds joined President **Bob Iuliano** on episode 20 of the College's podcast, *Conversations Beneath the Cupola*, to discuss the character of President Lincoln and what we can learn from the legacy that he has left behind.

STAFF

## WARM WELCOME

On July 1, Gettysburg College welcomed **J. Carey Thompson**, the newly appointed vice president for Enrollment and Educational Services, into the campus community. With 38 years of experience in college admissions, enrollment, communications, career services, and student financial aid, he previously served as vice president for enrollment and communications and dean of admission at Rhodes College, with additional stints at Centre College and Furman University. Thompson is recognized broadly for his transformative initiatives at three liberal arts colleges, his deep commitment to diversity and accessibility, and his ability to successfully steer institutional enrollment strategies in the face of dramatic change. Thompson follows in the footsteps of **Barbara Fritze**, who retired this summer after more than 20 years in the position, overseeing admissions, athletics, financial aid, institutional analysis, and communications and marketing.

On July 26, **Anne Ehrlich** joined Gettysburg College as its vice president of College Life and dean of students. Ehrlich comes to Gettysburg with more than 20 years of experience—from her first positions in residence life to her various administrative roles at Whittier College and Woodbury University, and most recently, as vice president for student development at Knox College. Her work has largely been in service to preparing students to be the thinkers, innovators, problem-solvers, and leaders that our increasingly complex world requires. Among her noteworthy accomplishments during her tenure are expanding services to support students' mental and physical health and developing the HOPE (House of Peace and Equity) Center. In her new role, Ehrlich will develop a comprehensive vision for College Life that builds on Gettysburg's new strategic plan to shape a future-oriented and student-centered program that collectively advances the College's commitment to diversity, inclusion, and belonging.

STUDENTS

## ACTIVISTS FOR CHANGE

In March, a group of three Gettysburg College students, **Shanzae Sarwar '21**, **Olivia Handelman '22**, and **Emma Canfora '23**, were invited to the Oxford Consortium for Human Rights, a weeklong workshop where they presented on their personal work promoting religious diversity on our campus. They worked diligently to encourage building beyond tolerance for other religions and instead foster a sense of respect and potential friendships. **Prof. Stephen Stern** brought the students together for the Consortium after witnessing each of their deep commitments to enacting change within our own community.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES WELCOMES FIVE

**Angela Q. Crispi** received her Bachelor of Arts from Boston College and her MBA from Harvard Business School, where she currently serves as the executive dean of administration. She also was a member of the President's Advisory Circle.

**Amanda Corroon Dolan '86** studied health and physical education at Gettysburg and went on to earn her Master of Science in Physical Education Leadership & Administration from McDaniel College. At Gettysburg, she played lacrosse and field hockey, and she was inducted into the Hall of Athletic Honor in 2002. She is currently a sales associate with SwaxLax and has been a member of the Orange & Blue Advisory Council since 2017.

**William C. Heyman '74, P'13** is president, CEO, and executive recruiter at Heyman Associates, Inc. He was inducted into *PRWeek's* Hall of Fame in 2017, and, earlier this year, was awarded the Larry Foster Award for Integrity in Public Communication by Penn State's Arthur W. Page Center. He is a Visionary Gettysburgian and the Entrepreneurial Fellowship Advisory Committee chairman, and was also a member of the President's Advisory Circle.

**Robert H. Schwartz '92** is the chief marketing officer at Carat USA. He majored in English at Gettysburg and was a member of Phi Gamma Delta and the Senior Class Cabinet. He has remained closely connected to Gettysburg, having previously served on the Alumni Council, Alumni Executive Board, and several Reunion committees. He was also a member of the President's Advisory Circle.

**Joseph R. Shalleck P'20** is the senior managing director of Galt and Company. He holds a BS in industrial engineering from Lehigh University and an MBA from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He is also actively involved on connectGettysburg.

FACULTY

## NEW ENDOWED FACULTY PRIZE

In April, The Bruce S. Gordon '68 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Teaching Excellence Prize was established in honor of Trustee Emeritus **Bruce Gordon '68**, a civil rights activist who served as president and CEO of the NAACP.

The prize, which will be awarded for the first time in Fall 2021, was funded by a diverse group of alumni, hailing from classes of the 1960s through the 1990s, who hope to cultivate the values of diversity, equity, and inclusion on campus through this distinctive award. Each recipient will be a faculty member who stands out as having advanced a campus climate that is supportive of differences in the classroom and beyond.

READ MORE ABOUT **BRUCE S. GORDON '68** ON PAGE 16.

# ON THE TOPIC OF HOPE

HOW DO WE LOOK AHEAD TOWARD PROGRESS, GROWTH, AND CHANGE?

*Edited by Phoebe Doscher '22*



**Elizabeth Eckman**

*Former interim college chaplain for religious and spiritual life*

Part of my job puts me in situations at the darkest moments of a person's life. I'm there for the hard stuff—the trauma, hospital visits, the deaths, and grief. When I was a student at the United Lutheran Seminary, I used to really struggle with being in the room during these moments, not sure of what to say or do.

One day, a nurse thanked me for my time with a patient. And I said, "Why? I didn't do anything." She shook her head and told me that I did more than I realize, and that part of my role is to be the presence of hope for those who may not have it in that moment.

I've carried this with me in my ministry—that sometimes we are called to hope against all hope for those who may not have it. We are called in the face of injustice, in the face of pain and trauma, and in the face of so much change. We each take our turn holding onto hope for those around us, and it starts by just being in the room.



**Eric Lee '15**

*Freelance photojournalist*

Never before did I think Asian American stories would be shared like they are now, especially as Hollywood movies, best-selling books, and front-page photos.

Two years ago, I turned my lens to a question: *What does it mean to be Asian American?* To be called "American" is to be called too "white," while being Asian meant not being "white" enough.

In 2021, my lens is turned toward the "recent" hate crimes against my community. I use quotations around recent because anti-Asian hate has been part of U.S. history ever since freed Filipinos settled in Louisiana in the 1500s. "Don't cause any trouble," my mom always told me.

I look at the recent attacks and cringe. I've photographed rallies and stories related to the hate. They can be painful and agonizing, but looking around and seeing people who look like my grandparents, my cousins, my uncles, and aunts is comforting. I'm reminded that there is hope. It means our community is coming together to say, *"We are not invisible anymore."*



**Rachel Main '22**

*History major, peace and justice studies and economics double minor*

Hope is something that everyone values, yet it is so hard to obtain. Why is that? Maybe because when we need it the most, we are struggling. When we are depleted and unsure, it can be hard to garner energy to counteract overwhelming feelings. Others may tell us to have faith and be hopeful, but their nonchalance makes us question why we are having such a difficult time. We do not want to be a burden and instead try to independently conquer our struggles.

However, hope is like a fire. If it is not supported and cared for, it will suffocate. If we do not have the energy to support our hope alone, it is so easy to lose it. Working as a PEEP (Peers Educating and Supporting Peers to Succeed) with Counseling Services has taught me how crucial our community and support systems are to keeping our hope alive. Despite the isolation of our thoughts, we are not alone in our experiences.

Hope can be as important as the ability to make it to the next day, and when people care about us and support our growth, it allows us to continue. Hope is never absent; it just takes encouragement, like we all do.



**Salma Monani**

*Department chair and associate professor of environmental studies*

Speak to anyone who studies the environment, and we will articulate a certain despondency. We are in the throes of growing climate instability, accelerated biodiversity loss, and ecosystem collapse, all of which are fueled by certain types of human activities. Depressingly, the burden of adverse impacts is unevenly felt, with communities least to blame for environmental disasters being most vulnerable to their effects.

How, in the face of such crises, do we cultivate hope? Some environmental thinkers argue that hope is a useless platitude. "I hope for a sustainable future," they argue, is very different from saying, "I can act for a sustainable future."

While there is truth to this reasoning, as an environmental educator, I find it is helpful to think of hope as a powerful antidote to helplessness. To hope for something means acknowledging the uncertainty of an outcome. Uncertainty allows us to recognize our ability to positively shape the outcome. Hope is a gift that can motivate us to act today for a more sustainable world, and it is certainly something I see my students do on a daily basis.



**Brent Talbot**

*Professor and coordinator of music education at the Sunderman Conservatory of Music*

Hope is a foundational aspect of my pedagogy. It is what Paulo Freire calls "the critical effort through which [people] take themselves in hand and become agents of curiosity."

Hope is about naming the conditions of our world and seeing possibilities that others have yet to imagine—to learn, to discover, and to create solutions to the challenges we face. Whether it be issues of food scarcity, homelessness, climate change, economic hardship, access to health care, or larger social issues surrounding racism, homophobia, transphobia, xenophobia, etc., hope is what guides and inspires our work.

Hope provides new visions and pathways for imagining our world so that we can create and cultivate spaces for becoming and actualizing our full humanity.

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*Prof. Brent Talbot*

## VISIT GETTYSBURG.EDU

to read "Don't cheer for us; march with us." In this story, photojournalist **Eric Lee '15** reflects on race, identity, and his experience documenting the Black Lives Matter protests in the nation's capital. His work is also featured in this issue on page 16, a portrait of Trustee Emeritus **Bruce S. Gordon '68**, as well as on pages 28-35, capturing **Bruce Silverglade '68**, the owner of Gleason's Gym, who shares the transformational role boxing has played in his life and community in Brooklyn, New York.



# CONNECTIONS

**I WAS ONE OF THREE AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS** on campus when I arrived at Gettysburg College in 1964. There was virtually no diversity in the faculty or administration. During the spring of my senior year, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated, and few students on campus understood the magnitude of that event. Much has changed since then. The advances made in diversity, equity, and inclusion enable an opportunity for growth and development that will better prepare students to Do Great Work. That said, there is more work yet to be done!

**I CONSIDER MYSELF FORTUNATE.** I have never taken the opportunity to attend college for granted. Gettysburg College gave me the growth and development that I needed, and the learning experiences, in and out of the classroom, were invaluable. There are countless numbers of young people with backgrounds like mine who could benefit greatly from having a college experience similar to mine. Serving as a trustee and providing financial support has enabled me to make that possible.

**THESE DAYS, IT WOULD NOT BE UNUSUAL TO FIND ME** in the kitchen with a new recipe, a glass of Barolo, and John Coltrane on my turntable. While I consider myself a “music omnivore,” jazz is at the center of my musical appreciation. I also serve on the board of the Newport Jazz Festival Foundation, along with our legendary 95-year-old founder, George Wein.

**OUR NATION HAS GOTTEN A WAKE-UP CALL** this past year. We are at an inflection point, and institutions of higher learning have a role to play. The student experience at Gettysburg College has to reflect an uncompromising dedication to diversity, equity, and inclusion—recognizing that it provides our nation and our College with a distinctive source of exceptionalism—in every dimension of campus life. The absolute commitment of the faculty is essential, and The Bruce S. Gordon '68 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Teaching Excellence Prize has been established to inspire and acknowledge that commitment.

For more with Gordon, tune in to episode 14 of the College's podcast, *Conversations Beneath the Cupola*, wherever you get your podcasts.

## BRUCE S. GORDON '68

*Trustee Emeritus and 1999 Distinguished Alumni Award recipient*

*Former president and CEO of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and in executive leadership positions with Verizon Communications*

*In 2006, was named one of Ebony magazine's 100 Most Influential Black Americans and Organization Leaders*

*With the support of fellow alumni, recently founded The Bruce S. Gordon '68 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Teaching Excellence Prize*



Photography by Eric Lee '15

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pictured: Weston Jackson '14

A GETTYSBURGIAN'S

# FRIEND BEST FRIEND

HOW OUR PETS—ESPECIALLY DOGS—CAN BOOST  
HUMAN WELLNESS

by Megan Miller

On October 12, 2019, during Fall Reading Days, **Anna Shah '22** went to the shelter in her hometown of West Chester, Pennsylvania, in search of an emotional support dog to help her get through the rest of the semester. With her checklist in hand, envisioning a house-trained dog less than 25 pounds that was good with other animals and people, Shah and her sister waited for the little puppy she saw online to return to her cage.

But the minute they locked eyes with the purebred American Staffordshire Terrier in the cage next door that wasn't receiving any attention, a budding connection was formed.

This 45-pound dog, commonly known as a pit bull, was severely underweight for its breed; was battling three different infections, elbow dysplasia, and allergies; and had been abandoned on the street by his previous owner—a backyard breeder.

Shah decided to take him for a walk outside to play, and she quickly noticed he was checking off every item on the checklist—besides being small, she noted with a smile. The next day, the two became family, and Shah and Bubba have been inseparable ever since.

“We saved each other,” said Shah, a biology major who was struggling on her pre-med track. “He needed a lot of one-on-one attention for his medical problems, and I knew he couldn't receive that in a shelter with more than 30 dogs. Academics are very important to me, and not doing well in them was really hard for me to cope with mentally. It came to a point where I was losing hair, my skin was breaking out, and my nails were brittle. After explaining this to my parents, they supported my decision to get an emotional support animal.”

Bubba's newfound confidence soon transferred to Shah, and she's had the best semesters yet since he entered her life.

“Taking those extra hours in a day to go on hikes and play with him really improved my grades, as well as my mentality,” Shah said. “He taught me to change the way I look at the world. He showed me that there are other aspects to life than academics.”



**OPPOSITE PAGE**  
*Chiquita, a Great Pyrenees and Maremma mix, is an emotional support dog for Daniel Ziegler '21.*

**LEFT AND ABOVE**  
*Anna Shah '22 lounges with Bubba, an American Staffordshire Terrier, on Wellness Day on April 23. Photo courtesy of Anna Shah '22.*

## PROVEN COMPANIONS

During the Spring 2021 semester, 23 emotional support animals were on campus, the most in the history of the College, which led to new friendships and organized trips to the dog park. Twelve were dogs, eight were cats, two were guinea pigs, and one was a snake. The first one approved was a ferret in 2016. Others have included a rabbit and mouse.

There have also been “Dog Days” on campus, organized by **Kathy Bradley**, executive director of Health and Counseling Services and associate dean of College Life. This program provides students a break in studying to play with staff members’ dogs to help battle homesickness. Bradley would bring “Dogtor Zach,” a Chocolate Lab that joined the department in 2016 as a certified support animal.

“What students really want is the animal,” Bradley said. “I had a student who one time said, ‘I don’t need to meet with you anymore.’ The care transitions from working with me as a psychologist to meeting with Zach and just having some Zach time.”

While the type of support animal depends on a person’s preferences, it all comes down to companionship.

“Pet ownership has been positively related to happiness levels, as owning a pet often improves one’s physical health, increasing fitness and decreasing cholesterol and blood pressure; mental health, decreasing stress and loneliness, and boosting mood; and social interactions, talking to those who approach your pet in public or bonding over being pet owners,” said Psychology **Prof. Natalie Barlett**, who teaches a First-Year Seminar on happiness. “It is important to note that research has mainly focused on the benefits of owning dogs, as dogs are social creatures who need a good amount of interaction to thrive.”

In fact, new research points to a parallel genetic code between dogs and people related to sociability, according to Sociology **Prof. Connie Devilbiss**. While it’s been well-researched in biology and other scientific fields, it’s a relatively new field in sociology. The first discovery linking a rare human syndrome, called Williams syndrome, to the dog genome came in 2010 by evolutionary biologist Bridgett vonHoldt, according to *Inside Science*. Then, in Sweden in 2018, as noted in *Zoological Science*, a peer-reviewed scientific journal, Mia Persson and her team of geneticists isolated autism-related genes that are present in both humans and dogs, specifically Golden Retrievers and Labrador Retrievers.

“Sociology really has a unique perspective on it,” said Devilbiss, a U.S. Army and Air Force veteran who has witnessed the impact of a dog’s relationship on fellow veterans and family members with post-traumatic stress disorder. “I’m really coming to this as an extension of my work studying the military sociology angle. ... I’ve had to learn this [genome connection]. This is leading-edge research. We’ve also seen some connections on that genome with autism in humans, so it’s a very interesting field of research on the psychological side.”

Devilbiss’ research looks at the reciprocal relationship at “both ends of the leash.” While Devilbiss brings a mechanical dog to Zoom during class, their heart belongs to a Lhasa Apso named Sophie, who passed in 2016. Sophie had always provided tremendous support to her adoptive person, Devilbiss’ sister Bonnie, who underwent several medical setbacks.



Courtesy of Frederick County Division of Animal Control & Pet Adoption Center

“Even though we interact with machines like Alexa and Siri, it’s really a machine; it’s not a sentient being,” Devilbiss continued. “There’s something that has to do with having another heartbeat in your environment that will help many people get through a crisis situation like we’ve all been living through.”

## SMART SENSES

**Kim Wojcik '02**, the recipient of Gettysburg’s Young Alumni Achievement Award for Career Development in 2017, uses her liberal arts education and degree in psychology to lead in the counterterrorism division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). In her collateral duty as a handler to first- and second-generation FBI canines, Rik and Hoover, she trained them for explosive detection.

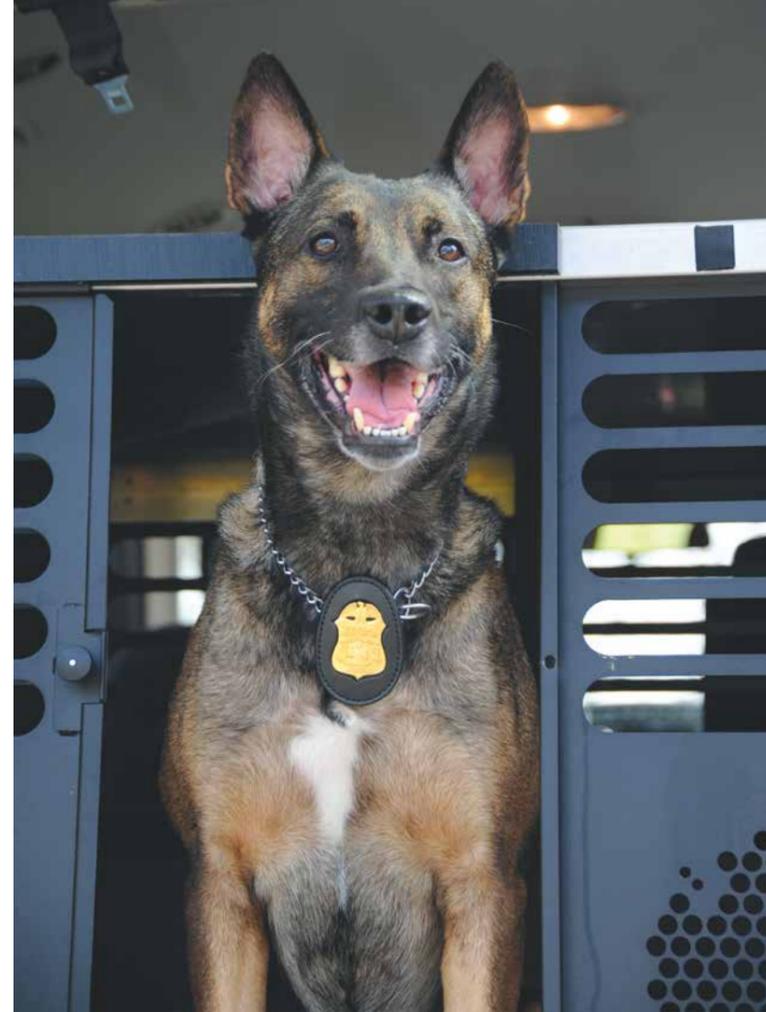
“Having a liberal arts undergrad degree was really important for me in my professional career, not just for my case work, but transferring that to working with the dogs,” Wojcik said. “Social psychology, you can apply to dogs, believe it or not. They have their own hierarchy and own pack mentality. You have to figure out why he’s acting some way toward one person in the office or why he’s doing this behavior.”

When a dog owned by one of Wojcik’s coworkers passed away, Hoover immediately sensed it and sat at her feet all day.

“He 100 percent knows when someone’s having a bad day in my office. It’s unbelievable,” Wojcik said. “Besides being a very important tool for the safety and security of our nation, he helps keep the morale up in the office, which is so important to the Bureau. When they come in, he knows they just need a little loving to get through the day.”

Even when Wojcik has to take evidence home from her child abuse cases, Hoover is there for her.

“Animals, regardless of what kind of animal it is, are a nonjudgmental comfort to that human,” Wojcik said. “I can tell you, working crimes against children, it hits you hard. There were quite a few times when I came home, I either had to review some evidence with child abuse in it, or listen to an interview with a child. ... [My dog] might not understand, but he understood that I was in pain and he could help ease me through it. Especially what’s going on with COVID right now, these kids are having a hard time coping, and maybe they don’t want to admit it to their friends, but [they] have that emotional support animal. I’m so glad to see that Gettysburg is supporting that kind of program.”



OPPOSITE PAGE, LEFT  
*Sophie, a Lhasa Apso*

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*Rik, a Belgian Malinois and first-generation FBI canine, trained by Kim Wojcik '02 for explosive detection. Photos courtesy of Kim Wojcik '02.*

THIS PAGE, RIGHT  
*Hoover, also trained by Kim Wojcik '02*

BELOW  
*Chiquita outside the Jaeger Center on a rainy day during the Spring 2021 semester. Photo courtesy of Daniel Ziegler '21.*

## HEALTH AND HEALING

In the middle of finals week during the Fall 2020 semester, the day before **Daniel Ziegler '21** needed a new treatment for his Crohn’s disease at Hershey Medical Center, he decided to get Chiquita, a Pyrenees and Maremma mix, as his emotional support dog. Chiquita’s Instagram account, run by Ziegler, described life during the pandemic as “Hooman: on Zoom. Me: on Zoomies.”

“That sums it up well,” Ziegler said. “I was in the middle of a video game design course on Zoom, and she’s like, ‘No, Dad. I want to stop here. I see a squirrel.’ It reminds me to keep a balance in my life. ... I got Chiquita to support my own well-being, but I underestimated the support she would provide for others while on campus. There have been students who have told me that Chiquita is the only reason they got through the week. Dogs, in general, are able to see what you’re going through. There’s this quote that dogs are only a part of our lives, but we are their whole lives. That’s a reminder to me that I have to be better for her.”

Devilbiss, too, will never forget what their dog taught them when Sophie would always stop by a small bed of roses on their daily walks.

“Animals can be a real source of joy all around on both ends of the leash, in terms of health and healing, and comfort and learning,” Devilbiss said. “Stop and smell the roses.”

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# CHANGING SPACES

HOW HUMAN CONNECTION  
SHAPES AND IS SHAPED BY  
THE SPACES WE SHARE

by Megan Miller

**A NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC PARK**, unusually devoid of people, but in full bloom. A home office, made complete with Zoom avatars, that still offers connection. A home dining room turned restaurant, thanks to a dinner delivered to the doorstep with a small bouquet of flowers.

Each of these spaces shapes an experience, one that may have looked different prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, but also one that has magnified the value of human connection. With many people working from home, the new-look work and home environments have caused all industries to rethink their interactions with society.

“In my First-Year Seminar, ‘Work, Society, and Self,’ we examine how work and occupations have changed over time, especially how that change relates to technology and societal changes,” said Management Lecturer **Bennett Bruce**. “We also ... examin[e] how our occupations affect our sense of self and identity. For better or worse, our occupation, work, and even work environment play a significant role in how we develop our sense of self and identity. It shapes how we see ourselves.”

As the pandemic evolved, each industry adapted, adjusting to a variety of new factors including new revenue streams and customer preferences.

“Businesses that rely on in-person contact, like restaurants, bars, travel, or entertainment, have been hit hard,” Bruce added.

