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to our readers



DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR, WE HAVE MANY opportunities to celebrate the academic, athletic, and personal achievements of our students.

Though they graduate and leave campus, our celebrations do not end with the commencement ceremony. As our alumni become contributing members of the community, their accomplishments touch the lives of others and stand as a proud testament of what Kutztown University can do.

In this issue of the Tower, we honor the alumni who have achieved success by recognizing them

with the 2007 Alumni Award. The profiles of these recipients illustrate to our students that success begins with hard work and dedication.

This issue reveals the names of this year's KU Athletic Hall of Fame winners. Included is a brief description of their career highlights, and how you can participate in the celebration of the achievements this fall.

We also celebrate our baseball team winning the 2007 NCAA Division II North Atlantic Regional Baseball Championship.

Another noted success is the KU Performing Artists Series. For nearly two decades, this program has brought meaningful, quality performances to campus in support of our academic programs, and to the delight of campus and community audiences.

Within the broad reaches of our KU family, there are individuals whose success is measured by helping one person at a time. In this issue we look at those individuals who joined the Peace Corps and celebrate their adventures and service to communities in need throughout the globe.

I am sure you can think of many more members of our KU community who have achieved something special in their lives: whether it is a successful career, a personal milestone, a community service project, or a new member of the family. Please tell us about it, so that we may share in the celebration!

F. Javier Cevallos **President**

Kutztown University of Pennsylvania will serve the Commonwealth as a dynamic, technologically advanced, collaborative, learning-centered public university. Kutztown University will be accessible to Pennsylvanians and others, sensitive to the need for diverse backgrounds in its faculty, staff, students and community, accountable to its many constituencies, and actively engaged in the continuous improvement of its programs and services. Above all, Kutztown University will prepare graduates to succeed in a global economy, to contribute to the economic and social well being of the state and nation, to assume active roles in their communities, and to lead productive and meaningful lives.



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SERVING THE WORLD: KUTZTOWN'S LEGACY OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS

BY CRAIG WILLIAMS

Paul Schroeder '68 says he is an impractical idealist. "After graduation, I didn't intend to pursue a teaching position right away; rather, I felt drawn to volunteering, social service, and international experiences outside my area of study."

Like many of his generation, he took the words of President Kennedy's 1961 inaugural address to heart: "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." So in his senior year he volunteered for the Peace Corps.

For more than four decades this volunteer group of Americans has spanned the globe working at a variety of jobs. Today, the Peace Corps serves 73 countries and provides teachers, physicians, agricultural and technical experts, and offers an extra pair of hands to help build a new school, start a farm project, or carry water.

What may be surprising to many is the fact that Peace Corps volunteers range in age from recent college graduates to retired



Paul Schroeder '68 served in the Peace Corps in India in the late 1960s.

teachers, workers, and industrial managers. The oldest current serving volunteer is 79.

Typical length of service is 27 months, though in the past, the length of stay was often longer, and the field support was less defined. Since its formation in March 1961, members of the KU family have found it their calling to spend a part of their life as a volunteer in the Peace Corps serving countries around

the globe from Asia to Africa, the Caribbean to the Pacific Islands, South America and beyond.

"As a Kutztown student from 1964 to 1968, college life more closely resembled the protected family life of the 1950s than the radicalized student activism prevalent on many college campuses in the 1960s," Schroeder said. "Consequently, I didn't get involved in any campus social campaigns, just the typical extra-curricular activities. Sometime in my senior year, I decided to apply to the Peace Corps. I'm sure my motives were mixed. For one thing, I wanted to see how flexible I was, for another, how idealistic."

Looking toward a career as an art teacher, Schroeder decided he needed to get some “real-world experience” before he could enter the classroom.

“Two days after my college classes were out, I was in training for an agriculture project bound for Maharastra, India,” he said. “My job was a far cry from teaching public school art classes. I taught pig production – the vet part, the management part, and the cultural part. I tended a few thousand pigs on 12 cooperative farms. Little by little, India grew on me, and if I had found a permanent job, I would have stayed on.”

Following his assignment in India, Schroeder traveled the world for the next 15 years through Southeast Asia, to Australia, across the South Pacific, and then over-land from Chile to the U.S. In 2000, he returned to the U.S. and is now the education programs coordinator for La Comunidad Hispana in Chester County.

“Looking back on my Kutztown years, it was that formative time that prepared me for a positive adventurous outlook on life, and to be the kind of person that enjoys working with others in a volunteer/non-profit capacity.”

Amy Boothroyd Bratsch '52 retired in 1996 from teaching after 30 years of service.



Amy Boothroyd Bratsch '52 retired in 1996 after 30 years of teaching ... then joined the Peace Corps.

A mother of two and grandmother of three, she didn't rest on her laurels for very long. Within a year, she was in Lesotho, a small country completely surrounded by South Africa, walking for three hours, one way, to teach in a local school.

“I taught for a few hours and walked back,” she said.

During her two-year assignment from 1997 to 1999, Bratsch lived in a mud-dung hut with a thatched roof, carried water from the village tap, sometimes only one bucket a day during times of drought, and caught rides by standing along the side of the road and hitchhiking.

“This system worked surprisingly well,” she said. “As you can imagine, I had many interesting and exciting adventures. Lesotho is about the size of Maryland. The village I lived in had no electricity, telephones, radios, or motor vehicles.”

Despite the hardships of a rural way of life, there were compensations.

“I enjoyed the students, teachers, and people of the villages where I lived and worked,” she said. “Plus the country is surrounded by the mountains, and the view from my hut was just breathtaking, [pictured below].”

Over the history of the Peace Corps, countries participate in the program as the need arises and drop out due to economical or political changes. Ethiopia was a participating Peace Corps host country for two periods, the last ending in 1999. According to Dr. Eldon Katter, professor emeritus Arts Education and Crafts, Ethiopia was a far different place in 1962 under the rule of Haile Selassie.

While on assignment as an art teacher in Africa in the early 1960s, he met his wife Adrienne, who taught home economics at the same boarding school in the ancient walled city of Karrar.

“We were the first group to go to Ethiopia,” Eldon Katter said. “Kennedy



was president, and we had a meeting with him in the Rose Garden before we left.”

“When we got to Ethiopia, we found that the students came from all over the country, with many different languages,” Adrienne said. “Plus our faculty was made up of people from many different countries. It was a little United Nations.”

Like many Peace Corps volunteers, the Katters fell in love with their host country. When their term of service was finished in 1964, both felt remorse over leaving.

“I think it was the overwhelming sense of accomplishment,” Edlon said. “Of course you wanted to get back home, but you also felt very much a part of the place where you served. You were constantly appreciated. Even the little children would run after you in the streets, and you knew you were special.”

Adrienne, who is a retired mathematics remediation teacher for the Kutztown School District, said their desire to return to Ethiopia was great, but the times were changing, and they decided to volunteer for the Teacher Education for East Africa program in Uganda, serving from 1964-67. It was in East Africa that their daughter, Sara Galosi '90 & '92, was born.

“When I was teaching at KU, I was constantly talking about the Peace Corps,” said Eldon. “I think it broadened my global experience.”

Like the Katters, Patti Hinderliter-Espinosa '94 met her husband Patrick while serving on the tiny island of Pohnpei Stat. Part of the Federated States of Micronesia, which is made up of 607 islands located in the South Pacific and spread over 1,700 miles, Pohnpei is considered the most developed in the federation.

From 2001 to 2003, this young Peace Corp volunteer lived with a host family, scuba dived in a fantastic natural underwater environment, and served in one of the toughest jobs in the Peace Corp.

“I was a health volunteer,” said Hinderliter-Espinosa who graduated from KU with a degree in telecommunications. “I worked with individuals with tuberculosis and leprosy. I received all my training through the Peace Corps. The FSM is one of the few places in the world where there is still leprosy.”

Despite the realities of her job, she said that overall, it was a special experience.

“Of course, I met Patrick while I was there, and it was a different experience than other Peace Corps locations



Dr. Eldon Katter, professor emeritus Arts Education and Crafts, and his wife Adrienne, a retired mathematics remediation teacher for the Kutztown School District, said the urge to return to Ethiopia following their service in the early 1960s was overwhelming.



Patti Hinderliter-Espinosa lived with Lorina Pernee's [left] family while serving on the tiny island of Pohnpei Stat.

because we had to live with a host family. Like all families we had our differences, but within the culture, when they get angry with you, they don't let you know about it until two months later. One day I wore my flip-flop sandals into the house and didn't find out that was the wrong thing to do until three months later, when it finally came out.”

Hinderliter-Espinosa said her service on the isolated South Pacific island was a welcome change from the steady diet of news she experienced when she worked

for a television station immediately following graduation from KU.

“Everything in the news seemed to be so negative. I decided that I wanted to do some good in the world and go where I could help people,” she said.

For Hinderliter-Espinosa, and many others like her, the Peace Corps offers a sense of fulfillment that few other experiences can match. Regardless of the job assignment, all have found a life-changing and sometimes life-challenging experience. ✨

KUTZTOWN HERITAGE, PIN IT ON!

EVER SINCE THE FOUNDING AS A STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, OUR INSTITUTION HAS CELEBRATED ITS HERITAGE WITH A LAPEL PIN, LAVALIER NECKLACE, ALUMNI PIN, CLASS RING, AND OTHER FORMS OF JEWELRY. PART OF A COLLECTION IN THE OFFICE OF ALUMNI RELATIONS, MANY OF THE PINS AND PENDANTS PICTURED BELOW HAVE AN INTERESTING STORY TO TELL.

For example, the tiny pin at the bottom of the page with the gold and maroon border surrounding a picture of Old Main has the words "The Seal of Keystone Normal School." It is the oldest piece in the collection.

All of the rectangular pins are of current design and replaced the K&U [to be read "KU and you"] square pin. The KU Bear also is of modern design and represents KU Athletics. These pins are worn everyday by faculty members, administrators, and staff to proudly display their Kutztown affiliation.

The distelfink pin is probably from the 1990's, and of course the 125 years

pin comes from 1991. All of the current pins are also given as thank you gifts to visitors and other honored guests of the university.

Shown in the lower left is an all-gold pin with the seal of the state of Pennsylvania in the center and is a beautiful example from the Kutztown State Teachers College era. No date is provided on the piece.

Lavaliers, or pendants, were handed out as special achievement and commemorative awards to students and alumni. The gorgeous black and gold lavalier and pin combination is marked as a 50 year alumni award. With no date inscribed, it remains one of the mystery

pins in the collection.

The lavalier featuring the big "K" in the middle is well documented and states: "Meritorious Award, Band, Keystone Orchestra, 1960." The recipient is unknown as this piece was obtained from an auction.

Regardless of their provenience, the pins provide a fascinating glimpse into the school's history.

So that we may grow our collection, the Office of Alumni Relations would like to encourage anyone with commemorative jewelry that they would like to contribute to contact Glenn Godshall, director of Alumni Relations, at 1-800-682-1866 or via e-mail at godshall@kutztown.edu. ✱



KU's Outstanding Alumni

BY MARISSA GUIDARA '07

Every year Kutztown University honors alumni for their outstanding service to the community and university through the Alumni Awards program. These alumni have achieved success in their professions and stand as excellent role models to future generations of KU graduates.

