James E. Douthat
President

Lycoming College’s continued progress was described as “stunning” by the professional team that visited the campus as part of the College’s last accreditation review. They were applauding the creative and hard work of our faculty, students and staff that had resulted in a strengthening of virtually every aspect of the College. The gifts from alumni and other friends, led by the efforts of Chairman Bob Shangraw and the College’s trustees, made such change possible. Today we find Lycoming in a far better position to address the many challenges facing all of higher education. Pulling together to improve the present while planning for the future has already created new opportunities for the College to build upon its strong foundations and traditions started over 193 years ago.

**Stunning Progress**

Every ten years, all colleges and universities are assessed by their accrediting agencies as part of even larger institutional review processes. While every aspect of the schools is studied, the quality of the academic programs and the financial strength necessary to support each institution’s mission are the two areas placed under the microscope for detailed analyses.
Quality of Lycoming’s faculty
Lycoming has remained committed to providing a quality liberal arts and sciences experience led by talented full-time faculty who have earned the highest degrees in their academic areas. Our faculty are excellent teachers who challenge our students to learn and grow intellectually. The College also provides a supportive atmosphere for our students, characterized by the fact of being a residential college.

There are numerous examples of the College’s academic strength and growth. Our Archeology and Culture of the Ancient Near East program, as an example, is attracting interest from applicants throughout the nation. Just last semester, over 30 students enrolled in ancient Greek in preparation for their studies. A key component of the program is Lycoming’s own sponsored archeological dig in Idalion, Cyprus, where many of our students as well as students from other colleges and universities work and learn together each summer.

Lycoming’s Clean Water Institute, founded and led by Biology Professor Mel Zimmerman, continues to gain state and national notoriety. It has attracted significant outside grant funding, and, most importantly, continues to create for our students hands-on research and management experiences. Lycoming faculty remain ardent researchers, publishing ten books and several articles during the past year. Attracting and retaining such quality teachers and scholars is the most critical stone in Lycoming’s foundation for the future.

[Lycoming College] and its people are clearly making a difference by what is done here and the impact is indeed lasting. There is a refreshing humility that people here display; meaningful engagement in lives rather than grandiose public claims is the focus of thinking and activity. Lycoming is truly a temple within, and people here should feel less reticence than we detected for expressing confidence in the quality and character and importance of this fine College. You are, again in Shore’s words, “worth more than you think you are.” Step back, for from up close no worthy cathedral can be fully appreciated. Step back and feel deserved pride in the cathedral that is Lycoming. While we know that, as with the truly great artisan, a sense of humility will still prevail, we also believe you will agree that the accomplishments here are stunning indeed.

(Middle States Visiting Team Report, 2001)
1990 Heim Biology and Chemistry Building dedicated
1990 Over $13 million raised as part of The Campaign for Lycoming College
1990 Institute for Management Studies established
1991 Faculty governance system revision completed
1993 Inaugural Semester Symposium Series offered
1994 Teaching Effectiveness Committee revamped and New Faculty Mentoring Program adopted
1995 Two-year extensive review of distribution and curriculum completed
1996 Campus-wide fiber optics network installed
1997 Templeton Foundation lists Lycoming College on its Honor Roll of Character-Building Colleges
1997 Football team returns to NCAA Division III national championship for 2nd time in the 1990s
1997 New campus entrance and fields added on Market Street
1998 Robert L. Shangraw Athletic Complex dedicated
1999 Wertz Student Center expanded
2001 Visiting Scholars Program instituted
2001 The Carnegie Foundation classifies Lycoming College as National Liberal Arts College
2001 College’s accreditation reaffirmed by Middle States Commission on Higher Education
2001 By-laws and committee organization of the Board of Trustees revised
2004 Endowment and Funds Under Management surpass the $100 million mark
2004 Standard & Poor’s elevates Lycoming College’s bond rating from A- to A
2005 Mary Lindsay Welch Honors Hall completed

Financial Strength
The amount of endowment per student is one standard measure of a college’s ability to provide quality educational experiences for both its current students and for the generations of students to follow. Lycoming’s total funds under management have seen unprecedented growth over the past fifteen years. The College’s total managed funds achieved a new benchmark when they passed the $100 million mark this past June – an accomplishment that represents a quintupling of those investments since 1990. Over $86 million of that amount is endowment with college-held trusts and annuities composing much of the remainder.

One important external affirmation of Lycoming’s financial strength and management came with a recent upgrade of the College’s bond rating from an “A-” to an “A” by Standards and Poor’s. Of the 2500 institutions of higher education in the U.S., only 95 colleges and universities have an “A” or higher rating. Very few small liberal arts colleges are on that impressive list that begins with schools such as Harvard, Princeton and Stanford.

Quality of our Students
Since 1990, the admission standards have strengthened as well. Currently, total enrollment remains near 1500 students, an ideal size for the nature of our programs. The average incoming SAT scores of our freshmen has grown by 60 points over that same period, and the number of students in the Scholars Program has also greatly increased with over 125 students currently enrolled.

The College has witnessed exciting changes in other key quality and satisfaction measures. In 2004, the freshmen-to-sophomore retention rate rose to 87%, a level typically reported only by top tier institutions. We attribute that change to the combination of a strong student population and the personalized attention available to them from faculty and staff. The College’s graduation rate continues to exceed significantly the average rates for both private and public colleges and universities in Pennsylvania and throughout the country.
Assessing and anticipating what is likely to change and creating a plan to affect such change is the goal of Lycoming’s strategic planning efforts.

**Student Demographics**

We know who was born 14, 16 and 18 years ago. As a result, we also know that almost all colleges and universities in the county will face a marked decline in the number of new high school graduates within the next 10 years. The New England states, New York and Pennsylvania are among the areas where significant decreases in high school graduates are expected to begin state-wide by 2009. That decline has already begun in sections of the Midwest and in certain parts of Pennsylvania, most notably in the Pittsburgh area.

The federal government is estimating that within fifteen years 50% of the nation’s 18 year olds will reside in just three states — California, Florida and Texas and many of them will not graduate from high school. The few states with increasing youth populations are struggling to determine how their higher education institutions can afford to receive more students at a time when many more of the students will come from families with incomes too low to pay the rapidly increasing public and private college tuitions. These are problems not only for colleges and for states, but important issues for a nation whose political, social and economic strengths have been built on the assumption of a highly educated population.

Given the fact that 95% of all college students go to a college within 500 miles of their home, the potential impact of a reduced general applicant pool must be the concern of every college located in or near states with declining student populations. Fortunately, Lycoming’s 500-mile circle includes the Baltimore and the Maryland/Northern Virginia region, areas which are projected to experience increases in college-age students throughout the next two decades. Lycoming placed a full-time admissions recruiter in the Baltimore area a few years ago in an effort to expand the College’s existing student markets. This year Maryland students were the third largest contingency in the freshman class, following students from Pennsylvania and New Jersey, but ahead of the total from New York.

**Faculty Hiring Patterns**

Faculty hiring patterns in the United States have already changed dramatically as many colleges experienced declining revenues over the past ten years. Those who remember their college classrooms as being led by experienced members of the faculty will be surprised to learn that in 2001 more than half of all new full-time faculty were new hires.
time faculty at private colleges were hired in non-permanent positions. This new pattern, of course, will function over time to produce fewer and fewer faculty in the associate and full professor ranks. Perhaps, equally as alarming is the increase nationally in the expanded use of part-time faculty and graduate student instructors. Already, the classroom experience in undergraduate higher education has changed from being delivered by full-time, long-term faculty members to a greater reliance on short-term and often part-time faculty. The colleges that are shifting to this new model are not doing so because they believe it is a superior educational approach. Rather, the costs associated with supporting a high percentage of tenured, full-time professors have simply become prohibitive on many campuses.

At Lycoming we have managed to remain financially sound while supporting ninety percent of our faculty in full-time positions. The same percentage hold the highest degrees in their academic fields. Sixty-five percent of our faculty are tenured and ninety percent are in tenure track positions. If Lycoming is able to maintain its traditional faculty patterns, the College will continue to instruct its students in the manner found at the finest colleges and universities. Can the Lycoming financially meet that challenge? The answer to that single question will set the College’s future course.

Increasing Cost of Education

Many critics point to rising tuitions and question the fiscal responsibility of those in management and oversight roles at colleges and universities. Their claim that tuition rates have risen faster than the Consumer Price Index is not only true but has been true since the early 1950’s. Why? Quite simply, good colleges are highly labor-intensive. Spiraling increases in health insurance, the high cost of remaining technology-intensive and the arrival unexpected crises, such as a large jump in oil or gas prices, can have immediate and significantly negative impacts on budgets already loaded with high percentages of fixed expenses.

While many may find it hard to believe, the full cost of the Lycoming educational experience far exceeds our actual tuition revenues. As an institution historically committed to creating life-changing opportunities for all students regardless of their family’s income, few are able to pay the full tuition. As both our auditors and the research team from Standard and Poor’s have pointed out, Lycoming College has worked very hard to control costs and has increased tuition generally at lower rates than our peer institutions.

Differences in Approach

The many challenges noted above are facing all but a handful of the nation’s public and private colleges and universities. Lycoming will move forward into that more complex world of fewer high school graduates, a changing professoriate, higher costs, less government aid and greater need for student financial support. The financial keys to Lycoming’s future success are to be found in three areas: management, endowment growth, and cash flows and future expenses. The College must succeed on all three fronts in order to protect our quality academic program for the benefit of future generations of students.

Management

The College has a conservative management style, characterized by a lean, but
efficient administration and an involved Board of Trustees. Lycoming must focus on its academic mission and on what it does best within its programs. To respond to future challenges appropriately, the College must identify and then be prepared to defend the core priorities of the institution. The results of planning during the past fifteen years have provided the College with the opportunity to face future challenges from a position of greater academic strength and significantly improved financial resources.

The old adage, “If everything is a priority, there are no priorities” signals the first step in planning. The nine faculty and administrators who serve on the Long Range Planning Committee are analyzing institutional and peer college data in an effort to define comparative standards and goals for the College. They are now engaging in the extremely difficult task of defining what matters most in producing a quality Lycoming experience.

We have found that many of our sister institutions have created planning documents that, quite frankly, appear to be little more than wish lists of what they hope to do or plan to build. They present no systematic process to follow to get from Point A to Point B on their journey to improvement. We realize that much more than hope and luck are needed for a college to move forward. Thomas Jefferson may have provided a clue for Lycoming’s continued success when he noted, “The harder I work, the luckier I become.”

The Long Range Planning Committee is not preparing for downsizing or even for a downturn. They are establishing programmatic and financial standards for the College and looking at ways to produce the flexibility necessary to respond to the world in which the College will operate. We believe that by defining and protecting our core priorities, Lycoming College will become more differentiated in the marketplace of higher education and associated with the best academic programs.

**Endowment Growth**

The significant growth in the College’s endowment is not only providing funds to support our current students but also protecting the ability for future students to have the same quality experiences as our current students receive. Continuing endowment growth can be achieved by (1) increasing the financial support of our alumni and friends; (2) controlling annual expenditures; and, (3) careful and thoughtful investments and management of the endowment.

