From the President’s Desk

If there was any doubt about the interconnectedness of our world, last fall’s economic crisis dislodged it. Day by day, we watched Wall Street’s indices spike and plunge, along with Japan’s Nikkei index, Britain’s FTSE 100 and others. As one would go, the rest would follow.

It isn’t just the world’s economy that is intertwined. We all feel the effects of another country’s political upheavals, a foreign power’s establishment of a nuclear weapons arsenal or a nation’s lax environmental standards. Likewise, we share the hardships of those whose lives are disrupted by floods, famine, earthquakes and other natural disasters anywhere on the globe. Boundaries are skillfully drawn on maps, but precise border lines do not shield us from danger or from need.

For all of us to live together on this fragile planet, we must understand each other. More than three decades ago, former president Jimmy Carter said, “Only by knowing and understanding each other’s experiences can we find common ground on which we can examine and resolve our differences. ... As the world becomes more and more interdependent, such mutual understanding becomes increasingly vital.”

Early in my presidency here, I met retired professor Chang Shub Roh, who founded an organization based on this tenet, the Global Awareness Society International (GASI); you’ll meet Dr. Roh in this issue of Bloomsburg: The University Magazine. I was immediately struck by his work to promote awareness and enhance understanding of diverse cultures, begun long before “globalization” became a buzzword. In an address at GASI’s annual meeting in San Francisco last spring, I focused on the important role international education plays in furthering these goals.

In my speech, I quoted James Manning, who was serving as acting assistant secretary for postsecondary education for the U.S. Department of Education when he testified before the U.S. House Committee on Foreign Affairs in June 2007. “Our nation’s schools and universities should teach all of us to see beyond our borders and boundaries, to overcome stereotypes and appreciate cultures other than our own,” he said. “(They) can also help with the broader mission of sharing our values with the global community, advancing freedom, opportunity and understanding.”

For this simple, yet profound, reason we at Bloomsburg University strongly encourage our students to study abroad, become involved in organizations like GASI and warmly welcome international students to our campus. After all, we’re all in this together.

David L. Soltz
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**Corporate Climb**

*MBA students learn Leadership on the Edge*

Twelve MBA students spent Labor Day weekend climbing Mount Katahdin in Maine as part of the Leadership on the Edge program. The program is organized by BU's Quest program and management professor Darrin Kass. In the photo above, Shane Malia, right, helps Justin Colon ascend. Other participants (inset) included Tatiana Astapova, Luann Byerly, Maryanne Feno, Michael Griggs, David James, Vincent James, Kristi Puterbaugh, Michael Rakestraw, Lhakpa Sherpa and Joe Yannes. A film crew recorded the trip and created a documentary scheduled to air this year on WVIA-TV.

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**‘Ship’ Floats**

*Prof’s book nets awards*

The latest book by Walter Brasch, mass communications professor and editor-in-chief of Spectrum magazine, has received three awards. “Sinking the Ship of State: The Presidency of George W. Bush” was named the outstanding non-fiction book by a Pennsylvania journalist in a competition sponsored by the Pennsylvania Press Club; finalist for an Indie Award, sponsored by the Independent Book Publishing Professionals Group; and winner in the Current Events: Political and Social Issues category in the USA Book News competition. USA Book News is widely regarded as the nation’s largest online book review service.

Brasch’s book was also selected for display at last fall’s Sharjah World Book Fair in the United Arab Emirates. Selection is based upon sales, critical acclaim and national awards. The book fair annually attracts about 250,000 registrants.

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**Stamps of Approval**

*EET and exercise science programs accredited*

BU’s master’s and bachelor’s degree programs in exercise science have been accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. BU has one of only 12 programs in the nation to be accredited at the undergraduate level and one of four programs accredited at the graduate level. Each program has been accredited for five years.

BU’s electronics engineering technology program recently received full accreditation from the Accreditation Board for Engineering Technology (ABET). The program could not seek accreditation until the first students graduated; the first graduating class earned bachelor’s degrees in 2006. Other BU programs accredited by ABET are health physics and computer science.
Grant awarded for partnership

BU was awarded a $95,000 expansion grant from the state’s Department of Community and Economic Development for continuation of the Workforce Leadership 2+2+2 grant program in computer forensics.

Federal Funds

BU receives grant for audiology services

The U.S. Department of Education awarded a four-year grant totaling $780,000 to BU. The funding will be used to improve services and results for deaf and hard of hearing children by educating students in audiology.

“I am pleased that this grant will allow the university to increase the quality and quantity of students pursuing their doctorate of audiology. I commend Bloomsburg University for its foresight in applying for this competitive grant,” said U.S. Rep. Paul E. Kanjorski (Pa.-11).

“We’re delighted to receive this major funding for our doctor of audiology program,” said David Soltz, president of Bloomsburg University.

“Professor Tom Zalewski, the project director, pursued this grant to achieve three goals: to train audiologists to help students in kindergarten through high school achieve academic success, to recruit doctoral students from underrepresented populations and to conduct an ongoing review to ensure the quality of our doctoral program.”

BU will receive $195,815 the first year and approximately the same amount for the next three years. The grant is part of the Personnel Preparation Program. These grants assist states in meeting their responsibility for providing personnel to serve children with disabilities.

Career Booster

BU receives NRC nuclear education grant

Bloomsburg University is one of 60 institutions sharing more than $20 million in grants from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) designed to boost nuclear education and expand the workforce for nuclear energy. Congress provided NRC with $15 million to supplement the commission’s grant program. BU’s $17,280 grant is among the $6.4 million designated for education scholarships and graduate fellowships.

2+2+2

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BU was awarded a $95,000 expansion grant from the state’s Department of Community and Economic Development for continuation of the Workforce Leadership 2+2+2 grant program in computer forensics. BU has joined with secondary schools—Columbia-Montour Area Vocational Technical School, Northumberland County Area Vocational Technical School and the North Schuylkill School District—and postsecondary partner Luzerne County Community College to develop a seamless articulation of credits in the computer forensics curriculum from secondary to two-year postsecondary to BU.
America’s Oldest Brewery

Yuengling speaks to business students

Dick Yuengling, the fifth-generation owner and president of D.G. Yuengling and Son Brewery, recently spoke to business education and business information systems students about his family’s company. Yuengling shared a history of ‘America’s oldest brewery,’ which has been in continuous operation and family owned since 1829, with students of faculty member Melanie Wiscount. Shown from left are Yuengling, Wiscount and BU President David L. Soltz.

MSIT in the Capital City

IT program comes to Dixon University Center

BU’s Master of Science in Instructional Technology (MSIT) program, a long-standing program at the Bloomsburg campus, is now being offered at Harrisburg’s Dixon University Center. The program aims to give educators the skills they need to lead today’s students as they direct their own learning through the use of technology.

Offered through BU’s Office of Corporate and Continuing Education, MSIT is a blended mix of online and classroom studies that integrates experience in instructional computing with information on multimedia, Web design, e-learning, product evaluation and project management. The program is designed for teachers and information technology professionals who develop multimedia for educational and professional training, as well as individuals who are seeking certifications or want to learn about newly introduced software.

For information on MSIT or other e-learning programs, see http://iit.bloomu.edu or contact Timothy Phillips, chair of BU’s instructional technology program, at tphillip@bloomu.edu or (570) 389-4875. For information on MSIT or other programs offered at the Dixon University Center, call 717-720-4080 or e-mail info@DixonUniversityCenter.com.

Three in a Row

Field hockey captures championship

Jamie Vanartsdalen scored three goals and assisted on one other to lead the Bloomsburg University field hockey team to a 6-2 win over UMass-Lowell (UML) in the 2008 NCAA Division II field hockey championships last November. The title was the third straight for the Huskies and the sixth in the last seven years. It was also the 12th NCAA D-II title in school history and the 15th field hockey title overall.

Bloomsburg head coach Jan Hutchinson said the key to the game was early scoring. “Getting three goals right away was a great start.” Vanartsdalen of Huntingdon Valley also was named the 2008 Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division Field Hockey Player of the Year. Six of her teammates earned All-PSAC East honors for the 2008 season. Named first team All-PSAC East were Vanartsdalen, Samantha Kropa of Tunkhannock, Chelsea Due of Pen Argyl, and Venessa Wittman of Oley, while Kelsy Kress of Littlestown, Whitney Miller of Lancaster and Allison Ziants of Winfield were named second team All-PSAC East.

Going Green

Students, faculty and staff participate in environmental initiative

A team of residence life, living and learning communities, faculty, staff and student organizations on campus established a recycling competition last fall to encourage students to recycle and become more aware of environmental issues. The competition, “Get Your Green On,” pitted Northumberland and Montour residence halls against each other, and Northumberland edged out the competition by recycling the most materials and using the least amount of electricity. Advisers Claire Lawrence, associate professor of English and creative writing, and Stephanie Schlitz, assistant professor of English and linguistics, hope to continue promoting environmental awareness on BU’s campus.
Lucky Seven
PASSHE tops record enrollment again

For the seventh consecutive year, a record number of students are taking classes at the 14 Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) universities. Enrollment is up for the 12th year in a row across PASSHE, with nine of the universities, including BU, breaking their own all-time enrollment records. The PASSHE total of 112,597 for fall 2008 topped fall 2007 figures by 2,169 students. Also at an all-time high is minority enrollment with a record 13,064 minority students taking classes at PASSHE universities, 11.6 percent of the total student enrollment.

An official enrollment of 8,855 places BU fourth in the number of students enrolled at individual PASSHE universities, behind Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 14,310; West Chester, 13,619; and Kutztown, 10,393.

