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Dr. Amy Rogers '92 leads
the tradition-rich Education Department

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Scholar-athlete Chris Dahlheimer is featured
in the NCAA's *Champion* magazine.



All in the Lycoming Family

Lycoming College's 2009 Legacy Luncheon, an annual part of Family Weekend, welcomed nine legacy families to campus. Lycoming alumni parents, grandparents and siblings joined current students for lunch Sept. 12 in the Jane Schultz Room.



The legacies include, front row from left: Latesha Harper-Wimes '13, and Vanessa Harper-Simpson '75; middle row, from left: Alicia Murray '13, Denise (Schultz) '71 Hontz, Kristin (Jakubowicz) '96 Murray, Michael Ludwig '13, Dori (Yeagle) '84 Ludwig, and Dale Ludwig '80; back row from left: Sarah Krebs '11, Jordan Krebs '13, John Kiessling '82, Greta Kiessling '13, Emilie Norton '13, Robert Norton '80, John Piazza '13, John Piazza III '79, Nick Boeh '13, Mary (Foster) '81 Boeh, Tanner Wuerthner '13, Bill Wuerthner '77, and Tyler Wuerthner '13

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Around THE QUAD

Lycoming recognized among America's best colleges

Lycoming College has once again been recognized by several national publications as one of America's leading liberal arts colleges. The College was included in the rankings released by *U.S. News and World Report*, *The Princeton Review*, *Washington Monthly* and *Forbes.com*.

According to the 2010 edition of "America's Best Colleges" in the *U.S. News and World Report*, Lycoming is among the nation's 266 liberal arts colleges that focus almost exclusively on undergraduate education and award at least 50 percent of their degrees in the arts and sciences. In addition, Lycoming was acknowledged for its strong graduation rate performance.



In *The Princeton Review*, the education services company selected Lycoming as one of 218 institutions it profiles in its "Best in the Northeast" section on its Web site. The 218 colleges chosen for its "Best in the Northeast" Web site designations and "The Best Northeastern Colleges" book are located in 11 states: Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont, and the District of Columbia. A total of 640 colleges were named "regional best(s)," which represent about 25 percent of the nation's 2,500 four-year colleges.

The *Washington Monthly* magazine recently ranked Lycoming 143 out of more than 200 national liberal arts colleges in its annual "College Rankings" edition. *Washington Monthly* uses several categories to evaluate how well institutions contribute to society based on grants and graduation rate, contributions to research and student commitment to community service.

In *Forbes.com's* "America's Best College" for 2009, Lycoming is among a select group of 600 schools in the ranking, which includes 217 public and 383 private colleges and universities. *Forbes* ranks only the top 15 percent or so of all undergraduate institutions. The rankings are based on the quality of education the institutions provide, the experience of the students and how much they achieve.

Chemistry lab named in memory of Dr. Franz

In memory and appreciation of Dr. David Franz's three-plus decades of service to Lycoming College,

the chemistry lab in the Heim Biology and Chemistry Building has been named "The Franz Instrumentation Laboratory." Franz taught chemistry at the College from 1970 to 2005 and served for many years as department chair. Many of the instruments in the lab were secured through funds generated from the numerous grants and applications he submitted. He also was one of the faculty members who helped design the Heim Building.

Franz was named the Frank and Helen Lowry Professor of Chemistry in 1998 in recognition for teaching, community service and professional development, and received the Constance Cupp Plankenhorn Faculty Teaching Award in 2001. In 2007, as professor emeritus, he was awarded the Joseph Priestley Service Award from the Susquehanna Section of the American Chemical Society in honor of his outstanding community involvement and outreach activities.

The naming ceremony was held Friday, Oct. 9, during the College's Homecoming festivities. Prior to the ceremony, his daughter, Dr. Kathy Franz, an assistant professor of chemistry at Duke University, served as guest speaker for the William and Barbara Haller Endowed Lectureship in Biology and Chemistry.



Beth Ann Myers (left), wife of the late Dr. David Franz, presents Dr. Thomas Griffiths, provost of the College, a \$10,000 check for the Professor David A. Franz Chemistry Instrumentation Endowed Fund.

Administrative appointments announced

Two administrative promotions have been announced by Lycoming President Dr. James E. Douthat. Dr. Sue Gaylor is the new vice president for administration and planning, and Michelle Henry has been named controller, chief financial officer and treasurer of the College.

“Sue and Michelle’s new appointments place in key

positions two individuals who know the most about the intricacies of the College budget, its strengths and its ability to respond to external challenges,” said Douthat. “While the College’s

fiscal planning model has been evolving for almost 20 years, the economic crisis of the past 14 months created its most strenuous test thus far. The College passed that test very well, given the serious funding problems now facing all colleges and universities, public and private. Knowing the experiences and perspectives they bring, I am delighted that Sue and Michelle have agreed to

serve Lycoming College in their new roles.”

Gaylor, who came to Lycoming as institutional planning officer and executive assistant to the president

in 2003 and most recently served as vice president for planning, will continue her work creating the annual budget models, developing other budget-related projections and directing

the College’s long-range planning efforts. She will also continue to serve as the co-chair of the committee preparing for the College’s upcoming Middle States re-accreditation visit. With her added responsibilities, Gaylor will assume oversight for athletics, buildings and grounds, campus dining, campus store, human resources, and the treasurer’s office.

Prior to Lycoming, other institutions at which Gaylor has been employed include Dartmouth College, Harvard University, Wheelock College, Albright College and Carleton College. She earned a doctorate degree in higher education and master’s degree in

administration, planning and social policy at Harvard University and graduated with an A.B. in psychology from Dartmouth.

Henry, a certified public accountant, has been Lycoming’s controller since 2007. She previously served the College for 12 years as director of accounting and later as assistant controller. Henry will continue to

oversee the business operations of the College, prepare the institution for its annual audit, direct all fiscal policy and controls, and supervise payroll and student accounts. As controller, chief financial officer and treasurer, she will assume additional responsibilities for the College’s investments by serving as the liaison between the investment committee of the College’s board of trustees and the managers of the endowment and other invested funds. Henry will also be responsible for preparing financial materials and reports for the trustee committees on audit, investments and management.

Henry is a 1992 graduate of Lycoming, where she earned a bachelor’s degree in accounting with a minor in economics. Prior to returning to the College, she worked for Rogers, Huber and Associates in Lewisburg.



Dr. Sue Gaylor



Michelle Henry '92



Allison Batties

Brains are us!

Allison Batties, a senior biology major at Lycoming College, was chosen for a newly-established Society for Neuroscience Brain Awareness Week Student Travel Award. From Oct. 16-20, Batties and Dr. Mary Morrison, an assistant professor of biology at Lycoming, attended the society’s annual meeting in Chicago to present their poster, titled “Brains are us! Learning by teaching: neuroscience education in elementary schools with undergraduates as activity leaders.”

Batties was selected for the award based on her involvement during the spring semester in Morrison’s neurobiology class, which visited the talented and gifted class taught by Justin Ross at Curtin Middle School in Williamsport. Five times during a six-week period, Batties and other members of the class conducted interactive activities with the middle school students to demonstrate the basics of brain function and sensory awareness. The activities were based on the Society for Neuroscience pamphlet “Neuroscience Core Concepts,” and on material learned in Morrison’s neurobiology and Dr. Katherine Hill’s physiological psychology classes and labs. Hill is an assistant professor of psychology at the College.

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“Allison was the main author of her group’s community service neuroscience outreach activity,” said Morrison. “She stood out as the most involved and most excited to take part, with the most original ideas. Allison has great potential as a scientist and educator.”

According to Morrison, the middle school students learned about comparative brain anatomy of different species, functions of the different lobes of the human brain, visual illusions, helmet safety, structure of the eye, neural signaling and the wiring pattern of our sensory systems. They put this information to use while sculpting their own model brains out of clay, labeling the brain’s lobes on swim caps, analyzing illusions, constructing “helmets” to protect raw eggs from impacts, dissecting cow eyes, making a model of a synapse using the entire class in action, and conducting sensory deprivation experiments in their classroom.

“Taking this project, ‘Build a Brain,’ to the local middle school gave me one of my first opportunities to interact with and teach younger students,” said Batties, a native of Royersford, Pa., who served this summer as a research intern at the National Institutes of Health - National Cancer Institute. “It was so satisfying to see how much the students learned from our presentation and to watch them use their newly-learned knowledge to build a brain of their own out of clay.”

First-hand experience with the flu

By Myles Biggs '12

My first assignment as a new student worker in Lycoming’s Office of College Relations was to write a story about how the College was handling the H1N1 virus, more commonly known as swine flu.

Ironically, while working on this article, I came down with the flu. Fortunately, it was only the seasonal flu and not the H1N1 virus. The College treats seasonal flu cases and H1N1 cases alike because unless a test is given, there is no way to tell the difference between illnesses. I can say from first-hand experience that the College means business when it comes to the flu. After a visit to the College’s Health Services, I was asked to self-isolate and was quarantined to my room until I had no fever for 24 hours. I was asked and chose not to attend classes, go to athletic practices or work, enter the dining hall or leave my residence hall. The only places I could be were my room and my floor’s bathroom.

“We’ve been planning for three years for this. We knew it was coming,” says Sondra Stipcak, the College’s director of health services. According to Stipcak, the College is following the guidelines set by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PDOH) for dealing with the H1N1 virus. Stipcak says Lycoming is being proactive in its attack on the virus.

“We’ve reviewed the current cleaning products the College uses and made sure they are a commercial-grade disinfectant,” says Stipcak. “We are also looking into areas where it may be appropriate to place hand sanitizing stations.” Although Lycoming is doing what it can to prevent the spread of the virus, it is primarily up to the students, faculty and staff to keep themselves healthy. Stipcak asks, “What are you doing to prevent the spread?”

With a word like “pandemic” being repeatedly mentioned by the media and talked about no matter where you turn, it is hard not to worry about the H1N1 virus. According to the PDOH, as of Jan. 28, there were 10,956 confirmed cases in the Pennsylvania and 37 confirmed cases in Lycoming County.

The H1N1 virus is contagious and very similar to the seasonal flu. H1N1 spreads when coughing or sneezing,

which releases the germs into the air or when a person coughs or sneezes and then touches a common object, such as a door knob, leaving the virus on the object for another person to pick up.

It is hard to distinguish H1N1 from the regular seasonal flu because the symptoms are virtually the same. The CDC reports that symptoms include coughing and sneezing, body aches and headaches, fever and sore throat, running and stuffy nose, chills and fatigue and in some cases, vomiting and diarrhea.

The steps people can take to protect themselves from infection are simple. First, it is important to maintain a healthy lifestyle: wash hands often with warm, soapy water, get enough sleep, eat a well-balanced diet, drink plenty of fluids, and if possible, take a multi-vitamin everyday to supplement the immune system. Everyone should arm themselves with a few simple products that could potentially save them from infection. These products include tissues for coughing and sneezing into and Clorox wipes for disinfecting common surfaces like door knobs and computer key pads. Used tissues should be placed in the garbage, which should be removed on a regular basis. It is also recommended that everyone purchase hand sanitizer to use in their homes and offices.



Myles Biggs '12



Sondra Stipcak, Lycoming’s director of health services, administers an H1N1 shot to swimming coach Jerry Hammaker during a campus vaccination clinic.

Health Care CRISIS

described as a 'perfect storm'

By Mike Reuther

NEW
academic minor
introduced

With the introduction last fall of a new interdisciplinary minor in health care administration, Lycoming College is doing its share to help students learn more about one of the nation's hottest topics.

The minor includes courses in the following areas: accounting, biology, business, philosophy and sociology. A key element of the minor involves Lycoming's ongoing partnership with Susquehanna Health, a three-hospital health system including Divine Providence Hospital, Muncy Valley Hospital and The Williamsport Hospital & Medical Center, all located within a short distance of the College. One of the required courses, Business 222 Health Care Administration, will be taught by one of the organization's senior executives. Susquehanna Health also will play a major role in the required service learning component by providing ample opportunities for students to do an internship or practicum, in addition to those that are delivered through several courses within the minor. The president and CEO of Susquehanna Health is Steven P. Johnson, a 1976 Lycoming graduate.

"Health care is a growing sector, and the minor will help students enter this sector upon graduation," said Dr. Neil Boyd, coordinator of the health care administration minor and an assistant professor of management at Lycoming. "The connection with Susquehanna Health is an awesome component of the minor, and I'm excited that our students will get the opportunity to work directly with them."

Health care has found itself in the midst of a perfect storm swirling with the forces of high costs, an aging population, a rising incidence of obesity and a bad economy.

The question is: What's next?

Susquehanna Health President and CEO Steven P. Johnson, on Thursday, Oct. 22, addressed that question during a nearly hour-long speech to Lycoming College students at the school's Heim Building.

Johnson made it clear that if the nation is to provide health care in a cost-effective manner in coming years, it will need to find a better way to do so.

As the heaviest users of health care, the nation's rising numbers of elderly will make big demands on the entire medical system.

Quality of care faces further pressures with the ongoing nationwide nursing shortage and expected shortage of available physicians.

"There is a huge demand for health care workers," Johnson said.

He noted that the U.S. spends 17 percent of its Gross Domestic Product, or about \$2.2 trillion annually on health care—more than any other nation.

Unfortunately, he added, the nation's population ranks 30th worldwide in life expectancy, records between 44,000 and 98,000 otherwise preventable deaths in hospitals each year and has some 46 million people without health insurance.

Johnson noted that many of those uninsured could afford coverage if they so chose. However, a means of whether to require coverage for everyone is one of the questions to be settled.

Part of the equation in improving health care must lie with consumers who take responsibility for their health, he said.

Yet another problem looming on the horizon is the expected deficit in the Medicare Trust Fund by 2016.

Johnson referred to the bureaucratic billing system that dominates health care. Unlike other industries, which provide single billings to consumers, hospitals have adopted multi-faceted plans in which patients face separate costs for doctors, medications, hospital lodgings, and other services.

President Barack Obama, he noted, seeks to bring electronic medical records to all health systems, a move that would make for more efficient all-around care, including improved patient safety.

He noted that Susquehanna Health is among just 14 percent of health systems nationwide that is "wired" in that way.

He said the health system will need to do its part, in part by staying true to its mission of providing quality care, controlling costs and hiring high-quality personnel.

The new Commonwealth College, with its branch campus in Williamsport, can serve as a base for bringing aboard physicians needed for the local area, he said.



Steven Johnson '76 (center) with President James Douthat (left) and Arthur Haberberger '59, chair of the board of trustees

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“I love my job,” says Dr. Amy (Shaner) '92 Rogers, assistant professor of education and chair of the Lycoming College Education Department. “I enjoy working with the students, the one-on-one contact and the relationships that you make. I joke with them that ‘I’m molding your life.’ We get to know them well. We give them choices and direction.”

Rogers’ passion for teaching is evident the minute she begins talking about her students and the College’s

teacher preparation program. After teaching for 13 years in middle and secondary classrooms, she returned to her alma mater in 2007 as an instructor in education. Now in her second year as department chair, she is continuing Lycoming’s reputation for excellence in preparing future teachers for success in the classroom.

She is also enthusiastic about the recent hiring of two assistant professors in the department. Dr. Rachel Hickoff-Cresko specializes

in elementary education and Dr. Marisa Macy’s area of expertise is special education. Rogers says she’s excited about their genuine interest and willingness to help, which will certainly enrich the education program.

“My vision for the department is to continue to grow and to prepare our students for the challenging and changing world of education,” Rogers says. Her high-energy approach bodes well for the new changes coming to Lycoming’s education program.