Gettysburg College alumni especially—spanning industries and the globe—sought out those connections to keep their businesses afloat. With creativity and hope, that desired human energy was preserved in unexpected and reimaged spaces.

## WALKS IN THE PARK

During the pandemic, **BJ Jones '94**, president and CEO of Battery Park City Authority in New York City, received moving notes from residents about their park experiences. One in particular, he said, was unforgettable: “*Now with the quarantine, daily walks are more cherished. Leaving the isolation of my apartment and walking through the parks is uplifting. It is reassuring to see everything so clean and in spectacular bloom.*”

“I saw people’s feelings about space evolve, as did my own,” Jones said. “I made it a point to take daily walks in our parks during lockdown and have kept it up since. At first, it was out of a sense of duty, but it quickly became a necessary practice for my own peace of mind.”

Finding beauty in unlikely places inspired Jones and his team to “think differently about connection” as they found new ways to engage the staff and the community, planning virtual activities online and physically distanced events in their parks, including a Poetry Path, new public art installations, and music and dance performances.

“We’re social creatures,” Jones added. “It’s vital to our well-being. Each person will figure it out in their own time. ... But I see it already happening. I pass by people having reunions on the sidewalk, hugging after not seeing one another in months. The weather was perfect recently and so many people were out celebrating like it was New Year’s Eve—but it was just a Tuesday.”

**RIGHT, TOP**  
*Poetry Path in  
New York City.*

**RIGHT, BOTTOM**  
*“The House That Will  
Not Pass For Any  
Color Than Its Own,”  
a new public art piece  
by Mildred Howard  
installed during  
the pandemic in  
New York City.*



## CONNECTIONS A LA CARTE

When **Danielle Billera '87**, a managing partner of SUGARCANE raw bar grill and founder of SUSHISAMBA and Duck & Waffle global brands, had to transform her brick-and-mortar restaurants into delivery hubs while she was quarantined in New York, she knew that delivering the meal itself was not enough.

Billera described how her “human-connecting industry” couldn’t truly go remote. Each host, server, and chef form bonds with customers through personal interaction, in a space where all five human senses are activated.

“This confirms you are alive—it puts you as an individual on fire,” Billera said. “Nothing can take the place of an in-person restaurant experience, as none of this can be achieved through Zoom.”

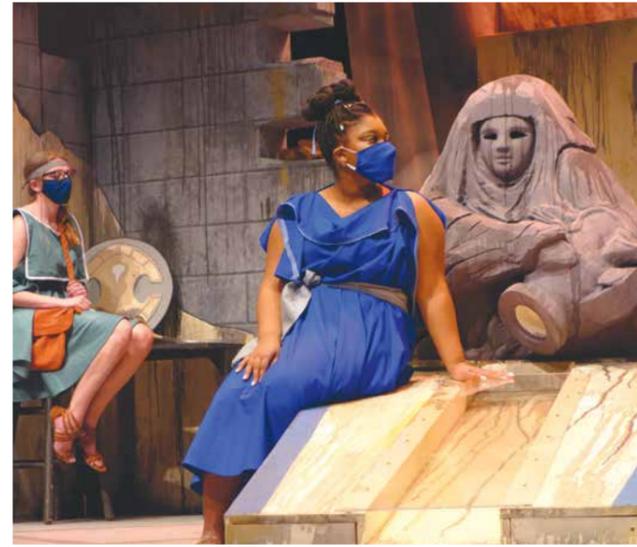
Without the shared space, Billera and her team had to send the experience home.

“The delivery bag was filled with good food but was void of the energy of the shared experience,” Billera said. “We added a small bouquet of flowers to each delivery order—colorful, beautiful, and alive—a nod to what we were missing and what we would strive to get back.”



**TOP AND LEFT**  
The outdoor space, and drinks adorned with flowers at SUGARCANE in Miami

**BOTTOM**  
Cynthia Hill '90 and her masked crew at the 2021 Oscars



**ABOVE**  
Antigone Now, Spring 2021 production

**BELOW**  
Weston Jackson '14 outside Brua Hall

## THE SHOW MUST GO ON

According to **Weston Jackson '14**, who directed *Antigone Now* in Kline Theatre in March 2021, the theatre industry has had to rely on the power of emotion now more than ever. The stage is an outlet to express oneself, he said.

When the pandemic hit, he lost his job as a high school teacher because its performing arts program was cut. His students lost a creative outlet. Broadway lost its live shows, and theatre-makers lost their livelihoods.

The industry, and Jackson, were forced to change courses. They leaned into virtual performances, making the theater more accessible and affordable on alternative viewing platforms.

“It’s been a time for theaters to [reflect:] ... ‘How can we do better when we do come back? How can we be a better theatre community, be a force for good in our community when we are up and running, and get more people into the theater than were even here before?’”

“Honestly, I kind of hope we don’t get back to normal,” Jackson said. “Don’t get me wrong, I want to be in a crowded theater. On the flip side, it’s going back to what’s really important. If we, as a theatre industry, want to get bigger and better, you have to expand that access, so I hope we don’t go back to closing the gates to people. I want to keep what we’ve changed for the better.”

## RED CARPET, REIMAGINED

For **Cynthia Hill '90**, who has built her career in Southern California’s entertainment industry, memories instantly flow back each time she steps foot on campus. Even though the College Union Building looks different now than she remembers, the experiences she had with her friends in that space will be cherished forever.

“Your memories are tied to spaces,” Hill said. “Our memories are not tied to that time we Zoomed. Our memories are tied to shared experiences in person.”

On April 25, Hill’s brand partnership and sponsorship agency, zakHill, where she is a principal, was tasked with coordinating the Oscars’ production of the Jean Hersholt Humanitarian Award to the Motion Picture and Television Fund at Hollywood’s Dolby Theatre with a remote component.

“Typically, we produce the fan component of the red carpet—however, this was not the year to have fans,” said Hill, who has worked the Oscars the past seven years and reunited her team in person to produce the virtual event. “These are people whom we usually see once a year. It’s a whole group that comes back together to work the Oscars, and you wanted a hug. You want to be normal, but yet you knew you couldn’t.”

She likened the first in-person meeting—masked and distanced—to flexing a muscle that she hadn’t in a while: “We all talked about how we all are really desperate to go back to that camaraderie you had in the office, as we like seeing people and having that sense of connection.”

Just as Hill helped shape the red-carpet experience, the reverse, she said, is also true: “I do think our spaces shape us.”





## TAKE ME OUT TO THE CROWD

**Rob Blomberg '76**, a Liberty Mutual Insurance retiree and Red Sox season ticket holder turned Fenway Park tour guide, would usually lead tours up to 100 people in pre-pandemic times. Since 2015, he's given tours of the iconic stadium to visitors from Nepal and Tibet, rival team fans, and **President Emerita Janet Morgan Riggs '77**, who visited during a 2016 *Gettysburg Great* event.

When COVID-19 hit, he missed the interpersonal contact. Last year, tours ceased altogether, but Blomberg is now able to give tours to groups of 50 people.

"I'm looking forward to the time when I'm doing a tour without a mask, and you can really read people's faces to see whether or not you're connecting," said Blomberg.

Fenway Park has roughly 38,000 seats, but only 12 percent were open in April 2021. That number jumped to 25 percent on May 10, 2021. The remaining seats were zip-tied. In July 2020, fans could not attend, and the Red Sox piped in fake crowd noise to simulate cheering. While 25 percent of the seats were opened for fans in May, it's not nearly close to the beloved Red Sox community once known as a tourist attraction in Boston.

Similar to a ribbon-cutting of a new space, Blomberg anxiously awaited a ceremonial zip-tie clipping.

IN JULY 2020, FANS COULD NOT ATTEND, AND THE RED SOX PIPED IN FAKE CROWD NOISE TO SIMULATE CHEERING.

"I would love to be working at Fenway the day we remove the rest of the zip ties. You know, we laugh about it, but it shows progress, and I think for many people, progress is what they really need. It's a wild feeling. It's like a real feeling of relief."

That day came on June 8, 2021. All zip ties were removed and full capacity was restored. Masks are now optional.

"Now that's real progress," Blomberg exclaimed.

Is that feeling of relief here to stay? What changes to spaces are for the better? What will be accepted, and what will be set aside? If anything's certain, a newfound appreciation for shared spaces—the "new sense of euphoria," as Jones described it—and the human connections that are forged within them, will be carried onward. G

HOW HAVE YOUR SHARED SPACES CHANGED, AND HOW HAVE YOU ADAPTED IN RESPONSE? SHARE YOUR STORY BY EMAILING [ALUMNIMAGAZINE@GETTYSBURG.EDU](mailto:ALUMNIMAGAZINE@GETTYSBURG.EDU).



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Gettysburg Great event at Fenway Park in 2016

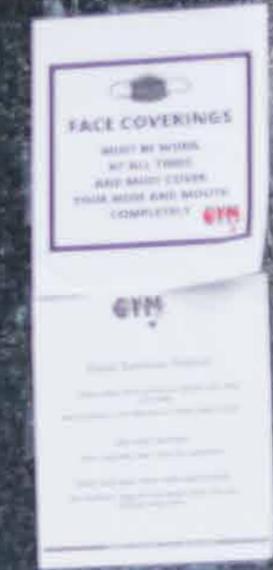


# THE RING THAT BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER

**BRUCE SILVERGLADE '68, OWNER OF THE ICONIC GLEASON'S GYM, HIGHLIGHTS THE TRANSFORMATIONAL ROLE BOXING HAS PLAYED IN HIS LIFE AND HIS COMMUNITY.**

*by Molly Foster*

*Photos by Eric Lee '15*



At 5 o'clock every morning for the last 39 years, while the sun is inching its way up toward the horizon and the hustle and bustle of New York City is slowly beginning to hum around him, **Bruce Silverglade '68** makes his way to Water Street in Brooklyn and turns his key to open Gleason's Gym. He flicks on the lights and breathes in 84 years of history.

Gleason's is the oldest active boxing gym in the country. Its roots can be traced back to the lower Bronx, where it was first planted by Peter Robert Gagliardi, who later changed his name to Bobby Gleason to appeal to the predominantly Irish fight crowd in New York at the time. While the gym has relocated several times over the years—from the Bronx to Manhattan and now Brooklyn—when you step into Gleason's, it's like time has stood still.

Hanging from the ceiling, double-end and uppercut bags sport a broken-in appearance earned through innumerable punches. Treadmills, steppers, and stationary bikes have tracked more than a million miles, and scattered near benches are dumbbells and weight plates, which, like the rings of tree stumps, proudly display their age in rust and scratches.

"You can get just as good of a workout on my treadmills as you can if you go to a brand-new gym with new treadmills. Mine are just a little old," Silverglade said. "Some of my weights have a little rust on them, and I can replace them, but I won't, because their character is irreplaceable. That rust brings business to me."

## 84 YEARS OF HISTORY

Muhammad Ali, Joe Frazier, Jake LaMotta, Floyd Mayweather Jr., and Mike Tyson—if they're a household boxing name, chances are they've trained at Gleason's. The gym has trained 136 world champions since it opened in 1937. It has also been the set of 26 movies, including four Academy Award-winning films: "Raging Bull," "Rocky," "Mighty Aphrodite," and "Million Dollar Baby."

Decorating the walls of Silverglade's office and the entirety of the 13,500-square-foot facility are posters, championship banners, and news clippings that archive the gym's many notable accomplishments. But you can also find photos of the lesser-known—recognitions of the small-scale successes.

"The people who train here are amazing. When I look out my window in my office and I see them out there training, everybody looks like everybody. They have gym clothes on. They're sweating and doing one form of workout or another," Silverglade said. "If you take the time to go out on the floor and say, 'Hello, how are you?' or ask them what they do, you'll realize how amazing they are. They've written books. They're doctors, lawyers, and athletes."

During the early days of Gleason's, the gym appealed mainly to professionals and amateur fighters, but today, only 15 percent of its membership consists of fighters.

"I have 67 nationalities here. ... We have professional fighters and world champions, as well as people who have never stepped in a ring, but they're here for the conditioning," he said. "It's a complete mix of people at all times. Seven days a week, from open to close, the gym is always busy."

At the center of the gym is a yellow metal sign with a quote from Virgil—a unifying mantra. Many carry it on their backs, too, inscribed on variations of Gleason's Gym-branded T-shirts.

*Now, whoever has courage, and a strong and collected spirit in his breast, let him come forward, lace on the gloves, and put up his hands.*

To be a boxer, you just need to have spirit in your heart, and Silverglade said all of his 1,200-plus members do. No matter who they are or where they're from, in their hearts and in the ring, to Silverglade, they're all equal. They all pay the \$110 membership fee.

(But, shh, here's his little secret: if Gettysburgians come to visit, he always offers a discount!)

## A HEART FOR BOXING

Before Gleason's, Silverglade, who majored in economics and wrestled at Gettysburg, worked 16 years with Sears Roebuck and Company. At the time, it was the No. 1 corporation in the world. But it wasn't where his heart was.

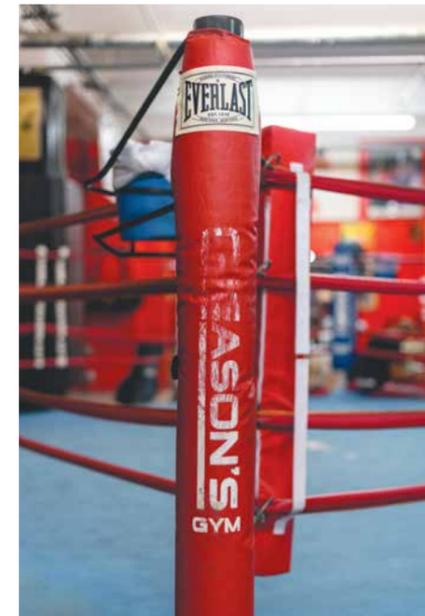
He grew up around boxing. His father, Edward, was the manager of the 1980 and 1984 Olympic Boxing teams, the latter of which won 11 out of 12 medals that year. He was also one of the founders of the National Police Athletic Activities League (PAL) that prevents juvenile crime and violence by building relationships among kids, cops, and the community. Most of Silverglade's childhood days were spent in the PAL boxing gym with his dad because it was right down the street from their home.

"After some time, I realized my dad was right. Sports are fun—much more fun than a desk job in my case, and I've never been a suit-and-tie business guy," Silverglade said. "I was trying to pave my own path to be different from my dad, but I was fighting my real passion."

Seeing an opportunity to turn his passion into a career, Silverglade left his steady job at Sears in 1984 to purchase a 50 percent partnership with Gleason's—later becoming the gym's sole owner in 1991. He never looked back.

Working at Gleason's Gym has always been more than a 9-to-5 job for Silverglade. It is a passion project that has breathed new life into the experiences from his youth—when he first saw how boxing rings could bring people from all walks of life together. It's changed his life, and it continues to change the lives of others, too.

"This is a community here. The businessmen who come in here meet Black and Hispanic youth whom they might not normally associate with, and they say, 'Hey, these kids are great. They're focused and concentrated. I want a kid like that in my corporation.' Then the kids from the projects come in and meet the businessmen and other people they might not normally associate with and they, too, realize that not all white-collar people are selfish or out to get them. They meet women and see them training just as hard as men. They talk to one another, and these interactions open their eyes," Silverglade said.



## FIGHTING BACK

Inspired by his father, Silverglade has found his own ways to uplift others and teach them to fight back against life's trials. It starts with the daily interactions he has with gym members, but it doesn't end there.

Silverglade has had a hand in establishing four charity programs at Gleason's: StoPD for individuals with Parkinson's disease, Fighters4Life, Veterans in the Ring, and Give A Kid A Dream. Beyond Fighters4Life—a charity event that raises money to support various causes—the other programs at Gleason's bring those in need into the ring for free and introduce them to the transformational power of boxing.

Through this philanthropic work, he has given the troubled and overlooked a place where they can feel seen and understood. And, above all else, Silverglade has helped people find hope.

The Give A Kid A Dream program alone has hundreds of success stories. And success in the program is not measured by how well the participants learn to box, but rather by how well the youth develop themselves and use their newly acquired discipline to redirect the course of their lives in a positive way. Many have gone on to attend and graduate from college, pursue meaningful work, and escape the cycle of disadvantage.

"Boxing is more of a mental workout than it is physical. You have to have complete discipline. You have to know right from wrong," Silverglade said. "As these youngsters start feeling better about themselves by working out their minds and bodies through our Give A Kid A Dream program, they realize that they're not alone in the world. They can fight back against the troubles they face, and we're here to help them. And it helps a lot of kids. We don't win all, but we win a majority of the cases."



## IT'S A WAY OF LIFE

At Gleason's Gym, Silverglade is creating champions for life—people who exit the gym at the end of a challenging workout feel better than when they entered.

They wipe the sweat off of their foreheads, merge their bodies into the sidewalk's steady stream of people, and head back to work, home, or wherever else their travels may take them, equipped with the strength and skills to take on the world. They're resilient.

When life knocks them to their knees, they find their way back to their feet. When their eyes hang heavy, they find the strength to push on. They carry themselves with confidence and poise in the midst of adversity. They fight back against their fears—unshakable.

"I want people to let go of the stigma that boxing is a bad sport that encourages violence and gets people hurt. Really, we help the vast majority of people who come into a boxing gym. Whether it's getting them off of medication, helping them mentally, or helping them become a better athlete, we're making them all better people," Silverglade said.

From sunup to sundown, Gleason's Gym challenges people to be their best, and Silverglade sees no end to this in sight. Some members have gone to Gleason's for 25 years. Others may be stepping into his boxing gym for the first time today. Silverglade is 75, and he still trains every day alongside the dogged and determined—living proof that the work in the ring is never done.

As the sun retreats back into the New York skyline, and the rat-a-tat-tat of boxing bags begins to turn quiet for the evening, Silverglade says so long to the last few members who trickle out the door to the city that awaits them. He heads home for the night—returning bright and early the next morning, like clockwork.

"I open the gym early every morning, and I stay late in the evening. And I don't do it because I have to. But I do it because I love what I do. I love being here and I love the people. I love all of the things that happen and the lives that are changed because of Gleason's Gym. It brings me joy," Silverglade said. "I don't plan on retiring. ... So as far as I'm concerned, I'll continue to come into Gleason's every day—and if I do, I know I'll be happy." 



**THIS PAGE**  
Bruce Silverglade '68  
in his office

**FOLLOWING PAGE**  
A collage on one of the  
walls in Gleason's Gym,  
showcasing past trainees



Join Gleason's Gym,  
Train with Champions

Gleason's Gym,  
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# SHELLI FREY

by Phoebe Doscher '22

Chemistry **Prof. Shelli Frey** regularly peers out the window of her office in the Science Center as students come in and out of her biophysical chemistry lab. She camps out on purpose during this student-led period, checking in periodically. This, she says, is *when the magic happens*.

“I can hear them out there having conversations about ‘how do I do this?’” she said. “I find that you can’t learn problem-solving without actually problem-solving.”



Frey speaks with Peter Zhang '21 in Gettysburg's imaging suite, which is home to an atomic force microscope acquired by Frey and Chemistry Prof. Lucas Thompson through a grant awarded by the George I. Alden Trust.

Frey has always been a **PROBLEM-SOLVER**. Growing up in upstate New York on a property with seven acres and a backyard pond, she had an innate curiosity about the world. When she arrived at Haverford College, she initially pursued a biology major but changed her mind after taking a general chemistry course.

“I loved it,” she said. “It was very problem-based, and it was set up as a series of questions, ‘Why is the sky blue?’ ‘Why is grass green?’ I thought it was amazing getting to answer these questions about the why and figuring that out on a fundamental level.”

Frey confronts answers to questions both in the classroom and at home. Her 6-year-old daughter, she says, is at the age when she’s constantly asking, “Why?” When Frey works with students, she also places value on answering questions that matter.

“We aim to teach chemistry through a variety of lenses,” she explained. “It’s sometimes less literally about the chemistry, but about how we look at problems and how you actually dive in to answer that question.”

**LEFT** Frey with her husband and daughters at the annual Tulip Festival in Potsdam, Germany, near their residence in the Dutch Quarter during her sabbatical in the spring of 2018

Frey, an extensive traveler, feeds her **CURIOSITY ABOUT THE WORLD** through “life-changing” trips, including hiking through the Torii gates of the Fushimi Inari Shrine in Kyoto, Japan. “The traveling bug bit when I left the country for the first time my senior year in college,” Frey said, recalling her spring break trip to Iceland. “I was hooked.”



Frey and her husband Philip in Kyoto, Japan, at the Golden Temple in the summer of 2019

Frey’s husband of 16 years, Philip, and daughters Ellie, 9, and Tilda, 6, share her love for traveling. They joined her in 2018 for a sabbatical in Germany, where she worked at the Max Planck Institute for Colloids and Interfaces. They also share her passions for running, hiking, and baking.

Not only does Frey find joy in many facets of her personal life, she also thrives as a **MULTIDISCIPLINARY SCIENTIST**.

“Part of my career is working at the interface between several scientific disciplines, namely chemistry, biology, and physics, to answer medically related questions,” said Frey, who specializes in understanding structure-function relationships of the cell membrane.

Frey learned the value of studying across disciplines early on. During her first year at Haverford, she studied photodynamic therapy in a biophysical chemistry research lab. Soon, she craved something different and wound up in a biology lab across campus.

“It was a completely different experience,” Frey said. “I was crushing worms to extract their DNA and doing all this stuff that I had never done.”

In 2012, Frey played a role in creating Gettysburg’s Cross-Disciplinary Science Institute (X-SIG) with funding from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute. Since then, the program has held a special place in Frey’s heart.

“[X-SIG] was born the same month as my daughter [Ellie], so I say that they’ve grown up together,” she said.

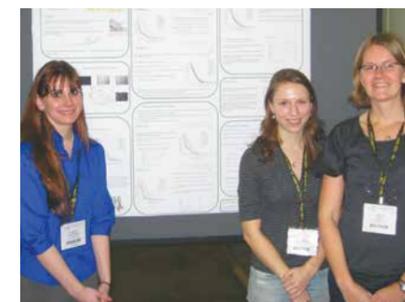
X-SIG, founded with the goal to better prepare our students to be “research ready, research active, and research connected,” encompasses the entire scientific division.

At the end of her PhD at the University of Chicago, Frey, unsure where her path would take her, made the transition **FROM STUDENT TO TEACHER**. She landed a teaching position at Wabash College, a small liberal arts college in Indiana, and fell in love with teaching.

“It felt intuitive,” she said. “[It was] one of the first times where I was like, ‘Maybe this is what I’m supposed to do. This feels right.’”

Throughout her life, Frey has led with this intuitive passion, both in and out of the classroom. She’s been an avid runner since seventh grade, recently completing the Chicago Marathon two years after sustaining major injuries in a car accident. Ultimately, Frey shares her experiences to encourage her students, coauthoring papers with them.

“The work that I’m doing is the work that they’re doing,” she said.