Creek Cleanup
Volunteers take part in environmental project

Students in the Helping Professions Living/Learning Community recently participated in a United Water Pennsylvania environmental protection project along Fishing Creek. Shown are: Sharon Solloway, associate professor of developmental instruction; and freshmen Rashida Barnes, Philadelphia; Jesse Gomez, Shenandoah; Isabelo Amparo, Philadelphia; and Miracle Brown, Philadelphia. Two tons of trash was collected, including a large amount of recyclable bottles, cans and tires.

Quick Takes

Asteroid 20392 recently was named “Mikeshepard” by the International Astronomical Union in honor of Michael Shepard, professor of geography and geosciences. The citation is “Michael Shepard (b. 1962), a professor of geology and geosciences at Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, specializes in radar and optical remote sensing of the minor and the terrestrial planets. The name was suggested by S.J. Ostro.”

Steven D. Hales, professor of philosophy, edited two books published by Open Court Publishing, “What Philosophy Can Tell You About Your Dog” and “What Philosophy Can Tell You About Your Cat.” In the first book, 20 philosophers and dog lovers give their insights on canine-related themes of metaphysics and ethics. In the second, 18 philosophers answer these questions as they relate to felines.


Ferda Asya, assistant professor of English, won the 2008/2009 Edith Wharton Collection Research Award, a competitive grant offered to one scholar each year by the Edith Wharton Society. The grant enables Asya to conduct research on the Edith Wharton materials at the Beinecke Library of Yale University.

An analytical afterword of French Canadian Alain Denis’ novel, “Bidou Jean, Bidouilleur,” by Nathalie Goodisman Cornelius, associate professor of languages and cultures, was published with the novel’s second edition. The annotated edition is intended for use in French classes on Quebec literature and for the public.

Andrea Fradkin, assistant professor of exercise science and athletics, published three chapters in the book, “Science and Golf V.” In November 2008, she was quoted in a New York Times story on the proper way to warm up before athletic activities. Fradkin’s research suggests that, even in golf, those who warm up are nine times less likely to be injured.

V.H. Manek Kirpalani, associate professor of marketing, received the Helsinki School of Economics (HSE) medal for his contributions as a distinguished visiting professor in the doctoral program. HSE is one of fewer than 20 business institutions worldwide that is accredited by agencies from the United States, the European Union and the United Kingdom.

Michael M. Patte, associate professor of educational studies, was recently appointed to the Pennsylvania Governor’s Early Learning Council. The newly created council is responsible for planning the expansion of effective early learning and development services for young children and their families.
A 1988 BU graduate combines her religion and her skills in American Sign Language to translate “signs from above” to the deaf community.

For Eileen Finn Colarusso, the highlight of her career—what she calls “the job to end all jobs”—came in April 2008, when she signed for Pope Benedict XVI and a crowd of 45,000 at a Mass in Nationals Stadium in Washington, D.C.

“I tell my friends the only way to top that is (to sign for) God,” says Colarusso, a 1988 BU graduate who coordinates the deaf ministry for the Catholic Archdiocese of Baltimore. Some half-million Roman Catholics live in the archdiocese, which includes the City of
Baltimore and eight Maryland counties, and is home to an estimated 1,800 to 2,000 deaf Catholics.

The Wilkes-Barre, Pa., native and mother of five is passionate about the deaf ministry, whose goal is to enable the hard of hearing to participate in their faith in the same way hearing members can.

Her ultimate goal: to put herself out of a job by enabling members of the deaf community to run the programs by themselves.

The deaf community has its own language, its own history and its own cultural nuances that make it separate from the hearing culture, Colarusso explains. Like those of another foreign culture, deaf people experience life better in their own language. Priests and deacons who are deaf themselves or who are fluent in sign language are best able to minister to the hard-of-hearing.

Given the scarcity of deaf priests, Colarusso’s job is to train deaf people and professional interpreters to work with deaf parishioners in a religious setting. That way, deaf people can participate in their parishes in the same way hearing members can, serving in such volunteer positions as lectors, Eucharist ministers, ushers, acolytes and counselors.

When Colarusso, a parochial high school graduate, saw her first sign language interpreter at a Christmas Mass during her sophomore year at BU “it was like a light bulb went off,” she says. Shortly after that, Gary Mowl, who was an assistant professor of communication disorders and special education and “the first deaf man I had ever met,” suggested she make signing her career.

“For some reason, I never questioned his advice, and I’ve never looked back. I fell in love with it.” Still, she never expected to wind up in her current position. “I didn’t know the deaf ministry existed.”

She began by interpreting for the deaf in a Catholic parish in 1993 and continued that work when she moved to Maryland in 1994. Colarusso accepted a part-time position with the Archdiocese of Baltimore’s deaf ministry in 1997 and, when the full-time coordinator position became available in 2005, she responded to the challenge.

Although Colarusso has signed for hundreds of Masses, she admits the encounter with the pope on his first visit to the United States was like no other. “I was standing on the stage (at Nationals Park) and, when I saw him walking up the aisle, I lost focus briefly. That’s not like me. It was a very exciting moment.”

She had the opportunity to meet the pope a second time in June 2008, when she participated in a pilgrimage of the deaf from all over the world to the Vatican. “There were 1,200 deaf people from 31 countries,” she recalls. “The Holy Father greeted us and waved to us from the Popemobile.”

Before she signed for the pope, Colarusso says she thought of the pontiff “as somebody who lived in Rome. But the Mass and the visit to Rome really turned that around for me. It really took me out of my day-to-day Catholic life in my parish. The universality of our faith really hit me.”

While meeting Pope Benedict XVI certainly has been a career highlight, she points to others.

National award

Colarusso has received national recognition for a DVD and accompanying book produced in collaboration with Mary O’Meara, the executive director of the Center for Deaf Ministries in the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C.

The National Conference for Catechetical Leaders awarded the 2008 Technology Award to the two women for their much-needed resource, “Liturgical Signs and Prayers: A Resource for Deaf Ministries.”

The DVD is the only resource of its kind in the United States and can be used in a number of ways. In the DVD, the Mass is illustrated by a hearing priest and a sign language interpreter. The rites for such common sacraments as weddings, baptisms and funerals are also illustrated.

Interpreters can use the DVD to see how the rites can be illustrated in sign, parishes can use it to learn how to use interpreters in their own churches and, most importantly, Colarusso says, hearing parents can use the DVD to teach their deaf children the faith.

Colarusso notes that 95 percent of deaf children are born to hearing parents. Even when those parents learn sign language, they may not learn the signs for faith concepts, making it difficult to teach their children about Catholicism. Colarusso hopes the DVD will go a long way toward opening that kind of communication.

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*An opportunity*

There are only seven deaf priests in the United States. Colarusso feels fortunate that she had the opportunity to work with one of them, the Rev. Mike Depcik.

Depcik volunteered to celebrate Mass once a month for the deaf community in Frederick, Md., home to the Maryland School for the Deaf. There, Colarusso says she saw what is possible when a parish has a deaf priest.

“We had 100 people coming to those Masses,” she says and, eventually, Depcik was conducting Masses twice a month. “We had babies baptized, first communications... It was wonderful to see.”

Depcik has since been reassigned to the Chicago area, but Colarusso is hoping she will have the opportunity to work with a deaf priest again.

While Colarusso continues to interpret for Masses and archdiocesan events such as funerals, weddings and school events, she says the major part of her job is to make sure the Catholic sacraments are available to all members of the deaf community.

“If members of the deaf community need training, I make sure they have access to that training,” she explains. “I make sure there are workshops for interpreters who work in a liturgical setting.”

Success, she says, comes when members of the deaf community become trained and feel they can do the job without outside help. “It means so much more when a deaf person teaches another deaf person about the faith.”

Colarusso says she could not continue to perform her job without the support and understanding of her husband, Ralph, and their five children, since the sign language interpretation requires a lot of night and weekend work. The Colarussos are parents to Gabriella, 18; Gina, 16; Michael, 13; David, 11; and Dominic, 8.

Her passion for her work may have rubbed off on at least two of her brood. Gabriella, a freshman at Mount Saint Mary’s, a Catholic university in Emmitsburg, Md., has expressed interest in youth ministry, and the youngest, Dominic, with whom she used signs when he was a baby, often reverts to American Sign Language when communicating with his mother.

“We thought he was speech delayed,” she says. “He wasn’t talking, but we soon discovered he didn’t need to. He was the baby, and we were waiting on him hand and foot.”

Freelancer Sue A. Beard recently retired as editor of The Record Herald, Waynesboro, Pa.
German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche once said, “We should consider every day lost on which we have not danced at least once.” Students in Bloomsburg University’s Dance Ensemble have taken that message to their hearts—and their feet.

Before she even enrolled at Bloomsburg University, senior Ashley Kunkle knew she wanted to be a member of the BU Dance Ensemble. An avid dancer throughout high school, Kunkle, of Slatington, Pa., had seen her older sister, Christina ’07, dance at the ensemble’s annual spring performance. “I knew I wanted to audition,” she says. “I saw the show every year and it just looked like so much fun.”

Kunkle is one of nearly 200 Bloomsburg University students who audition, rehearse and perform with the dance ensemble each year. As the ensemble’s co-president, Kunkle helps lead the largest student organization on campus with fellow senior Stephanie Loeb of Limerick, Pa.

Like Kunkle, many ensemble members see the group as an opportunity to keep dancing after their high school dance careers are over, says Sheila Kaercher, one of the ensemble’s two advisers and assistant professor of exercise science. “We have a lot of students who come in with a dance background who can’t necessarily pursue a degree in dance, but still want to be involved. They need that creative outlet, and the dance ensemble is an opportunity for them to extend their dancing for a few years,” Kaercher says.

What makes the ensemble unique among student organizations, according to Kaercher, is that it is still student run, despite its size. “The students run it like a business,” Kaercher says, noting the group’s well-structured executive board and dedicated student instructors.

