

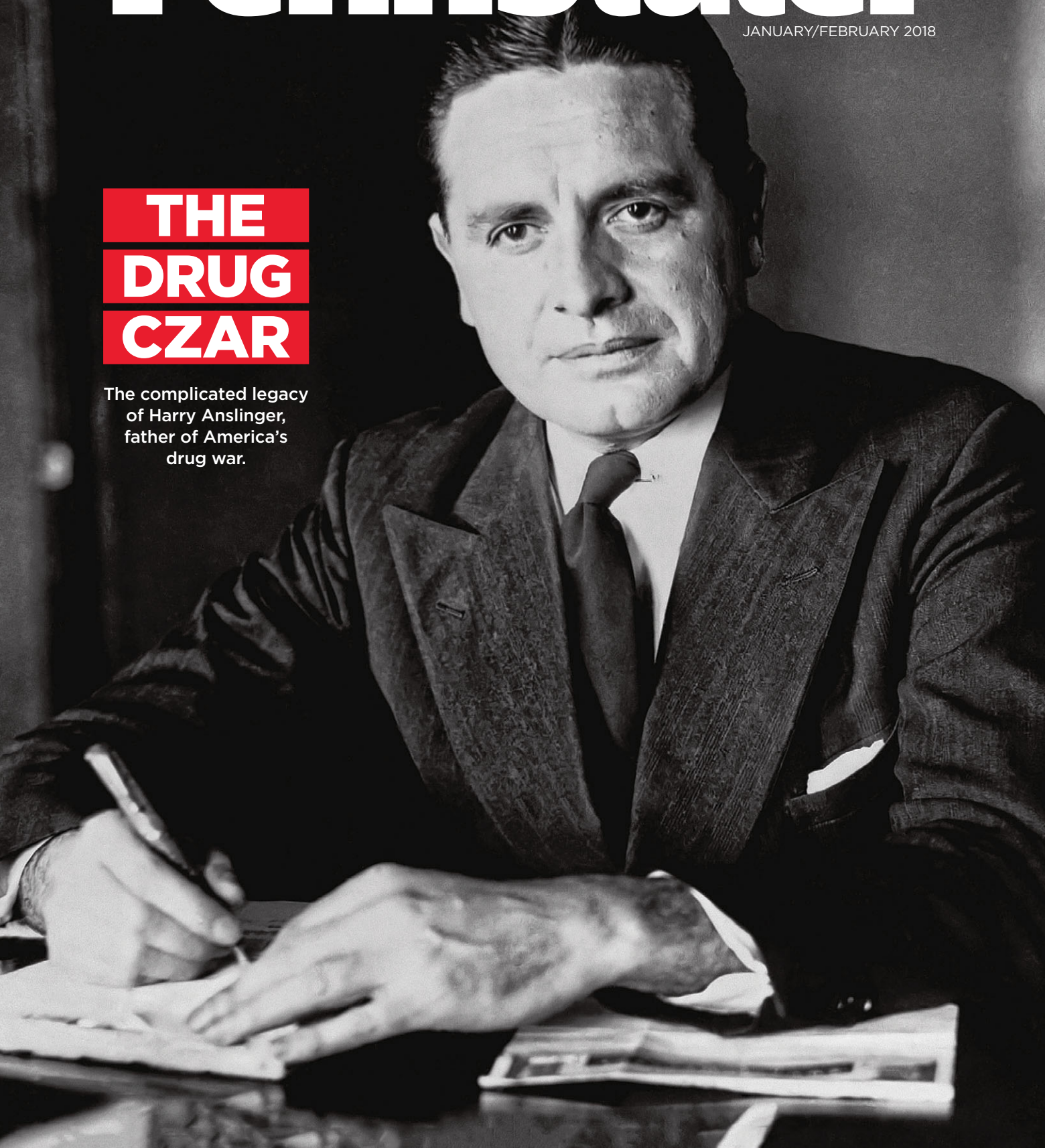
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FROM THE EDITOR

A New Look

WE'VE GIVEN THE PENN STATER A MAKEOVER.

→ **THIS ISSUE OF THE PENN STATER** might look a bit different to you than the previous editions. That's because it's the result of a redesign—a project we've been working on behind the scenes for the past year or so.

Our goal was to keep all of the things you've told us you love about the magazine, while adding new content and giving everything a fresher look.

One change you might notice immediately is a slightly smaller trim size, coupled with a different spine—in publishing lingo, we've gone from saddle-stitched (a fancy term for "stapled") to perfect-bound. The resulting look and feel is more typical of quality magazines these days. And for those of you who keep your *Penn Stater* forever, a perfect-bound magazine is less likely to fall apart over time.

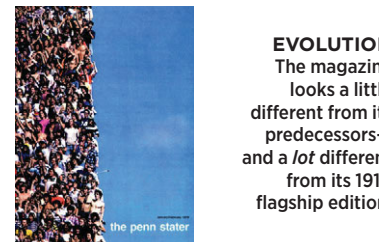
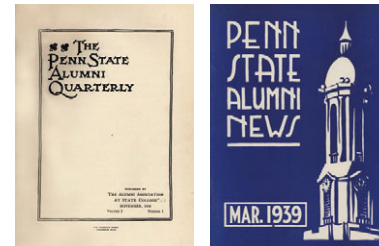
Inside, we've doubled the size of Pulse, our news section, and infused it with new, recurring elements that we think you'll enjoy seeing each issue—"Practical Advice," "Keeping Current," "Club Hopping," and more. We've added similar items to Sports and Association News as well. And we open each of the three major departments—Pulse, Sports, and Alumni—with big photography that we think you'll love.

We've also added some fun photos (submitted by you!) to the margins of Class Notes, and—in a nod to tradition—we're bringing back Mike Chesworth's illustrations that were a mainstay of the magazine in the 1980s and '90s. You'll see one such Chesworth Lion on page 62.

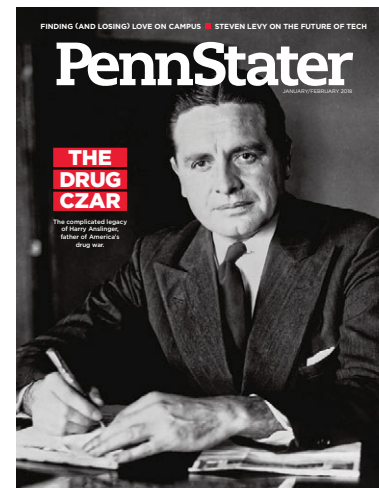
The credit for all of this work goes to the magazine staff, starting with art director Marc Kauffman, whose experience working on newsstand magazines (he spent 20 years at Rodale) is a huge asset. Marc and our graphic designer, Corrine Furjanic, did a lot of redesign research and experimentation on the side while continuing to put out one regular issue after another. And deputy editor **Ryan Jones '95 Com** has been, in many ways, the brains of the operation, leading our creative sessions, suggesting new material (and what to call it), and constantly pushing us to make the redesign a priority.

We always welcome your feedback on the magazine, and we're especially interested in hearing your thoughts on the redesign. Please let us know at heypennstater@psu.edu.

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Movin' In

I thoroughly enjoyed seeing the pictures and reading about the students' move-in day experiences [*"Move-In Day," Nov./Dec., p. 28*], which brought back fond memories of my own. My parents helped me to settle in at the Ogontz campus, and during my first two years in Abington, I encountered many new friends, who then moved with me to Happy Valley. Their company made the transition to main campus a stress-free experience.

Suzanne Walton Dalesandro '70 Edu | Stuart, Fla.



The Lake Letters

Thanks to Vicki Glembocki for writing the story on Norman and Helen Lake, to the family for saving the material, and to their son for turning it over to the university. It sheds light on the First World War, the difficulty President Wilson had in getting our nation behind the war, and the way the students rallied in support. It also highlighted the suffering and death of President Sparks as he tried to accommodate to drastic campus changes.

Writing about current events is important, but please don't forget us aging alums who want to know about Penn State's rich history. With email replacing letter-writing, will our history ever be told as well in the future?

John Yeatman '55 Lib, '58 JD Law, '68 MEd Edu
Kennett Square, Pa.

Norman and Helen Lake were my great-uncle and aunt [*"Love Letters," Nov./Dec., p. 40*]. I didn't know that Uncle Norman went to Penn State and that he served in the Great War. I last saw them at their 50th wedding anniversary in 1974. I lost track of my Lake cousins—my dad, their first cousin, was John R. Lotz. He taught chemis-

try at the Penn State until his death in 1977.
Sara (Sally) Lotz Smith '69 Lib
Barboursville, Va.



Climate Change

While I disagree with David Titley's "climate change" views and data, he is one of the few adults on either side of this issue [*"Science as Strategy," Nov./Dec., p. 48*]. However, in response to his estimate that "80, 90 percent of Republicans in Congress understand the science... (but) none of them wants to be a climate martyr,"

I can attest from past careers in media, government, and healthcare that many in both political parties are dismissive and condescending to points of views held by their constituents. I also wonder if anyone at Penn State holding opposite views on climate change would have received a mention in *The Penn Stater*, let alone an eight-page spread?
Dick Davis '73 H&HD
Sharpsville, Pa.

As an alum and a 25-year environmental attorney, I couldn't be more proud to see yet another article about how our university is leading the way in studying climate change. Some of the most cutting-edge science is

coming out of Penn State. I commend David Titley for his lifelong work and his courage to speak out regarding the science behind our planet's changing climate, and the impacts that humans and fossil fuels have on it. It is only because of people like him that we stand a chance at protecting the quality of life that humans enjoy.

Marc Ross '90 Lib, '93 JD Law Englewood, Colo.

During my six years in the Navy, I visited countries where the right to choose your elected officials peacefully through the ballot box simply did not exist. For David Titley to say that for many years, he did not vote in federal elections, is nothing to be proud of. As a former enlisted man, let me say to a former admiral, "Sir, that was not a good example to set for the people under your command."

Thomas Witt '73 Com Middletown, Conn.

As an alum of the College of Science, I am disappointed to read that Professor Titley is "uninterested in debating" the details, conflicting models, and predictions of the effects of increased CO2 on the planet. My education included open-minded thinking—inclusive of conflicting ideas and theories—and the scientific method. I

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stopped reading the article when he stated "the last time the Western world discovered an ocean, it was a guy named Christopher Columbus." This complete misstatement of history does not reflect well on the university.

Jim Steinke '70 Sci Littleton, Colo.

It's great that Penn State attracts such esteemed people as David Titley to the faculty. I hope we can use the article as a springboard for conversation. However, I wonder if the author is taking a balanced approach when I read sentences like this: "Experiencing the power of a storm whose impact was almost certainly made more extreme by climate change made this undeniably personal." Then, Mr. Titley is quoted as saying "80, 90 percent of Repub-

licans in Congress understand the science," but the reader isn't informed of what constitutes such "understanding." Who is willing to engage and guide the public's learning without the shouting and name calling?

Chuck Doty '86 MS Eng Hampton, Va.



Thank you, Mike Gesicki

Here's my story about not getting ticketed by the police [From the Editor, Nov./Dec., p. 5]. Back in the early 1990s, I was apparently driving too fast down a hill in Marlborough, Mass. I was pulled over by a police

officer, who, after giving the requisite speech on speeding, took note of my Penn State license plate. I explained that I was an alumna. That prompted a discussion about Joe Paterno, football, and the university. He really liked JoePa. He decided to let me off with a warning to slow down. Thank you, JoePa!

Yvonne Wilson '86 Eng Acton, Mass.

Dorm Decor

I covered my Bigler Hall bulletin board with shiny black and silver wrapping paper from Uncle Eli's [Association News, Nov./Dec., p. 59]. I covered the shiny backdrop with Prince photos, cut out from magazines. It was 1985 and The Purple One was my everything. I loved him because of his music, but he was also a poet, a free spirit, an agent of change, and the funkiest person I had ever laid eyes on. Three decades later, Prince still inspires me to be myself.

Rae Theodore '90 Lib Royersford, Pa.

More Female Fellows, Please

I'm disappointed by the Alumni Association's recent selection of Alumni Fellows [Nov./Dec., p. 27]. I'm not saying the recipients are not worthy of the honor, but I am concerned that there are only three

women honored. I urge the selection committee to be more aware of potential unconscious bias in their selection. This lack of recognition of women is a continuing issue in academia and I would hope that my alma mater would do better.

Wendy Bollinger Bollag '84 Sci Augusta, Ga.

Tom Hammond, Alumni Association executive director of engagement, says: "We agree. The 2017 honorees were all exceptional leaders in industry, and we're proud of them. But we still have work to do in ensuring that honorees represent all alumni. We're working with nominating units to make sure that the university-wide selection committee has a diverse pool of candidates to consider. We can do better and are dedicated to doing so."



Coping Skills

When I first got to Penn State, I was anxious whether my math and science knowledge would be up to par [“Coping Skills & Growing Pains,” Sept./Oct., p. 34]. I discussed this with Dr. Grooms, a counselor. He directed me to a colleague who gave me an experimental course in advanced college algebra, a flip-page booklet that I worked through during

freshman year Christmas break. I returned knowing more math than most of my classmates. That is just the first of many nurturing experiences I had at Penn State that led to the special connection I still feel to my undergraduate alma mater.

Arnold (Chet) McQuaide Jr. '65 Eng Berkeley Lake, Ga.

Highlighting Diversity

Thank you for always highlighting the achievements of all kinds of alumni—women, people of color, LGBTQ individuals, and international students. I love seeing the cover of the magazine and understanding that Penn State is a place that not only values, but celebrates its diversity. If possible, it only makes me prouder to call myself a Penn Stater.

Anne Marie Toccket '06 Com/Lib Sunbury, Pa.

Obituary

I was deeply saddened to read about the passing of Donna Kuga [In Memoriam, Nov./Dec., p. 74]. I met Donna at Beaver Campus during freshman orientation week in 1979. She took the time that week to teach me the game of racquetball, and we had many spirited matches during my two years at Beaver. Although we lost contact over the years, we did cross paths during my rare visits back to the campus, and I kept track of her career advancements

through the alumni newsletters. She will be missed!

Ed Bardella '81 Eng Bvr, '85 Eng Hbg Jamestown, Pa.



Fake News?

Per the article "Fighting Online Fiction" [Nov./Dec., p. 15], are the researchers including the mainstream media in their research? There is fake news put out on the airwaves by that group also.

Gwenn Tice Embich '66 Bus Annville, Pa.

I am glad Penn State researchers are tackling the problem of propagation of propaganda. To achieve machine learning of fictitious stories should be fairly easy to do: If the original source is CNN, MSNBC, NBC, ABC, CBS, or NPR, it is most likely fake.

Don Boyd '63 Sci Indianapolis

Fly Fishing Fun

In the 1970s, I was part of the management of Fenwick, a leading fly-rod company [Association News, May/June, p. 61]. George Harvey—a friend, mentor, and work associate—arranged for us to have a beautiful cottage on Spruce Creek near State College. We spent several days in corporate

retreat and went out fly fishing every evening. One evening, the trout began to feed voraciously, slashing the water and launching themselves into the air. But we couldn't hook anything. Then we looked upstream about 100 yards and saw George and Bob laughing and throwing handfuls of trout chow into the stream. That explained the active feeding.

Chuck Rudolph Denver

Correction

Your article on Brad Fetherston [Everyday People, Nov./Dec., p. 12] refers to him as a veteran of the "Gulf War." The Gulf War was fought in 1991 between the U.S. and Iraq, so the conflict the article meant to cite was Operation Enduring Freedom, the official name for the Global War on Terrorism that began in 2001.

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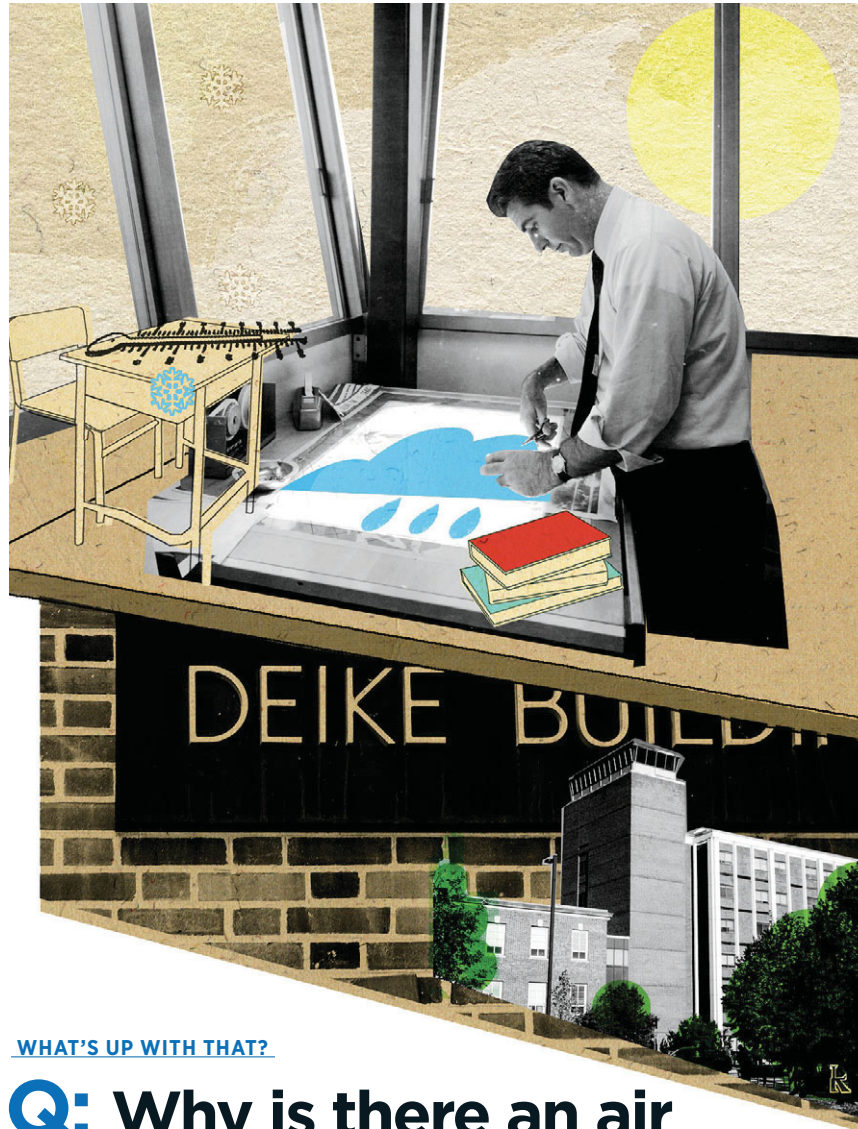
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Bright Lights, Big Nights

Thousands of students lit up the BJC with cell phone lights during THON 2017. This year's THON takes place Feb. 16-18.



WHAT'S UP WITH THAT?

Q: Why is there an air traffic control tower on top of Deike Building?

A: It's enough to make you wonder if Burrowes Road was once an airstrip, but no, that's *not* an air traffic control tower—it's the meteorology department's old weather observation deck, built to give undergrads a bird's-eye view of fronts rolling into Happy Valley. But the resemblance is no accident. "It was designed to *look* like an air traffic control tower," says **Charles Hosler '47, '48 MS, '51 PhD EMS**, who as dean of the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences oversaw the deck's construction in the mid-to-late 1960s. Windows on all four sides allowed for a panoramic view, and the slanted glass was designed to minimize glare. The deck was abandoned when the department moved to Walker Building, and is now used as office space for grad students in geosciences. —RJ

→ Got a campus mystery you'd like solved? Email us at heypennstater@psu.edu.

THE BIG 3

Happy Valley LaunchBox celebrates its second anniversary in February. Here, a few of the Penn State innovation hub's coolest projects so far.



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TROPHY TRACKS
App that uses predictive analytics to help hunters find the best spot to hunt.



PATHWAYS AI
App that allows Parkinson's Disease patients to track and manage symptoms.



KINDERMINDER
Kid-friendly app that helps asthma sufferers keep track of their medication. —RJ

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My Favorite Things

THE BREAKFAST SPECIAL AT IRVING'S

My favorite spot on campus is just off campus: Irving's on College Avenue. I hung out and studied there a lot in school, mostly because it's got the best breakfast sandwich around, the Breakfast Special. Mine's an everything bagel, no cheese—because I'm lactose intolerant—and sausage. You can't beat it. I think that's the one thing I miss most about college. —RJ



John Urschel
'12, '13 MA Sci

Former Penn State and NFL lineman, now a Ph.D. student in applied math at M.I.T.



CLUB HOPPING

Knittany Lions

FOUNDED: 2016

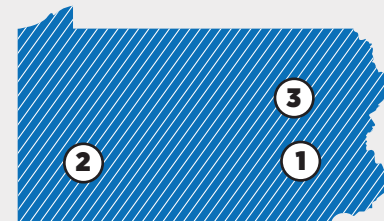
CURRENT MEMBERSHIP: 10

MISSION: A "no-strings-attached" group open to all yarn crafts."

Senior Ilene Parker began knitting three years ago. She fell in love with it and taught her friend and roommate, senior Hannah Conroy—who quickly got hooked, too. Not long after, they formed the Knittany Lions. "It's really addictive," Conroy says. Most members are knitting scarves—with the exception of grad student Brett Green, who crochets gnomes. The club meets weekly, and beginners often have to unknit their work and start from scratch, but as Conroy says, "that's kind of fun when we're all together." —S/



COMMON WEALTH



1 BERKS
Hospitality management program students turned a Reading community shelter into a five-star restaurant in November. For one night, the students took over dinner service at Opportunity House, where they prepped and served a three-course meal.

2 GREATER ALLEGHENY
In November, the campus launched Free Store 15132, which collects surplus and donated food, clothing, and home goods and distributes them to people in need. Inspired by the store in nearby Braddock, it's the first Free Store on a college campus.