Frey with students Karlina Kauffman '12 (left) and Nicole Meredyth '11 in Baltimore, Maryland, for the 2011 Biophysical Society Meeting

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peer-reviewed papers published with Gettysburg undergraduate coauthors

13

years teaching at Gettysburg

31

undergraduate research students she’s mentored

71

books (all non-work-related novels) read during the COVID-19 pandemic

20K

estimated lifetime training miles

# A TIMELINE OF TECHNOLOGY

by Molly Foster

CHANCES ARE YOU'RE READING THIS ARTICLE BENEATH THE GLOW OF A LAMP OR OVERHEAD LIGHT. YOUR CELL PHONE MIGHT BE RESTING BESIDE YOU, AND IN THE BACKGROUND, PERHAPS, IS THE MURMUR OF A TV. OVER THE COURSE OF THE LAST CENTURY, TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN RAPIDLY INTERWOVEN INTO OUR MODERN CULTURE. THIS LAST YEAR, AS THE WORLD NAVIGATED THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, IT INCREASINGLY TOOK THE LIMELIGHT. PHONE AND VIDEO CALLS ALLOWED FRIENDS AND FAMILIES TO STAY CONNECTED WHILE IN-PERSON VISITS WERE PUT ON PAUSE. FOR MANY, CLASSES AND WORK WENT REMOTE. BUT YEARS AGO, THESE TANGIBLE TECHNOLOGIES THAT HAVE SINCE BECOME A WAY OF LIFE WERE MERELY FAR-FETCHED IDEAS. FROM THE FIRST ELECTRIC LIGHT TO COMPUTERS, INTERNET, 3D PRINTING, AND VIRTUAL REALITY, LEARN HOW GETTYSBURG COLLEGE MADE TECHNOLOGICAL STRIDES ACROSS THE LAST CENTURY.



**1912**

The Class of 1907 financed the wiring of both dorms—Pennsylvania Hall, often referred to as “Old Dorm” at the time and South College or “New Dorm,” now known as McKnight Hall—for electric light to replace oil lamps.



**1975**

Through a grant awarded to the Central Pennsylvania Consortium, the College library received its first computer terminal, giving cataloging staff direct access to the Online Computer Library Center database.

**1991**

Academic buildings, administrative buildings, and some residence halls were wired for internet.



**2007**

GBurg TV began live broadcasts.

**1993**

All College students and employees were given the opportunity to sign up for an email account.



**2018**

The Innovation and Creativity Lab was developed by Vice President of Information Technology **Rod Tosten '85** and his IT team. The lab features 3D printers, a laser cutter, and a virtual reality system.

**2020**

Zoom is introduced across campus to allow for remote meetings and classes.

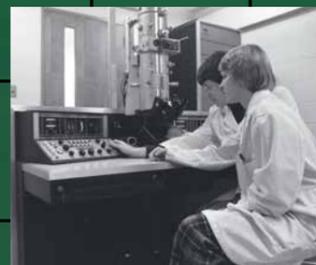


**1947**

The College radio station at the time, WWGC at AM 550, began broadcasting with a 20-watt transmitter reaching a seven-mile radius and playing a collection of 300 vinyl records.

**1955**

The library, which was Schmucker Library at the time, announced that a slide and microfilm projector would be available to students.



**1975**

Gettysburg College purchased an electron microscope with a grant from the Susquehanna Fund of Harrisburg.



**1968**

Computers were installed in the basement of Glatfelter Hall.

**2002**

Wireless access points were installed across campus, which supported wireless internet connection.



**2018**

The College received two Anatomage Tables as gifts from **Ray Truex Jr. '63, P'94** and **Gail Seygal '67**. This innovative technology allows students to virtually explore full-sized human and animal bodies in a way once accessible only through traditional cadaver dissection.

**SEPTEMBER 24-26**

*Homecoming and Reunion Celebrations:  
Young Alumni Awards  
Reunions for Classes of 2000,  
2001, 2005, 2006, 2010, 2011,  
2015, and 2016*

**SEPTEMBER 26**

*Commencement Ceremony for the  
Class of 2020*

**OCTOBER 7-10**

*Fall Reunion Weekend:  
Meritorious Service Awards  
Reunions for Classes of 1960, 1961, 1965,  
1966, 1970, 1971, 1975, 1976, 1980, 1981,  
1985, 1986, 1990, 1991, 1995, and 1996*

**OCTOBER 22-24**

*Family Weekend  
Fall Honors Day*

*Dates are subject to change. Please visit [gettysburg.edu](http://gettysburg.edu) for the latest event details.*

**CANDIDATES FOR HONORARY DEGREES**

DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 FOR 2022

Recipients of the College's highest honor must be individuals whose achievements are well-documented, have lasted over time, and will have an inspirational impact on others, especially our students. The Office of the Provost is accepting nominations for honorary degrees to be awarded at Commencement. The nomination form and guidelines are available online: [gettysburg.edu/commencement/traditions/honorary-degrees](http://gettysburg.edu/commencement/traditions/honorary-degrees). Nominations and questions may be directed to **Maureen Forrestal** at [honorarydegreenominations@gettysburg.edu](mailto:honorarydegreenominations@gettysburg.edu) or 717-337-6820.

**SEEKING NOMINATIONS**

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2022

Directors share a close connection to the College and provide leadership and representation for all alumni. Forward nominations to **Adrienne Seitz** at [aseitz@gettysburg.edu](mailto:aseitz@gettysburg.edu) or 717-337-8075.

**ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS**

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 12, 2021

The Alumni Association invites alumni to identify candidates for awards by November 12. Complete the form online ([gettysburg.edu/alumniawards](http://gettysburg.edu/alumniawards)) or contact [alumni@gettysburg.edu](mailto:alumni@gettysburg.edu) or 717-337-6518.

# CLASS NOTES

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**1950**

*If anyone is interested in taking over the class correspondent position, please contact **Joe Lynch '85** at [jlynch@gettysburg.edu](mailto:jlynch@gettysburg.edu) or 717-337-6522.*

**'51**

Greetings from your class agent: First, where am I and how does one get in touch? I live on the eastern slopes of the Appalachian Mountains (address noted at end of column). If you can't resist wanting more information on our classmates, please call 717-334-4488 or email [lhammann@gettysburg.edu](mailto:lhammann@gettysburg.edu). I have here on my desk eight full sheets of paper that tell the five stories of five of us now departed. First, **Donald Gene Emert** of Cranberry Township, formerly of North Huntingdon, PA, passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 18. He was born Oct. 12, 1929. **Marilyn Haussmann Powell** passed away Feb. 2, at age 91. She was born Dec. 24, 1929, in Philadelphia. She is survived by three children and a daughter-in-law. Marilyn was the only child of D. William Haussmann and M. Gertrude Haussmann. One more thing that tells a lot about her: she was a lover of music. **Morris Austin** was born April 23, 1928, and passed away Feb. 15. What a tale—what a story his life comes to! At 17, his military experience began in Korea and

resumed in Korea, and for that he received several impressive awards. Then, there were business and community responsibilities. There is still more that your imagination can appreciate. Next is **David Wilson Longacre**, born Aug. 31, 1929. After graduation, David stayed in work at Glassboro State College, now Rowan University. You will find more of his life that adds up to his public and personal accomplishments. He left me with the impression of a very responsible citizen. **John Francis "Jack" Lose** was born on July 4, 1928; he died on New Year's Day this year. Before college, Jack was a Marine. A year or two later, he came to Gettysburg College and then earned a degree at the United Lutheran Seminary. From that last note, you should be able to realize what profession he found—or that found him. Here is a hint about what it was like to live a "job"—something like 50 years.

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**'52**

After my last class notes were all obituaries, I received a note from **Fred Hoenniger's** sister, Janet Davis '58, telling me that her

brother, Fred, turned 90 in February. He and his wife of 69 years live in Florida after a U.S. Air Force career. (Nice news! I joined him in May!) **Edgar Sterrett** enlisted in the U.S. Navy right after high school and signed up for another two years after the war ended. He then attended Gettysburg College and was active in ROTC, Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, intramural sports, and the College Choir. He also met his wife, Nancy Wertman. After graduation, Ed worked at Armstrong World Industries until retirement. Ed and Nancy were married 65 years and have four children, 10 grandchildren, one step-grandson, and six great-grandchildren. Ed died in February. **Richard Krissing** died in November after having been married to Ann English for 64 years. They had a son, a daughter, and two grandchildren. Attending Gettysburg College, he was a member of Phi Delta Theta and ROTC. After graduation, he entered the U.S. Air Force, where he served in Germany during the Korean War. After the war, he studied to be an architect and was an accomplished architectural model maker for architectural firms. Dick was also an outstanding volunteer at church, the hospital, and the YMCA, delivering meals through Loaves and Fishes and Meals on Wheels. U.S. Navy veteran **Ronald Jay Leib** died in February. Ronald met his wife while at Hanover Public Schools, and they were

married for 70 years. After graduating from high school, Ronald enlisted in the Navy for two years. He was honorably discharged as a petty officer third class electronic technician. After the Navy, Ronald attended York Junior College (now York College) before attending Gettysburg and graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree. After graduation, Ronald worked for Armstrong World Industries and was granted four U.S. patents. Ronald is survived by a son, daughter, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. **G. Clark Shaffer** was born in Bloomsburg, PA, and was a member of the National Athletic Honor Society. He also held the top scoring record on his varsity basketball team at Bloomsburg High School. During his senior year in high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps. With the war ending, he was transferred to the U.S. Army Fifth Air Force in Japan. When stationed in Tokyo, he was located next to Gen. MacArthur's headquarters, where on occasion he was assigned guard duty. He was offered both a basketball and golf scholarship to Gettysburg College and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Clark was athletic director and math instructor at Ferris School for Boys and retired after several teaching assignments at Red Clay Public School System. Clark is survived by his wife of 68 years, Barbara; a son; a daughter-in-law; two granddaughters; and three great-grandchildren.

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'53

I just got off the phone with the Rev. **Bob Kurz**, otherwise known as Whistling Bob, as I remembered him as my roommate at the Phi Gamma house in the early 1950s. Bob lives with his lovely wife of 58 years, Hazel, in a Lancaster suburb; is retired from the ministry; and is successfully recovering from a gall bladder operation

and an attack from the deadly COVID-19 virus. He is 89. The last time I saw Bob and Hazel was at a memorial service for Bob Graef '54, and his wife, June, at the sprawling and beautiful stone Westminster Presbyterian Church on Rt. 202 near West Chester, PA, in Jan. 2020. Bob, then 87, had driven out of Providence Road onto West Chester Pike at 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 30, 2019, and, apparently blinded by the setting sun to the west, was broadsided. He died soon after at the Paoli (PA) Hospital; June died eight days later. Bob Graef and I were lifelong friends, first at Upper Darby (PA) High School, where he played football, and later as a Phi Gamma Delta fraternity brother at Gettysburg College. Graef graduated with an ROTC commission as an infantry officer (the Korean War wrapped up as he was graduating). He then had a 33-year career in sales and marketing management with Owens Illinois, a global manufacturer of glass packaging. He was predeceased by his first wife, Evelyn. Bob had followed my 40-year career as a writer of photography books and asked me to address the combined 69th and 70th Upper Darby High School reunions at the Springfield (PA) Country Club in April, the same year he was killed. We had a big laugh afterwards, for I had talked so long the audience was worn out and did not buy one single book.

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'54

By the time these class notes reach you, I hope we all will be back to our normal schedules. Here is how some classmates coped with COVID-19. **Henry "Hank" Lush** reported that his hometown, Galeton, was not hit very hard by the virus. Churches and restaurants are now open, and Rotary is meeting again. Hank keeps very busy. He is active with the Gale Foundation,

which awards \$12,000 scholarships for each graduate of the Galeton senior class to help with their education after graduation. He is clerk of session at the First Presbyterian Church. And, for the 53rd year, Hank continues to do his work as a National Weather Service Cooperative Observer, posting weather reports to the office in State College at 8 a.m. daily. His 11th great-grandchild is due to arrive soon. **Glenn Pannell** and his wife, Connie, both have had their COVID-19 vaccine shots. Ninety-eight percent of their retirement community residents are vaccinated, which has resulted in a loosening up of some of the many restrictions, for which they are grateful. Glenn comments that he and Connie are staying on top of all those life challenges that come to everyone living the "octogenarian lifestyle." **Carol (Jones) Watts** has been swimming every day since the local swimming pool opened to limited numbers. Carol does water aerobics as well as water walking. She enjoys being able to have lunch with friends and playing cards after swimming. **R. Barry Deikler** reports that he got his vaccine shots from the local drug store. Recently, one of his granddaughters married, with her father (Barry's son Bill) officiating. The ceremony was held at Marist College, where his granddaughter is a teacher. Now four of his eight grandchildren are married, with his first great-grandchild expected by the end of the year. His family is very close. "It can't get any better. Love to all," wrote Barry. There's sad news from **Al Gregson**, who writes: "After a long and courageous battle with cancer, my wife Phyllis passed away on Jan. 14, ending a blessed marriage of nearly 57 years. She is now in the heavenly choir, after we met in our church choir back in 1963. She is buried in Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery." Phyllis was with Al at the 65th anniversary of our class in 2019. Al noted that he is getting along "OK" and may be moving to spend his sunset years with his daughter Karen, a federal attorney, and her husband. Our deepest sympathy to Al and his family. Condolences also go to the families of the

following two classmates: **Alan B. Coates** and **George M. Young**. The Rev. Alan Bernard Coates of Royal Oak died on April 9 at Talbot Hospice House in Easton, MD. After graduation from Gettysburg, he received his theological degree from United Lutheran Seminary in 1957. He was pastor of The Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer, Glen Burnie, MD, for 12 years and senior pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Hagerstown, MD, for 25 years. During his retirement, he enjoyed boating, fishing, crabbing, and traveling. He is survived by his wife, daughter, son, and five grandchildren. George Myers Young, MD, died at home in Jan. Following graduation from Gettysburg, he received his MD from Temple U. His specialty was cardiology, which he practiced at Harvard Medical School, the U.S. Veterans Administration, and at Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital (now the University of Maryland Shore Medical Center at Chestertown in Chestertown, MD). He was fond of all sports, especially skiing and basketball, and he loved listening to classical music. He is survived by his wife, eight children, seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

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Like many of you, our social calendar had been restricted due to the pandemic. A family reunion in July at Raystown, PA, was cancelled due to state restrictions on such events. During the same month, a Lutheran Gathering at Silver Bay, NY, was scheduled to meet only informally for similar reasons. And yet, Elaine (Bonnett) '58 and I consider ourselves fortunate to be still active in a variety of ways in our later years. Others of our class were not as fortunate. During the past year, several classmates passed on. Among them was Rev. **Richard C. Jones**, of Mechanicsburg, PA, who died Jan. 6, 2020. After graduating from the seminary, Dick pastored several congregations, including establishing and overseeing a deaf ministry at St. Matthew

Lutheran Church in Lancaster, PA. Dick was later appointed as an assistant to the bishop, Central Pennsylvania Synod, serving in that capacity until retirement. He and his spouse of almost 65 years, Mary Alice (Reed), loved to travel and visited six continents and over 100 countries! Dick is also survived by a daughter, Linda Botti (Carl) and sons David (Pamela) Jones, Peter (Maryclare) Jones, and Stephen (Lisa) Jones. He also leaves seven grandchildren. **Ralph Eric Gilbert**, of Manheim, PA, passed away Nov. 10, 2020. Following graduation, Ralph served four years in the U.S. Air Force, where he piloted a variety of large aircraft. He then returned to Dickinson College, earned a law degree, and went on to have a distinguished 50-year career specializing in family law and municipal law. He had served as assistant district attorney for Bucks County and president of the Bucks County Bar Association. One of Ralph's proudest achievements was establishing the Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania. He is survived by his wife, Loretta, of 65 years; daughters Linda Gilbert Wolf (Ray), Sharon DiPietro (Karl), and Diane Smith (Riley); four grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters Irene Smith and Susan Ellis and his brother John Gilbert. Ralph was a charter member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Morrisville, PA, where he formerly served on the Church Council. **Leo (Lee) Bardenheuer** passed away on Dec. 5, 2020, in Old Saybrook, CT. After graduation, Lee was an entrepreneur concentrating on computer software development. He was also an artist (oil painting), musician (guitar and piano), and culinary hobbyist. He was a loving father and friend to many. Lee is survived by a daughter, LeeAnn Callahan; two sons, Dean Bardenheuer and Craig Bardenheuer (Christina); five grandsons; and a great-granddaughter. His wife, Jane, and a son, Jeffrey, predeceased him. **Joan Lee Richards**, of Hanover, PA, died on Dec. 17, 2020. After G'burg, she was a cytotechnologist at the Hahnemann School of Medicine. She was a teacher at Annapolis Senior High School and taught environmental science in the Spring Grove Area School District. Joan was very active in Christ Lutheran

Church in York, PA. She enjoyed traveling and being with family and friends. Joan is survived by a niece, Jane E. Cooper, of Hanover, PA; a nephew, David R. Richards, of Punta Gorda, FL; great-nieces and a great-nephew. She was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Richards Jr. **Oakford A. Schalick Jr.** died on Feb. 8, at his home in Centerton, NJ. While pursuing a degree in economics at the College, he enjoyed the sport of baseball and captained the College baseball team in his senior year, where he was scouted by the Pirates and the Yankees. In 1955, Oakford was named to the National Collegiate All-Star baseball team. A member of ROTC, he was commissioned and served in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Benning. Upon leaving the military, he returned home and was associated with the family business, Schalick Mills, Inc. He continued his interest in baseball and played in the Vineland League. Oakford later served on the board of trustees of Salem Community College. He was proud of 60 years of perfect attendance as a member of the Elmer (NJ) Rotary organization. Still interested in baseball, he was coach, manager, and league president of the Elmer Little League. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Barbara (Cubberly); his daughter, Carolyn Schalick; two sons, Oakford III (Julianne) and Steven (Rebecca); seven grandchildren; and a brother, George (Luellan), plus many nieces and nephews. Oakford was predeceased by an infant son and a sister, Marilyn Schalick Meyers. Looking over the lives of our five classmates, I think they did well for their respective communities and for their families. Hmm? Let's hear from you about what you've been up to in recent years.

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Greetings for the summer! The latest news which I have received from the class is on the sad side. I have received word that **Anna (Latsha) Babcock** passed away in

Nov. 2020. She graduated with a degree in chemistry and worked for several companies, which took her all over the world and helped her make the most at every location. She enjoyed planting, cooking, designing, painting, wallpapering, and sewing, among other activities. The class sends their sympathy to her family and friends. I received word that **William (Bill) Einwaechter** passed away in Nov. 2020 after a long fight with cancer. During his time at G'burg, Bill played on the inaugural lacrosse team. He also joined the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity and was active in many activities on campus. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; two sons; and several grandchildren. The class sends sympathy to his family and friends. Sadly, **Fred W. Hopkins Jr.** passed away in Dec. 2020, in MD. After earning his bachelor's degree, he went on to higher education and earned a master's degree and PhD from the U of MD. Fred taught English and Latin in area high schools and he also coached soccer, wrestling, and lacrosse. He loved swimming, sailing, and reading, among other activities. He was also the author of three books and was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. Fred is survived by his wife, Margaret, and two sons. Our sympathy goes out to all of his family and friends.

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## '57

It was good, for the first time ever, to hear from U.S. Air Force Col. (Ret.) **Philip Frederick**. He married his high school sweetheart after graduation and they have one daughter. Phil told of one career blending into another. After 26 years in the Air Force, he then became director of Veterans Affairs in Union County, PA, for 27 years. About half of his military career was spent in Washington, D.C.;

however, he also served in Okinawa and in Thailand. His Veterans Affairs position gave him, along with his wife, the opportunity to visit all 67 of Pennsylvania's counties. In retirement, Phil has found enjoyment in following local high school and Bucknell University activities, playing golf, and visiting family in Virginia. Sadly, I have received notice from the College of three deaths of class members: **Jay A. McDonnell** died Nov. 4, 2020. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Kathleen, and a son and daughter. After his graduation, Jay enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserves. He worked as an insurance underwriter for Insurance Company of North America (INA) in Philadelphia. During his later years, he worked as a security guard for the Camden County Technical School in Pennsauken, NJ. Jay was a lifelong fan of Philadelphia sports teams. **Marie Ruth Stauffer Hehr** died Feb. 20. She spent a long and creative career teaching high school social studies in the Kutztown Area School District. Marie and her late husband, Harold, loved to explore new places and traveled extensively throughout the United States and the world. Together, they were faithful supporters of the arts and enjoyed going to New York City, Philadelphia, and Reading, PA, for various performances. Lt. Col. **Robert R. Sieck** (Ret.) died March 14. Soon after graduation, Bob entered the U.S. Military Intelligence Corps and married his co-ed sweetheart, Carol Jane Leatherman, in March 1958. They were parents of two sons. While in the service, Bob attended the U.S. Army Language School in Monterey, CA, and attained fluency in French. After his 26-year Army career, Bob and Carol moved back to the town of their alma mater. Bob then spent 25 years as a dedicated advisor to his beloved Phi Gamma Delta, Xi Chapter, and as manager of the chapter's endowment fund and fraternal house administration. Bob was given a second chance at life by receiving a heart transplant some 25 years ago. He will be interred later this year in Arlington National Cemetery. There is a

correction and addition to last issue's report of the death of **Raymond S. (Jeff) Davis Jr.** His date of death was May 25, 2020. Jeff is survived by his biological children, R. Scott Davis III, Rebecca Davis Brooks, and Glenn F. Davis, and his sister, Marian E. Davis '60. We extend our sympathy to the families of these classmates.

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## '58

With the pandemic continuing and lots of time to "surf the TV," I was floating through channels and guess who I saw? **Kevin Thomas** was interviewed in a PBS program about Mae West. You never know when you'll see a famous G'burg grad. **Bob Harcourt** always sends an interesting "novelette" at Christmas and is still very active with the Institute of American Indian Arts. He continues his genealogy quest with an application of membership approved to the "Legion of Viking and Valkyries" through his Danish Viking ancestor. **Rich Brunner** stays in touch with Bob and keeps our class aware of many happenings from our classmates. He heard of the passing of ATO brother **John W. Pritsch** in Sept. 2020 from **Joe Gonzalez**. Rich and John were residents of "The Barracks"—housing surplus barracks from World War II. Although the housing was primitive by today's standards, the walls held memories of great times and friendships of several who joined ATO in March 1955 at the "old" chapter house on North Washington Street. John had fond memories of his years at G'burg, too. He passed on pictures to his daughter of Christmas at Gettysburg College with decorations and celebrations that brightened the campus. Rich also passed on information about how to contribute to the College and designate your contribution for upkeep for the flags

that fly on the Gettysburg College Veterans Memorial that honors G'burg veterans for their service. His email is richbrunner1@verizon.net. **Dan Hamilton** took a road trip with his daughter in 2020—missing I-95 and Fredericksburg, VA—but making a visit to **Mark Sibley** and Cape May, NJ. He lives in Pensacola, FL, so it's quite a trip. It's nice to be remembered and thanked for my service as the correspondent. Sometimes this is a challenging job, as my computer can be temperamental and very frustrating. I might go back to an old Underwood typewriter—if I could find one. We have lost several classmates since our last issue, and we send our love and condolences to these families of our fellow G'burgians. **Don Harman's** wife, Audrey, wrote of Don's passing in Dec. 2020. He lived a full life of service, teaching, volunteering, and traveling. I remember them attending many reunions of our class. Audrey's email is audreyharmon512@gmail.com. **Marilyn Divan Morrow** and her husband moved to a NJ retirement community after living at the shore for 50 years. They sent the sad news of our classmate **Judy Schaub's** passing. Judy had a career in physical therapy and loved traveling extensively in Europe, Asia, Australia, South America, and Africa. **Phyllis Ball Helfrich** remembered going with Judy to a quarry near Gettysburg their freshman year. Marilyn shared how her older son was treated to his "first legal drink" with Judy at the Brass Penny in NJ—how the memories come when remembering friends. **Ethel Gotwald Foor** lived a full life as a wife, mother, employee at the Susquehanna U alumni office, and accomplished artist. She had relatives who went to Gettysburg, including her grandson, Noah Dundas '22. His freshman dorm was Huber Hall, where Ethel lived in 1954. Ethel and Noah attended the Legacy Breakfast during the 2019 Reunion Weekend. Ethel was also a regular attendee of our class reunions. In talking with **Ellen Billheimer Yarborough**, she told me of her former husband Lt. Col. (Ret.) **Bob Kauffman's** death. He served in the U.S. Army with two tours in Vietnam, later living at Smith Mountain Lake, VA, where he enjoyed the outdoors. He eventually moved to Maine

to be closer to family. **Lloyd S. Lauver** passed in Jan. His final address was Delaware, Ohio. I've also had a sad notification from **Bruce Aslaksen's** daughter of his passing on April 24 in Tucson, AZ. He died while in hospice after a long illness. His daughter remembered all the friendships and good times he had with the ATOs at G'burg. As a freshman, he came from North Jersey and felt a "decent pizza" was hard to find in Gettysburg. Another member not from our class, but one for which Rich sent me the obituary, is Barbara Ann (Borke) Baumgardner '59. She was a sorority sister of mine, married to now-deceased Wayne Baumgardner '59. With so many deaths in my column, I hope you'll take the time to follow up on our classmates' obituaries. We extend our prayers and sympathy to each member of these families of our close-knit class of 1958. COVID-19 quarantines are a good time to reconnect with friends. Let me know about your contacts and bring the class up-to-date. I hope that with all the vaccinations, activities will resume. I look forward to hearing from all you octogenarians! Your friend always.