“It’s an environment of peers teaching peers,” Kaercher adds. More than 20 dance classes are offered every year through the dance ensemble, and all classes are taught by students. Instructors recommend exemplary dancers from their own classes to take over the teaching position the following year. This allows for a wide range of dance styles to be taught each year at various skill levels, from beginning ballet to the prestigious competition.

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team, which performs at university events and has competed throughout the Northeast.

Because the ensemble rehearses throughout the school year, “participating in the dance ensemble is a significant time commitment for these students, particularly the teachers,” says Sue Dauria, associate professor of anthropology and the ensemble’s co-adviser. “They come into this group knowing a lot is expected of them.”

But their dedication pays off at the ensemble’s energetic end-of-year performance, which is one of the most popular events on BU’s campus. The ensemble performs in Mitrani Hall, located within Haas Center for the Performing Arts, which seats more than 1,800 people. The hall is always filled to capacity for the event, according to Dauria. “It is the biggest attended event I have ever seen on this campus,” she says.

(Editor’s note: This spring’s show may be moved to Carver Hall’s Kenneth S. Gross Auditorium, depending on the status of the current Haas Center renovation.)

Today’s ensemble is much more extensive than when Kaercher and Dauria first organized the group more than 10 years ago. “I taught a beginning dance class within the exercise science department and noticed that we had some really talented dancers,” Kaercher says. Encouraging the students to take their dancing more seriously, Kaercher and Dauria helped organize an intramural-style dance group that rehearsed once a week.

Since then, the number of students involved has climbed from 30 to nearly 200, and the range of dance styles has expanded along with it. “There are always the basic dances, like hip-hop, ballet and tap,” Dauria says, “but students who express interest in a different style of dance are encouraged to teach it as a class.”

Over the years, everything from line dancing and swing to ballroom and break dancing has been taught.

Kaercher and Kunkle both note that the benefits of the ensemble extend far beyond the world of dance. The group also offers a positive environment for students to meet and connect. “To have students teaching the classes creates a great sense of camaraderie,” Kaercher says.

It also fosters a bit of friendly competition, she notes. “Students in each class tend to think, ‘This is the teacher, but she’s also one of us, and we’re going to give her our respect and show her what we can do.’ It gives the dancers a bit more creative license and pushes them much harder.”

According to Kunkle, the ensemble has also had an impact on her from a professional standpoint. As an elementary and early childhood education major, Kunkle views her own experiences as an ensemble instructor as excellent preparation for her future career.

“It’s really been a great way to get ready for the real world,” she says. “Teaching dance is good preparation for teaching in the classroom. It requires you to get over that fear of getting up in front of people and walking them through the steps they need to know.”

But the general appeal of the ensemble, Kunkle notes, will always be the opportunity to dance. “We love the chance to perform,” she says. “It’s just such a good feeling to get up in front of your family and friends and show them what you can do.”

Lynette Mong ’08 lives in Seattle, Wash., where she works as a books merchandising specialist at Amazon.com.
The Japanese who occupied Korea from 1915 until the end of World War II placed little value on diversity. And that, in a very basic way, explains why in 1991 sociology professor Chang Roh founded an international organization dedicated to its celebration.

“Always, in the world, we have war and poverty,” says Roh, whose Global Awareness Society International (GASI) now has liaisons in five continents, including a student chapter at Bloomsburg University. “Since I experienced two wars, I see prevention as the key. After ‘sickness’ takes place, it’s too late.”

Dedicated to promoting “awareness … understanding … sensitivity … (and) support,” GASI works primarily through universities where faculty members meet at annual conferences, publish an annual journal and organize activities through student chapters. Members of the Bloomsburg student chapter sponsor speakers, host social opportunities for interaction between domestic and international students and are active with the Model Organization of American States (OAS) and Model European Union.

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Born in 1929 in Korea's Hamyang Valley near Pusan, Roh was one of six children of a school teacher. Teaching was a high-status profession in Korea so, perhaps for that reason, Japanese authorities focused on his family when they began to implement their “Soshi-kaimei” name-changing policy in 1939. The Roh family became the “Toyokawa” family. Chang Roh became Toyokawa Masao. His parents and siblings also changed their names. “Toyokawa” was Japanese for the Chinese village from which Roh’s ancestors had immigrated to Korea a thousand years earlier. Choosing a name with a link to the family history, Roh explained, was a subtle effort to make the name-change palatable. But his family had none of it.

Nobody used these names at home,” says Roh, who even today must search for official records from his youth under his Japanese name. Forced name-changing was part of a larger effort to suppress Korean culture. There were also penalties for speaking Korean, and many cultural artifacts were either destroyed or removed to Japan during that period. According to Newsweek, for instance, 80 percent of all Korean Buddhist paintings are now in Japan. In addition, millions of Koreans were conscripted for labor and the Japanese military, including perhaps 200,000 women and girls who were forced into sexual slavery for the occupier’s soldiers. In 1919, an estimated 7,000 non-violent demonstrators were killed while demanding independence.

“Overall, the Japanese were very suspicious of Koreans,” said Roh, “and Koreans didn’t like Japanese, either.” At age 13, Roh’s father sent him to Japan to study. The elder Roh intended that all his sons would be physicians and a Japanese education was considered superior. An unexpected bonus was that the Japanese curriculum actually had less propaganda. “The Japanese ‘knew’ they were superior, so they didn’t need that,” laughs Roh, who was nevertheless beaten by other students when he failed to bow to the emperor’s palace. He stayed in Japan until 1945—enduring the Doolittle Raid and all those that followed—then returned home and graduated from Seoul’s Dong-A University in 1952 with a bachelor’s degree in economics.

During the Korean War, Roh served as a front-line interpreter for U.S. troops. (He had learned English from the Japanese, who thought a bilingual population would be useful after they conquered the United States.) Often, Roh helped interrogate North Korean prisoners—a duty which at least once got him in trouble. “I used respectful language to the prisoners and, for that, two Korean officers reported me as a communist,” he says. “But the Americans told them that they observed the Geneva Convention, which required respect even for prisoners. So, I was OK.”

When the war ended, two American soldiers sponsored Roh as a student at Louisiana State University. A foundation paid his tuition. Roh earned a master’s degree in sociology, and then spent a year at Georgetown University where his tuition was paid by another benefactor. In 1959, he arrived home in Korea with a new doctorate, intending to run for the South Korean congress. “When I arrived, the government was about to collapse,” recalls Roh. “It had been corrupted by bribery.” Instead of going into politics, he joined the faculty at Ewha Womans University where, at age 34, he became a full professor. In 1968, Roh left South Korea to teach in the Philippines, from which he later moved on to East Texas Baptist University and, in 1971, to Bloomsburg, from which he retired in 1996.

“I didn’t intend to stay so long,” says Roh, “but then I became the sociology department chair. And when something like that happens, you can’t just take off.”
Today, in addition to his ongoing work with GASI, he is a member of the advisory committee for the Columbia-Montour Area Agency on Aging. He’s active in his church—where he is known as an expert hoagie-maker—and the Northeast Pennsylvania Alliance Against Homelessness. He picks up trash with a neighborhood group and delivers Meals on Wheels. Locals call him “George.”

Roh is also known for his appetite and his love of spicy food. In GASI circles, there is a story that the organization’s early meetings were held in Chinese restaurants, where he ate large portions of entrees from the three-pepper section of the menu. Asked how he stayed so thin, Roh is alleged to have answered that he was “exercising on the inside.”

“I think it’s true,” he acknowledges. Roh also exercises on the outside, with daily calisthenics and weights.

Today, he compares his vision of a peaceful world to his childhood village of about 50 families. Unlike even smaller villages in which everyone had the same surname, his neighbors had different names. The community was big enough that there was occasionally conflict, but there were sufficient common principles that problems were resolved.

“The rich did not undermine the poor,” he wrote in a draft of his autobiography. “The poor did not get jealous or hostile toward the well-to-do. Everyone lived harmoniously.”

Mark E. Dixon is a freelance writer in Wayne, Pa.
As chair of the Master Facilities Plan Advisory Committee, Sandra Kehoe-Forutan led a group intent on the vision of Bloomsburg University as “a fun, enlightening and exciting place to live, study and work.” A decade later, the campus community enjoys the changes brought about during implementation of the plan.

When Sandra Kehoe-Forutan signed on as a Bloomsburg University assistant professor in 1992, she naturally assumed that she would spend most of her time teaching in the department of geography and geosciences. In her spare time, she would continue her research into Australia’s remote Torres Strait Islands. Little did she know that eight years later she would help to guide the university as it developed a plan designed to meet the needs of current and future students.

From ‘Down Under’ to Bloomsburg
Kehoe-Forutan came to Bloomsburg from the other side of the world, where she was a planner with a private firm in Melbourne, Australia. A native Canadian, she had earned a bachelor’s degree in geography from Queen’s University in Ontario and a master’s in city and regional planning from Ohio State University. Then she headed to Brisbane, Australia, where in 1991 she completed her doctoral degree in geographical sciences at the University of Queensland.

A desire to return to North America drew Kehoe-Forutan to Bloomsburg University, where she settled in to teach planning courses. Meanwhile, the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education decided that all its universities—including Bloomsburg—should develop a master plan to guide facilities development. Thanks to her planning expertise, Kehoe-Forutan was a natural choice to chair the university’s Master Facilities Plan Advisory Committee.

“The committee was composed of individuals from the campus and town, and they never lost their enthusiasm over the two-year period of hard work and lots of meetings,” Kehoe-Forutan recalls. The master plan was shaped by key elements related to the university’s current and anticipated facilities needs, historic identity, campus atmosphere, expected enrollment growth, traffic patterns and the desire for more outdoor spaces.