3 HAZLETON
The Florence and George J. Hayden Engineering Laboratories, named after longtime campus donors, were dedicated in November. The state-of-the-art labs will benefit student work in electrical, electronics, and mechanical engineering. —RJ



EVERYDAY PEOPLE

As she prepares to give up the Miss Pennsylvania title, Katie Schreckengast is fine with just being herself.

THERE SHE IS

After winning the Miss Pennsylvania title last summer, Katie Schreckengast took this school year off to prepare for the Miss America pageant. But not winning “was kind of a relief,” she says. “That’s weird because every single thing I’ve done the past few years has been for that moment. But to know I can now focus on the next portion of my life is huge for me.”

FAMILY TREE

Parents Lori and Randy ‘89 Eng adopted Katie from South Korea when she was 6. Three years later, they adopted a 6-year-old boy, Zach,

also from South Korea and now a freshman at Penn State Berks. “I remember going to the airport to meet my brother for the first time.”

DIFFERENT WORLD

After arriving for her freshman year from small-town Palmyra, Pa.—where everyone knew her parents and her story—Schreckengast often faced questions about her childhood. As Miss Pennsylvania she’s centered her platform on raising awareness about adoption.

WRITER’S VOICE

Schreckengast has blogged about her

own childhood and being adopted (theodysseyonline.com/user/@katieschreckengast). “My story is important to me because I don’t think adoption is talked about as openly or as often as it should be,” she says. She hopes to start another blog for sharing the stories of others who have opened up to her about adoption.

CLEAN BREAK

Though she left her pageant days behind three years ago to concentrate on school—she’s a broadcast journalism major—and playing saxophone in the Blue Band, her passion for adoption advocacy spurred her back to the stage in 2017. Now she’s preparing to give up her crown this summer. “It was nice to know who I was without a title,” she says of the time off. “Now I know who Katie Schreckengast is—not as Miss Pennsylvania, not as a member of the Blue Band—but just as me, and that’s really important.” —BR



THEN & NOW

The sight of tripods and theodolites around the Old Main lawn is nearly as old as Penn State itself. Instruction in **surveying** dates to 1881, says civil engineering lecturer Brian Naberezny, who notes that while the equipment is much improved, today’s students are essentially doing the same work—making topographical maps—as their predecessors. One other thing that hasn’t changed: the envy of those hardworking engineers at “all the other students lounging around on the lawn. They don’t know where they find the time.” —RJ

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: PENN STATE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS; CORRINE FURJANIC; PENN STATE



ANNEMARIE MOUNTZ '84 COM



AROUND THE VALLEY

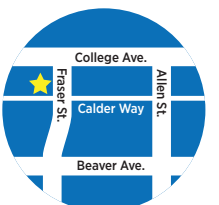
Underground Classic

WITH AN ENVIABLE INVENTORY AND GENERATIONS OF LOYAL ALUMNI, THIS BASEMENT SHOP IS A STATE COLLEGE FIXTURE. *By Ryan Jones '95 Com*

→ **JOHN SECRETO WORKED** as a music and video buyer for Tower Records in the mid- to late-1990s, just as advances in digital technology were on the verge of obliterating the market for CDs and DVDs. Needless to say, **Secreto '03 Com** (pictured) knew the risk when he bought a comic-book store in 2010. He also knew why the risk might prove worthwhile. “I thought the tactile, tangible element of comic books would keep the fan base from going completely digital,” he says. “Plus, people really love their comic-book store.”

All of which helps explain the enduring appeal of Comic Swap. The venerable State College store, established by **Lane Carpenter '64 Com** in 1976 as the Book Swap, has survived to become a downtown institution. The breadth of its collection is rare for a college-town comic store, says manager **John McComas '14 Lib**, a fact reinforced by alumni who drop in whenever they’re back in town.

Of course, some of that appeal is sentimental. **John Skerchock '80 Lib** was one of the store’s earliest customers as an undergrad, then kept coming back, as both a customer and part-time help. Now retired from the Pennsylvania State Police, he still helps out at the shop every Tuesday, sliding newly arrived titles into brown paper bags for subscribers. “Some of it is nostalgia,” Skerchock says, “but a lot of it is the people you meet. It’s an easy place to hang out, and that has carried on.”



PRACTICAL ADVICE

Music prof and opera singer **Jennifer Trost** tells you how she deals with **winter colds and coughs.**



HYDROTHERAPY

Because most opera companies allow singers to cancel only a few performances a year, my focus is on *not* falling ill. Cold showers strengthen my resistance and boost circulation.

STAY ROOTED

I like to boil fresh ginger in water—it’s a strong substance that stimulates the blood and works against viruses. Lemon and honey are always soothing.



WHAT’S YOUR ANGLE?

I always sleep with two pillows and a raised headboard to prevent the stomach acids that rise during the night to get to my vocal cords. This is particularly important when you have a head cold—you want to prevent any possible infection from getting to your throat.



TWO TO AVOID

Coffee and tea will only further irritate an already sore throat. Ditto for sugar, which is why I avoid alcohol and juice. —SI



Personal experience helps Alia Gant boost diversity at the Penn State Libraries.

Q: You’re a “diversity resident librarian.” What does that mean?
A: Penn State wanted to bring in diverse people to share their interests and backgrounds in helping the libraries develop more diverse programming and collections.

Q: How does your personal story influence your job?
A: Though we’re living in a much more body-positive era, plus-size people still face difficulties. It’s hard for me to find clothes, and I sometimes have a tough time on planes and buses. And as a plus-size, African-American woman, I still fear that people will judge me by the way I look. I have always felt welcome in a library, though, and I believe everyone should. I think who I am gels well with the libraries’ ongoing goal to become more diverse and welcoming.

Q: What are some of the diversity initiatives you’ve been involved in here?
A: I helped conduct focus-group studies with international students, asking them what we could do to make them feel more welcome in the library. I’m on the committee that works with the campus’ annual Martin Luther King Jr. commemoration, and I chair the Library Accessibility Committee, which is working to change spaces so that the libraries become easier to access for people with disabilities. —SI

IN SHORT

THE FUNGUS OF YOUTH
 Eating mushrooms might be one key to a longer life. That’s one takeaway from research led by Robert Beelman, emeritus professor in food science, who says the antioxidant-rich fungi might have the potential to fight off diseases like Parkinson’s and Alzheimer’s.

CALL TO ACTION
 Three dozen Penn State researchers were among 15,000 scientists who signed on to a paper published in the journal *BioScience*, calling for global action to “prevent widespread misery and catastrophic biodiversity loss” from climate change.

BUG BUDDIES
 A team led by chemical engineering professor Wayne Curtis has been awarded a \$7 million grant from the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency to use insects to improve food security. The DARPA project will use whiteflies to deliver deconstructed viruses to tomato plants, with the goal of making those plants more resilient. —RJ



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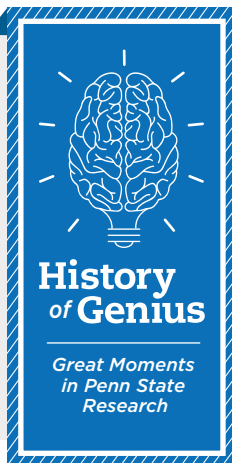
The Iran Nuclear Deal

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS PROF **FLYNT LEVERETT** WEIGHS IN ON IRAN AND THE 2015 NUCLEAR DEAL THAT THE U.S. RECENTLY DECERTIFIED.

→ “The International Atomic Energy Agency, which monitors Iran’s compliance with the 2015 deal that limits Tehran’s nuclear abilities, has now certified eight times that the Iranians are adhering to their commitments. No other country that’s part of that deal wants to pull out of it, knowing that Iran is extremely influential in the Middle East and the most stable country in the region.

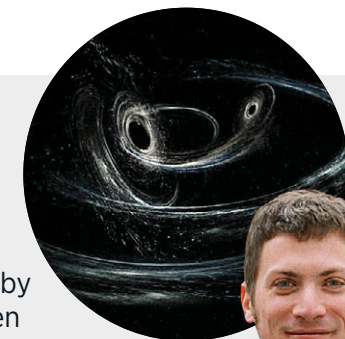
“Iran today flies in the face of many stereotypes we have here. It has achieved considerable progress on many fronts, including improving healthcare and educational outcomes for many Iranians, and improving the status of women in Iranian society.

“We don’t have a chorus line of countries following us on an even stronger anti-Iranian path—in fact, the Europeans and the Chinese are all doing business in Iran. Iran is also an ally in the fight against radical, Sunni Muslim militancy. But the current U.S. administration has a real ideological animus against Iran, so I think it’s unlikely that U.S. policy will move toward a rapprochement with that country.” —SI



MAKING (HISTORIC) WAVES

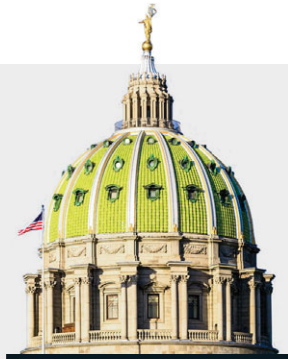
They weren’t invited to Stockholm for the ceremony, but Penn State researchers celebrated like winners when the 2017 Nobel Prize in Physics was handed out last fall. Led by astrophysicist **Chad Hanna** (pictured), a dozen Penn State faculty members contributed to the Nobel-winning work that led to the discovery of gravitational waves. —RJ



Budget update

PENN STATE IS IN LINE for a total appropriation of \$318 million after the Pennsylvania General Assembly finally passed a state budget. After a months-long stalemate in Harrisburg was resolved in October, the bill signed by Gov. Tom Wolf included a general appropriation of \$230.4 million, including \$13.4 million for the Hershey Medical Center—both level with the previous year—as well as a \$2 million increase for the university’s Pennsylvania College of Technology and a \$500,000 increase for agricultural research and Cooperative Extension.

Meanwhile, in late November, President Eric Barron wrote an open letter sharing his concerns about the impact of the Republican tax bills being debated in Congress. Barron wrote that both the House and Senate bills as proposed would increase the cost of higher education, discourage the pursuit of advance degrees, and repeal the ability of current and former students to deduct interest payments on student loans. He added that university administrators were “working directly with our Congressional delegation on these issues.” —RJ



Challenges continue for Greek life

IN THE WAKE OF THE ONGOING criminal case against members of Beta Theta Pi, more fraternities ran afoul of the university’s zero-tolerance approach to safety issues within the Greek life system.

In December, Penn State announced it had suspended recognition of Alpha Sigma Phi until at least the Spring 2019 semester. The university cited instances of hazing and forced alcohol consumption, as well as reports in November of an underage woman who was taken to the hospital after allegedly being served alcohol at the Alpha Sigma Phi house. That suspension followed the revoked recognition of Delta Upsilon (until the end of the Spring 2018 semester) and Pi Lambda Phi, both for infractions related to alcohol and social events last fall. In response, the national Pi Lambda Phi organization began the process of closing its Penn State chapter.

The case against Beta Theta Pi members charged in the death of Timothy Piazza is expected to continue in 2018. Many of the most serious charges were dismissed in September, but new evidence revealed in November in video recovered from the house led to new charges against 10 people. The state attorney general’s office is expected to take over the prosecution as the case continues. —RJ



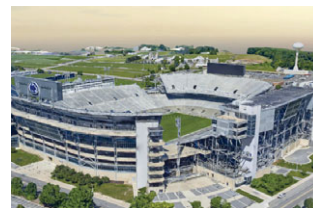
IN SHORT

OPIOID FIGHT

A new campaign aimed at fighting opioid addiction will be led by Penn State’s Justice Center for Research. Announced by Gov. Wolf in November, the effort will use addiction and recovery narratives gathered by Penn State researchers to raise awareness and reduce stigma, with the hope that more people will seek help.

GLOBAL IMPACT

In response to the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision to uphold President Trump’s travel ban, the university in December released a statement supporting international students, faculty, and staff who “make a positive impact on our mission of research, teaching, service, and economic development.” Penn State hosts more than 10,000 international students from more than 140 countries.



VIRTUAL BRICK AND MORTAR

A 3-D, real-time virtual map of University Park has been named a finalist for the “Be Inspired” award presented at the international Year in Infrastructure Conference. The map allows the Office of Physical Plant to remotely monitor buildings across campus; you can check it out for yourself at bit.ly/Virtual_PennState_Campus. —RJ

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A passion for engaging: new law school dean Hari Osofsky

THE NEW DEAN OF PENN STATE LAW AND THE SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS WANTS TO EQUIP STUDENTS TO BECOME CHANGE AGENTS. *By Savita Iyer*

➔ SINCE HER COLLEGE DAYS at Yale, Hari Osofsky, the new dean of Penn State Law and the School of International Affairs, has been passionate about the role of law in addressing tough societal problems ranging from homelessness to nuclear-waste storage. And as a young civil rights lawyer working in Los Angeles, she became committed to the importance of finding bipartisan solutions to issues that can often be polarizing, such as climate change and energy regulation.

That may seem like a lofty goal, but Osofsky—Penn State Law’s and SIA’s first female dean, and, at 45, the university’s youngest current dean—has always set high standards for herself, both personally (she was a competitive rower, and she learned surfing while studying for the California bar) and academically: Osofsky finished a Ph.D. in geography at the University of Oregon while serving as a tenured law professor at the University of Minnesota.

Osofsky has now taught at four universities and has published extensively. Yet, she confesses, she was initially unsure about whether academia offered her the right platform from which to be meaningfully involved in the big issues.

She changed her mind on Sept. 11, 2001.

“That day, I had just taught my first class on U.S. civil rights law [at Sun Yat-Sen University] in Guangdong, China,” she says, “and it struck me, as I watched the 9/11 news coverage, that the world was going through monumental socioeconomic changes and people from different backgrounds needed to come together and engage with each other.”

She decided to become a dean to help shape legal education into a tool that would equip students with the requisite skills and knowledge to engage and help effect change where it’s needed.

To that end, Osofsky (@hariosofsky on Twitter) has kicked off efforts to match law students with alumni across the country to expose them to different practice areas. She’s also looking to create interdisciplinary classes and noncredit courses to give students from different colleges an insight into law, and law students exposure to other disciplines. And Osofsky has enlisted the support of deans and chancellors from across the commonwealth for a soon-to-be-launched Center for Energy Law and Policy.

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He's Over It

He set the school record for career rushing TDs this fall, but when we think of Saquon Barkley, it's the highlights—like this hurdle in the dramatic win at Iowa—that leap to mind.

Calvin's Court

WITH HIS NEW ROLE IN DENVER, FORMER NITTANY LION BIG MAN CALVIN BOOTH IS ONE STEP CLOSER TO RUNNING AN NBA TEAM. *By Ryan Jones '95 Com*



DURING HIS PLAYING DAYS, Calvin Booth was best known for one emphatic skill: blocking shots. (He still holds Penn State records for rejections in a career, season, and game.) In his latest role, he's focused on diversifying.

In August, **Booth '98 Lib** left a front-office gig with the NBA's Minnesota Timberwolves to become assistant general manager of the Denver Nuggets, a role that comes with a broad range of responsibilities—everything from scouting opposing players to deciding on free-agent and trade targets to “traveling with the guys during the season to keep tabs on the pulse of the team.” It's a job he's been working toward since his unlikely playing career

came to an end: An unglamorous recruit out of high school, he went on to be a three-year starter for the Nittany Lions, finishing as the Big Ten career leader in blocked shots. From there, he was the rare second-round NBA draft pick to enjoy a lengthy career, spending a decade in the league before retiring in 2009. “Given the path I took,” he says, “it's pretty amazing I was able to play 10 years.”

By comparison, his path to a potential GM job—now just one step away—doesn't seem so daunting. “Everybody in this business would love to run an NBA team, but at the end of the day, there are only 30 opportunities,” he says. “You have to be good, you have to be lucky, and the timing has to work out.”

SINCE LAST TIME

COLLEGE COUNCIL

Penn State Athletic Director Sandy Barbour is one of 11 members of a new council charged with strengthening and guiding competition in Olympic sports at the college level. The U.S. Olympic Committee Collegiate Advisory Council was announced in October and includes representatives from institutions that have historically contributed to Team USA's success at the Olympic Games.

HAIL TO THE LION

After a year-long vote, the Nittany Lion has been tabbed as a 2018 inductee into the soon-to-open, 25,000-sq.-ft. Mascot Hall of Fame in Whiting, Ind. The Lion is among four mascots in the upcoming class and the only collegiate one, joining previous inductees like Wisconsin's Bucky Badger and Auburn's Aubie the Tiger.



LACROSSE PIONEER

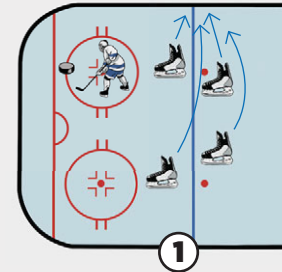
Former women's lacrosse coach **Gillian Rattray '75 MS H&HD** was honored as a trailblazer of the sport with a plaque at U.S. Lacrosse Headquarters in Sparks, Md. Rattray, who went 143-19-2 as coach from 1974-85, including three straight national championships from 1978-80, was among 11 former college coaches recognized for their work in advancing women's lacrosse and the coaching profession in the Title IX era.

CHALK TALK



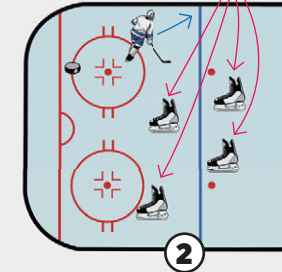
How A Line Change Works

It's one of the more fundamental aspects of the game, says assistant women's hockey coach **Allison Coomey**, but if not done right, the line change can lead to a quick penalty—or, worse, a breakaway for the opponent. “It happens more often than it should,” she says. Coomey tells us what to look for when players come off the ice:



DUMP THE PUCK

One forward dumps the puck into the attack zone, then gives chase while teammates leave the ice.



NEW WAVE ARRIVES

The forward then controls the puck or applies defensive pressure while the new skaters take the ice. Once other players are in position, the original forward skates off.



AVOID THE BOTTLENECK

Players exiting the ice usually enter the bench area through the door, while players coming on typically hop over the boards. —BR



Papal Conclave

Traveling with a group of seven NFL Hall of Famers to meet with Pope Francis in the Vatican was “definitely one of the greatest highlights of my life,” says former Nittany Lion **Franco Harris '72 H&HD**. The visit last June also reminded him of a key moment from his playing career: “I tell people how, at the time of the ‘Immaculate Reception,’ my mom had ‘Ave Maria’ on her record player back in New Jersey. It's a pretty incredible coincidence.” —BR

LIONS IN THE WILD

ADAM FELDMAN

In 1986, Nittany Lion fencer **Adam Feldman '87 Sci** won an NCAA foil title. Thirty-one years later, Feldman showed those sword skills are still with him. In July, he won the U.S. Fencing Veterans 50-59 Foil Championship and represented Team USA in the world championships last October in Slovenia, where he finished 39th. A teammate past and present, **Ron Thornton '89 A&A**, finished eighth in the age 50-59 saber competition. Feldman, a practicing cardiologist, fences in his spare time and two years ago returned to competition. The former three-time All-American (1985-87) lives in West Reading, Pa., with his wife, four-time volleyball letter winner **Mary Rose Sava Feldman '88 Bus**, and their daughter. —BR





Kevin Cadle 1955–2017

There was no real precedent for Kevin Cadle's career. A member of the Nittany Lion basketball team as an undergrad, **Cadle '77 H&HD** ended up in the UK in the early 1980s and found massive success as a coach, winning 30 championships at the club level and serving as head coach of the Scottish and English senior national teams, as well as the combined Great Britain team during its 1992 Olympic qualifying campaign. When he left the sidelines in the late 1990s, he was widely considered the most successful basketball coach in British history. But he was arguably better known in the UK as the face of American football and basketball, leading NFL and NBA broadcasts for Sky Sports for nearly two decades. Cadle died Oct. 16. He was 62. —RJ

Warming Retires

Men's soccer coach Bob Warming, who headed the Nittany Lions the past eight seasons, announced his retirement in November. Warming compiled an overall record of 78-60-18 at Penn State, including a 23-28-5 mark in conference play. Penn State won back-to-back Big Ten championships in 2012 and 2013 under Warming, who was named Big Ten Coach of the Year both years. He led the Nittany Lions to the NCAA Sweet 16 in 2010 and 2013 and another NCAA appearance in 2014. He has an overall career record of 461-290-82 in 40 seasons, placing him eighth all-time in wins among NCAA Division I men's coaches. —BR



Fall Classics

CONFERENCE TITLES AND TOP-10 FINISHES HIGHLIGHTED A MEMORABLE FALL SPORTS SEASON. *By B.J. Reyes '95 Com*

➔ **HEADING INTO THIS SEASON**, the seniors on the women's volleyball team had the dubious distinction of being the only class in program history to not have a Big Ten championship on their résumé. But after dropping the Big Ten opener to Nebraska in September, the squad went on to win all 19 of their remaining conference games for a share of the Big Ten title. "It was really important for us to win it just because it's a part of the program," says senior Haleigh Washington. "That's the legacy that [coach] Russ [Rose] has built." At press time, Penn State took a No. 1 ranking and top seed into the NCAA tournament seeking the eighth championship in program history and first since 2014.

Penn State women dominated the fall sports headlines, led by soccer, which captured another Big Ten tournament title, the seventh in program history. The Lions (15-5-4, 6-2-3 Big Ten) finished at No. 10 after advancing to the NCAA quarterfinals, bowing out to top-seeded Stanford. Field hockey finished No. 6 in its coaches' poll, playing to within a goal of upsetting top-seeded UConn, 4-3, in the NCAA quarterfinals. The Lions finished 17-5.

