In the National Spotlight
Sen. Barack Obama and President Bill Clinton stump on campus

Doug '68 and Dawn Keiper announce major gift
Matt Miller '08 crowned national champion
Lycoming College Mission Statement

The mission of Lycoming College is to provide a distinguished baccalaureate education in the liberal arts. This is achieved within a coeducational, supportive, residential setting through programs that develop communication and critical thinking skills; foster self-awareness while increasing receptivity to new concepts and perspectives; explore literary and scientific traditions; cultivate an aesthetic sensibility; elicit social responsibility; promote racial inclusiveness, gender equality, and an appreciation of cultural diversity; and produce leadership for the institutions of society. Each student is encouraged to develop and strengthen virtues and traits of character that enable, ennoble, and emancipate the human spirit while deepening commitment to those values that undergird civilization.
Giving back to the future
Doug ’68 and Dawn Keiper establish a bequest endowment to enhance the future of Warrior athletics and the department of education.

Fun, food and fantasy
Get an inside look at Knoebels Amusement Park through the eyes of co-owner Ron Knoebel ’65.

Building a better community
Karen Lyons ’99 is committed to making life better for those in need.

Deployed
Professor Dr. Susan Ross and Dr. Michael Musheno ’69 co-author a book that examines the lives of military reservists deployed during the declared war on terror.

National champion
Senior wrestler Matt Miller brings home an NCAA Division III national title.
Faculty and staff members receive awards at Honors Convocation

Three Lycoming College faculty and staff members were honored with teaching and service awards at Honors Convocation on April 13. The awards are given to faculty and staff members on the basis of their dedication and service to the College community.

Dr. Sascha Feinstein received the 2008 Constance Cupp Plankenhorn Alumni Award for Faculty Excellence. Feinstein is a professor of English who has been at Lycoming since 1995. He is an author, editor and poet, whose individual poems have appeared in a variety of publications. Recently, Feinstein published “Ask Me Now: Conversations on Jazz & Literature,” which is a compilation of interviews on jazz and literature with some of America’s most important artists and writers from the biannual journal “Brilliant Corners,” of which Feinstein is editor. He earned a bachelor’s degree from the University of Rochester, and a master’s and Ph.D. from Indiana University-Bloomington.

Dr. Jeremy Ramsey is the recipient of the 2008 Junior Faculty Teaching Award for excellence in teaching. Ramsey is an assistant professor of chemistry who has been at Lycoming since 2005. His main area of research involves analytical chemistry. Ramsey earned a bachelor’s degree at Clarion University of Pennsylvania and a master’s and Ph.D. from Ohio State University. Following the completion of his doctorate, Ramsey spent a year working as a postdoctoral fellow at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, in Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Donna Weaver received the Makisu Award, which the student body presents to a faculty or staff member for extraordinary service and dedication. Weaver is the administrative assistant for the College’s office of student programs and leadership development. She supervises the student employees of the office and plays a key role in providing guidance and assistance in all functions of the office.

**Francavilla wins Chieftain Award**

Alfonso John Francavilla of Vernon, N.J., was presented with Lycoming College’s Chieftain Award during Honors Convocation. The award is the highest honor given to a graduating senior and recognizes the student who has shown the utmost dedication and leadership qualities while at Lycoming. Francavilla is a biology major who has dedicated himself to serving the College community both in and out of the classroom. He is the president of the Student Senate, a member of several college governance committees, a member of the alcohol coalition and the Campus Activities Board concert publicity chairman, to list a few of his campus activities. Francavilla is also a member of the Tri-Beta biological honor society, a senior student technician for the information technology services department.
College marketing materials earn national awards

The Lycoming College Office of College Relations received three awards during the 23rd annual Admissions Marketing Awards, sponsored by the Admissions Marketing Report. The report is the nation’s leading marketing publication for higher education.

Lycoming was recognized with the following honors: gold award for total public relations program, which includes overall publications; silver award for total recruitment publications; and bronze award for its annual fund flash in the new media category. Lycoming won the awards in competition with colleges with fewer than 2,000 students.

The material was designed by Murray Hanford of Hughesville, Lycoming’s publications manager. Hanford, who has been at the College since 1991, has received more than 45 awards for excellence in publications and new media pieces.

The Admissions Advertising Awards is the largest edu-
cational advertising awards competition in the nation. This year, more than 2,000 entries were received from more than 1,000 colleges, universities and secondary schools from all 50 states and several foreign countries.

Kline promoted to director of major gifts

Lycoming’s Office of College Advancement announces the promotion of Loni Kline to director of major gifts. She transitions into this new role after serving as the College’s director of annual giving. Prior to her work at Lycoming, Kline served in development roles at Juniata College and Affinity Connection.

As director of major gifts, Kline will be responsible for the cultivation, solicitation and stewardship of alumni and friends of the College. She will also coordinate projects related to scholarships and major gift programs.

Kline, a native of Middleburg, Pa., earned a bachelor’s degree from Juniata College and a master’s degree from the University of Phoenix.

Hudak named director of safety and security

Michael Hudak Jr., has been named director of safety and security at Lycoming College, according to an announcement by Dr. Dan Miller, Lycoming’s dean of student affairs. Hudak was selected following a national search that generated more than 70 applicants. He began his new position in February.

Hudak brings more than 30 years of experience to the College. In his new position, he is responsible for the effective and sensitive administration of the College’s security, accident prevention and fire safety programs.

Hudak presently teaches an introduction to criminal justice course at Lycoming.

Most recently, Hudak served as director of public safety for the city of Williamsport, where he was responsible for overseeing the city’s police, fire and codes bureaus, emergency management, zoning and all aspects of public safety.

Hudak’s experience also includes more than 30 years with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. From 2001-06, he was the supervisory senior resident agent for Williamsport and State College. He was responsible for the management and operation of two regional FBI offices in central and north central Pennsylvania, which encompassed a 17-county area, the largest geographical territory managed within the Philadelphia Division of the FBI.

From 1976-2001, Hudak was an FBI special agent, which included conducting all aspects of criminal investigation and intelligence gathering. His field assignments included St. Louis, Minneapolis/St. Paul, New York and Philadelphia.

Hudak, a native of Mount Pleasant, Pa., earned a bachelor’s degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 1975. He has also completed a variety of training and leadership programs through the FBI.

Lycoming students win awards in business competition

Three students from Lycoming College were prize winners in the third annual Quad College and University Business Plan Challenge. The challenge winners were announced after formal project presentations, which were given April 17 at the Community Theatre League in downtown Williamsport.

Piotr Bakker, an exchange student from Westminster University in London, placed second for his business plan titled, “Integrain Technology.” The team of Sarah Foster and Jessyca Robinson took third prize for their business plan, titled “Game on Lounge.” Bakker was awarded $5,000 in recognition of his win, while Foster and Robinson won a $2,500 cash prize.

The Quad College and University Business Plan Challenge...
Student presentation wins award at Pa. Chapter of the Wildlife Society

Four representatives from the Lycoming College Biology Department attended the Pennsylvania Chapter of the Wildlife Society annual meetings held March 22, in State College, Pa. Junior Brent Hile’s presentation of “External Physical Characteristics and Health Condition of Eastern Hellbenders,” was named the Best Undergraduate Research Presentation.

Hile’s research was conducted under the supervision of Dr. Peter Petokas, a research associate in the College’s Clean Water Institute. Joining Hile and Petokas at the meetings were Dr. Dave Broussard, assistant professor of biology, and sophomore Mitchell LeSage.

Clean Water Institute of Lycoming College awarded grant for process testing

The Clean Water Institute of Lycoming College has received a $5,000 grant from the IMC/Keystone Innovation Zone Center for Business and Workforce Development to work with Cromaglass Corporation of Williamsport, which manufactures a variety of wastewater treatment systems. The institute, which is headed by Dr. Mel Zimmerman, a professor of biology at the College, will help Cromaglass test the effectiveness of a new process designed to improve nitrogen and sediment removal from water. The grant will be used to fund supplies for the project, as well as allow for a student intern to work on the project during the summer. The Clean Water Institute of Lycoming

2008 Leadership & Service Awards Banquet

Lycoming College held its second Leadership & Service Awards Banquet on April 9 in the Recreation Center. The event recognizes co-curricular achievement on campus. The theme of this year’s banquet was “Essential Piece.” Guest speaker was Mary Wolf, the former mayor of Williamsport. She also taught political science at Lycoming from 1985 to 2000 and served as the dean for freshmen from 1990-99.

This year’s winners were:

Female Intramural Sports Athlete of the Year: **Sabrina Kaiser**
Male Intramural Sports Athlete of the Year: **Cole Pizzingrilli**
Panhellenic Spirit Award: **Julie Butler**
Panhellenic Service Award: **Natalie Palm**
Panhellenic Scholar of the Year: **Kari Kremser**
IFC Spirit Award: **Sean Berrier**
IFC Service Award: **Nicholas Reed**
IFC Athlete of the Year: **Kyle Hickman**
IFC Scholar of the Year: **Nicholas Lucas**
Sorority Woman of the Year: **Denise Carlin**
Fraternity Man of the Year: **Kyle Hickman**
Advisor of the Year: **Diane Carl**
Outstanding Program of the Year: **Mardi Gras Formal**
Student Organization Advisor of the Year: **Laura Johnson**
Student Organization of the Month: Sept. – **LEAF**; Oct. – **Habitat for Humanity**;
Nov. – **Campus Activities Board**; Dec. – **Pre-Law Society**; Jan. – **Amnesty International**;
Feb. – **Habitat for Humanity**
Student Senator of the Month: Sept. – **Cassandra Kaiser**; Oct. – **Aaron Lay**;
Nov. – **Ashley Wislock**; Dec. – **Amilcar Guzman**; Jan. – **Francesca Piscitelli**;
Feb. – **Cassandra Kaiser**
Student Organization of the Year: **Amnesty International**
Outstanding Leader on Campus: **Jamie Rowe**
Outstanding New Program: **Battle of the Bands (Black Student Union and Pre-Health Society)**
Outstanding Philanthropy Award: **Relay for Life (Colleges Against Cancer)**
Volunteer of the Year Award: **Habitat for Humanity**
Sister Vincent Humanitarian Award: **Sister Catherine Ann Gilvary**
College was founded in 1999 to be a resource on water issues and a partner of local watershed groups dedicated to the education and protection of the water quality of the West Branch of the Susquehanna watershed.

The Keystone Innovation Zone (KIZ) is a program designed for the encouragement of innovative thinking, creativity and technology transfer through strong local partnerships and resources. KIZ works with both Lycoming College and Pennsylvania College of Technology to link area businesses with qualified interns and can assist companies with the funds necessary to support a student intern.

Lycoming’s Class of 2008 officers raise scholarship funds

Lycoming’s Class of 2008 officers, through a combination of fundraisers and direct solicitation of their peers, raised more than $1,500 in support of the senior class project. A matching gift of $1,500 was generously donated by President James and Emily Douthat. The class determined the money would be awarded to rising sophomores in the form of two $1,500 scholarships, which were presented to Margaret A. Benshaw and Robert J. Hamell at Honors Convocation.

Students spend spring break volunteering with Habitat for Humanity

Thirty-one students and five advisors from Lycoming College traveled to Louisiana to participate in Habitat for Humanity International’s Collegiate Challenge: Spring Break 2008 program from Feb. 24 to March 2. They spent the week working on three homes in St. Bernard Parish, a portion of the New Orleans area that was completely submerged in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

This was Lycoming’s 19th year of participation in the Collegiate Challenge year-round program, coordinated through the Campus Chapters and Youth Programs department at Habitat for Humanity International in Americus, Ga. Lycoming students have traveled all around the continental United States to participate in this alternative break program, including sites in Arizona, California, Florida, New Mexico, North Carolina, South Carolina, Washington, Texas and Mississippi.

Throughout its 19-year history, more than 155,000 Collegiate Challenge volunteers have raised more than $14 million to build Habitat houses. This year, Collegiate Challenge students will contribute $1.5 million to help build Habitat homes.

Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian ministry dedicated to eliminating poverty housing. Founded by Millard Fuller, along with his wife, Linda, Habitat for Humanity International and its affiliates in more than 2,000 communities in 100 countries have built more than 250,000 houses worldwide providing simple, decent and affordable shelter for more than 1 million people.


Dr. Sandra Kingery (associate professor of Spanish) translation of Of My Real Life I Know Nothing (originally written in Spanish by Ana Maria Moix), Latin American Literary Review Press, Pittsburgh, Pa., 2008. Cover art by Lycoming student, Krista Storm.

Lycoming’s Habitat for Humanity students spent their spring break in New Orleans refurbishing homes destroyed by Hurricane Katrina.
Lycoming recognized five retiring faculty members during a campus-wide celebration April 22 in the Jane Schultz Room. Those saluted for a combined total of 167 years of service to the College were: Owen Herring (43 years), assistant professor of philosophy; Roger Shipley (41 years), professor of art; Dr. Michael Roskin (36 years), professor of political science; Dr. David Haley (28 years), associate professor of mathematical sciences; and Dr. Rachael Hungerford (19 years), assistant professor of education.

President Douthat on the retirees:

Owen Herring, a North Carolinian whose easy demeanor, coupled with his ability to ask probing questions and his strong commitment to both learn and teach, endeared him to generations of students, elected him to leadership among the faculty and earned him the unofficial title of historian of the curriculum. A calm and steady hand in and out of the classroom, he exposed the world of serious inquiry to his students and often opened the eyes of many a faculty member and many an administrator by asking the simple questions, such as, “Now you don’t really want to do that, do you?”