Citation Award for Service and Distinguished Professional Achievement

is the university's highest award given for service and distinguished professional achievement.



Marietta Dantonio-Fryer '75

There are perhaps few places left in the world where Marietta Dantonio-Fryer's artwork hasn't been shown.

With international exhibitions across Europe, in Ireland, China, Russia, India, and South Africa, Dantonio-Fryer's paintings have been seen and revered all over the world. Such praise has earned her a solo show at the United Nations, an invitational solo exhibit in Cairo, Egypt, and the title of Lindback Distinguished Educator 2005-2006 at Cheyney University of Pennsylvania where she is a tenured assistant professor of art.

Though amazingly accomplished, her greatest talent lies in her compassion. "My expression through art comes from my love of others," she said.

A recent episode of the television show "White House Chronicles" featured her work and reported that Dantonio-Fryer is one of the nation's leading experts in the healing arts, using her art and teaching skills to help others heal after tragedy.

Dantonio-Fryer has worked with the U.S. Army producing Operation Healing Arts, a program helping soldiers and families heal after traumatic events, notably the September 11, 2001 attacks. A mural from this project hangs in the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

She is also the founder of Totem Rhythms Inc., a global organization promoting healing for indigenous peoples. She is an outreach coordinator for Survivors Art Foundation International, and has developed healing art programs for at-risk youth, incarcerated adults, those with special needs, survivors of rape and abuse, and war refugees.

The Rothermel Award recognizes Kutztown University Alumni who graduated 16 or more years ago. This award recognizes the notable and distinguished achievements of an alumna or alumnus in her/his professional and personal life.



Jeanne Meikrantz '82

Dedication is the first word that comes to mind when examining the career of Jeanne Meikrantz.

In fact, she is dedicated to nearly 3,000 individuals and oversees a \$50 million budget as Director of Mental Retardation and Early Intervention Services in Chester County's Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation.

Meikrantz has set a standard of excellence in her field that not only serves as a model for other programs but also as a motivation to staff and present sociology students.

"I have dedicated my life to this goal, and I am very passionate about this mission allowing me to influence and mentor others ... to join the journey of change for those who are seen as different," she recently told the KU Sociology Alumni Newsletter. "I am hopeful that one day, we will not have to fight for acceptance; it will just occur naturally."

Devoted to her clients, she emphasizes choices and options, and has seen countless clients leave protected environments to join the work force. She also works with the legislature and the community to give professional insights on the work that needs to be done.

Through all the pressure and responsibility, Meikrantz maintains a positive, upbeat attitude that one co-worker described as "contagious" and provides staff with motivation and the clients with hope.



Donna L. Scholtis '74

If the teachers in the Allentown School District were to give Donna L. Scholtis a grade, you can guarantee she would get an A-plus.

It is clear that Scholtis has a passion for education that radiates to both her teachers and students.

Serving as principal of Washington Elementary School since 1990, Scholtis has led a school once labeled as “distressed” into becoming an academic success, one that inspires educators and students alike.

It has been said by her co-workers that she nurtures the future of America one teacher at a time, one student at a time. Her “conquer all” spirit leaves teachers feeling empowered and students encouraged to work

toward their greatest potentials.

Under Scholtis' guidance, the school achieved Adequate Yearly Progress in 2005-2006.

While she has built strong bonds within the school, she has also worked hard at creating them in the surrounding community, building partnerships with foundations and organizations to obtain a variety of resources for her students and educators.

Her strong community bonds are felt at KU as well, as she serves as an active member of the College of Education's Alumni Advisory Council and shares the inspiration that made Washington Elementary successful with current KU students.



Karen Kaufmann '86

Surely we've all asked a librarian for help at one point or another, but when the President of the United States needs a question answered at the library, he goes to Karen Kaufmann.

As reference librarian at the Executive Office of the President Library in Washington, D.C., Kaufmann is responsible for locating books and answering reference questions to all agencies within the executive office, including the President, Vice President, First Lady, and the National Security Council, among many others.

Starting her career as a library technician in the Canadian Embassy, she worked her way into the 130 year-old “White House Library” in 1988, and

became a reference librarian in 1994.

While Kaufmann has won a slew of awards for her work, perhaps the most notable is the Executive Office of the President Valued Service Award she received in 2006 for actions she took in saving the life of a fellow librarian who suffered a brain aneurism.

She has also spoken with many student groups, including at KU where she helped found the women's swim team in 1985, about her experiences and was selected as one of the “100 Fascinating Alumni” at KU in 1999. She was also listed in “Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities” and as one of the “Outstanding Young Women in America.”



Marilee Eckert '77 & '80

Whether working with disadvantaged youth, advocating conservation of the environment, or the tricky task of doing both at once, Marilee Eckert is always an inspiration.

As director of Marine Conservation Corps in San Rafael, California, Eckert has successfully led this non-profit organization into a mission to conserve natural resources for a strong, sustainable community and encourage youth into careers promoting conservation.

Her achievements have garnered special recognition from U.S. Senators and Congressmen for both her environmental work and youth education programs.

In 2004, she received the Hannah Creighton Justice Award given by the Sierra Club, one of the leading environmental protection agencies of this country.

Previously, she has worked as executive director of Youthworks in Oakland, California, a non-profit organization that provided services to inner-city youth.

Eckert's personal life is just as inspiring as her public life, as she has adopted four orphaned children from Ethiopia.



Joseph Coscia Jr. '82

Although Joseph Coscia Jr. has been described as a man who shies away from the spotlight, staying modest is no easy task when considering Coscia's monumental role in one of the world's largest and most important art institutions.

Working at The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City as chief photographer, Coscia produces photography for books and printed material chronicling the museum's collection of two million pieces, which contains everything from ancient Greek sculpture to modern American paintings.

He has 16 publications to his credit, including "Light on Stone," a photo essay of Greek and Roman sculpture and "Anglomania: Tradition and

Transgression in British Fashion from 1976 to 2006." His work has often been hailed by critics as exquisite and outstanding.

His artistic potential was revealed even before his appointment at The Met, as Coscia was able to gain such famous clients as artist Keith Haring, The New Yorker magazine, and Sorrelli Jewelry in a few short years after graduation.

Coscia has remained supportive of current KU students, keeping them abreast of job and training opportunities and helping arrange behind-the-scenes tours for classes at The Met.



Joseph G. Santoro '71

When he founded the KU chapter of Phi Mu Delta fraternity, there was little doubt that Joseph G. Santoro was a leader, and there is no doubt that he remains one today.

That legacy of leadership is now manifested at Broughal Middle School in the Bethlehem School District where Santoro is principal. The bar of excellence Santoro set for himself at KU, where he guided his fraternity towards volunteerism and community service, supporting senior citizens and child care programs, is a shining example for his students and educators to follow.

He led Broughal Middle School through a successful transformation into a Signature Science, Technology, and Mathematics School. He worked hard

to create a partnership with NASA and has received special recognition by the media for the school's NASA Explorer program.

Currently, he is working directly with design architects and engineers in the planning of a state-of-the-art science and technology school.

Santoro serves not just as a leader, but as a source of encouragement and support for his students who will one day follow in his footsteps.

The Early Career Excellence Award recognizes Kutztown University alumni who have graduated within the last 15 years. These graduates have achieved exceptional success in their chosen profession.



Jacqueline Alexander Woodruff '96

Although she may not have the powers of a superhero or the ability to leap tall buildings in a single bound, Jacqueline Alexander Woodruff has an even more powerful gift:

"She can make a difference in any child's life," said a recent newspaper article of her skills as an educator.

As a teacher at Washington Elementary in the Allentown School District, Woodruff has certainly put her gift to good use and proven herself to be a hero to her fifth grade class.

In 2006, she received the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award, a prestigious honor given for exemplary educational talent that is accompanied by a \$25,000 award.

Her accomplishments have garnered special recognition from the media and the community, who often volunteer as tutors and provide incentives to reward students of good behavior.

Most important, Woodruff is successful in building relationships with her students, turning even the hardest cases into productive and confident learners. She serves as a role model for both her students and fellow educators, as well as for KU students who can follow her award-winning example of service.



David F. Kauffman '94

Whether coordinating a Boy Scout troop or charting the waters of corporate accounting and finance, David F. Kauffman does everything with gusto.

In only 12 years since graduating from KU with a degree in accounting, Kauffman has earned the prestigious position of Director of Accounting and Controller.

At Arrow International Inc. in Bern Township, Pennsylvania, a company that manufactures and markets products for cardiac care, Kauffman has the huge responsibility of all periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. With over 60 individuals reporting to him and the vast and intricate Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 on his shoulders, Kauffman handles

such responsibility with dependable leadership and industriousness.

But Kauffman's responsibilities don't end at work. He voluntarily takes on more in the community, acting as a coordinator of a Boy Scout troop and as an active member of his church. Kauffman has also given back to KU, volunteering for the KU Foundation's Business and Industry Campaign, speaking at Accounting Club meetings, and has given internship and job opportunities to KU students.



Paige Keeter '92 & '94

Smiling is one thing Paige Keeter knows well.

As program manager of autism services at KidsPeace in Allentown, she makes her students smile daily, creating programs that fulfill a need that her students can't find elsewhere.

She has created Sarah's Smile, a six-week therapeutic camp for autistic children to help develop socialization and communication skills. Well organized, the program has served a need not just for autistic children but also their families.

"I can't say enough good things about 'Sarah's Smile,'" a parent said in an article. "I was so impressed."

"Sarah's Smile" was named after a young girl with Batten's Syndrome, a degenerative disease that left her blind and unable to speak. She let her therapists know she was content by smiling. The program serves as a testament to Keeter's compassion and her motivating drive to change the lives of her students.

This past September Keeter started an autism after-school program that works on social skill development and serves 60 children.

Keeter has also been volunteering her time to the American Red Cross since 2001 as a disaster relief counselor.



Jason Santa Maria '00

In the world of design, Jason Santa Maria is a celebrity.

Since his graduation from KU in 2000, Santa Maria has been recognized for his imaginative and groundbreaking designs which earned him a spot as creative director of the New York and Philadelphia branches of Happy Cog Studios.

Even before working for this firm, he was in demand, and his clients included PBS, E! Online, Comedy Central, and Miramax Films, among many other high profile clients.

The design industry has sought him to speak on the lecture circuit, including the South by Southwest Interactive events and asked him to

judge the 2006 Richmond Ad Club Awards.

Most notably, legends within his field have interviewed him for books and publications, including Stephen Heller's "Becoming a Digital Designer," an amazing accomplishment for someone at the dawn of his career.

He won seven Addy awards in 2004 which are given to professionals in advertising and the graphic arts, and his work was selected for publication in the annuals of PRINT and HOW magazines, beating out thousands of submitted entries.

Though he's a design star, he hasn't forgotten KU and has returned to speak at last year's Return of the CD Grads event, serving as an inspiration to students.



Matt Resch '98

It would take a certified financial analyst to tally all the successes Matt Resch has accomplished in the few years since he's graduated from KU.

Working his way up to Senior Bank Analyst at BNK Advisory Group in just a few years, Resch completed his Chartered Financial Analyst program at the same time. The CFA program is a worldwide recognized achievement in the investment industry that requires several years of intense studies and examinations.