Building on a Rich Tradition

First offered in 1955, the education program remains one of Lycoming’s most popular courses of study. This academic year, approximately 50 student teachers are being placed in Lycoming County public, private and parochial schools to complete their Professional Semester. About 175 students of varying majors are enrolled in the teacher certification program to become elementary, secondary, special education and

MOLDING TOMORROW'S

By
Betsy K.
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EDUCATORS

Members of the Education Department include Dr. Amy (Shaner) '92 Rogers, assistant professor of education and department chair

Dr. Rachel Hickoff-Cresko, assistant professor education

Dr. Marisa Macy, assistant professor of education

K-12 art, music and modern language teachers.

Unlike most of the state system universities which offer education as a major, Lycoming provides its future teachers the breadth and depth of a strong liberal arts education. Students choose an academic major and, with the help of their advisors, follow a carefully planned sequence of professional education courses, enriched by extensive field experiences in nearby schools.

“I have a student now who is a history major,” Macy says. “He’s getting his secondary teaching credentials with us through our education program. When he leaves here, he will be a very well-prepared history teacher, more so than if he majored in education alone.”

Lycoming’s education students also have the benefit of two advisors—one in their major and one in the education department. “They have two people who are really looking out for them, providing support and services to help them,” Macy adds. “That’s a huge reason why I would want to send my child here, because of the special attention they get. Our classes are small and the faculty here really cares about the students.”

That thought is echoed by Emily Ruhl ’08, who majored in Spanish at Lycoming and is now enjoying the challenging experience of teaching six large classes of Spanish I at Bel Air (Md.) High School.

“The teachers and professors at Lycoming are more than teachers,” she says. “They are mentors who put their heart and souls into



Eric Gerber '07 addresses several of his fourth-grade students at Schick Elementary School in the Loyalsock Township School District in Montoursville, Pa.

helping their students succeed, and create new lives and experiences for themselves. Going to Lycoming College was one of the best decisions I have ever made.”

Much of the education department’s success in preparing students throughout the past two decades can be attributed to the dedication and leadership of Dr. Rachael Hungerford. She taught elementary education and women’s studies at Lycoming for 19 years and served as education department chair during the majority of her tenure. Now officially retired, she teaches part-time at the College.

Upon her retirement, Hungerford donated a large part of her children’s-book collection to the department’s curriculum lab. Education students now have access to a wide variety of literature, field books, textbooks and journals to supplement their learning. The lab, which is wired with a smart board and the latest technology, also provides students a dedicated space for mounting bulletin boards and other classroom tools.

Another familiar face around the education department is administrative as-

sistant Barb Horn, who came to Lycoming in 1979 and has spent the last 21 years in the department. Rogers says Horn is an invaluable asset.

Making the Most of Community Connections

Lycoming College’s tradition of preparing highly-qualified educators is strengthened by the community connections that faculty and students have forged since the program’s beginning. For example, classroom observation and all student teaching experiences take place in Lycoming County schools, most within a 20-mile radius of campus. The schools offer a variety of diverse settings that provide the kind of real-world classrooms students will encounter in their teaching careers.

“Students have the opportunity to observe in one of the nine local school districts we partner with,” Rogers explains. “They can be part of the mentoring/tutoring program at WilliamSPORT Area High School or Sheridan Elementary School. They can complete their hours at HOPE Early Learning Center for pre-schoolers. Or they can choose Study

“The [education department] staff does a tremendous job of placing you with an excellent cooperative teacher, where you can learn from real-life experiences.”

Eric Gerber '07

Buddies at St. Boniface/St. John Neumann Regional Academy.” Students may also participate in the child guidance program at Curtain Middle School and Schick Elementary School, or spend time with Special Olympics and the Salvation Army.

Hickoff-Cresko, who advises elementary education students, explains that pairing students with their cooperating teacher the semester prior to student teaching is a beneficial and unique aspect of Lycoming’s program. “Our students are responsible for finding the time on their schedule and coordinating with the teacher. They complete 30 hours of observation and field experience in that classroom before they even begin student teaching. This allows them to get familiar with the teacher’s routine and also to meet the students they’ll be working with.”

“The [education department] staff does a tremendous job of placing you with an excellent cooperative teacher, where you can learn from real-life experiences,” says Eric Gerber ’07, a fourth-grade teacher at Schick Elementary School in the Loyalsock Township School District.



Lycoming's 2009 fall student teachers (front row from left) Ashley Johnson, Jennifer Hochman, Maggie Baker, Bethany Kelley, Christiana Karr, Nichole Zoller and Gina Manbeck; (back row from left) supervisor David Bross, Julie Waldman, Brian Fausel, Adryan Foresman, Danielle Gargiulo, Bill Lundy, Aaron Kemnitz and supervisor Melvin Wentzel

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Dr. Amy Rogers

"I loved the fact that I did my entire student teaching at one school [Sheridan Elementary]. It allowed me to become familiar with my students and cooperative teacher. Also, my advisor, Larry Rhinehart, did an excellent job of critiquing my teaching and giving positive feedback. I made tremendous strides as an educator during this experience."

HOPE Abounds on Campus

An exciting opportunity for Lycoming College students and faculty unfolded two years ago when the administration announced a new partnership with Williamsport-based Hope Enterprises, Inc. A \$50,000

state grant helped fund the creation of a new Early Learning Center on campus for special needs children 3 to 5 years of age. Housed in the lower level of Forrest Hall, the center provides the children a new place to learn and gives Lycoming students a chance to give back to the community while expanding their educational experience.

"This is another reason why I really wanted to teach at Lycoming," says Macy. "It's so exciting to have that partnership. It's an inclusive program with children who have disabilities and developing children who don't. Our students can learn more about early childhood special education from the team there." Macy notes the center's accessibility and the seamless linkages between students' course work and the field work that they do there.

"In my Curriculum and Assessment class, students can go to the center and work with the families to administer a screening assessment," Macy explains. "Because the director knows so much about our program, she can support our students. And if I want to go and model for students how to do it, I can just walk over there and show them."

Ready to Address New Challenges

As department chair, Rogers is largely responsible for adapting the education program to meet new state requirements for teacher certification

that take effect in 2013. The changes are aimed at producing future teachers who have a greater depth of knowledge in content areas, a deeper understanding of child development and a wider variety of instructional skills to be able to teach a diverse range of learners.

The new regulations will eliminate the existing certification for kindergarten through sixth-grade teachers, replacing it with two new categories: one for pre-K through fourth-grade teachers and the other for fourth-through eighth-grade teachers. This change introduces a whole new level of teacher preparation by including a focus on children 3 and 4 years of age.

"Currently, we offer a K-6 certification in elementary education and 7-12 in secondary," Rogers explains. "We also have K-12 certification in the areas of art, modern language and music, which will remain the same. Beginning with new students entering in fall 2010, we'll have a new curriculum leading to preK-4 certification. We plan to defer the 4-8 until the following year.

"We polled our current elementary education students and found that most want to teach at the lower elementary grades," she adds. "So, deferring the new middle

grade certification for a year means there are only two grades—fifth and sixth—that we won't be certifying right away."

Adapting to Classroom Realities

Diversity in today's classrooms is helping to drive other changes in teacher preparation across the Commonwealth. Lycoming College is geared up to address a new state regulation aimed at teaching students with disabilities and those for whom English is a second language. For example, Pennsylvania's teacher preparation programs will need to include three credits of English Language Learner training.

Macy explains that the area of special education will also be changing dramatically. "You cannot do a stand-alone certification anymore," she says. "If you're going to be a special education teacher, you also have to have elementary or secondary certification. All teachers at some point in their career will most likely have a student with special needs. All education students will need to take nine credit hours of special education."

The months of detailed planning and revision have been well worth the time and effort, Rogers says. "We want to prepare Lycoming students with the instructional strategies, activities and knowledge to meet the needs of all students they will encounter. The changes we are making will better prepare our students for today's classrooms."

Robertson is a freelance writer based in Mifflinburg, Pa.

Chip Edmonds '98 assumed the role of Lycoming's vice president for college advancement Aug. 1. He provides leadership for all of the College's fundraising initiatives as well as oversees the departments of alumni relations, college relations and development.

Q: What do you find most appealing about returning to your alma mater?

It is wonderful to work on behalf of the very people who gave me such a great education. Even more, raising support to enhance the Lycoming experience for current and future students is a great privilege. Working at my alma mater is not merely a job, but rather an opportunity to make a difference at an institution that strives to educate, inspire and enable its students to do great things.

Q: What makes Lycoming a special place to earn a college education?

Lycoming remains committed to delivering an outstanding education to its students. It is an education marked by full-time tenured faculty committed to teaching and scholarship, a curriculum dedicated to the liberal arts and the formation of undergraduate students, a vibrant residential and extracurricular experience, and a community that espouses service, creativity, integrity and leadership. While many have historically sought to provide this kind of education, Lycoming remains among a select few (44 according to the Carnegie Classification) committed to delivering this kind of distinguished baccalaureate degree.

Q: What are your goals for college advancement your first year?

In advancement, we have one primary goal which all of our programs and activities seek to support: connecting our alumni, parents and friends to Lycoming in ways that are transformative and lead to deeper and more profound interactions with each other and the College. Lycoming is dependent on the continued interest and support of those who have been educated and influenced by the College. We want to do all we can to foster connections across the extended Lycoming community so that a Lycoming education is not merely a four-year experience, but a lifetime of learning, relationships and memories. This will not only be a goal in the first year, but every year. If there are ways we can be better, please do let us know!



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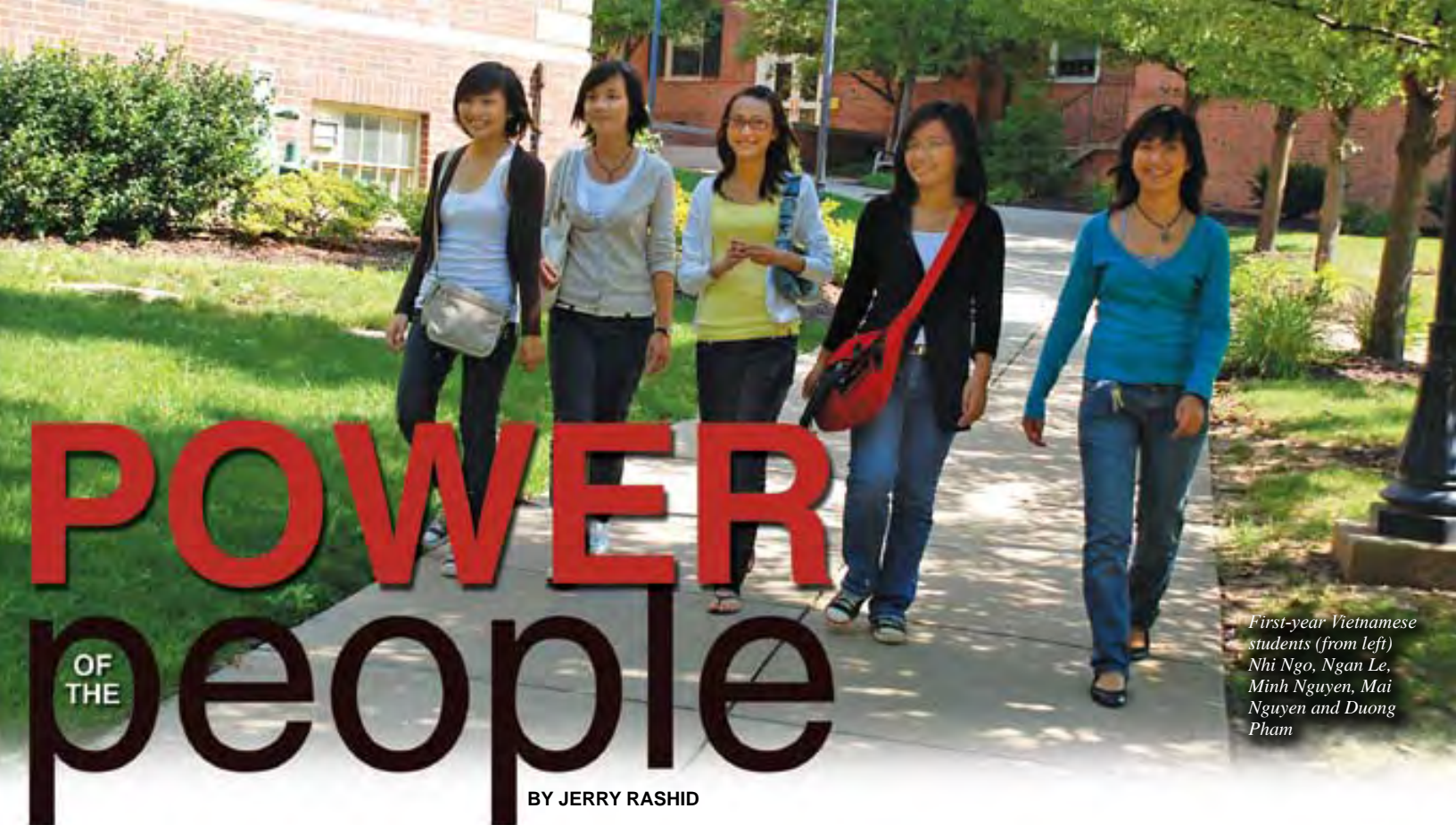
Chip Edmonds '98
vice president for college advancement

About Edmonds

Edmonds came to Lycoming from Yale University, where he worked in major gifts. He was responsible for soliciting alumni, friends, foundations and corporations for gifts at levels of \$100,000 and more. He also raised funds for Yale Tomorrow, a five-year, \$3.5 billion campaign.

Prior to joining Yale, Edmonds served as a major gifts officer at Lycoming, helping to raise funds for the \$43 million Campaign for a Brighter Future. His background includes working at the Duke University Divinity School as director of the annual fund, and a development associate with the Duke Youth Academy. From May 1998 to June 2002, Edmonds worked at Lycoming as the assistant director of admissions and development assistant.

Edmonds graduated from Lycoming in 1998 with a bachelor's degree in history and music, and a minor in business management. In 2006, he earned a master of divinity degree from the Duke University Divinity School.



First-year Vietnamese students (from left) Nhi Ngo, Ngan Le, Minh Nguyen, Mai Nguyen and Duong Pham

POWER OF THE people

BY JERRY RASHID

Hanoi, Vietnam's capital and second-largest city, has a burgeoning population of more than 3 million people. Ironically, what brought five international students from that large Asian metropolis to a small liberal arts institution in north central Pennsylvania are the people – the people of Lycoming College.

This fall, Lycoming welcomed freshmen Ngan Le, Nhi Ngo, Duong Pham, Mai Nguyen and Minh Nguyen to campus. All of them, except for Mai Nguyen, attended one year of high school in the United States as exchange students – two in Washington and one each in California and Maine. Minh Nguyen says she selected Lycoming because she heard great things about the school from her older sister, Nhu, a 2006 graduate. Ngo discovered the College during an online search on CollegeBoard.com. For Pham, it came down to one thing.

"I am very thankful for Mr. Spencer," says Pham,

referring to James Spencer, Lycoming's vice president for admissions and financial aid. "It was because of him that I came here. I e-mailed 10 different admissions deans from the schools that I applied to. Mr. Spencer was the only one who enthusiastically e-mailed me back with answers to all of my questions. He beats all other schools' admissions people. He was so enthusiastic. And he is very friendly, too."

Spencer's kind acts have extended well beyond the recruitment process. Once the students arrived on campus, he and his wife, Gail, had them over for a home-cooked meal. The same hospitality was offered by Dr. Dan Miller, vice president for student affairs, and his wife, Barbara. In return, the students made a Vietnamese dinner in the Asbury Hall lounge and invited several of their friends.

"Our Vietnamese students are very driven and are high achievers," said Spencer. "While they raise the bar for everyone in the classroom,

they are also a lot of fun and down to earth."