Roger Shipley, known to his students simply as “Roger,” is a master of drawing, painting, sculpture and print making. A master teacher, master colleague and master friend, with a love of creativity and innovation, he found his joy in the art of creating and his success (beyond that of his own fine works) in helping others to explore their own creative depths.

Dr. Michael Roskin brought to the classroom an encyclopedic knowledge of political science, bolstered by years of field experience from his work as a professional reporter. Professor Roskin, a nationally recognized expert on the Balkins, took an extended leave from 1991-94 to serve our country as Visiting Professor of Foreign Policy in the Department of National Security and Strategy at the Army War College. For years, it has appeared that more political science students at Lycoming say they majored in “Roskin” than in political science. He will be continuing his teaching next year in China as a Fulbright Scholar.

Dr. David K. Haley earned a doctorate at Queen’s University and came to Lycoming in 1980 after teaching several years at the university level in Germany. As an early leader of the faculty executive council, his negotiation skills and personal sense of obligation helped mold the current faculty governance structure. As a teacher in mathematics, he is remembered and appreciated for his devotion to his students, as exemplified by the many hours he tutored them in the evenings and on weekends. Dr. Haley will be retiring to his native Canada later this summer, leaving behind many grateful for his friendships and kindnesses.

Dr. Rachael A. Hungerford served as chair of the Education Department and director of the Elementary Teacher Certification Program. She has mentored and trained hundreds of school teachers. Known for her interest in the professional preparation of her students, she has shared with them her talents and the techniques used to teach children the essential skills of reading and language arts. Her love of children’s literature has inspired several generations of Lycoming students now teaching in elementary classrooms throughout the country.
Pennsylvania has not been a player in presidential nomination politics in recent memory because its presidential primary falls late in the election calendar. This year’s close contest in the Democratic primaries made the Commonwealth’s April 22 primary unusually important. When Lycoming College students expressed interest in inviting the presidential candidates to speak on campus, members of the faculty and administration met to develop a strategy to make the visits happen. The plan involved making formal and informal contacts with the Obama, Clinton and McCain campaigns’ local, state and national organizations.

Former President Bill Clinton visited campus March 29 on behalf of his wife, Sen. Hillary Clinton. After meeting privately with members of the Lycoming community, he spoke for an hour and a half, describing the nation’s challenges and his wife’s plan to overcome them to an audience of approximately 2,000.

Sen. Barack Obama visited campus April 18. After meeting with representatives of the College, Obama spoke for approximately an hour to an audience of more than 2,500 as part of his “On Track for Change” tour. Where Clinton’s event was designed more as a campaign rally, Obama held a town hall meeting, taking questions from the audience, including one from Donna Weaver, administrative assistant for the office of student programs.

The biggest benefit coming from the campaigns’ visits to campus involved bringing to life the national political process for Lycoming’s students. For many, politics and government happens on television with little more meaning to student’s lives than “reality TV.” Having a former president and a presidential candidate speak in their gym seemed to spark many students’ interest, regardless of their party affiliation, in the presidential election. Their interest in presidential politics and issues of the day rose in the days and weeks surrounding the events.

A secondary benefit of the visits was the exposure the College received. If only briefly, Lycoming was on the national stage, including live coverage of the speeches on CNN. While many attendees for both events were members of the College community, many were not. Coming to campus for the first time, they saw the College’s excellent facilities, met welcoming members of the campus community and experienced a demonstration of Lycoming’s growing national stature.

Williamson is an assistant professor of political science at Lycoming.
By all accounts, Doug Keiper ’68 is living the American dream.

Now in his early 60s, Keiper keeps himself in excellent shape and is happy, healthy and a successful businessman. He’s enjoying life and loves Lycoming College. But that hasn’t stopped him from contemplating his life and death, as well as the future of his alma mater. An energetic and optimistic person, Keiper has been deeply affected through the years by the loss of two of his closest mentors, Larry Fornicola and Budd Whitehill, who both died in the early 1990s at roughly the same age Keiper is today.

Fornicola and Whitehill were friends from Bellefonte, Pa., who had successful wrestling careers at Penn State University. Fornicola would become Keiper’s high school wrestling coach. He’s also the one who encouraged Keiper to consider attending Lycoming, where Whitehill was the Warriors’ head wrestling coach. These two individuals helped ignite a very powerful relationship between Keiper and Lycoming that still burns today.

“I would consider Lycoming a turning point in my life,” said Keiper, who majored in history and mathematics. “My experience at Lycoming was very positive; college was always good to me. I was involved in wrestling and track, and I joined the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. I also participated in student government and was president of the class my senior year. Professor Otto Sonder [Class of 1946] was another person who was very influential to me. I learned a lot while working for him as a work-study student assistant. Overall, I had a great experience at Lycoming.”

To show his appreciation for what the College has helped him accomplish throughout his life, Keiper and his wife, Dawn, have established The Douglas J. and Dawn M. Keiper Endowment at Lycoming. The multi-million dollar estate bequest is one of the largest gifts in the College’s history.

The Keipers, who now reside in Celebration, Fla., just outside Orlando, have designated 75 percent of their gift to endow varsity athletics—specifically the football and wrestling programs—while the remainder of the fund will endow programs in the College’s department of education.

“Lycoming College is very grateful for Doug and Dawn Keiper’s commitment to the College,” said Lycoming President James E. Douthat. “Their endowment will help secure the Lycoming experience for years to come.”

Keiper, who admits that he would have not been able to attend Lycoming if not for the scholarship and grant money offered by the College, sees the endowment as a way to assist future students looking for a quality education.

“Mindful of the fact that the cost of private higher education is already beyond the reach of most families, it is our hope that the income from this portion [athletics] of the endowment will serve as revenue to maintain and grow the institution’s support for varsity athletics,” said Keiper. “We are also asking that special emphasis be given to the support of programs in early childhood and elementary education.”
“There is a comfort level in knowing that we have taken care of our personal matters. It is not the most pleasant thing to do, but to not do it and have something happen to us would be a shame. We are very proud of the fact that it’s going to be a great place in Lycoming College.”

More than an education

For Keiper, Lycoming has meant much more than an opportunity to earn a quality liberal arts education. After graduating from the College, Keiper worked for two years as a math and history teacher, and head wrestling coach in Newark Valley, N.Y. Then, Jack Buckle, who served as Lycoming’s dean of students from 1957-87, contacted Keiper to see if he would be interested in returning to campus to serve as assistant dean of students – splitting his time equally between counseling and student activities.

Keiper took the job and also went on to earn a master’s degree from Penn State. He was later promoted to associate dean of students, a position he held for eight years. While he enjoyed the work, he and Dawn, who lived on campus in a fraternity residence hall, eventually grew weary of dealing with all the activities associated with supervising young adults who were living on their own for the first time.

The College then offered Keiper the position of associate director of admissions, which he held for five years.

“I always felt the College took a chance on me as a student,” said Keiper. “Budd took a chance on me as a wrestler. He also took a chance on me as an assistant wrestling coach [from 1974-77]. Jack took a chance on me when he hired me as associate dean of students. It was a great experience working at the College. The College has given me so many opportunities, so now I’m giving back.”

Dawn, who spent more than 30 years as an elementary school teacher in the Montoursville Area School District, is also appreciative of the effect Lycoming has had on their lives.

“I feel a part of the Lycoming family even though I didn’t graduate from the College,” said Dawn. “I really appreciate the opportunities Lycoming College gave Doug. We lived on campus for seven years and had a really interesting start of our lives there. It really gave us a chance to get to know the students, since we lived in a fraternity residence hall, ate in the cafeteria and attended many of their events. It gave us the opportunity to appreciate the College at a different level.”

Keiper says Lycoming provided him a great opportunity to forge numerous friendships while he was associated with the College, both as a student and employee. He is also impressed with what his alma mater has become and hopes their bequest will continue to strengthen and benefit Lycoming well into the future.

“I want to see this school continue to do well,” said Keiper. “The school has come a long way and I’m proud of it. There are a lot more buildings and a lot of growth with the academic and athletic programs. I’ve always appreciated that Lycoming has never tried to be something it wasn’t. It knew where it wanted to be in the admissions area, the kind of student it would recruit. It knew its niche in the market and I think that’s why it has continued to do so well. Plus, it has great leadership. I’ve enjoyed very much getting to know President Douthat. I never worked for him, but I do appreciate knowing him, and I think he’s done a great job. Most of all, I appreciate his interest in athletics and knowing the important role athletics play at the College.”

Life after Lycoming

In 1983, Keiper left academia to pursue a new career in the business world.

“Lycoming really helped me with my career path,” said Keiper. “I feel I received a great education. Being a liberal arts graduate, I’ve been able to do a lot of things during my life.”

From Lycoming, he went on to become the director of economic development for the Williamsport-Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, a commercial loan officer for Northern Central Bank (now M&T Bank) and then worked for 12 years as vice president of sales for Lundy Construction in Williamsport.

“Dick Lundy was another one of those influential people in my life,” said Keiper. “Dick asked me to open up some new territory for him, primarily in the Bloomsburg and Berwick area. His focus was on pre-engineered Butler buildings. It was a great experience. Dick was great and I enjoyed working for the company.”

Keiper’s final career move came in 1997. After about a year of prodding by Rob Mericle, Keiper accepted the offer to become regional vice president of Mericle Commercial Real Estate Service’s newly established Central Pennsylvania brokerage located in Williamsport. The

Keiper with mentor and former Lycoming head wrestling coach Budd Whitehill
company’s focus is on the sale and leasing of office, retail, warehouse, distribution and manufacturing properties throughout Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania. Keiper, who plans to retire this year, has made a name for himself by orchestrating countless deals with big and small business alike. He also worked with investors who wanted to acquire other businesses for their portfolio.

“I started the office from scratch,” said Keiper. “I had no idea what we were going to do, opening up a real estate company in town and competing against older, well-established companies. But, within one year, I had in excess of 50 listings. I always appreciated the confidence people had in me to represent their property in Lycoming County. Today, we are the largest commercial industrial company in Central Pennsylvania.”

Life’s passions
For most of his life, Keiper has been passionate about sports cars and outdoor recreation. His keen interest of antique sports cars can be traced back to 1963, when his father gave him a British-made 1951 MG TD sports car. He still owns that same roadster today, along with several other sports cars and a Harley-Davidson motorcycle. “I’ve always liked cars,” said Keiper. “I also love biking.”

Through the years, when he wasn’t out cruising around in one of his sports vehicles, Keiper could be found training for activities such as a triathlon or kayaking competition. While he’s given up the triathlons, he still competes in national kayaking. One of his biggest moments on the water came back in 1991, when he was chosen to be a member of the United States’ 22-person team that competed in the Thailand International Swan Boat Races. Held on Bangkok’s Chao Phraya River, the event represents one of the world’s oldest competitions.

“Life has been good to me,” said Keiper. “I heard a phrase one time, ‘Do it right, do it big and give it class.’ That’s the way I try to approach everything I do.”

One can only imagine what will be Keiper’s next adventure in life.

Keiper is an avid kayaker.

Doug and Dawn Keiper at their home in Celebration, Fla.
Fun, food and fantasy were the topics of discussion during a presentation given by Knoebels Amusement Resort co-owner and Lycoming College alumnus Ronald “Buddy” Knoebel. Knoebel, who graduated from Lycoming with a degree in sociology in 1965, returned to his alma mater March 18 as part of the James W. Harding Executive Speaker Series, sponsored by the College’s Institute for Management Studies.

While a student at Lycoming, Knoebel made a name for himself as the first Warrior wrestler to earn an NCAA championship. He won the 1965 title in the 137-pound weight class. Knoebel was inducted into the College’s Sports Hall of Fame in 1986 for his accomplishments.

The history of the family-run amusement park, located in Elysburg, Pa., is a rich one, filled with the triumphs and struggles that many businesses face. Knoebel’s grandfather, Henry Hartman Knoebel, was a laborer in rural Central Pennsylvania when he decided to open a place where families could come and enjoy themselves on weekends and holidays.

“My grandfather was a farmer and a lumberman, but he didn’t care for the farming,” Knoebel said. “He decided that he would try to make a recreation spot out of the farm.” On July 4, 1926, H.H. Knoebel opened “Knoebel’s Grove,” where, for 10 cents, visitors could swim, ride the merry-go-round and use the homemade picnic tables.

“So, Knoebels wasn’t always free admission,” Knoebel joked. Knoebels is now the largest free-admission amusement park in the country.

Other major milestones in the park’s history include the acquisition of the Grand Carousel in November 1941 and the construction of the Pioneer train in 1956.

Currently, the park has 52 rides, including two world-class wooden roller coasters, the Phoenix and the Twister. The Phoenix was purchased from a park named “Playland Park,” located in downtown San Antonio, Texas, in 1985. After purchasing the huge wooden coaster for $50,000, the park’s engineering team decided the best way to preserve the coaster was to save the “bents,” which are the large uprights that support the coaster’s track. The rest of the lumber was replaced by the Knoebel lumber company, another family enterprise, after the bents had been moved to Elysburg. The entire project cost approximately $1.1 million, a relatively low sum, according to Knoebel.

“The roller coaster enthusiasts were so excited that we saved the roller coaster from the wrecking ball,” Knoebel said. The park’s big break came later that same year; the Phoenix was named number 10 on “Amusement Today’s” list of top-ten coasters in the nation. ABC News did a spotlight on each of the list’s rides, which meant that Knoebels, in the number-10 slot, “had the front page” of the show, which really put the small park on the map.