And led by Trace McSorley and Saquon Barkley, the No. 9 Nittany Lion football team prepared to play Washington in the Fiesta Bowl on Dec. 30. The Lions went into the bowl game 10-2 overall, and tied for second in the Big Ten East at 7-2. Barkley dominated the conference postseason awards, repeating as both the Big Ten offensive player and running back of the year, and also earning return specialist of the year honors.

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THE COMPLICATED LEGACY OF HARRY ANSLINGER

It's hard to overstate Harry Anslinger's influence on 20th century American culture. It's harder still to grapple with his legacy as father of the drug war.

By Michael Weinreb '94 Com

By Harry J. Anslinger,
Commissioner Bureau of Narcotics, United States Treasury
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Marihuana-- the "weed of folly and of dreams"--- has raised its big-leafed and flowered head into America's everyday life to strike with insidious venom at the country's youth through a new narcotic ^{traffic} approaching in effect and danger the illicit commerce in the better-known habit forming drugs.

Where the opium and heroin traffic deals chiefly with the older generations, marihuana peddlers are preying upon the younger people-- ~~boys and girls in the schools--~~ tempted to new thrills of delight by the wily hankers on the street corners. "Do you want to be happy, kids?-- Hey boy, Hey girl! Do you want to be happy?" That is the refrain.

American youth is jeopardized by the weed-- those who are lured into use of marihuana destined to be transformed into moral and mental degenerates-- some raving maniacs others violent criminals.

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There are 13.23 cubic feet of material housed within Collection HCLA 1875 on the first floor of Paterno Library, boxes that draw researchers, scholars, writers, and historians from near and far to Penn State, all

seeking to further their narratives. There are books and transcripts and journals and manuscripts and personal and professional correspondence; there are six audiotapes and 20 reels of microfilm; there is a sheath of newspaper clippings and reports detailing supposed marijuana-induced crimes from the 1920s and beyond that is known in the vernacular as the “Gore File.”

These are the papers of perhaps the most influential Penn State graduate of the 20th century, a man who steered public policy for more than three decades, and whose stances on federal drug laws had a massive impact on American society. It is very possible that until now, you have never heard the name Harry Anslinger; it’s also very possible you have never heard of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, the long-defunct agency that **Anslinger 1915a Agr** headed for 32 years. And yet in the midst of a massive reformation and re-evaluation of the precepts that Anslinger helped set down, the core of

his life’s work draws a steady stream of viewers—not to mention would-be-thieves seeking valuable souvenirs—to the Special Collections archives at University Park. Because once you delve into the history of our nation’s nearly century-long war on drugs, you cannot avoid colliding with Harry Anslinger, the hard-nosed law-and-order man who set it all into motion.

“I headed there on a Greyhound bus, and began to read through everything I could find by and about Harry Anslinger,” British author Johann Hari writes on the first page of his bestselling 2015 book *Chasing the Scream: The First and Last Days of the War on Drugs*. “Only then did I begin to see who he really was—and what he means for us all.”

So what does Harry Anslinger mean for us all? Do a simple Google image search, and you’ll come across dozens of quotes attributed to him, many of them inflammatory, many of them blatantly and horrifyingly racist (and at least a few that An-

slinger may never have said). Anslinger has become a pariah among marijuana legalization advocates, the man many blame for putting us on the path to prohibition, the man responsible for the incarceration of so many people of color for minor drug infractions. He is characterized by some of those advocates—and by many journalists and historians as well—as a bureaucratic tyrant, a blatant propagandist, a closed-minded and single-minded zealot who carried out a pointed crusade against Mexicans and Asians and (according to an early chapter of Hari’s book) even famed jazz singer Billie Holiday. He has become an internet meme in those activist circles, the words attributed to him serving as literal T-shirt slogans for what many view as the failed policies of the nation’s drug war.

But get beyond the simple characterizations, and you’ll find that the truth about Harry Anslinger is far more layered than anything that can be captured in a single photo or an incendiary quote. The pages in those archives, and the story of Anslinger’s career battling both drugs and organized crime in America, can be read in many different ways.

“No great leader is without detractors,” says **Charles Lutz ’67 Lib**, a retired Drug Enforcement Agency special agent who has spent years tracing Anslinger’s career and attempting to preserve his legacy. “They all make mistakes. But Anslinger has been treated very unfairly.”

At the very least, his was a complex life, and his is a complex legacy; as more and more states grapple with the potential ramifications of both medical marijuana laws and recreational marijuana legalization, it is one that scholars will likely continue to revisit, again and again.

“No other single individual had more influence or created a more durable legacy with respect to federal drug control than Harry Anslinger,” says John McWilliams, a retired Penn State professor who published what many regard as the definitive Anslinger biography, *The Protectors*, in 1990. “He was a smart guy. He knew his way around that world. He was the consummate bureaucrat.”

IT IS A CLASSIC STORY: THE SON of immigrants working his way up the ladder and straight into the heart of the American zeitgeist. It begins in Altoona, where Robert Anslinger—a barber in Switzerland who emigrated to America in 1881 in order to avoid



AN UNRELENTING VOICE

Anslinger had the ear of Washington lawmakers and his fellow law enforcers: In 1934, he spoke at the Attorney General’s “Conference on Crime.”

service in the Swiss Army—wound up with his wife after shunning the urban lifestyle of New York City. Eventually, Robert took a job with the Pennsylvania Railroad. Robert had nine children and very little money, and his son Harry—born in 1892—would follow in his father’s footsteps, going to work at the railroad in the ninth grade and taking classes part-time in the mornings.

Early on, the use of narcotics—then legal—made an indelible impression on Harry. One moment in particular is vital to his legend: Hearing the bloodcurdling screams of a woman in a neighboring farmhouse. According to Anslinger’s 1961 book *The Murderers*, the woman’s husband then sent Harry to the drugstore to pick up a package. Harry got it and paid for it, a 12-year-old boy dispatched for a dose of morphine that, once administered, calmed the woman’s screams.

Those screams of a morphine addict would haunt Harry Anslinger. The fact that a kid his age could purchase such drugs with no questions—the fact that, in those days, one could order a syringe kit from Sears & Roebuck through the



MEDIA MAGNET

Countless words by (previous spread) and about Anslinger can be found at University Park, where his papers are housed in the library’s Special Collections.



New Saliva Test Method to Be Demonstrated at Session Here.



LOS ANGELES, July 6 (I.N.S.). With four secret arrests today, Federal narcotic agents announced they had broken up a gigantic dope smuggling ring that operated in Hollywood.

Those who were taken into custody in a swift succession of raids were: Pete Benson, 42, who Federal



By KINGSBURY SMITH International News Service

The United States today scored one of its greatest victories in the fight to stamp out the illicit international traffic in narcotics.

As the result of exposures by the American narcotic representative at Geneva, a death blow was dealt to the illicit manufacture

tional smuggling traffic in this drug. The American Legation at Sofia notified the State Department the Bulgarian government had issued decrees prohibiting the importation, except under strict regulations, of a heroin-making chemical known as “acid acetic anhydride.” During the recent meeting of

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mail—led him to the conviction that drugs that posed such a danger to the psyche should not be so readily available. At any moment, Anslinger came to believe, otherwise normal people could be turned “emotional, hysterical, degenerate, mentally deficient, and vicious.” The only way forward, in Anslinger’s mind, was a punitive approach, an all-out war against drugs.

In 1913, Anslinger was granted a furlough by the railroad and left for Penn State, where he enrolled in a two-year associate-degree program. He made extra money by working as a substitute piano player at the silent movie theater on Allen Street. In 1914, as Anslinger was in the midst of getting his degree, the war on drugs officially coalesced with the Harrison Narcotics Tax Act; originally designed as a revenue measure, the act was the first to essentially outlaw the use of several drugs, including cocaine, opiates, and heroin.

Harry spent the summers away from Penn State working on a landscaping crew, and this is where, he later said, he first encountered his other lifelong nemesis. Every so often, he would hear Italian immigrant workers discussing, in broken English, something known as the “Black Hand”—an Italian criminal enterprise that targeted recent immigrants. One day, Harry said, he found an Italian coworker badly beaten and lying in a ditch. After some prodding, the man told Anslinger he’d been beaten by someone he called “Big Mouth Sam,” to whom he’d been forced to pay protection money. Anslinger purportedly threatened to kill Big Mouth Sam if he came around the railroad again.

This story would set the tone for Anslinger’s vendetta against the mafia, an organization that U.S. law enforcement officials—and most notably, FBI director J. Edgar Hoover—refused to officially acknowledge as real until the 1960s. Anslinger understood the power of a good narrative, whether it was exaggerated or not. After finishing at Penn State, he became a railroad detective, and after saving the railroad \$50,000 in a negligence suit, he was promoted to captain of the railroad police. He was on his way.

ANSLINGER SERVED WITH THE State Department overseas at the tail end of World War I, gathering intelligence on Germany’s Kaiser Wilhelm and others, and eventually moving on to the Bahamas to observe rum-runners during Prohibition. By the late 1920s, Prohibition was failing, and the Prohibition Bureau was rife with corruption and needed to be reorganized. A Pennsylvania congressman introduced a bill to create a new bureau to separate drug enforcement from liquor violations. And so, in 1930, eight weeks after being named acting commissioner of the newly formed Fed-

eral Bureau of Narcotics (FBN)—this after Anslinger leveraged the recommendations of old friends and colleagues to President Herbert Hoover—his position was made permanent.

Anslinger first became a lightning rod for controversy when he began zeroing in on marijuana. How much of this was his own doing, and how much of it was a result of forces already at work when Harry took on his job, depends on who you talk to. Hari, in *Chasing the Scream*—titled after Anslinger’s formative experience in that Altoona farmhouse—frames Anslinger’s anti-marijuana crusade as driven by racism and anti-immigrant sentiment, as a cynical attempt to consolidate the power of the FBN at a time when it was vulnerable. But not all scholars agree that was so blatant.

“I do think Anslinger’s role has been overplayed,” says Adam Rathge, a Ph.D. student in the history department at Boston College who is completing a dissertation on the history of marijuana prohibition in the United States. “I certainly don’t want to come across as an Anslinger apologist, as he was not the most politically correct person, and I don’t think he’s off the hook by any stretch. But the level of angst and anger is easily channeled to him because he was head of the FBN for 30-plus years.”

Lutz, the former DEA agent, argues that Anslinger never wanted marijuana to be a federal crime—Anslinger feared that if it were, it would distract his agents from heroin cases. But since the marijuana was originating from Mexico, Lutz maintains, Congress demanded that Anslinger stop it.

Here is what we can say for sure: Certain forces were in place as Anslinger came into power, and those forces converged around marijuana prohibition. Some of those forces were indubitably driven by racial fears, in particular a fear of Mexicans; marijuana had made its way across the border and into New Orleans, and then up the Mississippi River and into the North and Midwest. A drug Anslinger and many others had previously viewed as a largely harmless diversion from more serious narcotics like morphine and opiates began to stoke public fears. It didn’t matter that a majority of Mexicans “saw marijuana as the most dangerous drug available,” Rathge says, and that Mexico had made it illegal years before America did. As Mexicans flooded into the country in the early part of the 20th century, those immigrants became targets.

This led to the compiling of Anslinger’s “Gore File,” his collection of clippings like the one from *The New York Times* in 1927, headlined “MEXICAN FAMILY GO INSANE,” about a widow and her four starving children who ate a marijuana plant, thereby supposedly dooming her children to death and ensuring her lifelong dementia. Reports like these came in from all over: A newspaper editor in Colorado cited “degenerate Spanish-speaking residents” and pleaded for assis-

‘Murder Weed’ Found Up and Down Coast

Deadly Marihuana Dope Plant Ready for Harvest That Means Enslavement of California Children

By Winfred Black

The murder weed is ripe—all over the honest judge in Ventura not long ago. Dead ripe, and ready for harvest.

The judge thought he had an unusually green and sweetly blooming hedge, but the marihuana users know what that hedge was and they were just waiting for the murder weed to get good and ripe so they could dry it and make it into cigars or into a snuff-like powder or brew it into a tea, or chew it like chewing gum, and drive themselves mad with wild dreams of cruel murder.

OTHER STATES
And California is not the only state where the murder weed is fast ripening in the open fields today.

They’re fighting it in Illinois, and in New York the peddlers are growing it in flower pots and selling it at such a low price that murders are one of the great problems of the New York police today.

Doctor Lichtenstein of the New York district attorney’s force says that over half the criminals in the Tombs prison are murder-weed addicts.



Anslinger Calls for Stiffer Penalties on Dope Peddlers To Protect Youth of Nation

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tance from Anslinger; another story cited “two Negroes” who reportedly held a 14-year-old girl for two days by keeping her under the influence of marijuana. Another report told of “colored students” at the University of Minnesota “partying with female students (white) smoking and getting their sympathy with stories of racial persecution. Result: Pregnancy.”

The case of Victor Licata, in which a young man in Florida murdered his family with an axe while under the influence of marijuana, became perhaps Anslinger’s most cited example of the drug’s alleged dangers (though psychiatrists found that Licata suffered from “acute and chronic insanity,” and didn’t even mention his marijuana use in their files). Was Anslinger an overt racist, as evidenced by his apparent targeting of renowned African-American jazz musicians like Billie Holiday and Charlie Parker over white drug users like the actress Judy Garland? Was his reference to a bureau informer as a “ginger-colored n----r”—a statement that led to calls for his resignation—a sign of his true self, or was it written by a staffer and signed off on by Anslinger? Was he driven by the media-fueled notion that Mexicans and African-Americans were evangelizing and providing marijuana to young white users? Or was he simply reacting to the public pressure that ballooned out of these reports? Either way, whether buoyed by true belief or cynicism or some combination of both, this is where Anslinger latched on to the notion of marijuana as both a menace and a political boon for his bureau.

“His focus was on the fact that America’s youth was being threatened,” Rathge says. “Did he singlehandedly manufacture the notion of making marijuana illegal in the United States? Absolutely not.”

“But for the first time,” Hari wrote, Anslinger gave these stories “the backing of a government department that would broadcast them to the nation at full volume, with an official government stamp saying they were true.”

Combing through the limited medical studies of the time—many of which, Rathge says, were “fundamentally flawed and racist”—Anslinger clung to those that confirmed his newfound views and ignored those that didn’t. He spoke to women’s clubs and temperance groups and church organizations; Hari writes that Anslinger silenced doctors who argued for a more compassionate approach toward all kinds of drug addicts. In 1937, as often-apocryphal tales of marijuana’s links to violence grew more frequent—and the year after the release of the propaganda film *Reefer Madness*, a film many associate with Anslinger despite no evidence he was involved—Anslinger co-authored a magazine article titled “Marijuana: Assassin of Youth.” That same year, he testified before the Senate Ways and Means Committee about the inherent evils of this plant. He told Congressmen that it “incites the user to crime”; he told them of multiple reports of marijuana provoking violence.

“He created the image of a ‘typical’ marijuana user,” McWilliams says, and among those users were Mexicans crossing

the border, black jazz musicians, and other marginalized minorities. "Legislators had no clue. It was easy for Harry Anslinger to create this myth."

In April of 1937, Congress passed the Marijuana Tax Act, setting the stage for decades of prohibition and increasingly punitive drug laws. But even this is only one element of Anslinger's considerable legacy, because as he was waging a crusade against drugs, he was also fighting what he considered an intertwined threat: The creeping specter of the "Black Hand" that he had encountered back in Altoona.

EVEN AS J. EDGAR HOOVER, Anslinger's powerful counterpart at the FBI, refused to acknowledge the existence of a mafia, Anslinger was targeting mafia-driven drug distribution rings in places like St. Louis and Kansas City. He is largely credited as the first federal official to have "discovered" the mafia, breaking up syndicates in Harlem and Chicago.

"He was right about organized crime," McWilliams says. "He started making arrests as early as the 1930s and 1940s."

After the exiled gangster Lucky Luciano wound up in Cuba, Anslinger—suspecting Luciano was moving drugs and seeking to control the island's gambling business, and fearing he would get back into the heroin business in the United States—announced the U.S. would stop shipping legitimate drugs to Cuba until Luciano was expelled. He was taken into custody the next day, and sent back to Italy. "When the Russians land on the moon," Luciano once said, "the first man they meet will be Anslinger, searching for narcotics."

Anslinger reached out to other countries, as well, working with INTERPOL to establish cooperation across borders. As the U.S. representative to the United Nations Narcotics Control Board, he created a convention that consolidated drug treaties; he established Federal Bureau of Narcotics offices in such far-flung cities as Beirut, Istanbul, and Bangkok, and sent agents overseas to aid drug investigations. "He was truly the founder of international drug enforcement," says Lutz, the retired DEA agent.

Anslinger's approach could be harsh. When Thailand refused to ban opium smoking, Anslinger threatened to cut off aid until the country complied with the FBN's operations. "Don't confuse me with facts," he would say when representatives of other countries tried to change his mind, according to Hari's book. But it worked—in the end, nearly every other country succumbed to Anslinger's big-stick policies.

He was, for better or worse, ferociously driven, to the point that many members of his extended family rarely saw him, to the point that the job took its toll on his health and appearance. Perhaps due to stress, he lost nearly all of his lush head of black hair soon after taking the commissioner's job. At one

point in 1935, according to author Jill Jonnes' 1996 book *Hep-Cats, Narcs and Pipe Dreams*, he had a mental breakdown and briefly had to step away from work altogether.

"He was always away on official business," says his great-niece, **Nanette Anslinger '64 A&A**, who recalls her uncle visiting her once while she was a student at Penn State and giving her \$50 to buy a bicycle, and choking down oysters Rockefeller with him during a visit to Washington. "But I was proud of my Uncle Harry. [His work] kept me straight during a time when many were experimenting with drugs. He may have been a little over the top in his approach, but I never wanted to disappoint him."



This was Anslinger's way: He testified that Communist China was seeking to weaken the morale of the free world by flooding it with heroin. In the 1950s he championed the Boggs Act and the Narcotics Control Act, which ratcheted up penalties for drug offenses. As early as the 1940s, Anslinger had joined other government agencies in highly classified drug experiments designed to "induce people to tell the truth against their will," McWilliams wrote. (Ironically, one of the primary drugs they experimented with was marijuana.)

His agents gained more reach and more power: One in particular, a renegade named George White, became involved in the CIA's Cold War mind-control experiments that provided LSD to unwitting subjects at safe houses in New York City and San Francisco. And while the extent of Anslinger's participation is unknown, a CIA pharmacologist testified after Anslinger's death that "Mr. Anslinger was knowledgeable of the safe houses that we have set up and why," and that he encouraged his agents to take part in the experiments.

Anslinger—who was named a Penn State Distinguished Alumnus in 1959—was nearing 70 by the time the 1960s dawned. He presumed he'd be replaced once John Kennedy came into office. Instead, he was reappointed to his position, and cultivated a strong relationship with Kennedy's brother and attorney general, Robert Kennedy. But his wife Martha was growing increasingly ill, confined to her room; she died in 1961. Facing increasing criticism of his methods from medical and legal professionals who believed in a more compassionate approach to drug addiction, Anslinger retired in 1962. He returned to the home he owned in Hollidaysburg, Pa., drinking coffee at the local luncheonette, going on occasional hunting trips, playing poker with friends—and continuing his personal crusade against marijuana use.

By the late 1960s, marijuana became a lightning rod once again, viewed as the preferred drug of the counterculture, venerated by the hippies that Anslinger saw as "such a great threat to American traditional values," McWilliams says. Anslinger, in a 1968 interview, called the hippies "the only persons who frighten me," and blamed "permissive parents, college administrators, pusillanimous judiciary officials,

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 Marijuana Tax Act
 FOREWORD
 SINCE the enactment in 1937 of Federal control legislation, considerable progress has been made towards a solution of the nationwide marihuana problem. During the year 1938, Federal narcotic officers reported more than 1,000 violations of the Marihuana Tax Act. Federal and state seizures involved 8770 pounds of bulk marihuana, 2680 pounds of marihuana seeds, 18,700 marihuana cigarettes, and approximately 43,155 plants. In addition, United States narcotic agents, cooperating with state and municipal enforcement agencies throughout the country, conducted a program of eradication in which approximately 18,700 pounds of marihuana were destroyed.*
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 Stamp out Marihuana.
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do-gooder bleeding hearts, and new-breed sociologists with their fluid notions of morality” for the proliferation of marijuana. This, he believed, was a fundamental assault on the foundations of Western civilization. Later, in a 1970 round-table debate with *Playboy*, Anslinger railed against nations who had succumbed to “moral laxity and hedonism.”

Soon after, his eyesight failed and Anslinger went blind, and he was already dealing with angina and a prostate condition that limited his mobility. Nanette Anslinger recalls visiting him and holding his hands and watching her great uncle run his fingers over her various rings while she described them. He died at age 83 in 1975, two decades before the tide of drug policy began to decisively turn against him.

“I’ve lived long enough,” he told Nanette on his deathbed.

CHARLES LUTZ SPENT THREE decades in federal law enforcement, much of it with the Drug Enforcement Agency, the heir to Anslinger’s Federal Bureau of Narcotics. When he retired, he needed a project to keep his investigative mind occupied. Combing through old books commemorating various anniversaries of the DEA, he found little mention of Harry Anslinger. He told the DEA it needed to include An-

slinger as part of its history. How could it be that a man who spent 32 years as the head of a major government agency could have disappeared entirely from view?

Lutz read every book he could find by or about Anslinger. He began to believe that Anslinger’s negative legacy was largely being shaped by marijuana activists “to further their own goals.” Digging deeper, he learned that Anslinger had hired 35 African-American agents at the FBN, and that in 1930 he had hired a Chinese agent, believed to be the first Chinese-American hired by any law-enforcement agency in the U.S. He spoke to one of Anslinger’s hires, an African-American agent named Bill Davis, who told him that Anslinger treated him fairly and respectfully. He spoke to other minority agents and insists that none of them condemned Anslinger for his racial views.