The Board of Trustees of the College is currently planning for the next major capital campaign for Lycoming. As in our last two campaigns, this fund-raising effort is intended to add to the quality of the experiences of current students, as well as to provide the College with financial flexibility necessary to protect its core priorities into the future.

**Watching Cash Flows and Future Expenses**

One of the factors that most impressed our accreditors and the team from Standard and Poors is the College’s financial flexibility gained through both endowment growth and by the careful management of operating expenses. In peer studies, the Lycoming has remained very strong in the percent of expenditures allocated to instruction and continues to be in the lower third of average of expenses in general administration.

To remain strong financially, Lycoming must avoid some of the choices others are making and in doing so, arguably creating more risk for their futures. Many colleges have been lured by low interest floats into taking on too much long-term debt at the very time they are struggling to support their full-time faculty numbers. If their annual debt service costs begin to rise because of an upward movement of interest rates, many colleges may face considerable operational shortfalls. The lesson in all this for Lycoming is that we must watch and manage our current cash flows and strive to limit the financial burdens we may place on future generations. We are currently meeting that challenge or we would not be enjoying our “A” bond rating. Our working policy is to manage the College in such a way as to create intergenerational equity; that is, we want Lycoming’s current students to receive their fair shares of the College’s long-term resources, but we also want to assure a fair share for future generations as well.

**Confidence in the Future**

It is impossible to look into the future clearly, but a carefully managed College, supported by committed faculty, staff, trustees, alumni and other donors, can build on the recent successes at Lycoming. The College, along with all of higher education, will face future problems, but the College has successfully addressed similar challenges before. Lycoming now stands in a solid position, and through careful planning for the future, the best is yet to come for Lycoming College and her students.
When Dr. James E. Douthat became the 14th president of Lycoming College in 1989 at the age of 42, he was the youngest college president in the Mid-Atlantic Conference. Today, while not the oldest in age, Jim Douthat is regarded as the most senior president.

Given that the average tenure of a college president is presently about six years, Dr. Douthat’s decade-and-a-half suggests that he and Lycoming have been a very good fit.

In the College’s history, only two of the institution’s 14 presidents have served longer than Douthat: the Rev. Edward Gray (1875-1905) and Dr. John W. Long (1921-1955). Born in Petersburg, Virginia, Jim Douthat graduated from The College of William and Mary and earned a Master of Divinity, magna cum laude, from The Divinity School at Duke University with some serious thought of college teaching.

His corner office in Long Hall has an academic feel to it. Tightly packed bookcases reach to the ceiling along one entire wall. A bust of fellow William and Mary graduate Thomas Jefferson, whom Dr. Douthat has long studied and admired, occupies a central spot. Tucked away in the bookcase is a small collection of antique lead soldiers, and a globe of the world stands nearby. Dr. Douthat has traveled to 25 different countries.

Academia perhaps lost a college professor when Jim Douthat accepted a position as an Assistant Dean of Students at Duke University right after graduate school. This was during the heyday of student protests, and he found himself frequently called out of bed in the middle of the night to deal with situations. He also found himself both intrigued and challenged enough by college administration to change his career direction.

By 1980, just eight years later, he had become the Dean for Student Life at Duke University and had completed a Doctor of Higher Education Administration degree. That year, he accepted the position of Vice President for Student Life at Albion College, a nationally ranked private liberal arts college in Michigan. There, in nine years’ time, he rose to become the Executive Vice President, the number two position and the chief operating officer of the college.

When he came to Lycoming College in the summer of 1989, Dr. Douthat had considerable experience in college administration despite his relatively young age.
His first impressions of Lycoming have also been lasting ones.

“I was impressed by the beautiful campus. I also found the most committed faculty I had ever encountered,” he says. “Lycoming’s professors had a genuine interest in teaching.”

But while he found Lycoming College to have “a very good academic program, it did not appear to have the financial underpinnings reflective of that quality,” he says.

Relatively new to the building of an endowment, the College had a relatively modest $19 million in investments funds.

While growing financial support has been a major point of Dr. Douthat’s agenda for the College, it has not been his only focus.

The accomplishments during the Douthat years have been impressive. Overall applications have increased 60% while SAT scores of entering freshmen have risen an average of 60 points. The four-year graduation rate is now higher than the five-year rate of most public schools in Pennsylvania and it continues to rise. The College completed a comprehensive curriculum review, created the Institute for Management Studies, established a new faculty governance system, and developed a campus wide IT program. Finally, the financial base (the endowment plus other quasi-endowment funds under the financial management of the College) has grown to $109 million.

The President is quick to credit the members of his cabinet for the College’s success during his fifteen years here, citing James D. Spencer, the Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, who was his first hire in 1989, and Dr. John F. Piper, Jr., the Academic Dean of the College, who has been with him for over a decade.

“We are a unique breed,” Douthat says of the College. “We are committed to a personal liberal arts education that is very faculty intensive and very technology intensive – and, hence, very expensive. We also believe that our delivery method — which includes small classes and substantive interactions with faculty — is the best way to deliver a quality education.”

In 15 years, Dr. Douthat’s perspective has added an external focus to his initial internal focus – a natural evolution. More and more of his time is spent traveling and sharing Lycoming’s success story with alumni, foundation heads and his peers. He is, without a doubt, the College’s best public relations person. He has also served as a director and then, as Board Chairman, of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania, which is comprised of 8% institutional members, and he served two terms as Chair of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council.

The Douthats have, over time, become like “Old Williamsporters,” as well, slipping into community leadership positions. “Because the College was so highly regarded in the community,” says Dr. Douthat, “we were immediately accepted in the community.” The President is currently a director of the Williamsport-Lycoming Chamber of Commerce, WVIA public television and radio corporation and the Susquehanna Regional HealthCare Alliance, and served as a director of Northern Central Bank, and the Keystone Financial Bank. He chaired the county’s United Way Drive in 1999.

Emily Douthat, used to his long days, observes that “Jim Douthat has always been totally committed to every job he has undertaken.”

“This isn’t a job, it is a lifestyle,” says Dr. Douthat. After all, he points out the football games are on weekends. The alumni gatherings are on weekends. There are concerts and honors convocations, new student orientations and visiting lecturers; the life of a college president is never 9 to 5, five days a week.

The Douthats love of travel has been somewhat compromised by the president’s very full schedule. “Cobbling together any extended vacation time has been difficult,” he says. They have managed to travel to Europe and Canada several times, to the Caribbean twice and to Japan. China and Viet Nam are under consideration for future trips.

Despite the hours, the opportunity to serve as a college president for the past 15 years is one that Douthat welcomes. “All people want to feel that what they have done has made a positive difference in the lives of others. I have had the pleasure of working with others here at Lycoming to make this College a stronger institution, to structure a more solid financial base both for today and tomorrow, and perhaps, even to create the opportunity for a different future for the College than what might have been.”

Editor’s note:
The Douthats have been generous benefactors of the College, personally funding three endowed scholarships, a number of special projects and have made deferred gift plans with the College.

In the spring of 1990, Miss Hayden Gwaltney, a retired math teacher in her mid 80s, drove herself from her home in Virginia to Williamsport, Pa., to see her former high school student, James Douthat, inaugurated as President of Lycoming College.

A week later, she sent the College a check for $1,000 to begin an endowed scholarship. The investment was a large one considering her limited financial circumstances as a retired schoolteacher.

“Miss Gwaltney loved to teach mathematics and geometry, and so enjoyed working with her students,” recalls Dr. Douthat. “She was a warm and friendly teacher who was interested in her students and available every school day afternoon to tutor those who needed her extra help.”

Shortly after her trip to Williamsport, Miss Gwaltney became incapacitated and passed away. Jim and Emily Douthat themselves continued to support the growth of the scholarship and decided that it should be named for her. Today the Hayden Gwaltney Endowed Scholarship is awarded to a promising math student who plans to become a high school teacher.
When Emily Douthat moved into the President’s House on Grampian Boulevard 15 years ago, she was pleased to find that her furniture fit quite nicely. The traditional style matched the older home, and there was even a place for the large dining room table bought early in the Douthat marriage—a table that she never imagined would remain fully extended to accommodate the 12 to 14 people who would frequently come to dinner.

Just as neatly as their furniture, the Douthats slipped comfortably into both the campus and the Williamsport community.

Emily quickly became involved as a member of the Williamsport Symphony Orchestra Board as well as the Arts Council Board. Her particular interests centered on education, however. Over the years she has worked tirelessly for the Williamsport Area School District by serving on the Gifted Education Task Force and the Gifted Advisory Committee. In addition, she has served on the Social Studies Curriculum Development and the Block Scheduling Exploratory Committees.

When she came to Williamsport, her children were young. She had graduated from the College of Arts and Sciences, Duke University, with a degree in sociology and had been a social worker for seven years before having children. However, she chose to put her concentration into their young family. “When Mark was born, I was smitten, and I have to admit that my children fascinate me.”

Since the early years, Mark and Anna have been fixtures at Saturday football games and other events, as Emily tried to coordinate family life with her husband’s long hours and frequent trips.

“I think we realized that you can’t put your children’s childhoods into escrow,” says Emily. So she began the balancing act of raising a family and becoming what she calls “a committed volunteer” for the College. She is careful to say that she is just one of the “many, many people who are really committed to this institution and the students here.”

Emily shares her husband’s vision about the power of education. “Who could not believe in the value of education, especially when one sees what it can mean to the students here. And Lycoming College does its work very well.

Coming as we did from the outside, the strengths of Lycoming College were so obviously apparent to us from the beginning—perhaps more so than to those who had lived here all their lives.”

Over the years, she has had the opportunity to interact with lots of students. Highlights of her tenure at Lycoming include traveling with the Tour Choir on a Spring Break tour to the Midwest and with the soccer team on a summer trip to England. She also counts among her treasured moments, the annual brunch with members of the Heritage Club (those who have graduated 50 or more years ago). “Their stories are wonderful and they have such a great feeling for the history of this institution,” she says.

She has also had the opportunity to meet a variety of speakers and special guests who have come to the College. She recalls one dinner with Clarence Dart, one of the WWII Tuskegee airmen, and his granddaughter, Kristen Dart, a Lycoming student, during which the elder Dart spoke candidly about racial discrimination in that era.

Emily takes most satisfaction in seeing the transformation of so many Lycoming College students. “It is wonderful to see the power of change and the growth of students during their four years at Lycoming.”

Change has come to her as well. This year she has found herself as an empty-nester. Daughter, Anna, is a freshman at Princeton, while son, Mark, a graduate of Bates, is beginning a career in banking.

“This is a transition time for me,” she says, “but it comes with new opportunities.” For example, she is looking forward to accompanying her husband on his annual trip to visit alumni in Florida.

While Emily Douthat represents the institution on so many occasions as either hostess or guest at a function, it is something she does with easy warmth and charm. She has a marvelous capacity to remember names and the details of people’s lives, and she moves easily between age groups and diverse interests.

At the same time, she also relishes her private moments, like the early morning workouts in the Recreation Center.
Hosting The Republican Convention

By Emily Hammer '05

Editor’s note: Emily Hammer interned for the Host Committee of New York City, which was responsible for the logistics of the Republican National Convention.

Last March, I found myself trying to find a summer internship. I live just outside New York City, and while I had the benefit of a lot of possibilities, the competition was very stiff.

