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Letter from the Editor



We are finally seeing signs of spring here at Wyoming Seminary. Students are spending more time socializing outdoors, athletes are enjoying games and practices outside, and annual spring performing arts events are fast approaching.

We made it through another typical Northeastern Pennsylvania winter! But it certainly didn't come without needing motivation to get through some very frigid days.

I found my motivation on Jan. 31, thanks to someone who sent an email on just the right day. There was a nuisance snow storm, and combined with single-digit temperatures, we were all hunkered down and hoping the dismal winter would be short-lived.

That's when I received an email from Vice President of Advancement **JOHN SHAFER '71** sharing an item for the Class Notes section for this edition of the Journal (page 27). The email was forwarded from **JOHN D. PLATT '49**. Mr. Platt had recently completed the Houston Half Marathon, where he finished third in his age group. He was happy to report that he was able to check it off his bucket list. Mr. Platt is 88 years old.

Motivation found!

I was kicking around signing up for a late winter half marathon myself, but I kept hesitating. I read Mr. Platt's email and immediately booked a flight and signed up for the March 2 Myrtle Beach Half Marathon.

Sometimes we just need a little push. And, sometimes, without even knowing it, we are motivation for others.

Flip through the pages of this Journal and I'm certain you will find something that motivates you. Perhaps it will be the stories of our students and the commitment they have to their academics that resulted in awards and honors. Or maybe it's the students who dedicated months of their time to a successful "Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat" performance.

Of course, not everything comes easy and without effort. Consider this quote with which Mr. Platt closed his email: "The race is not always to the swift, but to those who keep on running."

Go Blue Knights!

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THE ART OF CONVERSATION



By Kevin Rea

Recently while sitting down with my family in a restaurant for a meal, I paused to look around the room. After a minute or two I noticed so many people quietly gazing upon the object of their affections in their hands, their cell phones! Ten years ago, this would have surprised me, but now, I have, somewhat sadly, become accustomed to the sight of people in public focused more on screens than people. This has

inspired me to wonder about the potential for us all to forget the art of meaningful conversation. This sensation is magnified for teenagers who have grown up with screens and technology as part of their daily lives. Is there any skill more important for our youth than being able to generate and maintain meaningful face-to-face conversation? On April 3, our Upper School put this question to the test when the entire Upper School paused to engage in conversation as part of a day of understanding.

Spearheaded by Upper School Counselor Jessica Montrella, Upper School Class Dean Rachel Bartron, English teacher and Students of Color Association Advisor Nate Fisher, Upper School Dean Tom Morris and Narrative 4 Coordinator Jennifer Rhoads, the day created spaces where face-to-face conversations flourished. Our students arrived in the KCCA where they heard an inspiring talk by Fr. Josh Thomas, Plymouth native, proud Wyoming Valley West graduate and alumnus of one of Mr. John Vaida's choral trips to Europe in the late 1980s (and he had the pictures to prove it!). After graduating from Dartmouth College, Fr. Josh's career brought him around the world in pursuit of peace. He has most recently taken up the post of President of Kids4 Peace, an interfaith organization dedicated to ending conflict around the globe. Following Fr. Josh's keynote, led by trained student and faculty facilitators, our students broke out into advisory groups and shared stories from their lives using the Narrative 4 Story Exchange model. In the afternoon, our students and faculty partnered to offer 24 breakout sessions on diverse topics.

It was a genuine pleasure to observe our Upper School community connecting with one another. I subsequently met with two students from opposite ends of the political debate in our country to ask them about the day. One wrote:



"I found it really impressive that the views of everyone were taken into account. It was something that I appreciated greatly because my views are not ones that are common among teenagers. From everyone I spoke with, they all said the same thing. Everyone had their own views and they were able to share them without having backlash from anyone else. Overall the day was something that had an overly positive result."

When asked about the day, the second student observed:

"The day of understanding has been my favorite day of the year. I found it incredible how our community could be so raw and honest with each other. It was a very needed day, and I feel as though it brought the community closer together because we all chose to listen and learn from each other."

In investing time and energy in empathy and its concomitant, understanding, through conversation we realize our mission as a college preparatory school for the 21st century and also fulfill the wishes of students like the one I read about recently who, when asked about how technology has impacted his communication and if he could explain his views more deeply replied: "Someday, but certainly not now...now I'd like to learn how to have a conversation."



“ Is there any skill more important for our youth than being able to generate and maintain meaningful face-to-face conversation? ”

LOOKING BACK...

A lot of historical research has been undertaken in preparation for Sem's 175th Anniversary (dodransbicentennial, if you will). Below is one small aspect of that research: yearbook ads from Sem's history.

From the first yearbook that was ever published, in 1896, Wyoming staff relied on income from ads to underwrite the cost of producing the publication. Those ads came from community businesses, like those seen here. In the late 1980s and early 1990s, the Wyoming solicited ads both from local vendors as well as the families of seniors. By the mid-'90s, only family ads were included.



Celebrating 175 YEARS



1897



1902



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1921



ALUMNI GATHERINGS

SAN FRANCISCO: 1. **JULIE ECKERT '99**, Caitlin Vanderburg, **MARK VANDERBURG '05**, Helene Zimmerman, **MARK NELSON '78**, **BOB ZIMMERMAN '65**, **MICHAEL IMPERIALE '78**, **JOHN SHAFER '71**, **CONNIE YAHARA LEWIS '56**, Don Lewis, and Kevin Rea.



SAN DIEGO: 2. Front row from left: Sally Sprankle, **JOHN MACHUN '47**, Minette Smith, **PEGGY PERKINS BEERS '63**, and Mary Oblon. Back row: Larry Sprankle, Kevin Rea, Shani McCormick, **JORDAN CAR-RICK-SCHREIBER '06**, **MADHI AL-AGIRI '80**, **DAVE OBLON '65**, and **JOHN SHAFER '71**. Also attending were Jane and **HARVEY ROSENK-RANTZ '62**.



LOS ANGELES: 3. Front row, from left: **BANNER WHITE '10**, **DAVID BLOCKER '55**, and **JOHN SHAFER '71**. Back row: **LAURA OWENS SKINNER '91**, **KAREN CERA '91**, **CAROL MUNDAY LAWRENCE '60**, **ERICA RUDNICK KIM '91**, **JENNIFER MUGFORD NECESSARY '91**, and Kevin Rea.



SEATTLE: 4. Front row, from left: Aitana de Jara, and **ARTHUR BACON '61**. Middle row: Jebraan Gowan, **SARAH SPILLANE '13**, John Nulton, Jenn Shoval, **JESSICA CUTLER '98**, and **ANN JONES WEIGLE '66**. Back row: **JOHN SHAFER '71**, **PHOEBE CUTTER '08**, **HUGH GILLMORE '08**, **BEN SHOVAL '95**, Niels Thogersen, Scott Weigle, and Kevin Rea.



PHOENIX: 5. Front row, from left: **JENNIFER MIERNICK-NOJUNAS '85**, Randi Goldstein, Audra Lyons, Dave Lyons, **CRAIG ROZEN '68**, and **KATHI FAIRMAN '77**. Back row: **JOHN SHAFER '71**, Matthew Nojunas, **IRA GOLDSTEIN '67**, John Charland, **LIESL HARDER '85**, **HEIDI WEBER GEIGER '76**, **JIM BARRERA '68**, Roseann Barrera, Gail Ungar, **IRA UNGAR '66**, and Kevin Rea.



TUSCON: 6. Front row, from left: Dee Ruelas, Dyana Howard, **ROSEMARY WAVERKA LONG '52**, and **RUTH GATES KELLY '54**. Back row: **JOHN SHAFER '71**, **JEFF KRATZ '08**, **PETE JOHNSON '61**, **RAY HOWARD '61**, **JIM LONG '48**, **AVERY GENTLE '61**, and Kevin Rea.

TUSCON SEATTLE
san diego

san francisco
PHOENIX
LOS ANGELES

WEST
COAST

ALUMNI GATHERINGS

EAST COAST

WILKES-BARRE 1. From left: **CHRIS SIEGEL '88**, **STEPHEN ROSENTHAL '93**, and Elyse Wilson.



PALM BEACH 2. Front row from left: **LIZ CLEMENTS KATYL '05** Director of Alumni Programs, **HARLEY CHIVERS TOUFANIA '98**, **MARK ROBINS '81**, and **ELLEN DRIEKORN REDICK '66**. Back Row: **JOHN SHAFER '71**, **ALAN HOLLANDER '69**, **RICHARD GOLDBERG '55**, **JANE BENOVIKZ FEINSTEIN '74**, **NINA DAVIDOWITZ '77**, Rosemary Chromey, Robert Redick, **NANCY PRAGONETTE MORSE '66**, and Kevin Rea.



NAPLES 3. From left: **GINNIE MILLER SCHMIDT '56**, **LINDA BRYAN GOSS '58**, and **CLAIRE CONLON EVANS '52**. 4. From left: Fred Genung, Kathi Flack, **ALLAN KLUGER '45**

WILKES-BARRE 5. Alumni Council, from left: **ROBERT BRESNAHAN '08**, **STEPHEN MOLITORIS '97**, **SARA ROSENBERG MOLITORIS '05**, **CATHY FIELDS MCHUGH '78**, **MADDIE KROPP '05**. Second row: **MADHAN SRINIVASAN '01**, **STEPHANIE COCCIA SLAVISH '02**, **KATRINA WALLACE '11**. Third row: **RYAN MOLITORIS '06**, **STEVE ROSENTHAL '93**, **ALEX FLACK '05**, **LAUREN TOCZYLOWSKI WIELAGE '02**. Back row: **JOHN HENRY '10**, **DANIEL VOLPETTI '03**, **JILLIAN SEELEY '05**.



MIAMI 6. From left: Ksenyia Yakushyn, Kevin Rea, **ANDRIY YAKUSHYN '00**, and **LIZ CLEMENTS KATYL '05**

WASHINGTON D.C. 7. From left: **GIGI LOPATTO '77**, **JOHN LOPATTO '69**, Kevin Rea, and **MARY LOPATTO '72**

TAMPA 8. Front row from left: Alicia Quackenbush, **NICK QUACKENBUSH '57**, and **LIZ CLEMENTS KATYL '05**. Back row: Joanne Turrell, **PETER TURRELL '61**, **MARIAN CURRY JENSEN '70**, **DAVID ABELSON '71**, **JOHN SHAFER '71**, and Kevin Rea.



palm beach
TAMPA
WASHINGTON DC

MIAMI

NAPLES
wilkes-barre

NEWS AND NOTES



GIOVANNI RAMOS '22, seated at left, and his parents, Cynthia Oleski and Giovanni Ramos, and brother, Christopher, display their molds before filling with molten aluminum.

Aluminum pour combines science, artistry

Sem's Maslow STEM School invited students and families to try their hand at making an aluminum paperweight during a STEAM aluminum pour event, held last September at the Upper School. Visiting artist Stephen Morse and Sem art faculty College Ayers worked with participants as they carved a design into a sandstone block which formed the bottom part of a mold. Then liquid aluminum was poured in, and in less than one hour, a distinctive paperweight had been created. This is one of several events and lectures offered by the Maslow STEM School for the 2018-19 school year.

Finding energy in local culm banks

Reclamation of a local culm bank and using cogeneration to create power were the topics of an October Louis Maslow STEM School lecture held at Upper School. **HANK ZIELINSKI '86**, a professional engineer with Olympus Power, presented a lecture titled "How to Clean Up a Big Mess." He discussed the process which Keystone



Seen prior to the lecture are, from left: Jill Carrick, Lower School science department chair and associate director of the Sem STEM School; Zielinski, speaker; James Doherty, Upper School math department chair and STEM School associate director; and **JOHN EIDAM '90**, STEM School director and Lower School science faculty.

Reclamation Fuel Management is using to remediate the 55-acre Harry E culm bank in Swoyersville, and explained the science of cogeneration.

Journalist presents lecture on immigration



Connolly

An historical perspective of the issue of immigration to the United States was the focus of a special free public lecture held at Upper School in December. The lecture, a presentation of Sem Speaks: A Global Topics Lecture Series, featured journalist Daniel Connolly, a reporter at The Commercial Appeal newspaper in Memphis, Tenn. He discussed "Today's Immigration Battles – How We Got Here, Where We're Going." Connolly specializes in coverage of immigration to the United States, particularly Mexican immigration, and is the author of "The Book of Isaias: A Child of Hispanic Immigrants Seeks His Own America."

Cardboard and code at Lower School

Two STEM School events brought out the creativity in primary and middle-school students who attended the Global Cardboard Challenge/Sem Day of Play and Beyond the Hour of Code programs. During the Cardboard Challenge, the primary and middle-school students were encouraged to design and build their own creations using cardboard, recycled materials and their imagination; the students also could create their own cardboard projects in advance and bring them to the event. Children also designed silly hats, costumes, games or whatever they wished, and prizes were given for most interactive and most creative projects made in advance.

During the Beyond the Hour: Kids Who Code event, open to students in kindergarten through fourth grade, the children enjoyed a variety of coding activities using games, small robots and coding apps. Some students also learned about "unplugged coding," in which they use oral and written instructions to experience how computers and robotic machines work. This event was designed to introduce or continue the exploration of computer coding begun during the "Hour of Code Challenge" held around the world in December 2018.



KATHRYN EIDAM '27 participates in the Kids Who Code event.

Living Wax Museum highlights history

Visitors to the Kirby Center for Creative Arts stepped back into ancient history in December when they attended the World Civilizations Living Wax Museum, presented by Sem freshmen. The students presented talks on selected historical figures from the beginnings of history, such as Darius the Great and Ramses II, and curated interactive museum displays and props. Third-grade students, who also participate in an historical museum project, enjoyed visiting the Upper School to learn more about great leaders of the ancient world.



JAKE BAKER '22 encourages a friend to try on a helmet modeled after those found in the Roman era.

SOCA students attend conference

The Students Of Color Association (SOCA) participated in the Student Diversity Leadership Conference in Nashville, TN in early December. The mission of the conference is to provide a safe space for leadership and professional development and networking for people of color and allies of all backgrounds in independent schools.

Students representing Sem included **SOPHIA ADGEHE '19**, **REBECCA HAMMERMAN '19**, **ANAIHAH JAMES '19**, **REBECCA JAMES '19**, **PEARL MILLER '19**, and **VIVIAN OKOROANYAWU '19**. Chaperones for the trip included Sem faculty Nate Fisher, Rebecca Bartron, and Charlie Carrick.



REBECCA JAMES '19, Ije Achebe, and **PEARL MILLER '19**



New CFO, Dean join Sem community

Wyoming Seminary welcomed two new senior administration officers to the school community for the beginning of the 2018-19 academic year. Julie Calabro, Sem's new chief financial officer, previously served as Senior Director/CFO of the Americas region of EDM Americas, Inc., in Scranton. A graduate of Marywood University, she holds comprehensive responsibility for all aspects of the school's financial management, including oversight, strategies, fiscal policies, hiring, programs and practices, and oversees the business office.