“All of a sudden Knoebels became a word that was recognized far, far beyond Central Pennsylvania,” Knoebel said. The Twister opened in the summer of 1999, and was designed and built completely in-house. The park’s appeal to families through its policies of free parking and free admission keep it ranked among the top parks in the nation, and the park’s award-winning food and shops have kept customers coming back year after year.

“We have found a niche in the market with free admission and free parking,” Knoebel said. “Whole families can come to Knoebels.” Throughout its history, the park has strives to maintain its family-friendly atmosphere and keep the business in the Knoebel family. Knoebel is proud to say that the family atmosphere that began back in the 1920s has survived through the years.

“I’m happy to say that we’re a family business,” he said. “We are competing against mega-giants and we have been fortunate enough to survive.” Knoebel recalls that he began working at the park at the age of 5, when he helped out at the milk-ball-toss game by picking up and returning balls for customers.

Now, he and his brother, Richard, co-own the park, which celebrated its 80-year anniversary in 2006.

“We get along, we work together and nobody thinks they have all the answers,” he said. Several other members of the Knoebel family work throughout the park, including Knoebel’s wife, Debbie, and his children, Stacey and Trevor.

Knoebel said that it is his hope that the park will continue to stay in the family. “As long as the next generation is interested in the park, it is not for sale,” he said.
One year of volunteering at Casa Marianella in Austin, Texas, changed Karen Lyons’ life. After graduating from Lycoming College in 1999, she realized her heart wasn’t set on becoming a biology teacher, so she decided to take a year off to volunteer. Lyons accepted a position at Casa Marianella, which provides shelter and services to immigrants and refugees in Austin.

The small-town Massachusetts girl moved away from her family and friends at Lycoming to try something new. Volunteering wasn’t a big part of her past; she helped at the community service center and completed a few campus service projects, but nothing this big.

She jumped in head first with the attitude that she could do anything for a year.

“I quickly learned that doing anything meant learning a new language and serving the less fortunate,” she said. “Turns out I loved it, and working at Casa was a pivotal moment in my life.”

Nearly 10 years later, Lyons is the president of the board of directors at Casa Marianella. She remembers how the volunteer position was an eye-opener for her.

“I realized how easy my life had been growing up in comparison to the people I met at the shelter,” she said. “I took for granted the roof over my head every night.”

“Casa Marianella believes that people are people and everyone needs food and shelter. The policy is to keep the residents anonymous for their safety. All services are paid for with private donations.”

The center provides 30-day emergency shelter and food for single men while they are working and provides women with children a three- to six-months stay depending on their situation. Located more than four hours from the Mexican border, the shelter does not ask about any residents’ legal status or keep records of the name of residents staying each night.

“I look at it from a human level and treat others how I would want to be treated if I were in a foreign country,” she said. “I never thought about how it would be to come to a new country and not know the language like these immigrants.”

She knew two Spanish phrases, ‘no se’ (I don’t know) and ‘lo siento’ (I’m sorry) when she arrived in Austin. One year of college Spanish didn’t begin to provide her with an adequate vocabulary to communicate with the immigrants. Her position required her to interact with the residents, teach English and help them meet their basic needs such as how to ride the bus, call police and find employment.

“After six months of charades, I finally learned enough Spanish to hold conversations with our residents,” she said. “The best way to learn a new language is to practice and not be afraid to make mistakes.”

The residents also loved teaching her while she was teaching them English.

“I learned if you really want to communicate, you can,” Lyons said. “We are all people. I tell the residents they, too, can learn a new language if they really want. I know because I did it.”

When she was able to speak with the immigrants, Lyons discovered that most of them came to the U.S. for employment.

“Usually they were prompted by a financial emergency, such as cancer or other illness of a family member,” she said. “I learned the majority of them don’t want to be separated from their families; they come to the U.S. as a last desperate option. The other reason the immigrants are here is because there are no jobs where they live.”

As the board president, her responsibilities focus on the fundraising aspects of the shelter, to meet the residents’ basic needs. Through the years, she has noticed an increase in the number of women coming to the United States for work.

“This tells me that more and more families are disrupted and desperate for income if the women are leaving their home country in search of work,” she said.

Since Lyons moved to Austin in 1999, she says immigration issues have altered the culture in the city.

“We used to teach the residents to cooperate with the police and report crimes,” she said. “There was more
trust and willingness for the immigrants to be comfortable with the police. Today, Austin has more Immigration Custom Enforcement officers, and our residents are not comfortable. Most of them are probably illegal or let their visa expire. They are afraid of the officers and fear they will be sent to the detention center for deportation.

When Lyons isn’t fundraising for Casa or teaching English, she finds time for her regular job as the individual development accounts program coordinator for Foundation Communities, which is a non-profit organization that empowers low income families and individuals with the tools they need to succeed. Similar to her work at Casa, Lyons helps people make a better life for themselves.

“I manage a program for low-income working families that encourages them to save money and increase their financial knowledge,” she said. “The families are saving for education, a home or starting a business. I work through their financial issues and together we establish a budget, make financial goals and assist with credit counseling. I encourage them to save a little bit every month even if it’s only five to 10 dollars.”

Foundation Communities operates nine affordable housing communities in Austin. The communities model service-rich housing that enables 140 families with low income to permanently improve their educational and economic standings.

“These are affordable and nice looking places that any of us would want to live in,” she said. “This is not public housing. They are basically apartment complexes with on-site learning centers that provide services including after-school programs,” said Lyons. “It saves on the cost of after-school care and provides residents the opportunity to participate in English classes and personal finance courses.”

According to Lyons, the people she attempts to help are hard-working but can’t get ahead with minimum wage jobs. About 60 percent are American families trying to make ends meet and 40 percent are immigrant families still learning the U.S. financial system. She says it’s a challenge to get them to trust a financial institution, and for many it is their first time opening a bank account.

“If they participate in financial planning, the program matches dollar for dollar up to $3,600 for what residents save,” said Lyons. “The money can be used to save for a home, pay for a community college course or start a business. It almost sounds too good to be true. Often, many of these people are victims of scams and that’s why they are in a poor financial situation. It’s a win-win situation for Foundation Community residents as they learn to budget, save money and improve their families’ financial stability.

“I enjoy my work and helping others succeed,” said Lyons. “Both of the organizations that I’m a part of serve the needs of our community, to make it a better place. I realize that we are all people with the same hopes and fears, no matter where we were born or what socio-economic status we’re in. I’m just doing my part to make life better for those in need.”
Symposium raises awareness of immigration issues

From brutal anti-immigrant crimes to a filmmaker attempting to leave a lasting legacy for her daughters to a Mexican artist struggling to find her identity in a new culture, Lycoming College’s 2008 Spring Symposium series brought the cultural and political issues relating to immigration in the United States to the campus throughout the month of March.

Farmingville

On March 6, a screening of the 2004 documentary “Farmingville” was held, followed by a group discussion led by Dr. Betty McCall, assistant professor of sociology at the College. “Farmingville” documents the shocking story of a Long Island town caught in the center of the national immigration debate and torn apart by its impact.

In the early 1990s, as waves of illegal immigrants flooded into the United States from Mexico, immigrants looking for work, known as “day laborers,” searched for areas outside of the southwestern United States to settle and find jobs. Farmingville, N.Y., population 15,000, was an ideal place for 1,500 of these laborers to arrive, due to the large number of contracting and supply businesses surrounding the town.

However, not all of the residents of Farmingville were happy with the arrival of the day laborers. It didn’t take long before the laborers became the targets of violence and hatred.

An anti-immigration group, named Sachem Quality of Life, was formed and began spreading their message around the community. Headed by a longtime Farmingville resident, SQL fought to rid the town of the day laborers and opposed any compromise, such as a proposed “hiring center,” which SQL members believed would encourage further waves of immigrants.

Throughout all of the events surrounding the debate, Paul Toma, the presiding officer of the Suffolk County Legislature at the time of the film, who took a lot of criticism from SQL for not helping its cause, realized that the issue-at-hand was not just about Farmingville and a hiring center, it was a national crisis.

“The Secret Island”

When Zeinabu Irene Davis first read the short story “The Secret Island,” by Haitian-American author Edwidge Danticat, she was left with a powerful feeling that remained long after she had finished reading. An independent filmmaker from San Francisco, Davis came to Lycoming on March 10 to talk about her new project, a film interpretation of Danticat’s short story.

“The Secret Island” tells the story of Bee, a young Haitian-American girl growing up in New York City, who reads an essay about her parents at a school assembly. It reveals that her father is an “undocumented immigrant” who was involved in revolutionary activities while in Haiti. Several days later, her father is arrested and deported, which causes Bee to experience feelings of guilt and regret. Davis said this vignette is part of a larger young-adult novel the Danticat is in the process of writing.

After deciding to convert the short story to a movie, Davis went to New York to experience the Caribbean- and Haitian-American communities depicted in the story. In addition to speaking with representatives from the Haitian-American Youth Advocacy Council and community members themselves, Davis attended the Caribbean Labor Day parade in Brooklyn, which celebrates Caribbean culture, heritage and unity. She also visited the Japanese Botanical Gardens in Brooklyn, which are mentioned throughout “The Secret Island.”

Davis said that the inspiration for her to make the short story into a film came from a variety of sources. Among them, she felt that there was a need to depict the struggles faced by black immigrants, as well as other ethnic groups, in the United States. Davis also wants to leave a positive depiction of African-American women for future generations, including her own daughters.

Superheroes

Internationally-acclaimed artist Dulce Pinzón spoke about her award-winning photography series “The Real Stories of the Superheroes,” at the Lycoming College Art Gallery on March 27. Pinzón’s collection depicts Mexican immigrant workers in New York City performing their day-to-day jobs while dressed in superhero costumes and has been displayed all over the world.

Pinzón, who is originally from Mexico City and now resides in Brooklyn, noticed the lack of media attention given to the Latino community during the post-9/11 recognition of deserving heroes.

“Everyone who was different suddenly became a terrorist,” she said. “I thought I would raise the question of who is a hero.”

Pinzón’s series depicts immigrants who work long hours in an effort to make money to send back to Mexico for their family’s survival. She said that many of the workers depicted in her series work 14-hour days, six to seven days a week.

Famous American and Mexican superheroes were chosen as the alter-egos of the participants, most of whom were friends or acquaintances of Pinzón’s prior to the project. She hoped to show that just like “every superhero has an alter-ego,” these immigrants are caught between two worlds: that of a forgotten immigrant laborer and that of a provider for their families.

“I want people to understand we are all interconnected in this world,” she said. “I want people to think about immigration now that we are electing a new president. Immigration is not going to go away.”
Two members of the Lycoming College community have released a new book titled “Deployed: How Reservists Bear the Burden of Iraq.” The book looks at the lives of military reservists deployed during the declared war on terror. Dr. Susan Ross, an associate professor of sociology and chair of the criminal justice department, and Dr. Michael Musheno, a 1969 Lycoming graduate and former visiting professor of justice and social policy, co-authored the book, which was released by the University of Michigan Press in mid-March in conjunction with the fifth anniversary of the war in Iraq.

“We wanted to give a voice to the men and women who have been called to extraordinary service while the rest of us are asked to sacrifice nothing under these wartime conditions,” said Ross, who has taught at the College since 1998.

Ross, whose primary area of research is family sociology, developed an interest in military sociology after seeing several Lycoming students deployed after the start of military activity in Afghanistan and Iraq. Ross kept in touch with these students and listened to their stories, concerns and thoughts, which inspired her and Musheno to write “Deployed.”

The book details the stories of soldiers in an Army reserve unit, which Ross and Musheno name the 893 Army Military Police Company to protect the identities of the soldiers involved. The unit served for two years on active duty, including nine months in Iraq.

The unit first served a one-year deployment state-side, policing a military base. Then, a couple of months after this term was complete, the unit received word that they were going to be deployed overseas after a short training period in the United States. Ross said that at first, the members of the unit did not know their final destination.

“It was completely unclear what their mission was going to be until they were actually on the ground in Iraq,” she said. The unit ended up policing a prison near Baghdad, trying to bring order to a system that had fallen into chaos.

“They were at a makeshift prison, trying to sort out who was dangerous and who had just violated curfew,” Ross said. The unit returned to the United States after nine months in Iraq. Their deployment, both state-side and overseas, had lasted nearly two years, and had left the soldiers with experiences and stories that changed their lives.

According to Ross, three major groups appeared among the soldiers that categorized their mindset and experiences while serving: the adaptive reservists, who can move in lock step with the institutional demands of the military; the struggling reservists, whose civilian lives provide them with stressors which make the adjustment both to and from military life difficult; and the resistant reservists, who are conflicted between their loyalty to the military and their opposition to the war.

“This was probably the most emotionally draining work that I’ve ever done,” she said. “The book has a very personal flavor to it.”

Ross said that this is reflected in the book, which weaves personal accounts from the soldiers amidst the authors’ analysis of the impact of the military policy shifts that have brought about an all-volunteer force.

“We did want to see if there were patterns that cut across the individual life histories and indeed, we found clusters of soldiers whose stories are sufficiently similar to allow us to tell our story about their lives,” Musheno said during an interview with the University of Michigan Press.

“Still, we want that story to be told as much through their voices as our own.”

Ross said that she and Musheno worked well together and created a book that reflects their complimentary working relationship.