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## '59

Since I have not heard from anyone, I trust you are all OK and just keep going with the usual things we do and don't do as age creeps up on us. Since our granddaughter is now in her junior year at Gettysburg, we get news of some campus activity. With the virus around, the College had to find single rooms for students and quarantine others, so some were sent home and campus activities cancelled until students were well. Things sort of returned to normal, but Parents Weekend wasn't held. I am sure no matter where each of us are now we find the world a different place. If anyone is interested in taking over the class correspondent position, please contact **Joe Lynch '85** at jlynch@gettysburg.edu or 717-337-6522. It can be fun to be in

touch with folks. The magazine is published twice a year, so it does not take much time. I have enjoyed being the class correspondent and being in touch with so many of you over the past 20+ years, but it is time for someone else to fill this role.

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## 1960

We are enjoying a beautiful spring in Maryland. The camellias, azaleas, and dogwood have never been more glorious! It's perfect to celebrate vaccinations and perhaps a wider world for us all. **Jack Perrine** sent a photo of him enjoying his 80th birthday in FL by holding a drink in each hand. "Not surprising—I'm a two-fisted drinker on my 80th." His three children and five grandchildren joined him for the Hawaiian-themed celebration. **John Snook** has been "in semi-retirement for the past 20 years—previous real estate and yacht broker and Registered Investment Advisor. Recently teamed up with the head of 'The Classic Car Fund,' Zurich...to launch 'Classic Car Skill-based Essay Contests' for individuals to win classic and modern super-cars, tickets to worldwide classic car events...auto museums and Swiss gold coins." His plan to avoid snow involves spending the winter in Fiji. He sent regards to '60 classmates and FIJI fraternity brothers! **Dan Selak** sent a photo from circa 1965 of three men in U.S. Navy pilot uniforms, challenging me to identify him. Easily done! He and Joy live in Austin, TX, and look forward to upcoming visits to family in CA, AZ, and London as soon as we are all released from "COVID-19 prison." **Herb Rigberg** and I have exchanged many emails over this past year. I send him political cartoons that might not appear in AZ, and he sends me his wonderful artwork. He takes excellent photos and then manipulates them on his computer and produces art worthy of hanging on your walls. He has had several exhibitions of his work. Google him to see

his art! **Fred Bigelow** wrote last summer: “At the age of 83, I am back in the saddle again.... I am serving as the stated supply pastor of Faith Lutheran Church in Lewisburg, PA.” He found treatment for a voice issue and now is “able to sustain a speaking voice.... I had not realized how much I missed the process of writing and delivering sermons!” **Art Wedra** reminds me that although he began in the class of 1960, finances intervened and he graduated in 1962. He has had an amazing career in the U.S. Air Force, retiring after serving in many uncomfortable places with some very stressful assignments. He and Cheryl now live in IL with their blended family scattered from CA, WA, KY, and Madrid. Steve Bishop wrote that his wife **Lynne Macarthur** died in January. They settled in Ames, Iowa, in 1977 and raised three children there. Lynne worked for the *Ames Tribune* and later as an editor for the Iowa State University Press. She was active in “the ISU Women’s Club, geriatric volleyball, golf, and bowling. The Story County Democratic Party will miss her.” The Rev. **Paul E. Spring** died peacefully last October. He earned his M.Div. degree from the Gettysburg United Lutheran Seminary and then spent 15 months in Germany as a diaconic worker and theological student. He was a pastor and a bishop in Pennsylvania and an instrumental part of the formation of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in State College. Our sympathy to his wife Barbara and to all his family. Please keep in touch, folks!

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## '61

Hopefully, the pandemic was kind to you and your families and that everyone is vaccinated. We are in that “special” group! Where have the years gone? **Bob Hershey** sent what he called a “radical idea” that

I could use to encourage submissions for the '61 column in the magazine. He mentioned that many of us have had special experiences, milestones, or special Gettysburg memories that fellow classmates would enjoy hearing. His suggestion was that I call a few classmates at random and, without warning, get info for our column. Classmates, you have been warned. You may receive a phone call or some manner of communication regarding what you have been doing lately. **Sherman Hendricks** sent an interesting article and picture about an honor bestowed on the son of proud parents **Warren Eshbach** and his wife, Theresa. Their son, Dr. Eric Eshbach, was honored for his years of service at the helm of the Northern York County School District. The family’s picture appeared in the local paper, and Dr. Eshbach received a plaque as a remembrance of his accomplishment. Our sympathy to the families of the following class members. Please contact me if you would like further information. **William C. Wright**, March 18. **Louis Caban**, no further information. **Gretchen Aungst Cameron**, Feb. 24. Stay well and please send me some info. Thanks.

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## '62

I know everybody is as tired as I am of discussing the pandemic. Therefore, I’m mentioning it only once by saying that I hope by now that you have all received your vaccination shots. One of my news sources is **Holly (Achenbach) Yohe**. Holly, probably the youngest in our class (but who’s counting at this age?), finally turned 80 this past March. Her kids organized a “letter campaign” to mark the day. She received a huge amount of letters from everywhere as she and her husband Skip '60 were in the U.S. Air Force and have many acquaintances around the

world. As of the end of April, she had read 262 letters! Holly still gives history tours in Colonial Williamsburg. She sees **Terry Hake** and **Irv Lindley** quite often. Terry is still practicing dentistry in Williamsburg, VA. Irv and his wife Dottie are comfortably retired in Portsmouth, VA. Irv often sees **Rocky Burnett** in Salisbury, MD, where Rocky is a deacon at the Episcopal church and has preached a sermon or two! **Thelma (Aitken) Newman**, **Mary (Hotchkiss) Dolan**, **Ginny (Russo) Lang**, and **Joyce (Andrews) Ellwanger** get together a few times during the winter months they all spend on FL’s west coast. They are all well and enjoying all Florida has to offer. It seems that at their last meeting their main topic was which retirement community to move to and when! I, for one, made the move in December to a Continued Care Retirement Community on St. Simons Island in Georgia and am very happy I made this choice. My advice to anybody considering such a move is that you should do it now while you are still able and can enjoy new friends. Downsizing and moving doesn’t get any easier the older you get! **Joel Reaser** sent me a nice email with an update of his full and busy life—the U.S. Army, work at IBM, a PhD in industrial psychology, years spent working for the government, obtaining a pilot’s license, serving on several nonprofit boards, competing in three triathlons, and teaching graduate-level courses at GWU. Joel and his wife Susan of 50 years have three successful children and four grandchildren. They are living in Ponte Vedra, FL. Here’s also a note from **Sue (Herman) Williams**. She wrote that she still lives in Gettysburg, continues on the Alumni Board, “values my contacts with faculty and students,” and enjoys good health. She would love to hear from her classmates of '62. And now for the bad news—I’m very sad to report the passing of my G’burg roommate of three years, **Mary Lou (Hoffman) Swan**. Mary Lou fought the fight, but after four years, she succumbed to lung cancer. Three years ago, she lost her daughter, Mindy (Swan) Frankino '89, to cancer as

well. Life is so unfair at times. Mary Lou lived in State College, PA. In Nov. 2020, we lost another classmate—**Sue (Steele) Simpson**. Sue suffered a terrible fall in 2014, which resulted in a brain injury that left her with constant dizziness and a lack of balance. In 2019, Sue and Bruce '62 moved from Hilton Head, SC, to TN to be closer to family. We all remember Sue as a cheery, sociable classmate, loyal to her sorority, Gamma Phi Beta, and to the College. Sue and Bruce have four children, 11 grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter. A quick and early reminder—in 2022, we will celebrate our 60th class reunion. Please stay well and healthy and plan on attending. And send me news—please!

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## '63

Dear classmates, as I write this, I have gratefully finished with my second COVID-19 vaccination. It took a long time to be called, but I can finally go out and about with more confidence. I hope you are all able to receive the shots, as well. Dr. **James D’Angelo** was recently presented with an appreciation award by the Fort Daniel Foundation for his planning and leadership in establishing the Fort Daniel archaeology site as an historic presence in Gwinnett County. Jim founded both the Foundation and the Gwinnett Archaeological Research Society and will continue his role as Site Archaeologist. Congratulations, Jim. I am sad to report the passing of Dr. **Richard Foellner**. After Rich received a chemistry degree from Gettysburg, he graduated from the Chicago School of Osteopathic Medicine with his medical degree. He was a board-certified family practice physician, board-certified in Antiaging Medicine, and a certified Bale Doneen Practitioner. Rich loved the outdoors, especially woods, mountains and gardening, and had a passion for football, which he played at

Gettysburg College as well as during his service in the U.S. Army. At the age of 65, Rich played flag football under the Penn State University coach Joe Paterno. In addition, Rich was a private pilot for 35 years, and was both twin and IFR rated. Rich is survived by his wife, Marietta; his children, Evelyn, Richard, Victoria; his stepchildren, Ben, Thomas, and Amy; 16 grandchildren; and his brother, Donald, and sister, Jean. We also lost **Valerie (Atkinson) Dean** this past February. Valerie graduated from Edgemont High School before attending Gettysburg College where she graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Latin. She pursued teaching at Sachem High School and later taught at Byram Hills High School. Valerie married John C. Dean in 1965, and they became longtime residents of Armonk, NY. Valerie was an avid reader and pursued continuing studies in nutrition and investing. She also became a real estate salesperson and owned her own business, Val-Type. She is survived by her children, John, Robert, and Katherine. Valerie was predeceased by her husband. As I close, I have some exciting personal news. I have published memoirs of my 30 years teaching at Hereford High School in northern Baltimore County titled *Love, Mrs. Euker, Reflections on a Career in the Classroom*. I loved my students, my subjects and my community, and that devotion is reflected in my writing. You can go to [susaneuker.com](http://susaneuker.com) to read my blog and find out more about the book or go to [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com) and [Goodreads.com](http://Goodreads.com) to see reader reviews. A special thank you to Gettysburg College for placing a copy in the Musselman Library with other alumni writers. Please send me any news from your front. I enjoy hearing from you.

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## '64

There’s so much sad news to report this issue. I’ll start with something positive. **Harry McElroy** sent a note that he finished

reading a book by **Sid Breman** entitled *Parallel Streams* about Breman’s experience in Vietnam and a similar experience of his distant grandfather during the Revolutionary War. It’s a good read, and he wants to recommend it. You can find it at Amazon digital books. **Clinton E. Johnson Jr.**, 77, of Ocala, FL, and Cape Vincent, NY, passed away on Sunday, July 5, 2020, after a short illness. He was born in Fulton, NY, and lived in the Syracuse, NY, area for 32 years. Share condolences at [faroneandsoninc.com](http://faroneandsoninc.com). To plant memorial trees in his memory, please visit Faron and Son Sympathy Store. **E. Lynn Bolstad Jordan** passed on March 1 from a recent illness. Lynn lived in Northern VA for most of her life and was a resident of Reston, VA, for more than 30 years. She was active in advocating for consumer rights in Fairfax County, VA, and at the national level. Lynn was the founder of the Council of Consumer Organizations and cofounder of the National Consumer Congress. She also served as the head of the Fairfax County Consumer Commission and on the board of directors for Consumer Union. During the 1970s, Lynn was president of the Virginia Citizens Consumer Council, based in Springfield, VA. Lynn developed and organized business and computer systems, and she wrote technical manuals and edited consumer materials. Lynn supported organizations that advocated for equality, consumer rights, animal protection, and the environment. She was also a member of the Reston Useful Services Exchange, which enables neighbors to help each other through the in-kind exchange of services. Maj. Gen. (Ret.) **Walter Reed Ernst II**, 78, of Camp Hill, PA, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 26, 2020, at the Woods of Cedar Run, Camp Hill, PA. Immediately following his graduation, Walter commissioned in the U.S. Air Force, serving for five years as a master instructor in the T-38 before joining the 193rd Special Operations Wing of the Pennsylvania Air National Guard in 1970, which he later commanded as a colonel from 1993 to 1996. Reed ultimately retired from military service after 38 years. He was a C-130 command pilot with more than 10,000 flying hours, including his time in the T-38. At retirement, he served as special

assistant to the commander, U.S. Special Operations Command, with the rank of major general. **Edward Thomas (Tom) Faulkner Jr.** passed away on Nov. 9, 2020. Tom served in the Marines for two years and was stationed in Quantico, VA. He was active in the Dover community, where he lived for 44 years. Tom served as a former president of the Dover Jaycees. He was a coach for Dover Little League baseball teams and also Tri-Town football. Tom worked at Yorktowne Paper Mills and Newark Paperboard in York, PA, from which he retired after 36 years. He was an avid runner, triathlete, and reader. Tom completed 16 marathons during his lifetime, along with numerous other races. We all send condolences. Please send me some happy news.

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It's a mostly sad column this time—it's made even sadder because space limitations keep me from fully remembering our dear and late classmates. In each case, please do a Google search for the larger obituary. **Susie Trautman Kauffman** died in Dec. 2020 after a battle with Alzheimer's disease. While at Gettysburg, she spent a semester at American University working with the Soviet delegation. She obtained her master's degree from UConn. She was a teacher and principal who loved working with students and staff. She and her husband, Lee Gagnon, loved traveling, ballroom dancing, and volunteering. **Pat Beltz Stevens** died suddenly on Christmas Day in 2020. Her first master's degree was from Wisconsin University. After marrying John Stevens, she taught at the American School for military dependents in Nurnberg and later at State College, PA. She earned her MBA and worked at the Boston Federal Reserve Bank

and at Johnson Memorial Hospital in Franklin, IN. She loved being with her church, traveling, and volunteering. **Dave Holbrook** died Dec. 15, 2020. A music major and member of the college band, he met (and later married) **Judy Staebler**. Teaching math, computer science, and music in a long list of schools, his dream job kept him in Prescott, AZ, for 44 years where he sang, played, conducted, taught, and mentored a whole generation. "He will be remembered as a humble, gentle, and kind man of God with a ready smile and a fun, albeit corny, sense of humor." **Charlie Gault** died Nov. 23, 2020. He impressed his pretty physics partner and married **Marcia Herring** after graduation. They moved to Maryland, where he pursued his PhD in solid-state physics at American University while she used her math skills for NASA. Charlie spent eight years each at NSA, Ford Aerospace, and Northrup Grumman before joining the Eastman Kodak Company where he worked for 20 years. After moving to Albuquerque in 2017, Charlie joined the staff of MEI. A man of deep faith, he generously served in every way he could. As noted in the previous bulletin, **Judy Campbell Maust** died in Sept. 2020. She is survived by her husband, Walter Maust. Especially active with Sigma Kappa, she was also a part of World University Service and the Student Christian Association. She continued her association with G'burg in her life and was on campus often for various events. **James B. Adams'** death was also briefly noted in the previous issue. He died July 11, 2020. After graduation, he served in the U.S. Army as a first lieutenant and later had successful careers at Scott Paper Company and Sunoco. In his retirement, James' passion was volunteering at the Colonial Plantation at Ridley Creek State Park in PA, where he was the former president. He also was a grand world traveler. He was preceded in death by his wife, Janet. On a different and coincidental note, **Sherrin Hilburt Baky-Nessler** wrote that she often corresponded with **Pat Beltz** and that

**Dave Holbrook** played trumpet at Sherrin and **Bruce Baky's** wedding. Bill Nessler and Sherrin have been married almost six years and have enjoyed traveling. One of their grandchildren is an '01 grad of the College. When you look deeper at the various obituaries here and online, you'll note that they (in addition to marrying fellow G'burgians) often shared the same field of study, membership in campus communications and music organizations, a shared love of travel, and connections that began on campus and continued long after. We remember these folks dearly because we interacted with them often. These were friends, well-known to many of us. It's for that reason we share our sympathy not only with their families but also with each other at our common loss. I hope to see you at our 55th (or so) class reunion, whenever it is eventually held! In the meantime, remember that your generous financial support is a great part of our 1965 legacy. Thanks for the check you'll mail TODAY!

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'66

After retirement, **Steve Wright** traded his full-time job for full-time volunteering with four nonprofits: one as president of a large OR running event organization, while another is on the board of the nation's largest running organization. A third one is as an officer for Tax Fairness Oregon working for fair OR taxes and, finally, as a facilitator for a 40-member traumatic brain injury support group. He and his wife live in a floating home on the Columbia River with a picture window looking out at Mount Hood and the Cascades 50 miles in the distance. They have children and grandchildren scattered all over the United States and New Zealand, and they travel to see them

as much as possible. **Virginia "Jinny" Banks** passed away on March 10. After graduation, she worked for IBM in Poughkeepsie, NY, as a systems programmer and executive assistant. After retiring in 1992, she did extensive volunteer work. For 15 years, she was president of Meals on Wheels of Greater Poughkeepsie. She also participated in the opening parade of the Walkway Over the Hudson, was a founding member of the Heritage Garden at Locust Grove, and was always available to provide help to the Hudson Valley Philharmonic and other organizations. Jinny was enthusiastic about beagles, travel, gardening, cooking, classical music, and sports. She was particularly known for never giving up on the Phillies. **Charles "Charlie" Stetler** passed on Feb. 13, in Clearwater, FL. From a young age, Charlie had a passion for multiple things in life: baseball, chocolate, and, most importantly, people. At Gettysburg, he is best remembered for being the manager of the football, basketball, and baseball teams for all four years. He received a Master of Divinity and put his passion for listening to people and helping them get through life to good use as a pastor, a social worker, and a good friend. Charlie very much believed in the good of people, and the last few years were hard on him upon seeing divisions arise in the nation. He likely derived this faith in humanity from his own sense of faith in a forgiving God. **Dennis K. Lawson** died on Oct. 17, 2020, in Lakewood, NJ. While at G'burg, Dennis was a member of Theta Chi and one of the best pool shooters on campus. A talented pianist, he gave several late-night ragtime concerts at the Heritage Room, which were broadcast on a York radio station. After receiving a master's degree in music from Michigan State U, he spent 27 years as a music teacher in two New Jersey middle schools and was music director at his church. **Robert Crawford Jr.** died on Oct. 29, 2020, in Norman, OK. At G'burg, he was a member of Theta Chi and was in the U.S. Air Force ROTC, receiving his commission as a second lieutenant upon graduation. During his career, he attained the rank of colonel and flew more than 3,400 hours in command of a Boeing E-3 airborne warning and control aircraft (AWACS). In 1974, he

received a Master of Public Administration degree from the U of Oklahoma. He retired in 1992. Upon retirement from the Air Force, he went on to work for the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs and later as a defense contractor for Boeing. "Beagle" was known for his clever wit and welcome smile. He lived bravely, loved sincerely, and fought gallantly.

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After a year of being homebound because of COVID-19, **Becky (Weeks) Singer** decided to reconnect via Zoom with some of her Gettysburg classmates. With some technical help from her husband, Jim Singer '66, Becky sent out the invitation. At the appointed time, the following friends checked in: **Adella (Thompson) Hicks**, Northern MS; **Brenda (Roup) Nielson**, Northern CA; **Anne (Tallmadge) Krutell**, Rochester, NY, area; **Gloria (Meier) Simonds**, FL; **Gladys Unger**, Boston, MA, area; **Elise (Bell) Lindenmuth**, York, PA; **Linda Lewis**, DE; and **Sharon Lace**, Pittsburgh, PA. What fun to be able to reconnect and chat! We all decided that until we can someday meet in person, we plan to continue with our Zoom calls. I recently received the following obituary: **Janne Barbara (Marsic) Cummings**, age 75, of Tallulah Falls Drive in Denver, CO, died Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2020. Janne was born June 2, 1945, in Passaic County, NJ, to the late Ferdinand and Helen Reidl Marsik. She graduated from Gettysburg College with a degree in biology. Janne enjoyed volunteering with cat and bird animal rescues. She was a member of Bethel Presbyterian Church and played in the handbell choir. She is survived by two sons, Chris Cummings and his wife Anne of Roanoke, VA; Kelly Cummings of Baltimore, MD; a brother, Rick Marsik, and his wife Pam of New Freedom, PA; and three grandchildren, Alex Cummings, Owen Cummings, and Quinn Cummings. A service to celebrate her life will be held at

a later time. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to Blind Cat Rescue, 3101 E. Great Marsh Church Road, St. Pauls, NC 28384, or to Parrot University, 321 S. Polk Street, Pineville, NC 28134.

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With the pandemic, I do not have a plethora of news, but I have heard that **Steve Wibberley** and his family had COVID-19 and thankfully recovered from it after about a month of fatigue, aches, and pains. Sadly, I also must report the death of **Terry Piersol** in February. Terry spent his career in banking and served for 20 years with the U.S. Army Reserve. We grieve with his family.

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 [Gettysburg College Class of 1968](#)

'69

Since I have received no news from any of our classmates, I'm assuming you have little or nothing to relate because we've all been basically housebound for over a year. And now we're lining up for vaccinations. I hope you are all safe and well and have been spared any of the sorrow of the pandemic. As we begin to get out and about more, I look forward to hearing from you about your newfound adventures. Or tell us what you did to keep sane during the pandemic. I'm ending on a sad note: we lost another classmate last May, **Jane Hillegass Snyder**. Our condolences to her family and friends.

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## 1970

I hope this note finds everyone still in good health. I'll start out by apologizing for the misinformation about our class reunion. Thanks to the classmates who wrote to point it out to me. Somewhere between the writing of the column and the publishing of the magazine, the Reunion committee had decided to postpone the Reunion until Oct. 7-10. I've kept myself busy during the pandemic by relearning to juggle. When I turned 40, I was looking for something interesting to learn. I bought a book entitled *Juggling for the Complete Klutz* and practiced. It took me longer to learn than I thought it would. Thirty years passed and it's not like riding a bicycle—it takes time to relearn. But I'm happy with how I'm doing. If anyone has something similar they've been working on, please let me know. I'm sorry to tell you of the passing of **Charles Thomas “Chick” Davidson** of Haddon Township, NJ. He died on Aug. 20, 2020. He is survived by a son and daughter, some grandchildren, and longtime friend and companion Lorraine Wireback. Also having passed away is **Cindy Scott Krantz**. She died from heart failure due to sepsis. **Jim Yonai** was kind enough to send me a copy of the *Yonai Holiday News*. I had reported before that he and his wife, Bobbi Campbell '73, had spent the early part of the pandemic with Bobbi's sister and husband in FL. They returned to Syracuse, NY, in early May. Jim stays busy being the president of The Rotary Club of Syracuse, Inc., and chairman of the Onondaga County Commission Services Advisory Board. He's also a member of the Board of Visitors of the CNY Developmental Disabilities Services Office. Thanks, too, to **Mike Craig** for writing. He saw that his name was included in my last column, and he thought he'd send news. After graduating from G'burg, Mike entered a graduate program in experimental zoology at the U of MI and graduated with MS and PhD degrees in 1977. After that, he acquired a teaching and research position at MO

State U and spent the next 37 years there prior to retiring as a professor emeritus of the department of biomedical sciences. Mike says that being a cofounder of the department of biomedical sciences is the academic achievement in which he takes the greatest pride and satisfaction. He and his wife, Carol, live in Houston. Their daughter, Lynn McGrew, is a flight dynamics engineer for NASA. I hope everyone can come to our 50th and 51st reunions in October! Stay active and well.