Tom Morris also joined the Sem community as Dean of Upper School. He previously served as Upper School Director, Assistant Head of School and middle-school history teacher at St. George's Independent School in Collierville, Tenn. He also taught history and coached lacrosse and basketball at Thayer Academy and Canterbury School. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in history and a master of arts degree in European history from Providence College.

Katyl named Director of Alumni Programs

ELIZABETH L. CLEMENTS KATYL '05 has been named Sem's Director of Alumni Programs, announced **JOHN SHAFER '71**, Sem Vice President of Advancement. She succeeds **JULIE MCCARTHY STRZELETZ '81** who retired in July.

Katyl is responsible for planning, managing and directing all alumni activities, events and programs. Before joining Sem, she served as an underwriting training coordinator, and senior classification analyst and trainer, for Berkshire Hathaway Guard Insurance Companies in Wilkes-Barre. She also served as director of sales and marketing and licensed insurance agent for the Katyl Agency in Dunmore.

In addition to her work at Sem, Katyl is an active volunteer with Intercollegiate Leadership Wilkes-Barre, the North Branch Land Trust annual dinner committee and the Junior League of Wilkes-Barre. She also serves as the secretary of the Wyoming Seminary Alumni Council. She holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration and marketing, summa cum laude, from Misericordia University.

SCENE & HEARD

Love and comedy combine in "Shrek Jr. The Musical"

Fairy-tale creatures, a big, scary ogre and a princess with a secret...combine that with a talkative donkey and a tiny-but-overcompensating prince, and you have the foundation of the hilarious musical "Shrek Jr.," presented by the Lower School Players in November. With catchy tunes such as "Big Bright Beautiful World," "Morning Person" and "I Think I Got You Beat," the show is based on the popular movie and smash Broadway hit. More than 50 students in grades 4-8 took part in the production, which presented many opportunities to shine, both backstage and in front of the lights.



AINSLEY EIDAM '23 (Fiona), **AMARINSKE REITSMA '23** (Donkey) and **CHARLES COX '23** (Shrek) lead a chorus of fairy-tale creatures in a scene from "Shrek Jr. the Musical."

Colorful Biblical story fills Kirby stage

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" was the first Tim Rice/Andrew Lloyd Webber musical to be performed publicly. The Wyoming Seminary Players presented this very popular show in



OLIVER LEW '21 starred as Joseph, whose gift for interpreting dreams brought him both pain and profit.



Alexandria Folk Dance Troupe

Beauty of Egyptian dance on display at Sem

One of Egypt's three official dance companies, the Alexandria Folk Dance Troupe, stopped by the Kirby Center for Creative Arts in October to present a gorgeous series of colorful folk dances to

the public and Sem community. The free performance included dances from Alexandria, Upper Egypt, the Western Desert and Sinai. Sem's Department of Fine and Performing Arts collaborated with Good Shepherd Academy, the Slovak Heritage Society of Northeastern Pennsylvania and St. Ignatius Loyola Parish to bring the troupe to Kingston.

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Whiffenpoofs, Wainwright grace Kirby stage

No better way to kick off the holiday season than a concert by the acclaimed Yale Whiffenpoofs, known as the world's oldest and best known collegiate capella group. The "Whiffs," as they are affectionately called, are 14 students who tour throughout the country, performing a mixture of old Yale tunes, jazz standards, hits from across the decades and, for this concert, some seasonal songs. During their visit to Sem on December 11, the group provided a master class to the Madrigal Singers and the Lower School Select Chorus, and rehearsed the favorite ballad "I'll Be Seeing You" with the students. The Madrigals and the Select Chorus then enjoyed the thrill of performing the song with the Whiffenpoofs that evening on the Kirby stage. Wearing their iconic white tie, tails and gloves, the Yalies presented an engaging performance filled with wit, amazing virtuosity, amusing stories and creative, heart-warming arrangements of songs both old and new.

Only a month later, one of the music scene's most innovative male vocalists, composers and songwriters brought his unique sound to the Kirby stage. Rufus Wainwright, a celebrated contemporary pop singer who also has made a name for himself in classical music, presented an introspective solo performance on guitar and piano, singing "Cigarettes and Chocolate Milk," "Out of the Game," "So Long Maryann" and other songs. He also shared personal stories about his life and noted he also attended boarding school, admitting "I spent my days hiding." His sister, singer-songwriter Lucy Wainwright, opened the concert for him and later joined him on the song "Pretty Things" and his moving encore, Leonard Cohen's "Hallelujah."



The Yale Whiffenpoofs perform at the Kirby Center for Creative Arts.

These performances were part of the 2018-19 Sem Presents! Performing Arts Series, supported by the Black Horse Foundation, Mountain Productions, Lewith & Freeman Real Estate, Inc. and Petroleum Service Company.

Flack Gallery welcomes Gubbiotti exhibit

Color, structure, texture: all hallmarks of the intriguing solo exhibition by artist **JASON GUBBIOTTI '94** that brought throngs of people to the Rusty Flack Gallery in the Kirby Center for Creative Arts in September. Titled "Scheduled Feelings," the exhibit featured pieces that were the culmination of 12 months of work, tailoring and clarifying some earlier pieces, said Gubbiotti. One of the show's centerpieces was a collection of 30 drawings on paper, which used a limited set of colors and a few templates based on grids; these pieces could be seen as individual works or as a large painting. The event also served as a mini Sem reunion, as some of Gubbiotti's friends from Sem and Bishop O'Reilly stopped by to visit.



JASON GUBBIOTTI '94 discusses aspects of his work with Sem students during the opening reception for his exhibit "Scheduled Feelings."

A musical blast from the past

Wyoming Seminary's year-long celebration of its 175th anniversary continued in February, as the Sem Wind Ensemble presented a number of musical works with connections to the school's history. For the Winter Instrumental Concert, Wind Ensemble Director Anthony J. Kubasek led the musicians in a performance of excerpts from Berlioz' "Triumphal Symphony," which was used for a number of years as the processional march during Sem Commencement exercises. The Wind Ensemble also presented music played by the Sem Pep Band at home football games, and "Thunderscape" by Morales, a work performed during the ensemble's 2009 inaugural season.



The Sem Wind Ensemble performs at the Winter Instrumental Concert.



A collection of 30 pieces from **JASON GUBBIOTTI '94** filled one section of the Rusty Flack Gallery in the Kirby Center for Creative Arts.



FALL SPORTS ROUNDUP

FIELD HOCKEY

With goals from **HANNAH MAXWELL '20** and **KELSEY REZNICK '19** and a dominate team effort, the Blue Knights won the PIAA Class A state championship with a 2-0 win over Greenwood on Nov. 17. It was the seventh state title for the Blue Knights and the win capped a spectacular season that finished with a 21-2-1 record, a District 2 championship and a Wyoming Valley Conference title.

Postseason accolades poured in for the team, including all-conference recognition for **BARI LEFKOWITZ '20**, **MIA MAGNOTTA '21**, **HANNAH MAXWELL '20**, **AUBREY MYTYCH '19**, and **ALEX WESNESKI '20**. **KELSEY REZNICK '19** was named conference MVP. Reznick was a Regional and National All-American, while Wesneski was a Regional selection.

Academically, Reznick, Wesneski, Lefkowitz, Maxwell, **KATE BARILLA '19**, **REESE BUTCHER '20**, and **HALLE KEHL '19** were named to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association All-Academic Squad. Reznick is preparing to play for the U-19 national team, while Maxwell and Wesneski were selected to play for the U-17 national team.

SOCCER

BOYS SOCCER: The Blue Knights were crowned the District 2 AA champions and Wyoming Valley Conference Division 2 champs and finished with a 14-2-2 record.

EDGE MILLER '19 and **REGGIE GRAYEK '20** earned first team all-conference, while **RYAN ANDERSON '19** and **LUKE JOHNS '21** were second-team all-conference. Miller was also named to the All-State first team.

GIRLS SOCCER: Sem posted one of its best seasons in the last 10 years as they finished with a 6-6 record and a fourth-place finish in the Wyoming Valley Conference before losing in the first round of the District 2 tournament to eventual champion Wyoming Area. **ANNEMAAIKE REITSMA '19** and **EMILY MATTHEWS '19** were selected first team all-conference. Reitsma earned the team Coach's Award and Matthews was awarded team MVP.

GOLF

Led by state-qualifier and team MVP, **JEREMY CALLAHAN '20**, Sem capped the 2018 campaign with a first-place finish in the conference and a 10-2 record. Callahan, who finished third in the conference championships and second in districts, tied for fifth at the Regional Tournament and finished his junior season tied for 23rd at the state meet. **BOBBY WILSON '19** was a regional qualifier and along with Callahan was also a conference all-star.

TENNIS

The Blue Knights turned in another remarkable season as they finished undefeated in division play. Sem closed out the season with

a second-place team finish in the District 2 tournament.

Individually, **NICOLE JOANLANNE '20** and **EMILY URBANSKI '20** were selected as conference all-stars. Joanlanne reached the semifinals in singles districts and teamed with Urbanski to advance to the semifinals in doubles action.

PAIGE PARSONS '20 received the Coach's Award and **SHAILEE DESAI '21** was named team MVP at the annual fall sports awards celebration.

FOOTBALL

The Blue Knights finished with a 5-3 record, their best season since the program was restored in 2013.

Led by team MVP quarterback **COOPER HEISEY PG '19** Sem outscored their opponents 237-162. **KYLE COSTELLO '20** was the recipient of the Coach's Award.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Blue Knights welcomed first-year head coach William Stanton to the program and while neither team produced a winning record, there were several individuals who stood out throughout the season. **CAMERON SHEDLOCK '19** and **CAROLINE SIEGEL '21** were the recipients of the Coach's Award.



CROSS COUNTRY



BOYS SOCCER



FOOTBALL



GIRLS SOCCER



AWARD WINNERS



FIELD HOCKEY



TENNIS



GOLF



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GRANDPARENTS Day

OCTOBER 3-4, 2018

Proud grandparents came to Sem in October to spend a day with their grandchildren and enjoy school activities.

1: Grandparents of eighth-grade students participated in Clark Switzer's Colonial Day Living History event, and watched as their grandchildren experienced unfamiliar aspects of colonial life. Seen following the program are, from left: Charles and Gene Dilks; **CHASE TAYLOR '23**; and Caroline and Kenneth Taylor, Jr.

2: Sixth-grade student **TRAVIS EDMONDS '25** shared a class project with his grandmother Tracy Edmonds.

3: **JACOB KORETZ '21** welcomed his grandmother Patricia VanDoran to the Upper School campus for Grandparents Day.

4: Pre-kindergarten student **ABIGAIL FABIAN '32** shares a story with her grandparents Len Coleman, left, and Mary Pat Coleman.



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5: Matthew Kruger enjoyed spending the day with his grandchildren **ETHAN KRUGER '21** and **SOPHIA KRUGER '22**.

6: Second-grade student **BEAU CAWLEY '29** welcomed his grandparents Kathleen Cawley, left, and RoseMarie and Kevin Martin, right, to his classroom.

7: **WILLIAM BERGER '19** posed with his grandmother **CLAIRE CONLON EVANS '52** before lunch.

8: **SAMANTHA BARCIA '22** posed with a Flat Stanley paper doll by the Carpenter Athletic Center entrance as her grandfather James Dolan took her photo.



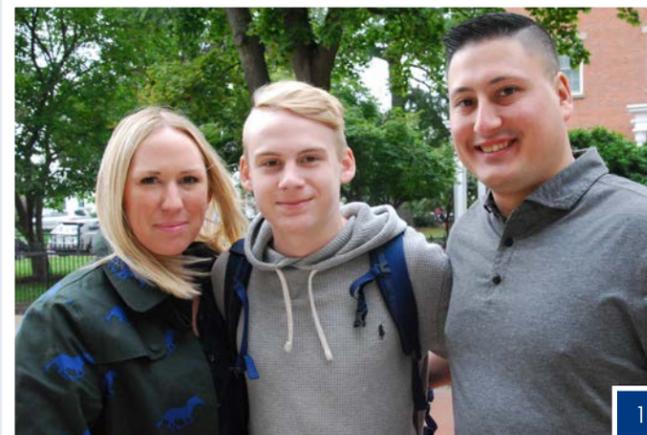
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PARENTS WEEKEND

OCTOBER 12-13, 2018

One of the most popular events of the fall term, Parents Weekend brings students and their parents together for classes, teacher conferences, a performing arts showcase, athletic events and receptions. It's an annual opportunity for parents to sample all that Sem has to offer!



Opposite page: Several music ensembles presented a lively series of short performances in an arts showcase for parents in the lobby of the Kirby Center for Creative Arts.

Above: 1: **KAMERON WILLIAMS '20**, center, spent the day with his parents Sarah Huggler and **MICHAEL DENNIS '04**.

2: **MYA DOBROWOLSKI '21** and her mother attended classes together.

3: **MATTHEW URBAN '21** and his parents Edward and Krista Urban pause between classes and conferences.

4: Parents Scott Cikowski and Denise Olack-Cikowski chatted with Monique and Keon Carpenter.

5: Parents got together to socialize with Upper School Dean Tom Morris and faculty members at the annual Parents Weekend Reception, held Friday afternoon. Seen visiting are, from left; John and Donna Kehl, and Irene and Bill Ziegler.

6: Jennifer Kotowski stopped by to visit with **ERIC MAY '89** and Holly Leandri-May.

HOMECOMING

OCTOBER 11-14, 2018



Running back **PRINCE HALL '19** (#2) breaks a tackle from a Cougar of the Kiski School. The Blue Knights dominated the game, winning 56-19.



From left: **ALEXANDRIA WESNESKI '20**, **ALLY VEZENDY '20** and **BARI LEFKOWITZ '20**. Second row, from left: **PAIGE PARSONS '20**, **GRACE PARSONS '21**, **AUBREY MYTYCH '19** and **JULIA CHRISTIAN '20**.



Turner Wielage plays with the Sem Blue Knight.



From left: **CHARLES LEO '19**, **FERDINAND LEUBE '21**, **LONG SAN WONG '20**, **ANTON HEIKARI '20**, **EVAN HROMISIN '21**, **KYLE HROMISIN '19**.



Top to bottom: Jane Slaff, director of College Guidance; **REMONA GRAY CHARLES '98** and **BABTUNDE AYANFODUN '98**. Members of the Class of 2023 sold baked goods to raise money for their graduation celebration. From left: **ARMEEN ALI**, **KELLY SANTO**, **STELLA REA**, **AMARINSKE REIT-SMA**, **CLAIRE STRETANSKI** and **AINSLEY EIDAM**. Two Sem Sports Hall of Famers at Homecoming: **FRANK BAUR '85**, left, and his coach **Marvin Antinnes**.



HOMECOMING



SPORTS HALL OF FAME

The Wyoming Seminary Varsity Club inducted seven new members, including one Olympian, into its Sports Hall of Fame during the club's 44th annual banquet in October. The 2018 inductees are, seated from left: **MADELEINE HACKETT '10** (field hockey, swimming and lacrosse), **NICHOLAS GORDON '09** (wrestling) and **DEVON GAGLIARDI PATTON '09** (field hockey, swimming, soccer). Standing: **CONNOR MCCORMICK '02** (soccer, football, basketball and baseball), Olympian **HOWARD WINFREE '57** (rowing), **MICHAEL PACKARD '98** (football, ice hockey and lacrosse), and **ROBERT ISAACS '02** (cross country, swimming and tennis).