Today, Kehoe-Forutan can take a few steps from her office in Hartline Science Center and see the vast open space that the original plan called the “library green.” The committee envisioned a large, unobstructed lawn surrounded by key academic buildings, including the “new” Andrus Library, expanded McCormick Center and renovated Centennial Hall. The library green became even more than the committee expected after BU’s Council of Trustees agreed to new traffic patterns and later approved the option that became the blueprint for today’s Academic Quadrangle.

Kehoe-Forutan calls the quad “the focal point of campus. It gives us that sense of place, plus it also just provides a space where students can have fun.”

“Carver Hall is always going to be our keystone building, but we didn’t have that central gathering space. I see things as individual projects, but I also try to think of the whole.”

Throughout the planning process, Kehoe-Forutan’s interest in history came into play (professionally, she researches necrogeography, or the reasons behind the layout of burial grounds, and she has been president of the Bloomsburg Historic Preservation Society).

“I’m really proud of the fact that we collected items on this campus that were important to past students,” she says. “It’s those accents that really become part of the campus fabric.” One of those “accents,” for example, is a water fountain that was a gift from the Class of 1940.
‘I’m really proud of the fact that we collected items on this campus that were important to past students. It’s those accents that really become part of the campus fabric.’ – Sandra Kehoe-Forutan

Building Consensus
Kehoe-Forutan says former BU President Jessica Kozloff was one of the key players throughout the planning and development process and would have launched a master plan even if it weren’t mandated by the state. She also credits facilities management’s Colin Reitmeyer and Gary Hilderbrandt, and Eric Milner, assistant vice president for administration.

“The master plan is a living, breathing document,” Milner says of his seven-year effort to turn words on paper into structure and form. Starting when he arrived at BU in 2001, Milner took the framework of the initial master plan and instituted the updates that allowed objectives of the master plan to become reality.

The concept for a quad caused a “chain reaction” of planning, Kehoe-Forutan says. “Parking is always a sensitive issue.” The parking lots formerly occupying the quad land had to be moved. Then the tennis courts displaced by the new student commuter lot moved to upper campus, and the chain reaction continued.

“It’s all people,” Kehoe-Forutan says. “You have to get the right people together at the right time.”

Milner says Kehoe-Forutan was very helpful in gaining consensus as the master plan evolved. “It’s hard to make change because of the number of different viewpoints involved,” he says.

Those viewpoints included city and neighborhood representatives. “I worked really hard with the town and the zoning officer to make sure we were in compliance,” says Kehoe-Forutan, who was a Bloomsburg planning commissioner in the mid-90s. In addition to complying with city regulations, the BU planners dealt with next-door neighbors’ concerns, which could be as simple as redirecting university lighting that glared into homes. “I saw our relationship really improve with our neighbors,” she says.

Today, Kehoe-Forutan chairs BU’s Space and Facilities Committee, which examines space needs as planning, renovating and building continues. In Kehoe-Forutan’s office, architectural drawings for the renovation of the old portion of Hartline Science Center spread across her office table. Looking ahead, the “greening” of campus—making facilities more environmentally friendly—is one of many goals she’s excited about.

“When I retire nine years from now,” Kehoe-Forutan says, “our challenge is to have an updated master plan in place.” Personnel come and go, she says, but an ongoing master plan will shape the university’s campus for years to come.

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It’s Official:
The Inauguration

Day-to-day met pomp and circumstance as students walking through the Academic Quadrangle on their way to classes were met by faculty, delegates and platform guests dressed in full academic regalia. Two very distinct, yet integrated, aspects of any college or university—the academic and the ceremonial—came together for the inauguration of BU President David L. Soltz.

With an eye to the future and a nod to the past, Bloomsburg University's 18th president, David L. Soltz, was inaugurated Friday, Oct. 31, 2008, during a ceremony in the Student Recreation Center. After receiving well wishes from representatives of students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni, the Bloomsburg University Foundation and the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE), Soltz spoke of the role of a public access university with specific vision for Bloomsburg University.

The president, who took office in January 2008, talked of the importance of incorporating diverse experiences into the institution where 40 percent of those enrolled are first-generation college students. He spoke of new initiatives to expand academic and co-curricular opportunities for students and update facilities while building on a history of excellence in education, science and math, allied health and other fields. He also addressed programs to meet the educational needs of residents of the commonwealth and future students who may be time- or location-bound or non-traditional. (Editor's note: See excerpts from his speech on page 19.)
Soltz said private donations continue to be important to BU as the institution faces economic challenges while receiving just 36 percent of its budget from state appropriation. “A Bloomsburg education is still a bargain,” he said. “We must keep it affordable and accessible, while raising the level of scholarship.”

Calling himself “privileged” to serve as Bloomsburg's president, Soltz said he looks forward to “the opportunities and challenges of these uncertain but promising times.”

Also speaking during Soltz’s inauguration was his mentor and friend Jerilyn McIntyre, president of Central Washington University, where he was provost for nearly seven years.

“This is more than the celebration of a new president,” McIntyre said. “It is, first of all, a celebration for now and for the future of university tradition, a commemoration both of the day-to-day hard work of teaching and learning and of the ideal of a university education, continuously renewed by society’s changing needs. It is also a celebration of this particular university and all that its rich tradition means both to its students and to this region. And, finally, it is a celebration of the inauguration of David Soltz as he assumes the presidency of this outstanding institution.”

Former Bloomsburg University President Jessica Kozloff presented the university medallion to the new president. Returning to BU with husband Steve, who served as the official delegate from his alma mater, the University of Pennsylvania, Kozloff spoke of the sense of pride the cast bronze symbol of leadership conveys. Calling the medallion both “substantial and heavy,” Kozloff said it symbolizes “the awesome responsibility of the one who wears it.”

“Today, Bloomsburg University inaugurates someone who has a heartfelt commitment to facing challenges,” she said. “I have no doubt that the best days of this beloved university are yet to come.”

The two-hour ceremony was filled with many similar moments:

“I’m always impressed by the integrity and high quality of this university and confident Bloomsburg University will continue to build on its strong foundation. I welcome you, your family … and your horses … and congratulate you on your inauguration today,” said Kenneth Jarin, chair of the PASSHE’s Board of Governors, who administered the oath of office.

“For our students, it is our charge to urge them to reach beyond what is common … and to instill a lifelong love of learning. Use your leadership, sound judgment and integrity, along with the strengths of this university in teaching, research and public service, to benefit the students of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania,” said John Cavanaugh, PASSHE chancellor.

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‘It was nice how all of the presidents from the 14 PASSHE universities were represented (as delegates).’

– Jamie Smith ’09, Levittown, psychology major

The Inauguration Ceremony

The following individuals and organizations participated in the inauguration of BU’s 18th president, David L. Soltz:

John Cavanaugh, chancellor, Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education
Kenneth Jarin, chair, Board of Governors, Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education
Jerilyn McIntyre, president, Central Washington University
Jessica S. Kozloff, president emerita, Bloomsburg University
Steven B. Barth, chair, Bloomsburg University Council of Trustees
James Mackin, BU provost and vice president for academic affairs
Giovanza “Gia” Adornetto, president, BU Community Government Association (CGA)
Stephen Kokoska, president, BU chapter, Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculty (APSCUF)
Shawn Makar, incoming president, Local 2361, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)
Richard G. Anderson, associate professor, history
Maggie Gillespie from BU Protestant Campus Ministry
William Freed ’58
Christopher Beadling ’94, president, BU Alumni Association
Allison Watts ’80, treasurer, BU Foundation
Dan Knorr ’07, mayor, Town of Bloomsburg
BU Gospel Choir
BU Marching Band
BU Chamber Singers

“I cannot say enough about (President Soltz’s) approachability, down-to-earth nature and great communication skills. He’s the kind of person who I can agree with and work together with but, more importantly, the kind of person who I can disagree with and still work together with. I think he’ll be a tremendous asset to our university, I think he’ll be an asset to our town, and I think he was a great choice,” said Dan Knorr ’07, mayor of the Town of Bloomsburg.

“Your presidency brings enthusiasm and hope. Your legacy will be determined by your ability to connect. We welcome you as our president but, more importantly, as our colleague,” said Stephen Kokoska, professor of math, computer sciences and statistics and president of BU’s chapter of the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculty (APSCUF).

Senior faculty member Richard G. Anderson, associate professor of history, presented the university mace to Soltz. The mace, first used at a commencement ceremony in August 1963, represents the authority of the office of president.

William Freed ’58 gave the president a framed copy of the six-page, handwritten charter establishing the Bloomsburg Literary Institute. The Act to Incorporate the institute, “a company for the provision of education, both in the ordinary and higher branches of English Literature and Science, and in the ancient and modern languages,” was recorded in the Columbia County deed book in 1856. The charter serves as a tangible bond between the institution’s past, present and future.

Bonnie Martin is co-editor of Bloomsburg: the University Magazine. Hali Shetler ’11 is a mass communications major from Bloomsburg.
Scenes from inaugural week events, left to right: Nicole Najpauer, student Trustee, left, and Gia Adornetto, president of the Community Government Association, represent students at the inauguration; BU’s president and his wife, Robbie, listen to the inaugural lecture by oceanographer Jean-Michel Cousteau, shown in third photo from left; the Soltzes speak with Gifford Howarth, marching band director, before the Homecoming Parade; the Soltzes’ children, grandchildren and special guests join in the celebration; President Soltz shares dinner with second shift employees.

From the Inaugural Speech of BU President David Soltz

We are a university of access. Not open access, but access to the wide range of students who are intellectually capable and academically prepared to take full advantage of the educational and intellectual opportunities we offer.

Our fall 2008 freshman class is the largest, most diverse and best prepared academically. The number of historically underrepresented students now represents 10.1 percent of our student body, but there is still much work to be done. … To further these efforts, I intend to establish an External Diversity Council to assist me and the university in building on our successes … and meeting the needs of an increasingly diverse student body.

