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A look at Lycoming College’s first 200 years

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A distinguished gathering of Lycoming College’s current and past leadership was realized Saturday, Oct. 15, during the 2011 Homecoming and Reunion Weekend. The assemblage, brought together as part of Lycoming’s ongoing bicentennial celebration, was a way to recognize the outstanding contributions and numerous years of service of several individuals who have played integral roles in shaping the College’s recent history.

During the annual President’s Dinner held that evening, President Dr. James E. Douthat paid tribute to the following individuals, who were formally introduced as honorary chairs of the College’s bicentennial committee: the Rev. Dr. Frederick E. Blumer, president emeritus, who served from 1976-89; Arthur A. Haberberger ’59, board chair emeritus; Peter R. Lynn ’69, board chair; Robert L. Shangraw ’58, emeritus chair; Harold H. Shreckengast Jr. ’50, emeritus chair; and Bishop D. Frederick Wertz, president from 1985-68.

“We are here to welcome, applaud and give our gratitude to our honorary chairs, each of whom has played essential roles in creating Lycoming College,” said Douthat, who has served as the 14th president since 1989. “We are also here to acknowledge thousands of people, employees of the College, those who have supported the College financially, our alumni, the founders of the College, the city, and the families who got together in 1811 to petition for the first charter.

“Lycoming College is the strong institution it is today not only because of the work of our honorary chairs, but because so many have given their work, their treasures, their hopes and their prayers for Lycoming College.”
Lycoming Among Nation’s Best College’s

With high rankings by U.S. News & World Report, Forbes.com and The Princeton Review, Lycoming has firmly established itself as one of the nation’s best colleges.

Lycoming is recognized as a Tier 1 institution by U.S. News in its 2012 edition of “America’s Best Colleges.” According to the publication, the nation’s 252 liberal arts colleges focus almost exclusively on undergradu-
ate education and award at least 50 percent of their degrees in the arts and sciences. Lycoming also ranks among “America’s Best Colleges,” according to Forbes.com and is recognized as one of the “Best in the Northeast” by The Princeton Review.

In addition, U.S. News ranks Lycoming 12th in the nation among liberal arts and sciences institutions in graduation rate when compar-
ing actual graduation rate with the predicted rate. While the vast majority of Lycoming’s students graduate in four years, the data from the U.S. Depart-
ment of Education also confirms Lycoming’s six-year graduation rate of 70 percent to be very strong when compared to other schools. Nationally, the average six-year graduation rate at all private non-profit colleges and universities is 54 percent while Pennsyl-
via’s privates averages 65 percent. The average six-year graduation rate reported for all public universities in Pennsylvanian is 53 percent.

“Lycoming College works hard to offer programs that keep students engaged and active both in and out of the classroom, and we are pleased to be recognized for our successes,” said Dr. Phil Sprunger, acting provost and dean of the College. “The majority of our students graduate in four years and are off to the job market or graduate school faster than students from many other colleges and universities.”

Schoch named CEO of Ford Motor China

David L. Schoch ’73 has been named chairman and CEO of Ford Motor China, according to Ford Motor Company. He also has been elected a company officer. In his new role, Schoch has direct responsibility for the operations and business leadership of Ford Motor China. Schoch is also a member of the Lycoming Col-
lege Board of Trustees.

“We have put in place aggressive expansion plans for Ford in China,” said Joe Hinrichs, group vice president and president, Ford Asia Pacific and Africa. “As Ford China enters into a phase of ac-
celerated growth, Dave, with his unique combi-
nation of skills and experience, is well-suited to lead Ford China and take our expansion plans to the next level, including bringing four new plants online and launching 15 new vehicles by 2015. Dave’s appointment greatly strengthens our leadership team in China.”

Schoch is a financial ana-
lyst in 1977, Schoch has held a variety of leadership positions. Most recently, he was controller, The Americas, a position he has held since Sept. 1, 2009. Prior to that, Schoch was executive director, Ford Canada, Mexico and South America Op-
erations. He also served as chief financial officer and vice president of strategic planning for Ford of Europe and chief financial officer of Ford Asia-Pacific Operations.

Schoch earned a bachelor’s degree in business from Lycoming in 1973 and an MBA in finance from Temple University. Schoch and his wife, Carol (Marsland) ’73, have three daughters.

Macy Selected as Fulbright Specialist

Dr. Marisa Macy, assistant professor of education at Lycoming College, has been selected to serve as an international expert in the Fulbright Specialist Program. The program awards grants to qualified U.S. faculty and professionals in select disciplines to engage in short-term collaborative two- to six-
week projects at higher education institutions in more than 100 countries worldwide.

Macy will serve as a Fulbright international specialist in early childhood special education. For the next five years, she will offer her expertise, particularly in assessment, to other countries in need of assistance.

Macy has published articles in TEACHING Exceptional Children, Topics in Early Childhood Special Education, Journal of Early Intensive Behavior Intervention, Early Child Development and Care, Young Exceptional Children and the Journal of Early Intervention. She has received grants for both research and personnel preparation, and a fellowship at the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research. Her awards for research on assessment include one from the American Education Research Association.

Macy earned a bachelor’s degree from the University of Washington and both her master’s and doctoral degrees from the University of Oregon.
Seven New Faculty Members Join Lycoming

Lycoming welcomed seven new faculty members for the start of the 2011 fall semester.

Igor Bascandziev is visiting assistant professor of psychology. He earned a bachelor’s in psychology from Sts. Kiril and Metodij University in Macedonia, a master’s from Harvard University and recently finished an Ed.D. from the Harvard Graduate School of Education with a specialization in human development. While at Harvard, he was a teaching fellow in the departments of psychology and education. His main research interests are in children’s learning and perception.

Marlene Cauley is a special part-time instructor of education. She will be supervising elementary and special education student teachers. She comes to Lycoming from the Williamsport Area School District, where she was a longtime learning support teacher. She has degrees in health and physical education and special education from Lock Haven and Mansfield universities.

Michael Darough is a visiting assistant professor of art. He earned a bachelor’s of fine art in photography from Arizona State University, and has recently completed a master’s of fine arts in photography from the University of Memphis, where he was also a photography instructor. He has widely exhibited his artwork in galleries and universities across the country.

Eugene Donati is an assistant professor of corporate communication. Before coming to Lycoming, he taught at the City University of New York. Prior to entering into college teaching, he had an extensive career in public relations, most recently as a vice president at MasterCard Worldwide. He earned a bachelor’s degree in international relations from the University of Pittsburgh, and holds master’s degrees from both the University of Toronto and American University in Washington, D.C.

Tina Norton is an assistant professor of psychology. She earned a Ph.D. from Kent State University in social and health psychology and also has a bachelor’s and master’s degree from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. Previously, she was a post-doctoral researcher at the Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia, and has also taught at Clarkson University. Her research interests are smoking behavior and caffeine consumption among college students.

Tina Norton

Michael Smith is an assistant professor of mathematical science. He joins the faculty after a teaching stint at Hollins University in Virginia. After completing a bachelor’s degree in mathematics at Connecticut College, he earned a Ph.D. in mathematics at the University of Virginia, specializing in algebra. His main research interest is in mathematics college pedagogy. While at Virginia, he received two different teaching awards.

Dongjiao Zhao is an assistant professor of biology. He earned a master’s in genetics and molecular biology and a Ph.D. in developmental anatomy, both from Purdue University, as well as a bachelor’s of medicine from China Medical University. Prior to joining the Lycoming faculty, he taught at Purdue and Ivy Tech College in Indiana. His research focuses on the endocannabinoid system.

Dongjiao Zhao

Now in your 43rd year, you are the most tenured faculty member at the College.

What’s the secret to your longevity?

I love what I do. I believe in the importance of the study of history. It’s the most useful way for a people to understand the world in which they live, how they view themselves and how they view different people. Although most people don’t talk or speak in historical terms, their attitudes and values are very much shaped by history. And if we understand history, we will understand people much better. Moreover, I believe I am the luckiest person on the faculty, because I get to teach the best subjects at Lycoming College, which are modern European history and the American Civil War. The fact that all the professors here are equally passionate about their subjects makes this a wonderful environment.

What’s the biggest change you’ve seen at Lycoming?

Lycoming has grown in so many ways, this is difficult to answer. But from the perspective of someone who is a professor here, I would have to say it’s been the growth and development of the faculty. There were some wonderful professors when I started here. I was very privileged to have worked with two mentors in Loring Priest and Robert Ewing, who were senior members of the faculty. They were wonderful mentors to me personally and they were very important to the history of the College because they came here right after World War II. They, along with several other faculty members, helped to make the College a four-year institution. Since they left, the faculty has continued to grow. There has been an enormous increase in their professional development. And this came from within the faculty ranks. We saw where higher education was going, what we needed to do, and what kind of expectations we should have. The expectation for faculty development is much greater now than it was when I first came here. That is essential for the health of the College, essential for the education of our students and essential for our own intellectual growth.

What does it mean to you to have the opportunity to help the College celebrate its bicentennial?

I am co-teaching a first-year seminar on the history of the College. It has been quite fascinating to see how Lycoming has evolved in the last 200 years. Lycoming was not founded in 1812; a very different educational institution was founded in 1812. And that is true for colleges all around the United States. Those institutions have themselves grown and developed, just as Lycoming has. I find it interesting to see that evolution and see how our history parallels the history of many other institutions of higher learning. It is exciting to be here during this special year. It gives us a chance to look back and see where we have come from and to see the process of growth and development. As a historian, I like to see what I do as part of a continuum.