When a friend mentioned that a Host Committee had been set up to plan the details of the Republican National Convention in New York at the end of August, I jumped at the chance and was lucky enough to be offered an internship position in the communication department.

From day one, my experience with the Host Committee was amazing. I was given the opportunity to work on all aspects of the convention, from delegate services to volunteer coordination. One of my most important projects was the Official Convention Commemorative Book. I was responsible for overseeing the editorial process, working with the publisher, and determining subject matter. In the actual book, I’m credited as one of the editors, and it was truly gratifying to have created a piece of Republican Party history.

Since this was the first time that New York City hosted the Republican Convention, it was important to show the delegates the best that New York had to offer. To do this, I coordinated an Ambassador Program that matched each delegation with a New York City expert who acted as a personal guide to the Big Apple. I helped to coordinate a hospitality program for the delegates that ensured round-the-clock personalized concierge service for each delegation hotel.

When I began working for the convention, it was May, and the convention, August 30 to September 2, was just around the corner. Because of the time crunch, I usually worked fourteen-hour days of non-stop running all over Manhattan for meetings, press events and volunteer recruitment events. Because I was responsible for the Ambassador Program, I had to develop a training program. I found myself in the city at 7 a.m. on weekends training the soon-to-be ambassadors or conducting interviews and often not getting home until late at night.

While the schedule was hectic, I also got to do a lot of fun things with my time. I helped to coordinate a press conference with former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, was invited to have brunch at Gracie Mansion (the official residence of the Mayor of New York City) with current mayor Michael Bloomberg, and sat in on a Public Service Announcement shoot with former mayor Ed Koch and a 6,000 pound elephant!

As the convention began to get closer and closer, I got to visit with Jenna and Barbara Bush, New York Governor George Pataki, and even George Bush # 41. During the week of the convention, I worked in the Farley Post Office Building, where 15,000 members of the media covering the convention were given workspace. There I arranged a team of professional concierges from New York’s best hotels to ensure that the members of the press had everything they needed, from photographs of the statue of liberty to dinner reservations at Le Cirque. It was unreal having a desk only a few feet away from legends like Ted Koppel and Helen Thomas!

Each night, I had passes to go to the convention floor, the very heart of the convention. It was truly inspirational to see so many people come together for a cause that they believed in. It was interesting to see how each delegation celebrated their state and their patriotism; the Oklahoma delegation gave an impromptu rendition of their state song one night, and some members of the Texas delegation wore red, white and blue sequined outfits every day.

Getting to see Laura Bush and the President speak at the convention was definitely the most memorable moment of my
whole experience. When I was searching for an internship in March, I never dreamed I would end up getting to hear the President speak in person, from only a few feet away.

While working with the media and attending the convention were fun, the delegation parties after the convention sessions were unbelievable. The first night of the convention, each delegation saw a Broadway show. I was lucky enough to go with Texas and Oklahoma to see *42nd Street* from my own private balcony. The orchestra surprised the delegations with their state songs before the show, and Rudy Giuliani welcomed the delegates in person.

Governor Pataki held a series of parties throughout the week, including receptions at Tavern on the Green, The Copacabana and Madame Tussaud’s Wax Museum, and Jenna and Barbara Bush held a huge party at Roseland Ballroom.

I feel incredibly fortunate to have been part of a monumental event not only for the Republican Party, but also for New York City. While I worked harder than I ever imagined, I experienced and learned more in different areas of business, event planning, public relations and politics than I ever imagined in one very short summer.

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Lycoming College Democrats

and Michele Connors’06, President

Michele Connors, a junior English literature major from Weatherly, Pa., never saw herself as a political activist or president of the Lycoming College Democrats when she signed up for the organization her freshman year.

“Both my parents are lifelong Democrats. I wanted to learn more about why I was a Democrat,” said Michele.

During Michele’s freshman year, the Lycoming College Democrats held one event and numbered about five active members. At the end of the year, Michele was chosen to be president of the organization. Two years later and in the advent of a hotly contested Presidential election, the organization found itself with 45 members.

The college group worked closely with the young Democrats of Lycoming County headed by Sara Rider ’99.

Michele learned a lot about John Kerry and did a lot of research on his stand on the war, taxes and medicare.

The campus Democrats organized voter registrations and handed out absentee ballot applications. On Saturday, October 23, they participated in Volunteer Day for Kerry—16 hours of door-to-door canvassing in Lycoming County where they not only asked people for Kerry’s vote, they distributed yard signs and bumper stickers to Kerry supporters and answered questions from his non-supporters. Not a natural speaker, Michele was amazed to discover how much she knew about her candidate as she fielded questions after question.

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Lycoming College Republicans and Luis Hernandez ’06, President

Election Day 2004 lasted 23½ hour for Luis Hernandez, president of the Lycoming College Republicans. Up at 5:00 a.m. that day to help out at the polls, he ended the day at 4:30 a.m. the next morning when Ohio and Florida were safely in the red zone for President George W. Bush.

Hernandez, a junior political science major, transferred into Lycoming College his sophomore year to find just three people in the College Republicans organization. “You get to be president,” one of the three members told Luis, and so he was.

Not from a particularly politically active family, Hernandez found his love for politics in the 11th grade when he had a school assignment to analyze FDR’s New Deal. He wrote a negative report on the New
Deal and his teacher told him he had spoken like a true conservative.

“I didn’t know what that meant,” says Luis. He investigated and also found the political party that matched his views. Later, he used his persuasive powers to convince his parents to change from Democrat to Republican.

In high school, the Owings Mills, Maryland, resident worked on the Robert Erlich campaign for governor in his win over Kathleen Kennedy Townsend.

“We beat a Kennedy,” Hernandez gloats.

At the height of this past Presidential campaign, Hernandez headed up 69 student Republicans. They were able to attend a rally for Bush in Wilkes-Barre and became volunteer ticket-takers at the Cheney fly-in visit to Williamsport. They also participated in the 72-hour campaign the weekend before the election, going door to door reminding people to vote.

Hernandez loves crunching numbers and helped Dr. Jonathan Williamson’s class complete two regional surveys this fall. This will probably not be Luis’s last campaign. “I definitely want to work for the government,” he says. Perhaps in the Office of the House Majority or with a governmental agency like FEMA, or—suggests this huge fan of the television series West Wing—-as a press secretary.

**M.C. Daly**

### Election Reflections

#### The Politics Behind the News

By Dr. Jonathan Williamson

With the election now behind us, it is now time to reflect on what the results mean for the future of national politics. How does the Democratic Party regroup to better compete in coming elections? Do President Bush and the Republican Party have a mandate to enact their agenda in the coming months?

In Pennsylvania, the Democrats held off the onslaught of presidential visits and a highly organized Republican get-out-the-vote effort to win the state convincingly for Senator Kerry. The Rendell model of combining the urban Democratic vote with victories in Philadelphia suburbs has proven to be enduring. While Republicans continue to hold an advantage in the state’s legislative delegations, the Democratic statewide success may foretell a future Democratic resurgence if Republicans begin to lose the advantages of incumbency and their power over the redistricting process.

Outside Pennsylvania, good news was rare for the Democratic Party. While they appeared to gain a slight edge in the nation’s state legislatures and held even in gubernatorial elections, at the end of the day Democrats not only lost the presidential race, but also lost seats in the United States Senate and the House of Representatives. They have now won only two of the last seven presidential elections and have failed to win control of either chamber in Congress for a decade.

The Democratic Party, in their struggles to choose new party leaders, must undergo a difficult soul-searching process to find a way to regain their competitiveness in the national political arena. The party’s problems are multifaceted. They are not competitive in vast stretches of Middle America. They are weakest in the parts of the country growing the fastest. Their advantages in the Northeast, Upper Midwest and Pacific Coast will become even less relevant as the Sunbelt and the so called exurbs (the very outer suburbs) continue to grow.

While Republicans have held an advantage among Protestant evangelicals for nearly two decades, this election provides evidence the disconnect between the Democratic Party and religious voters is growing. John Kerry, himself a Catholic, lost the Catholic vote with his disadvantage the widest among the Catholics who attend service regularly. If this trend among the religious were to continue, one could envision a time when religious African-Americans might begin to seek alternatives to the Democratic Party based on issues of faith rather than their traditional concern with economics and civil rights.

The path to reconnect with these segments of the population is not clear. Already, we have begun to see in-fighting between Democrats who see the problem as not providing a clear enough liberal vision for voters and those who argue that the party is too
ideologically extreme. The conventional wisdom in American politics is that it is better to hold the middle ground, but with the losses the Democrats realized, finding moderate Democrat leaders to drive that point home became more difficult. As the Democrat base becomes more consolidated in the nation’s urban centers, the party is likely to shift to the left, not to the middle.

On the other hand, while the Republicans should find satisfaction in their success, they should not become complacent about the future. They have assembled a working majority in national politics, but it is small. In 2000, it was obvious that no mandate existed, but I would argue that in nearly any election, real mandates are hard to come by. Sure, President Bush will do what any victor should do and attempt to persuade others that the election results are a ringing endorsement of his plans for the country. In reality, however, he won the votes of a coalition of people who cast their votes for a wide range of reasons; many of his supporters have serious questions about particular aspects of his agenda.

Four years ago, according to a lead observer of national politics, we were a 49% nation with no majority party. He argued that for anything to be accomplished, the two parties must work to find a middle ground. In this year’s election, Republicans found a way to assemble a slight majority. Yet, even with all that the country has been through over the last four years, it is important to note that the underlying divisions in American politics remain the same. If Republicans overplay their hand, they risk giving the Democrats an opening in the 2006 Congressional and 2008 Presidential elections.

Williamson is an Assistant Professor of Political Science at Lycoming College. This column is part of a weekly feature by Williamson in the Webb Weekly.

Dr. Jonathan Williamson

Dr. Williamson’s class conducted two surveys prior to the presidential election. Each survey asked registered voters in the 5th and 10th Congressional Districts of Pennsylvania for whom they would likely vote. The results received local media coverage. The two Districts covered Bradford, Cameron, Centre, Clarion, Clearfield, Clinton, Elk, Forest, Jefferson, Lackawanna (outside Scranton), Luzerne (outside Wilkes-Barre), Lycoming, McKean, Mifflin, Montour, Northumberland, Pike, Potter, Snyder, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, Union, Venango, Warren, Wayne and Wyoming counties.

SAVE THE DATE!
Special Choir Reunion.
Check the alumni page on the Lycoming College website.

http://www.lycoming.edu/alumni/
Lycoming College welcomed back its alumni for Homecoming on September 17-19, 2004, under the theme “Go for the Gold and Blue” in honor of the summer Olympics.

4 Alumni Award Winners

The Angela R. Kyte Outstanding Alumnus Award: The Honorable Clinton W. Smith ’55, senior judge, who has had an distinguished legal and judicial career.

The Outstanding Achievement Award: Mr. Stephen Cramer ’97, winner of the National Poetry Award, and Mr. Phillip C. Zimmerman ’02, winner of a Fulbright Fellowship, now working with The Jim Lehrer NewsHour.

The Dale V. Bower Service Award: Mr. Robert L. Shangraw ’58 who has served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for 15 years during which time he has been a major leader as well as benefactor of the College.