“Collaboratively we created something that neither of us would have created individually,” she said.

In addition to “Deployed,” Ross is the editor of the book “American Families Past and Present: Social Perspectives on Transformations,” and the author of several published articles on topics such as corporal punishment and child abuse. She earned a bachelor’s degree from Millersville University and a master’s and Ph.D. from the University of New Hampshire.

Musheno is professor and chair in the department of criminal justice studies at San Francisco State University and distinguished affiliated scholar at the Center for the Study of Law and Society at the University of California at Berkeley. He co-authored the book “Cops, Teachers, Counselors: Stories from the Front Lines of Public Service,” which won the American Political Science Association’s 2005 Herbert A. Simon Book Award and the 2005 Best Book of Public Administration Scholarship from the American Society of Public Administration.

Musheno is the recipient of Lycoming’s 2006 “Outstanding Achievement Award,” which is given to a graduate in recognition of a professional or personal accomplishment which reflects positively on the College. After earning a bachelor’s degree from Lycoming in 1969, he went on to earn a master’s and Ph.D. from American University in Washington, D.C.
L ycoming College students Ashley Lanyon, a junior psychology and education major, and Kristi Zanker, a junior psychology and special education major, spent a great deal of time this academic year punching holes in pamphlets, sending out e-mails and hanging up posters, among other things, in preparation for the first Williamsport Autism Conference and Walk. The conference was held April 3-5 at the Community Arts Center and the Genetti Hotel in downtown Williamsport, with the walk held April 5 at the South Williamsport Community Park.

Lanyon and Zanker worked as “volunteer coordinators,” as they describe themselves, helping Debrah Krauss, the head of the conference, prepare for the weekend of activities, which aimed to promote autism awareness and provide local resources for the parents of children with autism. The students met Krauss during a psychology experiment that involved Krauss’ 4-year-old son, Spencer, who has autism. Lanyon and Zanker conducted the project for their experimental psychology class, which attempted to measure the effect of personal connections during instruction on students with developmental delays.

“Spencer was one of the participants (in the project),” Lanyon said. “Debrah was looking for someone to help her with the conference and Kristi and I volunteered.”

Zanker says the experience has been an extremely positive one, especially since she hopes to one day work with children with developmental delays.

“These are the kids I want to work with when I graduate,” she said. “It’s been so much fun to know that I can do something positive for them. Working with autism as well as raised money to go toward autism research.

“I like knowing that we helped raise money for research and possibly for a cure,” Zanker said. “It’s just awesome.”

Stillman gave a presentation on living with autism. Karen DeFelice, a specialist on digestive enzymes and the author of two books concerning neurological disorders and digestive patterns, spoke about the effect of enzymes on autism. On April 4, the Carbonic Clinic, which specializes in the treatment and education of students with disabilities, gave a presentation from 9 a.m. to noon, followed by question and answer sessions in the afternoon.

During the Walk for Autism, several Lycoming College groups were present to help facilitate and coordinate the event. Several students served as “walk buddies.”

“(The walk buddies) were assigned to one of the autistic children to walk them around so the parents could network with other families,” Krauss said. In addition, senior John Scarangello gave a musical performance, and the brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity conducted carnival games, which were donated to the event by the College’s student programs office.

“The whole community has really come together,” Krauss said. “We could not have done this without the outstanding dedication from these students. They have been so amazing to donate their time.”
Matt Miller did something many have tried to do, but only a few have accomplished. The senior finished his Lycoming wrestling career by winning the 197-pound weight class at the 2008 NCAA Division III national championships held March 7-8, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

“Being a NCAA national champion has been an honor because I have been able to reach the pinnacle of my wrestling career and bring recognition to Lycoming wrestling and the great program Coach Roger Crebs provides for his student-athletes,” said Miller. “The support from the Lycoming College family has been amazing and very touching for me. It means a great deal to me to realize that my wrestling has brought so much pride to the College community and that Lycoming has embraced my accomplishments with such great accolades.”

Entering the NCAA tournament, Miller was ranked sixth in the nation by Brute/Adidas and was the No. 6 seed for the championships. In the first round, he won a 3-1 decision against Delaware Valley’s Joe West and then defeated No. 3 seed Paul Hartt of Lakeland, 6-1, in the quarter-finals to secure All-American status (the top eight finishers are named All-Americans). Miller then defeated No. 7 seed Josh Holforty of Wisconsin-Eau Claire by a score of 3-0 in the semi-finals, setting up a finals match with defending national champion T.J. Miller of Wartburg, who was the No. 1 seed in the tournament.

“Entering the arena the day of the finals, I caught my first glimpse of the elevated mat that would serve as my center stage in the finals,” said Miller. “At this point, I was slightly intimidated and a bit nervous about marching up the steps to compete for a national championship, but eventually the nerves subsided. I credit Coach Crebs for allowing me to continue my very relaxed warm-up style. I feel this allowed me to stay focused and believe what I had been telling myself every match at the nationals, ‘This is just another match.’ Being the No. 6 seed was never a deterrent for me because as I examined the records of my opponents I realized they had been beaten at some point in the year, which meant they could be beaten again.”

In the final bout, Miller executed a first period takedown and rode out the second period. T.J. Miller regained riding time by maintaining the top position in the third period, but could not turn Miller to score any points. Miller won the match 2-0 and became Lycoming’s first national champion wrestler since Royce Eyer, the Warriors’ all-time wins leader, won the 2001 NCAA tournament at 157 pounds.

“Matt was injured most of his college career and this season he battled knee and back problems again,” said Crebs. “Matt put it all together in one weekend to win a NCAA national title. It was a very proud moment for me, Lycoming wrestling and the Miller family. I know that the late Budd Whitehill would be very proud as well. Matt showed that hard work and a never say never attitude is a great recipe for success. This program will miss Matt next year; he was the go-to guy at the top of the line-up.”

Miller finished the 2007-08 season with a perfect 20-0 record. In February, he won the Empire Collegiate Wrestling Conference championship to earn an automatic bid to the national tournament. Following the season, Miller was voted the ECWC Wrestler of the Year by conference coaches and sports information directors. He was also recognized as Lycoming’s 2007-08 Most Outstanding Male Athlete.

“Coach Crebs has been an irreplaceable part of my success here at Lycoming College, both academically and athletically,” said Miller. “He has provided me with the work ethic needed to succeed both on the mat and in the classroom. Coach Crebs has mentored not only in the physical aspects of wrestling, but also in the mental games that go along with the sport. I believe the greatest thing he has provided me with is the mental toughness and confidence that it takes to become a national champion.

Without the guidance of Coach Crebs, I would never have been a national qualifier, let alone a national champ. He has made me a much stronger athlete and human being, and I will always cherish my days as a Lycoming wrestler.”

Miller, who graduated in May with a business administration degree, finished his Lycoming career with an overall record of 62-21. The Miller family has strong ties to the College. Miller’s brother, Eric, a 2007 alumnus, was a four-year wrestler.
Men’s Basketball

The men’s basketball team completed an impressive 17-10 campaign in 2007-08, which included a 7-3 conference record and regular-season Commonwealth Conference title.

Following the season, Warrior head coach Don Friday was named the 2007-08 Commonwealth Coach of the Year.

Sophomore point guard Eric Anthony earned first-team All-Commonwealth Conference after leading the Warriors with 14.7 points per game, which ranked fourth in conference scoring.

Senior Kevin Morris and junior forward Greg Sye were named second-team All-Commonwealth Conference. Morris averaged 13.2 points per game, which ranked sixth in the conference, while Sye’s 10.9 points per game ranked 12th. Anthony (.891) and Morris (.845) ranked first and second, respectively, in conference free throw percentage. Sye ranked fifth in the conference with 5.9 rebounds per game. He was also honored with the College’s Sol “Woody” Wolfe Award for excellence as a junior athlete.

Morris finished his career with 1,282 points. A political science and history major, Morris was named first-team men’s basketball ESPN the Magazine Academic All-District II by the College Sports Information Directors of America. He also earned this year’s Middle Atlantic States Collegiate Athletic Corporation Scholar Athlete of the Year award for men’s basketball.

Senior David Wilson finished his four-year career as the College’s all-time leading free throw shooter at .870 percent.

Women’s Basketball

The Lady Warrior basketball team finished its 2007-08 season with an overall record of 10-14 and 1-9 in the conference. It marked Lycoming’s first season with double-digit wins since 2003-04. Besides having a young squad, which consisted of 13 of the 17 players being freshmen or sophomores, Lycoming was also hurt by several injuries.

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Wrestling

In its first season competing in the Empire Collegiate Wrestling Conference, Lycoming (11-5) finished its 15th straight season with 10 or more wins in 2007-08.

Warrior senior Matt Miller and sophomore Chris Dahlheimer won ECWC championships at 197 and 165 pounds, respectively, earning bids to compete in the 2008 NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships. Miller went on to capture the national title (see story on page 17), but Dahlheimer was unable to participate due to an injury.

Dahlheimer was honored for his achievements in the classroom as well as on the mat, receiving an individual All-American scholar award. Dahlheimer, a computer science major with a 15-1 record this season, earned the award for his high GPA and by winning more than two-thirds of his matches. Overall, the Warrior wrestling team’s 3.32 grade point average ranked 14th in the nation on the NCAA Division III National Wrestling Coaches Association Scholar All-American list.

Men’s and Women’s Swimming

Lycoming’s men’s and women’s swimming teams, which both finished at 6-2 overall, improved their final conference standings this year. The women, who finished fourth last season, ranked third at the Middle Atlantic Conference championships. The men rose from sixth last year to third place this season.

Seventh-year head coach Jerry Hammaker won his 100th career coaching victory as his teams swept King’s College and FDU-Florham at a tri-meet Jan. 16.

Sophomore John Dougherty established a new school record for the 200-yard freestyle race at the
2008 MAC championships. Dougherty’s time of 1:47.65 broke the previous record, which was set in 1994 by Lycoming Hall of Famer Neil Ryan.

Stacy Flick had the Lady Warriors highest individual finish at the conference championships, placing second in the 50-yard freestyle sprint. She also took third in the 200-yard breaststroke.

**Men’s Lacrosse**

Three Lycoming College players were named to the 2008 Middle Atlantic Conference Men’s Lacrosse All-Conference Team. Senior Dan Cannon was a first-team selection while sophomore Mike Doherty and junior Kyle Gilfoy were second-team honorees. In addition, Lycoming’s Brian Anken was named the Coach of the Year after leading the Warriors to an overall record of 10-6 and 5-2 mark in the conference.

Anken, who completed his second season with the Warriors, led Lycoming to the semi-finals of the MAC playoffs this year. Last season, Lycoming finished 4-10 overall. In 2008 conference play, Lycoming led the MAC in goals per game (13.43), assists per game (9.14) and points per game (22.57).

**Women’s Lacrosse**

Four Lycoming College players were named to the 2008 Middle Atlantic Conference Women’s Lacrosse All-Conference Team. First-team honors went to senior Megan Wallenhorst and junior Sarah Wingerden. Sophomore Danielle Gargiulo and senior Kristina Peacock were second-team selections. Lycoming finished the year at 9-8 overall, 5-3 in conference play and made the semi-finals of the MAC playoffs.

Wallenhorst, Lycoming’s 2007-08 Most Outstanding Female Athlete, finished her career as the school’s all-time leader in points (276) and goals (233) and is third in assists (43). Peacock concluded her career as the College’s all-time leader in saves (693) and ranks second for most saves in a season with 209 this year.

**Men’s Tennis**

The Warriors finished the season at 2-4 overall and 1-3 in conference play.

At the 2008 MAC Men’s Tennis Individual Championships, Colin Baier, Alexander Beattie, John Stutzman and John Scarangello each advanced out of the first-round before bowing out in the quarterfinals. In doubles action, Beattie and Robert Brown advanced to the quarterfinals with a victory versus a duo from Arcadia University. They fell in the semifinals by a score of 8-1.

**Men’s Golf**

Lycoming competed in four spring invitations before heading to the 2008 MAC Championships, which were held at the Hershey Country Club East Course in Hershey, Pa.

At the championships, the Warriors finished in sixth place with a two-round total of 731. Robert Wentzel and Sean Driscoll both finished in the top 20 for Lycoming. Wentzel was the team’s highest finisher, as he tied for 17th place with a total of 172, while Driscoll tied for 19th place at 177.

Earlier in the season at the Susquehanna Spring Invitational, Wentzel shot a 77 to tie for 10th place.

**Softball**

The Lady Warriors wrapped up their 2008 season at 1-19 overall and 0-10 in the Commonwealth Conference.

For the year, Dana Marek played in 16 games and led the squad with a .313 batting average to go along with 10 hits and two doubles. Amber Moyer started all of the 18 games she played in and was the team leader in at-bats (59) and runs (10). Jessica Nabholtz started all 20 games and had a team-high four doubles to go along with 13 hits in 56 at-bats.

In the pitcher’s circle, Nicole Rhodes started nine games and recorded a team-high 53 innings of work with 14 strikeouts.

Kennell promoted to director of athletics

Scott Kennell, Lycoming’s assistant athletic director and head men’s soccer coach, has been promoted to director of athletics, according to an announcement by Dr. Tom Girardi, provost and dean of the College.

Kennell, who will continue to serve as head men’s soccer coach, takes over for the retiring Frank Girardi, who has held the position since 1984.