In June 2012, you plan to lead an alumni tour of Europe to recognize the 68th anniversary of D-Day. Describe some of the highlights.

We will be on Omaha Beach at 6:30 in the morning of June 6, which was the exact time the first Americans landed there. We’ve checked the tides, so we are going to be very close to the same tide levels. To be there at that time is a very emotional experience. And then we’ll visit the cemetery there. We’ll also visit Winston Churchill’s war rooms and the Imperial War Museum in London, which is one of the finest military museums anywhere. These are just a few of the many exciting things we’ll see and experience.

About Larson

Dr. Robert Larson is a professor of history and has been teaching at Lycoming since 1969. He has served as chair of the department for many years and since 1972, has served as coordinator of the International Studies Program. His areas of expertise are European history from the Renaissance to the present and military history during the 19th and 20th centuries. Since 1987, he has traveled extensively throughout England and Germany to conduct his research. His current research focuses on the Wars of German Unification in the 19th century. Larson earned a B.A. from The Citadel and an M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Virginia.
What better way to introduce soon-to-be Lycoming College graduates to the realities of life after college than to have them job-shadow with alumni in one of the world’s greatest metropolises. Four hand-picked members of the Class of 2012, Chris Bernstorf, Chris DiYenno, Lacey Gustafson and Marcy McLaughlin, did just that in New York City on Friday, Oct. 28.

At 7:02 a.m., they eagerly departed campus on the three-and-a-half hour trip in a rental van stocked with blueberry and pumpkin muffins and a 50-count box of Munchkins from Dunkin Donuts. After walking around Times Square and grabbing a quick lunch, the classmates disbanded and spent the rest of the afternoon shadowing a graduate who works in their field of interest. They then spent valuable time networking with roughly 20 Big Apple alumni at a two-hour ‘meet and greet’ reception. On Saturday at 1:25 a.m., still full from an incredible feast consumed at Carmine’s family-style Italian restaurant, they arrived back on campus, wiser from the experience and grateful for the opportunity.

Accompanying the foursome were Amy Dowling ‘04, director of alumni relations, and Glenn Smith ‘07, major gift officer, co-coordinators of the excursion. Due to the overwhelming success of the NYC initiatives, planning is under way to hold a job shadow experience in Philadelphia on Friday, March 2.

“From seeing Times Square for the first time to leafing through 100-year-old books, my job shadow at Christie’s was truly incredible. I learned a tremendous amount about the city, the auction house business, rare and antique books, and more. I was inches from original Picassos and Dalis and learned about everything from setting auction estimates and appraisals to caring for manuscripts and understanding the internal workings of an auction. My time with our alumni helped give me a better perspective on my current plans after college, helped me realize the steps I will need to take to achieve my goals, and gave me the hope that, through hard work, dedication and the willingness to take chances, I too can have the dream job I’ve always wanted, and also still be a really cool, well-rounded person. And we had some pretty amazing food along the way!”

Lacey Gustafson ‘12

Major: Graphic/commercial design
Mentor: Walter Makarucha Jr. ‘96
Employer: Ziff Davis Enterprise
Position: Graphic designer

“The alumni job shadow and networking event was an incredible experience. It was great to catch a glimpse into the ‘real world’ of working life after college, and it helped me take an important step in deciding what direction I want to head after Lycoming. The opportunity to speak with Lycoming College alumni about their experiences was invaluable, and I feel privileged to have had the chance to meet them. They offered some great insights and advice about finding a job after college, as well as encouraging words to someone about to begin the daunting process. After hearing their success stories and words of wisdom, I feel prepared and excited about to begin the daunting process. After hearing their success stories and words of wisdom, I feel prepared and excited about entering into my own journey. I’d like to extend my gratitude to everyone who made this event possible, and I hope that other students will be able to take advantage of similar opportunities in the future.”

Lacey Gustafson ‘12 and Walter Makarucha, Jr. ‘96

It is clearly evident that building connections with people is just as essential as the education Lycoming College provides.

Marcy McLaughlin ‘12

Major: Business administration
Mentor: Ashley Concini ‘06
Employer: Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP
Position: Human resources/legal recruiting assistant

“The day I spent in New York City job shadowing with Ashley is one that I will not soon forget. Being at the internationally-renowned law firm of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP was an exceptional opportunity that not many schools offer their students. After graduation, I plan to attend law school, and Ashley gave me insight on how to interview for summer associate positions and how to make myself stand out to employers. I truly appreciate Ashley taking the time to show me what her job entails and introducing me to the world of international law. My experience was invaluable and I believe it will help me as I enter the legal profession. During the evening meet and greet, it was great to see the wide range of careers that former Lycoming students have gone on to and also to chat about our memories of Lycoming.”

Marcy McLaughlin ‘12 and Ashley Concini ‘06
A Conversation with **Dr. John F. Piper Jr.**

By Jerry Rashid

There’s not a person on earth who knows more about Lycoming College than Dr. John F. Piper Jr. For the last few years, from his small, windowless, book-filled office on the lower level of the Academic Center, he has meticulously researched the College’s 200-year existence. He’s discovered the good, the bad and the whimsical. And, in recognition of Lycoming’s ongoing bicentennial celebration, he’s put it all into his latest book, “Lycoming College 1812-2012: On the Frontiers of American Education.”

Piper’s thirst for knowledge about the College grew more and more as his tenure on campus evolved. His more than 40-year association was initiated in 1969, when he became a professor of history. His more than 40-year association was initiated in 1969, when he became a professor of history. He later chaired the department on several occasions from 1974-92 and served as dean of the College from 1992 until his retirement in 2007. Since then, in his role as a college historian, he’s rifled through old student newspapers, alumni magazines, board minutes and countless other documents, in print and on microfilm, in an effort to discover all that is Lycoming College.

Lycoming College.

Lycoming College Magazine recently caught up with the storyteller-extraordinaire to learn more about his inordinate efforts with the book that will forever capture the first 200 years of the College.

What was your biggest challenge while researching the College's 200-year history?

The historian asks the question, “How did we get the way we are?” The biggest general challenge in writing a history of Lycoming College was to find the answers to that question. Charles S. Williams wrote a “History of Lycoming College and its Predecessor Institutions” in 1959. He chose to answer the question in terms of the leaders of the College, particularly its presidents. While they were very important to the College’s history, my research indicates that they had substantial help from the trustees/directors, the faculty and the students. The participation of the members of all these groups in seeking to work out the mission of the College led me to a more complex answer to the basic question.

Lycoming has descended from three other institutions, one of which had two names. The Williamsport Academy began in 1812, the inspiration of eight men who sought a state charter for it and became its first trustees. A group of Methodists, led by the Rev. Benjamin Crever, bought the Academy from the Town Council in 1848 and named it Dickinson Seminary. The trustees, who became the directors in 1860, renamed it Williamsport Dickinson Seminary, through most people continued to call it Dickinson Seminary. The Seminary added a Junior College in 1929. The president and board of directors moved their school to four-year status in 1947 and chose the name Lycoming.

The sources for these specific institutions presented different challenges. The problem I faced with the Academy was that very few records have survived from the early half of the 19th century. There are few official documents, very few letters and no diaries, and no consistent run of local newspapers. I discovered some new information in the archival collections of the Pennsylvania State Archives in Harrisburg and in the Lycoming County Historical Society Archives, but there remain substantial gaps in the story. The challenge for the other three institutions was just the opposite of the one for the Academy: there are many sources for each of them, requiring extensive study and interpretation.

What’s the most interesting fact you discovered, thereby?

I prefer to respond about the most interesting things that I discovered, and they are not facts the way people think of facts, such as dates or dollar amounts or enrollments. First, the school would not have survived without the support of interested individuals, none of whom were faculty or students. I was the people who stepped forward to get a charter, and to fund the schools through the years, and to send their children to it and encouraged others to send their children. Some were donors or trustees, but many had no official relationship with the school except through a financial contribution. They include a member of the Rich family who bought a $500 bond in the early 1850s; and board member Miriam Wendle, who left a small Williamsport company, Lubrikup, to the College in the 1960s. The second common group was the students. My first outline for the book projected 12 chapters and did not contain a separate one on students. The final book has 21 chapters, with two devoted to students, and several others in which they play a large role. My decision to include them in a substantial way led to a much longer book, and I believe a much more compelling and accurate story.

How valuable was the College Archives in your research?

I arrived at Lycoming in 1969. A few years later, the History Department created a course called Historical Methods. I believed that the history of the College was a potential source for the required research papers and went in search of the archives. They amounted to a dusty collection of materials: unorganized and very difficult to use. In spite of that, some students used them and were able to tell parts of the story of the school. Things changed in the 1980s as the library began to digitize the archival material. I attribute the great leap forward to Janet Hurlbert [director of library services], who developed a proposal for an archives policy in the mid-1990s which the board of trustees adopted. The library subsequently hired Julia Dougherty, the former director of circulation, to be the archives technician. The archives were absolutely essential to the preparation of the history. I do not think I could have written it, documenting the sources, before 2000.

Has there been a common thread associated with Lycoming's longevity?