21-13 Lycoming Wins Over Wilkes College

The Lycoming College football team scored three touchdowns in the final 3:42 of the game to come from behind and stun visiting Wilkes University!

6 Inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame

1+1 Homecoming Queen

Emily Lubold, a corporate communications major from Shamokin, Pa., and president of the Student Senate, was crowned 2004 Homecoming Queen by Marsha McQuate, the 2003 Homecoming Queen. Absent is Homecoming King, John Casciano, a philosophy major from Oak Ridge, New Jersey, who was involved in a charity run that day.
by the numbers
No. 96 Retired by Chemistry Department as Brian Belz Returns as Featured Speaker

Brian Belz ‘96 returned this year as the speaker for the annual William and Barbara Haller Endowed Lecture in biology and chemistry, where he spoke on “Real-Time Control in Drug Production-Process Analytical Technology in the Pharmaceutical Industry.” The Chemistry Department surprised him by “retiring his number”—his class year in this case—for his outstanding service to the Department. Belz, with matching funds from employer Merck, gives a scholarship each year to a chemistry student. This is the second number to be retired by the Chemistry Department: “72” was retired several years ago to honor Steve Stout, who has been exceptionally helpful to the department in a number of ways.

12 Return for Alumni Art Exhibition

A dozen young alumni artists—class years ranging from 1997 to 2003—returned to campus for a special alumni exhibition.

\[ \text{The exhibition featured the work of from left to right: Jodi Hebel ’03, Morrisdale, Pa.; James States ’02, Watsontown, Pa.; Camille Orelli ’02, Williamsport, Pa.; Jason Shipley ’99, Falls Church, Va.; Brian Spies ’02, Williamsport, Pa.; Jon Kohr ’97, Schwenksville, Pa.; Amanda Holmes Eisner ’00, Williamsport, Pa.; Sara Dvern ’01, Mount Carmel, Pa.; Jeff Cooley ’98, Williamsport, Pa. Absent from photo: Leah Reitz ’03, Longhorne, Pa.; David Geer ’02, Unadilla, N.Y., and Andrea McDonough ’03, Edgewood, Md.}\]

Winning 3-some in Alumni Golf Tournament

On a day that gave new meaning to “water hazard,” 58 braved the remnants of Hurricane Ivan to finish the shortened 9-holes of tournament play.

Under the circumstances, great golf was played. First place came down to a match of the cards. Posting an amazing score of 9 under par (27) that included 5 birdies and one bogey, and a double eagle 2 on a par five was the team of Alan Cohick ’67, Mike Chianelli ’68, and Dr. Robert Chianelli ’60.

With an identical score of 9 under par (27), but taking second on the match of the cards, was the team of Roger Crebs ’87, Jeff Harris ’85, and Tim Brown ’84.

Dodie Heller Teufel from the Class of 1954 presented Dr. Douthat with a check for $6,208, a special gift to the College in honor of the Class’ s 50th Anniversary.

$6,208 Gift from the Class of 1954

$6,068 Gift from the Class of 1979

Celebrating its 25th Anniversary Year Reunion, the Class of 1979 gave the College a gift of $6,068, presented by Ken Holdren.
300 + Attend the Post Game Reception

After the football game, alumni met classmates and friends at the post-game reception in Pennington Lounge.

attended a special President’s Dinner on Homecoming evening. Each table was staffed by a student scholarship recipient.

11 Attend Heritage Club Brunch

Eleven Heritage alumni (who graduated 50 or more years ago), spouses and friends gathered at a special Sunday Brunch hosted by President and Mrs. Douthat.

Heritage Club Seated: Bernie Wilmarth Herlt ’54, Dodie Heller Teufel ’54, Dot Ferrell Sandmeyer ’43, Julia Cornelius, Shallimar L. Sholley Beshore ’51

1812 Society Gathered for President’s Dinner

The 1812 Society, comprised of leadership donors who have given $1,000 or more during the fiscal year,

Theta Chi Comes Back for Reunion

There were brothers by the dozens! Theta Chi made the Williamsport Holiday Inn its headquarters with a Friday night hospitality suite and a Saturday night reunion dinner. Special thanks to Gary Spies’72 for organizing the weekend. The fraternity also had a special tent at the football game.
Richard Mase Named Trustee of Lycoming College

Richard D. Mase of Montoursville has been named to the Board of Trustees of Lycoming College.

Mr. Mase graduated from Lycoming College in 1962 with a B.A. in psychology and a minor in business and was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity. Now semi-retired, he has been a self-employed businessman for over 35 years, involved in a number of energy-related companies. He is a trustee of the Marsha Mase Foundation and the Wheel Inn, a sporting club in Roaring Branch.

Mr. Mase previously served as a Lycoming College Trustee from 1987 to 1991. He and his wife, Sylvia, live in Montoursville.

Lycoming Gets an A

Standard & Poor’s rating service elevated Lycoming College’s bond rating from A- to A, very high praise for Lycoming’s overall fiscal management. Lycoming is one of just 95 institutions of higher education with an A rating or better and one of the relatively few liberal arts colleges in the A category.

Grants & Awards

$10,000 to Clean Water Institute

The Lycoming College Clean Water Institute, directed by Dr. Mel Zimmerman, received a $10,000 Growing Greener Grant (for 2005-2007) from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The grant will establish a watershed advisory group for the 77-mile ribbon of the lower West Branch of the Susquehanna River (between Lock Haven and Sunbury.)

The project will coordinate efforts of the colleges and universities in the corridor—including Lycoming College, Lock Haven University, Bucknell University, and Susquehanna University—to work together with other watershed groups in monitoring water quality and assessing water resources.

Since the Clean Water Institute was established at Lycoming College in 1999, over $200,000 worth of grants have been used to support the efforts of nine watershed groups.

$2,444 to Brilliant Corners

Brilliant Corners: A Journal of Jazz & Literature, founded and edited by Dr. Sascha Feinstein, chair of the English department and co-director of the Creative Writing Program at Lycoming College, was awarded a grant for $2,444.00 from the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts.

Exemplary Teaching Award

Dr. Philip Sprunger, Associate Professor of Economics, received the Exemplary Teaching Award for 2004 from the Board of Higher Education and Ministry of the United Methodist Church.

New Café

Lycoming officially opened Jazzman’s Café in Pennington Lounge on September 30, with a special jazz reception from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. that featured the Sascha Feinstein Jazz Quartet, with Dr. Feinstein on sax.

Look Who’s Back

John Maiolo ’60 returned to campus for Homecoming weekend and took time out to do a book signing for his latest book, Hard Times and a Nickel a Bucket: Struggle and Survival in North Carolina’s Shrimp Industry, at Otto’s bookstore. He also visited a sociology class at Lycoming and met up with football coach, John Maiolo ’60.

John Maiolo ’60
Frank Girardi, with whom he had played high school football.

Victoria’s Music, part of the Music at Lycoming series, brought Glenn Klein’94 and Bernadette Ulrich Boerckel ’99 back to campus as they reprised a mini-version of Gilbert & Sullivan’s Mikado that included Anna Heffner ’07 and five other singers.

The Lycoming College Theatre Department sponsored the residency of Highwire Productions, a professional theatre company based in New York City that brought Mary Ethel Schmidt ’76 and the comedy Boston Marriage by David Mamet to the Mary L. Welch Theatre, September 24 & 25. Schmidt directed Boston Marriage and conducted several workshops while on campus.

Fall Symposium Looks at Religion in America

Lycoming College’s fall symposium on Religious Pluralism in 21st Century America. The Symposium began with an Interfaith Panel discussion and the showing of Left Behind: The Movie. Dr. Robert Edgar ’65, the General Secretary of the National Council of Churches, spoke on “Preemptive Interfaith Dialogue in a World of Change.” The symposium concluded with an appearance by TV star-turned-evangelist Kirk Cameron. Cameron, who portrayed Mike Seaver on Growing Pains in the 1980s, is now host and co-producer of The Way of the Master series. The program was organized by Cynthia Betz, a senior religion and communication major from Mendham, N.J.

Voices on Campus

Renowned Archaeologist

World renowned archaeologist Dr. William Dever, professor emeritus of Near Eastern Archaeology and Anthropology at the University of Arizona, spoke on the Bible and archaeology at Lycoming as part of a week-long residency. Dr. Dever received his bachelor of arts in religion.

An Interfaith Panel included Marvin Hurwitz, member and former President of Temple Beth Ha Shalom (Reform Judaism); Father Stephen McGough from St. Boniface Roman Catholic Church, Rev. Andrew France of Trinity Episcopal Church, Mrs. Zooska Rajjoub, member of the Islamic Community in Williamsport, and Rev. Ken Weiss, Pastor of First Church of Christ, with organizer Cynthia Betz.
from Milligan College and went on to earn degrees in Semitics, Hebrew and Greek, and Syro-Palestine Archaeology from Butler University, Christian Theological Seminary and Harvard University respectively.

Active in the field of Biblical archaeology since 1955, Dr. Dever has led and supervised over ten field research and excavation projects in Jordan and Israel. He also served as the director of the Harvard Semitic Museum for Hebrew Union College excavations at Gezer from 1966 to 1971. He is credited with training the present generation of archaeologists.

**Biblical Expert**

Dr. Robert J. Miller, associate professor of religion at Juniata College, talked about “The Historical Jesus and the Kingdom of God.”

**Bell Communications Executive**

As part of the James W. Harding Executive Series, William O. Albertini, former CFO of Bell Atlantic Corporation spoke about Corporate Governance in October to the College’s Institute for Management Studies.

The James W. Harding lecture series is named for a 1938 graduate who retired as Chairman of Kemper Financial. Albertini is married to Katherine Keliher Albertini ’66.

**Writer Reads**

Novelist and short story writer Ron Hansen read a selection of his own fiction on October 28, 2004. His first novel was Desperadoes, which was followed by The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford, Mariette in Ecstasy, Atticus, and Hitler’s Niece.

**Organized Crime Expert**

Dr. Alan Block, professor of Administration of Justice at the Pennsylvania State University, spoke on organized crime for the Larry Strauser Endowed Lecture on Oct 26. Block has written a dozen books and is an internationally recognized expert on the subject. He has served as a consultant to the U.S. and Dutch governments as well as consultant to several television documentaries.

**Hand in Hand**

Freshmen hosted a party for Best Buddies and Special Olympics people in the new recreation center on October 24. This is one of several community service projects by the Class of 2008.

**Chinese Artist Exhibits in Gallery**

Lampo Leong, an artist who grew up in China and who is a graduate of Guangzhou Fine Art Institute, exhibited his work in the Lycoming College Art Gallery from October 21 – November 22. Leong fuses calligraphy and painting into a unique art form.
Since he arrived on the Lycoming College campus in 1993, Dr. Phil Sprunger knew that Williamsport was where he wanted to work. Born and raised in Kansas, Dr. Sprunger was fascinated by the differences between his Midwestern hometown and the Lycoming College community. “I liked the historic buildings, the old-world feel of the town really appealed to me,” Dr. Sprunger said of his first impression of Williamsport and Lycoming College. He is now involved in restoring one of the city’s Victorian homes.

Dr. Sprungers has been an active member of the Lycoming Community ever since.