After earning his CFA, Resch became Vice President of Investments and Investor Relations at Donegal Insurance Company in Marietta, Pennsylvania where he managed the company's \$525 million portfolio.

Looking for new challenges, he and two colleagues became founding directors and managing partners of Ambassador Partners LLC. With this venture, Resch adds yet another success to his list of accomplishments.

Resch has been more than willing to share the secrets of his success, and has served as a speaker for the university's Financial Management Association, inspiring students to set new standards for their own success.

Alumni Plaza

THE STORY BEHIND THE BRICKS



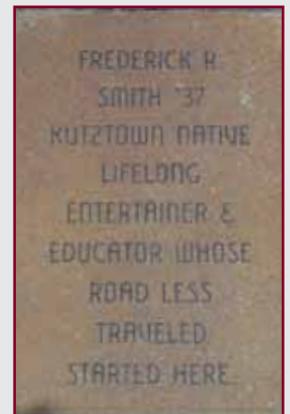
A graduation photo of Frederick R. Smith '37, in whose honor the pictured brick was placed in Alumni Plaza.

During the groundbreaking ceremony for the Alumni Plaza, the Student Government President at that time, Mike Wojewodka '03, described the Plaza as our front yard, a place to gather with family and friends. Over the years that description became a reality. As one of the most picturesque spots on campus, it provides a perfect background for graduation and wedding photos; few can resist the relaxing atmosphere and the temptation to kick back with friends or relive the memories captured on the inscribed bricks.

In this issue and coming issues, the Tower will present the stories behind the brick inscriptions. This issue features the inscription: "Frederick R. Smith '37, Kutztown native, lifelong entertainer and educator whose road less traveled started here." His daughter, Bonnie Rigg, writes:

"The inscription for this brick in honor of my dad was from a poem written by one of dad's favorite poets, Robert Frost. The poem 'The Road Not Taken' was written in 1915, the year dad was born. My father felt it applied especially to him as he, too, didn't know which was 'the road less traveled' until his career in music and education had progressed. My mom and dad traveled to the Midwest and Florida from Pennsylvania to pursue dad's musical ambitions as bandleader of a big band. My husband Matt and I also arranged for a tree to be planted near the brick, which serendipitously faces Old Main, a very special place to dad. We felt dad would be pleased to be a part of Kutztown University again."

The inscribed messages on the bricks offer words of encouragement and leave a lasting testament of the people, places, and events that composed the KU experience. If you are interested in purchasing a brick for inscription in the Alumni Plaza (prices range from \$300 to \$1,000), please call the Office of Development at 610-683-1394. ✱



YOUR GIFTS AT WORK

KU FOUNDATION: UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH GRANTS FUEL CREATIVITY

BY CRAIG WILLIAMS

Imagine walking along the surface of a 100-million-year-old sandstone bed in the western United States as a scientific detective looking for clues that will reveal the type of environment in which the sediment was deposited.

Just think how exciting it would be to discover new ideas to help make the world's most important source of protein, the soybean plant, even more productive.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if you could conduct your own research on the use of the modern digital camera in fine art photography?

Alumni contributors to the KU Foundation's Undergraduate Research Grants make these kinds of research opportunities a reality for KU students every year. By giving them experience in data and specimen collection, experimentation, documentation, publication, and presentation, the grants launch students into the world of professional research.

"Without the ability to discover new knowledge, we would become static and uncompetitive in the world," said Dr. Kurt C. Frieauf, chairman of the Undergraduate Research Committee. "Learning how to discover new ideas - to push the boundaries of knowledge - is precisely what research projects at the undergraduate level teach."

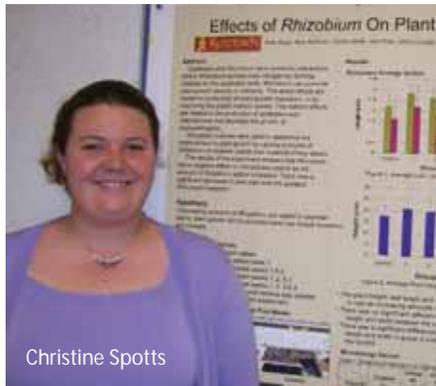
Christine Spotts, a senior studying biology, plans to continue her education in the field of marine invertebrate zoology. This April, she took a slight detour into the field of botany. Working with Dr. Anne Zayaitz, Department of Biological Sciences, she received a research grant to study the effects of nitrogen-fixing bacteria on soybean plant growth.

"The funds awarded to us by the undergraduate research committee allowed us to present our research project at the Annual Commonwealth of Pennsylvania University Biologists Meeting where we won the top prize at the conference," Spotts said.

Jon Bernard '07 worked with Dr. Edward Simpson and Dr. Sarah Tindall, Department of Physical Sciences, and traveled to Utah in April to conduct fieldwork at a sandstone deposit to determine the climate and conditions of the region



Jaclyn Cole



Christine Spotts



Jon Bernard

during its formation. He and his advisors concluded that sediments deposited quickly and subsequently deformed as water trapped between grains escaped rapidly. They also found that a second body of sandstone formed as a mudflow.

Bernard said he plans to revisit southern Utah in the future and continue his research on the debris flow deposits.

Jaclyn Cole '07 is an artist, writer, musician, and aspiring world traveler. But it was a research grant that brought her face to face with science.

"Today's consumer digital cameras have reached unprecedented levels of resolution, lens quality, and compact size," she said. "This opens up a new world of opportunity to professional photographers."

As an artist, she wanted to find a camera that was easy to use and carry.

Working with Professor Leigh Kane, Department of Fine Arts, last spring, an undergraduate research grant allowed her to evaluate the quality of prints created from pocket digital camera images.

[The research has been] "a great capstone to my work here at KU, as well as a first step toward success in my field," she said.

"These grants are only possible because alumni volunteer to make contributions to a program that creates life-changing opportunities for KU students," Frieauf said. "The Undergraduate Research Grant Program is a catalyst that enables students to learn how to extend the frontiers of knowledge."

For more information visit the Undergraduate Research Committee Website at: www.kutztown.edu/committees/URC. ✱

Join the Party

Performing Artists Series Celebrates Its 20th Season

BY CRAIG WILLIAMS

This academic year will mark the 20th season for the KU Performing Artists Series which has brought remarkable artists to Schaeffer Auditorium, created cherished memories of special performances, and set the stage for cultural enrichment on campus.

The person responsible for running this highly successful series is Ellen Finks, director of Cultural Affairs and KU music professor. Finks has had a long career as concert flutist and teacher, and brings a special sensitivity to her never-ending search for performances that will not only entertain but also educate. The series is supported in part by the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, which lauds Finks for her talent in creating a meaningful and powerful program.

"Programs at most state colleges and universities started out as student programming, but other, more adventuresome universities, like Kutztown, created their own campus and community events and provided an experience that was beneficial to both," said Jim Woland, coordinator for the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts.

"The most notable aspect of the good programs is the curatorial vision of the people who run them," Woland said. "Ellen Finks has a special ability to put together a series that is not



Ellen Finks, director of Cultural Affairs and KU music professor, has been the guiding hand behind the KU Performing Artists Series.

only artistic, but also speaks to the audience about their own life and experiences."

Beginning with the 1988-89 inaugural season, the KU Performing Artists Series, has offered a smorgasbord of international flavors and cultural seasonings.

"We work very hard to bring performers from all over the world to campus," Finks said.

At the time of the series' inception, larger venues like the Sovereign Center in Reading had not been built. Community concert goers soon discovered the KU program offered an unprecedented lineup of renowned acts at a reasonable price, and a loyal following developed.

"We continue to draw large regional audiences," Finks said. "Of course it doesn't hurt to have a beautiful setting like Kutztown's campus to make the experience even more enjoyable."

The variety of featured artists over the last 19 seasons is expansive, from the classics to the contemporary, and beyond.

The series has introduced local audiences to the top names in jazz including: Wynton Marsalis, Billy Taylor, Tito Puente, Paul Winter, and Charlie Musselwhite.

Visits from the Canadian Brass, Budapest Strings, Iceland Symphony Orchestra, Moscow Chamber Orchestra, Kronos Quartet, and I Musici of Rome have provided a more classical flavor.

"Because Schaeffer Auditorium has a seating capacity of 715, attending a performance is an intimate experience," Finks said. "We get many favorable comments after every show from both our audiences and the students."

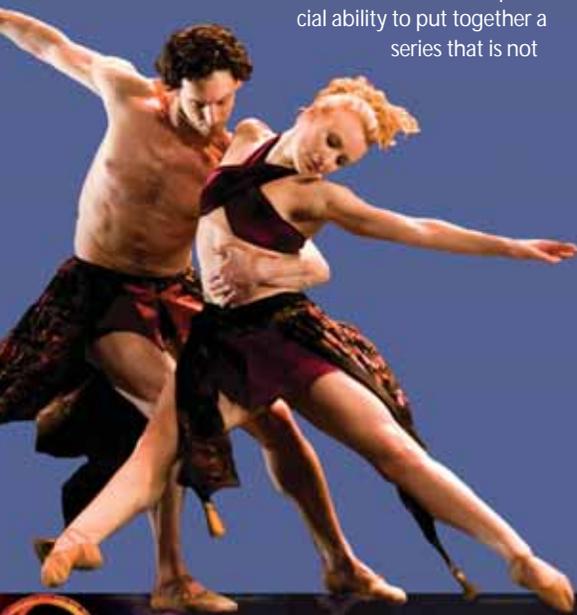
Rarely seen in the larger performance venues is dance. Showcasing every style from ballet, to jazz, and modern, Schaeffer Auditorium allows audiences to enjoy every nuance and movement of groups like the Murray Louis Dance Company, Limon Dance Company, Garth Fagan Dance, the Mark Morris Company, the Martha Graham Dance Company, Pilobolus, the Washington Ballet, the Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre, and the Ballet Stars of Moscow.

"There are few other places audiences can go to experience dance this close and personal," Finks said. "Because dance is a universal language, we also take the opportunity to introduce our audience to the traditional dance of other cultures," Finks said.

Featured artists in this category included: Ballet Hispanico, Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana, the Dancers and Musicians of Bali, Avantango, the American Indian Dance Theatre, DanceBrazil, and many others.

"With the Paul Taylor [Dance Company] tour that's coming to Pennsylvania in April, audiences get to see the same performances at KU that they would have to travel to New York City to see. I don't think you can put a price tag on that," said Woland. "You get to see world-class performances in your own backyard."

An audience favorite, the Yamato Drummers, return to KU for the 2007-08 season. Over the course of the series, the driving beat of the Yamato Drummers of Japan, and their intensely physical performance, has brought new elements to the ancient art of Taiko drumming.





"The Yamato Drummers is a crowd pleaser," Finks said. "They have returned to a packed house year after year."

Schaeffer Auditorium has also hosted its share of drama, opera and Broadway. From Othello and Romeo and Juliet, to Porgy and Bess, Fiddler on the Roof, Aida, and Universes SLANGUAGE, there is no channel surfing when theatre comes to Schaeffer.