The cost of attending Bloomsburg University and the 13 other universities in the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education is still a bargain. … We must strive to maintain the quality of the Bloomsburg University degrees while keeping tuition affordable and our university accessible. We must look to private donors to make up the funding gap.

Bloomsburg University exemplifies the six core values of access, opportunity, inclusion, excellence, success and value. … We (must) build on our successes to make Bloomsburg University even more of a university of choice and to increase our high student success.

We will begin a new strategic planning process this semester…. I anticipate that the strategic planning process will lead to the identification of several areas of distinction for Bloomsburg University and from these will emerge a few centers of excellence.

BU has strong programs in the science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines. … As Bloomsburg University grows as a center for STEM disciplines, we will be producing a workforce that can attract more science- and technology-based industries.

New jobs and professions are emerging at an increasing rate, and Bloomsburg University must be ready to prepare our students for them. One approach that is under way is the development of professional science master’s degrees … to allow students to pursue advanced training in science or mathematics, while simultaneously developing workplace skills highly valued by employers. … Another long-standing area of distinction at BU is our health science programs at the undergraduate, master’s and, in the case of audiology, the doctoral levels.

We must continue to increase our offering of courses by distance and multimodal education. We will expand our degree-completion programs in partnership with regional community colleges. … These approaches will assist us in educating more citizens to higher levels while maintaining Bloomsburg as a residential university at the right size of approximately 10,000 students.

There is a possibility of establishing a branch campus of Bloomsburg University in the Sunbury area. Another option that is on the table is the establishment of a new community college with which we would partner. The next step in this process will be to conduct a feasibility study that looks carefully at the demographics and the current and future post-secondary and workforce needs of the area.

Editor’s note: The complete text of BU President David Soltz’s inaugural speech may be found at www.bloomu.edu/president/InAugText.php
students gain valuable experience while trying out an employer or field for proper career fit.

Field Assignments

BY KEVIN GRAY

Whether searching deep waters for a vanished 18-year-old, enriching the lives of some big cats or promoting a Class AAA baseball team, internships and cooperative assignments often take Bloomsburg University students into the realm of the unexpected. Students Jacob Lex, Erin Loughlin and Travis Behler recently participated in experiential assignments that allowed them to handle unique job responsibilities.

Jacob Lex

Jacob Lex, a junior electronics engineering technology major, found himself involved in a high-profile missing person case as part of his co-op with Alternative Positioning Solutions (APS) of Lafayette, La. The company, owned by Lex’s uncle, is a navigation, positioning and sonar services firm with responsibility for the Gulf of Mexico and all territorial U.S. waters.

During his eight months on-site, Lex worked in Aruba searching unsuccessfully for the remains of Natalee Holloway, an Alabama teenager who disappeared in May 2005. The crew aboard the R/V Persistence—APS’s flagship boat—worked 18-hour days making sonar runs to identify all of the materials that don’t naturally appear on the seafloor, including possible human skeletal remains and pieces of clothing. Lex was responsible for running the ship’s computer equipment. Despite long hours and intense effort, the search came up empty.

When the work in Aruba was complete, Lex’s next assignment centered on mapping the seafloor in the Gulf of Mexico. The days and weeks were long, he says, but he bonded with other members of the crew.

“Nothing is predictable when you’re out at sea, but coming together to fix things or find solutions made us closer.” Lex says. “It’s like a brotherhood.”

Following the completion of his co-op, APS offered Lex a future position as a geophysicist, which would require additional schooling beyond his Bloomsburg degree.

“I always work hard in whatever I do, but I really took advantage of my time with APS,” Lex says. “I liked the work and learned as much as I could as quickly as I could. I think this experience will pay off.”

Erin Loughlin

Erin Loughlin grew up around animals. Besides dogs and cats, her family had pet iguanas, rabbits, hedgehogs and hamsters, and raised turkeys, ducks and chickens.

It seemed natural for Loughlin to seek out work with animals. She found the perfect venue at T&D’s Cats of the World wildlife refuge in Penns Creek, about an hour’s drive from Bloomsburg. While T&D’s specializes in big cats, the refuge also takes in other exotic animals, such as bears, monkeys and parrots.

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Loughlin served as an intern at T&D’s during the 2007-08 academic year and the experience was so positive that she has stayed on as a volunteer. “I always wanted to find a job like this,” says Loughlin, a senior biology major from Red Hill, Pa. “Volunteering at T&D’s has really deepened my interest in animals and has led me to a greater appreciation for them.”

Among her responsibilities at T&D’s are feeding animals, cleaning their areas and providing them with enrichment. “Enrichment includes stimulating activities, such as play or changing around their enclosures,” she explains. “Many of the animals that come to T&D’s have been neglected and have suffered. “People get them without realizing the care that they require,” she adds. “The work I have been doing has been very rewarding.”

It also will go a long way toward helping her achieve her career goal of working for a zoo, possibly as a zookeeper.

**Travis Behler**

Travis Behler also had a lifelong passion—an enthusiastic interest in sports. So, when selecting an internship, the mass communications major with a marketing minor wanted to work for a sports franchise.

A resident of Slatington, Behler knew that a baseball stadium was being built in nearby Allentown that would be home to the Philadelphia Phillies’ new Class AAA affiliate, the Lehigh Valley IronPigs.

“I believed that I would be given more meaningful responsibilities as an intern with the IronPigs than with a pro franchise,” he says.

As a marketing intern, Behler coordinated the team’s entertainment and promotions. He met with clients and checked contracts to ensure all agreements were fulfilled. He also booked bands and hosted in-stadium events, like between-innings snowshoe races and T-shirt launchings.

“It was a lot of hard work, but it was also great to be a part of the on-field activities because I got to see the kids having fun,” Behler says.

On his last day on the job, Behler created the on-field stunts for perhaps the most famous Phillie of all, the Phanatic.

“The Phanatic ran out onto the field and I, along with another employee, dressed as IronPigs’ security,” Behler recalls. “We made like we were going to escort the Phanatic out for running onto the field, but music started to play and we all just started dancing. It was a great way to cap off the summer.”

Behler, who graduated in December, hopes his experience in minor league baseball will help him land a full-time marketing position with a franchise in a different sport, the National Basketball Association.

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Husky Notes

'48 June Novak Bones and husband, Salvadore, Hughesville, observed their 60th wedding anniversary in July 2008.

'54 Kenneth Kirk and Patricia Edwards Kirk, both members of the class of 1954, marked their 50th wedding anniversary in 2008.

'58 Rev. Douglas Boden and Eunice Miller Boden, both members of the class 1958, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 2008.

Rev. Jim Johnson and wife, Elva, Lewisburg, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June 2008.

Byron Krapf retired after 45 years of pastoral ministry in the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church. During those years, he served as tour host for nine international trips to Europe, the Mediterranean and the Middle East.

'63 Paul Bingaman retired as teacher and special education department chair at the Queensbury (N.Y.) School District.

Quest offers extended trips

Bloomsburg University’s Quest program offers extended trips for BU students, alumni and friends. No experience is necessary for many of these trips and most equipment is provided. Varied amounts of physical stamina are required. Participants travel to destinations in the commonwealth, across the U.S., and in Africa, South and Central America and Europe.

Backpack the Grand Canyon, March 1 to 7. A trip for experienced hikers only led by Tabitha Chlubicki.

Cotswold Ring, England Walking Tour, June 10 to 18: The Cotswold Way is one of the most scenic walks to be found in the British Isles. Its rural character has been preserved, with quiet lanes, thatched cottages and rose vine-covered stone walls reminiscent of an age long past. The land was settled by a Celtic people more than 2,000 years ago and artifacts are still visible today.

Walk Across England – Coast to Coast, June 22 to July 4: Participants will walk across the breadth of northern England through some of the island’s most beautiful mountains and moorland. The walk will begin in the Lake District region of northwest England, passing through the mountainous and hilly landscape of highland sheep farms and villages of stonewalled houses, inns and ancient churches before finishing at the North Yorkshire Moors.

In addition to these programs, Quest also conducts day trips on most weekends and custom-designs teambuilding and other experiences to meet groups’ needs. For additional information, contact Quest at quest@bloomu.edu or (570) 389-2100 or check online at www.buquest.org.

Friends return to campus

Friends who attended BU in the 1960s hold a yearly reunion and, in 2008, they met for the first time at their alma mater. During the reunion, they visited the Alumni House and toured campus. Shown are, left to right, front row: Edith Capp Mariani ’66, Carol Kaminski Gripen ’66 and Linda Ransom Shively ’65 and, back row: Ann Calisto Geisinger ’66, Ann Snyder Allen ’67, Darlene Bryce Buick ’54/63 and Theresa Zotecavage Lodanoski ’67.
Rich Benyo pens childhood memoirs

Rich Benyo ’68 recently published his 18th book, “Jim Thorpe Never Slept Here.” The book relates the joys and tribulations of growing up in the 1950s in East Mauch Chunk as the town prepared to join with Mauch Chunk and change its name to Jim Thorpe in honor of the Indian athlete.

While a student at BU, Benyo was editor of the student newspaper, Maroon and Gold. After graduation, he was managing editor of the Lehighton Times-News and held editorial positions with Stock Car Racing magazine and Runner’s World. Currently, he is editor of Marathon & Beyond magazine. He has written numerous books about running, dieting and workouts and participated in several marathons. His collection of eight short stories, “Leap Beyond magazine. He has written numerous books about running, dieting and workouts and participated in several marathons. His collection of eight short stories, “Leap

Some of the other books Benyo wrote or co-wrote include “Making the Marathon Your Event,” “The Running Encyclopedia,” “Eating Right for a New You” and “The Death Valley 300.”