“I really like going to see students involved in the areas of campus outside of the Economics Department. It’s a great feeling to see the students you have in class passionate about something else, like an athletic team, or onstage at the theatre.” In fact, Sprunger says one of his favorite things about teaching is watching a student discover what his passion is, whether it is economics or art history, and pursuing it.

Sprunger is also a history buff. One of his favorite hobbies includes finding old postcards and books about Lycoming College (or its predecessor institutions) and Williamsport on eBay. He estimates that he’s also purchased around thirty or more Lycoming artifacts for the College Archives.

Sprunger is an active member of the Lycoming Community ever since.
August 28–Alumni Soccer Games
Soccer Alumni pitted their skills against the current men’s and women’s soccer teams in a pre-season warm-up game on August 28. The scores? Alumni lived!

August 31, 2004
Williamsport Crosscutters Lycoming Alumni Outing
Alumni and friends gathered for a Crosscutters baseball game. President and Mrs. Douthat joined in the activities. Special thanks goes to Mindy (Bierly) Gunn ’94 for coordinating the event. Alumni in attendance were Julia (Keller) Alters ’71, Ronald Blatchley ’65, Rick Felix ’56, James Gold ’54, Andrew Gutkowski ’03, Tia Magargle ’00, Eugene Landon ’57, Mark ’97 and Dana (Dinger) ’98 Rice, LeRoy Simpson ’50, Gary Spies ’72, Jean (Alpert) Staiman ’47, Jerry Stauffer ’74, Lee ’61 and Carol (Harris) ’63 Waltz, Brian Wingard ’98, Staci Young ’03, and Greg ’99 and Katie (Wuestner) ’00 Bell

October 16, 2004
Greater Philly Post-Game Gathering at The Madison
Alumni and students gathered after the Lycoming vs. Delaware Valley football game. Special thanks goes to Joe Bunce ’63 for coordinating this event! Lycoming was represented by Bobby Allen ’99, Phil Anders ’65, Regina Annunziata ’05, Brian Belz ’96, Joe Bunce ’63, Chris DeHart ’02, Kerrilee Morton-DeHart ’03, Nick DiMaria ’03, Emily DiMarco ’04, Denise Drosdak ’05, Joe Feerrarr ’02, Sean Hennigar ’04, Andrew Miller ’04, Ryan Rupprecht ’02 and Tim Schmidt ’04.
October 16, 2004  
First Ever Pittsburgh Gathering
Alumni from Ohio and Pennsylvania gathered for the first time at Buca Di Beppo in Pittsburgh! The group had excellent food and an excellent time. Special thanks goes to Heather Duda ’98 for putting the event together. Events are now being planned for Pittsburgh and Ohio! Alumni in attendance included Jennifer Behun ’89, Jeffrey Edgerton ’90, Heather Duda ’98, Lucy (Dersham) Fesler ’65, Amanda Gates ’89, Nancy (Goetz) Jones ’78, Jennifer (Schmidt) Koehl ’95, Kelly (Sprow) Pavelek ’99, Robert Schaaf ’86, Jay Tray ’69, Amy Turner ’98 and Dena Vrabel ’85.

November 6, 2004  
Greater Philly Post-Game Gathering at Bootlegger’s
Thanks again to Joe Bunce ’63. We had yet another successful post-game gathering after the Lycoming vs. Widener game. In attendance were: Phil Anders ’65, Regina Annunziata ’05, Joe Bunce ’63, Brian Connors ’04, Mike Controvich ’02, Tim Deasey ’02, Mike DelBuono ’03, Ed Dougherty ’92, Andy Durkin ’94, Bill Eddis ’93, Joe Feerar ’02, Mike Flaherty ’88, Jack Geisel ’86, Joe Gillespie ’91, Steve Goodwin ’92, Lindsey Guiles ’03, R.J. Kreutzer ’03, John McBabe ’82, Sean McGinley ’04, Joelyn Mengel ’03, Andrew Miller ’04, Pat Padden ’92, Lisa Pease ’05, Tom Pietrzak ’88, Ryan Rupprecht ’02, Tim Schmidt ’04, Cory Sheridan ’93, Matt Staffaroni ’02, Ryan Steele ’02 and Matthew Ulrich ’03.

Alumni Volunteers
▼ Andy Bucke ’71 mans a table at a College Fair for Lycoming College—just one of the ways volunteers are making a difference.
Alumni Awards Call for Nominations

Do you know of an alumna or alumnus who has achieved something very special, provided outstanding service to Lycoming College or demonstrated a lifetime of service to humanity? Please provide us with your nominations for the 2005 Alumni Awards, which will be presented at the Homecoming Awards Brunch on September 24, 2005.

Deadline for 2005 nominations is January 15, 2005. All nominations received after this date will be considered for the 2006 Alumni Awards.

The Alumni Association Executive Board encourages all alumni to make nominations for the awards on a continual basis. For detailed descriptions of the awards, a list of previous winners and to nominate someone for the Annual Alumni Awards, please visit: http://www.lycoming.edu/alumni/icaa/awards.htm. Any questions can be directed to the Alumni Office at 570-321-4134 or alumni@lycoming.edu.

Alumni Survey – Your Feedback is Needed!

In the early spring you will receive an opinion survey from the Alumni Office. Please help us to enhance Lycoming’s outreach efforts by completing the survey and providing us with your opinions and ideas.

The survey will be mailed to you, but you will also have the option of completing the survey online at the Lycoming alumni website.

Alumni Directory

We will begin working on the next edition of the Harris Directory. This will be a complete and up-to-date reference of all Lycoming College alumni. While you may purchase a copy of the directory, there is no charge to be in it. Look for information on this in the fall.
Lycoming College Magazine. Information received after November 1, 2004, will be in a future issue of the Lycoming College Magazine.

**Send news to:**
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- b) Lycoming College
- c) e-mail: alumni@lycoming.edu
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**Dickinson Seminary and Junior College**

Miriam Birchard Hoadley reports that she is still teaching piano and organ to 14 students and has been teaching since she graduated. Miriam is currently residing in Lewisburg, Pa.

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Congratulations to Patricia and Rev. John D. O’Neill (English) on the observance of their 50th wedding anniversary on July 14, 2004, with a trip to Alaska via air, land and sea. John reports that it was an eye-opening experience, especially in respect to the Yukon Gold Rush. They are still residing in Cornwall Manor, a retirement community near Lebanon, Pa. The V.P. of Operations is Steve B. Kracke ’76, and John reports he is very competent!

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Delores Carnill Benson (music) had planned to attend Homecoming, but at the last minute, events prevented her from attending. She particularly remembers Professor Walter McIver. Delores and her husband, Bruce, reside in Clifton Park, N.Y.

Charles Fullmer (social studies) and his wife, Margaret, continue to enjoy retirement in Michigan and in Apache Junction, Arizona.

Rev. James Gold (psychology) went from Lycoming to Lancaster Theological Seminary, where he received a Master of Divinity degree. He is still actively involved in the work of the Church at First Lutheran Church of Mifflinburg where, as Associate Pastor (a part-time position in retirement), he participates in the liturgy each week, and preaches about sixteen times a year. Jim also does pastoral work. He particularly remembers Professors Roger Cogswell, Oliver Harris, Donald Remley, James Sheaffer, James Milton Skeath, James Sterling, Helen Weidman and others. He also remembers staff members, Emily Bichle, Nellie Gorgas, Kenneth Himes, William Hoffman (Dean), Lawrence Lykens and others. Jim and his wife, Eleanor, attended the class reunion activities of the 2004 Homecoming.

Bernadine Wilmarth Herlt and her husband, George, participated in the class reunion activities of the 2004 Homecoming. Her memories from Lycoming include Professor James Sterling. She also remembers the a cappella choir, being on the Women’s Dormitory Council, the great meals in the dining hall, and meeting friends at the snack bar and at George’s. Bernie and her husband reside in Greenville, Texas.

Joan Thompson Knaus was unable to attend the Homecoming activities this year. Joan and her husband, Clarence, reside in Montoursville, Pa.

Congratulations to Coleen (Jenkins) and Robert Lenig on the observance of their 50th wedding anniversary on May 22, 2004. Coleen was unable to attend Homecoming this year, but remembers Professor Walter McIver. Coleen worked part-time at Saint James United Church of Christ in Danville, Pa.

H. Franklin Little (biology), after graduation from Lycoming, earned a Ph.D. at Penn State. After earning his Ph.D., his first academic position was four years on the biology faculty at West Virginia Wesleyan College. Most of Frank’s career was with the University of Hawaii at Hilo, where he served 33 years, and enjoyed the many volcanic, marine, and sociological wonders of the islands. Frank has special memories of Professors Shortess and Howe. Frank and his wife, Pamela, participated in the class reunion activities during Homecoming.

Lawrence “Larry” Lundy (history) was unable to attend Homecoming activities, but remembers Professors Walter McIver, Loring Priest, and Helen B. Weidman. Larry also remembers concert tours with the choir.

June Platz Owen remembers Professor Larrabee and Coach George Baer. June was involved in Women’s Athletic Association, intramural volleyball and swimming. June and her husband, John, reside in Southport, Conn.

Logan Richmond (accounting) joined the faculty at Lycoming the same year he graduated, and taught accounting, investments, and economic geography until his retirement in 1988. Logan became a full professor in 1973 after becoming a CPA (Certified Public Accountant) in 1962. Logan remembers the high quality of the professors he had and mentions in particular Professor James Shaffer. Logan and his wife, Margaret, participated in the class reunion activities of the 2004 Homecoming.

Stuart Samuels (art) went into the army for two years...
after graduating from Lycoming. He went on to art school in Philadelphia where he met and married his wife, Ruth, and had two girls, Linda and Sandy. Stuart had his own graphic design studio in Philadelphia and in 2002 moved to Florida where he is still designing graphics.

Profs Stu has special memories of include: John Chandler, Roger Cogswell, John Hollenback, Frances Knight, Loring Priest, Donald Remley and Robert Smith.

Ruth Pannebaker Snyder has retired to Florida and is thankful that she was not directly harmed by Hurricane Charlie or Hurricane Frances.

Donna Ertel Spitler (art) now lives in Ohio. Donna and her husband, Thomas ’55, attended the 2004 Homecoming activities.

Dorothy Carr Teter of West Chester, Pa., remembers conversations she had in the small lounge on the second floor of Rich Hall. She also remembers playing ping pong.

Doris Heller Teufel (biology) has been quite active in the alumni activities of Lycoming over the years. Doris and her husband, Thomas, attended the 2004 Homecoming activities.

Rev. Ned Weller (English) went to the School of Theology at Boston University after graduating cum laude from Lycoming. His first church assignment after Boston University was in Williamsport, and Ned also taught history in night classes at Lycoming College. In 1958, Ned was on the nominating committee for trustees of the College. Some professors that Ned particularly remembers are Professors Robert Ewing, Loring Priest, Milton Skeath, Fred Stiner, and Clair Switser. Ned and his wife, Kathryn, participated in the class reunion activities of the 2004 Homecoming.

Jay Stenger (music) was sorry he was not able to participate in the class reunion activities, held during the 2004 Homecoming. Jay and his wife, Barbara, reside in Shepherdstown, WV.

50th Reunion – October 7-9, 2005 Homecoming. Mark your calendars! Interested in helping? Contact the Alumni Office at 570-321-4134 or alumni@lycoming.edu.