Since getting settled into their new surroundings, the students have been busy attending classes and meeting new friends. Academically, they plan to pursue business-related degrees with expressed interests in accounting, economics and finance. That's not surprising, considering all of them emphatically indicated they "like money."

"I like studying, which is a lot of fun here," said Nhi. "I like the professors. I feel they want to get to know you personally. They are so nice and willing to help you. I plan to go to grad school after Lycoming. I don't have a specific job in mind, but I want to open my own company and be self-employed. Maybe do something with marketing or advertising."

Duong has high hopes for the future as well. "I would like to work for PricewaterhouseCoopers. They have locations in Vietnam. I am trying to get into their intern-

ship program. After graduating, I plan to stay in America for a few years to get some work experience before going back to Vietnam."

In the meantime, Duong and her Vietnamese classmates will be taking advantage of a variety of opportunities available at Lycoming. All of them are involved with the Multicultural Awareness Group; Duong also has joined the Accounting Society. In addition, they indicated a strong desire to work on campus. While it appears they are enjoying all aspects of their home-away-from-home, their feeling for Lycoming is very evident.

"The school has a small number of students, but that is an advantage in getting to know people," said Mai Nguyen. "You can walk across campus and see your friends and say hi, which helps to cheer you up every moment of the day. Plus, I like the small campus. It is wonderful."

Apparently, just like its people.

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SUMMER in SUDAN

BY JERRY RASHID

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hristian Kochon spent his summer as a solidarity worker in the southern tip of Sudan, planting trees and living with 60 children at an orphanage. He learned about this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity by attending a student organization meeting at Lycoming College.

The meeting was sponsored by the Lycoming Environmental Awareness Foundation and Amnesty International, and featured guest speaker David Radcliff, director of the New Community Project, a faith-based non-profit organization. NCP conducts Learning Tours in countries around the world in an effort to promote justice, peace and respect of the earth.

During his three-month stint in Nimule, Sudan, a bustling commercial area near the Ugandan border, Kochon participated in helping the country in its efforts to rebuild after a devastating decades-long civil war that left millions dead or displaced.

“When you think of Sudan you picture Darfur and the desert, but we were in the very south of the country and it’s a lot greener down there because the Nile River runs through it,” said Kochon. “It exceeded all of my expectations. The people there are all very welcoming and very open to us. The kids at the orphanage have been through so much, but they still have a positive outlook on life and are so happy.”

Besides serving as a temporary surrogate parent at the orphanage, his role included teaching English, grammar, comprehension and creative writing to students at Nile Progressive Secondary School. He also formed a girls’ soccer team, gave lessons on a travel guitar he brought from home and even formed a drama program. He says he worked with several of the older children on the drama, which was about a young boy with AIDS and how his family responded to the disease, which runs rampant throughout the country.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays, he planted trees on behalf of the South Sudan Environmental Agency. He also delivered trees to schools and local farmers so they could help with the reforestation of the countryside destroyed during the war. Another organization he worked with was the Girl-Child Education and Development Association, which, among other things, sponsors scholarships for girls to attend school.

A native of Marlton, N.J., Kochon is in his senior year at Lycoming, majoring in history and pursuing a minor in political science with a track in world politics. While in Sudan, Kochon learned some Arabic as well two tribal languages – Madi and Achuli. He says the entire experience has broadened his knowledge on a variety of topics, including Sudan’s tribal and political turmoil.

“It was the single-best experience of my life,” Kochon said. “My affiliation with Lycoming gave me the opportunity to go to Sudan and work with several amazing programs and organizations. I took an international relations course with Professor [Mike] Roskin [retired professor of political science] where I learned how different countries interact with one another. That helped prepare me for the situation in Sudan. I took the Africa in World Politics class, where I was able to contribute a lot because of my firsthand experience from Sudan. I now have a much better understanding of some of the issues there. It was a great experience that gave me a better view of the whole world.”



What's the inspiration behind your personal artwork?

My work explores themes related to my background. I was born in Vietnam to ethnically Chinese parents. I immigrated to America when I was 12. I have aspects of all three cultures, yet I am in between them all. In my art I explore identity, home, keeping traditions, change and the dichotomy between East and West.

In some of my work I try to recreate the feeling and the memories I have of growing up in Vietnam. What stays with me especially are textures--the rough, uneven surface of just-plowed earth, a weather-beaten dirt road after rain, a mud house with a straw roof, deteriorated and patched buildings, worn clothing. An environment that is earthy, that reveals it's being touched and manipulated by human hands. Within the textures and the symbols, I explore the Vietnamese/Chinese philosophy that is influenced by Buddhism, Confucianism and Taoism--stressing simplicity, worship of ancestors, the cycles of life and connection with nature.

What makes teaching in Lycoming's Art Department special for you?

The Art Department at Lycoming is very collegial. We make departmental decisions by consensus, yet each of us has creative freedom within our own specialty. This allows me to continually improve my classes, developing projects for students that include new innovations in materials, approaches, techniques and ideas.

Lycoming's art facilities are outstanding. The department is housed in the old gymnasium; the setup of the building is ideal for drawing, painting and figure modeling classes. It has high ceilings and large windows, giving lots of natural light. The lower level is spacious, with a large wood shop, metal area and



Howard Tran

Assistant Professor
of Art

a multifunctional area, which allows students to create large pieces.

If there is one thing you want students to learn while taking your courses, what would that be?

The most important thing I would like students to learn from my classes is how to be creative. I teach my students to not seek absolute right answers, but to learn from risk taking and failure. I encourage students to continuously reassess their work in progress, and explore all possible approaches and ideas before making final decisions.

If one of your students is struggling on an assignment, how do you help him/her find or release that creative spirit?

I believe a student's artistic development progresses more rapidly when the student is self-confident. Throughout the semester, I give students positive feedback as well as push each student to the next level at his/her own pace. During class, I expose students to a diverse range of contemporary artists who work in many styles, ideas and materials in order to show a variety of vision and expression, and to encourage my students to try new things.

Within the Art Department, what types of hands-on learning opportunities are there for students?

The majority of the assignments in the studio classes are project-based. For example, students in this fall's Sculpture I class created five sculptures. Each sculpture was done using different materials, approaches, techniques and ideas. In the first half of the semester we focused more on technical aspects; in the second half we focused more on ideas and concepts. By the end of the semester students worked with clay, plaster, metal, wood and a variety of non-traditional materials. Students learned how to use hand and power tools. They used approaches ranging from traditional modeling and casting to mixed media/found objects to concept-based art.

About Tran

Howard Tran joined Lycoming in 2002 and is an assistant professor of art. He teaches sculpture, drawing, figure modeling and ceramics. Tran's work has been exhibited in galleries throughout the United States.

He earned a bachelor of fine art in sculpture from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco and a master of fine art in sculpture from Boston University.



LYCOMING AWARDED

National Science Foundation Grant

Students at Lycoming College learning microbiology will soon have the advantage of using some of the latest classroom technology thanks to a \$327,913 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF). The funds will be used to purchase three scientific instruments for studying the different types of bacteria found in various environments. Dr. Jeff Newman, an assistant professor of biology at Lycoming, is principal investigator for the grant. This award is funded by the NSF Major Research Instrumentation - Recovery and Reinvestment Program, using funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

"This grant is one of many investments in science and math education that are needed to ensure the future competitiveness of students from central Pennsylvania and the nation as a whole," said Newman.

According to Newman, the project seeks to "document discoveries of diversity," made by students in the microbiology course at the College. In the laboratory component of this course, students conduct a wide range of experiments on unknown bacteria isolated from local creeks. The test results usually match those previously found for known organisms, allowing the organisms to be identified. Occasionally, the results don't match published work, which then suggests that the organism is a novel species and had not been described in the scientific literature. The goal of the project is to thoroughly determine the characteristics of the novel species so that they can be published and officially named.

The three instruments to be purchased are a high performance liquid chromatograph (HPLC), a gas chromatograph (GC) configured for fatty acid analysis, and an automated microplate reader and incubator. The HPLC from Agilent Technologies, formerly the scientific instrument division of Hewlett Packard, will be used to separate and identify many different types of small molecules present in the bacteria. The GC is also manufactured by Agilent, but is a component of a microbial identification system produced by MIDI Inc. of Newark, Del. The integrated system compares the fatty acid profile of an organism to those in a database to identify bacteria. The microplate reader/incubator is produced by Biolog Inc. of Hayward, Calif., and measures the growth and metabolism of bacteria in 96 well plates containing different types of nutrients. Like the MIDI GC, the results are compared to a database of known organisms.

"From a scientific perspective, these instruments will allow us to complete the analysis of many unique species of bacteria discovered by Lycoming students during diversity studies in local creeks," said Newman. "The instruments will enhance the training of Lycoming students by providing experience with modern high-throughput analysis and database-driven systems as well as classic, widely-used techniques like HPLC with modern, high-quality instruments. The project will allow more student research projects to reach the publication stage, dramatically increasing the students' competitiveness for top jobs, graduate programs and medical schools. It is also important to note that all three instruments will be purchased from U.S. companies, two of which are small businesses. This is a perfect example of how we can use a targeted approach to accomplish multiple national goals, such as stimulating the economy, helping small business and improving science and math education at both the undergraduate and high school levels."

In addition, Newman says this project will be presented at Lycoming's High School Biology Teacher Workshop, which is held on campus each year the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. The goal will be to inform and inspire area high school teachers interested in conducting summer research in microbiology and those who have students interested in competing in the Intel Science Talent Search.



Bacterial genome sequencing project

Dr. Jeff Newman, shown here teaching, has been awarded a National Science Foundation grant and a genome sequencing project.

Dr. Jeff Newman is one of four recipients nationally to be awarded a genome sequencing project by Cofactor Genomics in St. Louis, Mo. The other recipients are from Vassar College (two) and the University of California, San Francisco.

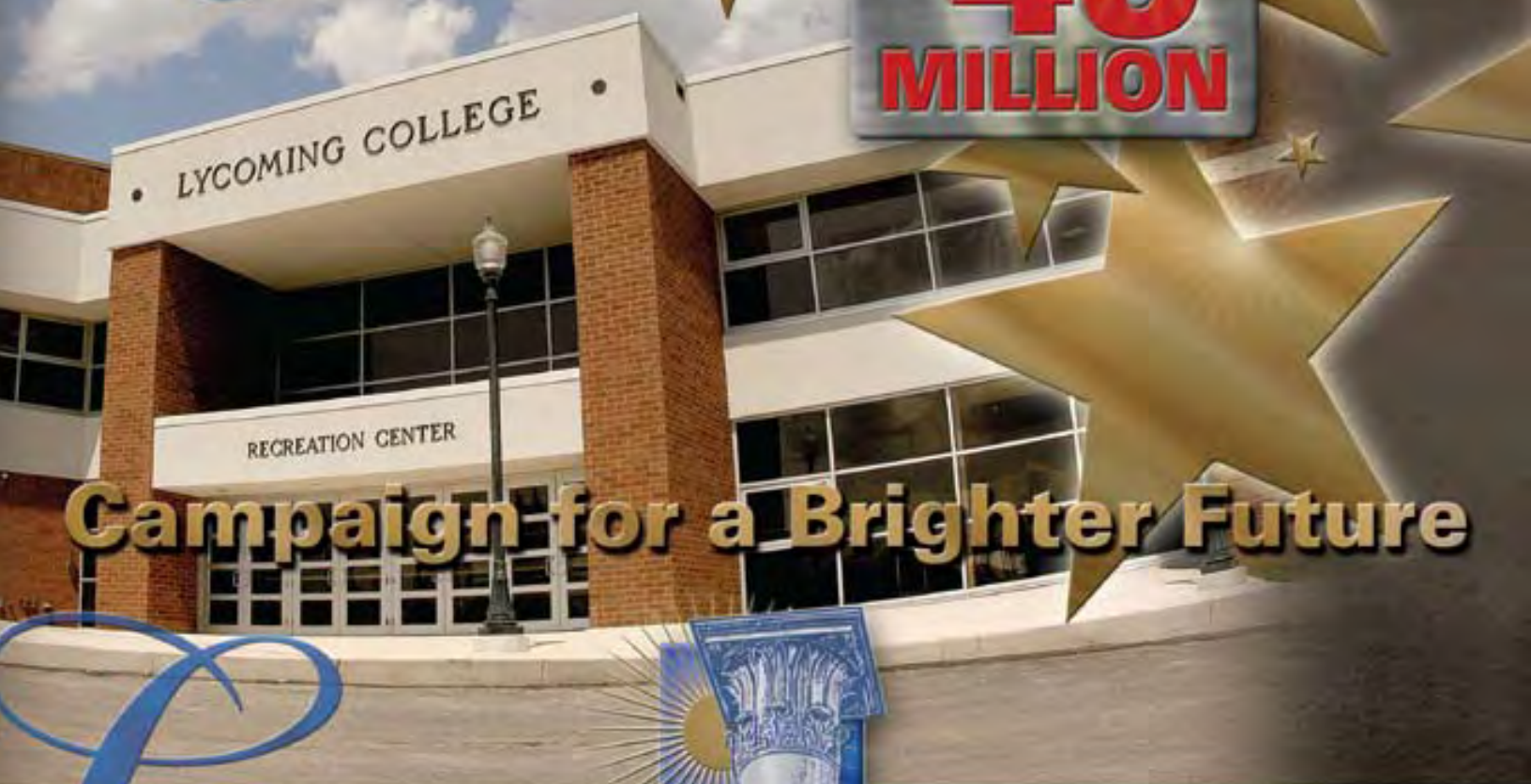
According to Newman, Cofactor invited submissions from educators describing how a DNA sequencing project could be used to enhance the teaching of genomics, which is the study of all of the genes in an organism (large-scale genetics). The projects will be completed on Cofactor's sequencing instruments, which use the most advanced, high-throughput technology available—more than 100 times the capacity of previous technology.

The organism whose genome will be sequenced is *Chryseobacterium piperi*, a new species of bacteria that was isolated from the Loyalsock Creek, identified in the College's spring 2006 microbiology course, and subsequently studied by several students as research projects. This work was presented in May at the annual meeting of the American Society for Microbiology. The formal description of this new species is being prepared for publication in the scientific literature. It is named in honor of Dr. John F. Piper Jr., Lycoming's former dean of the College.

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Campaign for a Brighter Future

Lycoming College celebrated the successful completion of its *Campaign for a Brighter Future* with a dessert reception at the Mary Lindsay Welch Honors Hall Saturday, Oct. 10, during Homecoming weekend. The comprehensive campaign raised more than \$43 million in gifts and pledges and marked the most ambitious fundraising effort ever undertaken by the College in its 197-year history.

The campaign was led by Arthur A. Haberberger '59, of Reading, Pa., chair of the College's board of trustees, and Dr. Daniel G. Fultz '57, of Mendon, N.Y., trustee emeritus.

"Lycoming College, for its 197 years existence, has overcome adversity many

times and continued to prosper as an independent college because it was created and continues to abide by the core values ascribed to by the founding fathers of this organization," Haberberger said to the assembled donors and alumni. "For 197 years, Lycoming's success can be

best defined as one established and maintained on a foundation of sound values including generous support from its administration, faculty, alumni and a large community of people like all of you in the audience this evening who have expressed your generosity."

More than 5,000 Lycoming alumni made commitments totaling nearly \$30 million during the *Campaign for a Brighter Future*. Approximately \$22.5 million was given to endow 107 new endowed scholarships to aid students with financial need.

"Lycoming exemplifies the traditional liberal arts model of baccalaureate education, one marked

by full-time faculty, small classes, excellent facilities and a vibrant residential and extracurricular community," said Lycoming President Dr. James Douthat. "Yet, a quality liberal arts education costs far more than most students and their families can afford to pay. The funds raised by the *Campaign for a Brighter Future* will help make a Lycoming education available to all students who qualify for admissions. We greatly appreciate the support of our alumni and friends who made gifts to the Annual Fund, to the endowment and in support of needed facility improvements. Lycoming College is very grateful for the hard work of our campaign leaders, our development staff and others who



volunteered to make this campaign such a great success.”