Births

James Vopal ’88 and wife, Sharon, twin daughters, Rebecca Lee and Emma Avery, July 17, 2008
Michael Williams ’88 and wife, Michele, a daughter, Michaela May, Jan. 31, 2008
Elizabeth Donovan Conish ’95 and husband, Adam, a daughter, Lucy Kathleen, July 1, 2008
Karen Yezerski Volpi ’95 and husband, Stefano, a son, Tomas Joseph, June 2, 2008
Tracy Fisher Alvy ’96, and husband, Alex, a daughter, Soren Lidia, May 9, 2008
Robert Walton ’96 and wife, Barbara, a son, Benjamin Fletcher, May 2, 2008
Dawn Appleyard Sherwood ’97 and husband, Gregg, a son, Aiden Matthew, April 21, 2007, and a daughter, Kira Nicole, June 12, 2008
Kristi Bowman Taylor ’97 and husband, Jannie, a son, Aidan Jay, May 5, 2008
Daryl Vetter ’97, a daughter, Margaret Renee, Sept. 9, 2008
Frank C. Filipovits ’98 and wife, Kristie, a daughter, Ella Caroline, Nov. 8, 2007
Jennifer Tursi Hengge ’98 and husband, Eric, a daughter, Gabriella Irene, Aug. 3, 2008
Dawn Marie Cacciamani Kelly ’98 and husband, Chris, a daughter, Brielle Catherine, Aug. 21, 2008
Casey Hardy LaMalfa ’98 and husband, Mario, a son, Ryan Mario, May 10, 2007
Melissa Gromis Feathers ’99 and husband, Stephen, a son, Brenton Danick, March 4, 2008
Lori Aschettino Fetterman ’99 and husband, Trevor, a daughter, Lindsay Alexis, Sept. 21, 2007
Megan Kindt Hippenstiel ’99/01M and husband, Rob Hippenstiel ’98, a daughter, Julia Faith, Nov. 30, 2007

Alicia Bergonia Slachta ’99 and husband, Joe, a daughter, Emma Theresa, June 22, 2008
John Bender ’00 and wife, Jacqueline, twins, David Joseph and Clara Faith, May 19, 2008
Victor Brozusky ’00 and wife, Michelle, twin daughters, Erin Catherine and Rachel Elizabeth, May 18, 2008
Erin Walsh Parsons ’00 and husband, Ryan Parsons ’00, a daughter, Elsa Claire, May 30, 2008
Melissa Chivere Hare ’01 and husband, Tim Hare ’01, a son, Ryan Charles, Feb. 29, 2008
Nico Miller Jeandell ’01 and husband, Jason, a daughter, Daphne Leigh
Melissa Berringer Pfistner ’02 and husband, Michael Pfistner ’01, a son, Logan Joseph, June 4, 2008
Alison Necci Snyder ’02 and husband, Christopher Snyder ’03, a daughter, Alexandra Paige, July 15, 2008
Erica Heffelfinger Groblewski ’03 and husband, Jeff Groblewski ’02, a son, Logan Michael, March 12, 2008
Lisa Hunsinger Millard ’03 and husband, Lee Millard ’02, a daughter, Olivia
Maura Luciano Irving ’04 and husband, Patrick, a daughter, Mia Marie, June 14, 2008
Joslyn Sherry Neiderer ’04 and husband, Anthony, a daughter, Hannah Lenore, Sept. 21, 2008
Nikki Ferguson ’05 and Lance Eicker, a daughter, Bella Rhyan, Aug. 19, 2008
Kelly ‘marshals’ on
Joe Kelly ’73, former Bloomsburg Area School District superintendent, served as parade marshal for last fall’s BU/Bloomsburg High School homecoming. Kelly, who retired last month, is shown with his wife Nikki Powlus Kelly ’84.

’69 David L. Price retired after nearly 40 years in the field of education, serving most recently as superintendent of East Lycoming School District.

Susan Shadle Swartz is a purchasing and export agent of supplies for the Jicamarca Radio Observatory near Lima, Peru, under a National Science Foundation grant subcontracted through Cornell University, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Ithaca, N.Y.

’70 Doyle Klinger Jr., Lansdale, retired from the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church in June 2008.

Robert J. Stablum, Minersville, is executive director of SKIP—Schuylkill Keep it Pretty, a county environmental program. He retired from Minersville Area School District in 2005 after teaching government and economics for 35 years.

Nancy Dornheim Musso retired from teaching at Holy Rosary School, Duryea, in June 2008.

’71 Bruce Ash (right), former CIO for Dollar General, is now a retail industry adviser for 1010data, a provider of ad-hoc analytics for business intelligence.

Gayle Thorpe Baar opened a second school library for the Carrolton Farmers Branch Independent School District, Carrolton, Texas.

’72 Duane R. Greenly, Mechanicsburg, is president and CEO of Ames True Temper Inc.

Christine Yanish Levin is a sales associate with Prudential Fox & Reach’s Haverford Station office.

Donald Raffensperger and wife, Constance, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in December 2007.

’73 Barry E. Ansel is president of the Lebanon Valley division of Fulton Bank of Lancaster.

’74 Tom Konas retired from Donegal School District in 2008 after a 26-year career in education.

Michael F. Flock is vice president and branch administrator overseeing training and security for Northumberland National Bank.

Robert McCormick, a teacher at Blue Mountain Area High School, was a featured painter at the Tamaqua Art Center Gallery in June 2008.

’75 Susan Evans has worked as a special education teacher at Wyoming Valley West School District for the last 32 years.

Barbara Hudock, Williamsport, received the Governor’s Award for the Arts’ 2008 Patron Award.

Thomas Sweitzer, owner of Central Penn Tennis Service, received the U.S. Professional Tennis Association’s Alex Gordon Award for professional of the year.

’76 Ann G. Major is principal of Our Lady of Mount Virgin School, Middlesex, N.J.

’77 Kathryn Anderson, Bethlehem, is the purchasing manager for Northampton County.

’78 Calvin Barto retired as principal of the Muncy Junior-Senior High School, ending his 35-year career in education.

Nicholas J. Giuffre (right), West Chester, is president and chief operating officer of Bradford White Corp., where he is responsible for corporate operations, including those of Laars Heating Systems and Bradford White Canada.

Mark Pringle (right) is vice president, sales—Americas for Lubrizol, Ohio. Since joining Lubrizol in 1991, he has served in a variety of business development, field sales and global account management roles.

’79 Lee Jacobs (right), San Diego, Calif., retired as a U.S. Army colonel after 30 years of service. He served in Iraq as a special forces operation planner in 2003 and 2004 and in Afghanistan as senior adviser to the Afghan Ministry of Interior, Counter Terrorism Directorate.

Cheri Bohler Rinehart is president and chief executive officer of Pennsylvania Association of Community Health Centers.

Lynda Wiest, professor in mathematics education and educational equity at the University of Nevada, Reno, kayaked the 72-mile shore of Lake Tahoe with Maureen “Mo” McDonald ’83 in August 2008 to raise funds for animal welfare organizations.

’80 Paul Brutto, vice principal at Cardinal Brennan High School and former Shenandoah Valley coach, was inducted into the Marian High School Hall of Fame.

H. Jane Huffnagle and Suzanne Huffnagle are twins who have followed identical career paths. Both received the Degree of Fellow of the American Osteopathic College of
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Anesthesiologists. Both serve as an associate professor of anesthesiology and co-director of obstetric anesthesia at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

Robert Richards ’80M is assistant professor of education at King’s College. Allison D. Watts, Carlisle, earned a doctor of philosophy degree from the Fox School of Business at Temple University, Philadelphia. She also received the Fox Crystal Apple and the Fox School of Business Excellence in Teaching awards.

81 Sheri Lippowitsch, a BU Alumni Association board director, was named vice president loans and grants at the Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC), New York State’s economic development agency. She has been with ESDC since 1998.
Karen Wells Fuller was named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Tunkhannock Rotary Club. She is treasurer of the club and district manager for First Liberty Bank and Trust.

Dana Smith Mansell has released her second book published by New Horizon Press, “The Smith Family's New Puppy.” She worked for more than 23 years in the field of special education before retiring.

Robert F. Preston Jr., Limerick, is managing engineer of Bursich Associates' government services division.

Donna Loeb Rickert is senior vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer of Affinity Bank of Pennsylvania.

John Barbush, California, is vice president, associate creative director for Rubin Postaer Associates Advertising.

Sharon Ford Bixler is director of operations for Wilmac Corp., a continuing care community.

Mary Frew Braccili, Schnecksville, is assistant professor of education at Lehigh Carbon Community College, where she has been an adjunct faculty member since 1997.

Catherine Wagner Hinnenkamp is controller for the Housing Development Corp. of Lancaster County.

Maryann Molchan has opened a real estate business in Whitehall. He is president of the board of the Lehigh Valley Association of Realtors, after serving as a director for six years.

Five members of the BU Athletics Hall of Fame were inducted last October. Members of the 27th Athletic Hall of Fame class, shown left to right with BU President David Soltz, are seated: Jim Garman '59, BU’s first Pennsylvania state conference wrestling champion; Sharon Reilly Zemaitis '90, a two-time All-American in field hockey; and Soltz and, standing: Tim Pritchard '90, a first baseman and catcher who helped lead the baseball team to its first Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference playoff appearance; Roly Lamy '91, three-time All-American for the men's tennis team; and Keith Torok '79, a three-time All-American in men's swimming. To nominate a former BU athletic standout for induction, send the name, sport and years played for BU to Tom McGuire, sports information director, tmcguire@bloomu.edu.
DEB sisters hold mini-reunion

Delta Epsilon Beta sorority sisters from the 1990s recently held a get-together. Shown in the photo, left to right, are Sue McWilliams Plinke ’92, Kristin Buffler Stewart ’93, Theresa Weber Beadling ’93, Amy Schmunk Lepping ’93, Jill Kirtin Kelly ’94, Kelly Bracken Tait ’92, Judy Ascani Carr ’90 and Jen Carey Rosztoczy ’91.