Clint Smith (political science) received the Angela R. Kyte Outstanding Alumnus Award at Homecoming.

Albert Zaremba (mathematics) retired from RCA/GE/Thomson in April 2004. Albert was a Senior Vice President and spent 40 years traveling and conducting international business.

Bob Shangraw (business) received the Dale V. Bower Service Award at Homecoming this year.

45th Reunion – October 7-9, 2005 Homecoming. Mark your calendars! Interested in helping? Contact the Alumni Office at 570-321-4134 or alumni@lycoming.edu.

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Congratulations to Lynn (Meincke) (biology) and Donald B. Reed (political science) on the observance of their 40th wedding anniversary on September 12, 2004.

Raymond Yarroll (accounting) has been an assistant scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts of America for the past 21 years. Ray has backpacked at the Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico, canoed the boundary waters of Minnesota and Canada, and attended 2 national jamborees in Virginia. Ray and his wife, Sharleen (Swartz) ’65, (history) have traveled to Alaska, Hawaii and since retiring, cruised thru the Panama Canal. Ray and Sharleen reside in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and are the parents of two grown sons, R.C. and Ross.

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Richard Erickson (mathematics), a member of Theta Chi Fraternity, whose motto is “A Helping Hand” has been an active volunteer for Habitat for Humanity New Castle County, Delaware, since he retired early in 1995 from the Du Pont Company. In church, he noticed Arkadi Kuhlmann, President and CEO of ING Direct in the congregation. During personal prayer time, he asked God to give him 5 minutes with Arkadi. His prayer was granted during Fellowship Hour immediately following the service. Richard asked Arkadi for a $45,000 donation to help build a house that was being built by volunteers of different faiths: Protestants, Catholics, Jews, Muslims, Hindus. He answered by saying why not $1,000,000; stating that for a good cause, money was no object. He asked Richard to lead and he would follow. Richard assembled a team to put together the project. Habitat had a piece of land they had purchased from the City of Wilmington, Delaware, for $1, upon which 10 houses would fit. They had the plan on the “dream board” and called it Hope Village. Today that plan is on the drawing board and named Lower Brandywine Village, for the church that both Richard and Arkadi belong to: Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church. ING Direct is providing the $1,000,000 and volunteers, and Lower Brandywine is providing volunteers. Many others have joined the effort as well. The first 5 houses are now under construction with scheduled completion of all 10 by the end of 2005. Richard’s favorite Biblical phrases are: “Ask and it will be given unto you” and “Serve the Lord with gladness.”

Richard currently lives in Chadd’s Ford, Pa. and can be reached by email ericksrclii@aol.com. By year-end, he plans to move to St. James Plantation in Southport, N.C.

His house is right in the middle of three golf courses and only 10 minutes away from the ocean.

Richard and his bride of 36 years, Sally, were joined by 18 other relatives and close friends to celebrate Sally’s 60th birthday on October 29th, with a three day cruise of the Caribbean organized by their daughter, Jill.

I. Sue Jackson (sociology) retired in May 2004, after 31 years of teaching social work courses at Bloomsburg University. Sue’s biggest challenge currently is learning to play golf!

1.9.6.6

Mary Bennett LeMont (mathematics) retired from Riggs Bank N.A. in June 2004 after 25 years. Mary was Vice President and Corporate Secretary, serving the Board of Directors and executive management. Mary joined Riggs in 1979 as a member of the EDP Audit Department. Over the years, she was a Business Systems Support Analyst, the Special Assistant to the Executive Vice President of Operations and Administration, Corporate Contributions Manager, and graduated from the Stonier Graduate School of Banking. In 1989, she joined the Corporate Secretary’s Office as the Assistant Corporate Secretary and was promoted to Vice President. Mary became the Corporate Secretary of Riggs Bank and its parent company, Riggs National Corporation, in 2000. Mary and her husband, Larry, have resided in Laurel, Maryland, for the past 20 years.

1.9.6.7

Terry Fregly (business administration) was in the USAF from 1967-1971 and now owns his own jet fighter.

1.9.6.8

George Langis (business administration) has been named President and CEO of TEPSCO, L.P. in Houston, Texas. George had held a number of senior general and financial management positions in Fortune 500 and privately held companies whose product offerings range from intercontinental ballistic missiles to sugar and orange juice, prior to joining TEPSCO. TEPSCO is a 95-year-old company providing comprehensive construction, maintenance, operations and integrity management services to gas and oil, chemical and petrochemical as well as power and cogeneration industries throughout the United States.

1.9.6.9

Lynda A. Brushett (history) received her Ph.D. in natural resources and environmental studies from the University of New Hampshire in May 2004. Lynda resides in Barrington, N.H.
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Dr. James A. Pietrovito (political science) has completed 25 years as a New Hampshire state employee. James started as a planning consultant in the NH Department of Education after completing M.Ed and CAGS at University of Vermont. After two years, he worked as Dean of Continuing Education at George Peabody College of Vanderbilt University. In 1995, James became a Professor of Social Science at New Hampshire Technical Institute, New Hampshire’s largest community college. In 2000, his appointment was changed to Professor of Education and Social Science following the successful implementation of the first Associate Degree Program in New England, which he proposed and designed. In the fall of 2004, NHTI started over 60 new students in this program, which is intended for students who will transfer to baccalaureate teacher certification programs. James also holds faculty appointments at Southern NH University and Nova Southern.

University, where he is a field associate and dissertation advisor for the Doctorate in Higher Education Leadership for New England. James and his wife, Janet, are the parents of two grown sons. They enjoy alpine skiing, sailing on Lake Champlain, visits to their home in the woods and hearing from friends and classmates from LYCO!

James W. Smith, Jr. (sociology) has been named Deputy Commissioner for Family and Community Services by New Jersey Department of Human Services Commissioner. Jim will oversee the Department’s Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services and the Division of Family Development, as well as the Office of Early Care and Education and the Office of Prevention of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities. Prior to this post, Jim was Director of the Department’s Division of Developmental Disabilities. Jim and his wife, Laureen, reside in Jackson, N.J., and are the parents of Kyle, 24, and Melissa, 18.

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**Alison Seminero Rupert**
(English) has won a voice-acting role in an upcoming animated feature DVD, “Xombie”. Alison voices “Nephthys,” an ancient Egyptian mummy “superwoman.” Excerpts may be viewed online at www.xombified.com (Alison’s character first appears in chapter 4).

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Condolences to Patricia Evans-LeDuc who lost her house in Hurricane Charley. Adding injury to insult, she fell on the debris while retrieving personal items and broke both wrists. She has now weathered seven hurricanes: three on the Florida Keys and four on mainland. She returned to work after Thanksgiving.

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Stephen Hulslander (history) is still an elementary school teacher at the West Branch School in Williamsport. Stephen is a member of the Morgan Valley Road Band and plays guitar, banjo and sings. He attended his 30th reunion at Lycoming in September. Stephen and his wife, Julia, are the parents of two daughters.

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Thomas Simek (psychology) received the Alan Buckland Award given to the outstanding psychologist in Vermont for his work in Alcohol and Drug Abuse counseling.

Kenneth McCabe (political science) has become the sixth member of the state panel that will oversee slot-machine gambling in Pennsylvania. Ken retired as the head of the FBI’s Pittsburgh field office in September 2004 and will serve full time on the seven-member gaming board.

Steven P. Johnson (criminal justice) has been named president and chief executive officer of Susquehanna Health System. He previously served as the Health System’s executive vice president and chief operating officer. Steven has held a variety of managerial and executive level positions in healthcare and has spent the last 20 years with The Williamsport Hospital and then Susquehanna Health System. Steven and his wife, Mary Ann, reside in Cogan Station, Pa., and are the parents of Jason, 25, and Kristin, 21.

William “Bill” Levegood (history) received the coveted Courage Award presented to him by the American Cancer Society at its Annual Volunteer Celebration held on August 5, 2004, at the Sutton Place Hotel in Newport Beach, Calif. The luncheon program paid tribute to the hard work, dedication and generosity of the Society’s volunteers who helped 6,134 cancer patients and raised more than $4 million for the Orange County Region last fiscal year. The Courage Award is presented to a cancer patient who has made a positive impact on other cancer survivors, and who has contributed to the mission of the American Cancer Society. Twelve years ago, Bill battled testicular cancer, and six years ago, he was diagnosed with lymphoma, which he has been battling ever since. Due to treatment complications, he was unable to lead a team in the Relay For Life in Mission Viejo last year.

After a stem cell transplant and six months in the hospital, he is doing well and was able to have a team at this year’s Relay For Life in Mission Viejo. Over 100 people attended his first team captain’s meeting, showing how inspiring Bill and his story have been to his community. Through five years of participation in the Relay For Life in Mission Viejo, Bill has raised close to $100,000 in the fight against cancer.

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A Life in the Theatre

Mary Ethel Schmidt '76

When Mary Ethel Schmidt ’76 talked to young theatre majors at Lycoming College this past September, she tried to answer the big question: “How do you make a life in the theatre?”

“It’s a tough business,” she quickly admits. But she is living proof that it can be done.

“I never stopped doing it, and I know I can make a living at it,” she says simply. She does it all: acting, directing and teaching. “I like all three. The pressures are enormous, but different,” she says. She likes the rotation.

She has never wanted to do anything but theatre since high school. Growing up in Bridgewater, N.J., she was in a high school class of more than 2,000 students. “It was super competitive and I couldn’t shine. I wasn’t going to get lost again.” Lycoming proved to be the right choice. Although the Theatre Department “was casual,” she says, “they did bold work” guided by Prof. Bob Falk and Gary Dartt. “[The department] was teeming with talent” and Mary Ethel found herself beginning to excel. She expanded her horizons, taking Medieval Literature with Gerry Madden, French with Dr. Robert Maples, and joining Walter McIver’s tour choir.

After college, she earned an MFA in playwriting at Rutgers and began working her way up the ladder.

“First you work for no money; then transportation; then some money; then, you join the union.”

She studied at the Classic Stage Conservatory in New York City, the National Theatre in London and the Directors Company in New York City where she became an Associate Artistic Director.

For the past ten years, she has been a member of the Associate Faculty at the American Academy for Dramatic Arts where she has taught acting and directed over 50 productions. She has acted in and directed numerous productions in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Her own plays have been performed in New York City, Seattle and Kansas City.

She joined not one, but two unions: Actors Equity Association and The Society of Stage Directors and Choreographers.

With Page Clements, she founded Highwire Productions, a small theatre company which takes its name from the kind of performance an actor is admonished to do— the high risk, give-it-everything kind.

At Lycoming, Highwire Productions staged “Boston Marriage” by David Mamet while she and Page Clements conducted several workshops with students.

Mary Ethel lives in Manhattan and New Jersey where she has been married for 21 years to a high school math teacher who also loves the theatre.
the firm’s consulting services such as HP3’s Managed Coding services, Clinical Documentation Improvement (CDI) Program for hospitals, and physicians. He will also be responsible for cultivating and maintaining HP3’s rapidly growing client base. Prior to joining HP3, Michael was a partner in a “big four” professional services firm where his focus was on developing and managing healthcare consulting practices. He has worked as a senior level executive for over 20 years in healthcare financial management and operations, as well as consulting practice development and management.