“Anslinger,” Lutz insists, “was anything but a racist.”

There is a difference, of course, between hiring minorities and furthering policies that might disproportionately impact minority populations. Those things are not mutually exclusive, and Lutz admits that he doesn’t know whether Anslinger hired those minorities for “pragmatic reasons, to get the job done” by working in minority communities, or whether he “had some higher motive in mind.” But the way Lutz sees it, Anslinger has been “unjustly maligned by the pro-mari-

DANGEROUS BOUNTY

Photo ops with seized drugs were powerful PR for Anslinger and the Federal Bureau of Narcotics.



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Harry J. Anslinger, U.S. Commissioner of Narcotics, inspects part of \$7,000,000 seizure by Federal agents. The shoe, held by the Commissioner, had secret compartment for narcotics.



juana legalization crowd.”

In 2014, Lutz helped to arrange for McWilliams to lecture at the DEA about Anslinger’s legacy; 18 members of Anslinger’s family attended, as did an aging Bill Davis, the African-American agent who served under Anslinger. Nanette Anslinger’s father donated several items of memorabilia to the DEA Museum in Virginia, and the DEA named a conference room after him. Lutz discovered that a plaque commemorating Anslinger that had been hung at the Blair County Courthouse in Hollidaysburg during a “Harry Anslinger Day” had gone missing, and he convinced the county commissioner to agree to replace it.

So what does Harry Anslinger mean for us all? It depends on whether, like Charles Lutz, you comb through Collection HCLA 1875 and believe Anslinger’s notions of prohibition and punishment are still the most valid tools we possess in the battle against drugs; or whether you think Anslinger preyed upon public fears to further his aims, and championed barbaric policies that marginalized minorities and criminalized addicts. His policies, McWilliams writes, were “oppressive and overly simplistic,” and he could be “tyrannical and inflexible,” but he also gathered valuable intelligence through his international operations, and he fought organized crime, and for his three decades in Washington, he was virtually omnipresent.

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AN ENDURING FIGURE

First appointed by Herbert Hoover, Anslinger remained in charge of the FBN through the Kennedy administration.

As polls continue to show that an increasing number of Americans favor the relaxation of marijuana laws, Anslinger’s view of the world has begun to feel more and more like an anachronism, a throwback to an era when marijuana was first transformed from a nebulous social ill into something far more sinister (and political). “What would Anslinger think, I wonder, if he knew medical marijuana was now available in 18 [now 29] states?” McWilliams asked during his 2014 DEA lecture. “What would he think if he knew marijuana was available for recreational purposes in two [now eight] states? I suspect he would call it ‘reefer madness.’” Despite his intensity, despite his often dictatorial means, Nanette Anslinger recalls that her great-uncle still had a sense of humor. When the *Village Voice* published a doctored photo of Anslinger wearing a wreath of marijuana leaves, it hung on the wall at the drugstore in Hollidaysburg where Anslinger used to while away his final years. He loved it. ♥

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LOVE at Penn State

We asked you about love—how, when, and where you fell in love on campus. We wanted to know what sparked your love, how it grew, and whether it endured. You responded with tales that were tender, funny, sweet, happy, and sad. Here's a sampling of the stories we received.

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AARON MESHON

LOVE at Penn State

Double Dates

On main campus in 1965, there was a coffeehouse in the Lutheran church on Saturday nights. A friend and I decided to double date, but during the evening, it became evident that his date and I had so much more to talk about, and he discovered the same about my date. At the end of the evening, it seemed quite natural that we walked the other's date back to the dorms. The next Saturday night I took his date to a movie. We've been together ever since. **Douglas Donahue '69 Edu Celebration, Fla.**

War and Peace

I was called to war and deployed to Baghdad in 2003 during my first semester at Penn State. Matthew was also deployed to Iraq that same

year. When I returned, I went back to Penn State, but Matthew was deployed again and enrolled in World Campus from Iraq. He sent me a half-dozen roses to symbolize he would return in six months, and I received flowers on my doorstep every month until he returned, when he brought me a dozen roses. We got engaged in front of the Nittany Lion Shrine and are happily married.

Aubrey Lynne Sejuit '07 Lib, '09 MEd Hbg Columbia, S.C.

"May I Borrow a Pencil, Please?"

While I was setting up my computer freshman year, a beautiful woman walked by my open dorm room and asked to borrow a pencil. I grabbed one and introduced myself, before

she quickly went on her way. We became friends over the next year before it eventually blossomed into something more. I found out years later that she stopped to borrow that pencil to write down the phone number of a guy she had just met. But I guess I should be happy that guy gave her a reason to talk to me, as we've been married 15 years.

Nick Pflugh '02 Behrend Greensburg, Pa.

When Sparks Flew ...

We met in a class in Sparks Building. Sparks flew by the spring and we were madly in love. We graduated in 1983 and had a long-distance relationship, but we lasted only a year and shortly after we broke up, we met our future spouses. We had no communication for 29 years. Jamey's

brother found me on Facebook and, through him, Jamey and I made arrangements to meet again, in November 2015, under the Madison Square Garden sign in New York. We dined and laughed the night away. We discovered each was single again and sparks flew yet again. By spring 2016, we decided we never wanted to let one another go again. We joined our lives and are living our dream.

Carole Tuohy Britain '83 Lib Lewes, Del.

25-Cent Beer

I met my first wife in a logic class sophomore year. Before long, we were passing notes back and forth, and dating. We even signed up for another class together, but we cut it often to spend time at the My-O-My Tavern on Col-

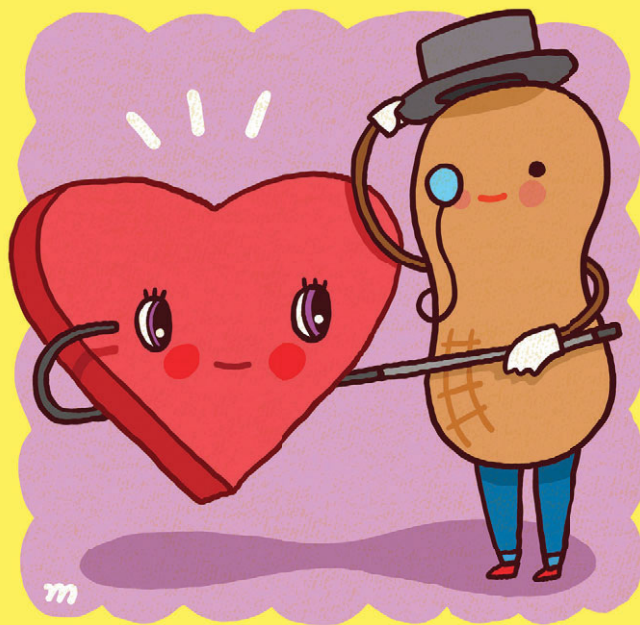


Mr. Peanut

At a Halloween party my freshman year, I met a guy dressed as Mr. Peanut. We danced and exchanged numbers when he walked me back to my dorm, but never spoke again.

Our sophomore year, a friend started inviting a guy named Andrew to our lunches in Simmons. When that same mutual friend and I studied abroad in Florence, we visited Andrew in Madrid, where he was studying, and had a blast. Back in Happy Valley for senior year, we had a reunion at Bar Bleu. While chatting, Andrew mentioned that he's known me longer than the friend who "introduced" us but it was too embarrassing to tell me how. Thankfully, my girlfriends and I had a funny habit of saving phone numbers of people we met as however we remembered them. When we typed his number into our phones, it was saved as "PSU Mr. Peanut." He was the same Mr. Peanut I met freshman year. We had our first kiss that night and the rest is history.

Christiana Cacciapuoti '12 Com Staten Island, N.Y.



lege Avenue. Their 25-cent Michelob drafts were a whole lot more enjoyable than the class we were supposed to be in. Our romance led to marriage a couple of years after graduation, but true love doesn't always last forever, and our marriage ran out of steam. We still meet occasionally and enjoy reminiscing about those Penn State days when a cheap beer in the afternoon made a lot more sense than a college lecture.

Ken Franklin '65 Com Cape Coral, Fla.

Polka Partners

I met my wife of 52 years in a dance class. We wore name tags and I knew I had to find a Polish girl to

dance with, especially when we learned the polka. I spotted Carolyn, who had the "ski" on the end of her name, and I grabbed her for my partner in every class. We had records and a record player and would go to the quiet post office in my dorm in East Halls and practice for our dance class, which we loved. We married one year after graduation. Four children and nine grandchildren later, we are still dancing.

Stephen Kozeniewski '64 H&HD Somerdale, N.J.

Lawyers in Love

Our love story began in tax-law class, in our third year at Penn State's

Tinder Talk

We briefly chatted on Tinder in August 2015. In October, I planned to delete the app, since I didn't really use it, but figured I would message him again. The conversation went something like this:

Michael: Hey, what are you up to?

Me: Well, I WAS watching FRIENDS, but the power just went out in my apt.

Michael: Mine too!

Me: Really? Where do you live?

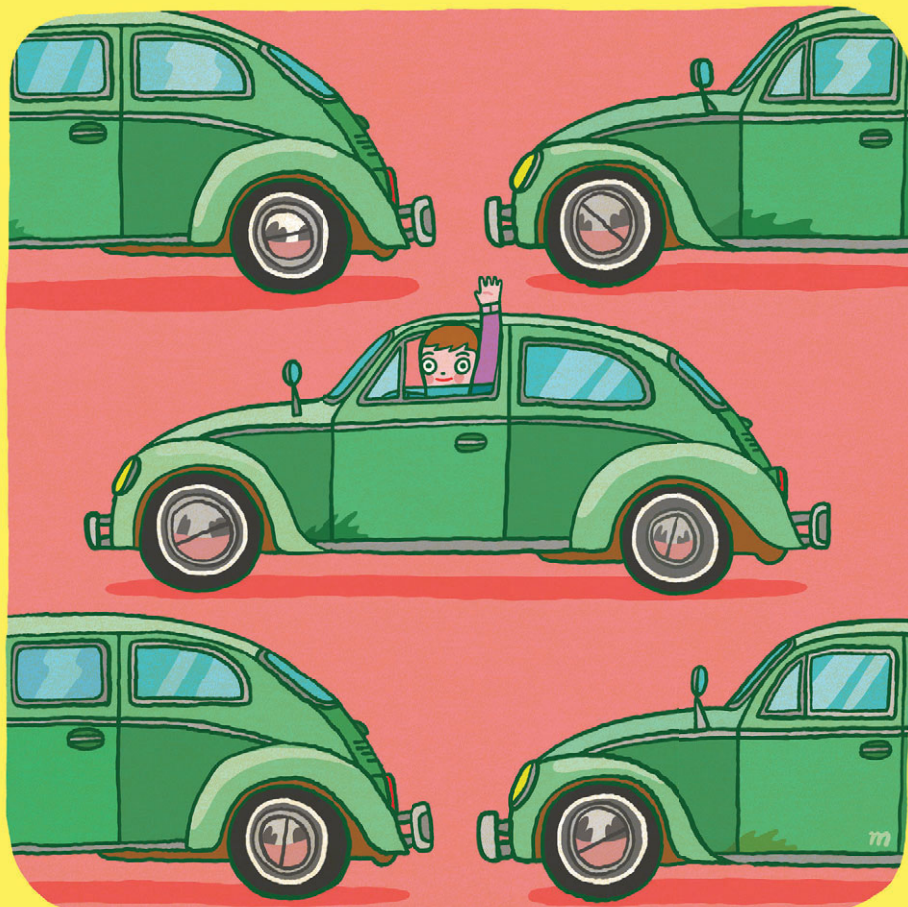
Michael: The G*****

Me: No way! ...what floor?

Michael: 6

We actually lived two doors away from each other. We officially started dating in November 2015 and are still happily together.

Olivia Kane '17 Lib Cherry Hill, N.J.



Green Beetle Mix-Up

A tall, beautiful girl with long hair would occasionally enter the Corner Room, where I often ate alone. It always brightened up my day, but I had no way of getting to know her. One day when apartment-hunting in my 1963 green Volkswagen Beetle, I drove into a parking lot and saw someone waving and jumping up and down, trying to get my attention. It was my dream girl from the Corner Room. Unfortunately, she had mistaken me for someone else who also drove a green Beetle. But soon enough, we met for real, fell in love, and married the next year. We still joke about how she flagged me down that lucky day in State College.

Joseph Hansford '66 Eng
Houston

Dickinson School of Law. Amy and I found ourselves seated beside one another. Close proximity in the classroom led us to form a study group, which resulted in some late nights together and, eventually, a relationship. After a seven-year courtship, we got married. While neither of us practices tax law, we'll never forget the influence it's had on our lives.

Birch Blair '09 JD Law
Emeryville, Calif.

The Apathetic Lovers
I was lying on my couch

with my radio tuned to the football game. Just as kickoff was approaching, I heard a knock on my apartment door. I opened it to find a cute little chipmunk of a girl, who, it seemed, was passionate about supporting an apathetic individual. We began dating, and two years after our first meeting, we were married in a small, quickly arranged ceremony. Unfortunately, she became largely apathetic toward life, while I seemed to acquire more passions with every passing year. And therein

were sown and grew the seeds of our young marriage's demise.

Noah Cutler '67 Lib
St. Davids, Pa.

Sweet-Toothed Sweetheart
He was a WWII veteran, attending college on the G.I. Bill and working in the college infirmary kitchen. Sometimes he'd bring me a dessert from the kitchen, if there were any leftovers. Along with classes together, there were parties, dances in Rec Hall, football games at Beaver Field, coffee and conversa-

tions at Ye Olde College Diner, and goodnights at Grange dorm, my sorority Gamma Phi's home. Eventually, we were "pinned," and his fraternity brothers sang "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" under my window at Grange one starry night. My young heart melted. We graduated in 1953 and got married in 1954.

Elizabeth (Bette) Agnew Alburger '53 Com
Glen Mills, Pa.

\$750 or Bust
A 63-year love story between Miriam Olander,

a rising senior in home economics and a Zeta Tau Alpha officer, and Gordon Fee, a rising junior majoring in physics and an ROTC Army cadet officer, began with a blind date in the lobby of Simmons Hall in August 1954. The couple became engaged on Christmas Eve 1955, after agreeing with Miriam's father that there would be no wedding until the groom had \$750 in the bank. To meet the requirement, Gordon would have to work at least six months, and the wedding was set for Dec. 15, 1956, at Penn State. On that day, we became the second couple to be married in the new Eisenhower Chapel.

Miriam Olander Fee '55 H&HD
Gordon G. Fee '56 Sci
Oak Ridge, Tenn.

With Help from Mike the Mailman

At a graduation party for one of my former RAs, Laura Deihl, I saw Mike Herr, aka Mike the Mailman, who introduced me to his friend Jon, a tall, dark, handsome graduate student. On Monday, when I went to work in Old Main, a coworker asked if I needed anything at the post office. I said "Yes!" and hastily wrote a note to Mike: "Who is Jon Nese?" When I returned from lunch, Mike was standing outside my office, and he said, "Jonny wants to know more about you, too!" Jon called and took me to the Tavern for our first date later that week,

and the rest is history.

Gwen Kaufman Nese '81 H&HD
Boalsburg, Pa.

Milk and Cookies
My mom and her roommates noticed the cute guys across the way in Penn Towers when they offered to help hang some pictures (the girls had no hammer and were using a high-heeled shoe). The girls made chocolate chip cookies, using a fan to waft the enticing smells out the door. Their plan worked, and the group of young men came over with a gallon of milk, offering to "barter" for the cookies. That exchange resulted in three couples: My mom and two of her roommates married my dad and two of his roommates. All three couples went on to have multiple kids, and all those kids became Penn Staters. Many of us "kids" also met our spouses there.

Katrina Kumpf Blanchard '12, '14 MS EMS
Pittsburgh

Third Time Lucky
I worked in the chemistry department in Whitmore Lab after graduation, and I also volunteered at State College Presbyterian Church's welcome for new students. Carolee immediately caught my eye. She was in Chem 101, so I often saw her in the lab, and we both attended the discussion group at church on Sunday morning. But when I finally asked her out, she turned me down. Not once, but twice. Yet I

was really attracted to her and decided to ask one last time. I thank God every day that she finally accepted my invitation.

Anthony L. Grillo '62 Sci
State College

Aunty Knows Best
In summer 2003, I had just broken up with my boyfriend when my aunt, who was the Penn State

cheerleading coach at the time, called me to say she'd given my number to one of her cheerleaders. She said his name was Luke and he was "perfect" for me. I was dreading his call, as blind dates never appealed to me and I knew nothing about him. When he called, I agreed to a Sunday lunch date, figuring that would be the



Home Breaker

We met at a Spanish-class celebration party in summer 1988. My friend Deb had invited her sister from New Jersey to meet a friend named Drew, who was waiting for her when I walked in. He asked Deb if I was her sister, to which she responded "no." He still wanted to meet me, so we were introduced and hit it off with beer and a three-hour conversation. When it was time to go, he offered me a ride home. Deb said he was a good guy, so I said yes. Well, Drew locked himself out of his apartment next door; he had to break into it and crawl through the bathroom window to get his car keys. I should have run, but I decided to keep him.

Dana Furjanic '89 Edu
Clifton Park, N.Y.

end of it. But that “one and done” turned out to be my perfect match. We dated until the end of college, were married the year after graduation, and now have four children. All thanks to my aunt Lou Ann Kloss.

Michelle Spearly Simonetti
'07 Agr
Warriors Mark, Pa.

New Partners

My wife Heather and I started “going steady” when we were juniors at Pottstown High School, and we enrolled at Penn State in the fall of 1955. During Heather’s sophomore year, she met Mary Giddings, a junior transfer student from Silver Spring, Md. The three of us remained friends during the rest of our time at State and then lost touch. A few years later, Mary and her family bought the house directly behind ours in Pottstown, Pa., and we renewed our friendship. Heather died in 2001, and Mary and her husband divorced. Sometime after that, my friendship and interest in Mary grew. We married and have blended a family of five children and 10 grandchildren.

Dick Frantz '60 A&A
Pottstown, Pa.

Love Train Leavin’

My college boyfriend and I stayed together for three years after graduation, which included several romantic weekend trips to State College and Saturday evening dinners at the Train Station Restaurant on East College, the perfect place



Grilled Cheese Lovers

I was a shy, seventh-term junior majoring in dairy science, living in Beam Hall, North Halls. It was October of 1966 and a group of us from Beam, having lunch at Warnock Commons, decided to have an eating contest. The cooks were serving grilled-cheese sandwiches and soon refused to give us any more sandwiches. We improvised and asked fellow diners for their sandwiches. I summoned my courage and asked a girl who I thought was very cute for her sandwich. I still lost the grilled-cheese eating contest, but I met Myra Rosenberg. We were married in April 1969.

John Piwowar '68, '72 MS Agr
Uniontown, Pa.

for couples. We had broken up by the time I read that the Train Station was being torn down. Alone, I drove to State College. I stood across the street on the lawn of South Halls, taking photographs of the Train Station, tears streaming down my face as I said goodbye to an important part of my romantic history.

Kathy Irely '78 Lib
White Oak, Pa.

The Red Pen

A slender girl with long brown hair, a pink sweater, and jeans that flared to a generous bell-bottom, caught my eye. She took a seat several rows below me in the auditorium. When the professor entered, he handed a legal pad to be passed around for everyone to sign. *I'll count the people before her, then count the names and I'll know who she is*, I schemed. Of course, I lost count, but then I saw her sign her name with a red Bic pen, and when the pad reached me, only one name was written in red. I looked up her number, summoned my courage, and called to ask her out. She consented, and we've been married for 40 years. But when I get to feeling too secure, she reminds me that, when I made that call, she thought I was someone else.

Ben Moyer '75 Agr
Farmington, Pa.

Black Magic

Claus, Jason, and Don moved into Grange Hall—the only coed dorm

on campus—in 1963, at the same time as Jeanette, Jan, and Marilyn. These six students, and a couple more, went on an impromptu picnic to Black Moshannon before the fall term started. In 1964, wedding bells rang. Claus and I lived most of our 35 married years in Happy Valley before his death. Jason and Jan, and Don and Marilyn, celebrated their 53rd anniversaries last year. There's something magical in that boggy water at Black Mo.

Jeanette Janota '64 MS Edu, '86 MA Lib, '94 PhD Agr
Gaithersburg, Md.

When Skaters Elope

My wife and I were on the first Penn State ice skating team. We were paired up together because we were the shortest skaters. We eloped in March of our senior year, were married in Maryland, and then returned to class. We didn't inform our parents of our wedding, and by the time of our church wedding in September, we were four months pregnant. Needless to say, the parents were not ecstatic. All worked out well, though, and we had two kids and three grandkids.

Richard Mahany '68 Bus
Georgetown, S.C.

Cross-Cultural Love

Emre was an international student from Turkey and I am from New Jersey. Penn State will always have a special place in our hearts because it brought our

two completely different lives together. It was the foundation of our relationship, where we taught and inspired one another through different languages, cultures, traditions, and lifestyles.

Laura O'Brien '15 Bus
Matawan, N.J.

Nick and Niky

I first met the love of my life at Penn State Erie in 2013, when studying with my nursing friends at one of their apartments on campus. About a year later, we met again at an event and instantly hit it off. Nick asked if I had ever wanted to date a Nick (we thought it was funny we were Nick and Niky). I didn't know at that moment that not only would I date a Nick, but I would fall head over heels in love with one.

Nicole Donaldson '14 Nurs
Erie, Pa.