There have been at least three common threads that have contributed to its longevity. They are, first, the consistent mission of the school to provide the best liberal (as in liberal arts and sciences) education possible to the students, given the financial conditions at any given time. Beginning in 1848 and through at least 1968, this mission had a very explicit Christian orientation. All the presidents from 1848 to 1968 were Methodist clergymen. The College continues to be related to the United Methodist Church and accredited by the University Senate of the United Methodist Church, but the religious orientation has become somewhat less strident in the last four decades. The second thread has been the generations of volunteers who have given their time, talents and money to the school. The most important among this group has been, as I suggested earlier, the directors/trustees. The third common thread has been the commitment of the faculty. Those who arrived as teachers, from Academy days until the 1920s, rarely stayed long; but they sustained a liberal arts curriculum. Beginning in the 1920s, President John Long gathered a core faculty who remained longer and sustained a more consistent curriculum. The liberal arts and sciences curriculum in use today dates from the early 1960s and was modified and strengthened in the 1990s.

What do you hope readers will take away from your new book?

As I describe in the book, Lycoming College has been on four of the significant frontiers of American education, and beginning with the new Carnegie Classification of Colleges in 2000, has moved to a fifth one. These different experiences do not make the College unique, but they do give it a distinction and a very rich history. My hope is that the College community will find the story exciting and share it more widely. I have two other audiences in mind. The history of the College is also the history of one important aspect of private education in Williamsport and the surrounding region; and I hope the citizens of the area learn its story. My final goal was to write a history that would add Lycoming’s story to those of other educational institutions in the nation.

Editor’s Note: Dr. John F. Piper Jr. received Lycoming’s Dake B. Vower Service Award in 2009. His educational background includes earning a bachelor’s degree in history from Lafayette College, a bachelor of divinity degree from Yale University and a Ph.D. from Duke University. He and his wife, Margaret, reside in Loyalsock Township just outside of Williamsport, Pa.

During World War II, President John Long and the College played a significant role in training military people as part of its War Training Service. Pictured are some of the cadets with President Long in 1944. More than 200 people at the College participated in this program during the war.

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Dr. John F. Piper Jr.
There is little doubt that Lycoming’s 200-year history is full of interesting facts, both known and little-known. Here are a few such truths, including some that offer a "then and now" glimpse of the College. Enjoy learning more about one of America’s 60 oldest institutions of higher learning.

President Long
Dr. John W. Long served the College for 34 years (1921-55) as president and was instrumental in transitioning the institution from Williamsport Dickinson Seminary to Williamsport Dickinson Junior College to Lycoming College. Toward the end of his legacy, Long made two of the most lasting contributions to the athletics program, overseeing its admission to the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the Middle Atlantic Conference in 1951.

The Rich Family
The Rich family, which started the Woolrich outdoor clothing company in 1839 in nearby Woolrich, Pa., was at the forefront of the development of the College through their dedication and financial commitment. Through the years, 29 family members attended the College. Congressman Robert F. Rich succeeded his father, M.B. Rich, as president of the board of directors. Congressman Rich played a pivotal role in the Seminary’s quest to achieve junior college status. In 1929, the Seminary became the first fully accredited junior college in Pennsylvania. In 1948, a new residence hall for women was erected and the Rich family’s support was officially recognized when the board named the building Rich Hall.

Demographics
The Williamsport Academy was established as a way to educate children in the community. Today, students arrive on campus from around the United States and the world. This fall, Lycoming enrolled 460 new students with 20 percent coming from Lycoming County, 40 percent from out-of-state and from 10 other countries. Nearly 90 percent of Lycoming’s 1,400 students reside on campus.

Financial Aid
Language from the original charter stated the institution would offer financial assistance to students who could not afford to attend. That initiative is still strongly practiced today as the College provides more than $22 million in financial aid and scholarship support to its students.

Physical Plant
The College moved to its current location “on the hill” after one and three-quarter acres of land just north of the city limits were purchased in 1839. Today, Lycoming manages 30 buildings on approximately 42 acres of land. The Shangraw Athletic Complex just north of campus features another 12 acres.

Faculty
The first teacher at the Academy was the Rev. Samuel Henderson, a graduate of Edinburgh College in Scotland. In 1915-16, there were 22 teachers, which included the president and librarian. Today, students learn from full-time, highly-credentialed faculty members—a hallmark of Lycoming’s educational delivery system. The College features 87 full-time faculty members, 92 percent of whom hold the highest degree in their field. The student to faculty ratio is 14:1.

Academics
According to its charter, the Academy was established “for the education of youth in the English and other languages, in the useful arts, science and literature.” The College operates similarly today and is recognized as a national liberal arts and sciences institution. There are 35 academic programs of study; the top five majors for the 2011 fall semester are business, psychology, biology, criminal justice and art. The education program also attracts a large number of students.

Athletics
Much like its academics counterpart, success in athletics has been a longstanding tradition at the College. Baseball was the first sport played at the Seminary in 1890. The first game proved a huge success as the Seminary won, 17-6, against Pott’s Business College. The first football game was played in 1895. The Seminary’s first girls’ sport—basketball—can be traced back to 1927. Lycoming now offers 17 NCAA Division III athletic programs.

Several programs have been led by legendary coaches who have brought national attention to the College. During his 36 years as head football coach, Frank Girardi became a giant in the small-college football ranks as he guided the Warriors to a career record of 257-97-7 (723). His teams made 11 appearances in the NCAA Division III playoffs, including trips to the national title game in 1990 and 1997. Budd Whitehill retired in 1993 after serving as the head wrestling coach for 37 years. He posted more than 300 career wins and the annual Budd Whitehill National Duals, a 20-team event hosted on campus featuring the some of the country’s best wrestlers, are named in his memory.

The First Homecoming - 1923
Homecoming’s history at the College traces back to 1923, when the football team hosted Mansfield on Nov. 3, going on to win 13-7. Homecoming, in that origin, was held as part of the same celebration as the laying of the gymnasium cornerstone. A year later, the team’s Homecoming game against Wyoming Seminary coincided with the dedication of the gym and with that, the tradition was born.
in 1812, on a four-plot section of land called Academy Square at the corner of West Third and West streets in what is now downtown Williamsport, stood the Williamsport Academy – the proud beginnings of Lycoming College.

In the nearly 200 years since, a lot has happened to the place that generations of students have, for at least a short time, called home. If you were to click your heels together three times and wish, where would your ruby slippers – or favorite pair of chucks – take you? Clarke Chapel? The Quad? Perhaps somewhere more obscure, like a favorite corner of the library? It may even be that the spot you associate most with Lycoming now exists only as a fond memory.

Williamsport Academy
Chartered on April 2, 1811, the Williamsport Academy, described as a plain but substantial brick structure with two stories and four good-sized rooms, was the first home of what would become Lycoming College.

Old Main
The College moved to its current setting in 1839. Near the city’s center, on a slight eminence, the west wing of Old Main was built and the institution was affectionately referred to as “The School Upon the Hilltop.”
In its 130-year span that lasted until 1968, Old Main contained student rooms, administrative and faculty offices, a chapel, classrooms, the library and the residence of the president. Today, its location is commemorated by a marker between the Fine Arts Building and Lamade Gymnasium.

Bradley Hall
The May 1895 issue of the Dickinson Liberal student newspaper read, “It is with pleasure we note for the benefit of our readers that Bradley Hall cornerstone was laid on Tuesday, April 23... The building when finished will be among the finest in the city and a monument of a long cherished hope and indefatigable effort.”

And fine it was. The only building of its kind in northern Pennsylvania at the time, the three-story brick structure with Italian-style architecture served as an art and music conservatory, and later housed the library, faculty offices and classrooms. Bradley stood for 85 years, until it was razed in 1980.

Eveland Hall
“Egypt has its Pyramids of Kufu, China has its Wall, Babylon had its Hanging Gardens, Greece had its Jupiter Olympus, its Tomb of Mausolus, its Temple of Diana, Rhodes had its Brass Colossus, the Pharaohs had their Lighthouse, and in this present day and age Dickinson Seminary has its Angel Factory.”

If this quote from “The Dart” yearbook of Dickinson Seminary in 1925 is any indication, students loved their Eveland Hall. Built in 1912 and originally called the Service Building, Eveland was renamed in honor of Dr. William Perry Eveland, one of the Seminary’s presidents.

Eveland Hall was bestowed the nickname “Angel Factory” because it housed the ministerial students, who by many accounts were less than angelic in their day. It also served as a Civil War museum from 1958-68. The building stood until 1979, when it was removed to make room for Lamade Gymnasium.

Memorial Hall
Dedicated in 1947, 100 years after the founding of Williamsport Dickinson Seminary, Memorial Hall’s short-lived span on campus lasted until 1968.

Old Science Building
Once the bottling facility for Flock’s Brewing Company, this building was converted into a science center in 1956-57. It was used until 1988 and housed biology and chemistry laboratories, classrooms, a lecture hall and a greenhouse. Flock’s brewery moved in as the Seminary’s neighbor in 1854. For many years, numerous jokes had been recited concerning Seminary students operating a pipe line from the vats to Bradley Hall, a few feet away.

The hall was originally a war surplus building and later used by the government as office space. The College acquired the frame building and moved it from White Deer. Found adjacent to the Chapel, Memorial doubled the classroom space at the growing institution. It was dedicated to 25 war dead and more than 400 World War II service men and women.

The “Old” Science Building
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Wesley Dodge ‘37 says he chose Williamsport Dickinson Junior College because “the price was right.” He’s referring to the $100 per semester he paid to attend the College as a commuter student. Despite the right price, Dodge still had to borrow the money because his father could not afford to pay for his education.

During his two years on campus, Dodge says he would attend classes and then return home, unless he had football practice. He played right tackle for coach Earl Z. McKay. He also helped out behind-the-scenes on the props during school plays and worked at the College on Saturdays, cleaning up the campus grounds to help pay off his student loan.