Then there are the performances that just don't fit into any category. With unforgettable names like the Capitol Steps, Flying Karamazov Brothers, Body Vox, Momix, and Mummenschanz, these performers stretch the boundaries of dance, theatre, pantomime, and circus, to the delight of everyone.

Especially booked for younger audiences are the tickle-your-funny-bone acts that visit the Children's Series which are presented at a parent-friendly time on Sunday afternoon.

Additionally, the world famous duo of Trout Fishing in America has lead a lineup of other notable acts including Tom Chapin, Pilobolus Too, the Missoula Children's Theatre, and the Russian American Kids Circus, to name a few.

Every year Finks, who was hired specifically to establish the series and launched the program in 1988, has worked to expand the series. With an eye on cultivating the audiences of tomorrow, the Community Outreach Program was developed as part of the KU Performing Artists Series to make performances available to area schools and community groups.

"The great diversity presented on campus every year is an important part of the series," Finks said. "For our students, it's a wonderful learning experience, for the general public, it provides an evening of live, quality entertain-

ment, and for the entire community it's an opportunity to become involved with art."

This year's season includes:

- Neil Berg's "100 Years of Broadway," September 20.
- Hubbard Street Dance Chicago, October 16: which includes a new work commissioned from choreographer Brian Enos to celebrate the 20th season of Performing Artists Series.
- Yamato Drummers, November 6.
- Mingus Big Band, January 30, with a pre-performance talk by Dr. Kevin Kjos, director of KU Jazz Studies
- Israel Chamber Orchestra, February 24, sponsored by KU Council of Trustees member Herb Hyman, M.D.
- The Paul Taylor Dance Company, April 10, which will feature a special screening of "Dancemaker," a documentary on this pre-eminent choreographer, on April 9.

The Childrens' Series Presents:

- Les Parfaits Inconnus [The Perfect Unknowns] October 21, a zany medley of circus acts.
- Sign Stage on Tour, "James and the Giant Peach," presented in American Sign Language and spoken English, February 3.
- Galumph, March 30, combining dance, acrobatics, and physical comedy, is the final offering of this season's Children's Series.

For more information call 610-683-4511 or go to www.KutztownPresents.org ❧

Center Stage: Schaeffer Auditorium Scheduled for Upgrades

Improvements to the two major art centers on campus: the Sharadin Arts Building and Schaeffer Auditorium are among the goals of the Kutztown University Foundation's current capital campaign, the Campaign for Kutztown University.

Built in 1938, Schaeffer Auditorium is home to the KU Performing Artists Series and academic conferences. The main stage also is the venue of choice for many university and community group activities.

The third oldest building on campus, Schaeffer was constructed when the student population was about 1,200 and has served without any substantial upgrades in those 68 years. In order to better serve our students, the campaign will provide for the complete renovation of Schaeffer, including ensuring ADA accessibility, plus construction of a 52,800 square foot addition. Highlights include a 300-seat proscenium theatre, a 150-seat black box theatre, surrounding workshop areas, new classrooms, and rehearsal space.

This spring, renovations began on Sharadin, with upgrades to Schaeffer Auditorium slated to begin next year.



Golden Bear Baseball Reaches New Heights in 2007

BY JOSH LEIBOFF, KU SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

In his fifth season as the head coach at KU, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference [PSAC] Eastern Division Coach of the Year Chris Blum and the KU baseball team had a truly memorable season, winning the 2007 NCAA Division II North Atlantic Regional Baseball Championship.

The Golden Bears set a school and PSAC record for wins in a season with 49, finishing as the National Collegiate Athletic Association [NCAA] Division II leader in winning percentage: 49-77.875. KU won the PSAC East regular-season title with a 19-1 record. After stumbling in the PSAC tournament, KU rebounded by winning the North-Atlantic Regional on its home field to earn a spot in the NCAA Division II World Series, located in Montgomery, Alabama. KU placed eighth at the World Series, capping a season in which the Golden Bears spent the week of April 30 as the number one ranked team in Division II - a first for any KU team.

Mike McCardell, Jason Mills, Ryan Loper, Nate Kranz and utility player Sean Bond all earned a spot on this year's All-PSAC East first team. Chad Lightcap was named to the second team, as was Loper as a pitcher.

McCardell and Mills were both named North Atlantic Region Pitcher of the Year: McCardell by the American Baseball Coaches Association and Mills by Daktronics. Both went on to earn second-team All-America honors by those respective groups, with McCardell earning third-team honors from Daktronics as well. Joining them as all-region picks were Bond, Loper, Kranz and Lightcap.

McCardell and Mills are continuing their careers with Major League Baseball (MLB) affiliated teams.

McCardell was selected by the Minnesota Twins in the sixth round of the

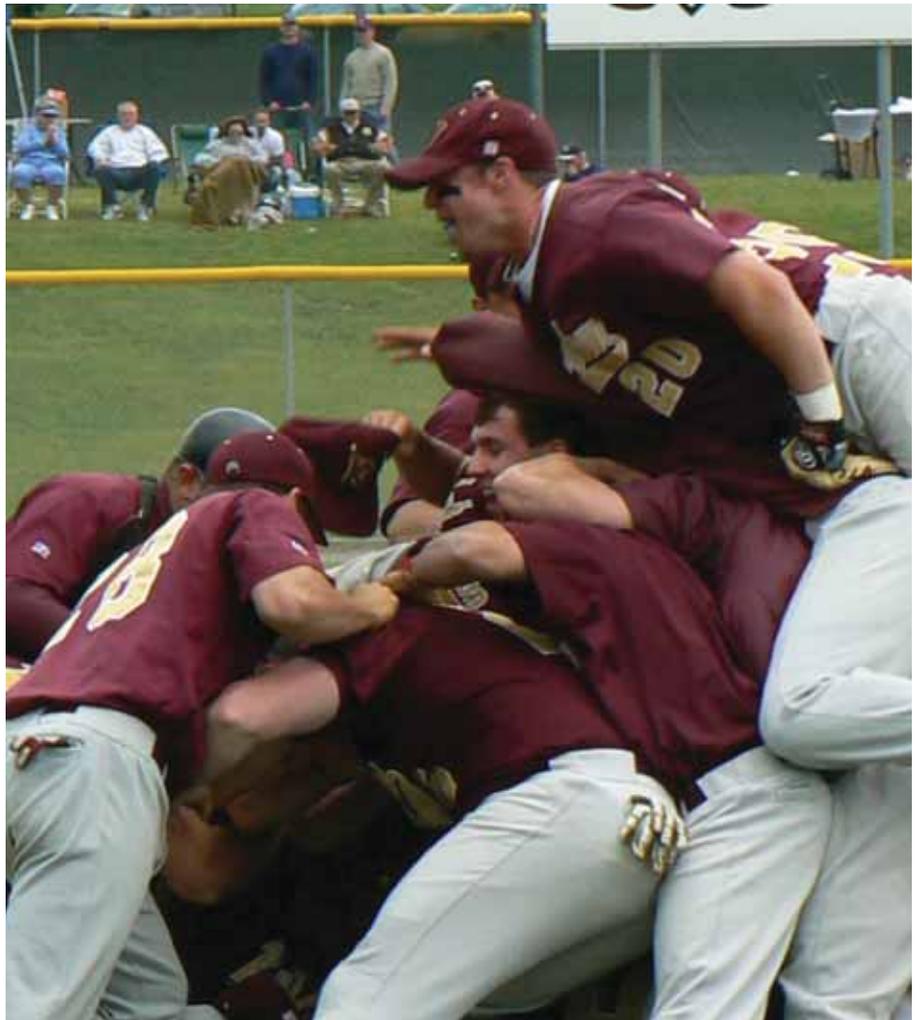


PHOTO BY TYLER SCHUECK '08

KU celebrates winning the 2007 NCAA Division II North Atlantic Regional Baseball Championship.

2007 MLB first-year player draft. He was the 212th overall pick. Mills signed with the Baltimore Orioles organization, which had drafted him in the 48th round of last year's draft. The pair joins seven other Golden Bears currently playing

professional baseball. (You can follow KU's pro ball players at kubears.com.)

Jeff Craig capped KU's baseball honors by earning ESPN the Magazine Academic All-District first-team and PSAC Spring Top Ten honors.

Recreational & Sports Clubs Round-up

BY JAY GALLAGHER, COORDINATOR OF INTRAMURALS

The KU recreational and sports clubs completed a very successful 2006-2007 campaign. Comprised of 14 clubs that are student run and governed by the Recreational and Sports Club Council, the activities vary in their scope. Some sports clubs are highly competitive and compete against other colleges and universities, while other clubs are more instructional or performance based.

The KU Equestrian Team won titles in two disciplines in 2006-07. They were Regional Champions in Hunt Seat and the Reserve Champions in Western.

The Dance Team once again performed at halftime for the Philadelphia 76ers' game in April. This was the fourth time in three years the team has traveled to Philadelphia to perform. In August they attended the Universal Dance Association Dance Camp for the first time.

The Men's Lacrosse Club finished their season at 8-3 and advanced to the National College Lacrosse League [NCLL] Final Four. The entire NCLL Championships were held at KU in late April. The men defeated the University of Kentucky

9-8 in overtime to reach the Final Four where they battled Cortland eventually falling 8-7 in the semifinals.

The Men's Rugby Club finished the spring 10-1 and ranked 10th in the nation. In the fall they will join a new super league for collegiate rugby featuring Penn State, Navy, Maryland, Virginia Tech and Delaware.

For the second year in a row the Cycling Club has been working at the Commerce Bank Triple Crown of Cycling events. Club members work in a variety of capacities for the event which is a fundraiser. Their participation gained them entrance into race competition throughout the northeast.

The Ice Hockey Club will be moving to the Great Northeast Collegiate Hockey and during the 2007-08 season they will be playing in Division II.

In March, the Women's Rugby Club hosted the Mid-Atlantic Rugby Football Union [MARFU] playoff game defeating the University of Richmond 42-10. They eventually lost in the MARFU Division 2 semifinal game 36-5 to Georgetown.

KU to Induct Six to Athletics Hall of Fame Oct. 26

BY JOSH LEIBOFF, KU SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

Kutztown University will add six new members into its Athletics Hall of Fame at this year's banquet on Friday, October 26.

This year's induction class includes **Jim Bennett '82**, an all-conference offensive lineman on the 1980 Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference [PSAC] Eastern Division Championship football team; **Tim Clancy '92**, the all-time leader in tackles in KU football history; the late **Mike Kullman '91**, an All-PSAC defensive back who went on to play in the NFL and coach at KU; **Dr. Al Leonzi**, long-time coach and professor at Kutztown; **John Rozich '01**, a record-breaking catcher for the Golden Bear baseball team; and **Elizabeth Thoryk '99**, the only athlete in school history to earn All-America honors for all four years on the women's swimming team.

The ceremony will be held in conjunction with Homecoming Weekend. In addition to the induction banquet, the Hall of Famers will be introduced at halftime of the Golden Bears' Football game against Edinboro on Saturday, October 27. Kickoff is at 1:05 p.m.

The six new inductees increase the membership to 149 since the Hall of Fame was formed in 1977. The KU Hall of Fame Banquet will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room of the McFarland Student Union, at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 26.

Reservations for the banquet can be made at the KU Athletic Advancement Office for \$25 per person. For more information, call 610-683-4755.