Crazy for You

We met in April 2007, when Ryan was performing in the Penn State Thespians' production of *Crazy For You*. Neither of us realized that they had just met the person they would spend the rest of their lives with. Over the next two years, we would give campus tours together as Lion Scouts, attend socials and retreats, and dance in THON 2009. We had a few dates, but it wasn't meant to be. Yet. In November 2014, when we were both in London, Matthew asked Ryan for a date when we

returned to the States. We've been together ever since, and had a small, legal wedding ceremony in January 2017. We're planning a big wedding celebration with family, friends, and fellow Penn State alumni in May.

Ryan McRae '10 Com
Matthew Goodrich '09 Bus
Norwalk, Conn.

From Chennai to Central Pa.

Karthik and I grew up in the same neighborhood in Chennai, India. We went to the same preschool, primary school, middle school, and high school, but we never met. Maybe because we were destined to meet, he waited three years to apply for his MBA at Penn State at the same time that I applied for my master's degree. We found each other through the Indian Graduate Students' Association, became best friends first, then lovers. We got married in September 2017.

Akshaya Srinivasan
'16 MEngMgt GrtVly
Exton, Pa.

Coed football

I met my wife in the fall of 1974 playing coed football on the former IM fields near Beaver Stadium. She got hit in the face with a football (not by me) and came back to my room for ice. I asked her to be the quarterback of the team, and we got married in 1978.

Bob DeWitt '76 Lib, '77
MEd Edu
Moon Township, Pa.

STEVEN LEVY,
the nation's
foremost tech
journalist, reflects
on the promise—
and the perils—of
Silicon Valley's
ongoing revolution.

If We Don't Blow Ourselves Up, This is the Most Important Story on the Planet

By Jason Fagone '01 Com





Steven Levy thought he was going to be a rock critic. As a young freelance journalist in 1970s Philadelphia, he mostly interviewed musicians, hanging

out in after-hours clubs, firing questions at the likes of Bruce Springsteen. But after moving to New York in 1980 and starting to write for *Rolling Stone*, Levy '74 MA Lib became captivated by a different group of rebels: the founders of personal computing. Before they were household names and multibillionaires, Levy got to know Steve Wozniak and Steve Jobs of Apple, Larry Page and Sergey Brin of Google, and Jeff Bezos of Amazon. He went on to write stories and books that helped define and explain the computing revolution. Today, as founder and editor-in-chief of Backchannel, a digital magazine published by *Wired*, he remains one of America's savviest tech writers, embedding himself inside the world's most powerful companies to explain their dreams, their innovations—and sometimes, their overreaches and failures. (He's currently reporting a book about Facebook, to be published in 2019 by Dutton/Penguin.)

Not long ago I visited Levy in New York, at the headquarters of Condé Nast, *Wired*'s corporate parent. Levy's office is on the 36th floor of One World Trade Center, where the Twin Towers used to stand. When he steps into the hallway and faces north, he looks through a giant window at midtown Manhattan and the Empire State Building. His office is mostly empty, lacking the "curios and doodads" he used to keep when he was at *Newsweek*. Like a lot of reporters, he has jumped around in recent years as the industry he covers (tech) disrupts his own (media); in 2008 he moved from *Newsweek* to *Wired*, then joined the web startup Medium to launch Backchannel, which was bought in 2016 by Condé, and the curios didn't make the journey. On his desk in One World Trade was a can of peanuts that he picked up from the nearby freebie table at *Self*, a Mac laptop, and an advance reviewer's version of the iPhone X. He glanced at the phone from time to time as we talked about the utopian beginnings of the tech industry, some dystopian realities of the present, and whether robots will one day make us their slaves.

Penn Stater: What did you know about computers when you first started covering the tech industry in 1981? Were you a geek? Were you drawn to technology?

Steven Levy: I wasn't particularly. I had heard about this personal computer thing. I thought I was going to be writing about these horrible losers.

Instead you found this tribe of creative rebels. In your 1984 book about the computer revolution, *Hackers*, you call them "adventurers, visionaries, risk-takers, artists."

SL: That's right. I found artists and builders, and incredibly smart people.

You begin the narrative in *Hackers* by describing the model train club at MIT where it all started, in the late '50s and early '60s.

SL: Right. It was like the Rift Valley of hackerism. They had this elaborate train layout, and these people called themselves hackers, because they hacked away at this train system, which was sort of a computer in and of itself. The phone company, Bell Telephone, gave them all these switching things and transformers and gears. It's an analog version of the computer. They didn't really care about trains. They just cared about the system.

And the hacker worldview has never gone away. In your book about Google, *In the Plex*, it's striking how much the leaders of huge tech companies, 30 years later, still think of themselves as hackers. Mark Zuckerberg said he was going to build Facebook on the hacker values of shared knowledge and rebellious experimentation. They were steeped in it.

SL: Totally, absolutely. To a really astounding degree, that one little group at MIT set the tone for computer culture as we know it today. Millions of people are acting from that

wellspring. When I wrote the book, I was concerned that money was going to destroy that hacker spirit, but what I didn't see was how the hacker spirit could accommodate making lots of money. Mark Zuckerberg is no less a hacker because he's a billionaire.

I feel like in the last few years, public opinion about the tech industry has darkened. These companies that used to seem wondrous now seem like threats—to our privacy, maybe even our democracy.

SL: I truly agree that the perception is shifting. I feel that the threat thing is a little complicated. The companies have grown to the point where the responsibility comes before they're understanding how responsible they should be.

What do you mean?

SL: Well, they very consciously want to keep thinking of themselves as scrappy startups, for a long time after they're scrappy startups, because that's the way they feel they can sustain their energy, and not get calcified, and not become Xerox or IBM, right? So they construct these tunnels, where they can say, we're a startup. I just went to Amazon. The name of their building, their headquarters, is Day One. Meaning, it's the first day. And here's a multi-billion dollar company that is the biggest retailer on Earth and just bought Whole Foods.

Half of every dollar spent online goes to Amazon.

SL: Yeah, but they say, "It's Day One. We're just starting."

Is that self-serving? Is that PR, or do they really believe that?

SL: No, it's not PR. If you don't believe it's Day One, get the hell out of here, because that's the only way they feel they can stay current. On the other hand, when you're the biggest retailer in the world, or when you're the company that supplies the information—you know, when you're the main source of information for two billion people—you have a huge, whopping responsibility.

In your Google book, I remember a quote from one of the guys there who worked on public policy. He said, it's almost as if Google took over responsibility for the water system of the entire United States. It's that important, managing all of that information.

SL: Right, and it gets interesting. So I'm writing a book about Facebook now. In a way, it's similar. They're going through what Google went through in terms of realizing, you know, we're not small, we're big. And they have to come to grips with that.

Let's go back to Amazon for a second.

SL: Well, I'm writing a story. I've been covering Amazon since super early, and I've known Jeff [Bezos, the founder] for a long time. The first time I talked to him, things were on the upswing. Everything was great, in the late '90s. I was with *Newsweek*. And then after the stock went from like 100 to like 2 [in the dot-com crash], I was working with our Silicon Valley correspondent, Brad Stone, on the story, so we interviewed Jeff together. And he was unfazed. We were saying, "Come on, you're not profitable. Your stock has tanked." And he said it didn't matter. And actually, he was right. What I came to understand was that the stock perturbations did not reflect technology. The technology is steadily rising, right? So in the midst of all that, Google comes about.

You met the Google founders at a very early stage. You write in your book that you had an interview with them at a Halloween party where Larry Page was wearing a Viking costume and Sergey Brin was a cow with udders.

SL: Yeah, I interviewed the cow and the Viking to ask them how their search engine worked. And they had just moved into their first bigger headquarters, in Mountain View, and I remember they came to visit me a couple months later in New York, and they were just looking around, with wide eyes.

They were right out of Stanford, right?

SL: Yeah. And the editors didn't want to meet them. "Who are these guys?"

That's hilarious.

SL: They were out there on their first press tour. And so we just chatted, and early on I did a pretty big story about Google, and then another one, a cover story. In one of those interviews, they gave me a quote which has been used zillions of times: "Yeah, one day we might have an implant in your head that will give you the search results." [Gestures toward his iPhone X] And *this* is sort of an implant, right? This is the 10.

I'm not surprised, because you had one of the very first of the four iPhones outside of Apple. Steve Jobs gave it to you.

SL: Yeah, I was one of the first four reviewers.

How did you get to know Steve Jobs?

SL: Back during that early period, 1983, I was writing for *Rolling Stone*, and I started writing more about technology, which they thought was a weird thing to do. No one else

was doing it. And I heard that Apple was going to do this new kind of computer, called the Macintosh, so I went to Apple. I thought they would be over the roof, right? I talked to the PR person, and she got back to me and said, well, Steve says that we'll do it, but only if he gets the cover.

This is a classic thing that journalists hear all the time from sources. Gotta have the cover.

SL: Are you crazy? I mean, this is *Rolling Stone*. But then all the people on the Apple team heard that *Rolling Stone* was interested, and they badgered Steve, and they let me in. That was actually one of the most amazing reporting days of my life, because not only did I see for the first time this computer—which I'm still using, right?—but I met these amazing people who built it. They were so charged with building this thing. What they did spilled over from the actual subject matter into a larger cultural explosion.



THE FIRST MAC
"The Computer That Changed Everything," as Levy called it, debuted in 1984. It had 128k of RAM and a 9" screen.

Today you're reporting a book about Facebook and spending a lot of time there. How does the culture of Facebook compare to these other large tech companies you've covered?

SL: Well, it has similarities with Google. A lot of people came from Google. But they try to be younger and hungrier, and Mark [Zuckerberg] himself has much more of a presence, let's say, in people's thoughts, channeling his mission to people there.

I see pictures of him having dinner with farmers in Iowa or something.

SL: Well, every year, he does this thing that's called his challenge. In part, it was based on this experience he had when he went to Africa in 2016. I went with him to Nigeria, and he wasn't really doing the typical billionaire tour. He wasn't going there and holding starving babies. He talked a lot to people who were entrepreneurs there. Part of Facebook's global connectivity strategy is to extend the internet to places, to the next billion people, eventually to everybody. So there are places in Nigeria that don't have connectivity. Little storefronts can be wi-fi hotspots. And there's one I visited with him, where this woman sold wi-fi from this tiny little shop, and he's talking to two Nigerian women in the shop. He liked things like that, and he thought, *Well, maybe I should go home and learn more about the United States, about the people who I don't know.* So he said his challenge is to visit all 50 states.

The assumption is that he's doing that because he's going to run for president in 2020.

SL: No, he's not running for president.

Why do you say that?

SL: Who wants a demotion?

What role do you think Facebook played in influencing the election?

SL: Look, I don't think Facebook elected Donald Trump. I feel that it was one of a number of things that accrued to his favor.

Let's ask the question a little more broadly. We live in a very polarized country now, and Facebook seems to incentivize extremists. If you have a page or an article that's designed to rile people up, it gets more circulation. Do you think that's a problem?

SL: I think that Facebook recognizes that that's a problem.

Maybe it goes back to this bedrock faith in engineering that you've often talked about. You call Zuckerberg "a wildly ambitious leader with a quasi-religious trust in engineering."

SL: Well, that's totally right.

And with Page and Brin, too. I love this line in your Google book when you describe the engineers' vision of "a future guided by benevolent algorithms of loving grace." It seemed like you were almost poking fun at that idea, this belief that engineering will solve everything.

SL: That's their approach, and it'll be fascinating to see if they fix it. That's their approach to addressing these vulnerabilities that promote stuff that doesn't deserve promotion. They say, "We're going to use artificial intelligence. We're going to hire a lot of people." So there's these bugs, and if you're an engineer, you're going to fix the bug.

Right. But you also wrote in another article that algorithms have bias built in. They are not neutral.

SL: Totally.

Is there ever a moment when you're talking to these guys and thinking, maybe there's just not an engineering fix to this problem? How can engineering keep fixing things that engineering is breaking?

SL: There are two things going on. One is that there's this

belief. And the second is that they're doing it at massive scale.

An almost unthinkable scale, right? Facebook, two billion users.

SL: That's it. That's why I wanted to write this book. I decided to write the book the day I read in the newspaper—or I guess I *didn't* read it in the newspaper; I saw on the screen—that a billion people logged onto Facebook that day, the day before. That's never happened, to get a billion human beings on the same network.

It's terrifying in a way, isn't it?

SL: But at Facebook, they say it's transforming in a positive sense. The core belief, and you can put a gun to Mark Zuckerberg's head and he's still going to believe this, is that connectivity and sharing is good. [Billionaire tech investor] Peter Thiel made this famous statement: "They promised us flying cars, and all we got was 140 characters." Well, guess what? One hundred and forty characters is a way bigger deal than a goddamn flying car.

Why?

SL: Because it means anyone in the world can tap into something on impulse, and it gets spread around the world. A billion people can read it.

Why are there so many Nazis on Twitter?

SL: This has been a great failure of Twitter.

Maybe part of the problem is that these technologies have been built by white men, and they don't understand the potential for abuse, because they don't get nearly the volume of abuse that women and people of color get. You've written about this.

SL: Certainly that's a reckoning that's happening now in technology. And it's a reckoning that is deserved. The industry is a tough place for women.

Let's talk about the future. I was surprised reading your recent articles to realize how far artificial intelligence has come. I had thought of AI as far off in the future, but it's already integrated into products we use every day, like Facebook and Google.

SL: AI used to be seen as an overpromising, hyped-up pursuit. But there's been a breakthrough that has to do with machine learning and deep learning, they call it, where they use the human brain and the network neurons inside it as a metaphor to construct these systems that learn. You don't set rules. You feed them information, and they learn for themselves. One example is self-driving cars. The more they drive, the more they learn about things. It's an artificial intelligence,



Levy's Greatest Hits

Since the early 1980s, **Steven Levy '74 MA Lib** has written six books and hundreds of articles on the growth of technology and the internet. Here are a few of his best.



Hackers: Heroes of the Computer Revolution (1984)
Portraits of early tech rebels like Apple's Steve Wozniak, who believed in "a philosophy of sharing, openness, decentralization, and getting your hands on machines at any cost to improve the machines and improve the world."



"The Birth of the Mac," Rolling Stone (1984)
Rolling tale of the Apple team that created the original Macintosh, led by a 28-year-old Steve Jobs: "They call themselves pirates. On the wall is a skull-and-bones pirate flag."



Crypto: How the Code Rebels Beat the Government—Saving Privacy in the Digital Age (2001)
A lively, fast-paced account of a revolution in cryptography that has given private citizens the ability to send encrypted messages that are extremely difficult for any government to read.



In the Plex: How Google Thinks, Works, and Shapes Our Lives (2011)
Levy secured rare access to Google's founders and engineers to explain the company's astonishing rise, and particularly its success in "building a money machine from the virtual smoke and mirrors of the internet."



"Inside Facebook's AI Machine," Backchannel (2017)
A profile of Facebook's guru of machine learning, Joaquin Quiñero Candela, and his team's efforts to "supercharge the world's biggest social network" using artificial intelligence. —JF

COURTESY ALL ABOUT APPLE MUSEUM

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because it doesn't operate the way humans operate. You look at the code, and there's no way that you can understand how the program did it.

What does Facebook use it for?

SL: Facebook uses it for the News Feed. It understands what kinds of things you might be willing to click on.

What about the chip-in-the-brain scenario?

SL: At first, doctors are going to be putting implants in the brain that might address cognitive disabilities or Alzheimer's or things like that. But later, some people feel that implants could rewire us to make us smarter. And the only way you could do that would be by artificial intelligence, because you need AI in order to hone these systems that operate at massive scale. You couldn't do a Google search without AI, because who could go through a billion webpages and figure out which is the best?

Should we be excited and inspired by the progress in AI, or wary and fearful?

SL: I think probably a little bit of both. More excited, I'd say, and also concerned and motivated to address the consequences of this thing spreading more. I'm talking about automation putting people out of work. Right? It's definitely progress, but it's progress that causes real problems for real people that we should address.

What technology excites you the most right now?

SL: I'm excited about augmented reality—basically, adding a layer of digital artifacts to your world. A concrete example would be, if you wanted to conduct this interview with me, and you didn't want to come to New York, I could do this interview with you, and it would be like you're here. But I couldn't shake your hand. Or we'd all be in a classroom, and you're talking about the human heart. And, boom, you have one, and everyone would be able to look at it, twist it and turn it, and open it up and look inside.

Do you think tech is spreading into too many parts of our lives? I feel sometimes like a line gets crossed. Like, the Amazon Alexa is really cool—you have a little box in your kitchen that will tell you the weather. But at some point, Alexa will also want to check what's in your refrigerator. And I don't want a box that spies on me in my kitchen.

SL: Guess what? Everything we do with these phones—we've crossed that line. We've crossed that line now.

You've never had a moment where you just want to move to the middle of the woods and live in a cabin

with no technology at all?

SL: Well, I *have* a place in the woods. And it's frustrating I don't have better internet connectivity up there.

After more than 30 years of writing about tech, you still seem curious and enthusiastic.

SL: If we don't blow ourselves up, this is the most important story on the planet. And if people are still around in 10,000 years, I think they and their robot overlords will look back on this time and say, "This was the turning point in humanity. What were you doing then?"

The robot overlords will be a thing, you think?

SL: Well, that was a joke. You couldn't imagine what a collaboration with AI is going to be in 100 years, let alone 10,000 years.

Elon Musk thinks we're living in a simulation, a computer program coded by some higher being.

SL: Yeah. Someone just did a paper recently which essentially proved that we weren't in a simulation.

I read about that. I didn't understand the logic of it, though.

SL: Shakespeare had it right. "There are more things in heaven and earth than are dreamt of in your philosophy." So who knows? If we were suddenly transported 10,000 years into the future, or even 200 years from now, could we recognize where we were? My father just died. He was 97 years old.

I'm sorry.

SL: Thanks. I was just in Philly packing up. He was a performer on the radio in the '30s. He did song and dance.

Was he fairly technologically literate? Did he try to keep up?

SL: Well, you know, he didn't have an iPhone. He had a cell phone.

It's really all so recent, isn't it? The computer revolution.

SL: When he grew up, the Phillies games weren't even broadcast on radio. So in his lifetime, how different it was. The internet: that was a trip he didn't take. ♥

Jason Fagone is a narrative writer at the San Francisco Chronicle and the author, most recently, of The Woman Who Smashed Codes: A True Story of Love, Spies, and the Unlikely Heroine Who Outwitted America's Enemies (Dey Street, 2017).

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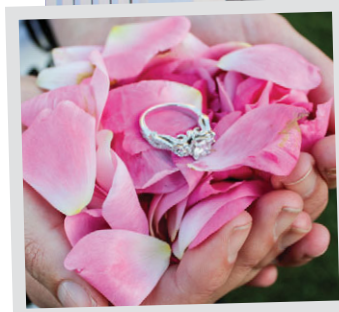
Now That's What We Call Alumni Engagement

FOR ONE MEMBER, LAST FALL'S ALUMNI COUNCIL MEETING WAS ESPECIALLY MEMORABLE. *By Ryan Jones '95 Com*

→ **LIANA TRIGG** had barely taken off her cap and gown before returning to campus as an alumni volunteer. Not that anyone who knew her was surprised: As an undergrad, **Trigg '15 Sci** had served as president of the Association of Residence Hall Students and a Schreyer orientation mentor. "I really wanted to continue my involvement," she says, and at the encouragement of friend (and soon-to-be fellow council member) **Meeten Doshi '15 IST**, she ran for a spot. She was among the new members elected in 2016.

She never guessed her role on council might play a romantic role. But so it was, when she stepped out of the Hintz Family Alumni Center during a break at the fall 2017 council meeting and joined Doshi and a few others on a walk over to the Old Main lawn. It was the Friday of the Michigan football weekend, and the friends were going to check out ESPN's *College GameDay* set. Doshi led the group toward the alumni garden, which struck Trigg as a strange route—until she saw her boyfriend, **Matthew Micklin '16 Eng**, waiting for her in the garden.

Micklin took a knee, and after a brief interruption—



GARDEN SURPRISE
The alumni center garden provided a perfect setting for Trigg and Micklin's engagement.

"I asked if I could take my backpack off," Trigg says with a laugh—popped the question. Back at the evening council session, Trigg and Micklin got a standing ovation, which she says was "embarrassing but fun." The couple, who live in Philadelphia, plan to make it official sometime in 2019.

FROM TOP: COURTESY LIANA TRIGG '15 SCI (2) ; PENN STATE

UP & COMING

January 27

ALL HOOPS DAY

Blue & White Society members from around the state will make their way to University Park for a Nittany Lion basketball game and other events, all part of an effort to help the Alumni Association student members from other campuses soak up the Happy Valley experience.



← February 22

FOUNDERS' DAY

To mark the birthday of the institution that was born in 1855 as the Farmers' High School, the Lion Ambassadors take over the HUB for a celebration with food, music, and blue-and-white pride. Your alma mater turns 163 this year, and she's as sprightly as ever.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: COURTESY TAMPA ALUMNI CHAPTER; PENN STATE

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SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY CHAPTER

Aiming to increase their scholarship support, members of the Susquehanna Valley chapter gave themselves a target: \$50,000. They blew by that goal, bumping their scholarship fund to more than \$75,000. That commitment earned them the Scholarship Development Award at the 2017 Affiliate Group Awards.



GREATER TAMPA CHAPTER

They dressed for the cold, and more importantly, they dressed for fun. It paid off for our Tampa chapter—one of 16 Alumni Association chapters in the Sunshine State—whose spirit in the 2017 Homecoming parade earned them a \$500 prize.

HOTEL AND RESTAURANT SOCIETY

The first endowment in the 75-year history of this society is an impressive one. Established in October, the PSHRS Opportunity Scholarship will help students in the School of Hospitality Management. The PSHRS contributed \$125,000 to create and permanently endow the scholarship.