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Leonard Lang (biology) has been promoted to the director of policy for the United States Department of Agriculture Office of International Affairs. Len currently works in Washington, D.C., and resides in Stafford, Va., with his wife, Lydia, and 3 children.

Karen Frock—Documentary Writer/Producer  
By Laura Charnick ’05

When Karen Frock graduated in 1978 with a degree in English, she never dreamed that one day she would be standing on the stage of the Community Arts Center in Williamsport introducing her documentary. Yet this is exactly what happened when Frock’s historical documentary, “The Last Raft,” premiered in June of 2004.

Although she majored in English, Frock studied a great deal of art. She found she enjoyed the process of printing when she edited the Lycoming Review 1976-1977. After graduation, Frock got her first job from the Lycoming Review printer. An ad agency hired her from the print shop in 1980. Six years later she started her own communications firm, Creekside Creative Media, and in 1989 her husband, Mark Canouse ’78, also an English major, joined the firm as co-owner.

When their company (a full-service marketing communications firm serving clients’ domestic and international efforts), was hired to support the making of a community video, Frock discovered that she enjoyed working with video!

Fascinated by local history, Frock decided in 1993 to write and produce a documentary about the Underground Railroad in north central Pennsylvania.

The year before, Creekside had begun to create commercial projects with JD DiAngelis, of Canton, Ohio, a television and radio professional and former Navy journalist.

Years of research, fundraising and dedication went into the television program. With the help of JD DiAngelis as director, narrator, and offline editor; Mark Canouse as associate producer; Dr. Mamie Sweeting Diggs (Lycoming Honorary Doctor of Arts and Letters, 2004) as researcher and on-camera subject; WVIA; and many other friends and supporters, Frock completed “Follow the North Star to Freedom,” which first aired in 1997 and has aired on many PBS stations since. Nominated for an Emmy in the Mid-Atlantic Regional competition, it received the 1998 Preservation Pennsylvania Education Initiative Award. Thanks to Dr. Diggs, North Star is now part of the educational program on board the tall ship “Amistad.”

This past fall, Frock’s second documentary, “The Last Raft,” aired on WVIA. “The Last Raft” is the story of a 112-foot-long timber raft that was floated down the West Branch and main Susquehanna River in 1938 as a living history lesson. The raft met disaster when it crashed near Muncy, Pa., but ultimately finished its journey. Frock wanted to make sure that the legend was not lost.

“This documentary is a labor of love,” says Frock. “I’ve tried to capture the American Spirit and heroism that surrounded the floating of the last raft.”

Frock was inspired to make this documentary to preserve the story with first hand accounts from spectators, while those who vividly remember the raft could still tell their stories. “The raft was an event that connected people all along the length of the river,” she says.

“The Last Raft” was a product of a seven-year effort, including years of research; raising funds; transfer of rare, 1938 film footage to wide-screen digital video; shooting of interviews, artifacts, and river locations; and editing. JD DiAngelis was, once again, director, narrator, editor, and created the sound track. Mark Canouse served as associate producer. The Muncy Historical Society and Museum of History supported the project, helped raise funds and administered grant funding.

Co-produced by WVIA, the one-hour documentary had its broadcast premiere on WVIA on October 11, 2004, and aired again on WVIA in December.
Edward V. Allen (business administration) has accepted the position of President for Multi-Color Corporation’s Packaging Services Division based in Cincinnati, Ohio. Ed will be responsible for the leadership, management, and growth of Multi-Color’s packaging services business, including identifying and integrating strategic acquisitions. Ed has more than 20 years experience in operations and manufacturing in the personal care and food industries. He came to Multi-Color from L’Oreal USA, the U.S. unit of the $17 billion international cosmetics and personal care products company, where he was Vice President of Manufacturing Operations.

Kevin T. Gillen (sociology) was recently appointed to the Caldwell College Board of Trustees. Kevin is the senior vice president/market manager for Commerce Bank and oversees a 51-branch, $3.5 billion bank in central and northern New Jersey, where he is responsible for retail franchises, commercial and consumer lending, government banking and cash management. Kevin and his wife, Heidi, reside in Vernon, N.J.

Patricia Nezelek Cahill (business administration) received her master’s degree in the art of teaching from Marygrove College in August 2004. She teaches business education and technology at Bridgewater-Raritan High School in Bridgewater, N.J. Patricia, and her husband, Kevin, reside in Raritan, N.J., with children, Kyle, 12, Dayle, Jay, 17, and Austin, 14.

Karen Sayman Black (biology) has recently opened an Atelier in Dushore, Pa. Karen has on exhibit original works of fine art created in her studio located in the scenic Endless Mountains of Sullivan County. Works include watercolor, oil, charcoal sketches, acrylic, faux, murals and more. To find out what Karen has been up to check:

Dawn Ripley Wiley (theatre) received her teaching certification in December 2003. She started working in fall 2004 as the K-12 art teacher at Notre Dame School in Burlington, Iowa. Dawn and her husband, Kevin, reside in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

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Barbara Dodd Arnold (communication) is a member of the Chester County (PA) chapter of No Kidding, a non-profit social group for adults who have never had or parented children. No Kidding was founded in Canada in 1984 and has grown into an international organization; the Chester County chapter was founded in 2002 and is the first in Pennsylvania. The Chester County chapter is hosting the group’s annual National Convention in Philadelphia from June 9-12, 2005. Any interested Lyco alums can check out the details on the web site, www.chesco.nokidding.net.

Mica Saunders (accounting) has been promoted to Chief Financial Officer of the Lancaster County Office of the Aging.

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James S. Lull (business administration) was recently named manager of National Penn’s new Crowne Point community office. He brings more than 17 years of banking experience to his position, having previously served as an assistant vice president/commercial lender with Nazareth National Bank.

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Bill Frick (religion) is currently finishing a doctoral program in Educational Theory and Policy at Penn State University. He will be presenting a paper at the Ninth Annual Values and Leadership Conference in Barbados. The conference topic is Promoting the Moral Development of Professional Educators, Children and Youth. Bill is currently employed at Pine Grove School District in Pine Grove, Pa., as the Director of Curriculum and Instruction for Secondary Education.

Janet Gainer Palhete (nursing) recently graduated from the University of South Florida with a master’s degree in nursing and is practicing as an ARNP in the area of cosmetic dermatology. Janet thanks Lyco for the outstanding nursing program and nursing experience.

Kathie Mazzotta Reilly (history/English) is employed with Ultimate Software specializing in human resources and payroll applications. Kathie has earned a PHR certificate (Professional of Human Resources). Kathie and her husband, Sean, are the parents of Brenna, 4, and Shannon, 2.

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Joyce Borocz Abbott and her husband, Richard, are the new owners of The Sumney Tavern located in Upper Gwynedd, Pa., as of September 2004. The tavern will undergo changes to include a greater variety of entertainment, a martini bar, a buffet and an expanded menu. You can visit The Sumney Tavern online at: http://www.bar-hop.com/Sumney.html. Joyce has three children: Patrick, Schuyler, and Nathan. Joyce is a Creative Memories consultant and is living in North Wales, Pa.

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Lisa Attig Tarman (physics) was recently named chair of the science department at William Penn Senior High School, where she teaches physics and is the advisor for the FIRST robotics team. Lisa and her husband, Tom, reside in Red Lion, Pa.

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Philip A. Rough (accounting) has been appointed to the Pennsylvania Bankers Association (PBA) Securities and Brokerage Advisory Committee. Philip is a certified financial practitioner and a registered investment advisor representative in Pennsylvania. He is currently vice president of C&N Financial Services and is responsible for the management of brokerage services available at C&NFS through their partnership with UVVEST Financial Services, member SIPC and NASD. Philip and his wife, Sherri, reside in Wellsboro, Pa.

Act II
By Milton Glenn ’91

After spending over five years (’98-’03) living, working, and auditioning in New York City, I have returned home to the Atlantic City area. It’s been said that once you get the sand in your shoes, you can never really leave the ocean. I can attest to that. The smell of the salt air and the sounds of Jimmy Buffett that are synonymous with the Jersey Shore are, once again, back in my life.

Living in the New York City Metro area, I was finally attacking the reason why I chose theatre as my major in the first place. I was pounding the city’s never-ending sidewalks by day, as I went from one audition to the next, and working as a Manhattan hotel Concierge in the evenings to earn a living. I will always have a place in my heart for one of the GREATEST CITIES ever created. The energy in Manhattan is what consumes you and keeps you going day in and day out.

Someone once said, “For every actor’s shattered dream, there is a burned-out light on Broadway.” So when I decided to make the career move into Hotel Management (and believe me…in New York, that is a VERY high paying and high profile occupation), I, too, became a burned-out light on the actor’s marquee of dreams. The curtain may have closed on my aspirations of one day accepting a Tony Award, but my actor’s perseverance told me “The show must go on!”

It’s funny how life throws you a curve ball that rivals those that I saw at Yankee and Shea Stadiums. In the winter of 2003, I made a second decision to leave the bright lights of the big city and return to the ocean’s roar and “cling and clang” of the slot machine. It was a difficult decision to make, but I choose the needs of my family rather than the needs of my bruised ego.

So, what would I do now? HELLO…SALES!!!! If there is one field that an actor should feel right at home with, it’s sales. As an actor, I could schmooze with the best of them. Thanks to a local “head-hunter” firm—and all those auditions — I was able to WOW my soon-to-be employer with an award-winning performance/interview.

I have now been working for local radio station 100.7 WZXL (www.WZXL.com) for over one year as Marketing and Promotions Consultant, a fancy-schmancy term for Advertising Executive…or in true layman’s terms…Sales!

So there you have it. I’m back in my old neighborhood doing a job that I truly love. I am also able to use my theatre education, knowledge, and creative thinking for client promotions, copywriting, and cold calling (not the most comfortable thing to do).

I have also been able to utilize all of my customer service experience for my growing list of clients. But most importantly, after 13 years of professional work, I am finally happy!
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Katherine Burslem
Lambiaso (biology) has self studied and passed Professional Laboratory Medicine Certification in Blood Banking through the American Society of Clinical Pathology. Katherine is a medical technologist at Bergen Community Regional Blood Center. Her husband, Michael ’97 (computer science/music) is currently studying for Microsoft (MCSE) Certification. Michael is employed at Trish McEvoy, Limited as an IT administrator. Katherine and Michael reside in Butler, N.J.

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Stephen Cramer (English) received the Alumni Outstanding Achievement Award at this year’s Homecoming.

Carrie Smith Gorn
(completion) was recently named Communications Manager at the Walnut Street Theatre in Philadelphia. Walnut Street Theatre is the oldest continually producing theatre in the nation and also boasts the largest subscription base in the nation. In her new position, Carrie is respon-

sible for all media relations and media buys for the theatre, which has two performing spaces, a kid’s-series, a touring outreach company and a large theatre school.

Lauren Kolaya (English) has accepted a fourth grade teaching position at Queen City Academy Charter School in Plainfield, N.J. Lauren earned her permanent teaching certificate from the State of New Jersey in 2000 and is entering her seventh year of teaching.

Lisa Novakoski (theatre) began serving as the Assistant Director of Residential Life, University Housing at Temple University in Philadelphia, Pa., on August 16, 2004. After graduating from Lycoming College, she worked as a full-time professional in Student Affairs on college/university campuses in Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania and received a master’s degree in Higher Education Administration from The Pennsylvania State University.