The floor of Kutztown University's Keystone Hall Arena received a face-lift in the summer.

deans' corner



Interim Dean Dr. Frederick McCoy, College of Education

This is a time of change, endings, beginnings, visions, and opportunities. The new academic year is beginning. Eager freshmen are anticipating their new life chapters. Returning upper-classmen are ready to continue their trek toward certification. Buildings are undergoing transformations. New faculty and staff members are learning the ropes.

In June, Dr. Regis Bernhardt retired as dean of the college. Under his guidance the college renewed its accreditation with the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education as well as continued the tradition of improvement and innovation.

Change is always difficult. Dr. Bernhardt taught us to stay the course and move forward. Change also brings renewed opportunity for growth and development. I am indebted to his

wisdom and foresight. He was, and is, a true friend and mentor!

As the fall semester begins we induct the newest KU family members into the college of education. They meet in the Freshmen Seminar—their inaugural collegiate experience. This year's seminar focuses on respect. To facilitate a greater awareness of this premier professional quality expected in all educators, Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot's book "Respect" was read by all freshmen.

Her words set the stage for readers by defining respect in an extraordinary context: "Respectful relationships ... have a way of sustaining and replicating themselves. I would like to document how respect grows ... how people work to challenge and dismantle hierarchies rather than how they reinforce them ..."

These words resonate in all educators, not only freshmen. We need to read, hear, and respond to her challenges. What a positive testament to all of us who are connected to the college of education and to the teaching profession.



Dr. Bashar Hanna, College Liberal Arts and Sciences

In May, the college graduated its largest class in the history of Kutztown! I would like to personally congratulate these 429 students and am certain these newly conferred graduates will make valuable contributions in their discipline of study and society as a whole, whether entering the workforce or continuing their education.

This Fall semester, we have more than 500 freshman enrolled in the college. I look forward to welcoming these students and their families to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and to our beautiful campus.

The college has a long history of preparing students in their field of specialty. In his wonderful book "Beacon on the Hill," author Lee Graver, former Kutztown professor and then head of the Department of History and Political Science, reports that President deFrancesco worked in the early 1960s to prepare Kutztown State College for a larger role as a multi-purpose institution by setting up the liberal arts program. In 1962, the State Council of Education approved the granting of a bachelor of arts in liberal arts, the humanities, social sciences, and the natural sciences.

Today, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences continues that proud tradition of providing a wider and larger education to all students at Kutztown. Now, just as in the 1960s, the motivating emphasis of industry and society continues to focus squarely on developments in the many disciplines taught within our college. As the semester unfolds, the college, led by our dedicated and experienced faculty members, promises to continue that level of cutting-edge coursework and curriculum development which fully prepares our students to meet the future.



Interim Dean Dr. Fidelis Ikem, College of Business

The study of business has expanded over the years. While the traditional functions of operations, finance, and marketing remain, the body of knowledge continues to grow to address emerging global issues and opportunities created by information technologies.

Students in the College of Business can select from major fields of study in international business, management, marketing, finance, and accounting, while being exposed to the components of entrepreneurship, product marketing, business law, and the challenges of e-commerce or modern models of business information systems.

As we embrace the 21st century, our students are also creating innovative combinations of a business major with a minor in a different department or college. By understanding a variety of disciplines, opportunities arise to specialize in a specific business discipline. Today's business majors can fine tune their education to meet new markets. The number of options available to refine their interests and to serve a specific market sector is growing each year. In KU's College of Business, minors in economics and advertising and a certificate in logistics and supply chain management are available to complement their majors. All majors within the college prepare our students for a business world filled with minute-to-minute economic decisions, often predicated on the global political climate and advances in information technology.

The college continues to add, adjust, and grow the number of course options. Today's business climate is a dynamic environment which uses the skills, knowledge, and abilities from an ever-expanding world of business specialties. At KU we are committed to providing an education that not only responds to current practices but also works to create new business models and opportunities through innovation.



Dr. William Mowder, College of Visual and Performing Arts

With the current renovation of Sharadin well under way, it is time to think about the wonderful possibilities this renovated and expanded facility will bring to our curriculum. But first let us take a look at the history of our college.

In 1924, Keystone State Normal School was approved for a three-year program in the arts, and five years later, in 1929, Kutztown State Teachers College was granted the authority to offer the bachelor of science in public school art. Henry William Sharadin was the program's first director.

Between 1929 and 1958, the arts program grew and needed its own building. Dr. deFrancesco, who was director of the art education program then, and later president of the university, saw to it that it was built. In 1970, an additional wing was built.

So, students—almost 13 generations of them—have been learning in the Sharadin building for nearly 50 years. Although one of its major shortcomings is that it left most of the faculty members of the departments of Art Education and Crafts and Communication Design scattered across campus in other buildings, this structure has, for much of its life, served us well. But those 50 years have seen a great deal of technological change, as well as new fields of, and approaches to, knowledge and learning.

The new building, with its expansion, will be state of the art for 2008 and after; indeed, I hope for the next 13 generations of students.

When completed, the new facility will not only be a physical demonstration of the university's commitment to the arts, it will also be a creative environment that will foster and allow for the use of new technologies and the sharing of creative ideas. It will bring together all of the visual arts in one building, and in doing that it will increase the creative possibilities and sense of an artistic community, which is so vital for the artist and the arts. It will also provide a new, modern gallery space that will be both instructional and a focus of art for the community and region.

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SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2007



Class of 1932 (left to right): Emma Fister Lenhart, President Cevallos, Mary King Geiger



Class of 1937 (left to right): Mildred Lichtenwalner Phillips, Violet Moyer Dolliver, President Cevallos, Ethel Dietrich George



Class of 1942 (seated, L to R): William Wewer, Carl Constein, Evelyn Smith Guss; (standing) Gladys Spatz Long, President Cevallos, Mary Ellen Diehl Graham



Class of 1952 (seated, L to R): Irene Blatt, Joyce Luckenbill Rohrbach, Lucille Levan Larash, Anita Welch, Erika Neidhardt, Lois Gromis Rhoads; (standing, front row): Joyce Shuker Dojan, Amy Bratsch, Mary Jane Schoenberger Vanek, Paul Larash, Shirley Beamesderfer Printz, William McHale, Mary Jo MacCullum Fox, Arnold Cederberg, Floyd Keim; (back row) Paul Sommers, Thomas Rosica, John Meyer, Joseph Charnigo, Robert Bradley, President Cevallos, George Skeebe, Joseph Rinaldi



Class of 1962 (first row, L to R): Shirley Roth Hader, Margaret Sutton Hartzell, Carol Cool Bartholomew, Kermit Bartholomew, June deFranco Marvel; (2nd row): Geraldine Ryan Ball, Mary Jane Goas Sausser, Gladys Albright Horvath, Sandra Clayton Coyle, President Cevallos; (3rd row): Carolyn Wounderly Seidel, Sue Shaw Langer, Neil Dreibelbis; (4th row): Walter Rohr, Robert Krewson, James Sassaman



Class of 1967 (first row, L to R): Ann Wasser Hohe, Laura Hooper Porsch, Sally Whitehead Davis, Barbara Phillips Campbell, Janet White Lehman, Judith DeLong Davidson-Roth, Vincenta Grum; (2nd row): Gail Sanders Young, President Cevallos, Robert Bennett, Barbara Bahner Bennett, Sandra Holod



Class of 1972 (first row, L to R): Suzanne Snyder Shuey, Eloise Long, Becky Hoffman Rader, Alan Kirschen, Brian McDaniel, Noreen Karahuta Moser; (2nd row): Charles Ricketts, Janet Dembroski Harden, Robert Frable, President Cevallos; Lynn Harding Millar



Class of 1977 (first row, L to R): Michael Deibert, Donna DiGiacomo Schoen, Constance Hartman, Kathleen Clarke Woodruff, Arlene LaSalle Lund; (2nd row): Suzanne Wyar, Ralph Marino, Barbara Taffera Costanzo, Diane Menio, President Cevallos; (3rd row): Gregory Raysor, Carol Stoner Shenberger, Angela Capers Bosket, Robert Kurinka



Street artist Rod Tryon '77 painted a pastel masterwork on the sidewalk outside McFarland Student Union on May 4 and 5.

UNDER THE tower



Student Wins Prestigious Fellowship

Carly Kline, a chemistry major, received a National Institute of Standards and Technology Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, a highly competitive program supporting approximately 100 students each year.

Kline, a resident of Wernersville, Pennsylvania, participated in the Research Experience for Undergraduates program at Duquesne University during the summer of 2006 where she synthesized inorganic compounds using innovative methods and studied the products for potential technologically useful properties. From her previous research project, she developed a winning proposal for the summer fellowship.

The national institute promotes innovation and competition within the industry by advancing measurement science, standards, and technology to enhance economic security and improve the quality of life.

Kline's research focused on the health effects of nanoparticles and carbon nanotubes accumulated through the drinking water treatment processes.



President Cevallos and KU first lady Josée Vachon join Craig Hafer '00, chairman of the Institute for the Advancement of Children's Environmental Health, and his wife Nancy Hafer for the announcement of the Dr. F. Javier Cevallos Award.

The Institute for Advancement of Children's Environmental Health Names Award in Honor of President

The Institute for the Advancement of Children's Environmental Health has created the Dr. F. Javier Cevallos Award to honor the university's commitment of space and resources to the institute's mission and in recognition of those who make a difference in children's health.

Berks County Commissioners joined with county residents as the first recipients in recognition of their continued support of the newly established institute which is located on campus.

The Institute for the Advancement of Children's Environmental Health at Kutztown University was created in June 2006 by the KU Foundation in conjunction with the Berks County Environmental Advisory Council to determine the effects environmental pollutants have on children.

The fourth of its kind in the United States, the institute is supported by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, which provides hardware and technical support to the institute.

President Cevallos said the work the institute is doing complements academic studies in environmental science and represents an opportunity to learn more about effects of pollution on children.



Kristin Grassi takes a break in Schaeffer Auditorium where she often performs.

Vocalist Named to DownBeat Magazine Best List

Kristin Grassi, a music major, was named best jazz vocalist by DownBeat magazine in its 30th annual student music awards. Often referred to as the “College Grammys,” the awards were listed in the June issue of the magazine.

More than 2,000 musicians entered this year’s awards in four divisions: junior high, high school, performing arts high school, and college. Grassi joins an elite group of past winners that includes Grammy-winning vocalist Norah Jones, trumpeters Roy Hargrove and Wallace Roney, arranger and bandleader Maria Schneider, and saxophonist Chris Potter.

KU professor and Kutztown Jazz Ensemble Director Kevin Kjos nominated Grassi for the honor. Kjos sent DownBeat three cuts featuring Grassi from the ensemble’s new recording “Dance You Monster,” which was released in May.

Grassi, a resident of Emmaus, Pennsylvania, will graduate in December.

Student Earns Top Scholarship Honors in Miss Pennsylvania Pageant

KU junior Carmen Bloom, earned top interview honors and secured \$900 in scholarships during her participation in the Miss Pennsylvania Pageant held this past summer in the Lehigh Valley.