RALLY CATS

Our favorite feline—make that *felines*—had plenty of company in November, when students and alumni convened for the Guard the Lion Shrine celebration. The event, hosted by the Alumni Association, featured food, music, and plenty of photo ops. —RJ

Envoys For The Future

A NEW YOUNG ALUMNI AMBASSADORS PROGRAM IS FOCUSED ON BUILDING LEADERS. *By Ryan Jones '95 Com*



CAROLINE BRISELLI STARTED her first job in September, working at IBM in Washington, D.C. With a new career and new city, she's got plenty to keep her occupied—but that didn't stop her from embracing a new volunteer initiative at her alma mater. "I see the value in being connected as an alum," she says, "and I think it's important to start early."

Briselli '17 Lib is one of five new grads selected for the inaugural class of the Young Alumni Ambassador Program, a new Alumni Association effort that pairs recent alums with established volunteers and professional mentors, with the goal of

developing "lifelong volunteer leaders." Along with Briselli, the first ambassador class includes **Adam Jarvis '17 H&HD**, **Linda Nguyen '17 Bus**, **Kathleen Ritter '17 Com**, and **Jaden Rankin-Wahlers '17 Lib**. A gift from Ann and **Peter Tombros '64, '68 MS Agr** provided seed funding for the program.

The year-long partnerships are personalized to each ambassador's strengths and interests. Briselli hopes to focus on communications and fundraising, and she's already joined the board of the Penn State Professional Women's Network of D.C. as the group's young alumni ambassador.

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DICK BOWMAN

Inspiring Next-Gen Magicians

'69 When Harry Houdini and a group of his fellow conjurers founded the Society of American Magicians in 1902, they did so to protect their profession. Back then, says Dick Bowman '69 Bus, some magicians were revealing their tricks to the public, which diminished magic's mystique, and affected magicians' livelihoods.

Today, S.A.M. is still safeguarding magic and magicians, but the organization is also keen to increase its membership, which has been decreasing through the years. As S.A.M.'s new national president, Bowman—who takes on that role exactly 100 years after Houdini was first elected to the post—will be leading efforts to bring youngsters into the fold, and encouraging older ma-



gicians to mentor younger ones through a S.A.M. subgroup, The Society of Young Magicians. "Magic is something particularly positive for children—it inspires confidence and can really help shy children in particular break the ice," Bowman says.

He began dabbling in magic as a boy, starting with simple card tricks and then mastering more complex sleight-of-hand moves. But it wasn't until 1980, while serving a yearlong tour of duty with the Air Force in

Saudi Arabia, that magic became a more serious undertaking and Bowman honed his character, Professor Higgins. In that role, he has been entertaining crowds across the country for 40 years by mixing card and coin tricks with stand-up routines. —S/

1950s

Thomas "Lefty" McIntyre '54, '59 MEd, '70 PhD H&HD (Acacia, AROTC) honored as Rotarian of the Yr., State College Rotary Club. He is mbr., bd. of dirs., Penn State Wrestling Club, & ushers at Penn State home football, wrestling, & women's volleyball. He lives in State College.

1960s

Robert "Bob" Osterhoudt '66, '69 MEd H&HD, prof. emeritus,

Ariz. State U., is natl. silver medalist, 80 meters high hurdles & weight throw, & natl. bronze medalist, hammer throw—men's 75-79 category, USATF Natl. Masters Outdoor Track & Field Championships. He lives in Sun Lakes, Ariz.

Jay Glickman '67 Bus, partner, Rubin, Glickman, Steinberg & Gifford, named to 2018 "The Best Lawyers in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. He focuses his practice on estate planning & estate admin. He

lives in Lansdale, Pa. Nelson Cohen '69 Bus, atty., Whiteford, Taylor & Preston LLP, named to 2018 "The Best Lawyers in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. He lives in Potomac, Md.

1970s

Steven H. Lupin '70 Lib, managing partner, Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin, & VP, Montgomery Bar Foundation, named to 2018 "The Best Lawyers in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. He lives in Blue Bell, Pa. Children:



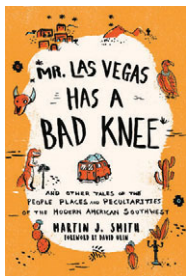
Benjamin '99 Lib; Elyse Chang '02 Bus.

David Pollock '70 Lib, partner, Pollock Begg Komar Glasser & Vertz LLC, named to 2018 "The Best Lawyers in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. He lives in Pittsburgh.

Marc Robert Steinberg '70 Lib (ΦΣΔ, Skull &

DESERT PRIDE Major Theresa Hennigan Bossard '92 Lib ran into four other Penn Staters at Camp Arifjan in Kuwait. So, naturally, they found a banner and a decommissioned tank, and posed for a photo.

BOTTOM PHOTO: VIA LINKEDIN



IN PRINT
Journalist **Martin J. Smith '78 Com** once spent Valentine's Day at a brothel in Nevada. He recounts that and other offbeat stories in *Mr. Las Vegas Has a Bad Knee* (TwoDot).



LEAN IN
When **James Skinner '73 Lib** traveled to Portugal and Italy last September, he brought a bit of Penn State to the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

Bones), managing partner, Rubin, Glickman, Steinberg & Gifford, named to 2018 "The Best Lawyers in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. He focuses his practice in criminal law, personal injury, & alternate dispute resolution. He lives in North Wales, Pa. Sister: **Andrea Rongione '71 Edu**.

Len Barcoucky '71 Lib (*Collegian*) ret. after 47 yrs. in daily journalism. He is contributor, *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, & authored trilogy of books: *Remembering Pittsburgh*, *Civil War Pittsburgh*, & *Hidden History of Pittsburgh* (The History Press). He & wife **Barbara Stewart '71 Lib** live in Pittsburgh. Daughter: **Sarah '10 Sci**.

Cynthia Danel '71, '76 MA Lib (Thespians, Alum. Fellow), partner, Edgar Snyder & Assocs., named to 2018 "The Best Lawyers in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. She lives in Weirton, W.Va.

Steven Steingart '72 H&HD (ZBT) ret. in 2014 as div. chief, food safety pgm., Allegheny County Health Dept. In 2016, he received Lifetime Achievement Award, Pa. Restaurant & Lodging Assn. He lives in Pittsburgh.

Irwin W. Aronson '73 Lib, '82 JD Law, atty., Willig, Williams & Davidson, named to

2018 "The Best Lawyers in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. He lives in Harrisburg.

Nicholas Cirilli '73 Eng (Soccer, AROTC, Parmi Nous), is founder, Cirilli Assocs., a structural engrng. co. that recently acquired civil engrng. firm Yerkes Assocs. Inc. He lives in Wallingford, Pa. Brother: **James '81 EMS**. Son: **Kevin '12 Com**.

John C. Rubisch '74 H&HD, '05 PhD Edu wrote book *Mill River Senior High* (First Edition Design Publishing). He worked for 30 years as a high school counselor and has authored numerous articles on counseling and education. He lives in Marysville, Pa. Sister: **Lynn Penniman '76 Agr**.

Bill Bohatch '75 Bus ret. as managing dir., PwC, after 42 yrs. with the co. He & wife Dottie live in Fairfax Station, Va.

Dennis Brown '75 Bus, atty., Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC, named to 2018 "The Best Lawyers in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. He focuses his practice on trust & estate planning. He lives in Naples, Fla.

Barbara L. Hollenbach '75 Lib, '78 JD Law, mbr., Norris McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A., presented as faculty mbr. for live webinar, "Paradigm Shift

in Workers' Compensation," Pa. Bar Inst. She lives in Bethlehem, Pa.

Wayne Somerville '76 A&A, music therapist, Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit, inducted into Beaver Valley Musicians' Hall of Fame. He lives in Aliquippa, Pa.

Gary Jones '77 Bus was elected pres., Wholesalers Assn. of the Northeast. He lives in South Abington, Pa.

David Caplin '78 H&HD served as athletic trainer, Team USA, during 20th Maccabiah Games in Israel. He & the medical staff provided healthcare to 1,100 U.S. athletes. He lives in Mount Laurel, N.J.

1980s

Charles C. Manz '81 PhD Bus, Nirenberg Prof. of Leadership, UMass Amherst, co-authored *Twisted Leadership: How to Engage the Full Talents of Everyone in Your Organization* (Maven House). He lives in Amherst, Mass.

James DiDonato '82 Bus ret. as mgr. of banking svcs., Del. Office of the State Treas., where he worked for 27 yrs. In Jan. 2017, he ret. from 35-yr. career, U.S. Army. He lives in Magnolia, Del.

Steve Dombrowski '82 Hbg is sr. pgm. mgr.,

energy & environmental engrng. group, RETTEW. He lives in Coropolis, Pa. Daughter: **Stephanie '12 Eng**.

Alan R. Gedrich '82 Bus (Alum. Council, *Collegian*), partner, Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, LLP, apptd. to bd. of advisers, Penn State Law School. He lives in Philadelphia.

Michael A. Giorgione '88 MS Eng published *Inside Camp David* (Little Brown and Company). A retired rear admiral, he lives in Coronado, Calif. Daughter: **Ryanne '17 Lib**.

Steve Holbrook '82 EMS named head of dept. of geosciences, Coll. of Science, Va. Tech. Previously he was prof. in dept. of geology and geophysics, Univ. of Wyoming. He lives in Blacksburg, Va.

Colin M. Jenei '82 JD Law, atty., Begley, Carlin & Mandio, LLP, named to 2017 "Pa. Super Lawyers" list, *Super Lawyers*. He focuses his practice in criminal defense, personal injury, land use, & municipal law. He lives in Danboro, Pa.

Karen Bautsch Klein '82 Com, '00 MS GrtVly (*Collegian*, Golden Key), principal, Fulcrum Information Resources, received Writers Award, *AIPP Connections*. She

& husband **Joseph '82 Com** live in Reading, Pa.

Gregory D. Miller '82 MS H&HD, '86 PhD IDF (Alum. Fellow) apptd. to high-level panel of experts, United Nations, & wrote report on nutrition & food systems. He lives in Cary, Ill.

Bill Contz '83 Bus (Football) wrote book, *When the Lions Roared* (Triumph Books). The book details the 1982 Penn State natl. championship football team. He lives in Cranberry Township, Pa.

Marie A. Nicassio Fioravanti '83 H&HD is new dir. of nursing, School of Nursing, U. of Pittsburgh-Greensburg. She lives in Irwin, Pa.

William (Bill) Knight III '83 H&HD is asst. principal, Occoquan Elementary, Prince William County, Va. The school was named Natl. Dist. Title I School for 2016-17. He lives in Stafford County, Va. Daughter: **Vanessa '10 Com/Bus**.

Alan G. Towner '83 Eng

is partner, intellectual property practice, Leech Tishman Fuscaldo & Lampl. Previously, he was patent examiner, U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. He lives in Pittsburgh.

Kenneth L. Kauffman '85a York, '94 Hbg, former VP, Moore Engrng. Co., named pres. of the firm. He has worked at the firm for 32 yrs. He lives in Lititz, Pa.

Mary Weaver Bennett '86 Lib (Blue Band, Lion's Paw, Skull &

Bones) is dir., Michael O. Leavitt Ctr. for Politics & Public Service, Southern Utah U. She lives in Ivins, Utah.

Daniel H. Glasser '87 Bus, partner, Pollock Begg Komar Glasser & Vertz LLC, named to 2018 "The Best Lawyers in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. He lives in Pittsburgh.

Trevor Lauer '87 EMS (ΦΓΔ), pres. & COO, DTE Electric, named bd. chairman, Cranbrook Inst. of Sci., a natural

history museum in metro Detroit. He lives in Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

Craig L. Pearce '87 Bus (U. Scholar, Alum. Fellow), Ben May Dist. Prof., Mitchell Coll. of Bus., U. of South Alabama, co-authored *Twisted Leadership: How to Engage the Full Talents of Everyone in Your Organization* (Maven House). He lives in Mobile, Ala.

Julia L. Bell '88 Eng Sci apptd. assoc. div. mgr. for flight projects,

LAURA COE

The STEM Potential of Legos

'93 Many mothers struggle to find activities to entertain and occupy their kids, and **Laura Coe '93 Sci** was no exception. Her 6-year-old son wasn't into sports, she says, but he did have an interest in building with Lego bricks. "I stumbled onto the idea of using Legos to teach kids and discovered all the things you could do, from simple math and science projects to robotics and competitions."

That discovery—together with Coe's love of math and science, and the experience she gained from a 15-year career as an actuary—led to Snapology, a hands-on educational program that uses Legos and other materials that snap together as a basis for enrichment classes and camps teaching children science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), and art and literacy (STEAM) concepts.



Snapology is based on the idea that when kids' hands are busy with interactive learning activities, their creativity flourishes. For example, children in Snapology's Inventor's Club learn basic engineering, robotics, and programming skills that they use to build, design, and program a theft-deterrent system for a hypothetical retail store.

Coe and her sister Lisa—a pharmacist with the same interest in math and science—founded Snapology together in 2010 for schools and communities in the Pittsburgh area, drawing on the entrepreneurial experience they gained helping their parents with their custom marble sink company. Their venture quickly took off and within six months, courses were sold out. Today, Snapology has 40 franchise locations around the country, and several international outlets are also on the horizon. —Sara Langen

MICHAEL UNDERHILL

Financing America's Crumbling Infrastructure

'03 When **Michael Underhill '03 Lib** asked financier Wilbur Ross to co-write a chapter on public/private partnerships in his 2010 book *The Handbook of Infrastructure Investing*, neither knew that a decade later, Ross would be named U.S. Secretary of Commerce.

With Ross now in the government, Underhill is hoping that there'll be sufficient impetus at the highest levels to address America's crumbling infrastructure—arguably one the country's biggest problems and a key point in Donald Trump's election campaign. Underhill hopes the government will follow some of the financing solutions (involving both public and private sectors) outlined in his book to rebuild bridges, toll roads, and water and power facilities, and to ramp up renewable energy.



He's encouraged by Trump's executive order changing the environmental review process for infrastructure projects by decreasing the regulatory review process from 10 to two years, and by the president's plans to leverage funds from federal, state, and private-sector sources.

"I think that this time, we really will see progress on the policy front," Underhill says. "The executive order itself will, for next to no financial outlay, bring large amounts of capital

in an expedited way."

Underhill first learned about infrastructure financing, and the role of public/private partnerships, while working in the municipal bond department of former investment bank Lehman Brothers. He set up his own firm, Capital Innovations, in 2007, to manage investments in infrastructure —S/

Mission Systems & Operations Div., Jet Propulsion Lab. She lives in La Crescenta, Calif.

Michael Corrigan '88 Eng named sr. assoc., Erdman Anthony, and is mbr., transportation engrng. core bus., for the firm's Harrisburg office. He lives in Middletown, Pa.

Gilbert R. Jones '88 Eng was promoted to assoc. VP, Dewberry's Fairfax, Va. office. He is a senior wastewater resources engr. and expert in risk analysis & reduction. He

lives in Arlington, Va.

Carol Weitzel '88 JD Law is counsel, state tax group, Reed Smith LLP. She lives in Harrisburg.

Traci Wasser '89 Com is account mgr., DMW Direct. She lives in King of Prussia, Pa.

1990s

Tanya Baronti '90 Lib, '98 MEd Edu is dir., United for Children at United Way of Southwestern Pa. She lives in Pittsburgh.

Lynn Comella '90 Lib,

assoc. prof. of gender & sexuality studies, U. of Nevada, Las Vegas, wrote *Vibrator Nation: How Feminist Sex-Toy Stores Changed the Business of Pleasure* (Duke U. Press). She lives in Las Vegas.

Marnie Schneider '90 Lib published children's book, *Football Freddie & Fumble the Dog: Gameday in Philadelphia* (Mascot Books) that introduces youngsters to football and to the historic sites of Philadelphia. She lives in Mooresville, N.C.

Kathleen Silvis Eirich '91 Edu (KΔ) is asst. supervisor of special edu., Allegany County Public Schools. She lives in Cumberland, Md.

William McGarrigel '91 Eng, VP & gen. mgr., transportation planning & design svcs., Urban Engrs., named dir., American Council of Engrng. Companies of N.J. He lives in Haddonfield, N.J.

Shawn A. Kachmar '94 Hbg, atty., HunterMaclean, named to 2018 "The Best Lawyers

in America" list, *Best Lawyers*. He lives in Savannah, Ga..

Michael King '95 Lib (U. Scholar, ΠΛΦ), shareholder, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, elected pres., Denver Public Library Commission. He previously served as pres., Denver Public Library Foundation. He & wife **Elizabeth Wilson '95 Lib** live in Denver.

Karen Milheim '95 Com, '03 MEd GrtVly, '08 DED Edu Hbg, core faculty mbr., School of Higher Edu., Leadership,

& Policy, Walden U., received the university's 2017 Faculty Excellence Award. She lives in Leola, Pa.

Jean Marie Pierson '95 Com published novel, *The Light in the Woods* (Post Hill Press), in November. Her debut novel, *No Good Girls*, was published in 2008 and was Romance Writers of America finalist. She lives in Clinton, NJ.

Ava Cipri '96 H&HD published poetry book, *Queen of Swords* (Dancing Girl Press), in November. She teaches writing at Duquesne University & lives in Pittsburgh.

Hal D. Coffey '96 Com (*Collegian*), atty., Blumling & Gusky, elected 109th pres., Allegheny County Bar Assn. He lives in Pittsburgh.

Daniel S. Morrison '96 Sci promoted to assoc. prof. of emergency medicine, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Rutgers. He lives in Belle Mead, N.J.

Melodie K. Craft '97 Lib (U. Scholar), shareholder, Littler, accepted to Leadership Dallas Class of 2018. She lives in Plano, Texas.

Eric E. Rensel '98a Worth, '00 Hbg, VP, Gannett Fleming, named to 2017 Forty Under 40

list, *Central Penn Business Journal*. He lives in Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Brian A. Canada '99 Eng, '10 PhD IDF was awarded tenure & promoted to assoc. prof., computational science, U. of S.C. Beaufort, where he was also recognized as Prof. of the Yr. He lives in Beaufort, S.C.

2000s

Melissa Frank-Alston '00 PhD Edu, SVP, Institutional Effectiveness & Research, Augusta Technical Coll., awarded Aspen Presidential Fellowship for Community

Coll. Excellence. She & husband **Sparticus '95 MEd**, '00 PhD Edu live in Evans, Ga.

Susan Clapper Hart '01 Bus/Lib & husband Dean have daughter Claire Hope—born Dec. 8, 2015. They live in Collegeville, Pa. Her father: **Thomas '65, '81 PhD Edu**.

Adam J. Kruppa '01 Lib (NROTC) promoted to commander, U.S. Navy. He lives in Va. Beach, Va.

Brooke Pilszak Duffy '02 Com (U. Scholar), asst. prof., com., Cornell U., published 2nd book,

(*Not Getting Paid to do What You Love: Gender, Social Media, and Aspirational Work* (Yale U. Press). She & husband **Michael J. '03 Eng** live in Lansing, N.Y.

Michael Fox '02 Bus & wife Mara have son Ethan Shane—born July 31, 2017. They live in Springfield, N.J.

Christopher A. Manion '02 Lib rejoined Blank Rome LLP, focusing his practice on commercial finance & secured lending transactions. He lives in Broomall, Pa.

Kelly Devine '04

Com, sr. marketing specialist, Comcast Cable Communications, received 2017 Forum of Exec. Women Award for Emerging Women Leaders. She lives in Norristown, Pa.

Heather Baruch-Bueter '06 Com & husband **Joe Bueter '06 Lib**, '16 MEd Edu have daughter Jane—born June, 2017. They live in State College.

Dayna C. Finkelstein '06 JD Law, partner, Blank Rome LLP, is adjunct prof., Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Drexel U. She lives in Philadelphia.



BORN TO BE BLUE

Her father's football helmet was just the right fit for Reese Stella Ingram, born on Aug. 25, 2017. "She went in without a fight and easily snuggled up, knowing that she will become a lifelong Nittany Lion," says daddy **Justin Ingram '02 H&HD**, a former linebacker and letterman.



SHRINE SNAP
Patrick Bloom '11
H&HD, '16a H&I and
Krystal Bealing '10 Agr
went for an iconic shot
after their wedding
vows on June 3, 2017.

Christopher Simon '06 Eng, construction mgr. & engr., promoted to sr. assoc., Dewberry. He lives in Warrenton, Va.

Josh Ambrose '07 Lib (Schreyer) named exec. dir., Center for Experience & Opportunity, McDaniel Coll. He will play a role in creating new experiential learning opportunities for students. He lives in Westminster, Md.

Ryan Lagola '07 IST & wife **Michelle Kelly '07 Lib** have children Harper Kelly, 2, & Hayden Reese—born

July 24, 2017. They live in Phoenixville, Pa. Michelle's brother: **Jordan '10 Eng**.

Jennifer O'Meara '07 Com was promoted to digital marketing mgr., Eruptr. She lives in Warrington, Pa.

Elizabeth C. Early '08 H&HD (ΑΣΑ), assoc., High Swartz LLP, spoke & provided case law update on custody at summer meeting, Pa. Bar Assn. Family Law Section. She lives in East Stroudsburg, Pa.

Kendall Eberhardt

'08 Eng, bridge engr., Buchart Horn, Inc., passed Pa. state professional engrng. exam & is a licensed professional engr. He lives in Collegeville, Pa.

Kathryn E. Hayes '08 Bus (ΓΦΒ) is assoc., corporate/gen. bus. group, Sherin & Lodgen LLP. She lives in New York.