In 2007, Kennell finished his eighth season as head men’s soccer coach and second year as assistant director of athletics. During the past five seasons, Kennell has led the Warriors to a 62-29-5 record (.672) with four appearances in the conference playoffs.

“This is a very special moment for my family and me,” said Kennell, who earned a bachelor’s degree from North Carolina Wesleyan in 1998. “I would like to thank President [James] Douthat and Dean Griffiths for the confidence they have shown in me. I also want to thank Coach Girardi. He has not only been a great mentor to me through the years, but also a great friend. I am thrilled, yet humbled to take over the leadership of the athletic department. I understand and appreciate the rich tradition at Lycoming and the role athletics play within the academic community. I will make a commitment to the Lycoming community to include the traditions of the past, while guiding the athletic department toward the future.”

During his tenure as director of athletics, Girardi began the College’s Athletic Hall of Fame and oversaw the growth of the department, which included the addition of the volleyball, women’s soccer, and men’s and women’s lacrosse programs.

“I have enjoyed the relationships with the coaches through the years as well as with their teams,” said Girardi. “Scott is an excellent choice. He is extremely well-organized and cares about all of the College’s athletic programs.”

**Holtz to promote Warrior athletics**

Jon Holtz has joined Lycoming as the Warriors’ new sports information director, according to an announcement by Jerry Rashid, director of college relations.

Holtz comes to Lycoming after serving one year as an athletics communications assistant at the United States Military Academy at West Point.

He earned a bachelor’s degree in English in 2007 from Mansfield University, where he served as captain of the cross country, and track and field teams. Following his senior year, Holtz was honored by the Eastern College Athletic Conference Sports Information Directors Association with the prestigious Bill Esposito Memorial Award.

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Three hundred thirty-five students walked through the Oliver Sterling Metzler Memorial Gate to mark the beginning of Lycoming College’s 160th commencement ceremony held Sunday, May 4. Once through the gate, members of the Class of 2008 made the traditional stroll through the Quad surrounded by the applause of faculty, staff and family members as part of the day’s pomp and circumstance.

Honorary degrees were conferred upon Federal Judge Malcolm Muir of Williamsport and Dr. Sandra Steingraber, an internationally renowned expert on toxins in the environment. Steingraber, the author of “Living Downstream: An Ecologist Looks at Cancer and the Environment,” also delivered the commencement address.

Sharing her personal life experiences, Steingraber emphasized to the graduates the significance of ending our addiction to fossil fuel to help the environment, now that the threat to the Earth is worse than ever before, and the importance of following their own true paths as opposed to an expected way of life.
“Just because you are good at something doesn’t mean you have to do it,” said Steingraber, who is presently a distinguished visiting scholar at Ithaca College in New York. “It’s useful to know when to stick to the task at hand and when to allow yourself to be blown off course.”

Jamie Rowe, a history and Spanish major from Honesdale, Pa., was the senior class speaker. In closing her speech, Rowe made the following statement to her classmates.

“We are all members of a great human orchestra, and it is now time to play the Save the World Symphony. You are not required to play a solo. You are required to know what instrument you hold and play it as well as you can in concert with everyone else.”

Dr. Sandra Steingraber
2008 commencement speaker
Dear Friends,

You’ve heard the phrase, “It’s a good kind of busy”? “A good kind of busy” is the general state of the Lycoming campus throughout the academic year but especially so as the second semester draws to a close.

The sprint seems to begin right around the beginning of April. This year, our annual student/alumni networking event kicked off the month, timed, as usual, to coincide with the spring meeting of the Alumni Association Executive Board. You can read more about the evening of networking in “Alumni Happenings” in this issue.

The following week brought the 2nd Annual Leadership and Service Awards Banquet, at which students and staff were recognized for their leadership in campus organizations, community service, sorority and fraternity activities and intramural sports.

The next weekend held in store both Senior Celebration, the College’s send-off for our almost-graduates, and Honors Convocation. In addition to recognizing our most outstanding students with academic awards, we honored three members of the faculty and staff for their exceptional service. You can read about them and about the 2008 Senior Class Gift, which was also presented at Convocation, in the “Around the Quad” section of this magazine.

On either side of that weekend, I had the privilege of attending the annual banquets of Phi Kappa Phi – where Lycoming’s 2008 Phi Kappa Phi national scholarship nominee, a senior soon to begin graduate work at Harvard Divinity School on a full fellowship, was announced, and where we learned about “Bats I Have Known and Loved (Or Not)” from Dr. Margaret Griffiths, publisher and managing editor of *Bat Research News* and wife of Lycoming’s provost, Dr. Thomas Griffiths; and of the choir – which closed with everyone standing around the perimeter of the Jane Schultz Dining Room, holding hands and singing Peter Lutkin’s well-known and beautiful Benediction, a Lycoming College Choir signature.

Then, during the week of finals, we bid a happy retirement to five Lycoming greats – Professors Haley, Herring, Hungerford, Roskin and Shipley – who have taught, guided and befriended Lycoming College’s students for a combined total of 167 years.

Interspersed among these weeks were many less official but equally stimulating events – a dramatic fencing demonstration presented by students completing a theatre course in combat choreography; the student-taught Dance Club’s semi-annual, bring-down-the-house show; the Community Service Center’s annual Trash to Treasure clothing drive; a film series sponsored by the campus chapter of Amnesty International, to name but a few.

I recently had the delightful opportunity to page through the college scrapbooks of an alumna who was generous enough to donate them to the archives. I was reminded that throughout its history as a four-year institution, our alma mater has always boasted this hallmark of a liberal arts education: an active campus with a wealth of activities to nurture students mentally, physically and spiritually.

I hope that you will be able to take advantage of the opportunity that Homecoming presents to return to Lycoming and witness the continuing vivacity of our campus community. Homecoming weekend is Oct. 10-12. We look forward to welcoming you “home.”

Melanie Harris Taormina ’94
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A message from your Alumni Association Executive Board

“If you can’t come back to Lycoming, we want to bring Lycoming back to you.” Although that is not the official slogan of the Lycoming College Alumni Association’s Regional Affairs Committee, it might be the best way to describe the committee’s primary objective. The committee—one of three standing committees on the Alumni Association that together.

chapters of the Alumni Association and organize and promote events that bring alumni together.

“We basically try to connect Lycoming alumni and serve as an extension of the Office of Alumni Relations,” says Brian Belz ’96, AAEB second vice president and chair of the Regional Affairs Committee. “We want to do whatever we can to support alumni who are interested in hosting a Lycoming event in their area.”

Thanks to the efforts of the Office of Alumni Relations, the Alumni Association and—most importantly—the numerous Lycoming alumni who have been interested in coordinating events, there has been quite an increase in the number of alumni gatherings happening somewhere other than Williamsport. Atlanta, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Washington, D.C., are just a few of the larger cities where events have occurred.

Some of these gatherings have even become annual events. On May 18, Lycoming alumni gathered at Camden Yards in Baltimore for the sixth annual Team Timeout—an event coordinated by Steve Simchak ’99 that includes lunch and tickets to an Orioles game. In September, the third annual Lycoming Picnic will be hosted by Shannon Desiderioscioli ’89 at the Barnyard and Carriage House in Totawa, N.J.

“As these events get more publicity and more events take place, more alumni are stepping up and asking, ‘Hey, what can I do?’” notes Heather Duda ’98, AAEB first vice president and past chair of the Regional Affairs Committee. “We want to be a support system for those interested in organizing these types of events.”

In addition to helping alumni and the Office of Alumni Relations promote and organize events as needed, the AAEB has a small pool of funds available to cover some of the events’ up-front costs. Rather than paying to reserve a meeting space, purchase food or book entertainment out-of-pocket and seek reimbursement later, alumni can contact the AAEB Regional Affairs Committee and ask it to cover those expenses instead. The fund is replenished using registration fees collected for that particular event.

This summer, the AAEB will sponsor its own event—the inaugural All-Alumni Summer Reunion in Philadelphia on June 21-22. Highlights of the weekend include a lunch at Independence Visitor Center and a tour of the Constitution Center on Saturday, brunch and a Highlights Tour of the Philadelphia Museum of Art on Sunday, and time to reconnect with friends and tour other Philadelphia attractions throughout the weekend.

“This is the first time the AAEB and the Regional Affairs Committee have sponsored their own event,” Belz says. “In the future, we hope to sponsor at least one event each year.”

If you are interested in learning more about hosting an event in your area, please contact Melanie Taormina ’94, director of alumni relations, at (570) 321-4134 or taormina@lycoming.edu.
HAPPENINGS & gatherings

David Kauffman ’65 hosts reception in Arizona

Dr. David Kauffman ’65 and Jeannie Van Epps hosted 20 alumni and guests for a dessert reception at their Scottsdale, Ariz., home Saturday, Jan. 26. Lynn Jackson, Lycoming’s vice president for college advancement, shared news from the College. Lycoming connections were made across the decades as alumni from the Class of 2006 mingled with graduates from the ’60s, ’70s and ’80s. Approximately 60 Lycoming alumni live in the greater Phoenix area.

Alumni gather during choir’s Florida tour

In conjunction with the Lycoming College Tour Choir’s recent concerts in Florida, alumni and friends gathered for events with President James and Emily Douthat, Lynn Jackson, vice president for college advancement, and Melanie Harris Taormina ’94, director of alumni relations. South Florida alumni came together for a reception prior to the choir’s Feb. 24 afternoon performance at the Episcopal Church of Bethesda-by-the-Sea in Palm Beach, and a group of Tampa-area alumni gathered for dinner on Feb. 28 before enjoying the sounds of the choir at its evening appearance at the Palm Harbor United Methodist Church. Intermissions during both performances allowed alumni to meet and talk with choir students and share their appreciation.

Alumni help students practice networking skills

Lycoming College alumni gave of their time in support of the College’s juniors and seniors at the annual Careers: Conversations and Connections student/alumni networking event held on April 4, at the Holiday Inn in Williamsport. Sponsored by the Office of Alumni Relations and the Career Development Center, the event is designed to offer students the opportunity to hear about others’ career paths and develop their networking skills in a casual environment. With more than 80 in attendance, the evening proved rich with conversation and provided meaningful interaction for students and alumni alike.

San Francisco-area alumni meet for waterfront lunch

Lynn Jackson, Lycoming’s vice president for college advancement, and Melanie Harris Taormina ’94, director of alumni relations, gathered with San Francisco-area alumni on March 27. The group met for lunch at the landmark Fog City Diner just off The Embarcadero. During a delicious meal, the alumni shared with one another the paths of their lives since their student days at Lycoming. Those in attendance hope to gather again in the near future and add more Lycoming alumni from the Bay Area to their company. If interested, please contact Elizabeth Gruse ’98 at elizabethmg14@yahoo.com.
Tom Woodruff Jr. ’80 hosts alumni at his special effects studio

Tom Woodruff Jr. ’80 led two dozen alumni and guests on a private tour of his special effects studio outside Los Angeles on March 28. With the help of video clips from his many projects, Tom explained to guests the wide variety and the specifics of the work he and his partner at Amalgamated Dynamics do, from animatronics to animal replicas, and specialty costumes to make-up and human replicas. He entertained his audience with stories about Tim Allen and George Clooney, and about the acceptance speech for his Academy Award, won for his work on “Death Becomes Her.”

The tour continued in a room filled with the results of Tom’s and his team’s creative work over the years: creatures from the “Alien” movies and costumes from “The Santa Clause,” animated animals, and masks of all description. The group was also treated to a sneak peak into the studio workroom, where artists were at work on upcoming projects still under wraps.

The Alumni Association is most grateful to Tom and his staff for sharing their time and work with such hospitality and good fun. For a virtual shop tour and to read more about Tom and his career, please visit www.studioadi.com.

Jeff Reddall ’81 organizes inaugural events in Texas

Jeff Reddall ’81 organized and hosted first-time events in two Texas cities in April. On Saturday, April 5, a dozen alumni gathered at Farina’s in Grapevine, outside Dallas, for an evening of good cheer and conversation.

Loni Kline, Lycoming’s director of major gifts, joined the second group of nearly 20 on Saturday, April 12, in Sugar Land, near Houston.

At both events, Jeff shared a slide show of “Lycoming today” so that alumni could see how the campus has changed through the years. The Alumni Association extends its sincere thanks to Jeff and his wife, Gloria, for their efforts in bringing together our alumni in the Lone Star state! The groups look forward to getting together again in the future and meeting even more Lyco neighbors.

Monday, Aug. 4
Picnic at Lehigh Valley IronPigs Game
Allentown, Pa.
6 p.m. picnic/7:05 p.m. game
$25 person, pre-paid

Monday, Aug. 11
“The New York City Waterfalls” Cruise
New York, N.Y.
5:30 p.m.
$24/adults, $15/ages 4-12, pre-paid

Saturday, Sept. 13
3rd Annual Picnic at the Barnyard and Carriage House
Totowa, N.J.
2-6 p.m.
Reminisce with old friends on the patio and enjoy hamburgers, BBQ chicken, BBQ ribs, beer, wine, volleyball, horseshoes and more.
$30/person, pre-paid

Saturday, Oct. 4
Lycoming vs. Widener Football Post-Game Gathering
Bootlegger’s, Woodlyn, Pa.
(located around the corner from the Widener football field)
Immediately following the 1 p.m. game
Join fellow alumni after the match-up for game-day fare of hot roast beef sandwiches, meatball sandwiches and hot dogs.
$7 per person, at the door (beverages extra)

Friday – Sunday, Oct. 10-12
2008 Homecoming Weekend: Viva Las Lyco!
Don’t miss the 3rd annual Friday night fireworks on the Quad; the dedication of The Commons, Lycoming’s new residence hall; the new Archives Open House; the traditional Homecoming parade and football game and the All-Alumni Reunion Social Hour at its new location, 33 East in downtown Williamsport.
Visit www.lycoming.edu/alumni/events/homecoming for the complete weekend schedule.