ALUMNI SOCCER GAME

Alumni and friends who got together to play soccer on Homecoming morning are, from left: J.J.Durr, **ALYSSA KRISTELLER '17**, **JILLIAN SEELEY '05**, **RYAN MOLITORIS '06**, **STEPHEN MOLITORIS '97**, Aaron Littzi and Kevin Domzalski.



STEM ALUMNI PANEL

Three Sem alumni returned to campus to discuss their college educations and STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) career tracks with Sem Upper School faculty and students during a special STEM Alumni Panel presentation, held during Homecoming Week. Seen prior to their presentations are, from left: **IAN SHERWOOD '14**, Military Sealift Command, U.S. Navy; **HOANG ANH T. PHAN '14**, Ph.D. student in chemistry at University of Pennsylvania; and **HUNTER LACOMIS '14**, design engineer for CornellCookson.



BANNER CONTEST

Members of the Alumni Council judged the 2018 Society Homecoming banners, and chose the Florentine Society's banner as the winner. Seen from left: **RYAN MOLITORIS '06**, **LAUREN TOCZYLOWSKI WIELAGE '02**, **SARA ROSENBERG MOLITORIS '05**, **JILLIAN SEELEY '05** and Council President **ALEX FLACK '05**.



Nine seniors were nominated for the 2018 Sem Alumni Service Awards. Recipients were named during halftime at the Homecoming game. Nominees, from left: **MIA RAINERI**, **PEARL MILLER**, **BERNARD FRANTZ**, **MICHAEL DOGGETT**, **REBECCA HAMMERMAN**, **NICOLAS BUFALINO**, **SOPHIA ADEGHE**, **NIKOLAI STEFANOV**, **MOLLY LEAHY**, Kevin Rea, Wyoming Seminary president; and **ALEX FLACK '05**, Alumni Council president. Molly Leahy and Nikolai Stefanov were named the 2018 Alumni Service Award recipients.

ALUMNI SERVICE AWARDS



CLASS OF 1993:
STEPHEN ROSENTHAL, WILLIAM SORDONI



CLASS OF 1998:
First row, from left: CHRISTIAN WIELAGE, KELLY GILMORE WILSON, JESSICA CUTLER, CHARLENE AQUILINA. Second row, from left: CHASON SORDONI, MATHEW LAPINSKI, REMONA GRAY CHARLES, MICHAEL PACKARD, MICHAEL MEADOWS



CLASS OF 2003:
JOSHUA LEVINE, MATTHEW PACKARD, JASON BROWN, LINDSAY FOLTZ-BROWN



CLASS OF 2008:
ROBERT BRESNAHAN, ALEXANDRA MACNAMARA, JEFFREY KRATZ, CHRISTINA INSALACO, BRYN HARVEY



CLASS OF 2013:
HUNG-YU (JAMES) MA, CAROLINE REPERT, MORGAN DOWD, ALLISON YUSCAVAGE, JESSICA CASTERLINE

REUNIONS

NO SLOWING DOWN

2018 a monumental year for legendary Sem coach



2018 field hockey state champions



By Jill Snowdon

Fresh out of college, Karen Klassner arrived on the Wyoming Seminary campus in September 1971. Her plan was to coach field hockey, basketball and swimming and stay three years.

Instead, she inherited water ballet as an unexpected coaching assignment and her three-year stint turned into 48 years of dedication to the Sem community.

"I was a kid out of college (Lock Haven University) and I thought I would be here three, four years tops," Klassner said. "But, I started buying into all of the positives of the school. It's a very caring school with great academics, and people stay here because they love the community feel."

Despite being disappointed that the coaching roles she had hoped for were assigned to someone else, Klassner took it in stride and did her best to learn the intricacies of water ballet.

"My mom watched it on television and all I knew about it was they jumped in holding their noses," she said. "I had a lot to learn."

A year later she was back in her comfort zone coaching field hockey, basketball and swimming. She also brought softball onto the sports scene at Sem.

Klassner embodies the spirit of paying your dues, overcoming adversity, looking out for others, a hard work ethic, and standing up for what she believes. In return, she has become the face of Sem athletics, a well-respected teacher, a reliable colleague, and one of the top coaches in the country.

It has been a remarkable year of personal milestones, victories and well-deserved recognition for Klassner. She turned 70 on Feb. 26, was inducted into the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame in November and, a week later, the Blue Knights' field hockey team won its seventh state championship.

"I was so pleased when Klassner was inducted into the Penn-

sylvania Hall of Fame," said Janet Murray '76, who played all four sports for Klassner. "Sitting in the audience and listening to everything she had done as a person, and the hurdles that she had to overcome to help female sports grow and be recognized, was truly remarkable."

Klassner is proof that prestigious accolades don't come without commitment and sacrifice. She has dedicated her career to helping Sem remain a highly-respected independent school and has worked tirelessly to keep the field hockey program on the map. After coaching one year of swimming, 13 years of basketball, and 11 years of softball, she made the choice to make field hockey her coaching focus.

"I picked field hockey because it was the shortest season," she said with a laugh. "It's not even my favorite sport, but back then we weren't very good and I liked the challenge of that."

Ironically, because of its success each year, the Blue Knights field hockey team plays late into the fall season.

Under Klassner, the Blue Knights have captured nine District II titles, seven state championships and two state runner-up trophies.

"I coach for the kids and I love to see them succeed," she said. "My standards are pretty high. I have a really great coaching staff, and I'm surrounded by amazing kids and families."

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

Klassner's dedication to Sem runs deep, whether she's on the sidelines, at an event as athletic director, or in the classroom as a teacher. Her roles have changed through the years but her devotion to Sem remains steadfast.

"I was the first female in a lot of positions here," she said. "Everything was so traditional when I started and I felt I could help turn some things around. The field hockey team was called the Tigers and they wore dresses that

HALL OF FAME RECOGNITIONS

- Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame
- Tioga County Hall of Fame
- Keystone State Games Hall of Fame
- National Field Hockey Coaches Association Hall of Fame
- National Field Hockey Coach of the Year

FIELD HOCKEY BY THE NUMBERS

- 17 undefeated seasons
- 9 District 2A Championships
- 7 State Championships
- 3 Olympians (Kelsey Kolojechick, Lauren Powley, Kat Sharkey)
- 10 National team players
- 15 Player of the Year awards from local media

had tiger tails attached to them. I went along with it because it was such a tradition, but then we started other traditions. I also wanted females to have more opportunities athletically, and I wanted to be a part of that growth."

The 681 coaching victories Klassner has amassed certainly didn't come without struggles. In May 1996, she was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma and was undergoing chemotherapy and radiation treatment in the fall during the season. She also was serving as the dean of students. She hadn't missed a game or a practice but when her white counts were too low the day before a state playoff game, she was forced to sit and watch the game from the bus.

"I wanted to be out there coaching, but Randy Granger, who was the assistant dean of students, and Flo Price, my administrative assistant, both stepped in and said, 'no way, you're not going out there.' They coached for me and I will never forget them doing that for me."

Klassner's commitment to the Sem program and her players is evident. And so too is the

respect and pride that her players have for her.

"The day I found out I made the (2016) Olympic team, I told

my parents, and in that conversation we decided, 'okay now we have to call Klass,'" said Kelsey Kolojechick '09, now an assistant field hockey coach at Harvard University. "I couldn't be more excited to tell her because she knew it was a goal of mine. And now that I am a coach, Klass is my role model. I really loved her coaching style and I am trying to incorporate what I have learned from her."

More than 100 Sem field hockey players have gone on to play in college - many of whom have played for NCAA Division I titles. Klassner has played a big role in helping not only her players, but players throughout the Wyoming Valley, earn recognition of college coaches.

"I can think of so many examples of her helping out neighboring school's teams," Murray said. "From helping them prepare for a district playoff game, traveling to the site to cheer them on and then grabbing lunch together. It helped us build relationships and bonds with these athletes from other schools, several of which I would see and play against during my collegiate years."

Klassner is the face of field hockey locally and throughout the state, and she is well-known on the national level. She's celebrated team championships, personal accomplishments, and she's 19 wins shy of her 700th victory.

And while to her friends she is famous for saying "two more years," Klassner isn't sure when she will retire.

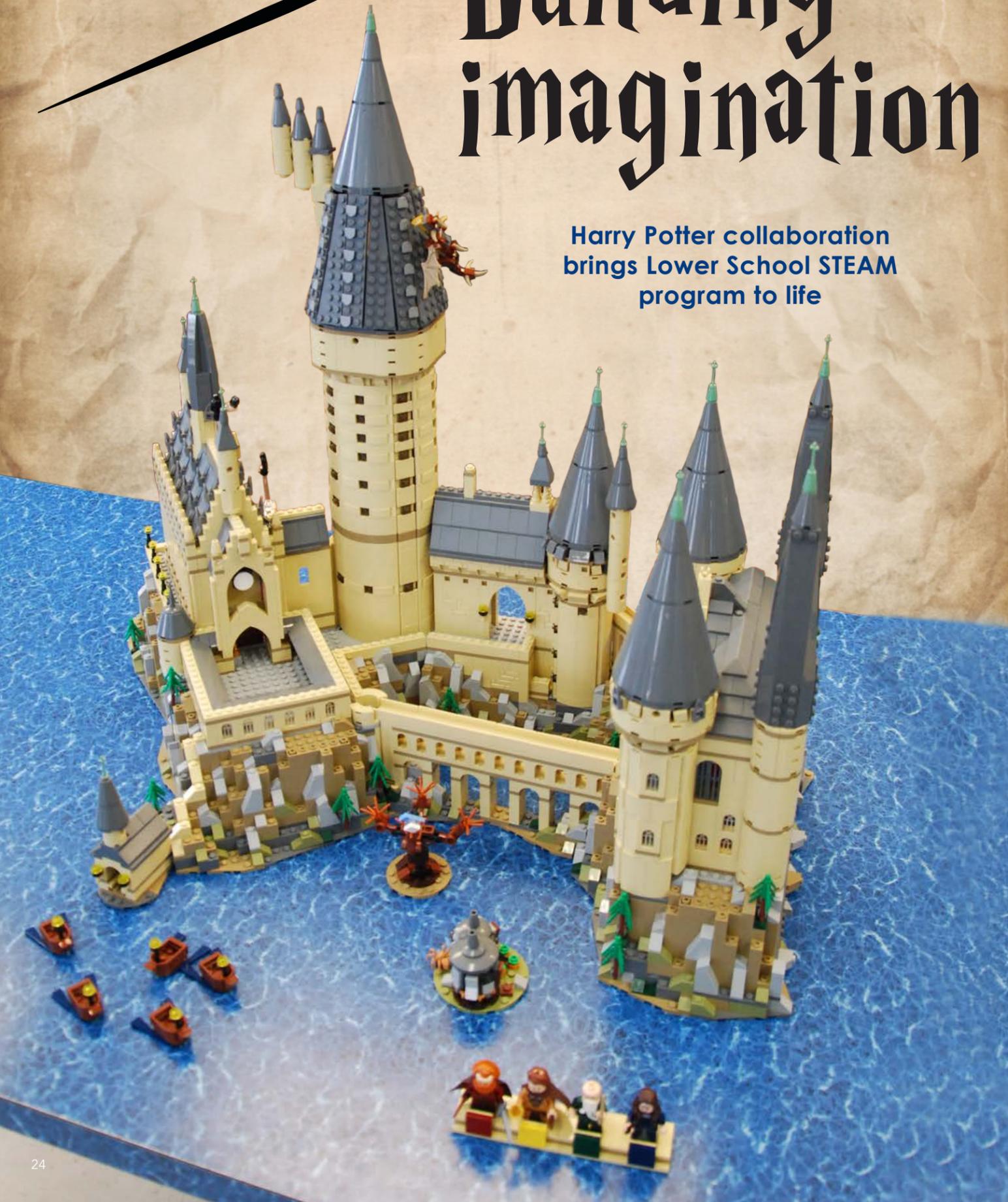
"The kids and their families are the reason I stay with it," she said. "As long as I'm alive and healthy and having fun, I'll stay with it."

"I coach for the kids and I love to see them succeed"



Building imagination

Harry Potter collaboration brings Lower School STEAM program to life



By Jill Snowden

He has seen the movies and read the books, but for 11-year-old Guru Singh the opportunity to bring his vision of Harry Potter's Hogwarts Castle to life each Friday at the Lower School is "the coolest."

Singh and his fifth-grade classmates have enjoyed weeks of reading "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" and putting their minds and hands to work on the LEGO Hogwarts Castle.

The reading/building collaboration is thanks to the STEM program joining efforts with the fifth-grade reading class.

"As the STEM Director, one of my goals is to incorporate STEM-based learning across the curriculum, to see hands-on, collaborative projects that engage students in problem solving and critical thinking," Lower School teacher **JOHN EIDAM '90** said. "To this end, I have launched an initiative themed "STEAMing Ahead," which represents the integration of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts (and Humanities), Math, and Innovation. Reading and writing is a huge part of STEM. Two STEM-based units that I teach in fifth grade include research projects and presentations, both of which require a good team of reading and writing."

For the students, it's a fun way to read the popular book in Jen Green's reading class and give it life in Eidam's STEM room. The children meet every week for "Fun Fridays" and have an opportunity to make progress on the Hogwarts Castle.

"We wanted to reward our students for their hard work all week long while trying to spark their interest in reading from a genre that they may not have otherwise chosen," Green said. "Part of the drive is our newly adopted Fountas and Pinnell Guided Reading program, which is to meet the students where they are in their abilities and encourage as much growth as possible. Students are all listening to Harry Potter as an interactive read-aloud and then studying another fantasy title that is at an appropriate level for their individual reading abilities. This allows for maximum growth in reading skills."

Some of the students are reading Harry Potter for the first time, while others have completed the series. The chance to read it again for 10-year-old Doron Glynn has changed his mind on the books.

"I was about 5 years old when I read the first book," Glynn said. "I was a little apprehensive to read it again because I didn't like the way they treated Harry in the beginning. But now that I am reading it again, I am noticing different things and I think I will read the other books after this."



Above: **DINO DEMARZIO '26** and **BILLY HALL '26** work on building the LEGO Hogwarts Castle. Below: Fifth-grade teacher Jenn Green applies lightning bolts to **GRACE RATHBURN '26**, **TIA ACHUFF '26**, and **ZACK RAKLEWICZ '26**.

Glynn is especially excited to take part in the building of the castle. The LEGO set is 6,020 pieces and while that seems like a daunting project, Glynn was ready to get involved.

Collector's Edition and it took us two weeks, so I was really happy when I heard we were going to do this in school."

Eidam brought Fun Fridays to life a few years ago as a way to introduce robotics building and programming to his fifth-grade science classes.

"I like to say that we have fun and accidentally learn something along the way," Eidam said.