‘92 Todd Neuhard is the high school principal at the Lower Dauphin School District.

‘93 Tammy Ludwig, a behavioral support assistant for IU 13, received a certificate in autism from Penn State University.

Jeffrey P. Reber is executive vice president of Mifflinburg Bank & Trust. He recently graduated from the American Bankers Association Stonier Graduate School of Banking, Philadelphia.

‘94 Marc Goodhart, Ephrata, is president of fabrication operations of his family’s business, Goodhart Sons Inc.

Theresa Opeka, Herrick Township, is a reporter for the Forest City News and news director, anchor and reporter for Honesdale radio station, Sunny 105.

Patty Wentworth McDonald is a business and career consultant with Frederick County (Md.) Workforce Services.

‘95 Michael Gillespie (right) helped ring the opening bell at the New York Stock Exchange on June 5, 2008. He is chief accounting officer for Hersha Hospitality Trust, a real estate investment trust.

Lisa Johnstone, Detroit, Mich., is director of development and communications for Wayne Metro Community Action Agency.

Alumni gather

Zeta Psi alumni who held a recent get-together are, left to right, Jim Bogdan ’94/98M, Doug Dyer ’79, Jeff Thomson ’96, Jeffrey Nietz ’81, Kelly Lewis ’86, Chris Malatesta ’92, Bob Braun ’85 and Jim Warnagaris ’70.

Deaths

Kathryn “Kate” Baker ’27
Ethel Stoyack Dunn ’27
Edna Berkheiser Gattey ’27
Ruth Crumb Howell ’27
Anne G. Goldberg ’28
F. Geraldine Morgan ’30
Elva Ellis Rau ’31
Gerald R. Moore ’32
Nora Bayliff Markunas ’34
Rev. Charles James ’38
George A. McCutcheon ’39
M. Vera Foist Olsen ’41
Elda Henrie Taylor ’41
Erma Latshaw ’42
Herman E. Vonderheide Jr. ’43
Marian Zong Huber ’45
Virginia King Marchakitus ’46
Owen C. Diehle ’51
William R. Stratton ’50
Willis B. Swales ’50
Joseph Papania ’51
Charles T. Woll ’51
Richard F. Laux ’52
Vivian Brennan Burness ’53
Flora Kissinger Buckalew ’54
Betsy Hendershot Neidig ’56
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Joseph P. Malczyk ’57
Cameron S. Myers Jr. ’57
Thomas P. Zelinske ’58
Robert J. Zegley ’58
James E. Crider ’59
Rose Pavlick Radzinski ’59
Robert E. Painter ’63
Howard W. Vanderpool ’64
Frank G. Angelo ’65
John N. Ritter ’65
John T. Foster ’66
George Machinchick ’66
Douglas L. Davis ’67
David M. Miller ’69
Robert P. Sheptak ’70
Mary Walton Veet ’70
Kenneth Koharski ’71
Samuel Trapane ’72
Glenn W. Shaffer ’75
David M. Price ’76
Charles “Chuck” Yost ’77
Sharon Petrusnek Durban ’78
Deborah Kellerman Gilpin ’79
Chesley Harris Moroz ’81
Michael S. Blake ’83
Mark J. Elgin ’87
Kenneth W. Quigley ’89
Delores Dora Roode ’89
Christopher Capitano ’96
Ryan McCleary ’06

Scott Kinney is vice president of outreach and professional development for Discovery Education, a division of Discovery Communication, a leader in digital, video-based learning.

Brian E. Kitchenman is branch manager of the Bensalem office of Fulton Bank’s premiere division.

Stephanie McDonald ’95/98M owns Austin Adventure Boot Camp in Austin, Texas. Her company recently won accolades as Exercise TV’s top trainer/best boot camp.
Scott Richardson, a psychotherapist, earned a master’s degree in social work from Marywood University in May 2008. He won the Albert Geffen Award in recognition of outstanding field work during his internship at Geisinger Medical Center’s Intensive Outpatient Program.

Dr. Lorren Donmoyer joined the Bloomsburg family practice of Dr. Robert Meldrum. He is married to Christine Laubach Donmoyer ’00. Andrew Dunning is a group account director with Eveo Inc., San Francisco, Calif.

Thomas C. Graver Jr., chief financial officer of Mifflinburg Bank & Trust, graduated from the 2008 Pennsylvania Bankers Association’s advanced school of banking at Bucknell University.

Christopher Knarr is serving a four-year term on the Cumberland County Planning Commission. He is a community planner with Rettew Associates.

Dr. Lisa Strawser, Millville, joined the radiology staff at Jersey Shore Hospital.

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Victoria Harrison Kidd is director of advancement communications and editor of Susquehanna Today magazine at Susquehanna University.

Michael D. Moore received a master’s degree in science in law and public policy, Homeland Security, from California University of Pennsylvania.

Angela Regrut is assistant principal of South Iredell High School, Statesville, N.C. She earned a master’s in educational leadership from St. Joseph’s University, Philadelphia.

Brian Evans is e-marketing and public relations manager for the Pennsylvania Dutch Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Marcie Hickey, former softball All-American at BU, is head softball coach at the University of North Florida.

Marilyn Lenig Paul, a former art teacher from Northumberland, had her printmaking artwork exhibited at the Artspace Gallery, Bloomsburg, in 2008.

Ca-Tisha Ashlock Adams teaches pre-kindergarten for the Philadelphia School District. In collaboration with the University of Pennsylvania’s Graduate School of Education, she is working on a pilot EPIC curriculum program.

Julie Adams, Mifflinville, is a learning support teacher at the Bloomsburg Area School District’s W.W. Evans Elementary School.

Leah Conte, a field hockey All-American at Bloomsburg, is a member of the U.S. National Indoor Field Hockey team.

Sharon Melincavage earned a doctor of education degree from Penn State University. She teaches in the nursing program at Cedar Crest College.

Brian K. Sims, attorney and BU Alumni Board member, is staff counsel for policy and planning for the Philadelphia Bar Association.

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'03 Tim Jadick coaches cross country at Elkton High School.

Matthew Kaminsky is M&I Bank's Pennsylvania team leader for treasury management implementation. He was accepted to Widener University School of Law.

Angela Runciman teaches composition in BU's English department.

Crystal Skotedis is manager of the East Pennsboro Township office of Boyer & Ritter, Certified Public Accountants and Consultants.

Christopher Snyder is an auditor for PricewaterhouseCoopers in Harrisburg.

'04 Emily Bray, a fourth-year medical student at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, was awarded the Dr. Corrine Santerian Memorial Scholarship in pediatrics.

Kelly Cormell '04/08 Au.D., has joined Susquehanna Valley Hearing Professionals in Lewisburg.

Jill E. Foltz '04/08 Au.D., Port Royal, is employed by Pittsburgh Ear Associates.

Sarah Douglass Groff, Duncannon, is public relations and communications specialist at Central Pennsylvania College.

Kyle Hughes is a branch manager with Fulton Bank.

Elizabeth Kulyeshie, Bloomsburg, where she graduated from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School, was on the dean's list and honor roll.

Nicole Hartmann Rhoads, a field hockey All-American at BU, is head field hockey coach at Alvernia College of Reading.

Lindsay Waros is a curatorial assistant at the Smithsonian Newseum in Washington D.C.

Aaron K. Zeamer is an associate attorney with the law firm of Russell, Knauff & Gruber, Lancaster.

Charleen Zimmer, Nescopeck, is a middle school language arts teacher with the Bloomsburg Area School District.

'05 Carissa Borick is a music teacher for the Baltimore Public Schools. She teaches fourth- and fifth-grade instrumental music.

Amanda Sierer Brown is an exercise physiologist at Associated Cardiologists, Harrisburg.

Emily Costa Chiarelli is a fourth-grade teacher in the Emerson School District of New Jersey.

Larry Chiarelli is a major accounts manager with Automated Data Processing Inc.

Nicole R. Combs earned a master's degree with honors in clinical social work from the University of Denver. She is a family support coordinator at Donor Alliance, Denver, Colo.

Erin Dumin is director of admissions for John W. Hallahan Girls Catholic High School in Philadelphia.

Angela Fluck Gossler is a second-grade teacher for Upper Perkisomen School District.

Jennifer Kunitz is Region I director of the Pennsylvania Business Education Association. She teaches at Pine Grove Area Middle School.

Cinda J. Leonard, Roslyn, is digital sales account executive for CBS-3 KYW-TV and CW Philly 57 WPSG in the Philadelphia area.

Jennifer Meszaros is a critical care nurse at Capital Health, Trenton, N.J.

Jacob “Jake” Miller, Summit Hill, an economics and government teacher at Panther Valley High School, is one of 11 participants in the first U.S. House of Representative Fellows Program.

Lloyd Wohlschlegel, a first lieutenant with the U.S. Army, graduated from ranger school at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. He is an infantry company executive officer with the 25th Infantry Division in Oahu, Hawaii.

'06 Arthur R. Becker, Harrisburg, is inventory control supervisor at Jacobson Companies.

Frank Cunniff is a bassist with Incommunicado. The band recently toured with rockers Anti-Flag.

Michael Morgan, assistant technical professor in television production at King's College, is part of a group which purchased a Hazleton radio station.

'07 Darren Adair, Scranton, joined the firm of Hibble & Associates, Scranton, and is a member of the Scranton Board of Realtors.

Jeremy Keiter '07M, is senior director for clinical services for ECC Retirement Village.

Joe Kleiner, Altoona, is vice president and director of marketing for Ultimate Defender LLC, a device to help train players in a variety of sports.

William Newman is a financial adviser for Edward Jones, Stroudsburg. He passed his Series 7, Series 66 and insurance exam.

Ashley Wzorek is a fourth-grade teacher at Riverside Elementary East in Scranton.