For more information on these events, visit www.lycoming.edu/alumni/events. To register for an upcoming event, e-mail alumni@lycoming.edu or call 570-321-4376.

More than two dozen alumni and guests meet Tom Woodruff Jr. ’81 in Chatsworth, Calif., for a tour of his special effects studio.

Some of the alumni who attended the Grapevine, Texas, event

Alumni gathering in Sugar Land, Texas
The annual Homecoming Golf Outing sponsored by the Alumni Association Executive Board will take place on Friday, Oct. 10, at the White Deer Golf Course in Allenwood on the Vintage Course. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m., with a shotgun start at 11 a.m. Carts, lunch and a participation gift will be provided for all golfers. The registration fee remains at $70. Registration information will be available in the Homecoming brochure to be mailed this summer.
E. Bard ’58 and Patra Rupp, Jay ’60 and Ann Sue (Bingaman) ’60 McCormick, and Hank ’58 and Lois Van Zanten gathered at the Blue Coyote Yacht Club in Ft. Myers, Fla., March 2008. The men are members of Kappa Delta Rho (KDR). Sue is the former alumni director at Lycoming and KDR Queen.

Class Notes submissions:
Lycoming College wants to join you in celebrating your career and life accomplishments. You may wish to share information about a birth, wedding, anniversary, career move, retirement, life-changing experience, etc. We reserve the right to edit submissions to meet Lycoming College Magazine style guidelines and space limitations. Only activities that have already taken place will be included in Class Notes.

Photo submissions:
Please feel free to submit printed and high-resolution digital photos. Because of space limitations, we cannot publish every photo we receive, but your chances improve if your digital photos are of good quality and at least 300 dpi at a canvas size of 3x5. Lower resolution pictures may look sharp on your computer screen, but will not reproduce well in the magazine.

Information received after April 30 will be used in a future issue of the magazine.

Send your Class Notes information to:
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Please be advised that as a result of our online posting and archiving of the magazine, information included in Class Notes may become publicly available and searchable through the Internet.

Dickinson Seminary and Junior College
1940
Dorothy (Kirk) Bertsch (nursing) had her fictional novel “Not Ready” published. The novel is about a couple in their 70s who marry and move into a continuing care retirement community (CCRC) in Florida. Dorothy resides in a CCRC in Palm City, Fla., where she gleaned authentic material for her novel. She can be contacted at fritzndot@aol.com.

1948
60th Reunion Homecoming
Oct. 10-12, 2008

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55th Reunion Homecoming
Oct. 10-12, 2008

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Rev. Ned Weller (English) and his wife, Katie, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Thanksgiving Day 2007. The Wellers have four living children, six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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All members of the Class of 1958 are invited to celebrate their 50th reunion during Homecoming weekend. A reunion dinner will be held at the Ross Club, 201 W. 4th Street, Williamsport, on Friday, Oct. 10, 6 p.m. social hour, 7 p.m. dinner.

Marie White Bell (biology), retired Superior Court Judge, was appointed to the Council on Local Mandates for the state of New Jersey by Gov. Jon Corzine. The council reviews and issues rulings on complaints filed by a county, municipality or school board. She also serves as a Lycoming trustee.

Ken Polcyn (political science) had his novel “Mistresses Among Us” published.

Charlie Mitchell (history) is looking forward to seeing fellow Kappa Delta Rho PSI Chapter brothers at the fraternity’s 55th anniversary celebration at Homecoming this fall. Please see ad on page 32.
1959

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Charles Howe (English) is retired from banking and the United Methodist pastorate. He also served for 10 years with the Carroll Park (Maryland) Little League. He celebrated his 75th birthday in April.

Thomas McIntosh (history) has made significant donations to the rare book division of the Pennsylvania State Library, the McIntosh Library at Harrisburg University, the Blossburg Memorial Library and the proposed African-American History Museum in Harrisburg. He began building a library and coin collection in 1962. McIntosh is retired from the Harrisburg City School District.

1961

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1962

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Walter Kolonosky (Russian), a professor of modern languages at Kansas State University, was named KSU’s International Educator of the Year for 2007. He established KSU’s first office of study abroad.

1963

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Jo-Anne Kirby (English) is retired and lives on Vashon Island in the middle of Puget Sound, where her daughter and family also live. The only access to Vashon is by ferry.

Richard Senges (business administration), editor and publisher of “Rochester Model Rails,” has a new Web site, www.OilCreekRailroad.com, which includes all the issues (52) of his magazine. He recently won first place in a national photo contest at the First National Craftsman Structure Show in 2007. A digital image of Richard’s national award-winning photo, “Model of a Prototype,” is also on the site.

1964

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1965

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An expert on Soviet-era Russian literature, he was recognized for his dedication to the internationalization of KSU above and beyond his teaching and scholarship.

1966

Class Scribe: Carolyn Kay Lundy '63

Carolyn-Kay Lundy, a member of the Class of 1963, was honored as “Alum of the Year” by Lycoming College and the Williamsport/Lycoming Chamber of Commerce at the chamber’s annual Education Celebration event on March 6.

Each year, the chamber recognizes alumni from Lycoming College, Penn College and Newport Business Institute who live in Lycoming County and have made outstanding contributions to the community.

Lundy’s citation declared that her “long-standing and tireless volunteer efforts have benefitted and continue to serve the Williamsport community and Lycoming College alike.”

Lundy has served as president of four community organizations: Williamsport Symphony, Williamsport Home, Junior League and Williamsport Lycoming Arts Council. She has also served on numerous other local boards, including theYWCA, Lycoming County Chapter of the American Red Cross, Hemlock Girl Scouts, Children’s Development Center and Friends of the Library.

She has volunteered her time and energy in support of the Community Arts Center, Lycoming United Way and Florence Crittenton Home, and has served as assistant county chairperson to the Republican Party.

Lundy has been a trustee of Lycoming College since 2000 and previously served on the College’s Alumni Association Executive Board. She is currently a member of the Campaign for a Brighter Future Executive Committee and chair of the College’s 1812 Society for leadership giving. She has hosted alumni events for the College in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Florida for many years.

Lundy earned a bachelor’s degree in French from Lycoming and a master of public administration from Marywood College, where she was inducted in to the academic honor society of Pi Alpha Alpha. She lives in Williamsport with her husband, Frank.
1968

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Philip Beckley (history) has launched Splash, a new Finger Lakes public relations and marketing firm, with business partner, Charles Wilson. Beckley was the publisher of the Finger Lakes Times from 1998 to 2005. He is president of the Geneva Arts Development Council and Geneva Growth. He and his wife, Linda, reside in Geneva, N.Y. They have three children.

Angela M. Bednarczyk (psychology) recently retired following 10 years of designing software for deaf and hard of hearing people. Her final project, “A Crash Course in American Sign Language,” was developed with a linguist who is deaf. The course includes almost 400 ASL signs, both as individual words and in sentences. She is now a deacon at The National Presbyterian Church and coordinates the class, “Perspectives on the World Christian Movement.”

1969

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Dan Hulitt (psychology) lives in Waconia, Minn., where he works in corporate procurement for SUPERVALU. He and his wife, Jewell, have two sons, Chris and Geoffrey. Chris is a Naval Officer pursuing a master’s degree from the Navy War College. He has served in Japan and Iraq. Geoffrey is a college sophomore.

1970

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T. Stephen Turnbull (sociology) retired from the Navy Reserve on Feb. 9, during a private ceremony at the Navy Operational Support Center in White River Junction, Vt. The event was attended by more than 60 family members and friends, including the Catamount Pipe Band. Stephen received five awards including the Third Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for his dedicated service to the Navy. For 22 years, he had been affiliated with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Twenty-Seven out of Brunswick, Maine. He resides in Northfield, Vt.

1971

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Mordecai Lipshutz (theatre) retired from WXXI Classical 91.5 in Rochester, N.Y. He had been producer and host of “Live From Hochstein,” the longest-running live broadcast concert series in western New York.

Elizabeth (Bojane) Heap (English), Lycoming’s first blind graduate, works for the Bergen County (N.J.) Department of Human Services, Division of Senior Services. She previously worked for 12 years as a medical transcriptionist. Elizabeth resides in Ramsey, N.Y., and may be reached at (201) 327-1535.

James A. Pietrovito (political science) served this spring as a delegate with The Compassionate Listening Project that traveled to the Middle East. The trip helped him gain a better understanding of how to address conflicts and make peace within a community. He is the pastor at the Yardley United Methodist Church in Yardley, Pa.

1972

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Paul Betlyn (physics) is the owner of Betlyn’s Heating and Cooling Co. He resides in Moon Twp., Pa.

Rev. Bob Coombe (sociology) served this spring as a delegate with The Compassionate Listening Project that traveled to the Middle East. The trip helped him gain a better understanding of how to address conflicts and make peace within a community. He is the pastor at the Yardley United Methodist Church in Yardley, Pa.

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Gene L. Dodaro, who earned an accounting degree from Lycoming in 1973, became acting comptroller general of the U.S. Government Accountability Office on March 13. He will serve in this position until the president nominates and the Senate confirms a successor from a list of candidates proposed by the Congress.

Founded in 1921, GAO’s mission is to help improve the performance of the federal government and ensure its accountability to the Congress and, ultimately, the American people.

In a GAO career dating back more than 30 years, Dodaro has held a number of key positions at GAO. For the last nine years, he has served as the chief operating officer, the number two leadership position in the agency, assisting the comptroller general in providing leadership and vision for GAO’s diverse, multidisciplinary workforce. His day-to-day management efforts ensured that GAO met the Congress’s need for reliable, timely and relevant information on government operations. Dodaro oversaw the development and issuance of hundreds of reports and testimonies to the Congress annually.

As chief operating officer, Dodaro led the development of GAO’s strategic plans for serving the Congress and improving government in the 21st century. He also directed GAO’s high-risk program, which focuses attention on and proposes solutions to major management challenges and risks across the federal government.

Dodaro has testified many times before the Congress. He has worked closely with the Congress and various administrations on major management reform initiatives.

Dodaro is a National Academy of Public Administration Fellow and a member of the Association of Government Accountants. He has received many of GAO’s top honors as well as recognition from outside organizations, including the American Society for Public Administration, the Institute of Internal Auditors and Federal Computer Week.
his church’s treasurer. John is a fourth-grade teacher and is in his 31st year of teaching. He also serves as the technology coordinator for his school. John and his wife, Linda (Gray) ’75, have one daughter, Jessica, who is a junior at MIT. They live in Phoenixville in a home built in 1920 by John’s grandfather.

1977

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Frank Kindler (business administration - economics) completed his 13th year as head football coach at Camp Hill High School and celebrated his 100th win last fall. Frank co-owns four Harrisburg-area Planet Fitness clubs with his brother, Bob. He resides in Mechanicsburg, Pa.

1978

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1979

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Dave Vilushis (biology) has been promoted to field development manager in the southeastern U.S. for Bayer Healthcare Pharmaceuticals.

His main areas of focus include succession planning, talent management and workforce development. He and his wife, Kay, reside in Raleigh, N.C.

1980

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Dr. Cindy Bell ’82

Dr. Cindy L. Bell (mass communications - music) was recently named an associate professor of music education at Hofstra University in New York, where she directs the 75-voice university choir. Cindy concluded her eight-year appointment at Queens College, CUNY, by directing the Queens Choirs in the annual holiday program, “A City Singing,” during Christmas at St. Patrick’s Cathedral in New York City. The repertoire included pieces she sang while in the Lycoming Choir, “Weinachten” by Mendelssohn and “Hodie Christus Natus Est” by Willan.

Charlene (Messner) Shellenberger (biology) joined the education division of Healthworks, Inc., as a clinical education specialist. She is responsible for creating, developing and delivering cardiovascular-specific education to the company’s hospital clients.

1982

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Deirdre Connelly (business administration) has been elected to the board of Macy’s Inc. Connelly is president of U.S. operations at Eli Lilly.

1983

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Class of 1984 Sigma Pi brothers (from left) Jim Seykot, John Whalen, Joe Stepchuk and Bill Techtmann during their annual gathering.

Dr. Cindy L. Bell ’82

If you were a member of the Class of 2003 and have information in a credential file in the College’s Career Development Center and wish to keep it, please request that this information be mailed to you. Information remaining in credential files after Aug. 25, 2008, will be destroyed.

Please note that education materials are no longer being kept by the Education Department. If you would like this information mailed to you, please contact the Career Development Center by e-mail at cdc@lycoming.edu or by phone at (570) 321-4034.

Thank you,
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Charles “Chip” Czulada (accounting) was named chief financial officer and director of operations at Reading Bakery Systems in Lower Heidelberg Township, Pa. He is responsible for the financial and administrative areas, as well as human resource activities. Chip also manages the quality-control, purchasing, shipping and receiving, and manufacturing departments. He resides in Spring Township.

A. Davin D’Ambrosio (business administration) has been appointed vice president and treasurer of Suburban Propane Partners, L.P., a nationwide marketer of propane gas, fuel oil and related products and services. The company is based in Whippany, N.J.