Bloom, competing as Miss White Rose City, earned a \$100 scholarship for winning the interview category for the entire pageant. She received an additional \$500 for being the top non-finalist in the interview category, and \$300 for competing in the pageant. The \$500 scholarship was presented by the Pennsylvania Association of Local Scholarship Pageants.

Bloom, a political science major with a minor in Spanish, resides in Reading, Pennsylvania and is a graduate of Central Catholic High School.



KU Professor Honored by Marine Science Consortium

This summer, Albert F. Answini was honored for his many years of service to the Marine Science Consortium Inc., of which Kutztown University is a member. Answini, a KU professor emeritus, held a leadership role with the consortium for more than 20 years and was consortium president from 1990 to 2007. His guiding hand brought the consortium into the 21st Century and established a lasting collaboration with the NASA Wallops Flight Facility. He was an associate professor of biology at KU for 26 years. The consortium is naming a hall in his honor at the Wallops Island, Virginia facility.

University Hosts Art Education Study Institute Program

This summer the university hosted the Art Education Study Institute Program, “An Invitation to the Dinner Party.” A major curriculum resources initiative designed to provide educators with materials to teach about the multi-media presentation, “The Dinner Party,” the program introduced the piece’s creator Judy Chicago. Chicago approached the Department of Art Education and Crafts to request the development of the institute. The founder of the Women’s Art Education Collective, “The Dinner Party” is her best known work. Executed between 1974 and 1979 with the participation of hundreds of volunteers, the project, a symbolic history of women in Western Civilization, has been seen by more than one million viewers during its 16 exhibitions in six countries. The institute was designed to introduce participants in the program to the concepts and practices associated with feminist pedagogy.



From left to right: Nathaniel Swartz, Seth Kelchner, Nathaniel Kindrew, Frank Urbanski, and Mark Aldrich created functional robots as part of a new intelligent robotics class.

Teaching Intelligent Robotics

Brainstorms power the new intelligent robotics class of Dr. Oskars J. Rieksts, Department of Computer Science. Designed to show that robots useable for research could be created in the classroom by KU students, the program took a variety of approaches from the creation of prototypes [pictured above], to intelligent programming solutions, and practical designs immediately applicable to needs in the health-care industry. Other students used development packages created by commercial robot manufacturers to explore the use of touch, light, sound, and odor sensors in a mobile, practical robotic application.



Designathon client Paul Sable, representing America On Wheels: a Museum of Over-The-Road Transportation, works with students on a public information campaign.

Members of the KU chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts joined with local non-profit organizations during a 24-hour Designathon last spring. A unique volunteering event supported by the College of Visual and Performing Arts and the KU Communication Design Department, the Designathon provided participating non-profits professional-quality design services at no cost. The event also proved to be a showcase for the considerable talents of KU students majoring in communications design.



Highway Tollhouse Newest Addition to Campus

The KU Foundation has purchased the historic Yellow House turnpike tollhouse for placement on the grounds of the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center on north campus.

The 19th century tollhouse was dismantled at its original site in nearby Amity Township last fall by the Amity Heritage Society. The township sold the dismantled and tagged building to the KU Foundation for \$9,500 in May. The materials were transported to campus by tractor-trailer where they will be stored until details for reassembly can be finalized.

The tollhouse was built in the 1870s by the Douglassville Yellow House Turnpike Company on what is now known as Pennsylvania Route 662 or Old Swede Road. The road was a key southern route to the railroad station for cattle drovers from Amity and Oley Townships. A gate was installed at the tollhouse site and fees were collected. Proceeds were used to help ease maintenance costs of the roads incurred by the local farmers.

Toll collection was discontinued in 1898. The tollhouse eventually became a family home. It was scheduled to be demolished by the township last fall to correct an unsafe traffic pattern.

The tollhouse will be the fourth historic structure to be relocated to the cultural center. A one-room school house was transported from a nearby site to the grounds in the early 1990s, and two 18th century log cabins were dismantled and rebuilt at the center in recent years. The tollhouse project is funded through proceeds the KU Foundation received through a partnership with the Kutztown Fair Board and the Kutztown Pennsylvania German Festival.

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In Pursuit of Trivia and Fame

Kyle L. Webb, a KU biology major and trivia expert, astounded the nation with her knowledge of movies, celebrity gossip, and music on the hit VH1 television show "World Series of Pop Culture," which

aired in July. Her team "Almost Perfect Strangers 2.0" worked their way through the competition, which included 16 teams, in the tournament-style game show in pursuit of a \$250,000 prize. Unfortunately they were eliminated in the final round before the championship.

class notes

1940s

1942



Bill Wewer (second from left) played his mandolin with President Cevallos (far right), his wife Josee Vachon Cevallos, and Alumni Director **Glenn Godshall** ('75, '90) while in Kutztown for his 65th reunion during Alumni Weekend. Wewer recently endowed a scholarship to KU's special education program for visual impairment.

1950s

1950

Robert E. Doney received a Bethlehem Fine Arts Individual Award in May. As founder of the Northampton Community College Art Department, and a member of the Bethlehem Palette Club, Doney continues to inspire artists in the region.

1955

Margaret "Peggy" (Nein) Hart (&'78) was inducted into Exeter School District's Academic Hall of Fame. She was honored for the dedication and inspiration she brought to her classrooms as an elementary teacher for 20 years and as a high school teacher for 18. She retired in 1998.

1956

G. Robert Omrod recently won several honors for his photography: the Birds in Bloom Magazine contest, first prize in a contest held by the Mercury Newspaper, and one photograph was selected for the Encyclopedia of Photography.

Robert "Bob" Regan and wife Ann recently completed building a lakeside home in western North Carolina. They are interested in

seeing old friends, alumni, and football teammates, and have hosted many gatherings over the years.

1957

Jack Eagle recently had his work shown at Frame Your Image Gallery and Gifts in Coopersburg, Pa.

1960s

1961



Patricia Hoffman (&'66) retired from Abington School District, where she was an elementary teacher, and moved to Orlando, Fla. She works part-time at Walt Disney World's Epcot and presents information and scripts at Innovations, which showcases new technology.

1962

Shirley (Roth) Hader and her best friend from KSTC, **Geraldine A. (Ryan) Ball ('62)**, attended their 45th class reunion on May 5. Hader said it was wonderful to renew friendships with classmates she knew so long ago.

1963

Carlton D. Becker and his business partner Edwin L Bowman announced the formation of BowmanBecker Consultancy, LLC, aimed at delivering client-centered solutions for talent management, workforce diversity and inclusion, and organization development. The firm will operate out of its offices in White Plains, N.Y., and Bethlehem, Pa.

1965

Caroline (Deisher) Anderson received her master's degree from Penn State and her doctorate from Carnegie Mellon. She retired in May 2004 after 35 years as professor of mathematics at

Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She now serves as an AARP volunteer preparing taxes for elderly/low income families and enjoys her grandchildren's gymnastics meets and soccer games. Anderson has also established the Ralph J. and Margaret H. Deisher Endowed Scholarship Fund in memory of her parents.

1968



Bruce J. Weidenhammer continues to golf and play cards with a group of KU military veterans every few weeks. Pictured left to right: **Ray Mantz '69**, Weidenhammer, and **Joe Frankl '72**.

1969

Raymond F. Roedell, Jr. received his second B.A. degree in pastoral ministry from Newman University of Wichita, Kansas. He was also one of the speakers at the Oklahoma Roman Catholic Archdiocesan graduation ceremonies. Upon retirement in 2008, Roedell hopes to enter seminary life and pursue a degree in ministry and culture.

Charles G. Wilson is about to celebrate 25 years with Merrill Lynch. His son Patrick is a resident at Children's Hospital in Denver and daughter Elizabeth will be graduating from medical school in June.

Alan Mills enjoys playing golf every weekend, taking long walks, and cruising around Philly, Baltimore, D.C., and Ocean City, Md., in his '99 Corvette coupe.

Joseph Reichert will begin his 39th year as a Spanish teacher at Pottsville Area High School this fall. His daughter is pursuing a degree in secondary education/Spanish at KU.

1970s

1970

Louise (Arlen) Cosgrove retired from the Salisbury Township School District in 2006 after 36 years of teaching art. She is painting full time in her studio and has exhibited in juried shows over the years with the Lehigh Art Alliance and the Bethlehem Palette Club.

1971

Jeffrey Frankenfield is a retired Air Force pilot and director of Information Services. He is a fifth degree black belt in Kenpo Karate and has a private pilot's license.

Joan (Wilgruber) Gaydos was recently honored at the Allentown Arts Commission's 19th annual Arts Ovation Awards. Gaydos co-founded William Allen High School's Academy of the Arts which offers specialized instruction for aspiring singers, playwrights, and artists.

1972

Mary Jane Lisny retired from Somerset County Library System in New Jersey where she was head of youth services. She is now volunteering at two libraries in the Youth Services Department.

Carol A. (Lehr) Little has taught art for 35 years at C.F. Patton Middle School. Her son Nicholas graduated from KU this year.

Raymond Swisher will be retiring from Daniel Boone School District in June after 35 years: seven years as an English teacher and 28 years as a counselor.

Richard Knecht was recently promoted to director of Emergency Management for Lycoming County. He and his wife of 28 years, Teri, have two daughters, Yvonne and Holly, and two grandchildren. He also serves as fire chief of DuBoistown Borough near Williamsport.



Joseph Frankl continues to golf and play cards with KU friends each month. Pictured standing: **Richard Delp '70, John Ulicny '71, Bruce Weidenhammer '68, Frankl**; seated: **Doug Weidner, Felice Marrongelle '69.**

1973

Michael Hechinger, owner and operator of E.J. Faller Pretzel Co. in Reading, Pa., was recently featured in the Reading Eagle for his use of bio-diesel fuel at his pretzel factory on Moss Street.

Dana Peiffer is employed at Scottsdale Insurance Co. as a senior legal auditor. He is also a volunteer at Northwest Christian High School in Phoenix, Ariz., where he is the pitching coach for the baseball team and the special teams coach for the football program.

1974

Louise Maria (Gentile) Howard spent the last four years of summer stock touring nationally with "Tony and Tina's Wedding," and doing equity work in New York with the same show. She is now teaching Spanish at the Lehigh Valley Charter School for the Performing Arts.

William Host, Jr. co-authored "Early Chicago Hotels," a book of Chicago hotel history from 1871-1916.

Sister Helen D. Brancato teaches drawing and painting at Villanova University. She also illustrates books, including "Ordinary Places, Sacred Spaces" by author Evelyn Mattern, and "Walk with Jesus," by Henri Nouwen.

Constance (Castle) Lewis retired from teaching in the Wissahickon School District, located near Philadelphia, when she and her husband moved to Indianapolis, Ind., in 2005.

Geraldine (Burne) Margin was recently named superintendent of Manasquan School District in New Jersey. It is a K-12 district serving numerous southern Monmouth County beach towns. She previously served as assistant superintendent in North Brunswick and has either taught or been an administrator in Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ohio and New Jersey. Margin and her husband **Rick '73** reside in Brick, N.J.

1975

Thomas Ardizzone is a member of the Board of Directors of the Lehigh Valley Community Broadcasters Association. The LVCBA is the licensee and owner of National Public Radio affiliate WDIY FM in Allentown.