Fun Fridays have certainly been well-received by the students. The shared reading experience and the anticipation of bringing the words to LEGO life for Green's class have been a highlight of the year.

"We read the book in class and then we talk to each other while we are building it, and imagine it together," Singh said. "I am absorbing the book a lot better and noticing all of the details so much more because of this."

"I like to say that we have fun and accidentally learn something along the way"

- John Eidam '90, STEM Director

"This is amazing," Glynn said as he waited his turn to add pieces to the castle. "I love doing things like this. My dad and I put together the Millennium Falcon Ultimate





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Class Notes

Feels Like Coming Home

This was the exact feeling I had walking into Sprague Hall on Monday, January 7 for my first day as the Director of Alumni Programs. So much about the school has changed since I graduated in 2005, but the feeling of being a part of a family has not.

I have many affiliations with Sem – alumna, Secretary of the Alumni



list and to experience the school on a whole new level.

Council, granddaughter of an alumnus, daughter, sister and cousin of alumni. I could not be more excited to now add employee of Wyoming Seminary to this

More than anything, I am proud of Wyoming Seminary and I urge all of you to come back and see for yourselves why you too should be proud of your alma mater.

I cannot wait to connect with you all at upcoming events including Alumni Gatherings, Homecoming, Alumni Weekend, and especially the 175th Anniversary Gala!

- Liz Clements Katyl '05

These class notes include those received in the Alumni and Development Office as of March 1, 2019.

1946

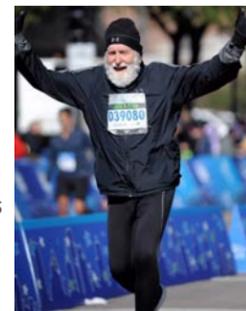
DOROTHY RUSSELL MAGRATTEN, Pinehurst, N.C., wrote, "Now that I am approaching 91, I have plenty of time to recall all of the classes, professors, friends and traditions that have influenced my life. I am so very grateful for those four most influential years of education and lasting friendships at Wyoming Seminary."

1947

JACK MACHUN, San Diego, Calif., wrote, "After six weeks of chemo and radiation treatment, the PET scan showed I am cancer free. Not just in remission, but free. A success story."

1949

JACK PLATT, Dallas, completed the Houston half marathon in January, finishing third of six in the 80+ group. As Jack notes, "The race is not always to the swift but to those who keep on running."



1949

ELAINE ADELSON BERG, Henderson, Nev., won't make the 70th reunion in May, so she sent along these notes: "How to compress 70 years into a page? Keuka College, B.S. in nursing (1953). Married (1953) - two sons, two daughters, seven grandchildren, six great-grands. M.A. in nursing at NYU in 1979. Worked in various hospitals in long-term care and research. Credentialed in gerontology and geriatric rehabilitation. Charter member of the Association of Rehabilitation Nursing (1974). Lived in Mass. and Conn., Long Island, N.Y., and the last 16 years in Henderson, Nev. (I can see the Las Vegas strip from my backyard!) I live in an over-55 development, Sun City Anthem, that is like a resort. I have palm trees on my property plus a pond with koi fish. Celebrated my 65th wedding anniversary in May. From the neck up I feel like I'm 29; from the neck down my body knows differently! To all who remember me, a great big HI! Wish I could make the weekend but it is not

possible. My many memories of Sem days are with me still. Have a fantastic weekend. I'll be with you in spirit."

DONALD DEMBERT, Waverly, wrote, "I retired after 45 years as a stock broker and have been enjoying retirement since 2001. We (CAROL SILBERMAN NELSON DEMBERT '62 and I) have been fortunate to spend winters in Maui for more than 20 years and hid from the ice and snow this year in Florida. We are the parents of four, three of whom are Sem alumni: HARLEY DEMBERT '77, MICHAEL NELSON '87 and DANIEL NELSON '89."

1950

QUINCY ABBOT, West Hartford, Conn., wrote in November, "I just finished reading the new Wyoming Seminary Journal. Interesting as always but a little frightening to find the Class of 1950 leading the Class Notes section. It is somewhat frightening to realize that we must be getting close to being the oldest class with living members! This stimulated me to send an item for the next 1950 Class Notes.

"At its November Annual Meeting, The Arc CT awarded me a Lifetime Achievement Award 'For your outstanding commitment, leadership and vision in the struggle for full civil rights and human rights for people with intellectual disabilities.'"

Quincy has been an advocate for people with intellectual disabilities since his third daughter was born with brain damage in 1963. His experience includes President of local, Connecticut and national chapters of The Arc, Interim Executive Director at three local chapters and the national chapter of The Arc, initial President of the Boards of Directors of the Corporation for Independent Living and the Corporation for Supported Employment and the Corporation for Independent Living. They were formed to develop housing in the community and to foster community employment for those moving out of Mansfield Training School.

JACK LOCKLEDGE, Nokomis, Fla., wrote, "I ended my career by opening the St. Andrew's Day School in Annapolis, Md. I got the school certified before I retired after 42 years in education."

1952

STUART URAM, New York, N.Y., was inducted into the Hall of Honor of the Investment Casting Institute of

Montvale, N.J. The Investment Casting Process was originally developed by ancient Chinese and Egyptian culture to create artwork. It was primarily used for art until development of the jet turbine engine at the end of World War II. Since that time it has become an enabling technology in today's top industries. Stuart is the founder of Certech, a ceramics core company that operates today in three countries and produces many thousands of pieces each day.



STUART URAM '52

1954

JAN HELBIG JEMISON, Waterbury Center, Vt., wrote, "My best friend of 67 years, Kim (IDA MAE KIEFER McCLARY '54), died in 2018. I have been devastated. Will miss her as we talked on the phone and sent cards to each other. I have reconnected with SALLY KEAR BRAUN of our class, which has been a Godsend. I enjoy talking to her."

WILLIAM PIERCE, Harrisburg, wrote, "After completing my cardiac surgical training in 1970, I joined the faculty at the new Penn State College of Medicine, rising to Professor and Division Chief. I continued my engineering interest in establishing a research group to develop implanted blood pumps and the artificial heart, now recognized as one of the world's leading groups in this field. While retired, I continue to participate. I am married to the former Theresa Welker. My late wife and I have two boys and five grandchildren. I have traveled to all seven continents. My longstanding hobbies are

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gardening and woodworking. To all my Sem friends I say: good health and best wishes."

1958

MICHAEL SUMNER, Silver Spring, Md., wrote, "Adele and I spent a week in South Florida in December. One of the highlights of the trip was visiting Sandy and JACK PRITCHARD who live about one hour south of St. Petersburg, Fla. We had a very nice visit, including dinner at a seafood restaurant on the water in Venice. Perhaps we will be able to reciprocate their hospitality sometime whenever they travel to Wilmington, Del., where their daughter lives."

1959

JUDY CASPER BOHORAD, Naples, Fla., wrote, "My life has been full with a few bumps along the way. I was very fortunate to travel to many places around the world with my husband after he retired. Unfortunately, in June 2014, Bob lost his courageous battle with cancer. Two years later, our neighbor and friend lost his wife. We joined forces, sold our houses, and bought one together. Harald Josefsen and I have a wonderful life in Naples, travel every summer, especially to northern Norway, where he grew up. I have two sons, four grandchildren, and two wonderful daughters-in-law, I have survived lung cancer, back surgery and a hip replacement. I am able to see, hear and walk, so, life is good."

MARTIN FINKELMAN, MD, retired pediatrician, was honored for his 50 years of musical, financial, and administrative contributions to the New York Choral Society, a major New York cultural institution. The event was April 10, 2019 at the Metropolitan Club in NYC. Marty was glee club accompanist, second tenor, and chapel organist. You can contact Marty at martyfinkelman@aol.com.

JANE SNOWDON JONES, Dallas, wrote, "The most exciting event for us was the arrival on May 17, 2017 of Jet Piechovczek Jones. When friends are having great-grandchildren, we are thrilled with our first grandchild! His parents are TUDOR JONES '92 and Julia Piechovczek. He has a wonderful big sister, Viktoria Wilton. Jet is movie star handsome, athletically gifted, musical, and a genius.... of course!"

ROBERT JONES, Amherst, Mass., wrote, "My wife, Maxine, and I continue to reside in Amherst where we have lived for fifty years. We spend part of the winter in Tampa, Fla. We also travel frequently. Upcoming trips will be to the Republic of Georgia and to Tanzania. I retired from UMass 11 years ago, but I continue to write and lecture on Russia and Russian history. Otherwise, I enjoy golf, tennis, gardening and travel. Best wishes to all."

DAVID LAUDERBAUGH, Cumming, Ga., wrote, "Twenty-one patents for manufacturing corrugated packaging. Winner of Harry Bettendorf Prize for Technical Excellence in the Corrugated Packaging Industry."

HARRY REICH, Dallas, was honored at the annual meeting of the Association of Gynecological Laparoscopists for performing the first total laparoscopic

hysterectomy in the world in 1988. In 1976, Harry discovered how to remove ovaries laparoscopically, and from there, "just went a little farther." In March, 2019, at the Endometriosis Foundation's International Masters symposium in New York, N.Y., The Harry Reich Award will be presented to honor Harry's contributions to gynecological laparoscopy.

1960

ALAN SONDEHEIM, Providence, R.I., has two new CDs coming out in 2019; one of them, "Future Speed Future," is based on very high speed acoustic playing of various instruments; he's working on the phenomenology of this sort of playing, where the conscious mind can't keep up with the music. This will be his 18th release, the fourth for Public Eyesore. Last year he spoke and exhibited at the Electronic Literature Conference in Montreal, and produced a number of pieces with his partner, Azure Carter, using motion capture equipment at a New Jersey Institute of Technology residency. He's looking forward to not retiring.

1963

HARRY B. SCHOOLEY, Williamsville, N.Y., posted the following on Facebook on the anniversary of the Knox Mine Disaster, January 22, 2019:

"Today marks the 60th anniversary of the Knox Mine Disaster. Facebook friends from the Wyoming Valley area of Pennsylvania will know immediately what that was. On that day the ice-laden Susquehanna River broke into the Knox Mining Company's River Slope Mine in Port Griffith, near Pittston, Pa. The mine's many tunnels laced beneath the area and even extended under the river to the Valley's west side. The safe thickness between mine roof and river bottom was set at 35 feet. However, mine management had called for excavation of the roof of the gallery (mining work area) to six feet and in some areas less than that. On that day the roof, unable to support the weight of the riverbed above, collapsed.

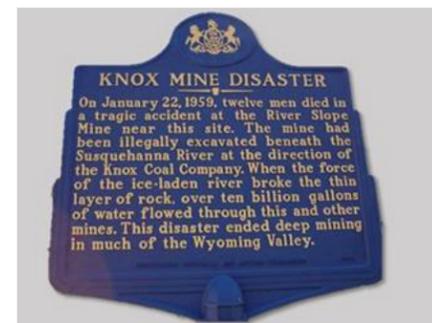
"The collapse formed a massive 150 foot-wide whirlpool that funneled the river into the tunnels below. There were 81 miners at work at various faces within the tunnel network. Sixty-nine of them, cut off from communication with the surface, struggled through rising water and darkness to find ways out. Accounts of their escapes are both harrowing and miraculous. One miner, Amedeo Pancotti, found an abandoned shaft and climbed 50 feet to the surface, alerting rescuers who eventually saved 33 of his comrades. He was later awarded the Carnegie Medal for heroism. Twelve miners remained unaccounted for.

"Unable to get to the tunnels, rescue authorities attempted to stem the river's flow by hastily building a railroad siding. For three days, strings of coal hopper cars and gondolas were shunted over the banks to be sucked into the massive whirlpool. The flow was not even lessened. Eventually coffer dams were built between the banks and a mid-river island, diverting the river away from the collapse. The bodies of the 12 missing miners were never found. The hole in the river bottom was sealed.

"An inquiry into the accident revealed what was pretty much already known for a long time. The mix of mine ownership and management, corrupt union officials, and organized crime was common to mining as an industry. Profits were made and pockets were lined by cutting corners (literally) and overlooking regulations. A grand jury indicted seven Knox and union officials for involuntary manslaughter, three of them also for conspiracy. All were found guilty. All served some jail time, but all convictions were overturned on appeal. Families of the missing twelve refer to the disaster as the Knox Mine Murder.

"The disaster marked the end of the deep mining of anthracite coal in the Wyoming Valley. It was estimated that some 10 billion gallons of water had flooded into the mine. As mines were often interconnected, the flooding spread to other mines. A few operations on the Valley edges continued, but within a few years it was all over.

"I and many of my Wyoming Seminary classmates were in eighth grade in January 1959. We were students at the Wyoming Seminary Day School in Forty Fort, Pa. Our school was on the west side of the river. On the other side, just three miles north of us, something terrible was happening."



1966

PAUL COHEN AZER, Beverly Hills, Calif., wrote, "Completed 40 years as attending physician, endocrinology, at Cedars Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, moved to Newport Beach half the week and, finally, two grandchildren. Still playing tennis but next shoulder injury will be my last! If interested, take a look at my website: drpaulazer.com."

Class Notes

1967

JEFF GROGAN, Conshohocken, wrote, "I saw the Seminary rowers (Harveys Lake Crew) at the head of the Schuylkill Regatta. They reminded me: donate!"

1968

JOHN PFEIFFER, Philadelphia, wrote, "I celebrated three years of retirement in December 2018! I am thoroughly enjoying this chapter of my life and hope to continue to reconnect with Sem classmates in 2019!"

1969

ALISA BERGER COTTER, Philadelphia, wrote, "I retired from the School District of Philadelphia and am now in private practice as a speech/language pathologist. I also serve as adjunct faculty at Temple University Speech/Language Program. Bob and I just became grandparents: Ruby Cotter, daughter of Jack and Emma Cotter of Philadelphia."

JOHN ECKELMAN, Jamaica Plain, Mass., wrote, "Fifty years! We have a lot of catching up to do. I look forward to seeing my Sem friends again and sharing the stories of our years since then."

DENISE GOOBIC MECK, Wilkes-Barre, wrote, "My husband and I spend most of our time visiting our children and grandchildren. My son lives in Claremont, Calif. with his wife and our two grandsons. My daughter lives near Seattle, Wash. with her husband. Her twin sister lives in Fort Myers, Fla. with her husband. So we have so many great places to visit."

SALLY PARKHURST VAN WHY, Bedford, wrote, "Two more grandchildren: twins Lily and Sammy were born June 20, 2018 to my son, Eric, and his wife, Shannon. They join Jackson and Emma."

RONNE KURLANCHEEK ZITOFISKY, Wilkes-Barre, wrote, "My business location is to be decided, because our store was destroyed in a tornado on June 13, 2018. We have a temporary location but hope to be in a permanent location by our reunion in May."

1971

MIKE FLOWERS, Columbus, Ohio, met up with TERRY BYRD '70 for the Ohio State/Rutgers football game in September.



1972

ELLIOTT MILLER, Bala Cynwyd, wrote, "I founded Montrose Park Advisors, a wealth management firm, in 2014. We are going strong and looking forward to our fifth birthday. Jenine Cohen and I just celebrated our 38th anniversary."