“I had a great time at Dickinson,” said the 95-year-old Dodge. “When I was there, we had the gym, library, Angel Factory [Eveland Hall] and Bradley Hall. Everybody was accepted and cheerful. President [John] Long was a good administrator.”

For Dodge, the subject of choice was mathematics, which was taught by his favorite professor, Milton Skeath. “I was the number one student in the class,” exclaimed Dodge. “Why I didn’t study that the rest of the time, I don’t know.”

Another one of Dodge’s admired professors was Lula Richardson, who taught French. Dodge distinctly remembers that during his second year in the class, he and his classmates were only allowed to speak French. “And I haven’t used it since then!” Dodge said with a chuckle.

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A younger growing up on a farm in Clearfield County, Pa., R. Bruce Smay '49 had inklings that he was being called to serve a greater purpose. But he wasn’t sure if they were just random childhood thoughts or if they were truly God’s plans for him. With the help of Lycoming College, he found his answer.

“To me, it still owe Lycoming something because it got me started in the ministry,” said Smay. “The College helped me to see what I wanted to do and the professors assured me that was the path I should take.”

After graduating as a member of the first class of the newly-named Lycoming College in 1949, Smay furthered his education at Garrett Biblical Institute and Theological Seminary in Illinois. He then returned to Pennsylvania and served for nearly 40 years as a united Methodist minister, concluding congregations in Avis, Muncy, Hollidaysburg and Harrisburg, before retiring in 1981. While serving in Riverside and Muncy, Smay led efforts to build new church buildings.

His sermons usually focused on the events of the day, but he would always try to accentuate John 3:16. “God so loved the world that he gave his only beloved Son so that we might have life eternal in Jesus Christ,” said Smay, who continues to serve the church as a mentor to new pastors. “God loves each one of us and sent Jesus Christ to be our Savior and give us eternal life and hope and peace for living in this life. God’s love is for now as well as the future. God cares for each and every one of us. We should love one another as God loves us.”

Smay’s preparation for his vocational calling began in 1943 when he enrolled in Williamsport Dickinson Junior College, Lycoming’s predecessor. After a year on campus, he was recruited to serve in the Navy, where he spent the next three years of his life. Upon returning from active duty, Smay reenrolled at the College, where he studied psychology and sociology and earned a bachelor’s degree in social studies.

It was during Smay’s sophomore year that President John Long announced the Junior College would transition to a four-year liberal arts institution. That decision delighted Smay, because it meant he wouldn’t have to bother with transferring.

“It was an interesting experience because we had new professors, new programs and new ideas,” said Smay. “Everyone was excited because all of the sudden we were at a four-year college right in Williamsport.”

Smay enjoyed his collegiate experience and liked most of his professors, including Helen Breese Weidman, who taught political science and history. “Everyone was afraid of her,” said Smay. “I thought her class was rather easy. If you paid good attention, you knew what she was going to ask a question.”

On campus, Smay was active in intramural sports and the John Wesley Club, designed for students interested in the ministry. He also worked for two years as a waiter in the dining hall, previously located in the lower level of Clarke Chapel, where he had the honor of serving President Long and his family, who joined the students during their daily family-style meals.

“During that time, the whole confusion of being a college student was the easiest one in the place,” recalls Smay. “Everyone was afraid to serve the president but me. They were the easiest people to get along with. They weren’t demanding or anything.”

A room on the third floor of Old Main served as Smay’s home-away-from-home during his senior year. During his junior year, he lived off campus after marrying his late wife, Winifred (Tabor) Smay ’49, whom he met at the College. They had two children, Katherine and John ‘79, who is a lawyer in Williamsport. Smay and his wife, Jean, now live in Lewisburg in a retirement community affiliated with the United Methodist Church.

Excerpts from the President’s Message, The Arrow yearbook, 1949

To the Members of the Class of 1949, Lycoming College:

History as a subject for study seems to some people uninteresting, but history in the making is dull. I need not remind you that you, as the first class to graduate and receive degrees from Lycoming College, are making history. Since you are the first group who has done all your undergraduate work at Lycoming College, we hope you will take the lead in developing and organizing an ever increasing body of alumni with a deep interest in and an abiding loyalty in your college.

Your alma mater, as a fond parent, is interested in you not only while here but will follow you with fondest hopes and eager expectation as you go out to meet whatever life holds for you.

Sincerely,

John W. Long
President

200 years— from a primary school to a four-year college. Buildings have come and gone, as the campus grew from one building to 16. The Quad has been transformed from a muddy field to a tennis court, from a football field to a place to relax in the sun and hold commencement.

While it is true that the bulk of the work done in the archives is historical, not archaeological, I have never been one of those people who could separate the two in my mind. Without history (the events), no one would be interested in archaeology; without archaeology (the stuff), it’s harder to prove history.

The archives is a place of renewal, preservation and discovery. The Ancient Egyptians believed that as long as someone remembered your name, or at least said it out loud, then you were alive in the afterlife. I feel as if working in the archives allows me to do that in a small way. Some of the people we are concerned with have indeed passed away, but we have their faces and names in yearbooks, letters and photos.

Attaching an identity to a previously unknown face gives them new life, as a person whose traditions I’m helping to maintain. They paved the way for my coming to Lycoming College by helping Williamsport Dickinson Seminary and Williamsport Dickinson Seminary and Junior College to be successful schools. That in 100 years, some other student helper working in the archives sees the pictures of me or some of my friends, can identify us, and say: “It looks like they had a lot of fun in those days,” wondering with a smile what we were like, what classes we took, and what were our hopes for the future.
“Then and Now”

CHIEFTEAN AWARD RECIPIENTS

Inquiring Mind
First Chieftain Award recipient credits Lycoming with gift of a lifetime

By Nancy J. McCann

Nancy (Hall) Brunner ’52 has been busy during the many years since earning an English degree from Lycoming College. She continued with her education, earning a master’s degree in behavior and communication at New York University. She held professional and managerial roles in various fields, including sales, public relations, organization development and writing, and has worked as an educator and consultant. And, Brunner raised a family that now includes grandchildren. As for retirement, that’s not in the game plan quite yet as she is still active in several endeavors, including teaching as an adjunct professor.

In a recent interview, Brunner reflected upon her years at Lycoming and receiving the inaugural Chieftain Award—the highest honor given to a graduating senior in recognition of the student who has shown the utmost dedication and leadership qualities while at Lycoming. Earning her undergraduate degree with approximately 100 other students in the Class of 1952, Brunner described her four years at Lycoming as “a broadening experience.”

“Surprisingly, many students came from far beyond our local area: New York, New Jersey and southern states in the U.S., as well as foreign countries. One of my best friends was from Indonesia,” reminisced Brunner. “Our faculty came from diverse backgrounds and teaching approaches. I learned Spanish from a chic, sexy and cosmopolitan young woman reared in Europe. In contrast, I began a lifelong appreciation of literature from a dignified but feisty New Englander who steeped our small lit class in critical thinking during rigorous seminars in his snug home library, always accompanied by his wife’s tea and goodies.

“We students were introduced to conflicting perspectives from visitors to open lecture series,” continued Brunner. “It was enriching to see faculty members debate passionately with guest speakers who held dramatically different views. We were allowed to make political demonstrations and, upon occasion, march through town. And of course, some of us raised Cain upon occasion, march through town. And of course, some of us raised Cain.

Brunner acknowledged she was very surprised to receive the Chieftain Award as she and her classmates were busy with thoughts of graduation and going out “into the real world.” In hindsight, she believes she was chosen because she was so involved in school activities and what Lycoming had to offer. Brunner sang and toured with the a cappella choir for the four years she attended the College. She was involved in putting together the class yearbook, served as senior class secretary, wrote and produced a musical show titled “Let’s Go Back,” which raised money for the senior class, and participated in various other student activities.

“Looking back, the source of the recognition was to symbolize a realized opportunity to capture what Lycoming offered—a great place to grow and establish life-affecting memories,” said Brunner. “I’m fully aware that the foundation provided there as an undergraduate has helped shape my life…Lycoming planted seeds that grew into a lifelong pursuit to understand people and events. I believe that Lycoming provided support for an inquiring mind. That was the school’s gift to me.”

Four years, 30 countries and many triathlons since becoming the 56th winner of Lycoming College’s prestigious Chieftain Award, Jessica Gough ’07 is still impressing people.

Gough graduated with a bachelor’s degree in actuarial mathematics, mathematics and economics. She is now a senior actuarial associate for Prudential Financial, analyzing the financial impact of risk. In 2010, Gough applied for a job in one of Prudential’s international offices. She was accepted into the program and subsequently spent 15 months living and working in Milan, Italy. “While in Italy, I learned to embrace their culture and studied their language,” she said.

Gough also took full advantage of her weekends and allotted vacation days to expand her knowledge of the world around her—traveling to 29 different countries.

“I rode camels around the pyramids in Egypt,” said Gough, who enjoys staying active through swimming, intramural sports and participating in triathlons. “I visited Hungary, where my grandparents were born. I went skiing in the Swiss Alps and went paragliding in Turkey. I could only have dreamed that I would be able to do and see so much.”

Gough, now back in the states living and working in New Jersey, enjoys the continued educational experiences and variety her position offers. As a member of Prudential’s Actuarial Leadership Development Program, she has the opportunity to change jobs every year. “It allows me to gain experience with different financial products and the laws and regulations that pertain to them,” she said.