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## '71

Greetings! All systems seem to be a “go!” for our 50th Reunion coming this October 7 through 10—yay! We will be sharing time and space on many activities with the '70 class—also on campus with special attention will be the Classes of 1975 and 1976. The Reunion committee is hard at work planning fun and stimulating activities. If you have not received any material, please contact alumni@gettysburg.edu. Also please be on the lookout for some ideas for your generous donation in honor of our class gift and other exciting ways you can honor your years and colleagues at G'burg. Our prolific classmate **Dr. Mark Ellingsen** had another book published in September 2020: *Theological Formation: Making Theology Your Own* and expects to have (by the time our magazine is printed) two additional books out. You can search for Mark's work on Amazon and perhaps get an autograph at our Reunion. Visit itc.edu/directory/dr-mark-ellingsen. Also keeping busy during this past year—albeit in his home studio—has been **Jim Henderson**. Jim has a series of YouTube videos teaching others how to master the art of playing two saxophones at the same time, the results of

which Jim has been sharing for over 50 years. Search YouTube for Jim Henderson Saxophone and get ready for some reeding (that's a woodwind joke for those uninitiated!) **Dave Good** writes that he survived the freezing temperatures and electrical outages in TX in February and expects to be back in PA in October for our reunion—safe travels, Dave! This past year has been hard-hitting and tough for many of us—challenges still lie ahead. But we have received sad news of the loss of some of our classmates. In Nov. 2020, **Jeffrey L. Patterson**, former business department professor at Grove City College, passed away. In Dec. 2020, **Deanna (Dee) Hansen Ditter**, a caring social worker in Montgomery County, PA, and avid vocalist and performer, passed on. Also lost to us in physical form is **Leon B. “Buddy” Glover**, recognized in 2004 for his outstanding service to the School District of Lancaster, PA, who passed on in February. If there are others about whom you have information, please share with the Alumni Relations Office at the College. Also be aware that our class page on Facebook adds the word “Reunion” to the group title. If you have had no luck locating it, please try adding this word and join in on the discussions. Also please plan to attend and renew friendships at our reunion in October.

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## '72

It's always great to hear from classmates. I get letters, emails, and sometimes pictures. But, recently, I was sent an amazing book of really excellent and fascinating drawings by **Dick Boak**. He's been drawing since he was 6. After nearly losing his sight and having

his eyes bandaged for five weeks, his celebration of light inspired a lifelong love of drawing. He came to G'burg as an English major and left as an art major. Leaving Gettysburg, he took odd jobs, bought a really old van, drove to California, and experienced the counterculture of early '70s CA, returning to the East Coast to teach art at Blair Academy in NJ and The Stowe School in VT. He opened an art store in Bethlehem, PA, and finally found his career at the Martin Guitar Company, where he did everything from sweeping up the wood shop to working directly with internationally famous artists whose instruments were designed and produced by Martin. The art in his book (covering a period from 1956 to 2019) includes a number of works done while he was at Gettysburg. It's an insightful look at the life we boomers experienced and many of the influences that shaped all of our lives. The drawing is exquisite and insightful of the times. Dick still has a few books left from his first printing. If you'd like one, his email address is dboak@rcn.com. In other happy news, **Frank J. Cavico**, JD, LL.M., recently retired as a professor emeritus from Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship of Nova Southeastern University. Frank taught business law and ethics to undergraduate, MBA, and DBA levels at NSU for 35 years. He lives in Lauderdale by the Sea, FL, with his wife Nancy, a retired ER and oncology nurse. Franks extends his best and warmest wishes to all his G'burg colleagues, especially his fellow poli-sci majors and classmates and friends from Paul Hall and Sigma Nu fraternity. Stay safe, enjoy life. We remember **Susan Pohlman**, of Hawthorne, NJ, who, on Nov. 28, 2020, went to be with the Lord after a brief battle with cancer. Born in Paterson, NJ, Susan went on after Gettysburg to get her MBA from Fairleigh Dickinson University. Susan retired after 32 years of service as the lead manager and systems analyst for AXA Equitable Insurance. A member of St. Clement's Episcopal Church in Hawthorne, Susan also served on the church's vestry. She will be missed.

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## '73

Dear classmates, **Diane Flowers Becker** reports that she spends time with classmates, **Louise Morris Merriken** and **Sandy Corson Beyel**, during the summer months. **Jeff Carter** lives in Redmond, WA, and has been in Washington state since 1993. He previously lived in Laguna Hills, CA, for five years and NY before that. Jeff and his wife Jean have been married for 45 years. They have two children who live nearby, and each has three children (six grandchildren). Jeff retired in 2017 from a career in sales management in various industries. His wife Jean is a retired teacher. They primarily enjoy time with their family and they recently purchased a boat to enjoy cruising the Puget Sound and southwest Canada. Jeff stays in touch with many of his KDR fraternity brothers via email and phone and periodically visits with Bob Nahmias '74 to go tarpon fishing in FL. Jeff and Jean look forward to the end of the pandemic to resume traveling in the United States and Europe. Keep sending your updates, and I will include your news in the next issue!

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## '74

I'm sorry to begin this column with the unfortunate news of the passing of five classmates: **Craig Bell** (Lambertville, NJ), **Ethel V. Locks-Bynum** (Randallstown, MD), **Tony Cameron** (Nescopeck, PA), **Dennis King** (Macomb, IL), and **Carolyne Weil** (Springfield, VA). All are leaving us far too soon. On a lighter note, it was great to hear from **Greg Shepherd**, who lives in Hood River, OR. After our graduation in 1974, Greg said he hopped into his car to explore the West and never looked back. After many years in northern California, he moved with his wife to a little rural town in Oregon 20 years ago.

There, they are active in the community, and they ski, bike, kitesurf, and hike. This year, they had lots of family time with their son who was home from college during COVID-19. Greg reported that he had never sent in any news to share, but he wanted all to know that his 95-year-old father is a member of the Class of '46 and is likely one of Gettysburg's oldest surviving alums. His dad went to school year-round and got his degree in three years. Greg's dad and mom still live together in an independent living community in FL. Greg hopes to visit his parents to celebrate their 95th birthdays and their 75th wedding anniversary—such milestones! **Bill Heyman** received a very prestigious award from Penn State's Arthur Page Center in a virtual ceremony held in February. He was among a group of four distinguished honorees to receive the Larry Foster Award for Integrity in Public Communications, recognizing individuals with long careers in ethically and responsibly communicating with the public. The other honorees included Dr. Anthony Fauci, Judy Woodruff of PBS, and Eugene Robinson, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist. A number of Gettysburg friends were tuned in that evening and heard Bill credit the College for giving him such an outstanding foundation for the career and business he ultimately developed. **Gary Boguski** participated in the ceremony by giving remarks about Bill. Founder and CEO of Heyman Associates in NYC, Bill has operated his executive search firm that specializes in communications, public policy, and public affairs for many years. Congrats, Bill! **Barb White McNerney** of Greenville, SC, retired recently after 16 years of directing the Child Development Center, a school for young children in Greenville. After retirement and with the help of her daughter Katie, a packaging engineer for Delta Airlines who was working from home, Barb has a business making creative custom cookies. See palmettosugar.com to look at her confections! Prior to the pandemic, Barb and her husband Mike traveled to the Holy Land. Two weeks after they returned, most of the sites they had visited were shut down due to COVID-19. As for family, Barb has

six grandchildren and I now have two—a granddaughter and a newborn grandson. **Carol Ruck Leach**, who spent her first two years of college with us at Gettysburg, lives nearby in Devon, PA, and is enjoying retirement (after 40+ years of teaching) and her twin granddaughters. I look forward to hearing your news!

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I received a great update from **Greg Neuhauser**, who reminded me about our freshman year days at Paul Hall. How did we ever survive with no cell phones and access only to a pay phone and community bathroom? Greg retired as a chief deputy attorney general in Pennsylvania's Office of Attorney General in Harrisburg, after 34 years of service. After graduating from Gettysburg, he began the pursuit of a legal career at the Temple University School of Law in Philadelphia and passed the Pennsylvania Bar in 1979. Greg and his wife, Lisa, live in Hershey. Last fall, they embarked on a much-needed (didn't we all) road trip throughout New England. On a stop in Montpelier, VT, Greg met up with his freshman year roommate and fellow Paul Hall alum, **Steven Freihofner**, for a fun evening that included a lot of reminiscing about their time at and friends from Gettysburg College. Greg and Lisa have three daughters and four grandchildren to dote upon. Like us, their youngest daughter is adopted. I was very glad to hear she is currently a student at Penn State. I still root for Penn State teams plus, more importantly, that means I don't have the youngest child among our 1975 graduating class! Can anyone beat Greg's record? Sadly, I also received word that **Stephen Metzger Slike** passed away Friday, Oct. 23, 2020, in the comfort of his home in Susquehanna Township, PA. Born July 12, 1953, in Harrisburg, he was a son of the

late William H. and Mary Jane (Metzger) Slike. Steve earned his BA in political science from Gettysburg College and later did graduate work in history at the U of Houston. Steve worked with his father at Slike & Company for over 10 years before relocating to Houston, TX, where he worked in sales. He returned to the Harrisburg area in 1999 when his mother became ill. Steve enjoyed reading and shared his love of books by donating his collection to the Fredricksen Library in Camp Hill. He also enjoyed golfing. Memorial contributions may be made to Homeland at Home Hospice, 2300 Vartan Way, Suite 270, Harrisburg, PA 17110.

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'76

Hello, classmates. I received a letter in Nov. 2020 from **James S. Hinman**, P.C., who shared that he is still practicing law as a solo practitioner in Rochester, NY. He works mostly in the areas of family court and criminal defense and may never retire completely as he enjoys his practice. Four years ago, he received a surprising diagnosis of breast cancer, undergoing a mastectomy, chemo, and radiation. At the same time, he had abdominal surgery for diverticulitis, which he credits with saving his life. He expressed gratitude to his caregivers and felt blessed to have recovered. James and his wife traveled to Gettysburg to visit fellow Sigma Nu 1976 classmates **Ron Mosebrook**, **Jeff Warner**, and **Charles Shively** '79. He also sees Peter Holloran '75 in Rochester. James and his wife have celebrated 40 years of marriage and 40 years in their current home. Their two sons and two granddaughters, ages 4 and 1, live comfortably close in upstate NY. They provide great joy and James stated, "Grandpa is the best title I ever had." James hopes to attend the 45th

class reunion and would like to hear from others in our class via these class notes. With sorrow I need to inform you that **Carol Susan Golden** left us suddenly on Feb. 25. She joined her parents, Donald H. Golden Jr. and Helen E. Golden, nee Simons, as well as her sister, Judith "Judy" Ann Golden. She was born Oct. 29, 1954, in Rockville, MD. During her school years in Rockville, she was a competitive swimmer. Carol graduated from Gettysburg College and earned a master's degree from Duke University. She remained an avid Blue Devils fan. She worked as a physical therapist, including as a physical therapy director at Charlotte Health & Rehabilitation Center. Neal Newsome, her longtime friend and partner, is left to grieve her along with many friends and family. When Carol met a person, that person became a friend and remained so. She later adopted Mount Holly, NC, as her extended family, and they loved her back. She became a member of Mount Holly First United Methodist Church on Feb. 5, 2017. She was part of many missions, ministries, and groups of the church, including the Holy Ground Team, the Staff Parish Relations Committee, and a Shepherd on the Shepherd Ministry. She was instrumental in establishing the memorial garden. She and Neal read the entire Bible together during their daily devotions. Carol was an active member and supporter of the following: Mount Holly Community Garden as a gardener, board member, current vice president, and one of the founders; former member of the board and past market manager of the Mount Holly Farmers Market; past trip committee chairperson and current member of the plant sale committee for the Gaston County Master Gardeners; an active member of Arts of Mount Holly and avid patron of local artists; a leader and manager of the Merry Market of Mount Holly; a supporter of Mount Holly Historical Society; a volunteer for Meals on Wheels; a silver leader in Young Living Essential Oils; and Mount Holly Community

Development Foundation. In 2017, Carol was named volunteer of the year. We remember Carol as never meeting a stranger, always acting with enthusiasm, and striving for perfection in all ways. Carol was an excellent listener and gently gave good counsel. She was an artist in all endeavors, and she was an excellent photographer. Her mindfulness and yoga practice were important to her. During part of her life, Carol was also a potter. Her most recent pursuit was to learn beekeeping. A celebration of Carol's life took place Sunday, March 7, at the Mount Holly Community Garden. Condolences may be left at PainterFuneral.com. I am looking for my replacement as correspondent for the class of 1976. I have enjoyed hearing from each of you. Please let your interest in this experience be known by sending an email to **Joe Lynch '85** at jlynch@gettysburg.edu. Thank you.

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It's been quite a year, but one nice thing that has come out of the pandemic is how people started reconnecting via Zoom! I've had calls with classmates, sorority sisters, and old friends, whom I probably would have never seen for many years to come. It's been so great to see your smiling faces! Sadly, I have news of three classmates who have passed away. **Douglas Davis** lost his life suddenly on Sept. 18, 2020, as a result of a tragic motor vehicle accident where the other driver crossed the double yellow lines and hit his car. Doug was employed by our alma mater, Gettysburg College, at the time and lived in East Berlin, PA. He was an avid sports enthusiast and enjoyed going to sprint car races and baseball games with his brothers. He enjoyed his title of "grill master" and loved going to the beach with his family, who meant the world to him. He had a heart of gold and is survived by his loving wife Lynn, two daughters, two

sisters, and a brother. **Gregory M. Imperiale** passed away on Dec. 30, 2020. He resided in Atlantic City, NJ. Following college, he got his law degree from John Marshall Law School. He served his country honorably in the U.S. Army and achieved the rank of captain. While he enjoyed his career as an attorney, his most important job was being a father to his four sons. Greg was an avid bike rider and enjoyed riding the boardwalk from "end to end" every day, rain or shine, sleet or snow. Born in Philly, he was a diehard Philadelphia sports fan and, oftentimes, a critic. He is survived by his wife Rosemarie, four sons, and two grandsons. **Michael D. Stone** died on Feb. 20 from the effects of a stroke. Following college, Mike got his MS in counseling from Shippensburg U and settled in Pittsburgh. Since 1980, he worked as a career counselor for veterans via the Veterans Leadership Program and for the Veterans Administration in Butler, PA, before retiring. He enjoyed his involvement in Toastmasters, PFLAG, and the Shepard Wellness Community in Pittsburgh, where he served on the board of directors. As much as he enjoyed helping others, Mike loved learning and read voraciously. He enjoyed traveling to see the United States and world when he could. More recently, he worked part time at the Harwood Mansion and for Rivers of Steel, where he helped to promote all Pittsburgh has to offer. He is survived by his brother, nieces, and nephews. All loved their "Uncle Mike" and his magic tricks, jokes, and kindness.

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'78

The invincibility of the Class of '78 continues to be challenged. I'm sad to report that another classmate of ours, **Pete Barnes**, passed away in February following a very short illness—less than six months after his younger brother, Pat '79. Pete was an exceptional human being who gave back to every organization and person with whom

he was involved. If you want proof of this dedication, just go to his Wikipedia page. His most recent accomplishment was serving as a New Jersey Superior Court judge. After graduating from Gettysburg, Pete received his law degree from Widener U, served as chairman of the Middlesex County Democratic Committee, and was a member of both the NJ State Assembly and the NJ State Senate. Most importantly, Pete started his career of public service and integrity by serving on the Gettysburg College Honor Commission. In addition to all the public positions he held, I think most of us who knew Pete will remember him as the tall and lanky guy on campus who always had a smile on his face and was a kind and caring friend. He leaves behind his wife, Katie, and three children and lots of classmates who will miss him, especially when our next reunion rolls around, since Pete was a regular attendee. On a lighter note, I received an update from our class "Airfryer in Chief" (for those of you who know him on FB), **Stephen "Beau" Roche**. Beau reported that he closed his private law practice after 30+ years in Oct. 2020 to become an associate city solicitor for Springfield, MA. He was recruited for this position based on his expertise in public law (he served five years as the Massachusetts director of public records). In his current position, he serves as the legal advisor to the police department on the release of records, including body-worn camera videos—a hot issue in our country right now. He also advises the mayor on legislative issues. In his free time, he visits his 2-year-old granddaughter Zoe and posts pictures of his most recent air fryer concoctions! Finally, I also heard from fellow classmate **Mike Ryan**, who enjoyed his time at G'burg playing football and golf, and was a member of Sigma Chi. Since graduation, he has committed his career as a golf professional to the world of golf club management. He is now vice president of operations for the largest worldwide club management company called Troon. Mike has a son who is also in the golf industry—the apple doesn't fall far from the tree. Mike and his wife live in Birmingham, AL, and have 10 grandchildren combined. Mike says he really enjoyed his time at Gettysburg and hopes to get back

for our next reunion. I'm holding you to that, Mike! It would be great to see you and all the other classmates who haven't been back for way too long. Remember, there is only one G'burg—embrace it!

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'79

I recently received a lovely note from **Debbie Ensor Bohdal**. She keeps in contact with her roomie **Jane Minnich Westfall**, who tried unsuccessfully to get her to attend our 40th Reunion. We'll have to aim for the 45th! Debbie's 97-year-old mom moved in with her during the pandemic. **Linda Druschel Potts** continues as principal at Meritt Academy. Despite the challenges of COVID-19, her school remained open with record enrollment. Linda is Nana to three beautiful girls, all younger than age 8, whom she describes as "the joy of my life!" Recently, she has taken up calligraphy. **Jim Brown** and his solar company continue to provide clean energy to schools in NJ. His firm recently installed solar energy at Marlboro Schools and West Milford Schools. They have contracts for several others as business picked up recently. Jim and his wife Corinne started to play outdoor pickleball. He enjoys skeet shooting with **Andy Parker** and friends. The "old crows" hope to make their annual trek to G'burg to play golf, ride bikes and segways, visit breweries, and reminisce. **Jean Pugh Shipman** is playing tennis, knitting, and enjoying her new community. She has had lots of culinary firsts, including homemade pizza, bagels, and fruit tarts. **Don Cooney** retired in January after working more than a dozen years at Swarthmore College and 35 years in institutional advancement. In addition to

doing some select gig work, he continues to pursue such avocations as translating Greek and Latin texts with classicist friends and serving on the board of Opera Philadelphia. **Harold "Jake" Jacobson** published his second book, *Rockin' the Front Porch: Faith Sharing in the New Normal*. When his son Karl lost his job during the pandemic, the two formally went into business together as Tre Kronor Studio: Father and Son Artisans. Karl paints (folk art revivalist), and Jake makes Scandinavian folk carvings. In March, **Lynne Morrison** became executive director of the Rotary Club of York, the largest Rotary in PA and the 23rd largest in the world. Her husband **Jeff Schiffman** is in his eighth year as a professor of audio and radio production at York College of Pennsylvania. He also serves as radio station manager at WVYC-FM. **Deborah Menne York** and husband Jim welcomed their first grandchild in November 2020. Deb's youngest son is finishing his second year in the U.S. Marine Corps, stationed at Camp Lejeune and awaiting final deployment. **Jane Anthon** is enjoying Trixie, her recently adopted dog. She spends time helping her two goddaughters with their kids and loves every minute! **Joanna Fear McCauley** won yet another photography award in St. Mary's County Camera Club, this time for a still life that featured vintage eyeglasses and a candleholder. **Lori Davenport** is running for Concord Township (PA) Council. It is her first go at an elected office since she ran for the Honor Commission in 1975! Congratulations to **George White** and the Pennington Station Band, which is celebrating its 15th anniversary this year.

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1980

Gosh, it has been so great getting your calls and letters—and a bit amusing that, after long chats, I hear "don't print any of this"... and I am not, as I know many want to share their news when we do actually get to have our next class Reunion! Here's to hoping it is sooner than later! Our dear **Pat Steel Nielsen** suffered a great loss when she was widowed—a second time in 2017. Her husband Dave, who had attended Reunions with Pat and was a history buff, had enjoyed meeting folks on campus and touring the battlefields. Pat was his caregiver for several years since he had a long-term illness (our belated sympathies, Pat!). Pat has now returned to the workforce—working at one of my favorite "happy places," PetSmart, where she is able to use her knowledge from her Humane Society volunteer work and be blessed with lots of happy, nice people. Besides, who can resist a tail-wagging bundle of fur? Pat celebrated 25 years in Portland, OR, last summer. After 30 years on the West Coast, she still stays in touch with **Susan Doyle**, **Faith Herbert Kleinburd**, Penny Sidoti Hill '81, Marguerite Klein Mumford '81, and Kristin Dordal Poerschke '81. Friendships that started in Huber Hall have and will last a lifetime! **Gail Chovan** and her family live in Austin, TX, where (in my personal opinion) she remains the ever-gifted, talented designer as well as finding time as mother of two, wife, boutique owner, designer, and assistant professor at U of Texas—Austin! **M'Liz Scotton Reichers** and I had every intention of getting together in 2020...but you know what happened with those plans. She was wonderfully supportive during my breast cancer and when I caught the COVID-19 virus. I am terribly sad to report the passing of two of our classmates and friends. **Daniel Evans Rutan** passed away on June 24, 2020. As you may recall, Dan was a music major. He was born in Newton, NJ, moved, and spent some of his career in two other NJ areas before returning to Newton. Dan was the office

administrator at the First United Methodist Church in Newton, where he also was the bell choir director and a member of the choir. **David J. Stoudt** passed away on Feb. 10 at Reading (PA) Hospital. David earned a master's degree at UVA in 1984 and chose a career as a rural mail carrier of the U.S. Postal Service before working at the mail processing center in Reading. In life, he enjoyed history, nature, NASCAR, country music, and trains, and had been a true Eagles and Phillies fan.