POLLY MITCHELL, Haddon Heights, N.J., accepted a new job as Communications Consultant for the Haddonfield School District, Haddonfield, N.J. Previously, Polly was Public Relations Director at Sem (1999-2010) and Director of Communications at Girard College in Philadelphia (2010-2017).

1979

BRAD LIBENSON, Barnstead, N.H., wrote, "Just published my third photography book: "New York Sights Unscene." This follows my first two books: "Sights Unscene: New Hampshire" (2008) and "Sights Unscene: Massachusetts" (2011). Fourth book: "Pennsylvania: Sights Unscene" is due out in 2020. Still with two medical offices in Maine and New Hampshire. I've sub-specialized in addiction medicine since 2004. Three kids in college at the same time this year; would not wish this on anyone. Still married to my first wife, Fran, for 24 years now. How she does it, I don't know."

1981

JOANN GONCHAR, New York, N.Y., wrote, "Since 2006, I have been an editor at Architectural Record, a magazine for practicing architects, writing articles about buildings, the environment, human health, and resilience. In recognition of this work, I was among the 152 members of the American Institute of Architects elevated to its College of Fellows in 2018. Only about three percent of the organization's 90,000 members hold this distinction."

1988

CHRISTOPHER SIEGEL, Dallas, wrote, "Our daughter CAROLINE SIEGEL '21 finished up a great freshman year and was recognized by being awarded a school-wide art award. Her painting now hangs in the permanent collection in the Flack Gallery at Sem. Congratulations, Caroline!"

1996

MELISSA STUCKEY, Elizabeth City, N.C., was instrumental in securing a National Endowment for the Humanities grant at Elizabeth City State University, where she is an assistant professor of history. The University's communications office released this information:

Elizabeth City State University has been awarded a \$350,000 National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) grant, funding the renovation of the Rosenwald School building and Principal's House on the university campus. According to ECSU professor of history Dr. Melissa Stuckey, the grant will help renovate the historic buildings, moving forward the creation of ECSU's Northeastern North Carolina African American Research and Cultural Heritage Center. It is, however, a matching grant and Stuckey says she will be working on fundraising and finding donors to not only match the

amount, but also reach the \$1.5 million goal needed to complete the renovation of the facilities.

"We need to be raising the entire amount, and feel like we can do that," said Stuckey, who is the author of the NEH grant proposal. The Center has been an ongoing project, bringing together the division of Liberal and Fine Arts and Academic Affairs to plan and execute what Stuckey says is an important and significant project. "It's a collaborative effort from various entities on campus," said Stuckey. "The group was convened by Dean of Liberal and Fine Arts, Dr. Kenneth E. Jones, in January. A selection of faculty and staff has been involved."

The Rosenwald School building has been a campus fixture since 1921 when it was constructed to provide African-American children in the area a public school, and student-teachers attending what was then known as the Elizabeth City State Normal School a place to practice teaching. Known on campus as a practice school, the building is the only one of its kind in the state of North Carolina to be housed on a university campus, according to Stuckey.

"There were 200 Rosenwald Schools in this region that we represent," said Stuckey. "Our alumni of the Normal School were educated to teach in those schools."

Rosenwald Schools were named for their benefactor, Julius Rosenwald, a Sears and Roebuck executive who believed public education should be made available to rural African-American children. Many so-called Rosenwald Schools were constructed across the state, and throughout the southern United States, but very few have survived intact.

The Principal's House, located on the north end of the ECSU campus, was constructed in 1923 for the university's first chief officer, Peter W. Moore. The historic building has since been used for many purposes, most recently housing administrative offices.

According to Stuckey, both buildings will be a significant part of telling the story of African-Americans in the region, and across the country. The Rosenwald School building will eventually house an interpretive center, telling not only the story of the unique schools, but also the stories of the people who received their education in this, and other, Rosenwald School houses.

She says the need to collect those stories is urgent, citing the passing of time and aging of the last generation to attend Rosenwald Schools. Former ECSU Chancellor, Dr. Thomas Conway, attended a Rosenwald School in his hometown of Louisburg, North Carolina. "We still have a generation of kids educated in those schools," said Stuckey. "So yes, it's urgent."

The Principal's House will be an ECSU museum, telling the story of the university from its inception in 1891 to the present. Together with the Rosenwald School building, Stuckey says the plan is to create a center for African-American history, heritage, culture and learning that does not currently exist in the region. "We have an

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incredible opportunity to create a research center here," she said. "We don't have anything like that here."

1999

BROOKE SCHULER SCIUTO, Papillion, Neb., recently was notified that she is one of just 121 majors assigned to the Air Force Medical Service Corps who were selected for promotion to lieutenant colonel.

Major Sciuto is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malcom Schuler of Mountain Top. At Sem, she excelled in basketball and cross country. She was named Most Valuable Player in both sports in her senior year. Brooke was inducted into the Sem Sports Hall of Fame in 2014.

She is a 2003 graduate of the United States Air Force Academy where she received a degree in biology. Major Sciuto received her medical degree from the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland, in 2010 and completed a residence in family medicine.

Major Sciuto currently is assigned to Offutt Air Force Base, located south of Omaha, Neb., where she is the chief of aerospace medicine for the 55th Medical Group. Offutt Air Force Base is home of the 55th Wing, the "Fightin' Fifty-Fifth," the largest wing in Air Combat Command and the second largest in the Air Force.

She and her husband, Lt. Colonel John Sciuto, USAF, have two children, Annabel and James.

2006

RYAN MOLITORIS, Plains, has joined the Personal Injury Team at Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn, P.C. According to a news release, Ryan "will be providing legal counsel to Personal Injury clients throughout Northeastern Pa., focusing on Product Liability, Medical Malpractice and Premises Liability. He will be based in the firm's Kingston office at 600 Third Avenue.

"Attorney Ryan Molitoris was born and raised in Plains, where he currently resides with his wife, SARA ROSENBERG MOLITORIS '05. He graduated from the University of Scranton with his bachelor's degree in political science and philosophy, and a minor in history. Attorney Molitoris pursued his legal career at Widener University School of Law, Harrisburg, graduating magna cum laude in the top 10 percent of his class.

"Attorney Molitoris served as Staff Attorney in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, Pro-Se Office for the Honorable Sylvia Rambo and Yvette Kane where he handled pro-se federal and state prisoner cases. He worked as a Federal Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Edwin M. Kosik, where he drafted opinions and orders relevant to civil, criminal and social security cases. Attorney Molitoris was a sole practitioner, focusing on commercial litigation, employment law, personal injury, premises liability, family law and criminal law. He was an attorney at the Siejk Law Firm where he focused on property law, commercial litigation and mergers and acquisitions.

"Attorney Molitoris is a member of the American Bar Association, the Pennsylvania Bar Association, the Luzerne County Bar Association, the Lackawanna County

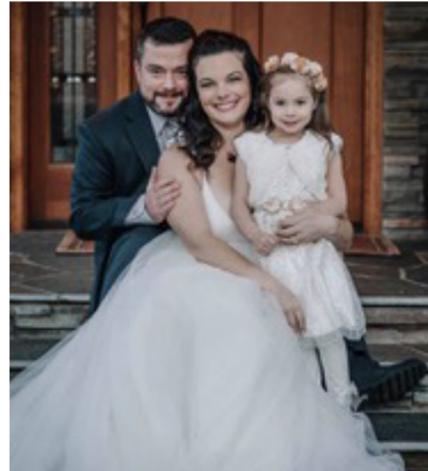
Bar Association and the Federal Middle District of Pennsylvania. He is Treasurer of Wyoming Seminary Alumni Council and a member of the Vanguard Committee at the Westmoreland Club.

"We are very happy to have Ryan Molitoris as a member of the Personal Injury Team at HKQ Law. His dedication, enthusiasm and compassion to assist clients throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania mirrors that of our entire team," says Attorney Joseph A. Quinn, Jr., Managing Principal of the Personal Injury Team at HKQ Law."

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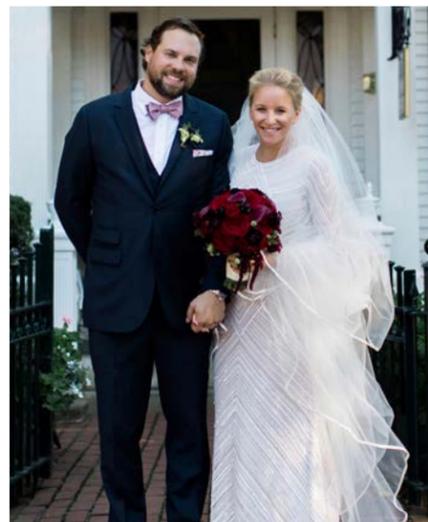
1997

PJ WASKIEWICZ, Oregon City, Ore., wrote, "I wanted to let Class Notes know that I recently was married to my new, lovely wife, Kelsey Brouillette Tatone. We were married at our home in Oregon City with immediate family and close friends on December 31, 2018. She also has a lovely daughter (3.5 years old), Madison.



2005

JAMIE FLACK, Shavertown, married RICHARD ECKMAN '04 on September 29, 2018 in Edgartown, Mass., surrounded by many Sem alumni!



DAVID GLAUBER, New York, N.Y., married Saskia Maarleveld on August 18, 2018 at the Beaumont Inn, Beaumont, Pa.



First row, from left: Saskia Maarleveld, DAVID GLAUBER '05, and LIZ CLEMENTS KATYL '05. Second row, from left: PERRY FREIFELD '05, PETE MALLOZZI '05, AARON RICHTERMAN '05, JILLIAN SEELEY '05, MADELINE KROPP '05, DIANE FRIEDMAN '20, HALEY FRIEDMAN '22. Third row, from left: JOEY AROWCAVAGE '05, MIKE LLOYD '05, HARRISON RUSSIN '05, STEVE WEST '05, CLIFF JACKSON '05, NADAN SEHIC '05, ROB FRIEDMAN '73.

MARK VANDERBURG, San Francisco, Calif., married Caitlin Stelben on June 1, 2018 and they recently moved to San Francisco. They enjoy traveling to see Grateful Dead cover band concerts.

2009

LEE MOLITORIS, Plains, married Geralyn Cross on October 18, 2018.



ALUMNI BOOKSHELF

The Wyoming Seminary Alumni Bookshelf highlights alumni who have published works. Have a book to share on the shelf? Contact ekatyl@wyomingseminary.org.

"Dwelling Space," by LISA HARRIS '70, January 28, 2019; paperback published by Cayuga Lake Books and sold by Amazon.com.

"New York: Sights Unseen," by BRAD LIBENSON '79, photography book published May 7, 2018 by Kmw Studio and sold by Amazon.com.

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1991

ROBERTTAMBURRO, Moosic, and his wife, Megan, welcomed Nicholas on January 15, 2019. Nicholas joins big brother Robert, born in 2016.



2003

TYLER MORRIS, Naples, Fla., and his wife, Janelle, welcomed Waverly Marie on September 12, 2018. Waverly was 6 lbs., 11 oz and 18 inches.



NICOLE SANTO YOCHUM, Shavertown, and her husband, Peter, welcomed Charlotte Genevieve Yochum on November 27, 2018. She weighed 8 pounds 6 ounces and was 20.5 inches long.

2004

BRIGITTE HENRY COOPER, Greenwich, Conn., and her husband, Steve, welcomed Caroline Maryjane Cooper on November 1. Weighing 8 lb. 9 oz., and measuring 21 inches, Caroline is a happy and healthy little girl! She is settling nicely into her new home. Caroline is the granddaughter of the late SCOTT E. HENRY '76 and Maryjane Henry.



2006

SCOTT HENRY, Huntingtown, Md., and his wife Erica welcomed a son, Scott Martz Henry, on September 12, 2018. Scott is the grandson of the late SCOTT E. HENRY '76 and great-grandson of the late FRANK HENRY '50.



2007

MIKE MOLITORIS, Allentown, and his wife, Brittany, welcomed Luke Anthony Molitoris on August 25, 2018.



OBITUARIES

1939

GERALDINE WEISBERGER HYMAN, Edwardsville, February 21, 2019, with family by her side. Born in Pittston, she was the daughter of the late Max and Bertha Fleischer Weisberger. After Sem, she attended College Misericordia. She was a sales clerk in the shoe industry and was a member of Temple Israel and Ohav Zedek.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded by husband Harold Hyman; brother DANIEL WEISBERGER '36; and sister ELAINE WEISBERGER LEVY '42. She is survived by her children, Marshal Hyman and his companion, Aniko Jacobovits, of McLean, Va., and Bonnie Musicus and her husband, Gene, of Lords Valley; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Gladys Weisberger; and nephews and nieces, including TERRY WEISBERGER ADAMS '69.

MARCELLA MCCORMICK FAY, Shavertown, September 25, 2018. She earned her bachelor of arts degree in English from Rosemont College. Pennsylvania State University granted her full paralegal certificate. The former Mercy Hospital, Disabled American Veterans and The American Association of University Women were a few of the recipients of her many hours of volunteer service in years past. Her husband of 51 years, Joseph E. Fay, died June 3, 2001, and their daughter, Margaret White Fay, died April 24, 2010. A brother, Attorney JOHN MCCORMICK '30, and a sister, Margaret McCormick

Dineen, also preceded her in death. Marcella will be greatly missed by her daughter, Carolyn (Christy) Fay, at home; and nieces and nephews.

1940

ALLAN P. SLAFF, Naples Fla., February 5, 2019. He entered the Naval Academy in 1941 and because of the U.S. entry into World War II he graduated a year early in 1944. He joined the Pacific Fleet as a 16 inch gunner and officer of the deck on board the Battleship Massachusetts, a unit of the famed Fast Carrier Task Force 38 and 58. During his service on board, the Massachusetts fought at Leyte Gulf, Luzon, Iwo Jima, Okinawa, and the Japanese homeland. After the war he served in several fleet commands and combatant ships. He was the first naval officer ordered to the Korean War where for the first year and a half of the war he headed up the Navy's Special Intelligence effort. He was chosen to accompany Vice Admiral Turner Joy to Munsan-Ni as his special intelligence briefer when Admiral Joy was appointed to command the United Nations negotiating team at Panmunjon. In 1967 he was ordered to Vietnam to reorganize and command the U.S. Navy's advisors in country.

He was particularly proud to have been selected by the Navy's distinguished Admiral Arleigh Burke to be his Personal Aide during Admiral Burke's tenure as Chief of Naval Operations, and later to be selected by Secretary Paul Nitze for duty in his immediate office. Of particular pride to Captain Slaff was his conception and acceptance by the Secretary of the Navy Marine Corps Retention Task Force. Captain Slaff did his graduate work at the Naval War College, and at the Harvard Business School. Upon retiring from the Navy in 1970 he received an appointment as a Dean and member of the faculty at the Harvard Business School. He served for ten years on the Harvard faculty and after he resigned, at Harvard's invitation, for three additional years as a consultant to the school.