Gibran Jones '08 IST is founder, Krimson Square, which helps businesses of all sizes improve their digital footprint. He lives in Harrisburg.

Lauren Monroe '08 Edu, instructional coach, School Bd. of St. Lucie County, co-authored six books, *STEAM Design Challenges* (Creating Teaching Press), which feature student-centered, problem-solving lessons. She lives in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

Alison Bush Andronic '09 Bus is assoc., real estate & lending, corporate & bus. law, & energy, mineral right & utilities practice groups, Meyer, Unkovic & Scott LLP. She lives in Pittsburgh. Father: **Arthur '78 EMS**.

DICK CRAWFORD

A Painless Injection Needle

'63 Dick Crawford '63 Eng, founder and president of Crawford Building Consultants Inc., has always sought to apply his civil engineering skills to innovative projects. In 2005, he found a great opportunity when a colleague, Pankaj Modi, asked him to help design and develop a cost-effective, painless, and minimally invasive injection needle for treating chronic diseases like diabetes.

The PKA SoftTouch micro-needle, which Crawford and Modi finalized in 2015, is the only patented device through which drugs can be injected directly and painlessly into the skin layers. Because it doesn't enter the subcutaneous tissue that contains muscle and fat the way regular syringes do, it doesn't interfere with the nerve endings, so patients



don't feel any pain. The micro-needle also retracts effortlessly once it's been used, which means it's easier to handle than a traditional syringe, and it can be thrown away in any wastebasket.

Several pharmaceutical and medical companies have expressed interest in using the micro-needle (which still needs FDA approval) for everything from vaccinations for children to hair regrowth technology and wart treatment, and even for inoculating animals. Crawford also hopes that agencies working

in countries where medical care is lacking will use the needle to provide vital care and to help fight infectious diseases.

"We think it will have a big impact once it becomes known to the world," he says. —Jennifer Pencek

MICHAEL HUTCHINSON

Stem Cell Therapy for Dogs

'81 Michael Hutchinson '81 Agr had two questions: How can we extend the lives of our pets as they age, and how can we make sure their final years are not spent in pain?

Hutchinson—a veterinarian of 31 years based in Cranberry Township, Pa.—found the answer to those questions in stem cell therapy. In 2008, he began using adipose-derived stem cells (stem cells that come from fat) on pets, to help them manage the pain of osteoarthritis, and to heal joint injuries.

The regenerative procedure entails extracting fat cells from an animal, separating out the stem cells, then reintroducing them using a patented technology. It has given scores of domestic animals a new lease on life. Hutchinson is now using peripheral

blood stem cells that, he says, can better differentiate into tissues than their adipose-derived counterparts.

While Hutchinson's main aim is to extend animals' lives and ease their pain, he hopes the stem cell therapy can eventually be used on humans. "We need to reverse the diseases and cure them, period," he says. "We need to regenerate."

Hutchinson asserts he has seen stem cells regenerate parts of the human body—from kidneys and fingers to the circulatory system and liver tissue—and he believes that stem cell technology can keep people out of hospitals as they age. That would be ideal, he says, given that hospitalization currently constitutes around 30 percent of the country's overall health-care costs.

—Bill DiFilippo '14 Com



Matt R. Rager '09 Hbg promoted to tax mgr., Arthur Bell. He is a licensed CPA and lives in Dover, Pa.

Donna Tweed '09 HazIt co-founded the Penn-Kidder Ministerium After-School Pgm. to fulfill the community's need for affordable before- & after-school care. She & husband **Frederick '68 Edu** live in Jim Thorpe, Pa.

2010s

Louis V. De Fazio '10 H&HD earned DPM, Temple U., in 2014, & completed podiatric medicine & reconstructive ankle surgery residency in 2017. He is doctor, Foot & Ankle Specialists of the Mid-Atlantic. He lives in Columbia, Md.

Alyssa Konsza '10 A&A, staff mbr., Archer &

Buchanan Architecture, Ltd., received registration as licensed architect in Pa. She lives in West Chester, Pa.

Matthew Bolewitz '11 Lib named associate in Leech Tishman Fuscaldo & Lampl LLC's energy, corporate, and litigation practice groups. He lives in Sarver, Pa.

Carlin Alexandra Corle '11 Com married Jason

Duke—May 13, 2017. She is military construction & collateral equipment pgm. analyst, U.S. Navy. They live in Woodbridge, Va. Her mother: **Susan '81 Com**.

Stacey-Ann Mameta Okoth '11 Nur received 2017 "Forty Under 40" award, *Central Penn Business Journal*. She lives in York, Pa.

Abigail Hall '12 Hbg is

marketing coordinator, Saxton & Stump. She lives in East Earl, Pa.

James E. Imler '14 Alt wed **Rachel E. May '14 Alt**—June 17, 2017, at the Arboretum at Penn State. They live in Marysville, Ohio. His parents: **Richard '74 Sci**; **Sheryl Decoskey '79 Edu**. Her mother: **Elaine Slusarz '84 Bus**.

Sarah Torhan '14 Eng (U. Scholar) is Peace Corps mbr. & environment volunteer, Paraguay. Previously, she was process engr., W.L. Gore & Assocs. When stateside, she lives in Baden, Pa.

Alyssa Gehman '17 Com, PR asst. & event marketing, Cobalt Executives, Inc., recently volunteered with Outreach360, where she taught English to 37 Nicaraguan students. She has volunteered in Nicaragua five times, and led a Penn State volunteer trip there in 2016.

Class Notes is compiled by Erika Spicer '13 Com.






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PAUL J. WEITZ 1932-2017

Shuttle Commander

'54 As Paul Weitz '54 Eng readied himself to return to space in 1983, he longed to see the Earth from above again. He'd served as pilot on the first crewed mission to the Skylab space station in 1973, which lasted a record-setting 28 days. The astronauts carried out critical repairs to the station, which had been damaged during launch. Despite the urgency of the mission, Weitz said he was always awestruck by the view it afforded him of the Earth. "Nearly all my time was spent at the window," he later told the *New York Times* in preparation for his return to space, this time as commander on the maiden voyage of the space shuttle Challenger.

Weitz died Oct. 23, 2017, in Flagstaff, Ariz., at the age of 85.

Guion "Guy" Bluford Jr. '64 Eng, who joined the space program in 1978, got to know Weitz as one of the low-key, easygoing "old guys," and the only other Penn Stater around the program at the time. "A lot of people have a high regard for P.J.," Bluford says, "and I'm one of them."

Weitz joined NASA in 1966 as part of its fifth class of astronauts. After the Skylab mission, he returned to the Navy before announcing his retirement in 1976. He returned to service for NASA for the space shuttle era and the Challenger mission. After the spacecraft's fatal explosion in 1986, he stayed on at NASA and went on to serve as deputy director and acting director of the Johnson Space Center, retiring for good in 1994. "I bet nobody in Flagstaff knew he was an astronaut, which was fine with him," Bluford adds.

Weitz (BΘΠ), who was honored as a Penn State Alumni Fellow and Distinguished Alumnus in 1974, a year after receiving NASA's Distinguished Service Medal, is survived by a son and daughter. He was preceded in death by his wife, Suzanne. —Sara Langen

1940s

Jennie Krofcheck Gaber '40 Edu (ΘΦΑ), Noblesville, Ind.—March 2, 2017. | Mary Rhodes Hobbs-Frakes '40 H&HD (ΑΟΠ), Cupertino, Calif.—Aug. 4, 2017. | Miriam Dorff Hochheiser '40 H&HD, West Palm Beach, Fla.—Aug. 14, 2017. | William McAfee '41 MA Lib, Rockville, Md.—Oct. 10, 2016. | Donald N. Startzel '41 Bus (Thespians), Dallas—Aug. 29, 2017. | Atlee F. Rebert '42 Agr (AIP), Hanover, Pa.—July 29, 2017. Wife: Suzanne Price '42 Lib; sons: Jeffrey '69 Lib; Christopher '72 Edu, '84 MPA Hbg; Scott '78 Lib. | Charles S. Barbour III '43 Eng, '47 MS Edu (Triangle), Titusville, Fla.—Sept. 6, 2017. | Jane E. Booth '43 Lib, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—Aug. 24, 2017. | Bernard Wiener '43 Agr, Havertown, Pa.—Jan. 27, 2017. | Mary

Alderson Cheeseman '45 H&HD, Daytona Beach, Fla.—Sept. 1, 2017. | Phyllis Wolfgang Knoblauch '46 Com, Reading, Pa.—Aug. 22, 2017. | June Thomas Lundy '46 H&HD (XΩ), St. Louis—Aug. 5, 2017. Children: Sherry '72 H&HD; Karen DiGiulio '72 H&HD; David Jr.'76 H&HD. | James Van Nostrand '46 Lib, Jackson, Wyo.—Aug. 8, 2017. | Marian Hamill Bell '47 Med H&HD, Butler, Pa.—Sept. 23, 2017. Children: Alexander '81 Sci; Maria Whicker '86 Eng/Eng, '92 MBA Bus. | Marjorie Matson Converse '47 Med H&HD, Arlington, Va.—July 19, 2017. | Ruth Shuey Risser '47 H&HD, Frederick, Md.—Aug. 4, 2017. Children: John '75 A&A; Sherry Nelson '83 A&A. | Donald R. Robinson '47 Eng, Buffalo, N.Y.—Sept. 6, 2017. | William L. Barwis Sr. '48 A&A (ΑΤΩ), Blue Bell, Pa.—Aug. 8, 2017. Son: William Jr. '69 Bus. | Ellen

Hamilton Budd '48 Lib, Mason, Ohio—June 1, 2017. | Fredric W. Ellsworth Jr. '48 Eng (ΑΧ), Keene, N.H.—July 30, 2017. | Mary C. Glick '48 Sci (KΔ), Bellaire, Texas—March 6, 2017. | Ruth J. Grine '48 Lib, Sequim, Wash.—Aug. 13, 2017. | Joseph J. Grumblatt '48 Eng (ΦΚΘ), Eastchester, N.Y.—Aug. 6, 2017. | Joseph R. Himmel '48 Eng Wyo, Honolulu—July 14, 2017. | Fredrik M. Holmquist '48 Com (Soccer), Kennett Square, Pa.—July 21, 2017. | W. George Parker '48 Eng (XΦ), Caldwell, N.J.—Aug. 9, 2017. | Charles R. Tuckey '48 Eng, Morrisville, Pa.—Aug. 2, 2017. | Charles E. Weaver '48, '50 MS, '52 PhD EMS, St. Simons Island, Ga.—Sept. 12, 2017. | Harry J. Dabagian '49 Eng (ΔΦ), Sarasota, Fla.—Aug. 22, 2017. | E. Margaret McCully Donley '49 H&HD, Farmington, Utah—Aug. 2, 2017. | Leroy J. Fisher '49 Eng,



LOUISE JUSTIN SABOL RUBEL 1933-2017

Pediatric Ophthalmologist and Surgeon

'55 When Louise Sabol was in high school in the late 1940s, daughter Carolyn Repke says, the principal assured her that because she'd been the homecoming queen, she didn't need to go to college to find a good husband. But Sabol wanted to go into medicine like her father—so she went to college anyway, becoming one of only two women in Penn State's pre-med program at the time.

In 1970, Sabol '55 Sci became Geisinger Medical Center's first female surgeon, specializing in pediatric ophthalmology; colleague Bob Notz says she pioneered techniques reducing the number of surgeries her unhappy young patients had to endure. Meanwhile, she raised two daughters after her first husband's death, telling them: "I don't care what you do with your life, but you have to do something," says Repke. Both daughters are now physicians.

Notz and Repke both say Sabol was humble about her professional accomplishments, believing "if I'm doing my job, I don't need these extra pats on the back." She did receive a few, however: Geisinger named a teaching award in her honor, and her portrait hangs on the Pediatric Hall of Fame; in 2016, her family established a pre-med scholarship in her name at Penn State; and she received an Outstanding Science Alumni Award posthumously in October 2017.

Sabol (KKI) died March 12, 2017, in Perkasie, Pa., at the age of 83. She is survived by her second husband, Walter Rubel; and two daughters. —Anna Andersen

Greensboro, N.C.—June 20, 2017. | **Warren L. Gilbert '49 Eng**, Watsonville, Calif.—July 27, 2017. | **Neil B. Gingrich '49, '68 MS Agr** (AZ), Centre Hall, Pa.—Aug. 22, 2017. Son: David '77 Sci. | **Robert D. Hetrick '49 Eng** (ATQ, Wrestling), Ann Arbor, Mich.—Aug. 26, 2017. | **Charles D. Hoyt '49 EMS** (XΦ), McLean, Va.—April 30, 2017. | **Vance C. Klepper '49 Com** (ΔΦ, *Collegian*, Skull & Bones), Lock Haven, Pa.—Aug. 28, 2017. | **William C. Lenox '49 Lib**, Elizabethtown, Pa.—Sept. 5, 2017. | **Margaret M. Spencer '49 Edu**, Plano, Texas—July 21, 2017. | **T. Dean Witmer '49, '55 MS, '71 DEd Agr** (ATP, Soccer), Camp Hill, Pa.—July 31, 2017.

1950s

John R. Faulkner '50 Lib, Bellefonte, Pa.—July 31, 2017. | **Mark B. Fries '50 Eng**, Wilmington, Del.—Aug. 24, 2017. | **John K. Hite '50 Eng**, Martinsburg, Pa.—Aug. 3, 2017. | **Ammon W. Kersteter '50 Agr**, Gautier,

Miss.—Sept. 14, 2017. | **Wesley O. Larsen '50 Lib**, Stow, Mass.—Aug. 1, 2017. | **Robert A. Louis '50 Bus** (IKA, Lacrosse, Parmi Nous), Melbourne, Fla.—Sept. 2, 2017. | **John P. Roeder '50 Bus**, Punta Gorda, Fla.—Aug. 15, 2017. | **Henry C. Scott Jr. '50 Eng** (ΦΓΔ), Fox Island, Wash.—Aug. 26, 2017. Wife: Maria Hughes '49 Agr. | **Eugene G. Stec '50 Sci**, Dalton, Pa.—Aug. 19, 2017. | **Paul N. Thorpe Jr. '50 Bus** (ΣX), Sarasota, Fla.—Aug. 24, 2017. | **John H. Ziegler Jr. '50, '52 MS, '65 PhD Agr** (Alum. Council), Bellefonte, Pa.—Aug. 20, 2017. Sons: Stephen '77 A&A; Gregory '80 Agr; Timothy '84 Agr. | **Robert A. Crowe '51 Agr**, Miles City, Mont.—July 29, 2017. | **Meredith Miller Davis '51 H&HD**, Naperville, Ill.—Aug. 18, 2017. | **Harry A. Dorian '51 Lib** (Alum. Council, ΦKT, Lion's Paw, Skull & Bones, Thespians), Rockville, Md.—Aug. 28, 2017. Wife: Alice Gabriel '51; sons: Harry Jr. '75 Lib; Stephen '79 Sci; James '81 EMS; Paul '81, '83 MS EMS. | **Raymond C. Hill '51 Eng**, Villanova, Pa.—Aug. 1, 2017. | **Jean**

Lasher Jones '51 Lib (KAΘ), Erie, Pa.—Aug. 12, 2017. | **Thomas E. Kerr '51 Bus**, State College—Aug. 18, 2017. Sons: Thomas '78 Bus; Paul '86 Bus. | **Lewis A. McGill '51 Med Edu**, Mill Hall, Pa.—Sept. 7, 2017. | **Robert W. Adams '52 Sci**, Alvin, Texas—Aug. 12, 2017. | **Janet Wenzel Cascio '52 Edu**, Georgetown, Texas—Aug. 15, 2017. | **Stanley L. Davidson '52a Agr**, Hendersonville, N.C.—Aug. 24, 2017. | **Nancy Ferguson Desmond '52, '71 MEd H&HD** (Alum. Council), State College—Aug. 6, 2017. Children: John '77a H&HD Abgt; Cynthia Ellis '86 H&HD. | **Frank V. Frola '52 Eng**, Orlando, Fla.—Sept. 5, 2017. | **Cora Meyer Griffiths '52 H&HD** (AOII), McLean, Va.—April 26, 2017. | **Don E. Harrison '52, '53 MS, '55 PhD EMS** (AFROTC), Verona, Pa.—Aug. 1, 2017. | **James C. Helm '52 Med Edu**, Blandon, Pa.—Aug. 14, 2017. | **Robert D. Johnston '52 Eng**, Indianapolis—Sept. 13, 2017. | **Roslyn D. Kretzing '52 Sci**, Old Bethpage, N.Y.—Sept. 3, 2017. Son: **Bruce '82 Agr**. | **Charles H. Kruger '52 Agr**, Carlisle, Pa.—

Sept. 11, 2017. | **Lisabeth Knerr Poore '52 Lib** (ΦM), Santa Maria, Calif.—Aug. 19, 2017. | **Vincent J. Yerabeck '52 EMS**, Shavertown, Pa.—Aug. 6, 2016. | **Francis C. Angelo '53 EMS** (ATQ, AFROTC), Fair Oaks, Calif.—Aug. 21, 2017. | **Isaac C. Aurelio '53 MS Sci**, Morgantown, W.Va.—Aug. 29, 2017. | **Harold E. Beegle '53 Eng**, Smyrna, Ga.—Jan. 13, 2017. | **Joseph M. Belovich '53 Sci**, Palmerton, Pa.—Sept. 3, 2017. Daughter: Renee O'Donnell '83 H&HD. | **William K. Elmore '53 Bus** (ΘX, Thespians), Tampa, Fla.—Sept. 10, 2017. Wife: Marilyn Dupont '54 Edu. | **Mary Rider**

George '53 MEd Edu, Uniontown, Pa.—Sept. 20, 2017. | **Melanie Baran Hahn '53 H&HD**, Bethel Park, Pa.—Sept. 10, 2017. Children: Patricia '78 Lib; Rosemary '76 Lib; Richard '82 Lib. | **David L. Helm '53 Agr** (ΠΚΦ), Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.—Aug. 10, 2017. | **Jake Highton '53 Com** (ΠΚΦ, *Collegian*), Reno, Nev.—Aug. 7, 2017. | **L. Paul Stine '53 Eng** (Triangle), Connersville, Ind.—Aug. 22, 2017. Wife: Barbara Newquist '54 H&HD. | **Robert C. Antram '54 Agr** (ATP), Somerset, Pa.—Sept. 19, 2017. Wife: Roberta Jones '54 Edu; son: David '90 Edu. | **Clark P. Breeding**



EDWARD WICKERSHAM 1932-2017

Popular Professor

'57 As a Penn State biology professor in 1970, Edward Wickersham '57, '59 MS Agr was shocked by how little the undergraduate students in his human physiology courses knew about their bodies. Recognizing a need for human sexuality education, he developed the "Biology of Sex" course, which would become his most popular class. "He would have as many as 600 students in the Schwab Auditorium—the joke was that all the students were waiting for the lab," says his wife, Elaine '71 MS, '78 PhD Edu. "He was very good at relating to students and making information understandable so it didn't fly above their heads."

Always willing to make time for students, Wickersham became a mentor and confidant to many during his 35 years at Penn State. In addition to his graduate and undergraduate courses, he also developed programs in reproductive physiology for human-services professionals. His efforts earned him many accolades, including the Master Teacher award from the university for outstanding teaching and advising. He retired in 1998 as associate professor emeritus of biology.