The campaign also supported the renovation of an 1880s historic building into the Mary Lindsay Welch Honors Hall and the construction of both The Commons residential facility and the Recreation Center.

Welch Honors Hall houses the 125-seat Shaugraw lecture/performance hall, a meditation chapel, the College’s Campus Ministry offices and the Community Service Center. Each year, nearly half of the College’s 1,400 students participate in a variety of service programs. Most of the 34,000 volunteer hours averaged each year take place in and around the city of Williamsport.

The Commons was designed to blend campus architecture with that of many of the homes in the nearby neighborhoods. The Recreation Center, a 54,000-square-foot building adjoining Lamade Gymnasium, more than doubled the indoor activity space on campus. The facility also hosts academic ceremonies, intramurals and various campus-sponsored activities.

Note: For a complete listing of contributors to the *Campaign for a Brighter Future*, please visit www.lycoming.edu/new/campaign/index.html.



Homecoming & Reunion Weekend 2009

Return to the *Sweet Life* AT LYCO

A weekend to remember with something for everyone. That's the best way to describe Lycoming's 2009 Homecoming, held Oct 9-11. Reunions and receptions offered alumni and guests great opportunities to mingle and reconnect. The parade was a sight to behold. Alumni

Association awards were presented to Dr. Marina Vernalis '73, V. Chapman-Smith '72 and Dr. John Piper, former dean of the College (see page 29), while seven former Warriors were inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame (see page 20). Enjoy these snapshots from some of the weekend's activities. Thanks to all who returned to the Sweet Life at Lyco!





COMPUTING

Chris Dahlheimer has an unusual career track. If he tells you what he's going to do, he'll have to kill you.

his future

By Gary Brown

OK, so that's an exaggeration. But go ahead, ask him. "Well, I can't tell you too much about it," he'll say.

Here's what we *do* know about the senior wrestler at Lycoming:

As a student, Dahlheimer has an almost perfect grade point average in computer science. He's a coaches association all-academic selection and a member of a Lycoming squad that had the eighth-best collective grade-point average in Division III last year.

As an athlete, the 6-foot-2-inch Dahlheimer is just as accomplished, having finished seventh in the 165-pound class at the 2009 Division III Wrestling Championships after nearly beating the top seed in the bracket. He was 15-1 in 2007-08, 24-4 last year and 13-1 already this season heading into January.

And as for that career thing, he wants to follow his father and his grandfather as a government contractor with the National Security Agency. As for specifics, well, that's where it gets sticky. He'll probably write some code, help develop software and perform a little maintenance on already established systems, but he won't disclose much more than that. He's already acquired a government security clearance from his father's firm, and he interned last summer as a software engineer with Praxis Engineering, a software and systems engineering firm in Annapolis Junction, Md.

"I've always been interested in computers," Dahlheimer says. "I don't see them going away any time soon."

Dahlheimer's wrestling opponents might wish he would go away soon. The Felton, Pa., native has been on the mat "pretty much from birth," he says, citing his father's influence as a high school coach in Maryland. Dahlheimer says he likes the individual aspect of the sport, the skill required and the techniques learned over time.

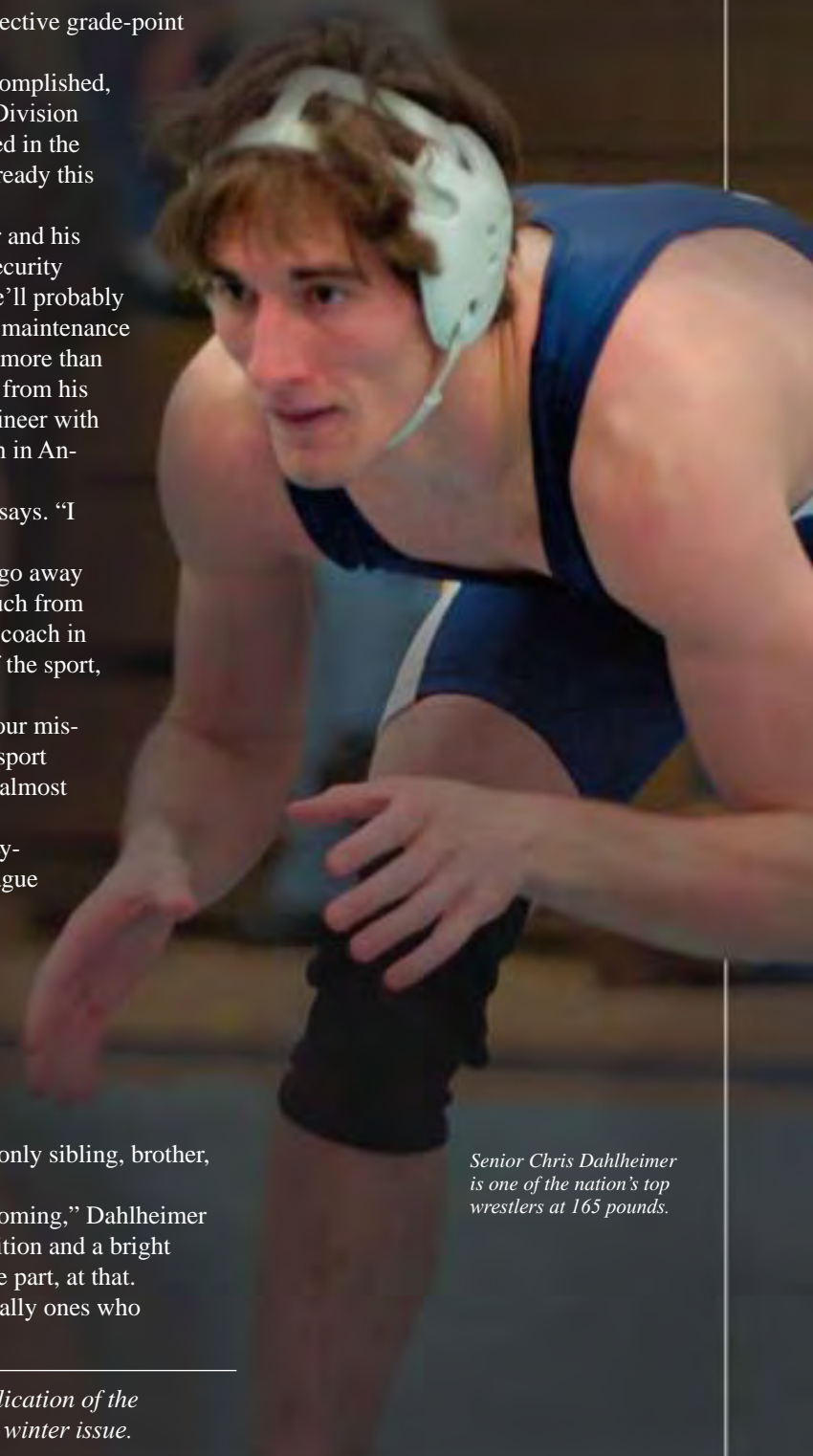
"It's not a team sport. You can't blame anyone else for your mistakes," he says. "It's just you against one other person. The sport offers a mix of brute physical ability and technical strategy, almost methodical at times."

Dahlheimer is one of more than 400 student-athletes at Lycoming, located in Williamsport, Pa., home of the Little League World Series. About 30 percent of the student body participates in one of Lycoming's 17 varsity sports. "All the teams are pretty tightknit, both within their own teams and with each other," Dahlheimer says.

With Pennsylvania a hotbed for Division II schools, Dahlheimer says he considered choosing Division II but wanted a smaller institution. Williamsport also is only a couple of hours from his hometown, just the right distance, he says, for being independent without being detached. His only sibling, brother, Keith, is a freshman this year at Shippensburg.

"But I also was attracted to the wrestling program at Lycoming," Dahlheimer says. "I wanted to be part of something that had a good tradition and a bright future." Dahlheimer is now part of that future – and a unique part, at that.

"You don't see too many 6-2 wrestlers," he said. "Especially ones who major in computer science."



Senior Chris Dahlheimer is one of the nation's top wrestlers at 165 pounds.

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Men's lacrosse hoping to end NIGHTMARE

BY JAC COYNE

When Lycoming head coach Brian Anken has nightmares, the bad dream plays out the same way every time.

His Warriors are the second seed in the MAC tournament after a strong regular season, only to draw Widener in the conference semifinals. Each time, the Pride races out to a huge lead against Lycoming, forcing Anken to pull his standout goalie, and then a spirited comeback bid falls flat. The night terrors end with Lycoming's chance at it's first-ever NCAA bid consumed in a Widener celebration.

Wait a minute. That wasn't a nightmare. That's *exactly* how things have played out over the past two years.

"It's funny; It's like déjà vu in back-to-back seasons," said Anken, his tone making it clear it really isn't that humorous.

In Anken's second year in 2008, the Warriors managed to post the first-ever victory over Widener during the regular season, an 11-10 triumph, but when it got to the MAC semifinals, the Pride managed to pull out an entertaining, 19-17 victory to halt the Lyco season. Last year, the Warriors again handled Widener in the regular season, 8-4, but only 11 days later the Pride jumped on Lycoming for a 15-9 win.

Consecutive upsets to inferior teams would typically cause a coach to have some reservations about the future, but Anken has high hopes that the nightmare will end in 2010.

"I'm always one of those guys who kind of sandbags it," ad-

mitted Anken, "but as long as I don't screw anything up we should be very good. I like the pieces and the chemistry that is put together this year even better than last year. The younger guys had a year to mature and that process accelerated even faster than I expected."

The top four scorers return, led by senior attackmen Edward Williams (33g, 13a) and Nathan Walter (30g, 17a), while the defense and midfield has key cogs coming back, including fellow seniors Kevin Devenney (16 caused turnovers) and Michael Doherty (64 percent on faceoffs). With the graduation of an experienced senior keeper the goalie position would normally be an issue, but Alan Antinarelli has been bidding his time and saw action during crunch time.

"In each of those tournament games [against Widener], Al came in and kind of saved the day for us," said Anken.

As much as the semifinal losses to Widener hurt, the

Warriors are hoping its just part of the process of making the big dance. Widener was responsible for putting the MAC on the map with its strong performances in the NCAA tournament. With FDU-Florham taking Washington & Lee to overtime in the first round last spring, the reputation of the conference is increasing—a trend Anken hopes to continue.

"You roll the ball out for 60 minutes and we're playing our best against their best and I think we match up very, very well against anybody," he said. "I think FDU showed that last year and I think they'll be good again this year. What they did against W&L showed that the three or so teams at the top that are battling for the MAC championship can really play with anybody."

And if it's Lycoming getting its shot this spring? Well, that would just be a dream.

Coach Brian Anken offers instruction to Ed Williams.

Following the Leader

Prior to taking over at Lycoming in 2007, Anken had stops at several places—including a three-year stint as head coach at Division II Mars Hill—but perhaps his most important job was as an assistant at RIT. It was there he worked under Gene Peluso, who is now the head man at Stevens.

It was Peluso who put Lyco on the map, and who helped bring Anken to his current position.

"Coach Peluso has become one of my best friends and has been a real mentor to me," said Anken. "He was one of the reasons I wanted to take this job. I wanted to pick up where he left off here. When he left, Lycoming was in the Top 25 and in the conference championship game a couple of years in a row, and then we tailed off. We're trying to get back to that level.

"If I can have the kind of career that [Peluso] has put together, I'd be very honored to follow in his footsteps."

When Peluso was consulted about who would be a good fit for the Warriors back in '07, he gave a quick answer.

"He was hand-picked to coach Lycoming because of what he brings to the table," said Peluso.

"The hiring AD at the time, Frank Girardi, and I had conversations about who would be the best person for the job and Brian was a 'no-brainer.' Brian is a winner, a great recruiter and a great person who builds his program with a family approach."

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WARRIOR News

2009 Athletic Hall of Fame inductees

Jess Amadore-Foster '04 was a Middle Atlantic Conference champion and school record holder in women's swimming. She was a team captain in 2002 and earned the Mort Rauff Award for Excellence that same year. Amadore-Foster was a seven-time first-team All-MAC and eight-time second-team All-MAC selection, earning a MAC championship in the 50 freestyle in 2002.

Lauren Evangelist '04 was a four-year starter and three-time team captain in women's lacrosse. Upon graduation, she held the school mark in many categories: goals in season (72), career ground balls (275), career free position goals (30), career turnovers caused (141), career draw controls (182) and goals in a game (eight, on three different occasions). She also finished second in career scoring (193 points), career goals (158) and career assists (35). Evangelist was named first-team All-MAC during her senior year and earned second-team

honors during her three other years.

Layne Haverstock '04 earned first-team All-Conference honors all four years as a member of the volleyball team. She was team captain her junior and senior years. She finished her career second in season service aces (75), third in career kills (1,608), third in season kills (584), third in career total blocks (459), third in career solo blocks (323), third in season solo blocks (129), fourth in career digs (1,155), fourth in career service aces (195), fifth in season digs (428), and seventh in career block assists (136).

Andrew Lausier '01 was a three-time qualifier for the NCAA wrestling championships and earned All-American status in 2000. He was a three-time MAC champion at 197 pounds. Lausier was named to the NCAA Divi-

sion III International Team in 1997 and 1998. He was a three-time team captain at Lycoming. His career record was 121-29.

Shawn Rosa '01, finished his men's lacrosse career first in total points (274), total assists (139), single-season assists (50), second in single-game goals (10), second in single-game assists (8), and fourth in single-season points (86). He earned honorable mention All-American status in 1998. He was a three-time All-MAC selection. Rosa also served as the program's head coach from 2002-04, where his teams had a record of 24-20 and were 18-10 in MAC play. The team finished as the conference runner-up in 2002.

Christine Temple-Koernig '04 had a singles record of 14-0 in 1999 and became Lycoming's only women's tennis MAC Singles Tournament champion. She was runner-up in 2000 and 2002. Temple-Koernig was named as the Freedom Conference Player of the Year and to the All-Star Team in 2000. She also earned All-Conference honors in 2002. Temple-Koernig finished with a career record of 49-6 in singles and 36-5 in doubles.

James Tkach '78 was a four-year starter on the football team, earning All-MAC honorable mention. As a senior, he was a second-team East Coast Athletic Conference selection as a linebacker. He anchored a Lycoming defense that was ranked first in the nation. He was the head coach at Northern Lehigh High School from 1992-05, where he coached 19 All-State players, a Lehigh Valley Scholar-Athlete and a U.S. Navy/ESPN First-Team Academic All-American player, and numerous league and district championship teams.

Inaugural Robby Curry Coach of the Year award presented

The inaugural Robby Curry Coach of the Year award has been presented to Lycoming head football coach Mike Clark '93. The award was established in memory of Robert (Robby) D. Curry '05, who was the son of Susan and Robert Curry '69. Susan was an educator in the Williamsport area for more than 33 years



The 2009 Athletic Hall of Fame inductees (from left): Layne Haverstock '04, Shawn Rosa '01, Andrew Lausier '01, Christine Temple-Koernig '04, James Tkach '78, Lauren Evangelist '04 and Jess Amadore-Foster '04



Football coach Mike Clark '98 (left) with Robert Curry '69

and Robb was Lycoming's football recruiting coordinator and associate athletic director for Frank Girardi for 36 years. Robby was also the brother of Jessica Curry '01.

Robby earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Lycoming and was a brother of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. Lycoming football was a way of life for him. As a youngster, Robby was a student manager/water boy for the Warriors. In high school, he served on the "chain crew" at home games. There was never a question in his mind about attending Lycoming and playing football for the Warriors. Robby achieved that goal as a freshman. During his final three years at Lycoming, Robby was the program's head videographer at all games.