After leaving Harvard, Captain Slaff was chairman and principle stock holder of a distribution company in Pennsylvania and a high tech company engaged in electro-optics in New Hampshire. He maintained his business interests in subsequent years by serving on the boards of directors of several corporations. In addition he served on more than a score of other boards in the political, professional, social, religious, educational, and civic fields. His club affiliations were myriad and in many of these clubs he served on their boards and as an officer. In Naples, he was a member of the board of directors of The Port Royal Club, the Port Royal Property Owners Association, the Naples Yacht Club, the Harvard Club, The Forum Club, The Chaine des Rotisseurs, and Citizens to Preserve Naples Bay. In addition, he was a member of the Royal Poinciana Golf Club. The English Speaking Union, The U.S. Naval Academy Alumni Association of Naples, the Explorers Club of Naples, as a National Fellow of the Explorers Club of the United States, and Trinity by the Cove Episcopal Church.

Captain Slaff was a prolific writer, having published numerous magazine articles about the Navy and the sea. In 2004 he published a very successful book, "A Sailor's

Story," which chronicled his exciting and many-faceted life. He received the Wyoming Seminary Distinguished Service Award in 1987. His wife, Mary Lee, predeceased him in 2012 after a wonderful marriage of 64 years. He is survived by his son, Randolph and his daughter, Valerie; four grandchildren, including RANDOLPH SLAFF '95 and EMILY SLAFF SERGIO '97; and six great-grandchildren.

1942
BETSY WILLIAMS SANDS, Landenberg, November 2, 2018. Betsy was a graduate of the Dean School of Business.

1943
RUTH WATKINS BRENNER, Kingston, August 24, 2018. Born March 31, 1924, Ruth was the second of six daughters born to the late Charles Howell Watkins and Mildred Sorber Watkins of Kingston. She was a 1942 graduate of the former Kingston High School, where she was inducted into the National Honor Society. She won a competitive academic examination scholarship to the Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business.

Ruth was employed for many years in the mortgage department of the former First Eastern Bank and several of its predecessors. She was office manager and bookkeeper for WBAX Radio, WARD Radio and its successor, WKQG Radio, as well as the Cookie Corner Nursery School and Day Care Center, West Wyoming, where she was affectionately known as "Cookie Bookie."



NORMAN WEISS, Naples, Fla., August 23, 2018. Norman was born in Daytona Beach, Fla., in 1926, to parents Theresa (Tess) and Aaron Weiss. He grew up in Wilkes-Barre and Kingston, attended Wyoming Seminary for high school and entered West Point

Military Academy at age 17. Upon graduation in 1946, Norman served in the U.S. Army in the Quartermaster's Corp and as a paratrooper, eventually rising to the rank of Captain. He served in the occupation of Berlin, Germany, through the Berlin Airlift following the end of World War II.

Norman married ZELDA KLEIN '43, a childhood friend, who passed away in 2005. They were among the first Americans to be married in Germany after the war and celebrated their marriage there with a wedding cake shipped by airfreight from Kingston. Norman and Zelda had three children, JAMES '67 (born in Germany), SUSAN '70 and JEFFREY '73. Jim unexpectedly passed away in 2010. Norman is survived by his sister, NANCY WEISS KLEIN '50; his brother, HERBERT WEISS '45 (Eleanore Weiss); and by his two remaining children, Susan (and Judd) Shoval and Jeffrey (and Nancy Freeman) Weiss; his daughter-in-law, LYNN LEVEY WEISS '68; 10 grandchildren, including BEN SHOVAL '95, DEBORAH SHOVAL '96, KARYN GUNNETT-SHOVAL '00 and REBECCA SHOVAL '04; and nine great-

grandchildren. Norman was married again to Lois Lane and they celebrated their 11th anniversary last May.

Norman studied law at Loyola University in California, clerked for four years at the Rosenn Jenkins and Greenwald LLP law firm in Wilkes-Barre and passed the Pa. Bar Exam in 1960. He subsequently moved on to working at the family-owned Triangle Shoe Company, where he worked initially as a sales manager, and then for many years in real estate.

Norman also founded Narrows Realty and Weiss Development Corp., both of which developed commercial real estate projects, primarily in Northeastern Pa. His most visible project was as the original developer of the Narrows Shopping Center in Edwardsville. He built a housing development (The Mushroom Farm) in the Poconos and a mobile home village called Lakewood Gardens in Inkerman.

Norman was involved with a number of civic, religious and non-profit organizations in the Wilkes-Barre area. He was a member of Rotary, the Masons and Temple Israel and he spent many years on the board of Wilkes College (now Wilkes University) and remained involved as a director emeritus. Norman had a passion for living life to the fullest and was an avid private pilot, as well as an athlete well into his mid-80s, swimming and playing tennis regularly, unless he was skiing, playing squash or golf! He lived by the motto "Strong Body, Strong Mind" and it served him very well for many years.

1944
WILLIAM CHAPIN, Reading, November 13, 2018. Born in Forty Fort, Pa., he was the son of the late Edward G. Chapin Sr. and Eleanor Jones Chapin. Bill just celebrated his 92nd birthday on November 2.

His early education began in the Forty Fort public schools. Bill was a 1944 graduate of Wyoming Seminary, where he filled several class offices and became the annual yearbook's business manager, serving on its business, circulation and photography boards. He was a member of the Amphyctyon Literary Society, known for its Annual Debate and Oratorical Contest. Bill was on the JV wrestling and JV football teams, and played baseball throughout his years there. He went on to earn a bachelor of science degree in economics from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

While a student at Wharton, Bill enlisted in the U.S. Navy at age 18. He was trained in electronics in the expanding technologies of radar, sonar and fire control at the Naval training station in Great Lakes, Ill., and later at pre-radio school in Chicago. Due to his college status, Bill was selected to teach these technologies when later stationed in Treasure Island, Calif. Following his service in the Navy, he returned to and was graduated from Wharton. His pursuits then took him to Columbus, Ohio, where he joined the Pure Oil Company and took graduate courses at the Ohio State University (OSU).

Following the passing of his father in 1952, Bill returned to his hometown of Kingston, became actively engaged in family businesses, and in 1955 relocated to the Reading, Pa., area to run Chapin Lumber and

Supply Company, which had locations in Kingston, Scranton and Temple, Pa. He served on the board of The Mid-Atlantic Lumberman's Association as well as the Lumberman's Merchandising Corporation (LMC), a Wayne, Pa., materials-buying cooperative group owned by independent lumber and building material dealers. He also served as a general partner in the family real estate holding companies, the Chapin Apartments, Chapin Realty and Chapin Investments.

In 1954, Bill was married to the former ANNE DEETER CHAPIN '47 of Dallas. Together they raised four children, with whom they shared their mutual interests in classical and jazz music, social gatherings for friends, young and old and summers at the Jersey shore. Anne passed in February, 1998. In 2000, Bill married Phyllis E. Jacobi of North Wales, Pa.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Anne; brothers, EDWARD CHAPIN '41 and Kermit Chapin; sisters, Eleanor C. Buderger and LOIS CHAPIN JOHNSON '39.

Bill is deeply missed by his surviving spouse, Phyllis; children: William R. Chapin Jr. (Beth), Lisa C. Hoffberger (C. Peter), Dr. Scott D. Chapin (Pamela), Carolyn C. Braithwaite (Hugh); step-children: Gary Walton (Diana Gionet), Susan Samson (Gregg), and Scott Walton (Janet); his 12 grandchildren; and seven step-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

MARY BURNSIDE MANGELSDORF, Newtown Square, died peacefully after a brief illness on October 24, 2018 at Riddle Hospital in Media, surrounded by family. A member of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), Mary worked for 17 years as the meeting secretary for Swarthmore Friends Meeting, where her wide-ranging duties included everything from facilitating meetinghouse rentals to creating the meeting's monthly newsletter, and helping prepare for the annual Swarthmore Meeting "Jumble Sale" fundraiser.

Mary was born in Wilkes-Barre on April 3, 1927, the daughter of Malcolm Burnside and Helen DeRemer Burnside. Mary graduated from Swarthmore College in 1948 with a degree in history. At Swarthmore, she met fellow student Paul Mangelsdorf while volunteering together for a Democratic candidate for Congress; they married in August 1949 and enjoyed more than 65 years of a very happy marriage, until his death in 2015.

Mary is survived by four children and their spouses: Helen Mangelsdorf and Roman Tybinko of Philadelphia; Paul Mangelsdorf III and Laurice Mangelsdorf of Atlanta, Ga.; Sarah Mangelsdorf and Karl Rosengren of Madison, Wis.; and Martha Mangelsdorf and Roy Peabody of Boston, Mass. She is also survived by five grandchildren and nine nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband and her brothers, FRANK BURNSIDE '31 and ROBERT BURNSIDE '34.

1946
JANE ADAMS BARBER, Tunkhannock, February 11, 2019. She was a graduate of Hughestown High School, class of 1945, and the Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business. She worked for a few years at the Kirby Health

Center in Wilkes-Barre and then took on her cherished position as a homemaker and mother.

RITA RISCACAVE BRODGINSKI, Fogelsville, January 7, 2019. Born in the Askam section of Hanover Twp., she was the daughter of the late John and Anna Vilegi Riscavage. Rita was a graduate of Hanover High School and Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business. During her lifetime, she worked in many jobs, including as a seamstress in the local garment industry. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jerome S.; and their son, Jerome J.

1947
ANN MUELLER COUGHLIN, Dallas, January 28, 2019. Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was the daughter of the late Frank and Kathryn Zigafoose Mueller. She attended Wells College in N.Y. Ann was a member of The First Presbyterian Church, Wilkes-Barre. Ann received the Wyoming Seminary Distinguished Service Award in 2004. She was preceded in death by her husband Hale Coughlin, and a brother, JACK MUELLER '52. Surviving are her sons, Hale Coughlin and his wife Patricia; Hunt Coughlin; Frank Coughlin and his wife; four grandchildren; and a brother, CHARLES MUELLER '48.

LEROY ENGEL, Summit, N.J., September 25, 2018. Leroy passed away in Boynton Beach, Fla. at the age of 88, following complications from knee surgery. Dr. Engel is survived by three sons (James, Glenn and Keith) and five grandchildren. He was predeceased by wives, Bonnie and Sheila. Lee was valedictorian at Wyoming Seminary, graduated Phi Beta Kappa at Yale in 1951 and Summa Cum Laude at Yale Medical School in 1955. Subsequently, he served as a captain in the U.S. Army, then Chief Resident at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York City, and started a White Plains pediatric practice in 1963. He will be remembered for his dedication, integrity, unselfishness, and skills in diagnosis.

RUTH SEKEL EVANS, Wyoming, September 24, 2018. Ruth was a graduate of the Dean School of Business.

RUTH SYMONS SADVARY, Wilkes-Barre, November 12, 2018. She was born February 17, 1930, in Wilkes-Barre, the daughter of the late Harold and Alberta Poad Symons. A graduate of Coughlin High School, Class of 1948, and Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business, she was employed for many years at First Eastern Bank as a computer operator and later as a teller. Mrs. Sadvary was a lifelong member of Bennett-Derr Memorial United Methodist Church, where she was the chairperson for the Welsh cookie bakes. She also belonged to the Irem Women's Auxiliary and the East End Card Club. She was preceded in death by her husband, Daniel Sadvary, and brothers HAROLD '36, Earl and Calvin Symons.

JEANNE BOHAN WALSH, Dunmore, October 19, 2019. A graduate of the Dean School of Business, Jeanne was the widow of William F. Walsh, who passed away October 21, 2004. Born in Pittston on February 13, 1929, she was the daughter of the late Maurice and Angela Gordon Bohan.

1948
RAYMOND RAHMIN, North Andover, Mass., June 6, 2018. Beloved husband of Leonie (Murad). Devoted father of Debra Rahmin Silberstein and her husband Don of Andover and Michael Rahmin and his wife Iris Kopeloff of Woodcliff Lake, N.J. Loving grandfather of Allyson, David, Daniel, Samantha, Austin and Gabrielle. Dear brother of Charlotte Bakal of Tel Aviv, Israel and Elie Ramin of New York.



1951
MARILYN ISAAC MATTHEWS, Wilkes-Barre, September 19, 2018. She was a graduate of James M. Coughlin High School and the Wyoming Seminary Dean School of Business. She worked at the Goeringer real estate firm and as a legal secretary for Attorney RICHARD M. HUGHES III '79.

ARMANDO ZARRA, November 6, 2018. Armando attended King's College in Wilkes-Barre, and then entered the Pennsylvania State Police, serving from 1958 to 1968. He served honorably in the United States Army, stationed in Korea during the Korean War.

1952
MILDRED MONCHAK BILSKI, Wyoming, August 20, 2018. Born Aug. 13, 1933, in Wilkes-Barre, she just celebrated her 85th birthday a week prior to her passing. She was the only daughter to the late John and Eva Drozd Monchak. Her education began at the former Sacred Heart of Jesus Parochial School, North Wilkes-Barre. She then graduated from the former St. Nicholas High School, Wilkes-Barre, and furthered her education by attending the Wyoming Seminary Business School. Mrs. Bilski was employed as a professional secretary for the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission, first in Harrisburg, and later in Altoona, prior to her retirement.

MARY BROWN DULKIS, Cooperstown, N.Y., February 28, 2018. She was predeceased by her husband Albert and her parents Rev. Lynn and Freda Brown. A graduate of the Dean School of Business, Mary was a devoted mother and grandmother. She worked for Wilbur National Bank, Oneonta, N.Y. for 40 years and managed the finances for the family dairy farm. Mary served on the local school board and the Fire Commissioner board. She was a lifelong member of the Schenectus United Methodist Church and served as the church administrative board chair until her death.

MARC GERSTEIN, Center Valley, March 28, 2018. A Franklin and Marshall graduate, Marc served in the military and was the owner of the former Hanover Union Motors. A long-time leader in the Sports Car Club of America, Marc was at the forefront of safety programs and received numerous awards, including the Solo Cup, the Woolf Barnato Award, and inclusion in the Hall of

Fame, for making significant contributions to the club and to the world of motorsports. He was outgoing and talkative; had a lively sense of humor and loved puns; and enjoyed dancing at celebrations with family and friends. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Eunice (Ruhf) Gerstein, his sister ELLEN GERSTEIN HOLLANDS '56, and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his brother IRWIN GERSTEIN '60.

GEORGE WELSH, Charlottesville, Va., January 2, 2019. The former Virginia football coach George Welsh retired as the ACC's winningest coach and was the league's first coach to win 100 games.

After rebuilding Navy, his alma mater, into a consistent winner, Welsh took over a downtrodden Virginia program in 1982. The Cavaliers had only two winning seasons in the 29 years before he was hired. But after going 2-9 in his first season, the Cavaliers went 6-5 in his second and won the school's first bowl game in his third – a 27-24 victory over Purdue in the 1984 Peach Bowl. From 1987 to 1999, Welsh's teams won at least seven games every season and played in 10 bowl games.

"George Welsh can beat you with his brain," former Alabama and Georgia Tech coach Bill Curry once said. In 1989, Welsh guided Virginia to a 10-3 record and a share of its first ACC championship – 35 years after it had joined the league. The next season, led by quarterback Shawn Moore, tailback Terry Kirby and receiver Herman Moore, the Cavaliers were ranked No. 1 in the country for three weeks before falling to eventual co-national champion Georgia Tech 41-38. The Cavaliers finished 8-4.