In addition to challenges of carrying a triple-major—a challenge to which she rose as evidence by her membership in the Phi Kappa Phi Honor society of Phi Kappa Phi—Gough participated in several extra and co-curricular activities. She was a captain of the swim team, a founding sister of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority and president of her class.

According to Gough, all of these experiences taught her a great deal about professionalism, discipline and teamwork. She localized being selected as Chieftain as the highlight of her senior year and refers to it as “an honor and day that I will never forget.”

However, her biggest lesson did not come from one specific experience, club or award.

“The biggest lesson I learned at Lycoming was to seize opportunities,” said Gough. “I usually regret the opportunities that I allow to pass by, not the ones that I pursue. Lycoming gave me the confidence to apply for the job in Italy, even though I did not know anyone there and I did not speak the language.”

Gough is one of only 60 Chieftains in the history of the College. Each recipient of the award exemplifies the meaning of the Greek word placed on the College seal, aletheia, which means truth. Lycoming brings truth to learning by giving students opportunities for growth outside of the classroom, making its students far more prepared for life after graduation. The Chieftains are exceptional examples of that philosophy.

“I am proud to say that I attended Lycoming College, one of the 50th oldest colleges in the United States, especially as it celebrates 200 years,” said Gough. “This milestone serves as proof of Lycoming’s dedication to its students and the alumni’s appreciation of their valuable education.”
Alumni from around the country returned to Lycoming College to join students, faculty and staff for the bicentennial Homecoming and Reunion Weekend, Oct. 14-16, 2011. Aptly titled, “Into Our Third Century,” the weekend featured many opportunities to reconnect and reminisce, including the (rain-soaked) Thomas B. Croyle ’70 Memorial Golf Tournament, 50th Reunion Dinner, Athletics Hall of Fame Induction Dinner, Beer and Pretzel Tent, Choir Open Rehearsal, and the Alumni Brunch and Awards Presentation.

Following the Homecoming parade, countless Warrior faithful braved the cool and blustery conditions to cheer on the football team, which used an impressive ground game to come away with a 40-7 victory against Wilkes University.

At halftime, Laura Klym and Joe Andrie were crowned the Homecoming Queen and King.

To see more photos from Homecoming, visit www.lycoming.edu/alumni/homecoming or the College's Facebook page.
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Seven inducted into Athletics Hall of Fame Seven new members were inducted into the Warriors’ Athletics Hall of Fame on Friday, Oct. 14, during Homecoming weekend. The class includes Steve Hawley ’06 (men’s swimming), Coach Deb Holmes (women’s tennis), Meredith (Moerschbacher) Leader ’03 (women’s tennis), Jonathan Pribble ’06 (men’s basketball), Jim Rich ’76 (football), Thomas Snyder ’99 (football). Hawley wrapped up his career with a school-record six MAC titles and five school records. He notched three MAC titles at the 2004 championships, posting wins in the 50-yard freestyle and the 100- yard backstroke, as well as serving as the first leg in the 200-yard freestyle relay. For 34 seasons, Holmes led the Col- lege’s women’s tennis team. She notched a school-record 137 wins, coached the team to 10 straight winning ledgers from 1993-2002 and led it to four regular-season conference titles (1981, 1997, 1998, 2000). Leader posted a combined record of 81-10 on the tennis courts. A two-time First Team All-Freedom Conference se- lection, Leader went 44-6 in singles play and 37-4 in doubles. Pribble earned conference Rookie of the Year, three all-conference honors and a league Player of the Year award during his basketball career. He also earned NABC All-District honors as a junior and senior and D3Hoops.com all-region honors as a senior.

A four-year starter, Rich broke Lycom- ing’s school record for receiving yards with 363 yards in 1973. Two years later, he earned First Team All-MAC honors at defensive back to lead a unit that allowed the fewest yards per game in the NCAA. Snyder earned two All-American awards at heavyweight for the wrestling team. He compiled an 84-13 record with 27 falls and recorded three 20-win seasons. He placed at the MAC Champi- onships in each of his four years, winning titles in 2004, 2005 and 2006. Thompson racked up 3,267 yards, 649 attempts, 4,281 all-purpose yards, 34 touchdowns scored and 28 rushing touchdowns, all second in school history. In 1997, Thompson led the Warriors to the national championship game. In August 1947, Carm Greico ’57 was in a rather confusing spot. At age 12, he was playing baseball with all his old friends on the Lock Haven Little League All-Star team. The only problem was, as he faced off against the Maynard Little League All-Stars in the finals of the first National Little League Tournament, he was facing all his new friends from Williamsport. Greico’s father, a dentist, had moved the family to Williamsport that summer, and Greico, who shined as a catcher during the Little League season, took the bus back and forth to Lock Haven for every game. When he played pick- up games during the summer, though, he played with his new friends around Maynard Street.

Sixty-five years later, that first National Little League Tournament still carries a mystique all its own. This new idea, an all-star tournament of the best 10- to 12-year old baseball players in a town’s league, drew 2,500 on-lookers to Fourth Street across from Bowman Field for the final game. It was an idea that drew national attention and within a year, it started to grow into an event with teams representing six states. Today, of course, Little League runs a tournament for 11- and 12-year old boys that features more than 7,000 teams before the 16 best converge in Williamsport each summer for the Little League World Series. Throughout the history of Little League, there has been a strong bond between the College and the youth baseball organization, from some of its most legendary players to prominent executives, the link is unmistakable.

In the shadows of Lycoming College

In the early years of Little League, Williamsport was at the heart of every decision. One of the first links between Lycoming and the organization came when Little League founder Carl E. Stotz asked John Lindemuth to manage a team. A 1927 graduate of Dickinson Seminary, Lindemuth was one of the school’s best athletes in the late ’20s, earning letters in football, track and field, and basketball, but ironically, not baseball. Still, Lindy, who grew up on Fourth Street in Newberry, was immediately a perfect fit within Little League, joining the board of directors and eventually becoming a full-time employee and the second commissioner of the league, taking over from Stotz in 1955. Lindemuth helped organize the World Series as it transformed from a local tournament in the ’40s to a national tournament in the ’50s onto an international competition in the ’60s. His connection to Lycoming never wavered, as he was named to the Athletics Hall of Fame in 1987 and also endowed a scholarship prize at the school in the ’80s. Others followed in the footsteps of Lindemuth. In 2006, Joe Loesch ’64 became senior vice president and corporate secretary for Little League Baseball, Inc., after rising in the ranks from working in the mail room at the start of his 39-year run of service that ended when he retired in 2007.

Warriors leave their mark

The links between the College and the youthful organization seemed to solidify by the late ’40s, as members of the first Little League teams from the Williamsport area grew up and moved on to college. One of the most notable among those young men was Edward Younkien, who threw the first no-hitter in Little League’s history on Aug. 6, 1942, during a game between Stein’s Service Station and Lundy Lumber. Younkien, who went on to become an all-American baseball player at Penn State, returned to Williamsport and finished his degree at Lycoming in 1953. After Lycoming, Younkien went on to the seminary. He became a beloved minister in New Jersey, and was a champion of the U.S. Civil Rights Movement.

During that first national tournament, as the Maynard Little League beat Lock Haven, 16-7, in the finals, the talent on the field was undeniable. As the players from that team grew, several turned into fine athletes, and that got the notice of many of the fine athletes, and that got the notice of many of the future Lycoming graduates: Walt Dunston ’57, William Gallagher ’57, Jimmy Sughrue ’58 and Frank Wool ’57. The Maynard Midgets, winners of the first-ever Little League World Series, featured four...
Dear Friends,

I can’t thank you enough for making my first Homecoming as your alumni director a sensational, unforgettable and downright FUN experience! It’s amazing that we can take a campus full of alumni – both old friends and new faces – add the common denominator of great affection for our alma mater, and after just two days, walk away with incredible memories! The energy you brought to campus was overwhelming – thank you for your participation and support!

Speaking of being on campus, the first-ever Alumni Weekend is scheduled for May 11-13, 2012. It will be your opportunity to not only spend time at Lycoming, but live in the residence halls again. Some of the hallmark events being planned include a beer and wine tasting with faculty and coaches, alumni classes with some of your favorite professors (including Drs. Hughes, Feinstein, Newman, Madreshe and Piper), a Presidential Address, decade reunions and a tent night on the Quad with drinks, hors d’oeuvres, dinner and a live band. We will offer an all-inclusive “room and board” option for the weekend, as well as individual event registration for those who prefer to be “day students.” Save the date!

Warmly,

Amy S. Dowling ’04

A Bicentennial Tailgate

On Friday, Sept. 17, 2011, Lycoming College participated in Preservation Williamsport’s “A View from the Porch.” The progressive evening gave participants the opportunity to visit five porches in historic downtown Williamsport and enjoy a traditional tailgate at each.

To celebrate our 200th year, the College transformed the porch of the Peter Herdic Inn (historic bed & breakfast by day) into a lively Warriors tailgate. The College Archives and sports teams graciously loaned artifacts and current gear to be displayed, offering the public a glimpse of our past and present.

Lycoming’s cheerleaders added spirit to the rainy night, a local band, which included Steve Hulslander ’74, entertained the crowd, staff served refreshments in jerseys and the Rev. Ben Crever even made an appearance! Most importantly, those in the Williamsport community helped Lycoming to celebrate its bicentennial year.

We survived the traffic on 476 to get here, now let’s watch some soccer!