Jacqueline (Jackie) Weder (mass communications) has been named vice president of marketing and public relations at Southeast Georgia Health System, a not-for-profit organization. Jackie, who reports to President and CEO Gary R. Colberg ’76, oversees marketing, public relations, volunteer services, health promotion and wellness. She and her daughter, Harmony, live in Brunswick, Ga.

Armand Nardi (communications) was named publisher of the The Courier, a newspaper in Russellville, Ark. He and his wife, Cathy, live in Russellville with their 2-year-old son, Armand, Jr.

Dr. William Charles Frick (religion) received the University of Oklahoma Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies 2008 “Most Promising Faculty Award” on May 2. He is an assistant professor at Oklahoma and resides in Norman.

Mike Pearson (psychology) was named head football coach at South Williamsport High School, from which he graduated in 1986. He is employed by the school district as a sixth-grade science teacher.

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Celebrate 55 years of Psi Chapter at Lycoming College
Honor the founders…reunite with your pledge class and era brothers…meet the current brothers

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1992

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The Gamma Delta Sigma sisters from the Class of 1992 celebrated their 15th annual reunion at Homecoming 2007.


Juliet C. (Emnett) Stoke (psychology - Spanish) has accepted another term as regional manager with Mothers & More, a national non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of mothers through support, education and advocacy. Julie also works part-time as a licensed marriage and family therapist. She and her family live in Apalachin, N.Y.

Anissa (Epple) Ritchie (psychology) received national board certification in childhood education from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Only 67 teachers in the state of Pennsylvania received this award in 2007, and only nine in her area of certification. Anissa relocated to Pennsylvania in 2007 after teaching in Florida for 14 years. She resides in Hummelstown, Pa.

1994

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Lt. Walter Chubrick (history) has served as a White House social aide since August 2005. Social aides assist the White House social secretary in support of the president and first lady during White House functions. Duties include welcoming guests, coordinating receiving lines, escorting guests and facilitating movement of guests though the events. He is stationed at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Jennifer Reimer (sociology) was named head women’s basketball coach at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, in September. In seven seasons at Allegheny College, she posted a 120-68 record.

1995

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Kurt Frazier (psychology) was recently promoted to national manager of sales training and development at Align Technology Inc., the maker of Invisalign. He has been in sales the last six years working for Align and Dentsply International. Kurt also worked the last six years in Northern Virginia as an elementary and middle school teacher, and basketball and football coach.

Dr. Jennifer (Schmidt) Koehl (biology) was granted tenure at Saint Vincent College, where she is an associate professor of biology. She joined the biology department in 2002 and also advises students conducting their senior research. Jennifer has received Saint Vincent College Faculty Research Grants to continue her research on antibiotic-resistant bacteria. Her work has been published in peer-reviewed journals. In addition, she is an active participant of the Saint Vincent College Relay for Life team. Jennifer is a resident of Greensburg, Pa.

Kristin Nash (political science) was named finance director to GOP congressional candidate Lou Barletta’s campaign team. She began her career in the scheduling office of Gov. Tom Ridge and was director of scheduling and advance for Ridge and Gov. Mark Schweiker.
1996

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Matthew McGovern (economics) is the recipient of the 2008 “30 under 40 Award” presented by the Building Systems Council of the National Association of Home Builders. He is employed by Kuhns Brothers of the National Association Building Systems Council Award" presented by the 2008 “30 under 40 (economics) is the recipient

Hughesville with his wife, Amy (Hippenstein) ’96, and children, Benjamin, 7, Laura, 4, and Hannah, 1.

1997

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Jennifer (Orchowski)
Chaffee (business administration - management) was a track and field inductee at the 23rd Tioga County Sports Hall of Fame Induction ceremony in March 2008. The ceremony recognizes individuals from Tioga County who have demonstrated great ability in the field of sports. Jennifer qualified for the NCAA championships in the javelin, earning All-American status with a seventh-place finish in 1995.

Ron Rega (criminal justice) was promoted to the rank of major in the U.S. Marine Corps on Jan 3. He is the operations officer for 7th Communications Battalion, III Marine Expeditionary Force in Okinawa, Japan. He is responsible for the planning and execution of military training exercises for approximately 500 Marines in Thailand, Korea, Philippines, Okinawa and Australia. Ron and his wife, Alycia (Meacher) ’99, reside in Okinawa with their three children.

John (Jack) Tobias (history) was named head football coach at Bald Eagle Area High School. Jack is also employed as the assistant principal at the high school.

Tami (Hull) Wunder-Italia (psychology) teaches sixth-grade in Central Bucks School District in Doylestown, Pa. She earned a supervision certification in curriculum and instruction from Lehigh University. She resides in Warrington, Pa., with husband, Michael, and daughter, Johanna Alline.

1998

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Matthew Wolfe (business administration) and his brother, Todd Wolfe, received the Charleston International Film Festival Best Emerging Filmmaker Award for their movie “Left/Right.” Matthew also received the Blue Cross Blue Shield Award for Best Actor.

1999

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Christopher Dalla Piazza (physics) works for the Lycoming County Department of Information Services, where he helped develop the county’s new Web site www.lyco.org.

Anne Heimel (biology) was promoted to senior utilities plant operator at the Northwest Water Treatment Plant in Winston-Salem, N.C.

2000

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Christopher Kriner (criminal justice) was presented the Old Lycoming Township’s Officer of the Year Award for 2007. The award is given to the officer who exemplifies what it is to protect and serve. Christopher has been with the Old Lycoming Township police department six years.

Shannon (Kittlas) Wolcott (business administration) graduated with a master’s degree in exercise, fitness and health promotion from George Mason University in May 2007. She is working as an assistant fitness director for the Fairfax County Park Authority and resides in Alexandria, Va.

2001

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Kerrie (Brown) Scott (business) is working toward a master’s degree in administrative science at Fairleigh Dickinson University. She is employed by the Township of Vernon as a principal fiscal analyst and a real estate agent for Century 21. She is also the treasurer for the Vernon Animal Welfare League. Kerrie resides in Vernon, N.J., with her husband, David.

Amy Staller (psychology) is working for CVS/Caremark in Northbrook, Ill., as a communications and training analyst for the analytics and outcomes department. She resides in Villa Park, Ill.

2002

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Amanda Keister ’02

Amanda Keister (communication), a multimedia reporter for The Daily Item in Sunbury, Pa., earned a second-place award from the Pennsylvania
Associated Press Managing Editors in the online coverage of breaking news category for her video report of a fire that left a family homeless. The video report aired on the newspaper’s Web site.

**M. Nicholas Greyschock** (accounting - financial) was recently promoted to manager at SF & Company, P.C., a CPA and business advising firm. He has worked for the firm since 2002 and specializes in the construction industry.

Sarah (Virkler) Craig (theater - acting) is an actress in Atlanta, Ga., where she and her husband, Donovan, reside.

**Tami Lumbatis** (business administration - marketing) has been promoted to marketing officer at Orrstown Bank. In her new role, she helps plan and execute all advertising, manages special events and is responsible for the brand identity.

and is working as an assistant state attorney for the 6th Judicial Circuit of Florida in Clearwater. Tim and his wife, Kelly Cantando, reside in Tampa.

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Kelly Connors (psychology) completed the elementary education certification program at Hillsborough Community College. On Feb.10, she finished the Gasparilla Marathon in Tampa, Fla., in 4 hours and 48 minutes. Kelly resides in Tampa.

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**2004**

**Stephen Olsen** (economics) has joined Chester County law firm Gawthrop Greenwood, focusing on estate planning, business transactions and tax law. He earned a juris doctor from Villanova University School of Law, where he is working on a master of laws degree in taxation. He is a member of the Chester County and Pennsylvania bar associations as well as the Chester County Estate Planning Council. Stephen lives in West Chester, Pa., with his wife, Beth, and their two daughters.

**Saratoga Springs, NY 12866**

**2003**

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**2005**

**Stephen Olsen ’02**

**Tami Lumbatis ’04 (left)**

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**Jill (Parker) Bierly** (archaeology/culture of the ancient Near East) earned a master’s degree in art history from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. This fall, she will continue her studies at UMASS in the master’s/doctoral program in anthropology. Her research will focus on archaeology of the Eastern Mediterranean. She is returning to Idalion, Cyprus, for the 2008 summer excavation season.

**Rachel Biaasch** (archaeology/culture of the ancient Near East, English - creative writing) was accepted into the Peace Corps and is in Vanuatu in the New Hebrides Islands, where she will spend two years working to help reduce disease and illness.

**Kristen Dart** (history, Spanish) is in her second year of theology school at Drew Theological Seminary in Madison, N.J. She is also the pastor of Niverville-Chatham Center United Methodist Church in Niverville, N.Y. Kristen resides in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

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**2006**

**Stephanie Hendershot** (art - commercial design) has joined the design staff of PhaseOne Marketing and Design in Sunbury. She has worked on projects including the Susquehanna Valley Visitors Bureau’s annual visitors guide and the DuMor Product Catalog. Stephanie resides in Mount Carmel.

**Ian Kauffman** (biology) was promoted to head girl’s soccer coach at Central Dauphin East High School, where he served as an assistant coach for two years.

**Sgt. Robert B. Neil** (criminal justice) is in the Army Reserves and has been mobilized and activated for deployment to an undisclosed overseas location in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is an intelligence analyst normally assigned in Upper Marlboro, Md.

**Timothy F. Sullivan** (economics, philosophy) has passed the Florida Bar Exam and is working as an assistant state attorney for the 6th Judicial Circuit of Florida in Clearwater. Tim and his wife, Kelly Cantando, reside in Tampa.

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**Josemar Castillo** (chemistry) passed her candidacy exams at Arizona State University and is a Ph.D. candidate. In March, she presented at the PittCon Conference & Expo in New Orleans. Last year, she was a presenter for the Federation of Analytical Chemistry and Spectroscopy Societies in Memphis, Tenn.

**Chad Decker** (biology) was named head wrestling coach at York High School, where he also teaches science.

**David McElwee** (political science) entered the United States Army in January 2007. He completed basic combat training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and advanced individual training at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. David was assigned to the special troops battalion, 4th Infantry Division at Fort Hood, Texas, and is deployed in Baghdad as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

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Peter Semanoff (history) gave a talk to social studies classes at Lehighton Area High School about his experiences in the military and his deployment in Iraq. Peter was on an 18-day leave from his deployment when he stopped in to discuss his work and share the value of military service with the students.

Rosemary Spellman (English - creative writing, psychology) earned a master’s degree specializing in federal program management from Trinity University in Washington, D.C. She works in the Johns Hopkins University Library Services Center in Laurel, Md.

Jennifer Quinn (creative writing, history) joined the Army in August 2007 and has completed basic training and advanced individual training. In May, her unit was deployed to South Korea for a year.

Stephanie Schatz (corporate communications) graduated in May from Clarion University with a master’s degree in library science. She moved to Niles, Ohio, to serve as the head of children’s services at McKinley Memorial Library. She is responsible for coordinating library programs for toddlers through the fifth grade, as well as fulfilling collection development and reference duties.

Glenn Smith (business administration - management) and two other WGRC reporters received first-place honors for best sports play-by-play at the Pennsylvania Associated Press Broadcasters Association annual convention.

Elizabeth (Sauers) Callahan (psychology - elementary education) is a full-time family and consumer science teacher at Williamsport Area High School in Williamsport. Her husband, Michael, runs Callahan’s Antiquities, in Montoursville, Pa. They live in Trout Run, Pa.

Meaghan Cottrell (business administration - marketing) is a business analyst with Sodexo Pass USA. She works with the sales and marketing teams.

Andrea Eiswerth (accounting - financial) is a staff accountant with Maher Duesel in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Melany McGillvray (astronomy and physics) is an exploratory research support analyst for the Department of Homeland Security - Domestic Nuclear Detection Office. She resides in Fairfax, Va.
Adele (LaSalle) '75 and Fritz J. Danilowicz, Sept. 1, 2007.

Deborah (DiOrio) '94 and Michael Weaver, Nov. 17, 2007, in Coal Township, Pa. Wedding party members included: Christa Millard '95 (bridesmaid) and Chuck DiOrio '91 (groomsman). Attending alumni included: Wendy (Boyton) '94 and Scott Dobrynio '94, Len and Cathy (Geisinger) Hahn '94, Walter Chubrick; Shanon (Logue) Alves '94, Susan (Pennachio) Dabrowski '93, Chuck DiOrio '91, Christa Millard '95

Stacy (Bree) '96 and Richard Wei, April 28, 2007, in Princeton, N.J. Bridesmaids included Vicki (Shiro) Reynolds '96 and Kristin (Fish) DiGiacomo '96.

Tami (Hull) '97 and Michael Italia, Dec. 27, 2007, in Langhorne, Pa. The bride was accompanied down the aisle by her daughter, Johanna Alline.

Zanetta (Keddie) '98 and Nicholas Smedley, May 19, 2006, in St. James, Barbados. A reception, held in Reading, Pa., was attended by Lycoming alumni Dave Wisnoski '98 and Vanessa Beach '99. A second reception was held in Wellesbourne, England, the groom's hometown.

Pete Metzgar '98 and Amy Metzgar, Aug. 9, 2007, in Honolulu, Hawaii. They had a reception at their home in Mooresville, N.C., on Sept. 29, 2007. Alumni in attendance were Mark Johnston '98, and Mike '98 and Erin '98 Bennett.