In 1995, Welsh guided Virginia to a 9-4 record and a share of its second ACC title. That season included a 33-28 upset of No. 2 Florida State, which was the first time the Seminoles had lost to an ACC opponent since joining the league in 1992. Welsh retired after a 6-6 season in 2000. Welsh had a 134-86-3 record in 19 seasons as Virginia's coach. He won the Bobby Dodd Award as the national coach of the year in 1991 and was named ACC Coach of the Year four times – in 1983, 1984, 1991 and 1995. Welsh was inducted into the Wyoming Seminary Hall of Fame in 1976, and the College Football Hall of Fame in 2004.

A native of Coaldale, Pennsylvania, Welsh played quarterback at the U.S. Naval Academy, where he was an All-America quarterback and finished third in Heisman Trophy voting in 1955. After spending eight years in the Navy, Welsh was hired as an assistant at Penn State in 1963. He returned to coach the Midshipmen in 1973 and had a 55-46-1 record in nine seasons. His teams went 7-1-1 against Army and played in three bowl games.

He served a three-year term on the Sem Board of Trustees.

Welsh's wife of 52 years, Alexandra, died in 2015. He is survived by their four children: Sally, GEORGE (DUFFY) '80, Matt and Adam.

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JOHN APONICK, Shavertown, January 3, 2019. Born October 11, 1936, John was the son of Judge and Mrs. John Aponick Sr. and grew up in Tilbury Terrace in West Nanticoke. He continued his education at Princeton University before obtaining a law degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

John returned to northeastern Pennsylvania to embark upon his legal career. Specializing in medical malpractice defense, he litigated his first cases with the Bedford, Waller, Griffith, Darling and Mitchell firm. In 1975, John formed his own firm Griffith, Aponick & Musto, which eventually merged with the Wilkes-Barre firm, Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald in 1989. In 1996, at the age of 60, when many would be thinking of retiring, John joined Marshall, Dennehy, Warner, Coleman & Goggin as a shareholder to run and grow their Scranton office, where he continued to pursue his passion for law until falling ill last fall.

In 1968, John married the love of his life, CHARMAINE "CHARIE" KANJORSKI '60, and they purchased the original Shaver farmhouse in Shavertown. Over the next 50 years, they were blessed with three wonderful children, ZOE '87, JOHN III '89 and DOUGLAS '94. To accommodate the growing family, he and Charie took pride in preserving and respecting the original decor of the home with numerous renovations and expansions. Second only to his family and friends, John's greatest love was for his work - the challenge of simplifying complex legal and medical concepts, building a case and presenting it to a jury. He represented countless hospitals and doctors across Pennsylvania. Over the course of his career, he never received a losing verdict. These achievements attracted the attention of many global companies which regularly hired John for local representation. John was recognized professionally as a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and a senior diplomat of the American Board of Trial Advocates. He was a member of the board and served a term as president of the Pennsylvania Defense Institute.

Both within his firm and as a guest lecturer at Dickinson School of Law, the Pennsylvania Defense Institute and the Pennsylvania Bar Institute, he received great pleasure mentoring and teaching others the practical skills and techniques that are not found in class rooms and books but can only be gleaned from years in the courtroom. John stands as a true example of the happiness that can be achieved by following one's passion. He truly loved what he did and did what he loved. He is remembered by his family as a remarkable man. He lived a life with values, purpose and love. They feel blessed to have such a shining example as a role model.

MARY STEGURA CHEAVENS, Columbia, Mo., December 2018. Born in Nanticoke, she was the daughter of the late Dr. Barney A. Stegura, M.D. and Gladys A. Rabenold Stegura, R.N. She lived in Columbia for 64 years. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Thomas D. Cheavens and John Phillip Cheavens; and a son, Thomas. She is survived by her son, Michael and his wife, Linda, and their daughters; sister, PATRICIA STEGURA LAW '52; brother, JONATHAN F. STEGURA '64; and many nephews and nieces, including SARAH LAW-REAVIS '80.

TED MITCHELL, Stroudsburg, February 14, 2019, while under hospice care at home. He was the husband of Audrey A. (Albert) Mitchell.

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IDA KIEFFER McCLARY, New York, N.Y. Kim was born June 13, 1935 and died July 20, 2018 following a long battle with cancer. Ida Mae began her education at the Day School and continued on at Wyoming Seminary. In 1952 Kim was seriously injured in a car accident and spent most of the year hospitalized. When she was able to return to school she had to repeat her junior year and became a member of the Class of 1954. She continued her education at Skidmore College and after graduation she worked for an advertising agency in New York City. After her marriage to Robert McClary she became the Court Clerk in Yorktown Heights where she remained for more than 30 years. Kim was a very positive person who always saw the best in every event and in every person she met. She is survived by a daughter, Pamela Azarelo, and son Robert, both of New York, and three grandchildren. Funeral services were held in Clary, N.C.

ROGER PAGET, Salt Lake City, Utah, April 1, 2018, of complications from ocular melanoma, at age 81.

Paget earned his bachelor's degree with distinction from Wesleyan University in 1958, then joined the U.S. military, where he worked in Indonesia as a linguist and Southeast Asia specialist. He then served as an interpreter and translator of Indonesian/Malay at the U.S. Army Language School at Monterey, California. In 1962, he moved back east to Cornell University, where he worked as a research associate at the Cornell Modern Indonesia Project. In 1969, he completed his doctorate in government and Asian studies.

Over the course of his long career, Paget held academic positions at universities in both the United States and Australia, including the University of Colorado at Boulder, Curtin University of Technology, the University of Texas at Dallas, and finally, Lewis & Clark. He also served as founding dean of Lewis & Clark's graduate school (then called the Graduate School of Professional Studies) from 1985 until 1987.

From 1978 through 1982, Paget held positions with the President's Commission on Foreign Language and International Studies, the U.S. International Communication Agency (now the U.S. Information Agency), and the Washington Center, where he served as director of the graduate division.

Paget was an authority on Southeast Asian politics. In 1975, he published "Indonesia Accuses! Soekarno's Defense Oration in the Political Trial of 1930," the inaugural volume in the Oxford in Asia Historical Memoir series. Over the decades, he published a number of articles about Indonesian politics as well as international studies. He also lectured extensively in Indonesia, Australia, and the United States.

To hear Paget tell it, Lewis & Clark was the place where his love of teaching flourished. Two experiences truly stood out for him: teaching Basic Inquiry, the general

education course for first-year students, and leading the 1994 Indonesia overseas study program.

Paget's surviving family includes wife Tana, six biological children, two stepchildren, nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Knowing that his condition was terminal, Paget had made it a point to be in close touch with his far-flung networks of family and friends in recent months. He had also been deeply involved in planning a reunion of all of the college's Indonesia programs as part of Alumni Weekend.

RAY W. TURNER, JR., Bridgeton, Maine, December 22, 2018. He was born in Nanticoke, the son of Ray and Ruth Evans Turner. He graduated from Lehigh University in 1959 with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. Upon graduation, he worked for Honeywell Inc., and attended Drexel University in Philadelphia before returning to Wilkes-Barre to work for, and eventually own and operate, J. L. Turner Company, the family mechanical contracting business.

He married Judith Brown in 1957, and they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family in Wilkes-Barre on June 21, 2007. Ray accumulated over 1,000 hours as pilot in command of single engine aircraft and was instrument-rated. His aircraft was based at the Forty Fort airport. Ray learned to sail at the ripe age of five when his father purchased a Comet sailboat #31 on Nuangola Lake. He sailed on the Chesapeake for many years out of Kent Narrows, Md., on a 34-foot ketch. He served as crew on many open ocean crossings to and from many East Coast ports to the Virgin Islands and returned the boats to the East Coast during the summer months. He retired from J. L. Turner Company in 2001 after 42 years and remained active in the business to complete the projects under his control until 2002.

Ray and his wife, JUDITH BROWN TURNER '53, sold their farm in Orange and moved to Bridgeton, Maine, in 2003. Judy's family owned a camp on Long Lake in Bridgeton. They replaced the old camp structure with a year-round home. Judy passed in 2011 in Bridgeton.

Ray continued his civic service by serving on the Town of Bridgeton Sewage Committee, Economic Development Committee and Bridgton Community Center Board. He also served as a trustee for Bridgeton United Methodist Church. In June 2013, he married JoAnna M. Sestak.

He is survived by his wife, brothers, NEIL TURNER '60 (Beverly) and J. LEE TURNER '62 (Kerry), Dallas; cousin, CARL HEDDEN '55 (Nancy), Hazleton; sons, Ray W. Turner III and Eric F. Turner; daughter, Kimberly Turner Ashton, Dallas; grandchildren, Cara Turner, Dallas; Morgan Turner Fielding, Loyalville; Aaron and Rachel Turner, both of Forty Fort; and Emily Ashton, Midway, Ky.; seven great-grandchildren; and stepchildren, Lisa L. Bugbee, Middle River, Md.; Mark L. Bugbee, Red Lion; and Garth G. Davidson, Basking Ridge, N.J.

1958

ROBERT CHAMBERLAIN, Pittston, August 8, 2018. He and his wife, Marlene Gibblets Burdett Chamberlain,

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celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on January 6, 2018.

Born in Dallas, he was a son of the late Walter and Edith Collins Chamberlain. He was a graduate of Lake Lehman High School, Wyoming Seminary and Wilkes University, where he earned a business degree in 1962. He was also a quartermaster in the U.S. Navy for two years.

In December 2000, he retired from Schott Glass Technologies after 32 years of service. Twenty-three of those years were spent as West Coast optical sales manager in Fullerton, Calif., and the remaining years in Duryea, as product manager in the optical sales department. He was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, West Pittston.

Bob was a quiet man who still enjoyed reading business magazines, long into his retirement. He also enjoyed attending school concerts and marching band competitions, which were a big part of his stepchildren's lives. He took great pride in his granddaughter, Madelyn, and loved watching her enjoy all the places she went and activities she enjoyed. He loved the annual trip to Ocean City, Md., with her, since she was a toddler, and was saddened when he could no longer go.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, WALTER '49 and his wife, Joyce; and Fritz and his wife, Donna.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his stepchildren, Laurie Burdett, Duryea; Matt Burdett, Pittston; Adam Burdett and his wife, Becky, Pittston Twp.; granddaughter, Madelyn; son, Peter; and several nieces and nephews.

1961

SHELDON LAWRENCE, Glastonbury, Conn., died peacefully at home on February 18, 2019 after a short battle with pancreatic cancer. Born in Nanticoke on November 15, 1943, he was the son of the late Sheldon and Margaret Lawrence. He was a graduate of Wilkes College. Sheldon served in the Army during the Vietnam War from 1968-1969. In 1971, Sheldon married the love of his life, Debbie Lukens. They met while both were working at The Hartford Insurance Group. Shelly said he would never date anyone who worked in the same office. Well, that didn't work. Their first date was just before Christmas, 1970 and they were married five months later for over 47 wonderful years. Sheldon worked at The Hartford for 37 years and held a variety of jobs. No matter what his position, he had the respect and admiration of his colleagues.

In his last years at The Hartford, he worked with the Hartford community. Sheldon was very involved with the staff and students at West Middle Elementary School and helped bring technology to the library, the classrooms, and the computer lab. The school even had a Sheldon Lawrence Day. He made such a difference to so many young lives. Sheldon was happiest in life when he was able to help others. He loved projects with his two sons, Eric and Ryan, and would do anything for them. Sheldon was a craftsman and enjoyed working on his own house, building furniture for his home and helping friends with anything from putting new roofs on their

new homes to painting inside and out. For many years, he loved playing golf and convinced Debbie to take up the game. In recent years, Sheldon spent a lot of time working outside and caring for his garden. He loved sitting outside, enjoying nature around him and reading the paper. He will be missed by many special friends. He is survived by his loving wife, Debbie, his children, Ryan and his wife Lauren, Eric and his wife Roshawn, his grandchildren Liam, Colby, and Riley, and his two sisters Karen Justus and Pam Paprota and her husband John Paprota, and his brother-in-law, Gary Lukens, and his wife Cathy.

HERBERT PICKETT, Rollinsford, N.H., August 3, 2018. Born April 2, 1943, in Baltimore, Md., he was the son of the late Rev. Herbert E. Pickett, Jr., and his wife Sally (Geer) Pickett. Herb was a celebrated Senior Research Scientist at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL). After graduating from Williams College in 1965, where he was an avid member of the swim team and outing club, Herb went on to earn his Ph.D. in physical chemistry at the University of California, Berkeley in 1970. Subsequent academic appointments included Harvard University and University of Texas at Austin before joining JPL in Pasadena, Calif., in 1978. Herb continued his intellectual journey even after his retirement as a research professor in chemistry at Wesleyan University, beginning in 2009.

During his illustrious three decades as a team leader and senior research scientist at JPL, Herb pioneered numerous advances in the field of molecular spectroscopy. He authored or co-authored over one hundred publications. His path-breaking research was the focus of two dedicated issues of the Journal of Molecular Spectroscopy. Among other wide-reaching impacts, the measurement instruments he helped develop for atmospheric research satellites ultimately informed policy efforts to close the hole in the ozone layer, and a computer program for spectroscopy analysis he debuted in 1991 remains a critical tool for specialists to the present day.

Known for saying "My work is my hobby," Herb taught his children to follow their passion while modeling the continued discipline and dedication that entails. He also enjoyed camping, hiking, ice cream, swimming, traveling, and was a leading member of the Church of the Lighted Window in La Canada, Calif., and later an active participant in the choir and Men's Club at the First Parish Congregational Church in Dover. He retired to the New England cottage he'd always dreamed of, and spent his final years in the caring hands of Watson Fields Assisted Living.

His love of life – and a corresponding contrarian streak – defined his character nearly as much as his humor, kindness and curiosity. So when Herb was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2004, the path forward was immediately obvious: enroll in dancing lessons. And no matter how much his health deteriorated in the ensuing years, his determination and grace never did.

Herb is survived by his wife Nancy (Whitehead) Pickett of Rollinsford, N.H.; his children Tim Pickett and wife Mary of Flagstaff, Ariz.; Jennifer Daniels and husband

Chad of Lee, N.H.; and James Pickett and wife Jessica of Pittsburgh, Pa.; four grandchildren Melanie, Clayton, Claire, and Luke; as well as his siblings EMILY PICKETT GRICE '62 of Bainbridge Island, Wash., ALICE PICKETT-HALL '65 of Concord, N.H., DAVID PICKETT '67 of Vineland, N.J., and Paul Pickett of Olympia, Wash., and their respective families.

1965

LAURENCE M. DAVIDOW, Clarks Green, died suddenly at home, February 18, 2019. He and his wife, the former Gloria Corbo, had celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary October 8. Born in Scranton, son of the late Sol and Margaret Lang Davidow, he was a graduate of Keystone Junior College and earned a B.A. in English from West Chester University and an M.S. as a reading specialist from Marywood University.