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'81

Hoping this column finds you and your loved ones healthy and safe. As I write this column in April, we look forward to our 40th Reunion which will now take place in the fall. I hope you are able to revisit the campus. It is really hard to believe that we are now this young! **Marguerite (Klein) Mumford** wrote that she is still living in FL. After 20 years, she and her husband sold their business. Marguerite now is enjoying a second career as an upper elementary Montessori teacher. She recently finished the three-year Montessori certification program and she is loving it. Marguerite's oldest child lives in Dallas and is expecting twins. She and her husband are looking forward to being doting grandparents. Her youngest child is headed off to the U of Cincinnati in the fall to study architecture. Marguerite summed it up by saying, "Life is good!" I heard briefly from **Karen (Tylus) Graff** that she has been happily taking care of grandkids but had no other news. **Carol Shelly** is loving life and has her own law practice. She had three grown children and four fabulous grandchildren. She says becoming a Nana is one of the best experiences of her life. Carol has really helped some of her classmates maintain their sanity throughout the pandemic by scheduling biweekly Zoom calls with **Laura Lee**, **Barb Bittner**,

**Phyllis Leopold**, **Barb (Spillane) Wilson**, and **Sue (Elliott) Snyder**, as well as organizing a special night with **Beth (Kipping) Deschenes**. This activity sounds like fun—I want to join too! Carol isn't the only one with the great idea to use Zoom to reconnect. **Janet (Hambleton) Wilkie** writes that her gang started biweekly Zoom calls also after not being in touch for a while. Janet was connecting with **Lynda Bates-Stepe**, **Linda (Steininger) Yingling**, **Linda (Dewey) Hoffsis**, **Maris (Griffin) Vanasse**, **Carolyn (Andrews) Troutman**, **Becky (Birch) Gutierrez**, and Karen (Irwin) Hite '82. Everyone agreed that they could have been doing Zoom calls all along but never thought about it before. As Janet said, it was a gift to reconnect and one they still continue. Keep the news coming. Connect on our '81 Facebook page, send me an email, or better yet, join me at the Reunion. Keep in touch.

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'82

Who remembers 2020? It was a bad year in so many ways, including for a class notes column that is built around chatting up gatherings and reunions. And on a more serious note, for those among us who experienced—or continue to struggle with—tragic personal loss or challenges, our hearts go out to you and our thoughts are with you. As I write this, the country seems on the cusp of starting to get back to something resembling normal. With that, I invite you to drop me a line. Let me know what you are up to—how you've gotten yourself through the pandemic (can you say "sourdough?"), and how you plan to gather again with your social circle, including Gettysburgians, both near and far. I look forward to a column in the near future where I can include things that actually happened. In the meantime—please put the weekend of June 4, 2022 on your save-the-date calendar. Our reunion is on the horizon! Be safe, be well, and please reach out to me by email or via our private Facebook group. Cheers, friends.

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'83

Hello, all! I took over this job from **Leslie Cole**, who did it admirably for as long as I can remember. As you can see, I'm out here on the Left Coast, where I work as features editor at *The Carmel Pine Cone*, and I'd love to hear how everyone is doing. I received word that **Seth Statler** of College Park, MD, was honored by the U of Maryland with a 2021 Do Good Award. Seth got his MBA there in 1987 and was recognized for 30 years of public service and for authoring the legislation that created the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. The award, presented by UMD President Darryll Pines and the school's Alumni Association, recognizes "an alumnus(a) who has provided extraordinary service to the world and who represents the ideals of Doing Good." During his comments, Seth remembered Dr. Ann Fender from the economics department as a trusted mentor who, he said, "fascinated me with her discussion of how macroeconomics policy is made." Congratulations, Seth! Just after my contact info was published in the last issue of the magazine, I got a nice email "hello" from **Cathy (Ricks) Kant**, who lives in New City, NJ, and is an accountant for the city of Ramapo, NJ. We've been catching up on life after Apple Annex. Finally, if you're on social media, you might enjoy some of **John Geracimos'** Facebook accounts of his hiking and camping adventures. It seems that not even winter can keep him from the great outdoors. He's quite the photographer, and he has some great pics of the night sky, with stars and comets and such, as well as daytime scenes. I'm looking forward to hearing from you all soon!

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Greetings to my classmates in the class of '84! Just to put things into perspective, do you realize it's 40 years since our spring semester at G'burg? 1981! We were helping to move the library about now—Schmucker to Musselman. I remember the notoriety of it all. We actually moved the whole library in one day and basically the library business never stopped that day—major logistical feat! I haven't heard from anyone recently. Send your news and notes my way. The College did receive word of the death of **Lisa K. Cummins** from our class. She passed away Nov. 30, 2020, of complications from a cardiac arrest at Cooper University Hospital in Camden, NJ, where she was staying with a friend in South Jersey. Lisa, as I recall, was a beautiful woman and enjoyed a modeling career with the Ford Agency. She was photographed for *Cosmopolitan* by famous photographer Francesco Scavullo. She went onto the U of Pennsylvania to gain a degree in dental medicine there and completed additional studies at Temple U to qualify as a prosthodontist, a specialist who has received extensive training in tooth replacement and restoration. Her specialty was dental implants. She worked with any number of Miss World, Miss America, and Miss Universe pageant contestants to make their teeth strikingly beautiful! Lisa had a solo dental practice in Bala Cynwyd, PA. Lisa enjoyed movies and Broadway as well as keeping up with fashion and relaxing at the Jersey Shore. Lisa is survived by her brother and his children. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lisa's family. In doing some cleaning out of my parents' amassed treasure trove of stuff, I came across the 1984 *Spectrum* from Gettysburg. My father must have decided it was one he wanted to have as I was graduating. Taking a look through the pages brought back a lot of memories. Inside the cover were stuck copies of the 1984 *Mercury* (literary arts magazine), the 1984 Chapel Choir tour program (I think Ken Bence was the choir manager that year and Dr. Dex Weikel was

the choir director), the Prompter program from an Owl & Nightingale performance of *The Canterbury Tales* in March 1984 (I portrayed the pardoner), plus the 1984 Commencement program for us, the Class of '84—the 149th Commencement at Gettysburg College. Our speaker was Maggie Kuhn, convener of the Gray Panthers. What else do you remember? Oh, the memories. Good times! Hope you all are well and enjoying, as you receive this, a great summer of 2021—one we pray will be a lot different than last summer. Health and happiness to you!

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'85

I hope everyone has weathered this past year of the virus and is making plans to attend our "35th" Reunion that has been rescheduled for the weekend of Oct. 7-10. We have the opportunity to reconnect with our friends from '86 since theirs was rescheduled for the same date. As we emerge from state-mandated quarantines, social distancing, and mask wearing this summer, it's a time to reflect on the opportunity we have to look forward, taking some habits and changes in the way we have lived forward with us. We have found new ways to exercise, work, and connect with family and friends. Many of us have seen children graduate from high school and college and are proud they have learned to adjust and be flexible. Our youngest daughter graduated from Michigan Tech this year (with a degree in wildlife ecology and management), and our oldest daughter graduated with a master's degree in teaching from VCU. I changed jobs just before COVID-19 shut us down and am now at Dominion Energy running a training program for the system

operators. I was lucky to be able to work from "home" much of this past year in South Carolina. I know many of you did the same. **Tim Bright** has been inspired by **Rich Van Antwerp**, and both have spent much of the past year hiking—making us think they have both retired, but alas, only Rich has. **Kitty Baker White** and her husband have made a career move. They started a business importing cacao nibs from Ecuador. Maybe they will bring us samples at the Reunion. Now that I'm back on track with the class notes, be sure to note my new email address and send news my way so I can share. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in October—and as Bill Collins says—"ready to party" now that we can.

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'86

Greetings to you all! My sincere hope is that all of you reading this column are happy and healthy and busy making plans to attend our newly rescheduled 35th Reunion! As I write this column, the Reunion Planning Committee is busy planning a memorable weekend for us all to enjoy. Details are still being hammered out; however, we plan to reunite from Oct. 7-10. Make sure to reserve a hotel room because school will be in session and dorms won't be available for us to use. I'm very excited to see you all and have some long-awaited fun. Some exciting news reached me from **Kathy Bouzos Catanzaro**. Kathy was recognized as one of Morris County, NJ's top real estate agents for 2021. Kathy is part of The Catanzaro/Pantazopoulos Team with Weichert Realtors. Congratulations, Kathy, on that wonderful achievement. It is always nice catching up with **Todd Gothberg**, who let me know that he is now the southeast region

director for organizational development and leadership for AdventHealth. He oversees four hospitals and is also a Certified Executive Performance Coach through ICF. A big congratulations to you, Todd! In more good news, **Bruce Chamberlin** just got a place in Rehoboth Beach, DE, and highly encourages visits from any interested classmates. His primary residence is still in Washington, D.C. Thanks for the update, Bruce, and I will check my calendar. I conclude my writing today from beautiful Salt Lake City, Utah, where I finally reunited with my son, Dane, who relocated to the community six months ago and works for Hershey. It was the first flight for me in a while, and it sure felt good to go somewhere other than my backyard. Please send me all of your good news. We want to hear from you. See you in October.

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Unfortunately, I haven't gotten any news to share from our classmates. I do hope everyone is doing well and has survived the pandemic. Please send me some updates for the next issue. It's sad we have nothing to contribute.

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1990

Greetings, Class of '90! Our Reunion unfortunately continues to be postponed; however, I would not be surprised if there were a few groups of fellow classmates up to some good shenanigans all over G'burg on the first weekend of June 2021. Fellow educator Suzanne Rupp DeMaille '89 recently had her first book published in Jan. I highly recommend her book, *Can You Hear Me Now? Join the Conversation to Make Public Education a Better Choice* (available on Amazon and in all sorts of bookstores). Congratulations, Suzy! After many, many hours and a lot of hard work, the book on which **Amy Lynch** collaborated with numerous professionals across the globe has been published by AOTA Press. The resource is entitled *Trauma, Occupation, and Participation: Foundations and Population Considerations in Occupational Therapy*, of which Amy is listed as an editor. The book is due to release at the end of summer and early fall of 2021 and, ideally, will become a resource to other occupational therapy practitioners to help them build skills to deliver evidence-based, trauma-informed OT to those they serve. Amy, congratulations, you worked hard for this accomplishment, and I know your book will be a success! Here's some wonderful news to share! **Nate Sornborger** married Natalie Bielefeld surrounded by their families in early September 2020. Their wedding took place at the Wantastiquet Trout Club in Weston, VT. The couple has been together for six years, and they spend much of their free time hiking. Natalie works for Early Head Start in Torrington, CT. Nate is a senior product line manager for the Defense Lasers group at Coherent Inc., and the happy couple is now living in Harwinton,

CT. Please keep the news coming, Nate. You may have noticed that the last GETTYSBURG College *Magazine* noted the unfortunate death of **Paul Heimbach** incorrectly listed as '91; however, Paul started and graduated with our class of '90. I received a lovely tribute and the obituary from a classmate and a good friend of Paul's, **Karen K. Sloan**. I was sad to hear that Paul passed away after a lengthy illness on his 53rd birthday (July 7, 2020) in Warshaw, IN. At Gettysburg, Paul was very into technology and politics, in addition to just generally giving back to the community. Paul was an active member of Alpha Phi Omega. An English major, he was an avid reader and enjoyed science fiction as well as nonfiction about computers, technology, and science; these passions continued into his adult life. Karen visited Paul a few years ago, and they rebounded over their love of craft beer. Paul dearly loved his wife, Barbara, and absolutely adored his daughter, Tori. Karen relayed how wonderful it was to see him dote on his family! Thank you, Karen, for passing on this sad news. We will miss Paul and his big smile. I am thinking of you all. Stay well.

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'91

**Lora Giovacchini Foley** wrote that **Fran (Bullen) Dunn** and **Linda Schulz** got together with **Lisa (Gill) Parulis** to celebrate Lisa's birthday recently in Hilton Head Island, SC.

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## '92

Happy summer, Class of '92! We made it to the other side. It's hard to believe what we've lived through the last year and a half. I think everyone would concur that we are more resilient than any of us could have imagined. I hope this note finds you all healthy and safe and enjoying summertime. Thanks to the few that sent me some news. **Christina Leone** has been working in the advancement office at Wesleyan University for the last 2 1/2 years and accepted a new position in the spring within the department as project coordinator, communications. Congratulations, Christina! **Susan Posey** has "Brady-Bunched" her family with Gettysburg alum **Tim Schilke**. Susan is a court interpreter, and Tim works at artisan pizza place and bakery, The Bakehouse. They live with four of their six kids (Susan has two and Tim has four) and they are having way too much fun! Lastly, one of my dearest friends, **Liz Layton**, had the most remarkable COVID-19 experience of anyone I know. She married her boyfriend of six years, Mike Ollek, on Block Island in Sept. 2020 and brought baby boy Walker into the world on March 29. Everyone is healthy, elated, and happily exhausted. Enjoy your summer and get excited for next year. Our 30th Reunion will be here before we know it!

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## '93

**Aliena Gerhard** has spent the last few years teaching English to children in China, often starting her classes at midnight due to the time difference. This job allows her to stay home with her children, now 14 and 12, in Northern VT. In 2019, she was able to visit China to meet with 20 of her

students from Beijing and Shanghai. **Bryn Dolan** was married in Aug. 2020 and moved from New York City to Greenwich, CT, where she continues to work with Georgetown University, managing their Northeast development team. **Amy (Duncan) Tremblay** received her Level III Sommelier Certification this March, and while I am not 100 percent certain you'll see her with a snazzy necklace in some hip restaurant, I know you can hit her up anytime for some good wine recommendations. Finally, in the small world department, my oldest son will be starting his junior year at F&M (sad, I know) and he will be living with a few other guys on the swim team—one of which is the son of fellow classmates **John Forde** and **Heather Loza Forde** (former All-American swimmer for the Bullets). We were all able to reconnect on the Gettysburg pool bleachers last spring, while watching the F&M men win the Centennial Conference (full disclosure... we rooted for the Bullets, too). Oddly enough, my son's high school swim coach was another classmate and swimmer, **Amanda (Martin) Turner**.

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## '94

Hi, everyone. **Oliver Overlander** reports that his oldest child, Rachael, is a junior at Villanova, playing field hockey and majoring in nursing. His second child, Brock, is senior at Donegal High School and captain of the cross-country and track teams. He medaled in districts for cross-country and is prepping for his last track season while shooting for league and district medals. He is heading to Dickinson College in the fall of 2021 to run for them and major in political science and pre-law. His youngest child, Mark, is a freshman at Donegal and a three-sport athlete: football,

track, and his main sport, wrestling. Mark went 10-0 in his ninth grade junior high COVID-shortened season. Oliver's wife, Tina, a Millersville grad, is an RN at Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA. Oliver is still with Post & Schell, PC as a shareholder and senior partner in the workers' compensation defense group, where they represent employers such as Harley-Davidson, Acme, Adecco, and numerous other employers across PA in workers' compensation litigation. I hope everyone is doing OK this summer. As always, please email me with any news you'd like to share!

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## '99

Greetings, Class of '99. **Tina English's** oldest son, Derek Arneson, will be a 2024 Gettysburg graduate. He graduated from Wyomissing High School with honors and received a GC Presidential Scholarship. She is very proud of her son's accomplishments. **Samantha Carl-Yoder** joined Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck's Washington, D.C., office this past February. She joined its federal government relations team as a policy director, further enhancing its international relations practice. Samantha has nearly 20 years of service at the U.S. State Department, working in both Washington, D.C., and embassies across the world, to build strategic partnerships for companies expanding domestically and overseas. This past March, Christopher Fugaro was named partner at Guardian Capital Partners, a \$600 million private equity firm. Since joining Guardian in 2010, Christopher has directly sourced 13 investments, including both platform and add-on investments, representing approximately \$185 million of invested equity for Guardian and its co-investors. Today, Christopher oversees all platform and add-on investment deal sourcing strategies for the firm. After four years of trying to start a family and halfway through an adoption process that is still ongoing, **Kristy Anderson** and her husband Chaz Faulhaber welcomed their first son Huck Alexander on March 25. **Mindy Halpern** has made a career change and has gone from being an elementary school teacher to writing children's books. She is actively seeking representation from an agent and looking for a traditional publisher. If anyone is in the field or can provide her some guidance, please reach out to her at mindyhalpernamira@gmail.com. As for me, I have made another cross-country move back to NJ. Last December, my son and I

settled in Manasquan, NJ. While we miss the sunny California skies, it is nice to be near family and back to my Jersey roots. Please continue to share your updates. With all my best,

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## 2000

Congratulations are in order for our classmate **Ian Isherwood** on earning tenure at G'burg this year—talk about coming full circle! Congrats, Ian. **Torrey Stifel Kist** had her paintings recently featured in *Southern Living* magazine. She is putting her visual arts degrees to work. You can check out Torrey's artwork at tskest.com. This text will be my last column, as Torrey has graciously agreed to take over the position for our class. You all know I am a huge Gettysburg fan and am so thankful for my time there and all of my friendships that are because of it. Obviously, the hubs is my most important one! I hope to see you all whenever we can gather on campus to celebrate the Class of 2000! —Marna Redding

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## '01

Greetings, everyone! It's hard to believe that it's the 20th anniversary of the Class of 2001! Despite our inability to celebrate safely together on campus for the traditional Reunion Weekend in June, this spring marks a noteworthy milestone for us. Hopefully, we'll be able to gather at Gettysburg this fall for a proper celebration. After 20 years of working for Gettysburg College in the Admissions Office, **Courtney (Wege) Best** is off on a new adventure. In March, Courtney accepted a position as college counselor at St. Mary's

Academy in Portland, OR. Courtney and her husband, Mark, bought a home in Vancouver, WA, last June. Courtney will still be planning upcoming alumni events in the Pacific Northwest, so stay tuned! **Rebecca (Snyder) Franz** was promoted as chief deputy attorney general of the environmental crimes section for the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General. In April, **Jen Brennan Carfagno** began her role as assistant director of alumni and advancement events at Iona College in New Rochelle, NY. **Michele (Tully) Tine** lives in Norwich, VT, with her husband and two kiddos, Lily (age 12) and Austin (age 8). She is an associate professor and chair of the education department at Dartmouth College and studies the impact poverty has on cognition and educational attainment. As a college professor, she thinks of her time at Gettysburg often and is perpetually grateful for her friends and experiences. She cannot, however, believe 20 years have passed! As for me, I finally said goodbye to city living and moved to New York's Hudson Valley last spring, along with my husband Mike and two girls, Marlowe (4) and Mabel (2). I continue to consult for a number of arts and culture nonprofits, specifically around the development of programming for diverse audiences. We would love to hear from more of our classmates! Please send updates to classnotes@gettysburg.edu or mary.fichtner@gmail.com. Be well, and here's to a safe and successful anniversary year!

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**Rebecca Scimone** writes that her husband, Prof. **Kevin Welch**, was recently featured in an article at the U of Virginia (UVA). The article discusses how Kevin is making significant improvements to student learning at UVA and is transforming a large, 500-person course into a more personal experience, even during the

challenge of virtual instruction. Kevin has been teaching chemistry since 2010 and joined the UVA faculty in 2016. **Andrew Gross** has owned Finger Lakes Xtreme Fitness, LLC for 13 years in Ithaca, NY. His business consists of virtual and in-person fitness training and group fitness classes. He and his wife have a blended family of 10 children, ages 2 to 16.

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'04

Hello, Class of 2004! I have only one update to report this time: **Lindsay Morlock** reported that **Aileen (Weisen) Shuman** and Ryan Shuman '02 welcomed their third child, Russell James, on Dec. 17, 2020. Keep your updates coming!

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'05

**Lisa (Brierley) Clark** and her husband Brian welcomed their second daughter, Emily Elizabeth, on March 21, weighing 8 lbs. 1 oz., and measuring 19.75 in. long. Big sister Lindsay is absolutely in love with her baby sister and gives her lots of hugs and kisses! **Tory (Harper) Hogan** and her husband Paul welcomed Ames Xavier Hogan on Oct. 29, 2020. Big sister Isabel and big brother Connor are enjoying having a baby brother! **Diana (Eriksen) Brennan** and her husband Robert

welcomed their second son, Liam Calvin Brennan, on Nov. 11, 2020. He joins big brother Lucas, who is 2. Former residents of Apple 200 and 203 once again participated in a March Madness tournament. Commissioner **Mike Griffith** joined **Chris Addicks**, **Lisa (Brierley) Clark**, **Alison (Wyllie) MacLaren**, **Allison Meckley**, **Brian Podgajny**, and **Steph (Morano) Weaver** to join in a heated competition with the winner receiving a fresh batch of Vermont maple syrup (Mike is a VT resident). **Morgan (Cromwell) Griffith**, **Ridge MacLaren**, and Brent Weaver '04 provided moral support. Steph and Brian diplomatically agreed to a tie, and everyone looks forward to a comeback in 2022. Thanks for continuing to send updates! It has been nice to connect with everyone and for your classmates to hear from you. I hope you have a lovely summer and enjoy the warm weather.

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'06

It's so hard to believe that we have been in a long-distance relationship as a class for 15 years now. It has been my pleasure to be the class correspondent for our class for most of the time. Thank you, **Cara (Sacks) Magrogan**, for passing on this labor of love to me almost 10 years ago. It has been amazing to share all of the promotions, child births, new houses, travel explorations, class meetups, and more. I can't believe how much #adulting we've done in 15 years. You all are rock stars in my eyes! **Jessica (Brach) Jensen** and her husband, Kevin, welcomed their third child, Zachary Parker Jensen, on Sept. 23, 2020. Big brother Theo and big sister Cassie love helping take care of him. **Heather (Ruby) Macdonagh** shared that she and her husband Johann had a baby, Heidi Ruth MacDonagh, on

Dec. 20, 2020. **Kathleen (Ketchum) Moreno-Ketchum** married Melanie Moreno-Ketchum on Jan. 9. The beautiful brides (I've followed their epic love story on social media) got married in their living room with five members of their family in person and many more joining virtually, including Gettysburg friends. They are settling into married life with their two cats in Hartsdale, NY. **Korin (Faulkner) Martin** was promoted to director of the project management office with Merck & Co., Inc., living in Tampa, FL, with her husband and 6-year-old daughter. A special congratulations to **Melissa (Miller) Montero** and her husband "Honorary Alum" (self-given title) Jose "Omar" Montero Sr. on their 15-year anniversary. They dated all four years of their undergrad career. Therefore, he feels like an '06 class member and has been trying to get into alumni group photos at gatherings for 15 years. The couple has three awesome kids. Their only daughter, Mayah Montero, is my goddaughter. This story is an example of how much classmates become family. Our relationships transcend Gettysburg but have allowed Gettysburg to be the constant factor. Gettysburg College Class of 2006 is an anchor—honestly everyone loves us! You all are amazing humans. I look forward to another 15 years of sharing life's best moments with you all.

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'07

**Mo (Rafferty) Sharkey** launched a podcast dedicated to raising awareness of and helping end domestic violence. "Distasteful Conversations," available on major podcast platforms, interviews survivors of abuse for the purpose of understanding this violence in order to turn more victims into survivors and encourage support from

their communities. The first survivor featured was classmate, friend, and personal hero **Ashley Domm**. In Feb. 2021, **Vincent Costello** started as a clinical care manager on the children's community-based services team at Community Behavioral Health (CBH), a managed care organization that oversees the delivery of behavioral health services for Medicaid recipients of Philadelphia County. In this role, he monitors the treatment quality of the services for which CBH authorizes payment. **Brittany (Bloam) Fink** and her husband Steve, along with big sister Annalise, welcomed Rosalyn Jean ("Rosie") on Jan. 5, 2021. Also adding to the fun of quarantine, Brittany joined the Pittsburgh-based law firm of Meyer, Unkovic, & Scott LLP the day before the world shut down, where she practices civil and real estate litigation. **Krystal Thomas** was recently promoted to the rank of university librarian at Florida State U, where she previously served as digital archivist at FSU Libraries since 2012. **Pete "Hoffa" Showvaker** and his wife Christine welcomed a pandemic baby in May 2020. Her name is Teagan. In August 2020, Hoffa also started a new job as the national accounts director for Maryland's largest craft brewery, Flying Dog. **Samantha (Bruno) and Scott Fuller** welcomed their first child, a son named Lincoln Bruno Fuller, on Oct. 30, 2020. Christine (Nemetz) '08 and **Wesley Heyser** welcomed a son, Theodore Robert, on Jan. 14. All are doing well, and the Heysers' daughter, Eleanor, is enjoying her role as big sister. **Nicole Amodei** and her husband Amaury welcomed a daughter, Celestine Genevieve Moulron-Amodei, on Dec. 21, 2020. Nicole was also recently promoted to director of people systems and analytics at Better. **Meg (Anderson) O'Neil** and her husband Patrick, along with big sister Bridget, welcomed Mary Claire to their family in Aug. 2020. Mary Claire was born in Hilton Head, South Carolina. **Philip Umbrino** and his wife Jackie welcomed a baby boy, Oliver Joseph, in Aug. 2020. Oliver weighed in at 9 lbs. 6 oz., and he is happy and healthy. **Vivian (Ebhojiaye) Norelus** was recently promoted from controller to director of finance and human resources at Junior Tennis Champions Center (JTCC) in

College Park, MD. Vivian has worked for JTCC for nearly seven years. **Elizabeth (Stuka) Rose** and her husband Mike have had an eventful past year. The couple bought their first home in Nov. 2020 and also welcomed their first child, Zachary Stephen, on Feb. 17. Elizabeth is taking a few years off from her job as a middle school teacher so that she can stay home with Zachary. They are very busy, but they are enjoying their new adventures!