The Robby Curry Coach of the Year award was presented during Lycoming's 2009 Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony Oct. 9 and was based on performance during the 2008-09 academic year. As a rookie head coach, Clark led the Warriors to a 7-4 overall record, 5-2 mark in the Middle Atlantic Conference, a share of the conference title and a berth in the 2008 NCAA Division III playoffs.

The fund was created as a monetary award to be given annually. All head coaches, full-time and part-time, are eligible for consideration for this award. Based on performance during the academic year, criteria include a winning record, both overall and in the conference, and whether the coach achieved the recruiting and roster goals for the year.

If you would like to support the Robby Curry Coach of the Year fund, please contact Lycoming's development office at (570) 321-4036.

EDUCATION

THROUGH



BY MYLES BIGGS '12

BASKETBALL

Europe and Miami served as the backdrop this summer for three Lycoming College men's basketball players looking to improve their skills for the 2009-10 season. During their endeavors, they learned about much more than basketball.

Senior business major James Oberlies and sophomore business major Mike Bradley were members of the East Coast All-Stars, which participated in a five-game, 10-day tour of the Czech Republic, Slovakia and Austria. The team was coached by Guy Rancourt, Lycoming's head men's basketball coach, and featured several NCAA Division I players.

Eric Anthony, a senior guard for the Warriors, also spent his summer playing against some pretty good competition. When he wasn't busy as an intern with the Fraser Financial Group in Miami, he could be found participating in two basketball leagues, where he had the opportunity to share the court with several NBA players, including Carlos Arroyo, Michael Beasley, Raja Bell, Carlos Boozer, Mario Chalmers, Tim Hardaway and Jason Williams.

Anthony obtained his internship through Lycoming's Institute for Management Studies. During his placement, Anthony's financial and accounting backgrounds helped him evaluate investment opportunities and work on financial planning for athletes. "I thought I knew a lot going into the internship," said Anthony. "School has helped in many areas; but there is still so much more to learn."

According to Rancourt, Oberlies and Bradley were selected for the All-Star team because of their basketball accomplishments and personal traits. "I talk with the team consistently about the good decisions they make on and off the court; Mike and James are examples of that," said Rancourt. "Character is very important. I have to trust them to make good decisions away from the school."

When not competing, Rancourt and his team were taken on guided tours of the cities they visited and went on bus and train rides to see historical and architectural landmarks. One of the excursions was an educational trip to a former concentration camp.

"Prague, Czech Republic, was definitely my favorite place we visited. Probably because we spent the most time there," Oberlies said. "The city offered so much to do. I enjoyed the culture so much that I definitely want to plan a trip back."

Regardless of the fact that it was playing against seasoned European athletes, the team never lost a game in five attempts. These collegiate athletes proved that they could hold their own on an international level.

For Bradley, picking a favorite game memory of the tour was easy. "It would definitely be making the game-winning basket of the last game. It was a buzzer-beater," Bradley said.

"That was my favorite moment, too," said Oberlies. "It was great to see my teammate represent us well. But it also was great meeting guys from all over the country. At first, all you have in common is basketball, but then you become good friends. I'll be friends with these guys for a long time."

Men's basketball coach Guy Rancourt (front row, far right) with members of the East Coast All-Stars in Prague, Czech Republic

Reflections



Lycoming College Alumni Association Executive Board

Dear Friends,

I want to tell you about a few people who were on campus for Homecoming weekend.

Marking the 70th anniversary of her graduation from the former Williamsport Dickinson Seminary in 1939, Dorothy (Laylon) Berndt joined us for the annual Heritage Club Brunch, a celebration of alumni who graduated from Lycoming and its predecessor institutions 50 or more years ago. Dorothy was a music student at the seminary and has been playing piano for 81 years. What a wonderful treat it was for our brunch guests to arrive that Sunday morning to find her beautifully tinkling the ivories in Burchfield Lounge to welcome them!

Many of you will remember Dorothy's daughter, Barb Horn. Now in her 31st year as a Lycoming employee, the administrative assistant in Lycoming's Education Department remembers many of you!

Like her grandmother, Sarah Horn, Barb's daughter, is a Lycoming alumna – Class of 2005. Sarah is putting her criminal justice degree to work serving as a corrections officer in Lycoming County. Sarah's late father, Dan, and brother, Brian, are also Lycoming alumni, both Class of 1994. The Berndt/Horn family is just one of many Lycoming College legacy families: those with children or grandchildren of alumni who have also become Lycoming students.

At our Legacy Luncheon during Family Weekend each year, I tell our alumni who are sharing the Lycoming experience with their children and grandchildren what a powerful affirmation of their faith in a Lycoming College education that is. This year, 18 new legacy students joined the Lycoming family.

As we continue to improve our record-keeping to better serve you and the students who follow in your footsteps, we are making specific note of our Lycoming legacy families. If you are part of one of those families, please contact us (alumni@lycoming.edu) so that we can include you among this special group of alumni who have fostered the Lycoming College tradition among those closest to them.



Dorothy (Laylon) Berndt '39 (seated) with daughter Barb Horn and granddaughter Sarah Horn '05

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Celebrating our Lycoming connections,

Melanie Harris Taormina

Melanie Harris Taormina '94
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Senior Class President

STAY CONNECTED

A message from your

Alumni Association Executive Board

AAEB update

LYCO PLATES

The AAEB is planning to offer Lycoming alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends who live in Pennsylvania the opportunity to purchase a Lycoming College license plate to replace their current plate. Each license plate is expected to cost \$44 and feature an image representing the school along with the words "Lycoming College" across the bottom.



SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

The Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship is one of about 160 endowed scholarships established at Lycoming. Anyone is welcome to help build this particular scholarship by supporting any or all of the AAEB's fundraising initiatives. Alumni and College supporters also can take steps to establish a new scholarship. The \$25,000 needed to create a scholarship doesn't have to come from a single source or person; groups can also coordinate donations. Endowed scholarships can be directed in a variety of ways. The Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship, for example, is available to any current student, with preference given to a legacy student.

Most endowed scholarship funds are used to support need-based grants to students as opposed to donations to the Annual Fund and other gifts that allow more than 350 students to receive scholarships based on their high school/collegiate academic achievement. Regardless of how you make contributions, whether it's through one of the AAEB's fund-raising projects or by donating directly to the College, you are helping the next generation to complete their education.

ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORTS

A Legacy of Learning

Kristin Newman and Julie Waldman have several things in common. Both are senior psychology majors who are planning careers in elementary education. Both considered going to state colleges before choosing Lycoming College to take advantage of the programs and personal attention available here. Also, both are among the 94 percent of Lycoming students receiving financial support that enables them to make that choice.

Kristin and Julie also are the first two recipients of the Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship, long a vision of the Alumni Association Executive Board (AAEB), became a reality in 2008 when the AAEB reached the \$25,000 threshold required to establish it.

Kristin, a graduate of Line Mountain High School, received the inaugural Alumni Association Scholarship during the 2008-09 academic year. She had considered attending Bloomsburg University because the cost would be less than a private college. Once she visited Lycoming, however, she was impressed by the close relationships between professors and students.

"I graduated with a small high school class," Kristin says. "Since Lycoming is small with small class sizes, I knew it was the best school for me." She added that her financial aid package "has given me the opportunity to come to Lycoming."

Julie, the most recent recipient, is a non-traditional student who graduated from Williamsport Area High School in 2000. After taking classes on a part-time basis at Pennsylvania College of Technology for several years, she transferred to Lycoming in 2007. Her grandfather, James Harry Notor, attended Dickinson Seminary before enlisting during World War II. Julie says she is "proud to follow in his steps."

Like Kristin, Julie initially was concerned about the cost to attend Lycoming, but stressed that she "was impressed with the school from the day I called to inquire about courses." The financial assistance she has received has allowed her to focus on her studies instead of having to work during school to make ends meet. She plans to go to graduate school, and "hopes to teach at the college level someday – perhaps even here at Lycoming."

The funds that have benefited Kristin and Julie come from several different projects to which hundreds of alumni have contributed. One consistent revenue stream supporting the scholarship fund has been the royalties the AAEB receives from the Lycoming College affiliate credit card program with Bank of America. Alumni who use the Lycoming MasterCard, handy for charging purchases all over the world, constantly support the scholarship fund and other AAEB programs as well. Another major revenue source in recent years has been the brick project. Alumni and other friends of the College can purchase a brick for \$225 and have it engraved with their own name or in honor/memory of some other person or group. Those bricks are then placed in the commencement walkway at the north end of the Quad. More information about both those projects is available on the Alumni page of the College Web site or by calling the Alumni Office at (570) 321-4134.



Kristin Newman



Julie Waldman

Alumni

H A P P E N I N G S

gatherings

Read more about these events at www.lycoming.edu/alumni/photogallery



Dr. Douthat shares news of the College with alumni in Syracuse, N.Y. Brunch was followed by a tour of the Erie Canal Museum.



Margaret (Browne) Wise '43 and daughter Carol (Wise) Kirol '83 attend a summer dinner and theater event in Williamsport.



Lycoming alumni in upstate New York join President James and Emily Douthat at Genesee Country Village and Museum near Rochester.



College friends Kathy (Muller) Altonen '87, Tammy (Rhinehart) Strayer '86, Braith (Eldridge) Dicker '86 and Jackie Firuta '85 came from east and west to reunite at the All-Alumni Summer Reunion near Harrisburg, Pa.



Event organizer Stephen Simchak '99 (left) talks with Ron Schellhase '72 at Camden Yards in Baltimore.



Ryan Brooks '05, Brandon Stewart '05, Matthew Bruce '05, and Katie (John) Stewart '05 gather in Pittsburgh. Ryan and wife Krystal (Ray) '05 helped organize a baseball outing in the city.



Together in Camden, N.J., are, from left (front row): Graceanne McGinnis '08, director of alumni relations Melanie (Harris) Taormina '94, director of annual giving Karen (Newhouser) Sheaffer '74, John Lewis '75, Meredith (Rambo) Murray '92, Wendy (Park) Myers '89; (back row): Drew Curry '80, Cathie Schock '85, Joe Bunce '63, event host Jack Tarditi '63, Chris Jetter '67, Diane (Dalto) Woosnam '73, and Tim Myers '87.



Alumni representing the '70s through the '00s attended a suburban D.C. reception hosted by Dr. Mehrdad Madresehee, Lycoming professor of economics, in September.



Beta Phi Gamma sisters gather at the 4th Annual New Jersey Picnic organized by Shannon (Holland) Desirerioscioli '92 and Michael Holland '89.

What will your **Brick** say?

Alumni and friends of Lycoming College have an opportunity to purchase a brick on the Commencement Steps.

Engraved on the brick can be your name, that of a loved one, or a very short message.

Proceeds support the Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship.

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CLASS NOTES

Class Notes submissions:

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

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

Information received after Oct. 9, 2009, will be used in a future issue of the magazine.

Send your Class Notes information to:

- a) Class scribe
- b) Alumni Office
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Please be advised that as a result of our online posting and archiving of the magazine, information included in Class Notes may become publicly available and searchable through the Internet.

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Dickinson Seminary and Junior College 1937

Wesley S. Dodge and his wife, Mary Mae, celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary Aug. 3. They have three sons, a daughter, eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. The couple resides in Williamsport.

John A. Girton and his wife, Mary, observed their 61st wedding anniversary Sept. 25. He retired from Liton Industry in 1988.

1947

Charlotte Plasan (medical secretarial) recently toured the Eastern State Penitentiary in Philadelphia (1829-1791) and the Liberty Ship John W. Brown (museum) in Baltimore Harbor. She resides in Springfield, Va.

1948

Lois (Oberdorfer) Cox and her husband, John, observed their 60th wedding anniversary Oct. 12. She retired from Commonwealth Bank in 1991. They reside in South Williamsport.

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Lycoming College 1951

Rev. Thomas E. Eisenmann (social studies) celebrated 55 years of ordination at the 150th anniversary of First Reformed United Church of Christ in Kenton, Ohio, where he has spent 19 years as pastor. Thomas and

his wife, Sally, have three sons, nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Barbara (Flower) (exec. sec. science) and Robert Hartline celebrated their 55th anniversary June 20. They reside in Dewart, Pa., and have one son and two grandchildren.

1952

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1953

Four founding brothers of PSI chapter of Kappa Delta Rho and their wives met for a day of golf, dinner and Lyco memories in Spring Lake, N.J., Aug. 19. Bud Moglia '55 hosted the gathering. They vowed at dinner to return to Lycoming in 2013 for their 60th anniversary.

1954

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1958

Ann (Pfeiffer) '58 and **Robert Gehrig '57** (education) observed their 50th wedding anniversary June 6. They reside in Williamsport, Pa., and have a daughter, two sons and six grandchildren.

1959

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George Nichols (business administration) received the George Nichols Community Leadership Award from the Rotary Club of the Abingtons on July 25. He is the retired former owner of the Inn at Nichols Village in Chinchilla, Pa.

Dr. Donald Shearer (biology) and his wife, Kay, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 27. They reside in Montoursville, Pa., and have five sons and 16 grandchildren.

Frank Sullivan (history) and his wife, Rosemary, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Oct. 3. He retired in 1993 from Williamsport Area School District where he taught for 34 years. They reside in Montoursville, Pa.



Left to right: Herb Robb '53, David Rodriguez '53, Bud Moglia '55 and Charlie Mitchell '53 at a golf outing in August.



Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity brothers and wives met in Tucson, Ariz., March 11. From left: Bill Corson '59, Bill Chitwood '59, Julieann Chitwood, Barbara Klapp, Ann (Merritt) Corson '59 and Marvin Klapp '59.

1960

Rev. Richard Handley (English) and his wife, Donna, observed their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 12. They reside in Elkhart, Ind., and have four daughters, a son and five grandchildren.

1961

Thomas R. McIntosh (history) was recognized Feb. 25 when Harrisburg University designated the second floor of the newly-constructed 16-story Academic Center in downtown Harrisburg, Pa., as the "T. R. McIntosh '06H Library Service Center." Thomas donated his personal library of approximately 30,000 books and most of his life savings to the university.

1962

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1963

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Mary Ann (Coder) Brinkley (biology) presented an exhibit of her artwork at

Trinity Episcopal Church in Hannibal, Mo., in March. Mary Ann designs a series of prints, posters and greeting cards called Natural Inspirations. She works with a variety of media, including acrylics and digital photography. Mary Ann resides in New London, Mo.

James M. Frey (business administration) retired from the U.S. Forest Service July 4 after serving 46 years in various human resource management positions and assignments throughout the country. Jim and his wife, Peggy, have been married 48 years and reside in Algoma, Wisc. They have three children and four grandchildren.

Barbara L. Smith (English, history) traveled to Philipsburg, Mont., in June for opening night of her play, "Butterscotch," at the Opera House Theatre, the oldest continuously operating theatre in Montana. Barbara is also a humor columnist for the *Norwalk (Conn.) Citizen*. She can be reached at blsmith283@aol.com.

Francis Tripoli (accounting) and his wife, Shirley, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Aug. 22. He is employed by Tripoli's Triggers Inc. Firearms Training and Educational Center. They have five sons, three daughters, 17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

1964

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Kent Baldwin (sociology/anthropology) was named dean of students at St. John Neumann High School in Williamsport. He has more than 40 years of education experience and has worked in counseling education with Diakon Family Life Services for the past 15 years.

Walter H. Manning, Ph.D. (sociology) published in May the third edition of his text in the field of speech-language pathology, "Clinical Decision Making in Fluency Disorders." He resides in Memphis, Tenn.