Do you belong to an affinity group and wish to hold an event during Alumni Weekend 2012?

Contact Amy Dowling ’04, director of alumni relations, at dowling@lycoming.edu or 570.321.4134, and she will be glad to help you to reserve a space on campus, reach out to specific alumni and answer any questions you may have about the weekend.

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Saturday, Jan. 28 - The Poconos, Pa.
Lycoming College Day at Jack Frost/Big Boulder
The fun begins at 8 a.m.
Bring your family and friends for a day of skiing and tubing at Jack Frost Big Boulder. Meet across from the cafeteria at Jack Frost anytime between 7:45 and 9 a.m. to pick up your snow passes and enjoy a day on the slopes. We will establish a “Lycoming College” area to stash your gear that will also serve as our central meeting spot for hot chocolate breaks throughout the day!
Saturday, Feb. 4 - Williamsport, Pa.
7th Annual Black History Month Dinner
Lycoming College, Jane Schultz Room, 2nd Floor Wertz Student Center • 6 p.m.
Join us in honoring Black History Month with hors d’oeuvres, dinner and a guest speaker.
$20 per person, RSVP by Jan. 26
Saturday, Feb. 5 - Williamsport, Pa.
Black Tie Affair and Nothing But Treble
Community Theatre League, 100 West Third Street, Williamsport • 7:30 p.m.
Black Tie Affair, which features T.T. McCabe ’06, Andrew Paulhamus ’13, James Rogers ’04, Peter Ruhl ’06 and Casey Spencer ’05, are teaming up with Nothing But Treble. Each group sings hip arrangements of classic and modern rock songs, and will even perform a few songs together! Join us for the concert and gather afterward at Barrel 135 to meet the performers!
$10 per person, RSVP by Feb. 17
Friday, March 2 - Philadelphia, Pa.
Student and Alumni Meet and Greet
Ladder 152, 1528 Sansom Street, Philadelphia, Pa. • 5 p.m.
Drop by to meet Lycoming seniors who are job shadowing alumni in Philadelphia. Share your memories and experiences with the students networking with alumni who live and/or work in the City of Brotherly Love.
Saturday, April 14 - Seneca Lake, N.Y.
N.Y. Winery Bus Tour • 7:30 a.m., depart campus from Academic Center parking lot
Spend the day with Lycoming alumni and friends touring a variety of wineries on Seneca Lake. We will enjoy tastings at Glenora Wine Cellars, Fullerson Winery, Lakewood Vineyards, Hazlitt 1852 Vineyards and Penguin Bay Winery. A box lunch will be provided. Tasting fees included. We will stop at Bleacher's in Watkins Glen on the way home for dinner on your own. All participants must be 21 or older and bring photo identification.
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Cold Cuts

Lycoming College Alumni Association Annual Awards Banquet

2012 Alumni Association Award-Winners

Saturday, Feb. 25 - Williamsport, Pa.
Board Royal Caribbean’s Explorer of the Seas in Liberty, N.Y., where you’ll enjoy six days and five night stays. During your time at sea, you will also participate in a lycoming alumni. What’s a unique way to celebrate Lycoming’s bicentennial? Your Prices begin at $608. Contact Tours & Events Director for information on 414-722-3231 for more information or to book your cruise.

Wednesday, April 25 - Williamsport, Pa.
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$50 per person, RSVP by April 7

2012 alumni association award-winners Anthony DiSalvo ’74 and William Byham, second and third from the left, respectively, are joined by AAB president Dr. Heather Duda ’98, left, President James Douthat and Amy Dowling ’04, director of alumni relations. Gene Dodaro ’73 was unable to attend.
CLASS NOTES

Business and Service Applauded

Lycoming College trustee, Dale Krapf '67, was named CEO of the Year by the Chester County Chamber of Commerce and Industry in recognition of his business successes, leadership activities and community service. Krapf is chair of Krapf Bus Companies, a family-owned third generation business which recently became the sixth largest bus operator in the nation, with a fleet of more than 2,600 vehicles and nearly 3,300 employees. Krapf Bus Companies operate in Delaware, Illinois, Minnesota, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Through his leadership in the Chester County Chamber, Krapf was instrumental in the creation of the Chester County Chamber Foundation. His passion for giving children the opportunity to flourish and grow influenced the creation of the foundation’s youth leadership program, designed to help the county’s youth better understand how they can contribute to their communities in the future. Leading by example, the Krapf Bus Companies award a scholarship each year to a deserving graduate in each area high school that uses its buses. In 2008, Krapf and his wife, Nannette, established the Dale and Nannette Krapf Endowed Scholarship Fund at Lycoming College. It is awarded to students demonstrating financial need. Krapf earned a bachelor’s degree at Lycoming in 1967, majoring in business administration. Krapf has been a member of the Lycoming College Board of Trustees for 18 years and serves as board secretary. He is a member of the board of directors of the United Bus Association, and the past president of both the National School Transportation Association and the Pennsylvania School Bus Association. In recognition of his contributions to the industry, the NSTA presented him with its Hall of Fame Award in 2005 and Distinguished Service Award in 1994.

1948
Carl Andrews (social studies) and his wife, Jeanette, celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary May 1, 2011. He has been retired from his role as executive director of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis since 1989.

1949
Charlotte Plassan (medical secretary) has worked at Georgetown University Medical School, the CIA Medical Office, and Northrop-Grumman-TASC Division in Northern Virginia. She resides in Springfield, Va.

1951
Warren Baughman (history) was recognized for his 65 years of ministry in May 2011. On June 28, 2011, he and his wife, Doris, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary.

1952
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1954
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1957
Walter Dunston and the late Armando Testa '58 were recently inducted into Pennsylvania’s West Branch Sports Hall of Fame. Walter was a catcher on the 1947 Maynard Little League Team All-Stars, which won the first Little League World Championship, and played basketball at Lycoming. Armando lettered in football and wrestling at Williamsport Area High School and became its first District 4 wrestling champion in 1954. After four years in the U.S. Air Force, he earned an undergraduate degree from Lycoming. He taught and coached wrestling, track and football in South Williamsport.

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1962
Geoffrey R. Wood
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1963
Evelyn (McConnell) Derrick
Buzz Freid (biology) is retired and has two great-grandchildren. He remarried in May 2005.

1964
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1965
Nancy (Snow) Cross
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Dr. Richard Clancy recently retired after 33 years of practicing as a chiropractic physician in Sarasota, Fla. He served on the board of the Florida Chiropractic Association and as president and chairman for the Southwest Chiropractic Society.

1966
Kitty (Trusler) Moorxson
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From left, Louie (Shipe) Howell, Mary Lu Wilson and Louise (Glicker) Shin gather for a Class of 1966 mini-reunion in Williamsport, Va.

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1970
Susan Stewart
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Russell Sicasum (English) has co-authored “The Bit Ching Book of Change: Reinterpreting the Ancient Wisdom of The I Ching to Deal with Modern Day Morons and Confusion,” available on amazon.com. Russ is the head of The Stoicm Group ad agency.

1972
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Russell Sicasum '72

The Nau grandchildren

Martin Nau (biology) welcomed his second grandchild, Preston Martin Nau, in May. He joins brother, Atley Hirai Nau, and parents, Ryan, Martin’s oldest son, and Makie.

1973
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Ira Domsky and his wife, Carol Campbell, honored the three Lycoming alumni who died in the 9/11 attacks with flags at the Temple Healing Fields in Tempe, Ariz. Angela (Vaira) Kyte ’73, Justin Molisani ’81 and Jon Vandevander ’79. The eighth annual event displayed nearly 3,000 U.S. flags.

Suzanne (Smith) Cullin (English) has relocated to Ocean View, Del., since retiring from elementary teaching in Clifton, N.J. She has joined several organizations including the Lord Baltimore Women’s Club and the South Coastal Chapter of AARP.

Dorothy Everhart (religion) has retired from her hospice and home health medical social work to care full-time for her partner, Kay. They reside in Lemoyne, Pa. Dorothy was surprised in August with a 60th birthday party attended by “Rich Hall roomie” Carol (Appela) Chaapel. Carol “Missy” (Marsland) Schoch (music) was recognized as one of radio station WJIR’s “Women Who Lead,” for her work in founding the Detroit Children’s Choir. Devorah Syk (art) is devoting more time to painting and working on portraits. She is a trustee at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, and involved with the Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance. She has also helped to curate several shows, including one for Burlington County College in her hometown of Mt. Holly, N.J.

Bernie Zook (philosophy) recently received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Pennsylvania Prison Warden’s Association for more than 35 years of service in the field of corrections. He has worked at the Mifflin County Correctional Facility since 1988, and was appointed warden in 2002. Mr. Zook is vice chairman of the Mifflin County Criminal Justice Advisory Board, serves on the Community That Cares (CTC) Prevention Board, and is vice chairman of the Faith-Based Initiative action team of the CTC. He serves on the advisory committee for the criminal justice program at South Hills School of Business and Technology in Lewistown, Pa., and is also a trustee and member of the board at the Bethel AME Church in Lewistown.

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The Rev. Haydn McLean (biology) has been named “Hoary Wisdom,” for acceptance for publication by “The Journal of Pastoral Care and Counseling.”

Edward and Jane (Snyder) Bird (703) 220-8121 unclebrini@briardleonard.net

Rick Barletta (mathletics) was named to the Hazelton (Pa.) Area Sports Hall of Fame. He is an accomplished tennis player and coach, in addition to having coached girls’ basketball. He recently retired as a math teacher from the Hazelton Area School District.