Holly (Hiergeist) '98 and Johnny L. Wilson Jr., March 31, 2007, in Harrisburg, Pa. Alumni in attendance were:

Amanda (Hollenbacher) '00 and James Pierce '99, Aug. 7, 2007, in Walt Disney World Wedding Pavilion, Orlando, Fla.


Jessica (Swartz) '01 and Stephen Drown '01, Dec. 1, 2007, in Rahway, N.J. Alumni in attendance were: Frank '01 and Rebecca (Low) '01 Guardini, Michael Zavagansky '00, Andrew Showalter '01 and Nick Carter '01.

Kelly Welker '01 and Michael Hill, Nov. 24, 2007, in Bally, Pa. Bridesmaids included Alicia (Matukonis) Klince '01 and Caren DelBove '03. Also in attendance were: Andrea (Duncan) Mitchelltree '01, Monica (Marcinek) Lizzul '00, Jenny Eves '01, Laurie Scherer '02, Amber Simchak '02, Eric Holzauer '02 and Jennifer Santa '02.

Dr. Heather (Wilt) '01 and Dr. John Coco, Aug. 18, 2007, in Syracuse, N.Y. Jennifer (Kowalchick) Claus '01 and Emily (Strickler) Eisenhower '01 were bridesmaids. Other Lycoming alumni in attendance were: Adrianna (Kuckla)
Rupprect ’01, Molly (Morgan) Fuller ’01 and Leanne (Shultz) Silvis ’01. The couple lives in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Heather (Babbony) ’01 and Jeremy Temple, May 19, 2007. The wedding party included: Julie (Babbony) Kostecki ’99, Tara (Tiley) Cary ’02, Amy (Hannibal) Smith ’00 and Thomas Babbony ’05. Guests included: Christianne (Vaughn) ’97 and Alan ’00 Harper, Janel (Franson) Justice ’01, Amanda Clare ’01, Sarah (Conley) Schildt ’01, Marsha McQuate ’04, Breann Wolfe ’02, Bob Schildt ’00, Dan Barker ’02, Caroline Iglio ’04, Bob Cusson ’05, Austin Ducket ’02, Katrina (Eaton) Fredo ’01 and Carmine Cillo ’56.


Melissa (Wennberg) ’03 and Anthony Buhay, Sept. 2, 2007, in Elizabethtown, Pa. Alumni in photo: Melissa (Wennberg) ’03 (bride), Anna M. Kossman ’03 (maid of honor) is top center; Renee Griech ’03 (bridesmaid), bottom left.

Robin (Williard) and Andrew McGovern ’05, Nov. 24, 2007, in Upper St. Clair, Pa. Best man was brother of the groom.

Matthew McGovern ’96. Nick Nastasi ’07 read in the wedding. Other alumni in attendance were: Robert Cusson ’05, David Morgan ’05, Tim Morris ’06, Eric Hackenburg ’07, Christian Shaffmaster ’05, Andy Derr ’06 and Amy (Hippensie) McGovern ’96.

Dr. David Fisher, professor of astronomy/physics, also attended.

Megan (Miller) ’05 and Adam Kirk, July 14, 2007, in Williamsport, Pa.

Jill (Parker) ’05 and Patrick Bierly ’06, June 16, 2007, in Bethlehem, Pa. Bridal party included: Sam Bierly, Katie (John) Stewart ’05, Jesse Pach ’05, Emily Mentesana, Jill (Parker) ’05, Patrick Bierly ’06, Krystal Ray ’05, Brian Johnson, Bethany Mingle ’05, Crystal Anderson ’06 and Luigi Racanelli ’05.


Melissa (Wright) ’06 and Bradley Webb ’05, July 7, 2007, in the College’s Clarke Chapel. Bridal party included: Betsy Reece ’07 (maid of honor), Michele Connors ’06, Lindsay Bonner ’07, Whitney Ropka ’07, Alexander Yannaccone (best man), Todd Webb, Daniel Woleslagle ’04, Joseph Ditzel and Meghan Strong ’07 (pianist).

Numerous Lycoming alumni were in attendance, including several members of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity and the Alpha Xi Delta Women’s Fraternity. The Webbs reside in Arlington, Va.

Allison Nicole (Raymond) ’07 and Bradley Arron Faust ’06, June 2, 2007, in Concord, Va.

Amanda Raymond ’09 was the maid of honor.

Elizabeth (Sauers) ’07 and Michael G. Callahan, Aug. 4, 2007. Elizabeth is the daughter of Jon K. Sauers ’73 and Terri O’Conner ’03. Her brother Donald C. Sauers, II ’09, was one of the groomsmen.


Kristen and Jamie Sleep-er ’92, a daughter, Avery Marie, Jan. 15, 2008.

Susan and T.J. Gorman ’93, a daughter, Cassidy Marie, Sept. 22, 2007. She joins big brother, Shane, 3.

Kristy (Paparelli) ’93 and William McCrea, a son, Logan Patrick, Aug. 10, 2007. He joins big brothers Brady, 9, and John, 3.

Natalie (Kleinfelder) ’94 and Brady Fitzgerald, a daughter, Finnegan Francis, June 17, 2007. He joins big brothers Brady, 9, and John, 3.

Kathleen and Peter Reitmeyer ’93, a daughter, Natalie Kathleen, Dec. 18, 2006.


Kimberly (Graf) ’95 and Toby Reed, a son, Joshua Bryan, May 17, 2007. He joins big sister, Grace.


Amy Luzier ’96 and Jeff Barrett ’96, a daughter, Abigail Elise, June 26, 2007.

Laurel (Nicolas) ’96 and Michael Nickles, a son, Matthew Isaac, Sept. 24, 2007.

Alison (Smith) ’97 and Frank Sabatino, a daughter, Maya Elizabeth, Sept. 16, 2007.

Tracy (Zuber) ’97 and Bruce Charsky, a daughter, Katie, Jan. 9, 2007.

Tina (Bennet) ’98 and Todd Henry, a daughter,


Heather and James Lewis ’99, a son, Xander, Jan. 10, 2008.

Britton (Ruff) ’99 and Brandon Shelton, a daughter, Emerson Lyn, March 30, 2008.

Jamie (Douglass) ’00 and Neil Dietrich, a son, Jacob Allen, April 20, 2007. He joins big brother, Lucas, 2.

Amber Lynn (Kimble) ’00 and Brad Paul, a son, Derek Owen, June 26, 2007.

Hillary (Barrett) ’01 and Dr. Keith Cetera, a son, Parker Madden, April 9, 2008.

Amy (Sinner) ’00 and Robert Vanderwall ’98, a son, Gabriel Carl, Dec. 15, 2007.

Sarah (Wolferz) ’01 and Morgan Kyte ’00, a son, Liam James, Oct. 30, 2007.

Francesca and Joshua Albeck ’02, a son, Damian Joshua, March 13, 2008.

Angela (Null) ’02 and Todd Brysiak ’01, a daughter, Ashlyn Marie, Jan. 24, 2008.

Beth Collins and Steve Olsen ’02, a daughter, Anna Lily, June 2, 2007. She joins big sister, Lucy, 3. Anna’s maternal grandmother is Regina Collins, Lycoming’s assistant dean for freshmen, and her paternal grandfather is Dr. Kurt Olsen, professor of psychology.


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IN MEMORIAM

1927
Margaret E. Cornely MacNab, of Venice, Fla., Sept. 19, 2006. She is survived by a son and a daughter.

1931
Jane J. Flumerfelt Michalek, of New York, N.Y., Aug. 16, 2006. She is survived by her husband, George.

1935
William J. Ulp, of Berkeley, Calif., Aug. 8, 2006. He is survived by his wife, Grace.

1936
Francis M. Brink, of Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 19, 2007.

1938
Mabel S. Stewart Sutherland, of DuBois, Pa., April 11, 2008.

1941
Madeline E. Klein Collins, of El Dorado Hills, Calif., Feb. 11, 2005. She is survived by her husband, Miles.

1942
Phyllis L. Rowles Confer, of South Williamsport, Pa., Dec. 27, 2007. She is survived by her husband, Lawrence, and a daughter.

1944
Rev. Dr. Elwood C. Zimmerman, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., March 16, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Delores.

1947
John G. (Jack) Hollenback, of Williamsport, Pa., Feb. 19, 2008. For more than 30 years, he taught business administration at Lycoming. He also served as department chair, and as senior member of the faculty, Jack carried the College Mace at numerous commencements.

1948
Herbert A. Canon, of Frederick, Md., Oct. 6, 2007. He is survived by his wife, Anne.

1950
Robert C. Buck, of South Williamsport, Pa., Jan. 12, 2008. He is survived by a son.

1951
George Terrat Jr., of Princeton, Mass., April 11, 2008. He is survived by five sons.

1952
R. Clifford Chesnutt, of Lititz, Pa., Feb. 2, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Peggy, and a son.

1954
Coleen J. Jenkins Lenig, of Danville, Pa., Feb. 22, 2008. She is survived by her husband, Robert.

1955
Rev. Dr. Robert F. Zanker, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., March 1, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Martha (Getman) Zanker ’57, a daughter and two sons.

1956
Mary W. Wentzler Lande r, of Montoursville, Pa., March 1, 2008. She is survived by her husband, Albert, and two sons.

1957
Donald H. Zang, of Shrewsbury, Pa., March 25, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Katherine, and two daughters.

1959
Donald B. Bohr, of Oldsmar, Fla., Dec. 24, 2006. He is survived by his wife, Jane.

1960

1961
Dr. Daniel E. Hill, of Williamsport, Pa., April 3, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Daphne, and a daughter.

1964
Edith Wood Evans, of Greensburg, Pa., April 1, 2007. She is survived by her husband, Gerald, five daughters and a son.

1965
Thomas N. Batchelor, of Spring City, Pa., March 12, 2005.

1966

1967
Melvin A. Goldy III, of Williamsport, Pa., March 9, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Nancy, and two daughters.

1969
James M. Kitchen, of Roaring Branch, Pa., March 9, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Sara, two daughters and three sons.

1971
Tony K. Schepis, of Danville, Pa., Feb. 20, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Linda (Morrison) Schepis ’72, and two sons.

1974
William F. Davis, of Creswick, Pa., Nov. 8, 2005.
Several Lycoming students were recently brought before a judge in the Lycoming County Courthouse. Fortunately for them, their appearance in court was part of a series of mock probation violation hearings associated with their criminal justice course (CJ 340). Instructor Rob Thompson, who also serves as a probation/parole officer in Lycoming County, collaborated with Judge Dudley Anderson ’68 and the public defenders office to hold the hearings April 4 and 11.

“Each student was assigned a fictitious offender that had violated one or more of the conditions of his or her supervision,” said Thompson. “The students were required to utilize what they have learned this semester and come up with a recommendation and present it before Judge Anderson.”

According to Thompson, the students gained valuable hands-on experience by presenting a parole/probation violation case before a judge, justifying their actions and making recommendations. During the hearings, public defenders rebutted the students’ advice and made recommendations of their own. The students were responsible for making an argument as to why Judge Anderson should act according to their suggestions.

**FRIENDS**

**Russell A. Bloodgood**, of Bakersfield, Calif., Jan. 29, 2008. He served as Lycoming’s food service director for 19 years. The 1976 yearbook was dedicated to him. He is survived by his wife, Betty ’73, and five children.

**Dr. Harvey W. Marsland**, of Port Charlotte, Fla., Feb. 7, 2008. He served on Lycoming’s board of trustees from 1971-74 and received an honorary degree from the College in 1977. He is survived by his wife, Mary, two sons and a daughter.
FEATURED EVENTS

Friday, Oct. 10
10:30 a.m.  Thomas B. Croyle ’70 Memorial Golf Tournament – White Deer Golf Course, Rt. 15, Montgomery ($70)
3-3:45 p.m. Always Seen, Never Understood: Sculpture and Stained Glass Walking Tour with Dr. Amy Golahny – Fine Arts Building lobby to Christ Episcopal Church and James V. Brown Library
6 p.m.  Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Social Hour and Dinner – Holiday Inn Downtown ($18)
8:30 p.m. 3rd Annual Homecoming Fireworks – Quad

Saturday, Oct. 11
9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Welcome Reception and Campus Tours – Burchfield Lounge, WSC*
9:30 a.m.  Dedication of Lycoming’s new residence hall, The Commons – Washington Blvd. and Mulberry St.
10 a.m. – Noon  Archives Open House – College Archives, Academic Center (lower level)
10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Alumni Brunch and Awards Presentation – Jane Schultz Dining Room, WSC* ($15)
11 a.m.  Volleyball Tri-Meet: Lycoming/Moravian/Marymount (matches also at 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m.)
12:30 p.m.  Homecoming Parade: Viva Las Lyco!
1:30 p.m.  Football Game: Lycoming vs. Albright – David Person Field
Reunion pictures; Alumni Awards and Athletic Hall of Fame Recognition; Crowning of King and Queen
5-6:30 p.m.  All-Alumni Reunion Social Hour – 33 East, 33 E. Third St.
6:30 p.m.  President’s Annual Dinner – 33 East (by invitation)

Sunday, Oct. 12
11:30 a.m.  Class of 1958 Recognition and Heritage Club Brunch with President James and Emily Douthat Jane Schultz Dining Room, WSC* ($15; Class of 1958, no charge)

*WSC = Wertz Student Center

Reunion year classes as well as academic departments, athletic programs and Greek organizations are planning events during Homecoming Weekend. Watch for your Homecoming brochure in the mail or check the Web site for further information.