1976

William Uhrich (& '78) graduated from Lancaster Theological Seminary in May with a master of arts degree in Religion. He works as a photo editor for the Reading Eagle, and his "Religion Blog" on the paper's Website won a first place in the 2007 Keystone Awards, sponsored by the Pennsylvania Society of Newspaper Editors.

Yvonne (Figlioli) Lange has worked for the Baltimore County public schools as a professional school counselor for the last 27 years. She remarried in April.

1977

Margaret (Papsun) Gore completed her master's degree in business administration with a specialization in healthcare at Alvernia College. She currently works at the Reading Hospital Regional Cancer Center.

1978

Lois Williams Tobin is working as a licensed social worker and deputy director for long-term clinical services at the Bucks County Area Agency on Aging. She recently presented at a conference attended by her former professor, Fran Driesbach.

Michael C. Kessler has solo exhibitions at the following art galleries (2007-2008): Art Now in Sweden; Lanoue Gallery, Boston; Dan Kany Gallery, Portland, Maine; Butters Gallery, Portland, Oregon; The Russell Collection,

Austin, Texas; Gallery Bienvenu, New Orleans; NuArt Gallery, Sante Fe; and Schmidt-Dean Gallery in Philadelphia. The Naples Museum of Art just acquired one of Kessler's paintings. His work can also be seen in two dozen other museums worldwide.

Keith Gery is the communications manager and event coordinator at Sawgrass Country Club in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

1980s

1980

Steve Moss and wife Cindy have been married 26 years. Their oldest daughter completed her freshman year at the University of Oklahoma, and their youngest recently finished her junior year of high school.

1981

Cheryl (De Luca) Dauphin recently launched the company Self-Marketer Resources, which teaches small businesses how to create marketing materials. Dauphin teaches through seminars, workshops and a book she co-authored titled, "A Tool Chest for Self-Marketers," which is available at www.self-marketer.com. She and husband Paul enjoy gardening and working on their new vacation home in New Hampshire.

H. Christopher Pollock earned his Ed.D. from Wilmington College, Del. He is a middle school administrator in the Unionville-Chadds Ford School District, and an adjunct instructor for Wilkes University's Graduate Teacher Education Program.

Kirk Moyer has been living and working in Singapore for the last five years. He was recently promoted to the position of Asia Pacific Region technology manager of the staff, and all technology issues for the plastics and building materials business (Rohm & Haas), which consists of 20 plants throughout Asia.

1982

Lori (Bishop) Maxwell has directed her local high school's musical for the past six years. She has one daughter.

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Jennifer (Setzer) Asral spent the last 18 years working in graphic design, and the last 11 at Gemini Consulting in the Marketing Department. She is now a stay-at-home mother of two daughters, ages 6 and 8. She is also busy helping husband Dogan in his architectural business, Asral Architect.

Curtis Smith recently published his new book of stories, "The Species Clown," from Press 53.

1983

Contemporary basketry and fiber artist **Joh Ricci** was awarded Best of Show at the 25th Anniversary Smithsonian Craft Show, held at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C., from April 19-22. She applied to the show for the first time this year and was selected as one of the 120 exhibitors out of a highly competitive jury pool of approximately 1,200 applicants.

1985

Laura (Soper) Tiano currently works with decorators painting murals, furniture, and home décor. She has been married for 20 years and has three children.

Jeffrey Wetherhold received a 2007 Da Vinci Science Center Grand Master Award for Outstanding Science Teaching in June. He currently teaches 11th and 12th grade science at Parkland High School in Allentown.

Mary Harrington continues to work as a controller for the International Fund for Animal Welfare. She also serves as treasurer for the Cape Cod Stranding Network, an organization she helped establish that aids stranded marine animals.

1986

Perihan Nilay (Doganalp) Eksioglu's son is applying to attend KU as an international student for the Fall 2008 term.

1987

Kimberly (Rutledge) Speed married, moved nine times, and had four children since graduating from KU. She moved to Texas two years ago where her husband started an internet business selling used and rare books.

She homeschools her children ages 13, 12, 3 and 1, and has a dog named Hank.

Charles Wilkinson, owner of Antico Effetto in New York, had a Venetian stucco creation featured in the April issue of Architectural Digest.

1988

Patty (Duffy) Ritter was a contestant in this year's National Hot Dog Eating Contest, sponsored by Nathan's Hot Dogs since 1916. A regional winner representing Philadelphia, Ritter ate 20 hot dogs in 12 minutes. She missed making the International competition by two dogs.

1989

Dawn Zec Squire and her stained glass studio Morning Light Glass Works, LLC, were featured on the Home and Garden Channel's "That's Clever" in May.

Michael Pittaro (& '00) is pursuing his Ph.D. in criminal justice at Capella University's School of Public Safety. He recently authored a criminal justice 'quick study' reference guide. A forthcoming text, "Crimes of the Internet," with Frank Schmalleger, is due in February 2008.

1990s

1990

Jacqueline (Martens) Kern currently lives in Rochester, Mich., with her husband of 12 years, Jeffrey. She has been a senior technical recruiter for 10 years with TM Floyd & Co., an IT consulting firm.

Stacy (Sucro) Opiela has two children, Caitlin and Robert.

1991

Laurie Borger received a 2007 Da Vinci Science Center Grand Master Award for Outstanding Science Teaching in June. She currently teaches fourth grade at Tinicum Elementary in Palisades School District, Kintnersville.

1992

Lesley (Kettering) Spann is married and had her first child in July.

Michelle (Schneider) Hirsch is a stay at home mom to son, Jonathan, who was born in April

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2004, and twin daughters, Anna and Stephanie, who were born in January.

Michael Hardy is the drummer for Mark Scott and County Line. They have opened for several major country music acts in the south including The Gatlin Brothers, Rodney Atkins, and Chris Young.

1993

Scott Herber is the artifact conservator for the Whydah Galley, the only authenticated pirate ship in U.S. waters. The exhibition will come to Philadelphia in February/March 2008.

1994

Franklin Brown (& '96) earned his Ph.D. in psychology from Louisiana Tech. He then completed a fellowship in neuropsychology at Dartmouth and now teaches college full-time. He is also a clinical neuropsychologist and sees patients part-time.

Veronica (Namnum) Cool has been married for 11 years and has two children: Isabela, 5, and Jonny, 3. She was honored as one of Maryland's Top 100 Women in 2007.

Edward Pouch is working for the Justice Department in Washington, D.C., within the criminal division.

Amy (Kolecki) Beauregard's son Finn was born in June 2005.

1995

Kimberly (Heyer) Moffatt has a 3-year-old daughter, Heather Lynn.

Steve Klein married **MaryAnn Hedglin ('96)** in 2001. They have a 2-year-old daughter, Anna Rose, and at press time were expecting

another child. Steve started his own graphic design business, Dakota-Diesel, Inc., in 2004.

Scott Leitheiser is currently employed by Penske Racing's IndyCar team as a transportation driver. Last year he was a pit crew member for Sam Hornish, Jr.'s Indianapolis 500 race victory and 2006 IndyCar championship. His hobbies include collecting redline Hot Wheels and other vintage toys. He currently resides in Mooresville, N.C.

1996

Alice D'Amore (& '03) is currently completing her Ph.D. in English at Purdue University. In August, she began veterinary school at Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, Calif., where she hopes to work with marine and terrestrial wildlife.

Thomas Halcisak was hired as an assistant principal in the Saucon Valley School District in 2006. He and his wife had their second child, Tommy Jr., in 2004 and their third child, Leah in 2006.

MaryAnn (Hedglin) Klein married **Steve Klein ('95)** in 2001. They have a 2-year-old daughter, Anna Rose, and at press time were expecting another child.

Leanne (Taylor) Argonish and husband of eight years, Nick, have two daughters: Anna, 3, and Audrey, 1. Argonish teaches photography and design at Conestoga High School.

Jennifer (Krieger) Jozefick was among 236 students awarded the doctor of osteopathic medicine degree at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine's 116th commencement, held at the Kimmel Center in June.

1997

Dawn (Harvitz) Owens (& '00) recently accepted a position at the University of Cincinnati in the Graduate Programs Office for the College of Business. She recruits prospective students to the MBA and MS degree programs.

Elaine Hilbert is an art teacher at Fleetwood High School, where she directed her first high school musical this year. She has traveled abroad to Western Europe, the United Kingdom, and Australia, and was recently accepted into the Fulbright teacher exchange program.

Marykim Murtha has two children, Timothy and Adaline.

1998

K. Rebecca (Fairchild) Fisher and husband Edward recently had a son, Eddie. They live in East Norriton, Pa., with two cats and a dog. She is currently a stay-at-home mom but works part-time for Fairchild Services, Inc., and Curves.

Tracey (Whyne) Caudle lives in Quantico, Va., with her husband

who is in the military. She is a stay-at-home mom to daughter Kylie and designs and sells digital scrapbooking kits at ScrapOutsidetheBox.com

1999

Karin (Guenther) Althouse is working on her MBA at KU.

Kurt Moyer recently had paintings shown at EDavid Gallery in Bethlehem, Pa.

Christy (Wanner) Roberts and husband Aaron had a daughter, Madalee Elizabeth.

Maria Miceli-Jacobson is the proud mother of one. She works as the director of Student Activities at Drew University in Madison, N.J.

Julio Torres received a full scholarship to pursue his Ph.D. in Hispanic linguistics/second language acquisition at Georgetown University this fall.

2000s

2000

Adrian DiGiovanni had his first leading role in a feature film last year. The film was

titled "Treadmill" and it won best feature at two film festivals. Currently, he is working as a casting assistant on the Warner Brothers action film "Rory's First Kiss."

2001

Paige (Brown) O'Keefe (& '04) lives in West Chester and teaches K-5 art in the Great Valley School District. She received her master's degree in art education from Kutztown in 2004, and she married Brian O'Keefe in July 2005.

2002

Amy Constanty is engaged to Ryan Burkey. They are planning a wedding for January 2008.

Denise Kuntz recently graduated from Seton Hall University with her master's degree in nursing.

Mike Niklauski (& '03) married **Nicole (Burkhart) Niklauski ('03)** in September 2006. The couple met in a speech communication class. Mike is a photojournalist for FOX 42 in York, Pa., and Nicole is a sales representative for McNeill Group in Yardley, Pa.

Allison Senzig is planning an October wedding.

Jennifer Hart is engaged to be married to Joseph Collopy of Philadelphia in October.

Jennifer Crum published "Educating the Art Teacher: Investigating Artistic Endeavors by Students at Home" in the July 2007 issue of Art Education.

Janelle (Little) Garay married **Matthew "Pige" Garay ('03)** in 2005. Janelle works as a paralegal for a pharmaceutical company south of West Chester, while Matt serves as a police officer in Fort Washington. They live in King of Prussia and hope to start a family soon.

2003

Nicole (Burkhart) Niklauski married **Mike Niklauski ('02 & '03)** in September 2006. The couple met in a speech communication class. Nicole is a sales representative for McNeill Group in Yardley, Pa., and Mike is a photojournalist for FOX 42 in York, Pa.

In June, **Kari King-Hill** was appointed as principal of the William H. Loesche Elementary School in the Philadelphia

School District, which has made adequate yearly progress for four consecutive years. Additionally, at the end of 2006, Hill was ordained as the first female minister of the Faith Emanuel Baptist Church in Philadelphia.