Ronald G. Montgomery (biology) and his wife, Eileen, celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary June 27. They reside in Muncy,

Pa., and have two daughters, a son and five grandchildren.

1965

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Dorothy (Hays) Maitland (Spanish) is president of Maitland & Associates Inc., Bigfork, Mont., and has been hired as a tourism marketing consultant by the Lincoln Communities Action Team.

1966

Jim Brendle (sociology) has retired after more than 40 years of work in the field of human resources. The last 22 years he spent as a civilian member of the U.S. Coast Guard. Jim resides in Virginia Beach, Va., with his wife, Sally. They have three children and six grandchildren.



Mamolen addresses ODE members

Paul Mamolen '67 (back row, far right) served as guest speaker during Lycoming's Omicron Delta Epsilon Induction Dinner Oct. 15. A senior vice president of Jersey Shore State Bank, Mamolen encouraged the new members of the economics honors society to be interdependent, work hard and put forth the extra effort, invest at a young age, and apply their knowledge. Shown with Mamolen are, front row from left: Dr. Mehrdad Madresehee, ODE faculty advisor and professor of economics; Drew Boyles, vice president; and Dr. Phil Sprunger, associate professor of economics; back row from left: Ethan Lee, secretary; Joshua Miller, secretary; and Dustin Schulman, treasurer. Missing from photo is ODE president Abigail Myers.



Lycoming Sigma Pi alums held their 4th annual reunion Oct. 16-18 at Watkins Glen, N.Y. Attendees included (from left): Bob Depuy '67, Bill Donovan '67, Ron York '68, Dick Wilbur '67, Chris Jetter '67, Tim Lavey '67 and Paul Bosdyk '67. One attendee was missing from the photo - Ray Adams '67. They plan to hold the 5th reunion in September 2010, in Ocean City, Md.

1968

Steven L. Rolley (sociology) and his wife, Patricia, observed their 40th wedding anniversary June 14. They reside in Williamsport and have a daughter, a son and two grandchildren.

1969

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Joan (Palmquist) (psychology-elementary education) and **Ralph Turner** celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Aug. 16. Alumni attending the party included **Jay Tray '69, Pam Palmquist '75, Jim Palmquist '67** and **Dawn (Dunning) Palmquist '67.**

1970

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Dr. Gerson H. Smoger (history) is president of the Public Justice Foundation, which is dedicated to using the skills and resources of some of the nation's top lawyers to fight for justice through precedent-setting and socially significant litigation.

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Rev. John E. Charnock (religion) earned a doctorate of ministry from the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He also was awarded the Richard J. Rapp Memorial Award in Doctor of Ministry Studies. He is the director of pastoral care for Susquehanna Health in Williamsport.

Timothy J. Hughes (sociology) and his wife, Christine, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary May 26. The couple resides in Williamsport and has one son.



Fred "Pooch" Puchany (business administration) was featured on several Buffalo newscasts while participating in the 250th anniversary of the Siege of Fort Niagara in Youngstown, N.Y. Fred is a board member of The Rangers of the Ohio Company, a Western Pa.-based French and Indian War reenacting group.

District Judge Thomas Vanaskie (political science) was nominated to the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals by President Barack Obama. He had previously served as Scranton U.S. District Judge.

1976

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William P. Carlucci (political science) was appointed chair of the Supreme Court's Interest on Lawyer's Trust Accounts Board,



by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, Sept. 22. The board is responsible for overseeing grant funds to civil legal service organizations throughout Pennsylvania. He has practiced law in Lycoming County since 1979.

Rev. Haydn J. McLean (biology) had his article, "The God of Magical Thinking," accepted for publication by *The Journal of Pastoral Counseling*, Iona College, New Rochelle, N.Y.

1977

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Sheila Zent (art) operates eXpresSew and holds sewing classes for children and adults in addition to designing sewing patterns with McCall's and for her own projects. She is the author of the pattern book, "Sew Teen," focusing on design patterns geared toward the teen market. She resides in Hanover, Pa.

2009 LYCOMING ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS

The Lycoming College Alumni Association presents three awards annually at Homecoming. Award recipients are selected by the Alumni Association Executive Board from nominations received from alumni and other members of the College community.

Angela R. Kyte Outstanding Alumna Award

Dr. Marina N. Vernalis '73

Dr. Vernalis is executive medical director of the Integrative Cardiac Health Project at Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC) in Washington, D.C., and associate professor at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Md. She is a retired colonel, Medical Corps, U.S. Army. In 1996, Vernalis became the 14th chief of cardiology at WRAMC as well as the cardiovascular consultant to the Army Surgeon General. She is the first woman appointed to these positions. She holds the record for the longest tenure as chief of cardiology at WRAMC. She also served as a cardiovascular consultant to the White House Medical Unit and Office of the Attending Physician to Congress, and was the first woman to represent the U.S. Army on the American College of Cardiology Board of Governors. Vernalis was the first person in history to perform transesophageal echocardiography in baboons in simulated space. She is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States Paul Dudley White Award, the Legion of Merit Medal, Navy and Army Commendation Medals, and a Navy Achievement Medal. Vernalis earned a bachelor's degree in philosophy and biology from Lycoming and a M.D. from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. She resides in Silver Spring, Md.

Outstanding Achievement Award

V. Chapman-Smith '72

V. Chapman-Smith is the Mid Atlantic regional administrator at the National Archives and Records Administration, serving the states of Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia and West Virginia. She received the 2008 Outstanding History Educator Award, granted annually by HistoryTM at the National History Day Awards Ceremony to an individual who has made exceptional contributions to the improvement of history education. Through her service as



From left: Melanie (Harris) Taormina '94, director of alumni relations, V. Chapman Smith '72, Dr. Marina Vernalis '73, Dr. John Piper, Dr. Heather Duda '98, president of AAEB, and Arthur Haberberger '59, chair of the board of trustees

the regional coordinator for National History Day Philadelphia and on the National History Day in PA Advisory Board, Chapman-Smith has contributed to the success of the state and national program and is responsible for inspiring teachers, students and the community to deepen their involvement with history studies. She is also the recipient of the Nelson Rockefeller College Distinguished

Public Service Medal, the New York State Governor's Tribute to African American Leaders of Excellence in State Service Award and the City of Philadelphia's Distinguished Service Award. Chapman-Smith earned a bachelor's degree in German from Lycoming and, as a Ford Foundation Doctoral Fellow, studied history in Temple University's doctoral program. Her husband, Robert Smith, is a 1973 graduate of Lycoming. The couple lives in Philadelphia.

Dale V. Bower Service Award

Dr. John F. Piper Jr.

Dr. John F. Piper Jr. served Lycoming College for 38 years, first as a professor in the history department, which he chaired periodically from 1974-92, as acting dean of the College from 1992-93, and as a dean of the College from 1993-2007. During his tenure at Lycoming, Piper served in numerous faculty leadership roles, including the planning committees for the criminal justice and the American studies programs. He chaired the Promotion and Tenure Committee twice and was on the Scholars Council. He founded and coached the cross country program for both men and women. His concern for the individual and for academic rigor exemplifies the spirit of the College. As dean of the College, he led the academic program during a period of significant growth in the College's reputation. Piper is the co-author with Professors Richard Morris and Robert Larson of a history of Williamsport, titled "Williamsport: Frontier Village to Regional Center." He has written three books in his field, church history, and numerous articles and book reviews. He has served as president of the Lycoming County Historical Society and the Children's Development Center. He is writing a history of Lycoming College in preparation for the institution's bicentennial in 2012. Piper earned a bachelor's degree in history from Lafayette College, a bachelor of divinity degree from Yale University, and a Ph.D. from Duke University. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi. He and his wife, Margaret, reside in Loyalsock Township.

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1980

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Dr. Richard Driver Jr. (biology/teaching certificate) has been appointed chair of the Department of Anesthesiology in the School of Medicine at West Virginia University. Richard earned an M.S. in 1984 and an M.D. in 1988 from the University of South Carolina. He completed residency training in anesthesiology at WVU in 1993 and continued as a fellow in obstetric anesthesia at WFU before joining its faculty in 1994. Richard assumed the directorship of the Anesthesiology Residency Program in 2007. While serving as chair, he will also continue to serve as residency program director.

Arthur W. Hathaway (accounting) is the branch manager of the Boothbay Harbor, Maine, and Newcastle, Maine, offices of Dead River Company, the largest home heating supplier in Northern New England.



Tammy (Woodward) '80 and Jack Coapman '81 with the Rev. Rebekah Sweet '82

1981

Class Scribe:

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Jack '81 and Tammy (Woodward) '80 Coapman celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at their home in Holland, Pa. **Rev. Rebekah Sweet '82**, who co-officiated at their wedding, celebrated with Jack and Tammy the renewal of their marriage vows. Also in attendance were their children, Alissa and Jack, III, along with a host of family and friends.

1983

Suzanne (Tomko) Stopper (accounting) has been named vice president for finance and chief financial officer at Pennsylvania College of Technology. Her responsibilities include financial operations, long-range financial planning, procurement services, auditing and budget development. She was previously associate vice president for business affairs/controller at Penn College.

1984

Class Scribe:

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Harriet Luhta (accounting) and her husband, Raymond, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 18. She is a retired auditor with Commonwealth Bank. They reside in Oval, Pa.

1985

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1986

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More than 60 Alpha Rho Omega members attended an All-Sisterhood Reunion in August.

Andrew Ripic (accounting) is general manager at Cargill in Wyalusing, Pa., where he has been employed for 23 years. He and his wife, **Shelli (Seymour '86)**, reside in Towanda, Pa., with their two children.

1987

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1988

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William Rathjen (criminal justice) was named assistant director of Jackson Elementary School in Williamsport.

1989

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Alpha Rho Omega held an All-Sisterhood Reunion Aug. 7-9. Four out of 12 founding sisters were among the 67 sisters who attended the event, held at the home of

Connelly named one of the world's 'most powerful women'

In August, Deirdre Connelly '83 was named by *Forbes* as one of "The World's 100 Most Powerful Women." Ranked 73rd on the list, Connelly is president of North American pharmaceuticals for GlaxoSmithKline, one of the world's leading research-based pharmaceutical and healthcare companies.

A native of Puerto Rico, Connelly joined GSK last February. Prior to that, she spent 26 years at Eli Lilly and Company, working her way up from a sales representative to the president of U.S. operations. Connelly earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Lycoming and graduated from Harvard University's Advanced Management Program in 2000.

In assembling the list, *Forbes* says it looked for women who run countries, big companies or influential nonprofits. The rankings are a combination of two scores: visibility, by press mentions, and the size of the organization or country these women lead.

For the fourth consecutive year, No. 1 on the list is German Chancellor Angela Merkel. This year's list includes several notable newcomers. First lady Michelle Obama debuts at No. 40. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor appears at No. 54.



Deirdre Connelly '83

Accountants' 40 under 40: Members to Watch for 2009-10. He is a vice president and tax officer with Citizens and Northern Bank in Wellsboro, Pa. He also is a member of PICPA's Professional Ethics Committee and a former president of PICPA's North Central Chapter.



Matthew Geromi (biology) graduated with a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine May 31. He is continuing his medical training at North Broward Hospital in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Tech. Sgt. Matthew M. Harris (business management) received the Air Force Achievement Medal while serving during Operation Enduring Freedom as a munitions advisor with the 438th Air Expeditionary Advisory Group with Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan. Matthew is a munitions flight administration specialist regularly assigned to the 366th Fighter Wing at Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. He has served in the military for 12 years.

David E. Meadows (economics) was appointed to the Georgia Public Defender Standards Council by Governor Sonny Perdue. He is an attorney at King & Spalding LLP. David and his wife, Maureen, have two children.

Wendy Park Myers in Kennett Square, Pa. Sisters came from Arizona, New Hampshire, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Virginia, Georgia, Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania. **Sonja Burkhalter '92** traveled the farthest (Flagstaff, Ariz.).

1990

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Dr. Matthew Reitz (English) was named principal of Loyalsock Township High School after serving as assistant principal at the school since 1995. He resides in Montoursville with his wife, Karen, and their three children.

1991

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1992

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Craig Route (sociology) was the guest speaker for the Canton High School Class of 1989. He started teaching in 1994 in Canton, where he is a sixth-grade teacher. He and his wife, Tanya, have three sons: Connor, Trevor and Carter.

Randy Zangara (business-management) was named ninth-grade principal at Williamsport Area School District. He resides in Williamsport with his wife, Tina, and children.

1994

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Rick Vallamil (communications) is president of Aquarius Landscape Sprinklers in Colchester, Vt.

1996

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Michael G. Charles (accounting-financial) was recognized as Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public

Bonnie (Penman) Mes-sick (communications) has been named a communications strategist with the account-services team of Fresh Creative in Lebanon, Pa. She will direct public relations, media relations and copywriting.

1997

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Lauren Kolaya (English-literature/elementary education) earned a master's degree in reading and basic skills from Kean University in May. She also was inducted into Kappa Delta Pi, the education honor society. She lives and works in New Jersey.

April (Fisher) Miller (criminal justice) earned a master's degree from Temple University's School of Social Work in May. She is the administrator of Children and Youth Services in Columbia County, Pa. She has three children and two stepchildren with husband, Evan.

1998

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More than 70 participate in Homecoming golf tournament

Lycoming College's annual Homecoming Golf Outing was held Friday, Oct. 9, at the White Deer Golf Complex. The recently renamed Thomas B. Croyle '70 Memorial Golf Outing enjoyed the largest participation in recent memory as 73 alumni and friends participated.

Despite being greeted by a rainy morning, the golfers remained positive and shortly before the 11 a.m. tee time, the rain stopped and the participant gifts of Lycoming

Alumni Association golf umbrellas remained unopened. In addition to 17 Theta Chi brothers, Kappa Delta Rho and Lambda Chi Alpha brothers also formed foursomes.

The winning foursome included Bill Kieser '98, Tim Smith '99, Jamie Spencer '01 and Jim Spencer, Lycoming's dean of admissions and financial aid. In second place was the foursome of Roger Crebs '87, Mark Morgan '84, Tim Brown '84 and Jeff Harris '85. Third place was garnered by Mike Killmon '70, Eldon Kuhns '70, Mike Chianelli '68 and Gary Bower '70. Dave Freet '68, Clark Gaughan '77, Bill Gallagher '70 and Joe Bunce '63 represented the Alumni Association Executive Board with a fourth-place finish. The prize for longest drive on No. 1 went to Angelo Leone and on No. 14 to Mark Morgan '84. Closest to the hole on No. 7 was Randy Jones '71 and on No. 13 Mary Bryce.

Through the generosity of the coaches of various Lycoming athletic teams, door prizes of team golf shirts, sweatshirts and other gear were awarded. The golfers and the Alumni Association Executive Board greatly appreciate the support of athletics and the campus store. Next year's outing will be held Oct. 15, 2010.



The winning foursome at the Homecoming golf outing was (from left) Bill Kieser '98, Tim Smith '99, Jim Spencer, vice president of admissions and financial aid, and Jamie Spencer '01, men's golf coach.

1999

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Kirsten (MacBride) Bagley (business administration) was named business manager of the Troy (Pa.) Area School District. She previously worked as a payroll and benefits specialist at BLAST IU 17 in Canton, where she resides.

Beth Laky (art-commercial design) had a show of original works sponsored by the Warren County Cultural & Heritage Commission at the Warren County Administration Building in Belvidere,

N.J. She is a senior designer at Liquid Church of Morristown and resides of Hackensack, N.J.

Stephen W. Simchak Jr. (biology) is the federal lead at the service desk of the Electronic Research Administration, which provides information technology solutions and support for the full life cycle of grants administration functions for the National Institutes of Health, Operating Divisions of the Department of Health and Human Services and other federal agencies. He and his wife **Annelise (de Richemond '02)** reside in Laurel, Md.