He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War and before retirement was employed as a reading specialist by NEIU. Larry was a former member of the Scranton Ski Club, enjoyed stamp collecting and served as an officer for the Myer Davidow Charitable Foundation.

JERRY PARKER, Lansdowne, November 20, 2018. Former president of Delaware County Community College, Parker served at the college for 40 years, including 14 years as president. He also was a 41-year resident of Upper Darby, where he and his wife, Susan, raised their two children, Jessica and Zachary.

"Jerry was a compassionate, community-minded visionary who devoted most of his life to educating and training students," said College President L. Joy Gates Black. "Delaware and Chester counties benefited significantly from his knowledge and passion for higher education. He will be sorely missed by his peers, colleagues and friends."

Parker started at the college in 1977 as assistant to the vice president for administration. Over the years, he also served as executive assistant to the president for planning, research and external relations; dean of management systems, planning and enrollment management; and vice president for community and corporate education.

Prior to his retirement from the college last year, Parker received many awards for his extensive involvement in Delaware and Chester counties. In October 2017, the college renamed the Advanced Technology Center at the Marple Campus after him.

In 2016, the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT), a national community college advocacy organization, named Parker CEO of the Year for its Northeast Region.

Parker's many external activities and memberships provided him with a broad perspective on the social, governmental and environmental factors affecting community colleges, higher education and the Greater Philadelphia region. He was a former board chair of the Pennsylvania Commission for Community Colleges. A graduate of Wesleyan University, Parker earned a

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master of science degree in adult education from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and a Ph.D. in higher education administration from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

1967



JANET FLACK, Dallas, September 16, 2018. Born in Wilkes-Barre, Jefe graduated from Endicott College, Beverly, Mass. After studying fine art at State University of New York, Albany, N.Y., she studied interior design at Harrington College of Design, Chicago, Ill.

She was a National Council for Interior Design Qualification certified interior designer. She began her career in San Francisco, Calif., working with a number of architectural firms including Marquis Associates, Bond and Brown and Arthur Gensler and Associates.

She then moved to Philadelphia, where she joined Ling Linquist Partnership. She later worked for Peter Simoncelli and Associates as director of interior design.

In 1982, she founded her own firm in Kingston. She later moved the firm a few miles to Wyoming to be closer to her two loving brothers. Janet Flack Interiors specialized in all aspects of commercial and residential space planning and interior design.

She was particularly proud of her work at the Westmoreland Club in Wilkes-Barre, where she worked closely with her dear friend and club manager, Robert Williams, as part of a long-term collaborative effort to transform the Club into the Five-Star Platinum Club and Emerald Club of Distinction that it is today.

She was among the first in our region to incorporate "feng shui" and "green design" into her work. Janet served as vice president of professional development for the Mid-Atlantic states of the International Interior Designers Association, where she also served on the Mid Atlantic Advisory Board.

She was a member of the Board of Trustees of Harrington College of Design, the Board of Directors of the Anthracite Scenic Trails Association, the Boulevard Club of Naples, Fla., the Everhart Museum of Natural History Science and Art, and the Luzerne County Historical Society, where she also served as president, and the Catherine McAuley Center for homeless women and children.

Janet thrived on community service, and most dear to her heart was her work with the Catherine McAuley Center. In the early 1990s, Janet adopted a family for Christmas through the Center. While processing the paperwork, she mentioned that her firm might be able to help by donating design services. Thus was born a very rewarding relationship with a group of strong, bright, compassionate and savvy women – the Sisters of Mercy.

Shortly thereafter, Janet was honored to be asked, and graciously accepted a position on the Catherine McAuley Center's Board of Directors, where she initiated and managed a number of fundraising projects and donated all design fees and services for building renovations.

In 2005, she was thrilled to be named the "Mercy Woman of the Year." Upon acceptance of the award she said, "My invitation to join the Catherine McAuley Board has been a great gift of invaluable evolving friendships that touch so many institutions blessed by the work of the Sisters of Mercy."

Janet believed that the stewardship, kindness and compassion exhibited by the Sisters of Mercy and their charisms in helping so many homeless women and children who pass through the McAuley Center each year kept her grounded with gratitude and awareness of how fragile life can be.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents, Charles D. Flack and JOAN POWELL FLACK '47, and her brother, CHARLES D. "RUSTY" FLACK, JR. '72.

She is survived by her brother, HAROLD E. "HAL" FLACK II '77 and his wife, Jean P. Flack, Dallas; their children, HAROLD E. FLACK III '06 and his fiancée, Melissa Bayne, Charlotte, N.C.; HILARY FLACK HIGGINS '08 and her husband, John F. Higgins, Berwyn; MICHAEL P. FLACK '10 and his fiancée, Alison Brittain, Boston, Mass.; MELISSA P. FLACK '13, New York, N.Y.; sister-in-law, Kathi Flack Genung and her husband, Fred, Naples, Fla.; her children, CHARLES D. FLACK III '01, Harveys Lake; ALEX E. FLACK '05 and his wife, Melissa, Philadelphia; JAMIE A. FLACK '05 and her husband, RICHARD ECKMAN '04, Shavertown; and her companion of the last three years, Robert Schalm, Dallas.

1968

DANIEL SON, Mountain Top, November 26, 2018. Born in Wilkes-Barre on June 22, 1950, he was the son of the late Angelo and Mary (Medico) Son.

He received his bachelor of science degree from Wilkes College and his medical degree from the University of Guadalajara. Dr. Son completed his internship at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital and residencies in general surgery and urological surgery at Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia. He began his surgical career in the private sector at Hahnemann University Hospital. He served as a senior instructor of urology from 1983 to the present.

From 1985 to 1997, Dr. Son practiced urology in Kingston with his brother, Dr. Kenneth Son. Most recently, Dr. Son was affiliated with the Greater Hazleton Health Alliance and was a sole practitioner in the Hazleton/Drums area.

He was certified by the American Board of Urology since 1986 and was a fellow with the American College of Surgeons (F.A.C.S.) since 1980. Dr. Son was the recipient of many awards, completed many research projects, published numerous articles and presented cutting-edge techniques for the advancement of urological research. Throughout Dr. Son's career, he served in various

capacities within the Hazleton/St. Joseph Medical Center and, most notably, was the Chairman and Chief of Surgery. He additionally practiced at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Gaden Huetton Hospital, Hazleton General Hospital, Greater Hazleton Health Alliance, Lehigh Valley Hospital and the Blue Mountain Health System.

He was a member of UNICO and a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association and various outdoor recreation and conservation groups. He was a member of Fox Hill Country Club, Valley Country Club and the Appletree Sportsman's Club. He was an avid and skilled outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, golfing, fishing, skiing and camping.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his second wife, Susan (Menchi) Son.

Surviving are his four children from his former marriage with Joyce Pupa Hoban: daughter Alicia Roback and her husband, Jeffrey, of Shavertown, sons Daniel and his wife, Sara, of Dundee, Ore., Michael and his wife, Thisbeth, of Vicenza, Italy, and Patrick and his fiancée, Tracy Clothier, of Harveys Lake; grandchildren Olivia and Isabella Roback, Sadie Son, Sofia Son and Joseph Son; brother Dr. KENNETH SON '72 and his wife, Josie, of Fernandina Beach, Fla.; fiancée Paula M. Triano, of Mountain Top; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

1971

ALFRED MURDOCH, Summit, N.J., April 3, 2012. He was born in Orange and raised in Sparta, N.J., graduated from Wagner College, N.Y. and UMDNJ-School of Osteopathic Medicine. After completion of medical school in 1986, he attended the Family Medicine Residency Program of Overlook Medical Center in Summit, N.J. His connections with Overlook began years prior when he volunteered in the emergency room at age 16 and subsequently worked as an ER assistant and rotated as a medical student.

Dr. Murdock joined the faculty of the Overlook Family Residency Program in 1990. Over the next 22 years, he held a variety of titles, including Associate Director of the Family Medicine Residency, Acting Director of Hospice and Director of Osteopathic Medical Education. He attended the Duke University National Faculty Development Workshop Series and was a clinical assistant professor of the Department of Family Medicine of UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School.

Beyond his role as educator, Dr. Murdock always enjoyed learning from everyone around him. He was an avid arts enthusiast, pursuing painting, drawing and photography. He also participated in outdoor activities, including running, cycling, summer biathlon, figure skating, etc. But the greatest love of his life was his wife, Elaine, and daughter, Katie.

1976

SCOTT M. HENRY, Shavertown, December 13, 2018. Born on March 21, 1958, in Tampa, Fla., Scott was the devoted son of the late FRANK MARTZ HENRY '50 and Dorothea (Dottie) Wichmann Henry. Scott was the soul mate and husband to his devoted wife of 34 years, Maryjane. She

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was truly the love of Scott's life – his rock and inspiration from the moment they met. The two shared a lifetime of love, laughter and adventure. Together, they built a beautiful home for their four children and two new grandchildren.

Scott was a committed family man who was adored by his children. He will fondly be remembered as a dedicated, generous and fun-loving father – truly the best dad anyone could ask for. Scott was loved dearly by his parents, brother and sister, nieces and nephews and grandchildren. He was a loyal friend who understood the importance of building relationships and helping others. His spirit will live on through those he loved most.

A lifelong Northeastern Pennsylvania resident, Scott earned his bachelor of science degree from the Boston College Carroll School of Management in 1980 and returned to the Wyoming Valley to join the family business, Martz Trailways.

Scott's career at Martz began before he even had a driver's license. He started from the ground up, cleaning buses at the garage on Old River Road. Through his subsequent experiences in various departments, he learned the nuances of the business and garnered insight into the company and its people. All the while, he had the opportunity to work alongside his father, Frank, the company's longstanding patriarch. Scott was named chairman of Martz in 2015, an honor of which he was most proud. Providing safe, reliable and courteous transportation remained the company's top priority with Scott at the helm. He valued every member of the Martz team as family and led the 110-year-old company with dedication to its employees, customers and community. He cherished time working at Martz with his two sons, who will carry on his legacy and commitment to the business.

In addition to his work at Martz, Scott succeeded at many independent endeavors, including White Transit and Rinehimer Bus Lines. He served on the boards of the American Bus Association, National Trailways, Pennsylvania Bus, Greater New Jersey Motorcoach Association and Monroe County Chamber of Commerce. He was an active member of the Young President's Organization. Carrying on his father's legacy, Scott was an icon in the bus industry. He was a loyal and trusted advisor to countless colleagues. His wisdom and leadership will continue to impact the organizations he served for years to come.

Scott learned from his parents the importance of giving back to his community. He was a generous philanthropist who truly found joy in helping others. Scott was actively involved in local organizations including King's College, Community Bank, YMCA of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne Foundation, Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce, Geisinger and the Westmoreland Club. For over 30 years, he organized the annual Martz golf outing, later named the Frank M. and Dorothea Henry Memorial Golf Tournament, benefiting the American Cancer Society.

Scott proudly served on the board of Alina Lodge in Blairstown, N.J. He and his friends dreamed of one day

providing the Back Mountain community with a place for those struggling with drug and alcohol addiction. With faith and determination, that dream led to the building of the Triangle 24 Hour Clubhouse in Dallas, Pa., a refuge for all seeking peace of mind, comfort and camaraderie.

Scott lived a full and active life. Never one to sit still, he was a true outdoorsman who loved the Pennsylvania countryside. Scott was an avid biker, an adventurous skier, an enthusiastic fisherman and a skilled hunter. He traveled the world extensively, including a recent family trip of a lifetime to Alaska. His most beloved pastime, however, was golf. Scott played world-renowned courses and was a member of several national clubs but was happiest at his home courses of Huntsville Golf Club, Wyoming Valley Country Club and Olde Florida in Naples, Fla. He enjoyed the competition and camaraderie of the game and managed to hit not one, not two, but three holes-in-one. Perhaps his greatest accomplishment on the golf course came in 2017 when he won the annual McCarthy Tournament in memory of his dear mother, Dottie.

Scott also had a lifelong love of music. Everyone who met him learned of his passion for the Grateful Dead. Over the years, he enjoyed countless concerts with his friends and family. He loved to dance and play along with Jerry on the air guitar. The music Scott loved will serve as a joyful memory and source of comfort to his family and friends in the years to come. "You know our love will not fade away."

Preceding him in death, in addition to his parents, was his brother, FRANK M. HENRY, JR. '74.

Surviving are his wife of 34 years, Maryjane Depew Henry; daughter BRIGITTE HENRY COOPER '04 (Steve Cooper); son SCOTT MARTZ HENRY '06 (Erica Suitch Henry); son JOHN HENRY '10 (fiancée Mary Kate Lambert); and daughter JANE HENRY '12; grandchildren Caroline Cooper and Scott Martz Henry Jr.; and sister MARJORIE HENRY MARQUART '78. In addition, his family includes many loving members of the Marquart, Henry, Garrity, Gooley and Depew families.

1978

SCOTT MALPASS, Edgewood, Md., January 29, 2019. He was the beloved husband of Victoria Malpass; cherished father of Scott R. Malpass, II, and Mitchell A. Malpass; loving son of the late Thomas G. Malpass and Phyllis Rinker Malpass; dear brother of the late THOMAS H. MALPASS '68 and TODD W. MALPASS '71; devoted son-in-law of Clovita. Scott attended Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania. He served in the U.S. Marine Corp. He worked at Levindale Hebrew Geriatric Center and Hospital for more than 25 years.

1979

ROSEMARY PAVINSKI, Kingston, January 12, 2019. Born in Miami, Fla., she was the daughter of Edward Pavinski and the late Carol Costantini Pavinski. Rosemary was a 1995 graduate of the Culinary Institute of America. She started her career as the first female executive chef at the Saber Room in Wilkes-Barre. She worked at the Pier House in Key West, The Buttery in Delaware, and was a

Senior District Executive Chef at Virginia Commonwealth University as well as Culinary Director at Johns Hopkins University, and Campus Executive Chef at the University of Cincinnati.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Carol, and her grandparents, Rose and Stanley Costantini, and Mary and Edward Pavinski. Rosemary is survived by her father and stepmother, Edward and Carmella Pavinski, Scranton; brother, EDWARD PAVINSKI, JR. '81, Plains; sisters, CAROLYN MISSY PAVINSKI HUNTSINGER '82, Kingston, and PAULETTE PAVINSKI KENNEDY '84 and her husband Michael, of Shickshinny.

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DAWN SMITH, Charlotte, N.C., December 19, 2018. She is survived by her father, James U. Smith, and her stepmother, Clara Sue Smith. Her mother, Betty Miller Smith, predeceased her. Dawn attended Susquehanna University. She was retired from the United States Postal Service. Dawn had a love and passion for dogs, especially her dog Putney, who recently passed away.

FORMER FACULTY

MARY THERESE PITCAVAGE, Swoyersville, September 15, 2018. Mary Therese taught math at the Upper School from 1981 until 2010.



TOM ROKITA, Shavertown, September 11, 2018. Tom was a member of the Lower School faculty from 1969 until 2001. He received The Frances and Louis Maslow Award for excellence in teaching in 1988.



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