2004

Caroline M. Brown and **William H. Mann IV ('04)** were married in June in Barto, Pa.

Michael Ferrari just released his first novel, "Assault on the Senses."

In May, **Daniel G. Zebrowski** graduated from Kean University with a master's degree in psychological services.

Karen (Orloski) McGraw and her husband **Brian McGraw ('04)** celebrated their one-year wedding anniversary in July. They recently purchased their first home in Frederick, Md., where they both teach.

2005

Andrew B. Block is a legislative aide for Congressman Charlie Dent. He and wife Christine live in Bethlehem Township, Pa.

Erin Cooney was promoted to assistant director of alumni relations at The Hill School in Pottstown, Pa. She is responsible for the planning, execution and evaluation of all advancement driven events including family weekend, reunion weekend, and commencement.

Marc Francavilla is pursuing a master's degree of divinity at Baptist Bible Seminary and doing college ministry part-time. He hopes to do college ministry full-time when he graduates.

Marriages

1960's

Mary Jane (Bittner) to Paul Riffle '66 5/12/2007

1980's

Deborah (Fries) '80 & '87 to Philip Jackson 12/9/2006

1990's

Katy-Louise (Kelly) '93 to Al Anicic

2000's

Becky (Guth) '05 to Austin Davis 9/2/2006



Many KU alumni, as seen in the photo, attended the wedding of Meghan (Chapman) '03 and F. Michael Wojewodka, Jr. '03.

Pictured left to right (front to back): Mike Niklauski '02, Nicole (Burkhart) Niklauski '02, Chapman and Wojewodka, President F. Javier Cevallos and Josee Cevallos, Kate Moretti, Stacey Klusaritz '04, Fred Weidner '04, Stephanie Korkos '02, Christine (Volkert) Hendershot '03, Jeremy Copeland '05, Courtney (Hensing) Copeland '04, Kim Donohue '03, Meredith Horishny '00, Angie (Deardorff) Coutts '00, Jill (Kauffman) Holmes '00, Ashley Rinier '04, Jamie Dalton '04, Erika (Kleinbaum) Clauss '06, Kevin Clauss '06, Larry Stuardi '79, Kate (Nolan) Stuardi '83, Brian Parker '02, Melanie Muscara '04, Nick Villano '03, Ed Vicic '05, Ann Ryan '05, Sherry Seaman of Student Union & Involvement Services, Peter Kobliska '03, Logan Frerotte '04.

Christine (Kenny) to Andrew Block '05 5/28/2006

Janelle (Little) '02 to Matthew Garay '03 9/10/2005



Amanda (Smyers) '02 to Christopher Scheler 9/9/2006

Births

1980's

Marni Honigman and Neil Weissman '87, a daughter, Jenna Claire 3/25/2007

1990's



Allison (Bauman) '96 and John Frable, a son, Evan Jacob 7/22/2006



Joanne (Curry) '97 and Matthew Oswald, a son, Jayden Matthew 2/10/2007



Karen (Curtis) '98 and Scott Mann '00, a daughter, Delainey Paige 2/11/2007

Nora (Dollarton) '97 and Louis Cerone, a son, Louis Myson 12/13/2006

Rosemary (Fernandez) '98 and Gerard Sessa, a son, Anthony Joseph 9/18/2006

Kristin and Brad Geiger '98, a son, Jackson Douglas 2/26/2007

Linda and Ty Marr '97, a son, Harrison Daniel, 12/22/2006

Ginger (Nagy) '93 and James Beenders, a daughter, Anne Elizabeth 3/12/2007

Jennifer (Sarko) '94 and Dion Reed, a daughter, Tatum Elise 4/18/2007



Susan (Herman) '99 and Matthew Alloway '01, a boy, Michael Christopher 4/13/07

2000's

Jessica (Bower) '03 and Ryan Haas, a son, Own Michael 3/14/2007

Aimee (Wink) '01 and Michael Lausch, a son, Caden Alexander 3/22/2006

In Memory

1933

Annie Fritch 3/21/2007

1937

Frederick Frantz 4/16/2007

1938

Anne (Minnich) Pierroz 12/31/2006

1939

Dorothy (Swinehart) Gabel 12/24/2006

1955

Elizabeth (Ferris) Polley 2/20/2007

1957

John McIntyre '57 & '65 6/16/2006

Dean Steinhart 3/22/2007

1958

Lewis Shollenberger 5/1/2006

1959

Marilyn (Thomas) McClintock 4/5/2007

Robert Thomas 12/24/2006

1968

Mary (Wagner) Scharadin 4/8/2007

1988

Joanne Joseph Baker 5/7/2007

1994

Kim (Barlet) Meyer 3/3/2007

Emeriti

Robert Buckalew 3/2007

Jason White 2/3/2007

Correction

Page 8 of the Spring 2007 Tower states that John Karavage received a Peter Wentz scholarship. The correct name of the award was the Albert T. and Elizabeth R. Gamon Scholarship awarded by the Peter Wentz Farmstead Society.

The Peter Wentz Farmstead is a historic site owned by Montgomery County. The award was given by the non-profit organization known as The Peter Wentz Farmstead Society.

Letters TO THE EDITOR

We received many letters about the Spring '07 issue of the Tower. When space permits, the Tower hopes to include some of your wonderful comments. The letter selected for this issue is reprinted with permission of the author and sets the record straight on the "average" Kutztown student in the late 1940s.

"Your article ['Think your can spot a typical KU student'] starts 'In the late 1940s the average freshman was typical a high school senior just a year earlier.' This is a fallacy.

"World War II had ended in 1945. The GI Bill had been enacted allowing veterans to go to college if they so desired. They did. Some, like a 28-year-old captain came back to KSTC to get his degree.

Many others took their freshman year at KSTC before going on to the over-crowded facility of Penn State. For the first time, many students were already married. One woman in our class [1950] was also a veteran.

"The college rules were strict, and we were all told: 'if you are not serious about your education, leave.' A few did leave, but most, who did not transfer elsewhere, stayed on to change campus life forever."

Dorothy Dammrich Green '50, B.S. Elementary Education

Hindsight Revealed

The last issue featured a picture taken during the 1976-77 school year of the Kutztown State College



Performing Dance Portmanteau, a student dance group. The picture was a donation from Marybeth Evans '76, who has an entire photo album of memories of the dancer group. Because of her meticulous documentation, we know all the names of the dancers. Beginning at

the top of the page is: Taffy Schaeffer. The first row down from left to right is: Susan Whittaker, Susan Riggs, Alan Zuba, and Barbara Albright. The next row is: Janet Peck, John Stank, Janet Rentschler, and Jeri Bowers. And at the bottom is Denise Kandravi.

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6:30 P.M. RECEPTION

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Raffle Tickets – Tickets will be sold throughout the night

7:30 P.M. DINNER

Live Auction*

9:30 P.M. DANCING TO THE SOUNDS OF CINTRON

Raffle drawing begins

*All auction items can be previewed at:
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- Flat Panel 42" HDTV Plasma Screen Television. Donated by Bill '73 and Joanne Quinn '74 Ribble. Value \$1,200
- One Week at a Vacation Condo through Sundance Vacations with a choice of locations: Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Mexico or other locations based on availability. Donated by Tina Berger Dowd '91. Value \$1,400
- Deep Green, an emerald brilliant cut tourmaline, 5.83 carat from Namibia, donated by John Rhoads '75. Original setting by a KU jewelry-design student under the supervision of Professor Jim Malenda. Value \$1,700

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- One-week vacation at GreenLinks in Naples, Florida, the only condominium on the golf course. Donated by Bill '73 and Joanne Quinn '74 Ribble. Value \$1,500
- Naming of the Bubbling Rock Fountain in Alumni Plaza. A unique opportunity to place your family name or corporate identity on a campus landmark. Minimum bid requirement of \$10,000



Left to right: Ray Melcher '73,
Leslie Fallon, Bill Ribble '73,
President Cevallos, Bill Bateman

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7 p.m.

- 4th Annual Pep Rally with Fireworks, Alumni Plaza

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

5:30 p.m.

- *Hall of Fame Reception and Banquet, McFarland Student Union Multipurpose Room

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

- Welcome Alumni! Wiesberger Alumni Center

10 a.m.

- Homecoming Campus Parade

- *GOBS 35th Anniversary Luncheon, Parade and Halftime Show

- Cross Country/PA State Athletic Conference Championships, North Campus Course

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

- Children's Festival, Tent behind Education House

10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

- Bookstore Open, McFarland Student Union lower level

10:30 a.m.

- *Electronic Media Mixer, Rickenbach Studio 4

11 a.m.

- Women's Volleyball vs. New York Tech, Keystone Hall

11 a.m.–1 p.m.

- *Tailgate City, Practice Field adjacent to Stadium

- *College of Business Annual Homecoming Reception, Kutztown Tavern

- *College of Education's "Blast from the Past" Buffet, PA German Heritage Center

- *College of Visual and Performing Arts Reception, Graduate Center Lobby

- *College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Emeriti Cookout, Tent behind Educational House

- Multicultural Center Open House, John B. White House

1:05 p.m.

- Kickoff – Football vs. Edinboro, University Stadium

4–6 p.m.

- "The 5th Quarter" Alumni Homecoming Party, Tent behind Education House

6 p.m.

- *Multicultural Alumni Reunion and Scholarship Dinner, John B. White House

6–10 p.m.

- *A Night Out with the Cross Country/Track & Field Alumni, Kutztown Tavern

***For refreshment planning, it is necessary to pre-register for events.*

Please complete the form, detach and return to: Kutztown University, Alumni Office, PO Box 730, Kutztown, PA 19530 by October 12.

Or register online at www.kutztown.edu/alumni

**Invitations and details mailed separately to alumni.*

Registration Form

Name

Graduation Year

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

Email

Name at Graduation

Event	Number	Cost	Questions? Call:
Hall of Fame Reception/Banquet		\$25	(610) 683-4755
GOBS 35th Anniversary Reunion		\$20	(610) 683-4550
Children's Festival	Adults/ Children/	Free	(800) 682-1866
Electronic Media Mixer		Free	(610) 683-4492
CoB Tavern Reception		\$15	pay at door
CoE Buffet		\$15	(610) 683-1394
VPA Reception		Free	(610) 683-1394
LAS Reception		\$15	details mailed separately
Multicultural Center Open House		Free	(610) 683-4807
5th Quarter After Game Party		Free	(800) 682-1866
Multicultural Dinner & Reunion		\$25	(610) 683-4807
Cross Country/Track & Field Reception		\$15	(610) 683-4755

hindsight



Here is an exciting picture of a touchdown scored during the 1962 football season. It was Kutztown's first winning season in many years, and one in which the team was undefeated in all of their home games. Can you guess who is carrying the ball? Here's a hint. Ed Bradley, 60 Minutes commentator for CBS, was a 259 lbs. guard playing for Cheyney in this game. Submissions to Hindsight are always welcome. Send to Craig Williams, Tower editor, Kutztown University, P.O. Box 730, Kutztown, PA 19530 or cwilliam@kutztown.edu. For the answer to the Spring '07 Hindsight photo, please turn to page 29.



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