Carlen Smith (biology) recently moved back to New Jersey after a six-year stay in Hawaii. Carlen is a biology teacher at East Brunswick High School. After completing her master’s degree in
Lynn Rosenzweig (psychology/Spanish) received her doctorate in clinical psychology from Spalding University in Louisville, Kentucky in August. Lynn has accepted a position as a psychologist with the Kentucky Department of Corrections and will be working at the state’s only women’s prison.

April Sparks (political science/Spanish) has been promoted to Assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. April travels throughout the State making appearances with the Secretary.

Joseph McCracken (communications) is currently working in Philadelphia, Pa., at Comcast as associate producer of the Lynn Doyle Show. Joe has had the privilege of filming President George Bush at several news conferences during his visits to the Lancaster area. Operating a “live truck”, as well as covering hard news, has provided him with a lot of new experiences.

Phil Zimmerman (communication) received the Alumni Outstanding Achievement Award at Homecoming.

Amy Staller (psychology) is currently a candidate for a master’s of education technology at Strayer University in Maryland and held academic honors for the past two quarters. Amy’s anticipated date of graduation from Strayer is the summer of 2005.

Brett C. Johnson (business) has been promoted to financial services manager at Sun Bancorp, Inc., Watsontown branch. He joined Sun in June 2002 and completed Sun’s Financial Services Manager training program. Upon completion of the training program, Brett was promoted to assistant financial services manager and was located at the downtown Lewisburg SunBank. In this new position, Brett will be responsible for the overall management and profitability of the branch, and community leadership.

Nathan Kalin (biology) was recently hired as varsity boy’s soccer coach at Valley Stream North High School in New York where he teaches biology. Nathan is also a professional team trainer for Coastal Soccer, where he works with elite soccer teams in the Long Island area.

Timothy LeGower (theatre) has been cast as an extra in the Disney movie “Annapolis” about a Naval Academy Plebe (first-year student). The movie stars James Franco, Tyrese, and Jordana Brewster. Tim attended two days of intensive boot camp along with the people cast as plebes, so he could learn the basics of being in the Academy. The movie began shooting in October 2004 and has a tentative release date some time in 2005.

April Perry Herres (psychology) is currently teaching first grade at Jarrettown Elementary School in the Upper Dublin School District. Her husband, Jason ’02, is in his second year of dental school at Temple University School of Dentistry.
Lindsay Repko (psychology/Spanish) is attending graduate school at New College of California pursuing a master’s and MFT licensure in feminist clinical psychology. Lindsay is currently working for Hyatt in San Francisco, Calif., as a front desk agent.

Jennifer Santa (communication) is currently a second grade teacher at St. Cassian School in Montclair, N.J. Jennifer is attending Caldwell College in pursuit of her graduate degree.

Adrienne Wydra (history) has been named an assistant coach for the 2004-2005 Lycoming women’s basketball season. Adrienne was a three-year member of the Lycoming women’s basketball team and started all three seasons at point guard and accumulated 335 points, 293 assists, and 184 steals during her career. She ranks second all-time for the Lady Warriors in career steals and third in career assists. Adrienne is already a member of the Lycoming athletic staff, serving as the head coach of the women’s and men’s cross country programs for the past three years.

Amy Dowling (business administration), presently a Management Trainee at the M&T Bank, was the guest speaker at a recent dinner meeting of the Economics Honor Society at Lycoming College.

Kimberly Hengst (chemistry/German) was selected for a 10-month term in AmeriCorps™ NCCC starting in October 2004. AmeriCorps™ NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) is a residential, team-based, national service initiative that engages young adults ages 18 to 24 in full-time service. Its mission is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through team-based national and community service. Members perform team-based service projects in six different areas: environment, education, public safety, unmet needs, homeland security and disaster relief. Kim is assigned to the Western Region which includes: Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and the Pacific U.S. Territories.

John Kneisly (communication) took a position as sports information intern in the Athletics Media Relations Staff of the University of Delaware, a Division I school, in Newark, Delaware. Kneisly worked in the sports information office at Lycoming College.

Katie L. Mosser (English) is an English teacher for the Antietam Area School District in Reading, Pa.

Lindsay Robinson (communication) has completed an advertising/PR internship for Spark, an agency in Bethlehem, Pa.
Bonnie Urquhart and Alexander T. Gruenberg III ’76 were married on August 7, 2004, at the Unitarian Universalist Church.

Patricia (Nezelek) ’81 and Kevin C. Cahill were married on July 16, 2004, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Renee Valente and Michael Holland ’89 were married on May 21, 2004, at Saint Aloysius Church in Caldwell, N.J. Shannon (Holland) Desiderioscioli ’92 served as matron of honor.

Karen Lindenmuth ’93 and Fernando Angulo were married on July 26, 2004, in St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, in a ceremony on a roof top terrace overlooking St. John.

Beth Ann Postupak ’93 and Robert J. Mesko, Jr., were married on September 24, 2004, in Allentown, Pa.

Kristin Shaffer and Kevin Marr ’96 were married on April 24, 2004, in Somer’s Point, New Jersey. Members of the wedding party included: Brian Pick ’96, Andy Bieber ’96, and Michelle (Marr) Jones ’92.

Heather Anne McCaslin ’97 and Matthew Todd Clark were married on May 30, 2004, at First United Methodist Church in Muncy, Pa.

Regina Shinsky and Lone Hunter ’97 were married on October 25, 2003, at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Jeanine A. Graham and Gregory M. Leiter ’97 were married on August 30, 2003, at Our Lady of Calvary Catholic Church in Philadelphia, Pa.

Krista M. Bradley ’98 and Dr. Lawrence Bellows were married on February 28, 2004, at Sandals Regency Resort in St. Lucia.

Stacie A. Greene ’98 and David A. Staccone were married on June 19, 2004, at Pine Street United Methodist Church in Williamsport, Pa. The wedding party included: Christina Staccone ’98, matron of honor, Deanne (Greene) Vincent ’00, and Denise Greene ’03 were bridesmaids.

Veronica Buttari ’99 and John Wierzbowski were married on July 30, 2004.

Adina M. Dziuk ’99 and Matthew Bingham were married on May 8, 2004.

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Michele J. Casse ’00 and Joseph Ippolito, II, were married on September 25, 2004, at St. Mary’s Church in Denville, New Jersey.

Back row l to r: Jeffery Tinney ’01, Scott “Shooter” O’Connell ’97, Dr. John Wetherhold ’98, James Augustine ’98, Dr. Andrew Bieber ’96, Brian Lattimer ’95, Dr. John Nowicki ’97, James Lamely ’97. bottom row l to r: Zanetta Keddie ’98, Shannon Matteo ’98, Elizabeth Dixon ’01, Dr. Helene (Woodmancy) Wisnoski (Bride) David Wisnoski ’98 (Groom) Alicia Matukonis ’01, Vanessa Beach ’99.
Joye Crowe '00 and Errol Logan were married on May 30, 2004, in an outdoor ceremony at Rutgers Gardens in New Brunswick, New Jersey. Joye was "given away" by her parents, both Lycoming Alumni: Carol (Vaira) '71 and John Crowe '71. Guests included fellow graduate, Morgan Kyte '00, Joye's cousin, and friend, Allison Hughes-Randall '98.

Tracey L. Hracho '00 and Duane R. Bennish were married on October 5, 2004, in Hawaii.

Tara D. Nowlin '00 and Michael Black were married on June 19, 2004.

Jaime Mann '01 and George Plowman, Jr., were married on June 19, 2004, at the Lock Haven First Church of Christ in Lock Haven, Pa. Members of the wedding party included: Megan McCahey '01, Brenda MacPhail '01, Lindsey Wertz '02, and Philip Mann '05 (brother of the bride). Alumni in attendance: Brian Bond '03, Deanna Andreoli '02, Megan Dellinger '02, Adam Allen '03, and Royce Eyer '01.

Megan L. Rockey '01 and Dan Cassell were married on April 24, 2004, at Faith Presbyterian Church in Harrisburg, Pa.

Mary Ann Seltzer '01 and Michael Johnson '97 were married on May 31, 2003, in Ebensburg, Pa. Members of the wedding party included: Robert Allen '99, Christopher Brown '00, Charles Hensel '98 and Marcus Myers '00. First row standing: Sara Smith, Kerilee (Morton) DeHart '02, Michelle (Paul) Farr '00, Mary Ann (Seltzer) Johnson '01 bride, Michael Johnson '97 groom, Michelle, Jennifer Green '00, Tamy Wunder '97, Sara McAfoos '01, and Gillian Lew '02. Back row standing: Brett Curl, James Hock '00, Christopher DeHart '02, Michael Saulnier '96 and David Wunder '96.

Mary Lichtenwalner '02 and Joshua Gridley '02 were married on October 2, 2004, at Packer Memorial Church at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa. The wedding party consisted of Lisa's sorority sisters and Josh's lacrosse teammates. Laurie Scherer '02 served as maid of honor, bridesmaids included: Erin Lightner '99, Amber Simchak '02, and Caren Delbove '04. Groomsmen included: John Wanner '02, Matt Sieger '03, and Eric Holzhauer '03.

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1953
Thomas B. Coolidge, Jr., of Waverly, N.Y., died on April 19, 2004, at Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, Pa., after an extended illness. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Janet, and a son.

James T. Pagana of Williamsport, Pa., died at home on October 11, 2004. He is survived by his wife, Elda, and two daughters.

1957
U.S.A.F. Major Ret. Orville R. Blair of St. Louis Mo., died on October 4, 2004. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Pat, a son and two daughters.

1958
Patricia Spencer Selleck of Williamsport, Pa., died on October 4, 2004, at Manor Care Health Services South. She is survived by two sons.

1959
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1960
L. William “Bill” Price, Jr., died at his home in Mechanicsburg, Pa., on August 29, 2004. He is survived by his wife, Barbara (Hoffman)’60, and two daughters.

Floyd A. Roller of Mentor, Ohio, died on October 21, 2004, after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Barbara (Thomas)’60, a daughter, and a son. The family requests that contributions in Floyd’s name be made to Lycoming College, 700 College Place, Campus Box 165, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Dr. Samuel C. Speidel of Richmond Hill, Georgia, died on May 2, 2002, after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife, Sheila.

1968
Garret W. Tinsman of Trout Run, Pa., died on September 1, 2004. He is survived by his fiancée, Susan, and a sister. He touched many lives in the Williamsport community serving as a district assistant to state Rep. Alvin Bush, Gamble Township supervisor, and an actor-director in numerous local theater productions.

1971
David W. Hall, Ph.D., of Clarks Summit, Pa., died on October 16, 2004, at home after a long and courageous struggle with cancer. He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Patricia, and two daughters.

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Prof. Robert H. Byington
Word has been received of the death of Robert H. Byington, who served as chairman of the English Department from 1958 to 1969. He died in April 2004 in Wilmington, N.C. After leaving Lycoming, he joined the faculty of Point Park College and in the mid 1970s became the Director of Working Americans Division at the Smithsonian Institution where he produced the annual Festival of American Folklife. He retired from the faculty of the University of North Carolina-Wilmington in the mid 1990s.

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