'08 Alicia Bercher teaches music for the Wayne Highlands School District's Stourbridge Primary School.

Vanessa Billman teaches third grade at Ocean City Elementary School in Maryland.

Brent Postal is the sports and marketing manager at the Pocono Mountains Convention & Visitors Bureau. He has had numerous articles on fishing and hunting published in outdoor magazines.

Ashley Robinson is a pre-school teacher at Hildebrandt Learning Centers.

Lyndsey Snyder is a staff accountant with Boyer & Ritter's office in State College.

Trisha Stecker works for the Philadelphia firm of Avenue A Razorfish, an interactive services firm which is redesigning the Philly.com website.
For BU nursing students, lessons in caring extend far beyond the classroom walls. When they’re not studying anatomy, physiology or pharmacology, they may be organizing a health fair at a mall or nursing home. BU nursing students can often be found in hospitals and clinics, gaining first-hand experience with working professionals. And, when they graduate, these nurses already have experience bringing a personal touch to your family’s health care.

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### Art Exhibits

Exhibitions are open to the public free of charge. Due to the renovation of the Haas Center for the Arts, exhibits are being offered in alternate venues on campus. For more information about shows and updated information, visit [www.bloomu.edu/today/arts.php](http://www.bloomu.edu/today/arts.php).

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### Celebrity Artist Series

All events in the 2008-09 Celebrity Artist Series season will be presented in Carver Hall, Kenneth S. Gross Auditorium. For more information, call the box office, temporarily located in the Carver Hall lobby, at (570) 389-4409 or visit the Celebrity Artist Web site at [www.bloomu.edu/today/celebrity.php](http://www.bloomu.edu/today/celebrity.php). Community Government Association cardholders pay half of the ticket’s face value for all shows. Programs and dates are subject to change.

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<td>Valentine’s Day Romance: Simone on Simone</td>
<td>Friday, Feb. 13, 8 p.m.</td>
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<td>Classical: Ahn Trio</td>
<td>Saturday, March 14, 8 p.m.</td>
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<td>Simply Sinatra: Steve Lippia</td>
<td>Friday, April 3, 7:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>Concerts</td>
<td>Listed events are open to the public free of charge.</td>
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<td>Chamber Orchestra: Spring Concert</td>
<td>Sunday, March 15, 2:30 p.m.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bloomsburg University-Community Orchestra</td>
<td>Sunday, March 29, 2:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>Berwick Senior High School Auditorium</td>
<td>1100 Fowler Ave., Berwick</td>
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<td>Gospel Choir: Gospelrama</td>
<td>Sunday, April 5, 3 p.m. Kehr Union, Ballroom</td>
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### Alumni Events

Contact the Alumni Affairs Office at (570) 389-4058, (800) 526-0254 or [alum@bloomu.edu](mailto:alum@bloomu.edu) for information. Details, including times and locations, are available at [www.bloomualumni.com](http://www.bloomualumni.com).

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<td>Alumni Association Board of Directors Meetings</td>
<td>Saturday, Feb. 28, Saturday, May 16</td>
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<td>Carver Hall Chapter Meetings</td>
<td>Wednesday, Feb. 25, Wednesday, March 25, Wednesday, April 22</td>
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<td>Huskies in Your Hometown</td>
<td>Harrisburg, Thursday, Feb. 12, Austin, San Antonio, Houston and Dallas, Texas, Thursday to Sunday, Feb. 19 to 22</td>
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<td>Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins Mixers</td>
<td>Friday, Feb. 27</td>
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<td>Philadelphia, Thursday, March 19</td>
<td>Baltimore, Monday, March 23</td>
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<td>New York City, Thursday, April 16</td>
<td>Pittsburgh, Thursday, April 23</td>
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<td>New Jersey, Thursday, April 30</td>
<td>Wrestling Alumni Day Friday, Feb. 13</td>
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<td>Men’s/Women’s Basketball Alumni Day</td>
<td>Saturday, Feb. 14</td>
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<tr>
<td>Italian Fest</td>
<td>Hosted by Carver Hall Chapter Friday, Feb. 27 (snow date, Saturday, Feb. 28)</td>
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<td>Alumni Weekend</td>
<td>Friday to Sunday, April 3 to 5, Saturday, April 4: 9 a.m. to noon; Quest climbing wall open, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.; Alumni Legacy Scholarship Reception, 5 p.m.</td>
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<td>Grad Finale</td>
<td>Tuesday and Wednesday, April 14 and 15</td>
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### Theater

Tickets for theatrical productions are available at the box office, temporarily located in the Carver Hall lobby, Mondays through Fridays from noon to 4 p.m.

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<td>Bloomsburg Players: Wit</td>
<td>Wednesday through Saturday, April 15 to 18, Alvin Krause Theatre, 226 Center St., Bloomsburg. For show times and tickets, call the Program Board ticket office, (570) 389-4402.</td>
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<td>Bloomsburg Players: The Winter’s Tale</td>
<td>Wednesday through Saturday, April 15 to 18, Alvin Krause Theatre, 226 Center St., Bloomsburg. For show times and tickets, call the Program Board ticket office, (570) 389-4402.</td>
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### Special Events

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<td>Siblings and Children’s Weekend</td>
<td>Friday to Sunday, April 3 to 5, Saturday, April 4, afternoon carnival with food and games, Academic Quad</td>
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<td>Quest’s High Adventure Day</td>
<td>Sunday, April 5, 2 to 6 p.m., upper campus</td>
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<td>Climbing wall and high ropes course open to alumni, students and community members, free</td>
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<tr>
<td>Symphony Ball</td>
<td>Saturday, April 25, 6 to 10 p.m. Rolling Pines Golf Course and Banquet Facility, Route 11, Bloomsburg-Berwick Highway Contact: BU Music Department, (570) 389-4289</td>
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<td>Homecoming Weekend</td>
<td>Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 17 and 18</td>
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<td>Parents and Family Weekend</td>
<td>Friday to Sunday, Oct. 23 to 25</td>
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For the latest information on upcoming events, check the university Web site: [www.bloomu.edu/today](http://www.bloomu.edu/today)
Over the Shoulder

By Robert Dunkelberger, University Archivist

Carver Hall: A Monument to BU’s First President

The Alumni Association of the Bloomsburg State Teachers College approved a resolution in June 1927 renaming the oldest building on campus, Institute Hall, after the school’s first president, Henry Carver. The resolution was approved not only because Carver had revived the Bloomsburg Literary Institute in 1866, but also because he designed and built Institute Hall and a dormitory, and was instrumental in Bloomsburg’s recognition as a state normal school for teacher education.

Henry Carver was born in 1820 in Greene County, N.Y., the sixth child of Henry and Sally Carver and grandson of Johannes Kerber, a Hessian soldier who deserted from the British during the Revolutionary War. Young Henry decided to become a teacher and, after marrying in 1843, taught at schools in Valatie and Kinderhook, N.Y.

By 1853, Carver moved to Binghamton, accepting teaching positions in the public schools, academies and a seminary there and in nearby Cortlandville. At the latter positions, he served as principal and instructed the upper-level students in mathematics and the sciences.

After two decades of teaching in New York, Carver was looking for a real change when he accepted a teaching position at the Oakland (Calif.) College School in 1864. He returned to Binghamton, however, after an October 1865 hunting accident cost him his left hand. Following his recuperation, he moved on to Bloomsburg, where he worked to create the literary institute that would become BU.

Leaving Bloomsburg, Carver moved to Denver, Colo., followed by positions in Belleville, N.Y., and Vineland, N.J. He entered the New Jersey Insane Asylum in Trenton after an 1877 suicide attempt, but he recovered by the following spring and taught for a year in Muhlenberg College’s Normal Department.

Carver spent the next six years in New Jersey, leading an academy in South Orange, N.J., and teaching there and at three school districts along the Jersey Shore. Returning to the family farm near Binghamton in 1885, he hoped to teach again, but was committed once more to a mental facility the next year. The family moved to Colorado after his release and Carver died on Feb. 20, 1889, during a stay at the spa in Glenwood Springs. He is buried in Denver’s Riverside Cemetery.

Henry Carver was a driven, charismatic individual hailed wherever he went as an unsurpassed educator and disciplinarian. One visible symbol of his determination stands today, 120 years after his passing, the building he designed, Carver Hall.
Today’s BU student is tomorrow’s young professional, and alums can take their Husky pride everywhere they go ... at play and at work. Take a little BU to the office to help keep things organized and ready to go.

The University Store offers items with alums in mind. Consider the alumni travel mug when you’re on your way to work or take the leather portfolio with the university seal to your job interview or your next meeting. Display your diploma prominently in your office with a BU diploma frame or set off a formal portrait or special graduation photograph in an 8-by-11 frame with a “Bloomsburg University” mat. Wherever today’s young professional is headed, the University Store has something to take along. Know an alum, but can’t decide what he or she needs? Gift cards are available in any amount.

The University Store offers the convenience of shopping online for hundreds of items at www.bloomu.edu/store. For a traditional shopping experience, the University Store is open seven days a week during the academic year and Mondays through Fridays during the summer. Stop by in person or online for everything BU.
‘Visitors to Birdland, the famed New York City jazz club, couldn’t quite believe their ears.’
– The Real Paper

Steve Lippia in Simply Sinatra

Simply Sinatra is a celebration of some of the greatest popular music of the 20th century, including pieces by Frank Sinatra, Cole Porter and Sammy Cahn. With a hot driving 16-piece band behind him, Steve moves from crisp popping swing tunes to lush poignant ballads with equal ease. His song list includes Sinatra standards “I’ve Got You Under My Skin,” “The Lady is a Tramp” and “Come Rain or Come Shine.”

Friday, April 3, 2009, 7:30 p.m.
Carver Hall, Kenneth S. Gross Auditorium
$20 and $10
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