2000

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Dr. Brian Harry (biology) is an optometrist at Guthrie Healthcare System in Big Flats, N.Y. He also sees patients in Corning and Sayre. He previously worked at Stewart Opticians in Wellsboro, Pa., and Empire Vision Center in Corning, N.Y.

Jennifer Rhea (accounting-financial) was recognized as Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants' 40 Under 40: Members to Watch for 2009-10. She is a

senior manager with Parente Randolph LLC in Williamsport. Jennifer is president-elect of PICPA's North Central Chapter and chair of the chapter's Nominations and Relations with Schools and Colleges committees. She resides in Salladasburg, Pa.

2001

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Molly (Morgan) Fuller recently earned a certificate from the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards, which recognizes and promotes teaching excellence through portfolio submissions and teaching assessment. She resides in Muncy, Pa., with her husband, **Chris '02**, and their son, Mikey.

Sara (Davern) Mika (art) had an art quilt published in the August/September issue of *Quilting Arts Magazine*. She was a finalist in its 2010 Calendar Contest and selected as a Judge's Choice Winner from more than 300 entries. Her piece, "Fresh Pecked," was entirely free motion machine stitched, hand-painted and embellished, and depicted three hungry crows feasting on a sunflower. This is her third publication in the magazine. Sara resides in Catawissa, Pa.

2002

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Carleen (Remolde) Grissinger (psychology) is the middle school guidance counselor for the Central Fulton School District. She

was recently dually certified in elementary counseling. Carleen graduated from Gwynedd-Mercy College in 2004 with a master's degree in school counseling. She resides in McConnellsburg, Pa., with her husband, Todd, and their daughter, Eleanora Mae.

Stephen Lowe (economics) is an investment advisor representative offering securities through ING Financial Partners. He achieved the Million Dollar Round Table Membership for a second year. Stephen and his wife, **Andrea (Haladay '02)**, reside in Danville, Pa.

Brian James Spies (studio art) was accepted for a one-year certificate program at the Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore. He resides in Williamsport.

Lindsay (Hilkert) Wright (psychology) is the group sales director of Hope Lake Lodge & Indoor Waterpark at Greek Peak Mountain Resort in Cortland, N.Y. She is responsible for all ski mountain marketing, public relations and sales efforts as well as scheduling and coordination of events related to groups and conventions. Lindsay is a resident of Ithaca, N.Y.

2003

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Miguel A. Llano (political science) was selected as the graduate student delegate for the E. Philip Saunders College of Business at the Rochester Institute of Technology.

Scott Moerschbacher (astronomy/physics) was appointed assistant professor of physics and astronomy at Alfred University for the

2009-10 academic year. He previously served as a visiting instructor of astronomy and physics and supervisor of undergraduate research at Lycoming College; a research and teaching assistant at George Washington University; an MCAT physics instructor for the Princeton Review; a graduate research assistant at Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico; and a teaching assistant at American University in Washington, D.C.

2004

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Corey Henfling (psychology) is the residence life area coordinator at the University of Scranton, where he chaperoned students and assisted with disaster relief efforts for flood-ravaged Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He also assisted with Scranton's flood relief program in New Orleans' Ninth Ward in 2006.

Kimberly Ann Jones (biology) earned a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine May 31. She is continuing her medical training in family medicine at The Williamsport (Pa.) Hospital and Medical Center.

Randy Lattis (criminal justice) completed the Penn State University Behavior Analyst Graduate Certificate Program. He earned a master's degree in 2005 from Shippensburg University. Randy is a board certified behavior analyst at Milestones Achievement Center in Reading, Pa.

Bernardo Urdaneta (economics) has relocated from Boston to Houston with IHS Cambridge Energy Research Associates, where he works with the Global Gas Group.

2005

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Jon A. Carlson (biology) earned a doctor of chiropractic degree from Logan College of Chiropractic in St. Louis, Mo., graduating with a Health Center Achievement Award and a Certificate of Appreciation for unselfish service as a senior intern.



Amy Curry (biology) earned a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine May 31. She received the Galen S. Young Sr., DO Memorial Award that is given to a member of the graduating class for showing exceptional interest and ability in the field of surgery. She is continuing her medical training at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine Consortium.

Carrie Firman (art-commercial design and photography) is pursuing a master's degree in the Visual Studies Program at the University at Buffalo, SUNY. She received a teaching assistantship, full tuition waiver and dean's fellowship.



Kathryn Sallavanti (biology) earned a doctor of osteopathic medicine at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine May 31. She is continuing her medical training at the Geisinger Health System in Danville, Pa.

Adam M. Shope (biology) earned a doctor of medicine degree from Ross University School of Medicine June 5. He is a resident in internal medicine at Conemaugh Health System in Johnstown, Pa.

Kevin Socha (actuarial mathematics) was promoted to senior actuarial associate. He works as a manager in the Variable Annuity Product Development group for ING in West Chester, Pa., where he resides.

2006

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Nicole Paterson-Coale (archaeology/culture of the ancient Near East and history) is pursuing a master's degree in museum studies at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

Robert D. Cook (physics) was featured in the Spotlight on Hidden Physi-

cists, Vol. 15, Issue 1 (spring 2009 edition) of the "Official Publication of Sigma Pi Sigma Radiations." Robert is a graduate student at the University of Southern Mississippi, where he is a member of the first class of doctoral students in the Sports and High Performance Materials Program.

Matthew Parrish

(English-literature) has been named the "Showcase" and entertainment editor at the *Williamsport Sun-Gazette*. He also has a painting studio at the Pajama Factory in Williamsport.

Katie Swanson (biology) graduated from the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine with a doctorate in pharmacy. She is employed with CVS Pharmacy in Olean, N.Y.

2007

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Kellie Cicconi (biology) was accepted to Cornell University to begin work on a Ph.D. in the Comparative Biomedical Sciences Program. Her project, "The Impact of Organic Management on Dairy Animal Health and Well Being," is a collaboration among Cornell's Quality Milk Production Services, Oregon State University and the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

2008

Class Scribe:

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Amilcar Guzman (psychology, sociology/anthropology) is a research and policy associate at the National Council of Community and Education Partnerships

(NCCEP), where he analyzes policy related to college access and provides research materials for staff. NCCEP works to increase funding and provide research for the national college access program GEAR UP. Amilcar attended the 2009 Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Awards Gala Sept. 15, in Washington, D.C.

Amanda Kascic

(psychology, elementary education certification) was inducted into the Chi Sigma

Iota, Counseling Academic and Professional Honor Society in May. She is pursuing a master's degree in school counseling at the University of Rochester Warner School of Education and Human Development. She resides in Bayonne, N.J.

2009

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Cold beginning, happy ending

It is widely known that the collegiate atmosphere often fosters romance as well as education. This is especially true for two members of Lycoming's Class of 2006—Jessica Urick and Heath Oberlin. They exchanged vows Oct. 10, the same day as the College's 2009 Homecoming festivities.



Jessica and Heath Oberlin

Their wedding was held nearby in Lewisburg, but they took their photos outdoors on Lycoming's campus in order to incorporate where they first met into the new chapter of their lives. A reception was held at the Genetti Hotel in downtown Williamsport.

Jessica and Heath first met on a snowy day at Lycoming when classes were cancelled and most students were playing outside. Jessica remembers, "I got hit in the back of the head with a snowball. I turned around to find Heath laughing at me. From that moment on I wasn't very fond of him and had no interaction with him our entire college career." The two did not get together until a mutual friend, Abbey Whittaker '08, formally introduced them and explained that they were wrong in their perceptions of each other. They have been together since.

Jessica is the librarian at Warrior Run High School and is pursuing a master's degree at Clarion University. During the summer months, she volunteers in the College's Snowden Library. Jessica earned a degree in English literature with secondary education certification. Heath works at the Allenwood Prison System as a corrections officer and was recently named "Rookie of the Year." He graduated with a degree in criminal justice with minors in psychology and sociology. The couple resides in Lewisburg.

MARRIAGES

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

Jaime (Laubach) '99 and Steven Dolen Jr., March 27, 2009, in Nutley, N.J.

1 Amanda (Keller) '02 and Michael Dansberry, July 11, 2009, at Wisheaven Banquet Center in York, Pa.

2 Nicole (McCourt) '05 and **Kevin Socha '05**, May 30, 2009, at Downingtown Country Club near their home in West Chester, Pa.

3 Jackie (Gauer) '06 and Jesse Dorn, May 23, 2009. The ceremony was held at Readington Reformed Church in Readington, N.J. and the reception at Neshanic Valley Golf Course in Neshanic Station, N.J.

4 Kristina (Cortes) '06 and **Robert Allen '99**, Jan. 9, 2009.

5 Erin (Peterson) '07 and **Eric Miller '07**, Aug. 18, 2009, in Batavia, N.Y.

6 Stephanie (Savino) '07 and **Richard Howell '07**, June 28, 2008, at the Jaggard United Methodist Church in Altoona, Pa.

7 Patty (Spencer) '07 and **Josh Williard '07**, June 13, 2009.

8 Wendy (Gibson) '08 and **Michael Byerly '07**, June 27, 2009.



NEW ARRIVALS

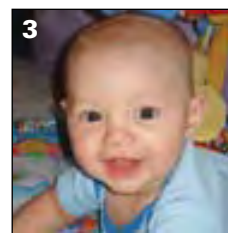
1 Karen (Bellettiere) '91 and Thomas Pursel, a daughter, Audrey Samantha, Nov. 19, 2008. She joins sisters, Natalie and Ava.



2 Kathryn (Campomizzi) '94 and Shawn Clews, a son, Jacob Robert, Feb. 25, 2009. He joins sister, Amber Marie, 6.



Elise and **Jeff Creegan '95**, a son, Patrick Gerard, June 24, 2009. He joins siblings Rob, 6, Kelly, 4, and Raymond, 1.



3 Becky (Eickhoff) '96 and Jonathan Kummery, a son, William Joshua, Jan. 27, 2009. Will joins sister, Sarah, 2.



4 Julie (Emnett) '96 and Jeff Stoke, a daughter, Violet Hartigan, May 20, 2009. Violet joins brother, Bennett, 6, and sister, Zoe, 3.



5 April (Sparks) '98 and Justin Orwig, a daughter, Reagan Olivia, Jan. 30, 2009.

6 Melissa (Giello) '99 and Peter Dannenfelser, a daughter, Lily Grace, Aug. 27, 2009.



Jennifer (Shuler) '99 and Gregory Miller, a son, Brett Gregory, Aug. 23, 2009. He joins sister, Lauren, 4.

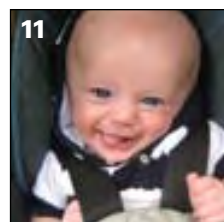


7 Amy (Galka) '00 and Shaun Mackrell, a daughter, Ella Mae, Nov. 7, 2008.

8 Amber (Kimble) '00 and Brad Paul, a son, Gavin Mitchell, June 6, 2009. He joins brother, Derek, 2.



9 Valerie (Lagoner) '00 and **Jeremy Dysinger '99**, a son, Marshall Everett, March 27, 2009. He joins brother, Jaden Isaac, 3.



10 Sarah (Conley) '01 and **Robert Schildt '00**, a son, Jackson Robert, June 30, 2009.

11 Jennifer (Haldaman) '01 and **Ryan McCarthy '00**, a son, Brayden James, Feb. 24, 2009. He joins brother, Shea Patrick.



12 Molly (Morgan) '01 and **Christopher Fuller '02**, a son, Michael Christopher, May 26, 2009.

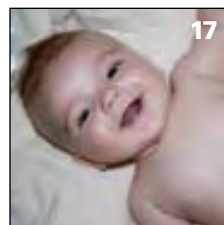


13 Jessica (Wheeler) '01 and Nicholas Tracy, a son, Dominick Paul, May 7, 2009.

14 Sarah (Wolferz) '01 and **Morgan Kyte '00**, a son, Graysen Matthew, April 28, 2009.



Annelise (de Richemond) '02 and **Stephen Simchak '99**, a daughter, Sophia Ann, June 4, 2009.



15 Andrea (Haladay) '02 and **Stephen D. Lowe '02**, a son, Chase Stephen, Oct. 6, 2009. He joins sister, Jillian Marie, 17 months.

16 Carleen (Remolde) '02 and Todd Grissinger, a daughter, Eleanora Mae, Nov. 29, 2008.

17 Ady (Smith) '02 and Rob Dorsett, a son, Jackson Conrad, March 25, 2009.

18 Melissa and **Andrew Gutkowski '03**, a daughter, Josie Mae, April 13, 2009.



19 Lara (Collins) '04 and Jeffrey Breon, a son, Theodore Jefferson, Oct. 21, 2008. His maternal grandmother is Regina Collins, Lycoming's assistant dean for freshman. Theo joins sister, Julia, 2.

IN MEMORIAM

1929 • Mildred W. (Isenberg) Russell, Meadows of Dan, Va., Aug. 24, 2009. She is survived by a son.

1932 • Virginia G. (Farnsworth) Hill, McLean, Va., June 28, 2009. She is survived by her husband, Clarence.

Dorothy F. (Long) Spotts, Carlisle, Pa., Aug. 18, 2009. She is survived by three sons.

1933 • Esther J. (Reese) Burrows, Irvine, Calif., May 3, 2009. She is survived by two sons.

1937 • Virginia (Weller) Pfeiffer, Montgomery, Pa., March 28, 2008. She is survived by a son.

1939 • Alice L. (Schmelzle) Hospers, El Paso, Texas, May 29, 2009. She is survived by a daughter.

1942 • Beverly (Taylor) Schnubel, Naples, Fla., June 29, 2009. She is survived by two daughters and two sons.

1947 • David S. Harrison, Williamsport, Pa., June 27, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Rheta, two daughters and three sons.

Rev. Daniel W. Heckert, Williamsport, Pa., May 2, 2009. He is survived by two sons.

1949 • Ellinor R. (Davies) Halter, Burney, Calif., June 9, 2009. She is survived by a daughter and a son.

Ruth Beryl (Potter) Kohler, State College, Pa., July 7, 2009. She is survived by her husband, Maynard.

Kay M. (Goodman) Stover, Howard, Pa., July 9, 2009. She is survived by her husband, Robert, and two daughters.

1951 • Abram C. Detwiler Jr., Myerstown, Pa., June 22, 2009.

1952 • Vincent Campana, Williamsport, Pa., Aug. 16, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Betty, two daughters and two sons.

Anna B. (Shultz) Edkin, Williamsport, Pa., June 25, 2009. She is survived by a daughter and two sons.

Gordon E. Gillette, Odessa, Texas, May 25, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Margie, a daughter, two stepdaughters and two stepsons.

Robert G. Petts, Duboistown, Pa., June 13, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Shirley, three daughters, a son, a step-daughter and two stepsons.

1954 • Daniel F. Keller, Williamsport, Pa., Sept. 22, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Doris, and two sons.

Logan A. Richmond, Montoursville, Pa., Sept. 21, 2009. He was professor emeritus of accounting at Lycoming, where he taught for 34 years. He also served as faculty advisor for the College's Circle K Club. The Logan Richmond Accounting

Prize was established in his honor in 1988. Lycoming's Alumni Association recognized his many contributions by presenting him with the Dale V. Bower Service Award in 1994. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, and two sons, two stepsons, a step-daughter, thirteen grandchildren and step-grandchildren, two great-grand children and one step-great grandchild. Memorial contributions may be made to the Logan Richmond Professorship, c/o Lycoming College, 700 College Place, Box 165 Williamsport, PA 17701.

1955 • Sandra J. (Bishop) Dyer, Lewisburg, Pa., Aug. 29, 2009. She is survived by her husband, **David Dyer '58**, a daughter and a son.