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'08

**Jacob Connor** and Rachele (DeCinque) Connor '09 got married in a small, intimate ceremony on Dec. 18, 2020, in Lancaster, PA. Attending were their closest family and friends, including Kevin Gentile '09. Jacob and Rachele's wedding reception was held April 11, and was attended by fellow alums Jamie Leiter '07, **Carinne Park, Lizzie Heron**, Zach Travis '10, Kevin Gentile '09, Samantha Barton '09, Brit Serio '09, and Nikki Harrison '09. In March, **Matt Salter** successfully passed his dissertation and earned his Doctorate of Education (Ed.D.) in higher education administration from Plymouth State U. **Louisa Polos Condon** and Logan Condon welcomed their first baby, Marilou Jane Condon, on Feb. 12, 2020. She is known to her family and friends as Lulu, and she has brought everyone so much joy already. Lulu looks forward to her first visit to the Gettysburg campus soon. **Lauren Craley Ballas** and husband Matt Ballas are happy to share that they added two boys to their brood in 2019. Lauren, Matt, and their son Henry welcomed son Ethan Craley Ballas on Nov. 2, 2019, and Newfoundland dog Otis Redding Ballas in Feb. 2019.

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'09

**Caitlin McCarthy** and Sam Polifka '10 had a son in July 2020 named Zachary Polifka, G'burg Class of 2043. Caitlin and **Lynn O'Connell**, once floormates in Stine Hall, now work together at the NYU Stern School of Business, developing programs and providing career services for MBA students. **Kate Anderson** is the in-house songwriter for the animated Apple TV+ series, "Central Park." After being delayed due to the pandemic, her musical "Between the Lines" will premiere off-Broadway in the spring of 2022, followed by the premiere of her other show, "The Book Thief," in the UK. Kate is getting married this coming fall. **Tom Ellison** married **Aubrey Siebenaller** in 2012, and together they have three children, Teddy (8), Henry (5), and Abigail (2). They live in Maryland. **Andrew Clark** and Danna Markland welcomed their second son, Henry Carl Clark, into the world on Dec. 14. Their oldest, Maxwell, is loving big-brother status and already holding doors for Mom and Dad when Henry is in tow. Andrew is currently the VP of government affairs for the Home Builders Association of Virginia. They live in Richmond. **Jackie Sue Powell** is back in school getting an MBA from Georgetown U, focused on real estate investment and asset management. She's also interning at Invesco in NYC this summer, and is now a certified RYT Yoga Instructor. **Brady Luceno Seals** was recently featured on "Full Frontal" with Samantha Bee, talking about the health and climate impacts of gas stoves. The show aired on TBS and you can also see it on YouTube by searching "Here's Why Your Gas Stove is Killing You." Brady is a manager at RMI in the Carbon-Free Buildings program, where she works at the junction of air quality, buildings, and human health. She lives in Boulder, CO, with her husband Dan, and their dog Peter. **Michael Whitehouse** and **Melissa (Weisbach) Whitehouse** live in Brooklyn with their son, Alden, who is 2½. Alden attended the class reunion with them in 2019, where he met many of the Four Scores, and finally figured out why his parents are always singing harmonies around their house. Michael started

working for Kindbody in NYC as a lab supervisor, and Melissa finished the BMI Musical Theater writing workshop in NYC. **Maggie (Langtry) Hassell** is living in Brooklyn with her husband, Andrew and their rescue pup, a Jindo mix from South Korea named Max. Maggie is an executive producer at Truly Original Productions, currently working on the upcoming series “Summer House Winter Charm.” Maggie has worked as an executive producer on multiple Bravo shows. **Lauren Barrett** is the assistant director of Life Design: Public Health Studies and Allied Health Professions at Johns Hopkins U. She also facilitates Hopkins Outdoor Leadership Training (HOLT), a 10-day backcountry expedition focused on interpersonal skill development, leadership principles, and practical application of outdoor skills in a small group content, honoring her GRAB roots. Andrew Padilla ’08 facilitates with her. She lives in Ellicott City, MD, with her partner, Kyle and their kitty, Bane. **Sara (Harenchar) Levinson** was recently named to Gettysburg’s Alumni Board of Directors. In August 2020, she joined Prometric as vice president of business development. She lives in Pittsburgh with her husband, Drew, and their Jindo Mix rescue pup from South Korea, Bimbee (she and **Maggie (Langtry) Hassell** have shared dog stories). She visited G’burg in May and caught up with former advisor Suzanne Flynn—perfect timing to celebrate as Suzanne retired this year after 31 years of service to the College. Sara got to try modeling (for Steel City Brand) and is celebrating a return to travel with a Vegas trip alongside two childhood girlfriends. **Carly Yaeger** got married in October 2020 to Aaron Koykkari. One of the bridesmaids was **Ben Ferraro (Stoner)**. Carly and Aaron recently bought a home and went hiking in Zion National Park for their honeymoon this past May. **Ashley Zimmerman** became engaged to Charles O. MacDonald IV of Braintree, MA, in September 2020. They plan to wed in August 2022. Ashley is currently enrolled at Simmons U in Boston, MA, for her master’s degree in social work.

**Caitlyn (Cotter) Huffstutter** and husband Timothy welcomed daughter Caroline Grace on March 18, 2020. She joins big brother, Joshua (2). **Joe Cook** got married on April 9. **George Kahl** served as a groomsman, and **Elizabeth (Metzger) Erickson** was in attendance, as were two people who began college with us (but did not graduate): Chris Myers and Steve Erickson. **Rachelle (DeCinque) Connor** married Jacob Connor ’08 in a small intimate ceremony on Dec. 18, 2020, in Lancaster, PA. The celebration had to be postponed to April but they were surrounded by their closest family and friends. **Kevin Gentile** was in attendance. Our guest list in April will have several more Gettysburg alumni!

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📍 Gettysburg College Class of 2009

## 2010 ☉

**Katherine (Haas) Pompeani** graduated with her doctorate in anthropology from the U of Pittsburgh in August 2020. She recently started a new position as a forensic anthropologist at the Defense POW and MIA Accounting Agency in Honolulu, HI. **Katie Sigler** participated in a virtual meeting with Andy Hughes, director of the GLC, and roughly 80 GRAB alumni (’94 to ’21) on April 12 to challenge the proposed changes to the GRAB program. Thanks to all the alumni for their candor and to the recent graduates for their passionate perspective. The recording is available on YouTube: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=y6KNqZL-02c](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y6KNqZL-02c). **Tara O’Shea**, director of forest programs at Planet, was recently interviewed on the “Shaping Business Minds Through Art” podcast, available here: <https://link.chtbl.com/tara>.

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## ’11 ☉

Hello, Class of 2011. I look forward to seeing everyone at our 10-year reunion. Be on the lookout for information about the date and events. I recently started a new job as the senior associate director for student rights & responsibilities at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. **Ashley Brookes** got married to Scott Wojciechowski on Oct. 19, 2019, in Wilmington, NC. The following Gettysburgians were in attendance: **Lauren (Hodges) Prince**, **Allison Schofield**, **Angela Dolson**, **Marci (Zimmerman) Henkoff**, **Jacob Henkoff**, Taylor Burdette ’14, Erica (Durst) Young ’00, Laura (Baldasarre) Maguire ’12, Dr. Shane Swink ’13, Abigail Conner ’15, and Lizzie Cooper ’17. I wish everyone the best and please continue to send me updates!

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## ’12 ☉

Hi, class. While I wish I had more uplifting news, I regret to write that one of our classmates, **Karl Osian Utermohlen**, passed away April 18 at his home in Houston. Karl was born in Miami, grew up in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, and attended boarding school at Episcopal High School in Alexandria, VA. At Gettysburg, he was an English major with a writing concentration and a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, and he participated in the College publications *The Mercury* and *The Gettysburgian*. Following graduation, Karl earned a Master of Fine Arts degree in creative writing and nonfiction from the University of Idaho, and he worked as a writer in content creation focused on marketing AI, finance, and app development. Most recently, he was a technical writer for Cox Communications. If you would like to make a donation in memory of Karl, his

family requests donations be made to support Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center at <http://mskcc.convio.net/goto/KarlUtermohlen>. As a reminder, please send me any updates you would like to share with the Gettysburg family.

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## ’13 ☉

Hello, Class of 2013—a few quick updates from our classmates! On Oct. 14, 2020, **Tricia Runzel Menke** and Stephen Menke welcomed a baby boy, William Menke. **Elizabeth Elliott Poorman** and **Joshua Poorman** welcomed Jayne Poorman on May 7, 2020. I hope you all have a nice summer!

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## ’14 ☉

**Amada (Crespin) Bond** graduated from American U School of Public Affairs with an MS in justice and public policy in May 2020. As a student at AU, she was also a member of Alpha Phi Sigma, the criminal justice honor society. On July 7, 2020, she got married to Kevin Bond ’13, whom she has known since her freshman year at Gettysburg. She recently accepted a job offer working with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) as a project coordinator for their programs department, where she will be working with staff, project partners, and stakeholders to enhance the policing profession through new initiatives, advocacy, and member services that bring innovation, promising practices, and training to the field. Finally, I am saddened to report that we lost a dear member of our class, **Rachel Fazio**, this past fall. Rachel was a political science major and a member of the Alpha Delta Pi, Delta Rho Chapter, on campus. She had

an exciting career in news reporting post graduation. She will be greatly missed.

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## ’16

Happy five-year reunion, Class of 2016! I can’t believe how fast these five years have gone by, but from the updates sent in, it is clear that you all have made the most of it. I hope to see everyone at reunions this year and catch up in person! **Casey Beck (Stickey)** welcomed her second baby Bullet, Mia Michelle, within a year. As if two kids younger than 2 weren’t enough to keep her busy, Casey also added two AP computer science classes to her teaching repertoire and is the head cheerleading coach at Seneca High School. **Eleanor Soule** is living in Portland, ME, where she works as the head of service at Chilton Furniture and owns her own business called Go! Vintage. **Kim Longfellow** graduated from Hood College in Frederick, MD, with a Master of Arts in human behavior. While Kim loved working for Gettysburg College at the Center for Global Education for the last four years, she made the exciting leap to St. Lawrence U in NY, where she is the assistant director of off-campus programs. **Meredith Tombs** moved to Arlington, VA, and is finishing her fifth year as a high school English teacher. This year, she earned her MS in education from Walden University. **Gabriel Kelly** is currently pursuing a doctorate in political science at George Washington University and was accepted to present a paper at the Association for the Study of Nationalities’ 25th Annual World Convention. **Eric Miller** started a two-year full-time MBA program at Georgetown

McDonough’s School of Business this past summer. **Peter Rosenberger** couldn’t let Gettysburg have all the history, so he and his fiancé purchased a 100-year-old house in Midtown Memphis. Here’s hoping the ghosts stayed in Pennsylvania! **Mia Phillips** relocated to NC in June 2020 and works remotely for CRC Research as their senior vice president of research and analytics. **Hannah Collins** finished her master’s degree in oceanography at UConn this past summer and continued onto her doctorate in oceanography last fall. **Brent Slotoroff** and **Palmer Calogrias** are currently living in NYC, where Brent works for Lockton Companies and Palmer for Nest Seekers International. **Emily Glavin (Wasson)** started working at American College of Radiology’s Center for Research and Innovation as a clinical research project specialist for a national Alzheimer’s disease study. **Andrew Glavin** started his radiology residency at Thomas Jefferson U Hospital. The Glavins made the exciting move to Philadelphia this past spring! **Kyra McFadden** purchased a home in Reading, PA, and is working full time on a LPC track, counseling for Merakey. Kyra also started two new businesses during the pandemic: a jewelry company called KyndlyBeaded and Thee EP Project, a women’s healing initiative aimed at helping women heal, feel, and emote through group and individual coaching. **Katie McGowan** is halfway through medical school at Rowan U School of Osteopathic Medicine, just outside of Philadelphia. When not studying, she can be found training for the NJ State Triathlon! **Nathan Cody** moved to Philadelphia to get his master’s degree in higher education at the U of Pennsylvania. **Hannah Barnett** graduated from Florida A&M University College of Law and is working on taking the Florida Bar exam. **Haleigh Maloskey** has worked at Aerotek as a recruitment manager since graduation and recently purchased her first home in Norwalk, CT, with her husband. Haleigh married her Gettysburg sweetheart, Ronald Holland ’17, on June 5. Congratulations, Haleigh and Ron!

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'17

The Class of 2017 has remained active throughout the pandemic! In academic and career-related news, **Abby Tootell** co-authored an article with Penn Law Prof. Kermit Roosevelt that's being published in *Wake Forest Law Review* this summer. It's called "Mirror, Mirror on the Wall: Disney Princesses' Reflections of Equal Protection." She is also finishing a clerkship on the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of PA. **Julie Schuld** is starting at the Thunderbird Graduate School in Phoenix, AZ, to earn a master's degree in global management. **Brittany Barry** is beginning a master's degree in clarinet performance at the U of DE this fall with a full tuition scholarship award. **Nate Wojick** is at Rutgers U in the second year of the physician's assistant program. **Eva Karkuff** just bought her first home in downtown Frederick, MD, and is working as a seventh-grade ELA teacher in New Oxford, PA, where she is seeking tenure. **Emily Patterson** became a Board-Certified Behavior Analyst. In wedding news, **Maddie Brown** married David Wonder on March 20 in a small ceremony in Canandaigua, NY. **Julia Harper** and **Alex Delenko** were married over Memorial Day weekend on Long Island, NY, in a small ceremony. Fellow Gettysburg alumni Graham Homan '16, Joel Cymerman '16, **Maddy LaCroce**, **Miranda (Fennel) Bradshaw**, Kate Helmstetter '18, Travis Sowell '18, and I were in attendance.

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Gettysburg College Class of 2017

'18

Hello to my fellow '18 alums! Here's what our classmates have been up to in the three years since graduation! **Andeulazia**

**Hughes-Murdock** lived in Brazil for part of 2019, where she taught English, conducted research, and volunteered. During her time there, she discovered that her interest in health care outweighed her interest in teaching English, inspiring her to return to the United States. Once stateside, she took preliminary classes in order to apply for graduate school in the health sciences. She is currently in the process of applying to programs—good luck, Andeulazia! **Dante Fagnoli** has continued to pursue his interests in football after graduating, except now working off the field and in the scouting department for the Atlanta Falcons. His main duties revolve around the year-round preparation for the NFL Draft. He is in charge of creating point-of-attack tapes for all draftable players, and he also writes his own evaluations based on live game and pro-day exposures. For the first two years following graduation, **Mikaela Collins** worked at Brigham and Women's hospital in Boston, where she conducted research on multiple sclerosis. She then decided to switch gears after discovering her passion for nursing and is currently in an accelerated nursing program at Northeastern U. She graduates this August—congrats, Mikaela! **Ryan Thompson** joined the many members of our class who moved to New York City after graduation, where he interned with a law firm. After his internship was over, he decided to switch career paths and took a sales job with BSN Sports, where he worked until the end of 2020. He is currently in the process of looking for another sales position at the moment. **Christopher Massos** recently graduated from his master's degree program in clinical and counseling psychology from Chestnut Hill College. He is currently working as a part-time IOP therapist in order to obtain the required number of hours needed to receive his license to be a professional counselor. As always, I wish you all the best and please continue to send me updates!

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'19

The past year has been a complex year for many, marked by unprecedented highs and lows. Despite the challenges presented, the resilient members of the Class of 2019 have still found success and happiness, which I'm happy to share with you today. I moved back to Gettysburg in last Aug. 2020 to begin working for Gettysburg College. I've spent the past year working as a residential life coordinator in our Office of Residential and First-Year Programs, and next year, I will transition to working as a program coordinator for our Center for Global Education. **Christina Babyak** and **Ian Klybor** got married last November and adopted a cat and dog shortly after. **Erica Boucher** began a doctoral program in industrial organizational psychology last fall at Clemson University. **Taylor Buckley** recently started school at the Drexel U College of Medicine. **Francesca Costa** began working as a county and state employee in NJ as a zoo educator at the Bergen County Zoo through Dec. 2020 and as a historic interpreter at the Palisades Interstate Park where she currently works. She became the youngest member of the Closter Nature Center board of trustees and worked diligently to keep the nature center open during a chaotic year. Now she attends the U of Edinburgh and is working on getting a degree in ancient worlds (classics and archaeology). **Sam Engel** finished his master's degree program last year in conflict archaeology and heritage. His thesis explored the Gettysburg battlefield's martial usage during the 20th century and its impact on the archaeological record. **Emily Keyser** began a new job at NewDay USA in their accelerated underwriting program last

March and is currently working toward becoming a VA-certified mortgage underwriter over the next year and a half. Additionally, she passed the S.A.F.E. test last May, making her a licensed mortgage loan originator, and passed the first out of three MBA CRU exams last July. **Tori Nied** moved to Denver, CO, where she is working as a financial professional with Prudential. She also adopted a 10-year-old dog named Lola at the start of the pandemic. I look forward to hearing from more of you as time goes on. Please reach out to share any updates!

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Gettysburg College Class of 2019

2020

Hi, Class of 2020. I hope everyone is doing well! **Sarah Kirkpatrick** began graduate school at Villanova U's Charles Widger School of Law. She learns something new about the legal system at every lecture and she plans on using it all to become a better citizen and to influence change as an attorney. **Samantha Boardman** started an accelerated Bachelor of Science in nursing, nursing program at Fairfield U. Her program has provided her with several in-person clinical experiences at four of the Fairfield County hospitals. She is now entering her final semester. **Elizabeth Gross** is working as a sample intake technician and microbiology laboratory technician at Indo Laboratories, a cannabis testing facility in MA. She works with local marijuana growers and dispensaries to create the scientific gold standard for cannabis testing. Her lab also seeks to break the stigma surrounding cannabis and emphasizes its importance as medicine for many individuals. Liz finds her work unique and fascinating since the use of marijuana exists in a legal gray area. After graduating, **Alyssa Kaewwilai** joined NASA's Science Data Processing Team (SDPS) through Raytheon Technologies as a software engineer within the intelligence and space sector. Alyssa focuses her work on developing software, cloud-based databases,

and other tools to enhance the discovery of public earth science data. In Oct. 2020, Kaewwilai placed first in the Pennsylvania Geographical Society scientific paper competition for her research about the environmental and social impacts of Australian bushfires. She is currently maintaining her full-time position while also pursuing a Master of Engineering, Systems Engineering degree at Johns Hopkins U. **Michelle Kaminski** is a first-year Master of Public Health candidate at the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia U. **Cailin Casey** was awarded the NSF GRFP in March. It is the most prestigious STEM graduate fellowship and will fund her for three years while she earns her doctorate. Cailin studies a portion of the insect exoskeleton, the cuticle, to see how small flyers could inform advances in engineering. I (**Libby Walker**) am working as a clinical research assistant at the U of Pittsburgh. My lab conducts translational and clinical research to learn more about, and more efficiently treat, multiple sclerosis. I am also in a book club with classmates **Rachel Crowe** and **Lily MacDonald**.

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Gettysburg College Class of 2020

**CLASS NOTES  
CORRESPONDENTS'  
DEADLINES**

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10/15 for Winter  
4/8 for Summer

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# CLASS PHOTOS

1 Kathleen (Ketchum) Moreno-Ketchum '06 and Melanie Moreno-Ketchum on their wedding day

2 Joe Cook '09 got married on April 9. George Kahl served as a groomsman, and Elizabeth (Metzger) Erickson was in attendance, as were two people who began college with us (but did not graduate): Chris Myers and Steve Erickson.

3 From the April 11, 2021, wedding reception of Jacob Connor '08 and Rachelle (DeCinque) Connor '09. From left to right: Jamie Leiter '07, Carinne Park '08, Lizzie Heron '08, Zach Travis '10, Rachelle (DeCinque) Connor '09, Jacob Connor '08, Kevin Gentile '09, Samantha Barton '09, Brit Serio '09, and Nikki Harrison '09.

4 Teena Stewart Mowery and Hal '76 hosted Erica Fischer Anello '78 and her husband Nick and Karen Weldy Karkuff '77 and Gary '76, at their place in South Florida. All three women were cheerleaders and members of Delta Gamma.

5 Standing: Thelma (Aitken) Newman '62, Mary (Hotchkiss) Dolan '62. Seated: Ginny (Russo) Lang '62, Joyce (Andrews) Ellwanger '62.

6 From the wedding of Ashley Brookes '11, Bottom row, from the left: Scott Wojciechowski, Lauren (Hodges) Prince '11, Allison Schofield '11, Ashley Brookes '11, Angela Dolson '11, Taylor Burdette '14. Top row, from the left: Erica (Durst) Young '00, Marci (Zimmerman) Henkoff '11, Jacob Henkoff '11, Laura (Baldasarre) Maguire '12, Dr. Shane Swink '13, Abigail Conner '15, and Lizzie Cooper '17.

7 Bryn Dolan '93 married on August 29, 2020, and moved from New York City to Greenwich, Connecticut. She is also about to celebrate his 17th year with Georgetown University, where she manages the Northeast development team.