Dr. Louis Barnhart (philosophy) has been appointed to the Maine Board of Licensure in Medicine. She is a psychiatrist with Maine General Hospital as the medical director of assertive community treatment and of chemical dependency services.

The Rev. Dr. Barry Dawson (political science) recently moved from Tokyo, Japan, to Muscat in the Sultanate of Oman on the Arabian Peninsula. The Reformed Church in America appointed him as its new pastor of the Protestant Church in Oman, an interdenominational, multicultural congregation that has members from 45 countries. The highly diverse Christian community within the context of a Muslim nation that practices religious tolerance provides Barry with a dynamic environment that is rich with unique learning opportunities and enriching cultural experiences. He previously was the senior pastor of Tokyo Union Church.

The article written by Whiteaker (English) has accepted a position as manager of group tours and volunteer services at The Dalí Museum in St. Petersburg, Fla. The museum opened in January 2011 and houses the largest comprehensive collection of Salvador Dalí’s work outside of Spain.

Elizabeth Finkler-Hanaska (theatre) is employed at a bankruptcy law firm, and is acting and singing in her spare time. Her most recent performances were in the Sondheim musical “Follies” for Tabard Theatre in Sun Cali, Calif., and a Mother’s Day commercial for Sonoma Chicken Coop.

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Dorothy Everhart ’73

Gail (Gleason) Beamer ’78, ’80

The Rev. Haydn McLean ’80

Edward and Jane (Snyder) Bird ’81

Rick Barletta (mathletics) ’82

The Rev. Dr. Barry Dawson (political science) ’83

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The Road to Apple

By Megan Frank ’12

For the last 10 years, Michael Pinkman ’82 has worked for one of the world’s most innovative companies. But, he admits, his path to becoming the senior director of sales for Apple had its fair share of bumps.

After earning a business degree from Lycoming, Pinkman worked for a couple of software companies and then, after being contacted by a business acquaintance, moved to Nashville to work. Soon after, his employer offered him a job in Buffalo, which he kindly turned down, because he had “no interest in moving to Buffalo at the time.” Instead, he took the company’s offer of a position in California. After the company went through a series of acquisitions, Pinkman decided it was time for a change. He was then hired at a start-up company, Adobe Systems.

After 11 years in sales with Adobe, he had a desire to “strike out on my own during the Internet craze.” Though he was able to remain more successful than many competitors at the time, the pay-off wasn’t what he had hoped. Looking for a new opportunity, Pinkman reconnected with various Adobe Systems alumni, and eventually, with a former colleague and mentor who led him to Apple, where he has been ever since.

Pinkman now manages a sales team responsible for more than a billion dollars of Apple’s current revenue, predominately in the commercial market place. He has not only been able to see the launch of the iPad, iPhone and iPad, but he’s been able to witness Apple become a hundred billion dollar company. For Pinkman, working for Apple is unlike working for any other company. “It’s the attention to detail.” said Pinkman. “It’s the focus on that detail. I think it’s the pride in building great products. I think it’s the pride in the overall brand. I don’t know how many years in a row it is that Apple has been voted most innovative company or best brand, but you take a lot of pride in that when you get up every day and you give your heart and soul to the company. These products in many ways really do change people’s lives and so to be part of all that is tremendous.

In recalling his time at Lycoming, Pinkman points to former Professor Elizabeth King, who taught accounting and finance. “She was probably 5’4” and 100 pounds soaking wet; just this fireball,” said Pinkman. “She made us all read The Wall Street Journal every day and asked us questions about it. You couldn’t escape in her class because she’d call you out on it. She was super bright, funny and engaging, so it was a great experience. Looking back, I realize how important it was that she challenged us; I needed somebody to do that for me.”

Alumni from the Class of 1980 reunite at the wedding of the daughter of Eloise (Bachman) Vandevander ’79 and Jon Molisani ’81. The eighth annual event displayed nearly 3,000 U.S. flags.

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Jim Minick (English) received the Best Nonfiction Book of the Year Award from Southern Independent Booksellers Association for “The Blueberry Years.”

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John Sames (business management) is an insurance executive for Marsh & McLennan Agency, part of the Marsh Group – the largest insurance broker in the world. He lives in Reddington, N.J., with his wife, Kim, and three children: Alec, Danielle and Ava.

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Joe Wade (business management) and his family recently opened the Jamison Pore House, a family pub in Central Bucks County, Pa. He and his wife, Janeen, have three children: Karley, Colin and Keegan.

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Scott Burke (business management) was ordained as a pastor June 12, 2011, at East Lawrenceville Baptist Church, where he is an intern and serves as a deacon. Scott works at a local credit union and is attending Grace Baptist Bible College. He and his wife, Ann, reside in Lawrenceville, Pa., and have three daughters: Erin, Elizabeth and Sarah.

Joseph Farrell (business management) was recently appointed to a one-term on the board of trustees of the Bear Creek Community Charter School. He earned an M.B.A. from Wilkes University and is a senior manager at Kraft Foods. He and his wife, Candice, reside in Bear Creek Township, Pa., and have three children: Ella, Logan and Ivy.

John Phillips (communication) is the athletic director at Immaculata High School in Lebanon, Kan. He and his wife, Jessica, have two sons, Jack and Joey.

Kriz (Plummer) Botto (theatre) was recently promoted to director of organizational learning and leadership at Saint Joseph’s University in Philadelphia.

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Shannon (Keane) English (philosophy) was appointed by Gov. Rick Snyder to the Michigan Commission on Services to the Aging, a 15-member body advising the governor and legislature on issues that affect the state’s older citizens. Shannon is a physician at Advantage Health Saint Mary’s Medical Group in Grand Rapids. She also serves as a clinical assistant professor for the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine and a consulting staff member for the Mecosta County Medical Center.

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Brobson Brings Court Back Home

Countless people, for one reason or another, have appeared in the Lycoming County Courthouse in Williamsport. For Montoursville native Judge P. Kevin Brobson ‘92, his reason was to take part in a joint ceremonial session of the Court of Common Pleas of Lycoming County and the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania on Friday, Sept. 16.

“This is a special and historic day for both courts,” Brobson said to the courtroom packed with law students, judges and interested members of the public. “It marks to the best of my knowledge the first time in the Commonwealth Court’s 40-year history that it ever sat in special session in Lycoming County. I gave up down the road in Montoursville and was educated only a few blocks away at Lycoming College. So this day is particularly special to me as it gives me an opportunity to showcase my home county to my colleagues on the Commonwealth Court. I’d also like to recognize and thank the members of the administration, faculty and students from Lycoming College who were able to join us today.”

According to Brobson, the Commonwealth Court is the least known of the three statewide courts and probably the least understood. Its role as both a trial court and an appellate court makes it unique. He says the court’s role in state government is on one hand simple and on the other hand critical.

“The Commonwealth Court is the court that makes sure government, state and local, follows the law,” said Brobson. “I know of no other state where citizens have access to such a court to remedy their grievances against the government. I hope that you agree with me that this makes the Commonwealth Court a special and valuable asset of our judicial system in Pennsylvania.”

Established in 1970, the Commonwealth Court is one of two appellate courts in the state. It typically handles matters involving municipal and state entities and hears arguments in Harrisburg, Philadelphia or Pittsburgh. The court’s special session is part of an ongoing effort to share what it does throughout the state.

Brobson was elected to the appellate court in 2009. Lycoming County Judge Dudley Anderson ‘68 was among the nearly 15 judges in attendance at the joint session.

Michael Downey (business management) was inducted into the Allen-Rogowicz Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. While at Lycoming, he was named to the Division III Football Gazette, Sporting News and Street and Smith’s All-America football teams. He is a works career services director for Berks Technical Institute and resides in Pottsville, Pa., with his wife, Tracy.

Stanley Kadeski (political science) was promoted to senior vice president of ATM operations for TD Bank, where he is responsible for the operational integrity of all the bank’s ATMs across North America. He will be based in Cherry Hill, N.J. and Toronto, Canada.

Bobby Allen (philosophy) is the manager of The Sleep/Wake Disorders Center at St. Mary Medical Center in Langhorne and Bensalem, Pa. He also returned to the position of grand province advisor for Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity in the Keystone Province, which includes Lycoming and seven other collegiate chapters in central Pennsylvania.

Bart Makatache (communication) is a senior/executive producer at Nancy Glass productions located in Bala Cynwyd, Pa., the company produces reality television programming for HGTV, DIY, A&E, WE and Animal Planet.
The Best Situation

Dr. Rachel (Lawton) Teribury ’99 told the College’s biology colloquium at which she spoke in September that she always wanted to be a veterinarian. In choosing a college, she was simply looking for the best situation to get her to her end goal.

Lycoming was the perfect stepping stone for the aspiring doc-tor: “It was a smaller, homier environment and I thought I would do better here than at a larger facility. I also looked into the acccep-tance rate into medical school and it was comparable or better than other private schools.”

While at Lyco-ming, Teribury worked diligently, and not just in the classroom. “I had a little bit different experience, I think, than other stu-dents,” she said. “I paid for college completely, so I had several jobs. My sched-ule was pretty full with sports [lacrosse], academics and working to finance my education.” Her focus, though, always remained on getting into veterinary school; she even skipped one of her lacrosse games to present at a Pennsylvania Academy of Science conference.