William M. Williams, Montoursville, Pa., Sept. 14, 2009. He is survived by his wife, **Anna (Kuhns) '52**, and a daughter.

1957 • Robert J. Collins, Hazleton, Pa., Dec. 1, 2008.

Jack R. Edgar, Rochester, N.Y., April 3, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Joannette, and a daughter.

1958 • Thomas L. Calhoun, Jersey Shore, Pa., May 6, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Gail, and a son.

John E. Wolfe, Linden, Pa., May 11, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Virginia, two daughters and a son.

1962 • Rev. William D. Bouton, Johnson City, N.Y., June 18, 2009. He is survived by his wife, **Sylvia (Kadleck) '63**, and a son.

Carol (Starr) Cowing, Makawao, Hawaii, April 2, 2009.

1963 • Dr. Walter F. Kolonosky, Manhattan, Kan., Aug. 18, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Patricia, a daughter and a son.

1964 • George H. Buehler, Winchester, Va., Sept. 18, 2009. He is survived by his wife, **Mary (Sibley) '64**, a daughter and three sons.

1965 • Rebecca L. (Matter) Daly, Charleston, S.C., June 19, 2009. He is survived by her husband, Joseph, three daughters and a son.

1969 • Paula (Croes) Liguori, Niagara Falls, N.Y., Nov. 28, 2008.

R. Joseph Taby, Port Matilda, Pa., Jan. 25, 2009.

Nancy (Mealey) Zettelmoyer, Quakertown, Pa., May 19, 2009. She is survived by two daughters.

1971 • James L. Avery, Branchville, N.J., Sept. 15, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Cynthia, and a son.

1976 • Robert L. Riggins, Vineland, N.J., July 2, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Camille.

1978 • Charles W. Long Jr., Morrisville, Pa., Feb. 19, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Nancy, and a son.

FRIENDS

Phyllis M. Holmes, South Williamsport, Pa., June 24, 2009. She worked at Lycoming for 24 years as secretary to the president, retiring in 1986. She is survived by two daughters, including Deborah, who serves the College as chair of the Physical Education Department and head women's tennis coach, and two grandsons.

Robert W. Rabold, Williamsport, Pa., July 25, 2009. He was professor emeritus of economics at Lycoming, where he taught for 31 years. Robert was recognized by Lycoming's Alumni Association with the Dale V. Bower Service Award in 1996. A very grateful former student of his created the Robert W. Rabold Endowed Scholarship in 2007. He is survived by his wife, Hedwig, two sons, two daughters, seven grandchildren and one great-grandson. Memorial contributions may be made to the Robert W. Rabold Endowed Scholarship, c/o Lycoming College, 700 College Place, Box 165 Williamsport, PA 17701.

VIEWPOINT

By David Clark '63

After serving 39 years as a chemistry professor, I retired in 2005 from Pennsylvania College of Technology. In addition to the traditional college freshman chemistry courses, I taught special topics courses in graphic arts chemistry and in nuclear, physical and environmental science. Under a Pennsylvania state educational grant, I developed a number of simple experiments for graphic arts students to illustrate chemical processes during the exposure and development of black and white photographic film.

During my tenure at PCT, I published short papers in "The Journal of Chemical Education" and "The American Biology Teacher" on very large hydrogen atoms in interstellar space, the ideal gas law at the center of the sun, and a common misinterpretation of pH and the acidity of rain.

After graduating with a B.A. in chemistry from Lycoming, I attended graduate school at the Carnegie Institute of Technology (1963-64) and earned an M.S. degree in chemistry from Bucknell University (1969). My research at Bucknell involved the experimental determination of gas chromatographic and infrared spectral characteristics of arene chromium tricarbonyl compounds. This work led to a publication in the international research journal "Analytical Chemistry."

I look back on my years at Lycoming with great fondness. My mentor, Dr. John Radspinner, was not only an excellent chemistry instructor but a supportive and friendly human being with a great sense of humour -- which he needed during a few "clandestine" experiments conducted by myself and a friend or two, notably one in which the walls and other surfaces of the physical chemistry (a.k.a. P-chem) lab received an unintended coating of black soot, and another that caused the accidental spilling of a sample of animal urine over some delicate chemical apparatus in the same lab. (Some of us had to snicker thereafter whenever anyone used the term "P"-chem lab.)

I was an "unappreciative" student in my music appreciation class, sometimes studying organic chemistry rather than paying close attention to the music. But shortly after graduating, I found that I really had learned to appreciate and to enjoy good music, and I have always regretted my inattention in the music class. Through the years, I have encouraged a number of my students at PCT to attend Lycoming to pursue degrees in chemistry or other fields while gaining an excellent liberal arts education.

My strong liberal arts background from Lycoming has helped to greatly enrich my retirement. I still read a little chemistry or physics from time to time, but my major interests now are in areas of psychology, sociology, history, politics, religion and a fascination with the confounding complexities of human relationships. This stuff is far more mysterious than anything in the field of quantum physics!



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Lycoming College welcomed four new faculty members, according to an announcement by Dr. Tom Griffiths, provost and dean of the College.

Rachel Hickoff-Cresko is an assistant professor of education. She earned a bachelor's degree in education from Kutztown University and then taught reading, mathematics and various other subjects in Pennsylvania for 11 years at school districts in Reading, Kutztown, Allentown and Williamsport. In 2000, Hickoff-Cresko studied and developed curricula in Ghana, West Africa, under the auspices of a Fulbright-Hays scholarship. In 2002, she earned a master of education degree from the Universidad del Turabo in Gurabo, Puerto Rico. She earned an Ed.D., from Widener University in 2008. Hickoff-Cresko has published the "Lesson Plan Development Component" of the *Pennsylvania Department of Education English Language Learner Resource Kit*, as well as the *Ghana West Africa Resource Guide for Teachers and Educators*.

Marisa Macy is an assistant professor of education. She most recently taught for three years in the College of Education at Penn State University as an assistant professor of special education. Prior to that, Macy spent a year supported by a Mary E. Switzer Merit Fellowship while working at the Na-



Rachel Hickoff-Cresko

tional Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research in Washington, D.C. She earned a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Washington in Seattle, and a master's and Ph.D., both in special education, from the University of Oregon. Macy worked for four years as a special education teacher at the White River School

District in Buckley, Wash. She has researched and written extensively on such subjects as early intervention, curriculum-based assessment, life care planning and evaluation, and early childhood special education pre-service

programs, among many other topics in special education.

Todd Morris is a visiting assistant professor of chemistry for the 2009-10 academic year. He most recently worked at the National Institute of Science and Technology in Gaithersburg, Md., where he has been conducting postdoctoral research using molecules called "lectins" to correctly attach sugars to proteins in the process of manufacturing biopharmaceutical drugs. Morris earned a bachelor's

degree in chemistry at the University of Tennessee at Martin, and a doctoral degree in analytical chemistry at the University of Alabama. Immediately following completion of his Ph.D., he taught briefly as a full-time faculty member at Adams State College in Colorado.



Marisa Macy

Kerry Richmond is an assistant professor of criminal justice/criminology. She completed a Ph.D. in criminal justice/criminology at the University of Maryland in May 2009. Her dissertation was titled "Factories with Fences: The Effect of Prison Industries on Female Inmates." Prior to that, Kerry completed a dissertation-based master's degree at Central Connecticut State University, producing a thesis titled "Prisoner Reentry: The Impact of Community Programming on Successful Reintegration." She earned a bachelor's degree in history and sociology at Boston Col-



Kerry Richmond

lege. Richmond has worked as a case developer for the National Center on Institutions and Alternatives in Baltimore. In this capacity, she wrote memorandums on sentencing and parole hearings, and she created alternative sentencing or

parole plan recommendations for submission to a court or parole board.



Mary Broussard (instructional services librarian) had an online game, "It's Alive," accepted for inclusion in Primo, a database of peer-reviewed online tutorials maintained by the American Library Association. The game was originally designed to instruct Biology 111 students about the library's resources.

Dr. Cullen Chandler (history) presented a paper, "Orthodoxy in Belief and

Practice in the Carolingian Spanish March," based on research into the religion and culture of the ninth century, at the International Medieval Congress, hosted by the University of Leeds in the United Kingdom, July 13-16.

Lynn Estomin (art) launched an interactive Web project, www.warriorwriters.org, which provides a creative and supportive community for artistic expression, healing and transformation for veterans, using art as a way to process and make sense of military experiences. The site was recognized by the 2009 Canadian Web Awards with its highest honor, a five Maple Leaf rating. Three of Estomin's videos, "Walkin' to New Orleans," "Becky's Story," and "Run, Jane, Run," were selected for European distribution by Austrian company, Fem Art TV.

Dr. Sascha Feinstein (English) and **Dr. David Rife** (English) have published "The Jazz Fiction Anthology" (Indiana University Press).

Dr. David G. Fisher (astronomy and physics) had an article, "Space Resources," accepted for publication in Salem Press' Global Resources (2nd edition). Fisher and **Dr. Richard R. Erickson** (astronomy and physics) co-edited the second edition of "Solar System," published by Salem Press in July. Text editing assistance was provided by **Jennifer Campbell**, laboratory instructor. **Jessica Bugno '09**, a Brigham Young graduate student in astrophysics, composed an article for this work concerning radio emissions from the sun.

Dr. Sue Gaylor (vice president for planning) presented “Use of a peer comparison group and modeling to inform decision-making and institutional planning,” at the 2009 Association of Institutional Research Annual Forum in Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. Amy Golahny (art) was an invited participant at the international conference, “Edgar Poe’s Legacy and the 21st Century,” at the National Library of Russia Sept. 10-11, in St. Petersburg, Russia. Her presentation was titled, “Poe and Art, Artists and Poe.” Golahny’s exhibition, “The Stained Glass Windows of Williamsport,” was on display at the Thomas T. Taber Museum in Williamsport in December and January. It features photographs of stained glass windows in 10 houses of worship built before 1910. This project was funded by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

Seth Goodman (art) traveled to the south of India in May and June through a Lycoming professional development grant titled, “India Today.” The artwork he made consisted of plein air drawings and paintings. He started in Bombay and traveled by train down the entire West coast to the state of Kerala and back up to Bangalore.

Alison Gregory ’97 (instructional services librarian) had a chapter published in *The Library Instruction Cookbook*, by the Association of College and Research Libraries. The chapter is titled “An Eight-Course Library Meal,” and details one of her library instruction techniques using a structured jigsaw method to introduce first-year students to appropriate library resources.

Dr. Richard Hughes (religion) presented, “Pro-Jus-

tice Ethics, Water Scarcity, Human Rights,” at the 19th Annual Symposium of the Journal of Law and Religion, at the Hamline University School of Law in St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 16.

Dr. Darby Lewes (English) and Solo T. Dog (Canine Studies) presented a daylong Teaching Excellence workshop at the University of Wisconsin Green Bay Sept. 5.

Dr. Marisa Macy (education) co-authored a book chapter, *Life Care Planning and Evaluation*, in “Rehabilitation and Health Assessment.”

Dr. Betty McCall (sociology/anthropology) and **Dr. Susan Ross** (sociology/anthropology) presented at the 104th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association in San Francisco Aug. 8-11. McCall presented “Pushing Ruralspott: Black Welfare Recipients talk about Migrating out of the City,” and Ross presented “Who’s Got Your Back? Caring Communities in Iraq among Reserve Soldiers.”

Dr. Chriss McDonald (chemistry) and **Dr. Jeremy Ramsey** (chemistry) published a paper, “Characterization of the Complex Formed Between Samarium Diiodide and the Dehydro Dimer of HMPA (diHMPA),” in *Tetrahedron Letters*. Student coauthors are **James Grant ’08** and **Kelly Howerter ’06**.

Dr. Mehrdad Madresehee (economics) had a paper, “The Impact of Oil Price Volatility on Iran’s Economy,” appear in the 2009 spring issue of “Journal of South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies.”



Dr. Mehrdad Madresehee



Leah Peterson at work in the digital media lab



Dr. Peter Petokas and student Gwen Forestal prepare to dive for Eastern Hellbender salamanders.

Dr. Ron Mohring (English) and his micro press, Seven Kitchens, released three poetry titles this fall: Christina Pacosz’s “Notes from the Red Zone;” Jeff Stumpo and Crystal Boson’s “The Icarus Sketches/The Icarus Series;” and Boyer Rickel’s “Reliquary.” Production assistance was provided by student interns **Kari Larsen, Matt Koppenhaver, Scott Mitchell** and **Chandra Besong**. **Dr. Eileen Peluso** (mathematical sciences) presented

a paper she co-authored, “Incorporating Alice into a Summer Math and Science

Outreach Program,” at the 2009 Alice Symposium at Duke University June 17.

Leah Peterson (communication) was one of 13 artists invited to display their work in the exhibit “24-Square,” at Thomas Paul Fine Art in Los Angeles Oct. 10 to Nov. 20.

Dr. Peter Petokas (Clean Water Institute) and student **Gwen Forestal** participated in the 4th Hellbender Research Symposium June 21-24, at Cumberland Falls State Resort Park in Corbin, Ky. Petokas presented, “Population Dynamics of the Eastern Hellbender in the West Branch of the Susquehanna River.” Petokas and Forestal dove for Eastern Hellbender salamanders on

the Green River in western Kentucky. The symposium trip was partially supported by grants from the Degenstein Foundation and the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies.

O. Gustavo Plascencia (art) was in residency at the Art Institute in Medellin, Colombia, in August. He presented his work at the Pontifical Bolivarian University, the Club Fotografico Medellin, the University of Antioquia and taught several workshops in alternative processes and visual composition at the Art Institute. Plascencia finished his residency in South America with the exhibition, "Promesas Rotas." He also presented "Recovering Memories" Oct. 2, during First Friday at Java Juice in Williamsport.

Dr. Susan Ross (sociology/anthropology) had a book, "Deployed: How Reservists Bear the Burden of Iraq," co-authored with **Michael Musheno '69**, favorably reviewed in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews*. Previous positive reviews appeared in *The Chronicle of Higher Educa-*

tion, Law and Politics Book Reviews, History Network News and *InsideHigherEd.com*.

Dr. N. J. Stanley (theatre) presented a paper, "Neil LaBute, Vigilante of Violence: An Examination of His Trilogy *The Shape of Things, Fat Pig* and *Reasons to Be Pretty*," at the III International Conference on American Theatre and Drama in Cadiz, Spain, in May. In July, she directed the comedy thriller, "Deathtrap," at the Millbrook Playhouse in Mill Hall, Pa.

Howard Tran (art) exhibited in a solo show at Weyers-Sampson Art Gallery at Thiel College in Greenville, Pa., Sept. 14-Oct. 30, where he also gave a lecture on his work. He was in a group show, "After the Pedestal," at The Sculpture Center in Cleveland, June 5-July 25.

Shanna Wheeler (Academic Resource Center) had poetry appear in the 2009 summer issue of *Christianity and Literature*, published by Pepperdine University.

In April 1958, Martin Luther King Jr. was a guest speaker on campus as part of the Lycoming College Chapel Series. Those lectures, recorded on reel-to-reel tape, are housed in the College's Archives. However, King's tape is missing, and we have been searching for it for more than 10 years. If anyone was in attendance at that event, recalls details or knows someone who made the recording for the school, please let us know. We would appreciate any information concerning this treasured tape.

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Lycoming Goes BRONZE

Lycoming College students in last fall's Sculpture I class had the rare occasion of working with art professor Howard Tran and visiting artists Amanda Lee and Bruce Sodervick of the Sodus Art Bank to produce original bronze sculptures in the College's foundry. During the process, the bronze molten was heated to more than 2,200 degrees in the crucible before it was poured into the casts. The activity was held during the artists' three-day residency at Lycoming in September.