# IN MEMORIAM

ALL DATES ARE 2021 UNLESS NOTED

'43 Harry M. Roberts, Feb. 20

'45 Arthur L. Ruths, March 2  
Mary E. Starner, March 4

'46 Mary K. Gray, Nov. 25\*  
Howard W. Hinkeldey, Feb. 15  
Richard G. Shook, Dec. 12\*

'48 Richard N. Allison, Nov. 18\*  
Charles B. Fager IV, Feb. 26  
Elizabeth Booth Middleswarth, Jan. 25  
Walter C. Sobers, Jan. 5  
Edward S. Young, Dec. 26\*

'49 Rudolph W. Gleichman, Oct. 20\*  
Raab R. Sechrist, Jan. 23

'50 Ruthe Fortenbaugh Craley, March 20  
John E. Devoto Sr., Oct. 12\*  
Richard M. Ott, Nov. 12\*  
Launcelot E. Soult Jr., Jan. 12

'51 Donald G. Emert, March 18  
Phyllis Christ Hesser, Jan. 4  
David W. Longacre, Feb. 26  
John F. "Jack" Lose, Jan. 1  
Austin R. Morris, Feb. 15  
Marilyn Haussmann Powell, Feb. 2  
Joseph W. Stevenson Jr., June 25\*  
G. Donald Young, April 4

'52 Richard S. Krissinger, Nov. 6\*  
Ronald J. Leib, Feb. 6  
Herbert G. May, Jan. 7  
G. Clark Shaffer, April 10

'53 Margaret Luebbe Butler, March 12  
Charles F. DeWaele, Feb. 8  
Kenneth B. George, Oct. 11\*

'54 Helen Myers Bream, Nov. 16\*  
Alan B. Coates, April 9  
George M. Young, Jan. 28

'55 Leo Bardenheuer, Dec. 5\*  
Ralf E. Gibert, Nov. 10\*  
Oakford A. Schalick Jr., Feb. 8  
Joan L. Richards, Dec. 17\*  
H. Theodore Ryberg, July 3\*

'56 Anna Latsha Babcock, Nov. 9\*  
William L. Einwaechter, Nov. 19\*  
Fred W. Hopkins Jr., Dec. 21\*  
Thomas B. McGrath Jr., Nov. 20\*  
Dale W. Moyer, Jan. 22  
Frederick H. Shisler, Jan. 1  
Joan E. Stein-Streilein, Jan. 4

'57 Marie Ruth Stauffer Hehr, Feb. 20  
Jay A. McDonnell, Nov. 4\*  
Robert R. Sieck, March 14

'58 H. Bruce Aslasken, April 24  
Ethel Gotwald Foor, Feb. 20  
Donald M. Harman, Dec. 17\*  
Robert R. Kauffman, Jan. 28  
Lloyd S. Lauver, Jan. 1  
Theodore E. Parsons, March 8  
John W. Pritsch, Sept. 2020  
Judith L. Schaub, Jan. 26

'59 Barbara Borke Baumgardner, Jan. 10  
Charles A. Beck Jr., Feb. 13  
Philip H. Kenworthy, Dec. 21\*  
Marilu Murphy, Feb. 12  
James W. Murray, Dec. 25\*  
Dianne Ganz Scheffer, Feb. 19  
F. Kenneth Shockley, Nov. 12\*  
Norman F. Wheeler Jr., Oct. 26\*

'60 C. Lynne MacArthur Bishop, Jan. 24  
Frank J. Fiore, Jan. 23  
Alan R. Keim, Jan. 28  
John F. Miller III, Jan. 1  
Paul E. Spring, Oct. 18\*  
Gerald W. Vickery Jr., Feb. 5

'61 Louis H. Caban, Jan. 21  
Carol Lunn Cahill, Jan. 11  
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Suzanne Steele Simpson, Nov. 21\*  
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Constance Suttles McKeen, Jan. 31

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'68 Terry R. Piersol, Feb. 4

'69 William M. Starner, April 24

'70 Charles T. Davidson, Aug. 20\*  
John K. Orr, Dec. 30\*

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Leon "Buddy" Glover, Feb. 11  
Jeffrey L. Patterson, Nov. 5\*

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Susan J. Pohlman, Nov. 28\*

'73 Glenn Beyer Jr., April 30

'74 Craig M. Bell, Oct. 4\*  
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'76 Carol S. Golden, Feb. 25

'77 Gregory M. Imperiale, Dec. 30\*  
Michael D. Stone, Feb. 20

'78 Peter Barnes III, Feb. 23

'79 Michael M. Levinson, Jan. 23

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'87 Aynn Chiary Barlotta, Nov. 4\*  
Gordon F. Van Note, Feb. 27

'91 Stephen C. Casey, Jan. 19

'12 Karl O. Utermohlen, April 18

'14 Rachel Fazio, Oct. 22\*

## RETIRED FACULTY AND STAFF

Donald H. Fortnum, Feb. 2  
*professor of chemistry emeritus*

**PETER BARNES III '78, P '20**

Peter Barnes III, passed away on Feb. 22, 2021, at the age of 64 following a short illness. A longtime resident of Edison, New Jersey, Barnes was a State Superior Court judge and former member of both the state Senate and Assembly. Born in California, but raised primarily in Edison, Barnes graduated from Edison public schools and later studied political science at Gettysburg College. After earning his Bachelor of Arts in 1978, he went on to earn a Master of Business Administration from Fairleigh Dickinson University in management in 1980 and was awarded a Juris Doctor by the Widener University School of Law in 1985.

Barnes represented Middlesex County's 18th legislative district in the New Jersey Legislature for nearly a decade, serving in the Assembly from 2007-2014 and then the Senate from 2014-2016. He left the Senate after Gov. Chris Christie nominated him to serve as a Superior Court judge in 2016. In the Legislature, Barnes sponsored laws to create a two-percent property tax cap and establish a task force to reduce sexual assaults on college campuses. He also helped form the Dismal Swamp Preservation Commission to save 1,000 acres in Metuchen, South Plainfield, and Edison. Before joining the Legislature, Barnes served on the Edison township council from 1996 to 2007, including a stint as its president.

Barnes garnered a reputation as a detail-driven lawmaker who put the need for good policy before the desire for a quick headline. The things that made him a good legislator and beloved colleague also made him a model judge in our Superior Courts for the past nearly five years.

The Gettysburg College Alumni Association honored Barnes in 2018 with the Phyllis Hicks Utterback Silent Leader award. Barnes also served on the Alumni Board of Directors and various other committees of the College.

Barnes is survived by his wife, Katie Barnes; their three children, including Kenneth Barnes '20; and his mother, Barbara Barnes, and sister Kelly Barnes Stewart '82. He was predeceased by a brother, Patrick Barnes '79, P'20, in 2020.

For information about The Barnes Endowed Scholarship, please contact giving@gettysburg.edu or 1-800-238-5528.

**RUTH (RUTHE) CRALEY '50**

Ruth (Ruthe) Craley, 92, previously of Gettysburg and York, Pennsylvania, passed away on March 20, 2021, after a short illness in Simpsonville, South Carolina, where she had lived with her youngest daughter the past few years.

The daughter of Lena Schweinberger Fortenbaugh and Robert Fortenbaugh, Craley attended Gettysburg schools and graduated from Gettysburg College in 1950, where she was a member of Chi Omega sorority and majored in classical studies. Upon graduation, she married N. Neiman Craley Jr., of Red Lion, Pennsylvania.

A woman of many interests, Craley was a lifelong supporter of women's and voting rights, literacy, and equality for all. She was devoted to many causes, and when asked in 2002 how she managed to do so much in the community, she responded, "I have strong beliefs, strong self-esteem, strong opinions. And I don't worry. If I can't find a way to succeed, I turn my attention to something I can accomplish."

A voracious reader, she was an avid traveler and particularly enjoyed visiting areas where the early Romans had settled, a testament to her classical studies degree. She was fond of Elderhostel (Road Scholar) trips and valued the company of family and friends when exploring. Especially proud of the accomplishments of the Johnson administration when her husband, Neiman, served (then Pennsylvania's 19th District) as Congressman from 1965 to 1967, her passion for politics never ebbed.

Craley taught in York City schools from 1967 to 1990 and was a feature writer for *York Sunday News*. She attended the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of York. She also remained connected to Gettysburg College, serving as class correspondent for Gettysburg College Magazine and participating in reunion committees and other College groups. Craley's service was recognized in 2003 with the Alumni Meritorious Service Award and also honored as a Woman of Distinction 1996.

Craley is survived by her sister Ann Fortenbaugh Eicholtz '57, P'83 and children Sarah, Harry, Stacy, and their families. She adored her grandchildren, Andrew, Daniel, Cory, Lauren '08, Dustin, Jeff, and Katy, as well as her eight great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her brother Robert B. Fortenbaugh '44, P'73; his wife Esther '46, P'73; and her brother-in-law Paul Eicholtz P'83. Ruthe enjoyed the friendship and respect of several nieces and nephews, including Susan Eicholtz Pyron '83.

**DONALD HOLLY FORTNUM**

Donald Holly Fortnum, 88, professor of chemistry, emeritus, Gettysburg College, died Feb. 2, 2021, at Gettysburg Hospital with his family by his side.

Don earned his Bachelor of Science in chemistry and mathematics from Carroll College in May 1954. While at

Carroll, Don was president of the Delta Rho Upsilon fraternity, Interfraternity Council, and Wesley Fellowship. A member of the Student Christian Association, the House Council, the publications committee, the American Chemical Society, the staff of the student paper, and the intramural program, he was also elected to Delta Sigma Nu scholastic honor society.

In 1958, Don graduated with a doctorate in chemistry from Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island. Providence is also where he met the love of his life, the late Emily (Waters) Fortnum. They married in 1958, the same year Don began teaching chemistry at Ursinus College.

In 1965, Don became a member of the chemistry faculty at Gettysburg College teaching physical chemistry in addition to other courses. He was appointed a full professor in 1972, the same year he was selected to Outstanding Educators of America. At Gettysburg, Don shared his love of both chemistry and computers, becoming an early adopter of the emerging technology. His final exams were filled with challenging equations but also inspiring quotations and jokes served with a table full of snacks including homemade chocolate chip cookies.

A member of the Gettysburg United Methodist Church, Don was active in leadership roles and taught Sunday school classes for many years.

In 2000, the year of his retirement, Don became a grandfather, a role that he relished by providing a preschool filled with nursery rhymes, poems, storytelling, songs, games, computers, and crafts, and in later years tailoring activities to the unique interests of each of his four granddaughters.

Don's interests included photography and Apple computers participating in the Washington Apple Pi and the Keystone MacCentral users' groups until recently. He was also a gifted storyteller, avid reader, and curator of books, news articles, comics, music, and anecdotes to share with his family.

Don is survived by his brothers Theodore and Richard and their families; his four children, Holly, Timothy, Emily, and Thomas; and their families.

**LEON B. GLOVER '71**

Leon Bernard Glover Jr., affectionately known as "Buddy," passed away on Feb. 11, 2021, surrounded by family. After graduating from J. P. McCaskey High School, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in 1967, Glover attended Gettysburg College as part of the Upward Bound program. During his time at Gettysburg, he became influential in telling the story of being Black at the college through his publications: *Black Awareness* and *The Black Student*. His efforts led to an increase in the enrollment of African American students on campus. With the other Black students on campus, Glover established the Afro-American Society, Spring 1969, to become the Black Student Union in 1972. He received his Bachelor of Arts in history in 1971.

After graduation, Glover received his Teaching Certification from Franklin and Marshall College and went on to successfully complete his Master of Education at Millersville State College in 1979. His educational pursuits continued at the University of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia, where he earned both his Principal Certification and his Superintendent's Letter of Eligibility.

Glover began his career with the School District of Lancaster (SDOL) in 1978 as an administrative assistant for attendance and discipline at J.P. McCaskey High School. In 1981, he was promoted to assistant principal/house principal, where he remained until 1987. During this period, Glover traversed the entire city, to complete 5,000 home visits to incoming sophomores and their parents. He believed that engagement, encouragement, and preparedness would lead to improved academic performance and increased graduation rates. He also piloted programs that allowed students to visit colleges, to expand their horizons, and help them to visualize different professional paths.

In 1987, Glover became the first Black principal in Lancaster County, when he took over the helm at Edward Hand Junior High School. Glover continued his career as an administrator, serving in numerous capacities, including assistant superintendent, deputy superintendent, and interim superintendent until his retirement in 2004. Glover was recognized with an Outstanding Service Award for his 33 years with the School District of Lancaster.

He was an active member of many professional and community organizations. Glover's tireless commitment to the Lancaster community and its children, over the course of decades, earned him many awards and honors. He was recognized as a Distinguished Alumnus, both by J.P. McCaskey High School and Gettysburg College. He was honored with Service Awards by the Urban League, the NAACP, and the Boys Club. In his honor, Buddy had a tree dedicated at Carter & MacRae Elementary, a bench at Wickersham Elementary, and a community playground at Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary School.

He was the loving husband of Charlotte Splawn Thrash Glover. In addition, he is survived by his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, who were his pride and joy. Glover is also survived by his two sisters, Gwendolyn and Donna. He was preceded in death by his parents and three of his children: Ronald "Popie" Webb Jr., Allen Thomas, and Roosevelt McFadden. Glover also recently lost his beloved brother Darryl L. Glover, who passed away unexpectedly in July 2020.

For information about The Leon "Buddy" Glover '71 Endowed Scholarship Fund, please contact giving@gettysburg.edu or 1-800-238-5528.

I HAVE BEEN INTERESTED IN WINE SINCE I WAS YOUNG—TOO YOUNG, IN FACT, TO CONSUME IT MYSELF. LATER, AS A HISTORY MAJOR AT GETTYSBURG, I LEARNED THE METHODOLOGIES OF HISTORICAL ANALYSIS THAT WOULD EVENTUALLY TRANSLATE TO MY CAREER AS A SOMMELIER: I NOW HAVE A VALUABLE SKILL TO USE TO EXPLAIN THE INTRICACIES OF WINE, AND TO DO IT AGAINST A HISTORICAL BACKDROP.

SO, WHAT DOES MAKE A GREAT WINE? AS A SOMMELIER, I GET ASKED THIS QUESTION ON AN ALMOST DAILY BASIS. TO ANSWER IT, LET'S FIRST GET BACK TO THE ROOT—LITERALLY.

## STRONG ROOTS AND A SOLID FOUNDATION

Wine is unlike most other agricultural products in the world in that the worse the soil, the better the end product. Sommeliers who study soils have found that fertile soils enable a grapevine to produce abundant fruit, which dilutes the concentration of fructose and diminishes the end flavor of the wine.

This study of soils, or “terroir,” isn’t a new undertaking. Beginning in the 10th century, Benedictine monks in Burgundy’s Cluny Abbey studied grape development across vineyards devoted to communion wine. They found that marl, an amalgamated soil, creates tremendous concentration in Chardonnay, while the finicky Pinot Noir thrives on quick-draining limestone. Their study of soil’s impact on wine has influenced winemaking around the world.

## CARETAKING AND STEWARDSHIP

From the pruning of grapevines to the use or disuse of pesticides (look into organic and biodynamic wines), the treatment of the vine during cultivation is important to the end result of wine.

## SKIN CONTACT

Contrary to common belief, a red wine isn’t red because of the color of the grape’s juice. Every grape in major commercial production today, in fact, has white juice. Creating red wine requires leaving pressed juice in contact with grape skins for an extended period of time—a process called maceration. Want to make a rosé? Simply shorten maceration time.

## PATIENCE AND CONTROL

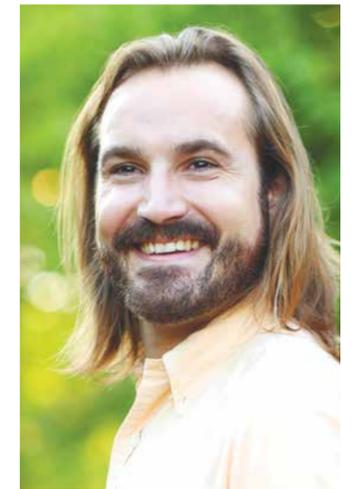
The fermentation process takes time. In standard fermentation, yeasts—either wild or cultivated—are introduced into the pressed juice of harvested grapes. Those yeasts break down sugars, releasing carbon dioxide and alcohol, along with heat. Many modern winemakers use temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks, ensuring that released heat doesn’t kill yeasts. At 15 percent alcohol, most yeasts will die naturally as their environment becomes toxic.

To produce sparkling wine, a sealed bottle of wine is subjected to a secondary fermentation whereby carbon dioxide isn’t released into the air, but is instead contained and reabsorbed into the wine. This process is most common in Champagne, where the absorbed carbon dioxide is released as bubbles!

## THE FINISH

While the average bottle of Barefoot or Woodbridge can be \$5, a bottle of Domaine de la Romanée-Conti’s 1945 Romanée-Conti Grand Cru sold at auction for \$558,000 in 2018. How does something that is essentially grape juice end up costing the same as a Ferrari, and how does that price reflect the taste? In the end, a “great wine” is in the eye of the beholder (or taster!) and it’s a sommelier’s job to guide you to find the wine you’ll like best. 

*Story by and photos courtesy of Alexander Lopez-Wilson '10, Certified Specialist of Wine (CSW) and French Wine Scholar (FWS)*



## WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY

LAURA JOHNSON STANTON '09 REFLECTS ON HER SERENDIPITOUS CONNECTION WITH MUSSELMAN LIBRARY ARCHITECT HUGH NEWELL JACOBSEN

by Laura Johnson Stanton '09  
Photo courtesy of Laura Johnson Stanton '09

I moved to Washington, D.C., in 2009 right after graduation—and also right after the economic crisis of 2008. I ventured into the world with enough optimism and self-doubt to make the transition into being an adult complicated at best and crippling at worst. To get myself out of these fogs, I would often go for long runs that would inevitably take me to the Georgetown neighborhood in D.C., which I'm lucky enough to live within a mile of today.

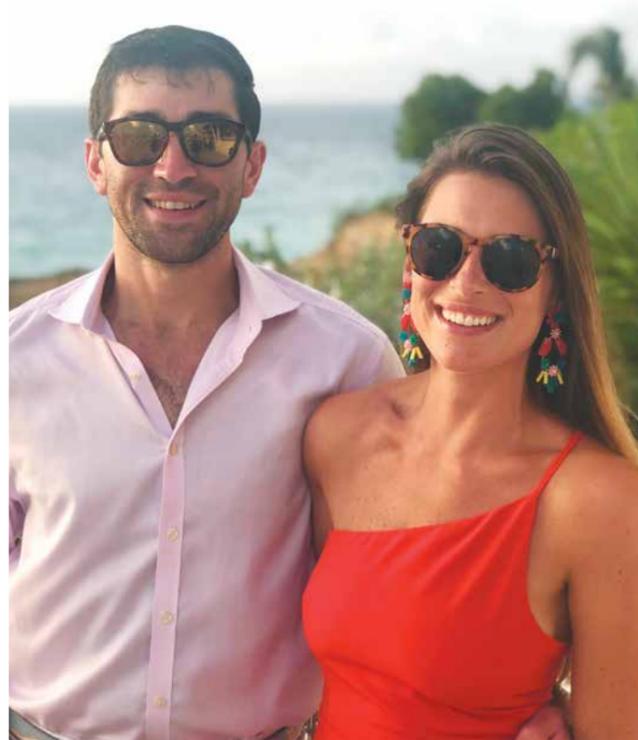
On a particularly hard day, I had stopped to take a break and looked up to see an older gentleman sitting behind a large window, glass of wine in hand, who smiled and waved to me. It felt comforting. I waved back and continued on my run.

I had completely forgotten about the encounter until years later, when I started a new job that changed my commute home. At a stop sign, I looked to my left and noticed the same window, and the same man from years ago who had waved hello. Again, glass in hand, he smiled and waved. This became a daily ritual and one to which I always looked forward.

As I was preparing to leave work early one afternoon, I felt a pull to leave a note for my friend in the window. I stopped for a card and some flowers, and wrote something like: *Thank you for the daily wave and the reminder to pause and enjoy what's around you.* I dropped the items on his doorstep and turned to go when his nurse opened the door and asked me if I'd like to come in, as it was his birthday! And so, over the next hour and two glasses of wine, we chatted.

He asked about my career, and I explained that I worked for an architecture and design firm—he replied that he was an architect! He shared some fascinating stories about some of his most famous projects (and clients) and then asked where I graduated. When I told him "Gettysburg College," he gave a big laugh and said, "Oh, sure! I designed that library!"

And so it was that one random afternoon I celebrated the birthday of Hugh Newell Jacobsen—my friend in the window, world-renowned architect, and designer of Musselman Library.



We continued to wave to each other every day at the stop sign. Until one day, not long ago, when the shutters to his window were closed. I think of Mr. Jacobsen often, and how a gesture as small as a wave—a "Gettysburg hello," if you will—became such a comfort to me, and how that wave later led to a magical afternoon of serendipity.

It's easy to believe that in order to Do Great Work, one must do something BIG. But what is "great"? To me, greatness can be found in the smallest gestures—a wave, a card, a surprise left on a neighbor's porch. These are all opportunities to connect with each other—you just need to be kind enough to wave and curious enough to say hello. **G**

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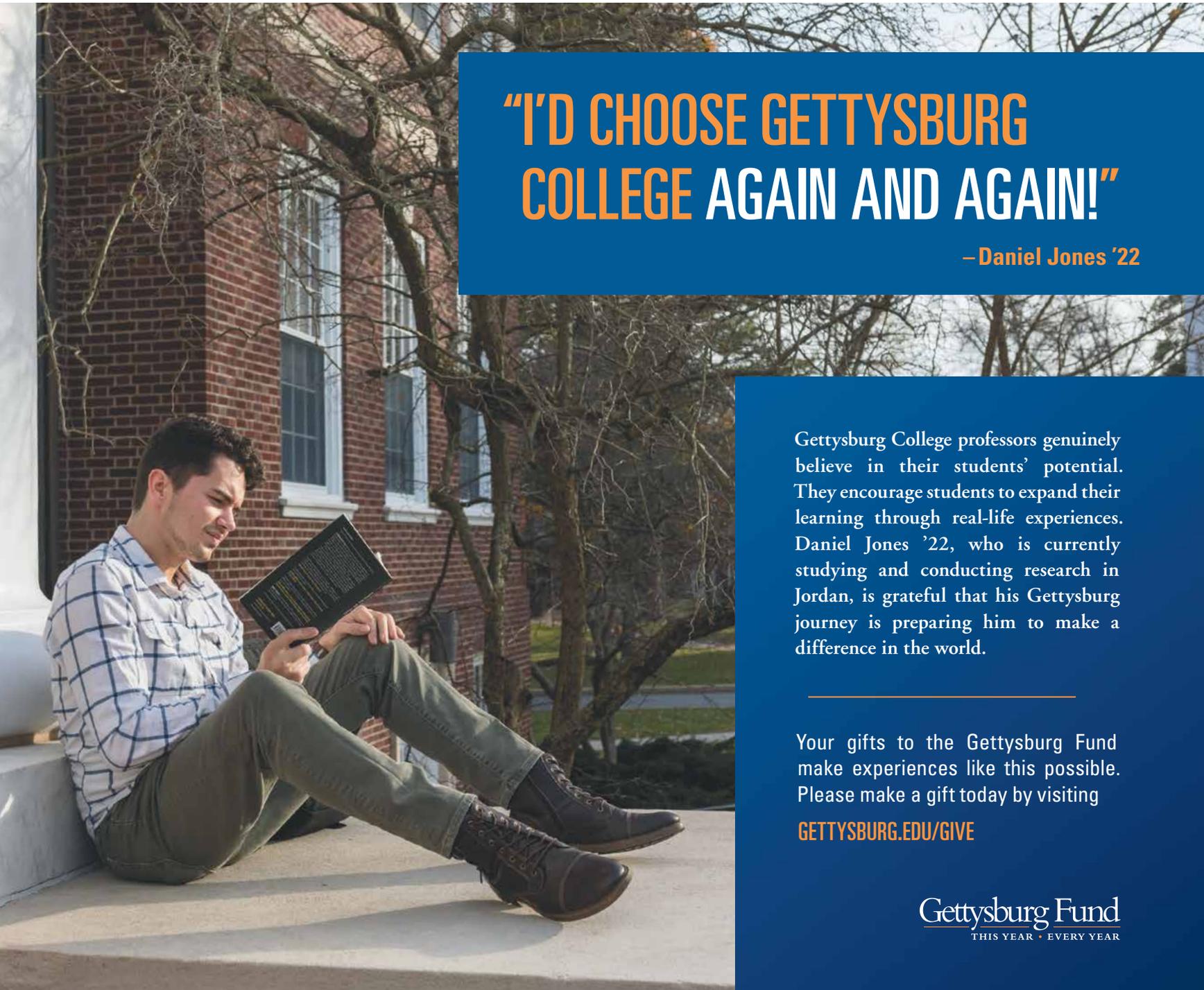


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