The rigors of Teribury’s undergraduate experience paid off when she was accepted into Cornell University’s College of Veterinary Medicine – one of the best programs in the country. Now, she works at a small animal practice in the best situation to get the perfect stepping stone for her. Dr. Rachel (Lawton) Teribury ’99.

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Amy (Mayschock) Bortz (business-marketing) became the new deputy director for Union County Domestic Relations in Lewisburg, Pa., in August, in preparation to become director in January 2012.

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Kirby Brookhart (biology, psychology) has accepted a master’s degree in elementary and secondary school counseling from West Chester University, and recently accepted an elementary school counselor position with the Council Rock School District. She resides in Hatboro, Pa.

2007
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Stephanie (Savino) Howell (French, international studies) joined the firm of Pepper Hamilton LLP as an associate in its commercial litigation practice group. She earned a J.D. from The Dickinson School of Law, where she served as comments editor of the Penn State Law Review.

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Melissa (Spinki) Kiehl (astrophysics, economics) earned teaching certification in mathematics and has accepted a math instructor position at North Idaho College for the 2011-12 academic year.

Tara Robuck (psychology) was recently hired as an elementary guidance counselor by the Mid-West School District in Middleburg, Pa. Elizabeth (Runyan) Parrish (art) recently exhibited her artwork at the new Grey Art Gallery in downtown Williamsport.

2009
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2010
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2011
Dr. Angela Huggler (biology) has joined theSusquehannash Health Medical Group, where she practices obstetrics and gynecology. She earned a medical degree from the Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine and completed an OB/GYN residency at Hershey Medical Center.

Adam and Brian Makos ’06 were recently featured in an episode of “House Hunters” on the HGTV network after relocating to the Denver, Colo., area. Jacqueline (Stirewalt) Schap (psychology) was promoted to program supervisor over the Intensive In-Home Program at Pressley Ridge in York, Pa. She previously served as an in-home family therapist.

Rob Scott (communication) was hired as the local editor of the Moorestown (N.J.) Patch. He previously worked at the Danville News and the Daily Item in Danville, Pa., and, most recently, was a political reporter for The Gloucestor County Times.

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Jason Sweley (biology) recently finished his residency at Pinnacle Health System and has joined the podiatric practice of Jeffrey Marks in Mechanicsburg, Pa.

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Cpl. Holly Andrews (political science) recently completed the nine-month U.S. Marine Corps meteorology and oceanography analyst forecaster course at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Miss. She is now stationed at Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, where she was promoted to the non-commissioned officer rank of corporal on Oct. 1, 2011.

Jordan Hollander (political science) earned a master’s of science in comparative European politics from Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland. He is enrolled at Rutgers University School of Law-Camden as a Forensics of Justice Scholar. Jillian McMahon (corporate communication, Spanish) recently accepted a position with the U.S. Department of Defense.

2011

Kaitlyn Hobbs (theatre) recently completed Teach for America’s six-week training program. During the training, she taught second grade reading in the Atlanta Public Schools system, in addition to taking classes. Scott Hordis (criminal justice) was hired as an insurance agent by Farmers Insurance.

Ashley Loeb (international studies, political science) recently returned from nearly a month in Haiti, where she volunteered at God’s Littlest Angels Haitian Baby Ministries, an independent, non-denominational ministry founded to care for premature, malnourished and abandoned children. Stephanie Van Der Wal (corporate communication) was hired by Mars Chocolate North America in Hackettstown, N.J., as a customer logistics representative.

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To read a full listing of those in attendance at many of the weddings shown on this page, please visit www.lycoming.edu/alumni.

Barbie (Hoover) ‘05 and Jeffrey Todd Harbaugh, Oct. 8, 2011, at First United Methodist Church, Williamsport, Pa. A reception followed at the Genetti Hotel.

Auri (Weisel) ’01 and Wes Hitchens, Oct. 9, 2011, in Princeton, N.J.

Jessica (Ferrarr) ’03 and Shaun Boyer, July 17, 2010, at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Lock Haven, Pa. The reception was at the Genetti Hotel.

1 Tracy (Peterson) ’03 and Mark Rice ’97, Dec. 11, 2010, at Pine Street United Methodist Church, Williamsport, Pa.

2 Marsha (McQuate) ’04 and Josh Bonn, July 8, 2011, at Luxmont Farms in Wrightsville, Pa.

3 Ashley (Reminger) and Jason Sweeley ’04, May 28, 2011, near State College, Pa.

4 Tiffany (Beltz) ’05 and Tristan Wertman, July 30, 2011.

5 Sandra (Kirk) ’07 and Todd Guerin, July 2, 2011, in Syracuse, N.Y.

6 Jamie (Rowe) ’08 and Steve Brown ’10, July 23, 2011.

7 Nicole (Dayton) ’09 and Jeremy Gonzalez, June 11, 2011, in Orefield, Pa.

8 Casey (Avsec) ’10 and Joshua Troxler ’12, Aug. 6, 2011, in Williamsport, Pa.

9 Joanna (Pallas) ’11 and Jeffrey DeLong, July 22, 2011.

2 Jennifer and Wayne Johnson ’95 have three new children; Seth, Samuel and Gloria. They joined the family in July and were adopted from the Ukraine. Pictured: Noah (1), Gracie (7), Seth (6), Gloria (1), Nathaniel (6), Joy (7), Samuel (3), Faith (4) and Hope (2)

3 Erica (Dohner) ’96 and Christopher Vargo ‘94, a daughter, Leighton Hope, Sept. 11, 2011.

4 Joseph Lyons, a son, and Jaime Gusler ’09, daughter, Tiffani Lynne, May 2, 2011.

5 Patricia (Spencer) ’07 and John Soder III, a son, John Jr., Sept. 17, 2011.


7 Heather (Jacobs) ’98 and Benjamin Deck, a daughter, Anna Madeline, Jan. 24, 2011.


9 Natalie (Klinger) ’01 and Michael Bonislawski ’95, a son, Zachary Todd, March 28, 2011.

10 Francesca and Joshua Albeck ’02, a daughter, Cecilia Teresa, June 4, 2010. She joins brother, Damian, 4.

11 Stacy (Howerter) ’02 and Brent Daugherty, a daughter, Gracie (7), Seth (6), Gloria (1), Nathanial (6), Joy (7), charcoal (2), and Zachary Todd ’05, a son, Bennett Paul, June 20, 2011.

12 Angela (Bohr) ’03 and Mark Watts, a daughter, Paige, May 14, 2011. She joins sister, Ayla.

13 Cristin and Glenn Mummeey ’03, a son, Andrew Joseph, July 4, 2011.

14 Tina (Robinson) ’04 and J.J. Hugger ’04, a son, Lyle Thomas, March 28, 2011.


16 Jennifer (Bennetch) ’05 and Zachary Todd ’05, a daughter, Delia Brielle, July 3, 2011.

17 Patricia (Spencer) ’07 and Josh Williard ’07, a daughter, Tiffany Lynne, May 2, 2011.

18 Jaime Gusler ’09 and Joseph Lyons, a son, Collin Samuel, Jan. 18, 2011.


1939 Virginia (Berkstresser) Shoemaker, of Pinehurst, N.C., April 15, 2011.


1948 Harry L. Lytle, of South Williamsport, Pa., Sept. 8, 2011.


1951 John B. Hoffert, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., July 18, 2011.


1954 Betsy Lee (McKay) Commons, of Shelter Island, N.Y., June 26, 2011. Her maternal grandfather was Dr. John Long, former College president.


Sausmikat, who has spent numerous hours in the chapel practicing piano and rehearsing as a member of the choir, absolutely loves the building and passionately believed that it was the one she and Naugle should delve into for their project. “They were adamant about researching Clarke Chapel,” said Alison Gregory ’97, assistant professor and instructional services librarian, who co-teaches the course with Dr. Robert Larson, professor of history. “They did an outstanding job.”

From their research, the duo learned that the building’s namesake was Martha Clarke, an 1862 Williamsport Dickinson Seminary graduate. Her brother, Hopewell, a land baron who also attended the seminary, had left his estate to Clarke, who in turn, gave half her estate to the College, which used the money to help build the chapel. The facility was erected by Williamsport’s Lundy Construction Co., at a cost of $135,000. “What really surprised all of us, even our professors, was the fact that it had a dining hall in the lower level, below the chapel,” said Sausmikat, a history major who aspires to become a museum curator or archivist. “It was very formal compared to the cafeteria today.” When the dining hall was relocated to its current location in the Wertz Student Center in 1959, the former dining space in the chapel was converted to music classrooms and offices. In the late 1970s, a Roman Catholic chapel and the campus ministry center were added to the ground level of Clarke Chapel. Recent renovations have included the addition of an acoustic shell and a four-foot stage extension. Their research also explored rumors that the building is haunted, which could not be confirmed. You are going to be living here for the next four years,” said Naugle. “So it’s really exciting to learn about all the different buildings on campus. And both professors have been great. They co-teach very well together. It’s always fun to get two peoples opinions on one idea.”

According to Naugle and Sausmikat, the class had the honor of reading several manuscript chapters from “Lycoming College 1812-2012: On the Frontiers of American Education,” a forthcoming book by Dr. John F. Piper Jr., dean and professor of history emeritus at Lycoming. He also joined the class on occasion to offer his vast knowledge of the College, where he has worked for more than 40 years, most recently as College historian. “I have been thrilled about using a lot primary sources from the College Archives,” said Sausmikat. “I am learning different techniques and different ways of gathering information that will be so useful later in life and for what I plan to do in my career. I have learned so much, it’s unbelievable.”
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