Wickersham died April 15, 2017, in State College at age 84. He is survived by Elaine, his wife of 57 years; and sons **Steven '83 Sci**; **Mark '87 Agr**; and **Karl '89 Sci**. —Sara Langen

'54 EMS (AXΣ, AFROTC, Blue Band), Dublin, Ohio—Sept. 11, 2017. | **Frank A. Buckiewicz '54 MEd H&HD**, Forest Grove, Ore.—Sept. 5, 2017. Wife: Diane Rimby '56 MS H&HD. | **Joan McClane Leftwich '54 Edu**, Carlisle, Mass.—Aug. 2, 2017. | **Charles T. Schumacher '54 EMS**, Longmont, Colo.—Sept. 5, 2017. | **M. Gail Shaver '54 Com** (Blue Key, *Collegian*), Asheville, N.C.—July 19, 2017. | **Wilton E. Eckley '55 MA Lib**, Des Moines, Iowa—Aug. 14, 2017. | **Denton K. Emery '55 Edu**, Morgantown, N.C.—Sept. 11, 2017. | **Dale L. Kleintop '55a Eng** LeHVly, Slatington, Pa.—Aug. 4, 2017. Sons: Curtis '77a Eng Berks; David '83 Agr. | **Joseph A. Mellish '55 Eng** (AFROTC), Sacramento, Calif.—Aug. 10, 2017. | **Janet Sames Wolfe '55 Edu**, Bethlehem, Pa.—Aug. 2, 2017. | **Robert D. Custer '56a Eng** York, Olney, Md.—Aug. 8, 2017. | **Donald Devorris '56 Eng** (Dist. Alum., Alum. Fellow, ΦΣΔ), Altoona, Pa.—Sept. 14, 2017. | **Mildred Kolasa Drapcho '56 Edu**, Bellefonte, Pa.—May 1, 2017. | **Barbara Serfass Fisher '56 H&HD**, Haver-town, Pa.—Aug. 15, 2017. | **Priscille Moore Greiss '56 H&HD**, Whitehall, Pa.—Sept. 3, 2017. | **Robert L. Jones '56 JD Law**, Sweet Valley, Pa.—May 20, 2017. | **Albert M. Jordan '56 Bus** (Basketball), Louisville, Ky.—Aug. 20, 2017. | **Ernest G. Lubbeke '56 Eng** Wyo, Reading, Pa.—Sept. 2, 2017. | **Joan E. Moyer '56 MEd Edu**, Alburtis, Pa.—Aug. 27, 2017. | **Frederick J. Shoyer II '56 Bus** (ΦΚΣ, Thespians), Exton, Pa.—Aug. 21, 2017. | **Pravin G. Bhuta '57 MS Eng**, Los Osos, Calif.—July 20, 2017. | **Suzanne Scholl Black '57 H&HD** (KKI), Phoenix—July 15, 2017. Husband: Armour '56 Lib. | **Robert C. Earley '57 JD Law**, Indiana, Pa.—Aug. 11, 2017. | **Harold J. Hae-fefe '57a Eng** WB, Dallas, Pa.—Aug. 13, 2017. | **William P. Kane '57 Bus** (KAP, Football, AFROTC, Parmi Nous), Pittsburgh—Aug. 31, 2017. | **Robert J. Makufka '57a Eng** Behrend, St. Marys, Pa.—Aug. 31, 2017. Daughters: Juliann Gross '89 Bus, '94 Lib; Marijo Fels '90, '02 MFA Lib. | **Samuel E. McKibben Jr. '57 Eng** (ΦKT), Valparaiso, Ind.—Sept. 3, 2017. Wife: Thelma Giambattista '58 Lib. | **David W. Price '57, '59 MS Agr** (ΔΘΣ), Pullman, Wash.—Aug. 12, 2017. | **Ann Hadesty Shaffer '57 A&A** (ΦM), Everett, Pa.—Aug. 10, 2017. Son: Daniel III '81 Lib. | **Paul E. Sypher '57 Eng**, Endicott, N.Y.—September 2017. | **Victor**

ABBREVIATION KEY

PENN STATE LOCATIONS

Abgt | Abington (formerly Ogontz)
Allghy | Greater Allegheny (formerly McKeesport)
Alt | Altoona
Behrend | Penn State Erie, The Behrend College
Berks | Berks
Brandy | Brandywine (formerly Delaware County)
Bvr | Beaver
DuBois | DuBois
Fayt | Fayette
GrVly | Great Valley
Hazlt | Hazleton
Hbg | Harrisburg
LehVly | Lehigh Valley
MtAlt | Mont Alto
NewKens | New Kensington
Schuyl | Schuylkill
Scranton | Scranton
Shen | Shenango
WB | Wilkes-Barre
WC | World Campus
York | York

FORMER LOCATIONS

Allen | Allentown
RdrCtr | Radnor Center
Wyo | Wyomissing

ACADEMIC UNITS

A&A | College of Arts and Architecture
Agr | College of Agricultural Sciences
Bus | Smeal College of Business
Com | Bellisario College of Communications
Edu | College of Education
EMS | College of Earth and Mineral Sciences
Eng | College of Engineering
H&HD | College of Health and Human Development
Hershey | College of Medicine
IDF | Interdisciplinary Fields
IST | Information Sciences and Technology
Law | Dickinson School of Law
Lib | College of the Liberal Arts
Nur | College of Nursing
Sci | Eberly College of Science
SIA | School of International Affairs

DEGREES

a | Associate
DEd, PhD | Doctorate
h | Honorary
JD | Juris Doctor
MA, MAcc, MAdm, MAE, MBA, MEd, MEng, MEPC, MFA, MFor, MGIS, MHA, MMgt, MMus, MMM, MNur, MPA, MPM, MRP, MS | Master's
MD | Medical Doctor
r | Medical residency

A. DeMarines '58 Eng (AFROTC), Hollis, N.H.—Aug. 30, 2017. | **Michael Miller '58 Eng** (ΘΞ), Landisville, Pa.—Aug. 13, 2017. Wife: Arlene Zimmerman '58 H&HD; daughter: **Judith Fulginiti '84 H&HD**. | **Emery E. Palmquist '58a Eng Alt**, Boca Raton, Fla.—July 2, 2017. | **Kenneth E. Perkins '58 MEd Sci**, St. Petersburg, Fla.—June 2, 2017. | **Donald R. Rickert '58 Bus**, Watsontown, Pa.—July 28, 2017. | **Charles A. Rusk '58 Bus**, Keswick, Va.—Sept. 13, 2017. | **Russell J. Walter '58 MEd Edu**, Mechanicsburg, Pa.—Sept. 14, 2017. | **William A. Baumgartel '59, '63 MEd Edu**, Duncansville, Pa.—Aug. 16, 2017. Wife: Olla Horton '55 H&HD. | **Thomas L. Berta '59 Bus** (AROTC), Fredericksburg, Va.—Sept. 6, 2017. | **Jack E. Brown '59 Lib** (ΑΣΦ), Walnut Creek, Calif.—Dec. 1, 2016. Wife: Dorothy Spanuth '59 Bus. | **Joan Lash Bush '59 H&HD** (ΑΦ), Lewisburg, Pa.—Aug. 14, 2017. Sisters: Norma Goff '48 H&HD; Marian Greenawalt '50 H&HD; Nancy Freiermuth '63 H&HD; daughter: Susan Vanasse '87 Bus. | **Joseph K. Frear '59 Eng**, Bedford, Pa.—Sept. 1, 2017. | **Lila Lee Gatlin '59 MS Sci**, Newton, Kan.—Sept. 19, 2017. | **Douglas E. Houck '59 Bus**, Los Alamitos, Calif.—June 2, 2017. | **Lewis E. Johnson '59 Lib** (ΦΕΠ), Scottsdale, Ariz.—April 17, 2016. | **Douglas Q. Kirkley '59 H&HD** (ΦΚΨ), Sanford, Mich.—Aug. 10, 2017. Wife: Betty Thompson '60 Edu. | **Paul J. McCool '59 MEd Edu**, Langhorne, Pa.—Aug. 8, 2017. | **Charlotte Stump Price '59 A&A** (ΣΣΣ, Choir), Martinsburg, Pa.—July 25, 2017. | **Edward R. Sims '59 MEd A&A**, Grove City, Pa.—July 28, 2017. | **Joseph A. Sullivan '59 Eng** (ΦΣΚ), Bethlehem, Pa.—Sept. 16, 2017.

1960s

Raymond J. Angelo '60a Eng Behrend, Erie, Pa.—Sept. 4, 2017. | **Maureen Neary Deakin '60 Lib** (Thespians), Atlantic Highlands, N.J.—Sept. 2, 2017. | **Robert G. Faris '60 Sci** (Alum. Fellow, BΘII, Wrestling), Westfield, N.J.—Aug. 21, 2017. | **John F. Gallagher Jr. '60 MA Lib**, Grahamsville, N.Y.—Aug. 25, 2017. Wife: Joann Becker '59 Lib. | **Richard S. Gross '60 Lib** (Track/Cross Country), Atlanta—Sept. 8, 2017. | **Helen Brown Hovis '60 MEd Edu**, Ithaca, N.Y.—July 18, 2017. | **Janet Maclean Inman '60 H&HD** (ZTA,

Froth), Springfield, Va.—Aug. 5, 2017. | **H. Joseph Kester '60 Eng** (ΔΣΦ, AFROTC), Murrells Inlet, S.C.—Aug. 25, 2017. | **John H. Powers III '60 MS H&HD**, Santa Barbara, Calif.—Aug. 27, 2017. | **Thomas F. Quinnan '60a Eng**, Pittston, Pa.—Sept. 3, 2017. Sons: Thomas '83a Eng Worth; Shawn '87 Lib. | **William W. Sandler Jr. '60 MEd Edu** (RA), Key Biscayne, Fla.—Aug. 6, 2017. | **Dee Haus-er Smith '60 A&A** (ΑΞΔ), York, Pa.—Sept. 11, 2017. Sister: Cheryl Petzing '64 H&HD. | **John D. Andrews '61 Com**, Centre Hall, Pa.—April 22, 2017. | **George A. Berris '61 Lib** (ΔΣΦ), Oceanside, Calif.—Oct. 25, 2016. | **Michael W. Cresswell '61 MS, '65 PhD Sci** (ΣΦΕ), Frederick, Md.—Sept. 10, 2017. | **Herbert W. Hoffman '61 Lib, '64 JD Law**, Exton, Pa.—Sept. 10, 2017. | **John P. Krissinger '61 Eng**, Chagrin Falls, Ohio—Aug. 18, 2017. | **Elwood C. Longenecker '61, '65 MS Eng**, Reading, Pa.—July 21, 2017. | **E. Douglas McClain '61 Eng**, Austin, Texas—July 29, 2017. | **James W. Paterson '61 MS Agr**, Bridgeton, N.J.—Sept. 15, 2017. | **Junior A. Pavik '61 EMS**, Lawrenceville, Ga.—Aug. 20, 2017. | **John J. Rhinehart Jr. '61 Eng**, Longmont, Colo.—Aug. 6, 2017. | **Carol McKewen Stinner '61 Edu**, Logan, Utah—Sept. 4, 2017. Husband: William '66 MA, '69 PhD Lib. | **James R. White '61, '66 MS EMS**, Fayetteville, Pa.—Aug. 23, 2017. | **Arlene Rosipal Witmer '61 Lib** (ΑΔΠ), Old Lyme, Conn.—Sept. 24, 2017. Husband: John Jr. '62 Lib. | **Robert R. Beishline '62 PhD Sci**, Ogden, Utah—Sept. 15, 2017. | **Frederick D. Funk '62, '64 MS, '67 PhD Sci**, Cortaro, Ariz.—May 29, 2017. | **Paul E. Haiges Jr. '62a Eng LehVly**, Brackney, Pa.—Sept. 7, 2017. Son: Paul III '89 Com. | **Edward A. Oswalt '62 Bus**, Virginia Beach, Va.—Sept. 8, 2017. Children: Mark '86 Bus; Brian '91 Lib; Mara Stengler '94 H&HD. | **Phyllis L. Pack '62 Com** (ΘΦΑ), Greensburg, Pa.—Aug. 24, 2017. | **Heidi Skudrzyk '62 Lib**, State College—Aug. 15, 2017. | **Charles T. Steiner Jr. '62 Agr**, Ephrata, Pa.—Aug. 29, 2017. | **Earl R. Wolfe '62 Bus** (ΔΤΔ), Camden, Maine—July 16, 2017. | **Frank W. Bergstrom '63 Lib**, Mechanicsburg, Pa.—Aug. 2, 2017. | **Marilyn Sauer Booher '63 H&HD** (ΔΔΔ), Okatie, S.C.—Aug. 5, 2017. | **G. Barry Esslinger '63 A&A** (ΦΚΣ), Ambler, Pa.—Aug. 16, 2017. Wife: Karen Brose '63 H&HD; daughter: Jane Wright '91

H&HD. | **William F. Goodling '63 Edu** (Alum. Fellow), Seven Valleys, Pa.—Sept. 17, 2017. Brother: Richard '50 Agr; son: Todd '85 JD Law. | **Gretchen Cramer Hayes '63 Edu**, Carbondale, Pa.—Aug. 12, 2017. Husband: Thomas '67 H&HD. | **Daniel S. Marchbroda '63 Bus**, Newburyport, Mass.—Sept. 9, 2017. | **Elizabeth Foster Slater '63 A&A** (ΑΔΠ), Manassas, Va.—July 28, 2017. | **Linda Leuthold Ullicki '63 Eng** (Choir), Stratford, Conn.—June 30, 2017. | **James C. Beidleman '64 PhD Sci**, Lexington, Ky.—Aug. 29, 2017. | **Robert J. Eberhart '64 MS, '66 PhD IDF**, Pittsburgh—Aug. 12, 2017. | **Ronald P. Goldstein '64 Bus**, Mill Valley, Calif.—Aug. 2, 2017. | **Richard D. Smetana '64 PhD Sci**, Pinehurst, N.C.—July 31, 2017. | **George F. Wollaston '64 MEd Sci**, Shippensburg, Pa.—Sept. 6, 2017. | **Carol Riggle Eddleman '65 Sci**, Brush Prairie, Wash.—Sept. 16, 2017. | **Michael A. Hryniy '65 Lib**, Port Orchard, Wash.—June 23, 2017. | **Joseph A. Jendrsiak '65 A&A**, Hubbard, Ohio—Aug. 23, 2017. | **Bernard A. McCue '65 MEd Sci**, State College—Sept. 1, 2017. | **John P. Meskow '65 Sci**, Arnold, Md.—Aug. 15, 2017. | **Anthony R. Monaco '65 A&A** (XΦ)—Aug. 29, 2017. | **Shirley Berringer Osborne '65 Edu Behrend**, Butler, Pa.—Sept. 3, 2017. | **James M. Reddinger '65 Bus** (ΔΥ), Birmingham, Ala.—Aug. 29, 2017. Daughter: Paige '05 Lib. | **John Robert Sesak '65 Eng**, Chula Vista, Calif.—Aug. 11, 2017. | **Harriet Savasten Shillinger '65 Sci**, Delray Beach, Fla.—Sept. 2, 2017. | **Allan L. Vandall '65 Eng**, Kiawah Island, S.C.—Aug. 25, 2017. | **Elda Watters Balmer '66 Edu**, New Cumberland, Pa.—July 31, 2017. | **Albert R. Boehm '66, '76 MS EMS**, Huntsville, Ala.—July 26, 2017. | **K. Doyle Dressler '66 Eng**, DuBois, Pa.—Aug. 31, 2017. | **Frances Brunner Keilt '66**, Carefree, Ariz.—Sept. 11, 2017. | **William D. Levine '66 Alt**, Groveland, Fla.—Sept. 14, 2017. | **Frederick G. Trott '66 MEd Sci**, Cape Coral, Fla.—Sept. 11, 2017. | **Lois Wysocki Brant '67 Lib** (Choir), Somerset, Pa.—Aug. 6, 2017. Son: Frederick '95, '96, '96 MS Eng. | **Robert C. Holmes III '67 Lib** (IICA, Lacrosse), Ambler, Pa.—Aug. 30, 2017. Wife: Elizabeth Pack '68 Bus; son: Edward '01 Bus. | **Walter P. Kubany '67 Eng NewKens** (ΦΚΘ, AROTC), Orlando, Fla.—Aug. 2, 2017. | **Jeffery L. Leininger '67 Bus** (ΑΤΩ),



CORRINA MEHIEL 1982–2017

Community Artist

'05 When she was a Penn State art student, Corrina Mehiel noted the forlorn sight of stripped bikes, still locked but abandoned, along Philadelphia streets. So she embarked on a project to make them art, replacing stolen parts with non-functional but fun pieces—colorfully painted particle-board wheels, or a carved wooden seat. Her hope in engaging with the bikes, she said, was to draw attention to the “small issue of theft” and to “suggest that we as a society fix [the bikes] together.”

Mehiel '05 A&A made public art and community engagement her life's work. Along with her own work, she was an assistant to noted artist Mel Chin, helping with national engagements such as the Fundred Dollar Bill Project, consisting of nearly a half-million personalized drawings of \$100 bills, many by children, to raise awareness of public drinking water tainted by lead.

Born in Seattle, Mehiel grew up in central Pennsylvania and once led Danzante, a Harrisburg nonprofit arts association. “She was a balance of force and beauty,” her obituary reads. Mehiel was quick to fight for the rights of the downtrodden. “She had an extraordinary sense of justice,” says Chin.

Mehiel, 34, died in a March 21, 2017, homicide in Washington, D.C. At the time of her death she was getting ready to go to North Carolina for her next project: Community members would stitch together a cut-up American flag at a big table, representing the mending of a divided country. Instead, friends conducted the project in her memory. Mehiel is survived by her father, stepmother, and three siblings. —*Meri-Jo Borzilleri*

Pittsburgh—Sept. 1, 2017. Brothers: Randy '69 Bus; Harold III '72 H&HD; sons: Jeffery '01 Lib; Jason '08 Lib. | **Nicholas Maropis '67 MEng Eng GrtVly**, Kissimmee, Fla.—Aug. 31, 2017. | **Stephen R. Matta '67a Eng Allghy**, Monroe, Ga.—Aug. 11, 2017. | **Doris E. Wetters '67 DEd H&HD**, Ocala, Fla.—Sept. 2, 2017. | **Thomas C. Christein '68 Eng**, Washington—Aug. 2, 2017. | **Allan S. Ferneti '68**

MEd A&A, Margate City, N.J.—Aug. 14, 2017. | **Miles R. Fogel '68a Agr**, Ocala, Fla.—Aug. 14, 2017. | **Judith Grabowski Gaggin '68 Edu**, Sanibel, Fla.—Aug. 26, 2017. Husband: David '68 Eng. | **James T. Hach '68 MS IDF**, Webster, N.Y.—Aug. 5, 2017. | **Richard T. Jenkins '68 Eng**, Fredericksburg, Va.—July 2017. | **George R. Johnston '68 Eng** (TKC, Choir), Orangeburg, S.C.—Aug. 4, 2017. |



WILLIAM WOLFE JR. 1974–2017

Community Friend

'98 Bill Wolfe Jr., among the victims of the deadly mass shooting Oct. 1, 2017, in Las Vegas, was known throughout his Shippensburg, Pa., community. He was an engineer, a coach, an outdoor enthusiast, an avid Nittany Lion football and wrestling fan, and most of all a family man. “He loved spending time with me and our boys,” his wife, **Robyn Wolfe '96a Edu MtAlt**, says. “We were always going camping, and he loved hunting and fishing. He had a big garden and would grow any kind of vegetable—whether we ate it or not.” Wolfe was involved in the community, particularly with young student-athletes, as coach of the Shippensburg Elementary wrestling program for three years and as an assistant coach before that. He coached Little League baseball, starting with his oldest son’s first T-ball team 10 years ago. “He really loved getting to know the kids and bonding with them,” his wife says.

A senior project manager for Dewberry Engineers, Inc., **Wolfe '98 Eng** was the type of person you could call for help in a pinch, says sister-in-law Stephanie Parson: “If you needed help with anything, you could call Bill,” she says. “If you didn’t know how to do it, he was going to figure it out for you.”

Wolfe, 42, and Robyn were in Las Vegas celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary. He is survived by his wife and their two sons, ages 14 and 11. —*Meghan Walbert*

Donald J. Mancine '68a Eng Bvr, Beaver, Pa.—July 22, 2017. | **James J. Spangler '68 Bus**, Washington—Oct. 11, 2016. | **Robert K. Taylor '68 Hbg**, Montoursville, Pa.—July 25, 2017. | **Laurence C. Tomak '68 Edu**, Ithaca, N.Y.—Sept. 13, 2017. | **James R. Aultman '69 Eng**, Windsor Mill, Md.—Aug. 19, 2017. | **Gregory V. Fulginiti '69a Bus Brandy**, Orlando, Fla.—July 28, 2017. | **Christie Young Gartman '69 Edu** (AOII), Bonita Springs, Fla.—Aug. 21, 2017. Husband: John '69 EMS; sister: Bonnie '83 Nur. | **David L. Mathias '69 MS Sci**, Emmaus, Pa.—Aug. 4, 2017. Wife:

Jeanne Hawk '70 Med H&HD.

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Patricia Roberts Cowser '70 Edu Fayt, Uniontown, Pa.—Aug. 2, 2017. | **Joseph M. Delsordi Jr. '70 MPA Lib**, Phoenix—Aug. 24, 2017. | **Robert P. Friederichsen '70 MFA A&A**, Buffalo, Minn.—Aug. 22, 2017. | **Larry W. Groff '70 Sci** (AROTC, Blue Band), Willow Street, Pa.—Aug. 16, 2017. | **Benjamin D. Guise '70 Bus** (ΦΜΔ, AROTC), Midlothian, Va.—Aug. 9, 2017. | **Elizabeth**

Roethlein Kilgour '70 Edu, Denver—Aug. 16, 2017. | **Patrick D. McDonald '70 PhD Sci**, Holliston, Mass.—Aug. 9, 2017. Wife: Kathryn McKenna '67 MS Sci. | **Marian Yoder Payne '70 Edu**, Richmond, Va.—Aug. 6, 2017. Husband: James '69 MEd, '70 DEd Edu; children: Barbara Swan '79 Sci; James '81 EMS; Wanita Hlavaty '82 Eng; Beth '85 Edu. | **David E. Ripple '70 PhD Sci**, Lititz, Pa.—Aug. 27, 2017. Wife: Maurine Strayer '69 Lib. | **Julianne Iacurto Seidel '70a H&HD Alt**, Altoona, Pa.—Aug. 2, 2017. Husband: Steven '71a Eng Alt; daughter: Erin '96 Nur. | **Joseph F. Sutara '70a Eng NewKens**, Sarver, Pa.—Aug. 18, 2017. | **Donald S. Beaner '71 Hbg**, West Chester, Pa.—March 17, 2017. Son: Patrick '06 Bus. | **James A. Callahan '71 Bus**, Osceola Mills, Pa.—Aug. 12, 2017. | **William A. Hickman '71 A&A** (ΦΔΘ), Santa Fe, N.M.—Aug. 6, 2017. | **John J. Hirschbuhl '71 PhD Edu**, Moorestown, N.J.—Sept. 20, 2017. Daughter: Jacqueline Miceli '83 Edu. | **John J. Kidda '71a Eng HazIt**, Allentown, Pa.—Sept. 1, 2017. | **Linda L. McPherson '71 Lib**, New Park, Pa.—Aug. 1, 2017. | **Blaine K. Myers '71a EMS Fayt** (Choir), Fairmont, W.Va.—Sept. 24, 2017. | **Merle S. Uskievich '71 Med Edu**, Derwood, Md.—Aug. 2, 2017. | **Deno S. Yenias '71 H&HD** (ΔΧΑ), Nottingham, Md.—March 24, 2016. | **Richard R. Botteicher '72, '76 Med Edu**, Hollidaysburg, Pa.—July 31, 2017. | **Richard J. Dudash '72a Bus Bvr**, Seal Beach, Calif.—Aug. 14, 2017. | **George R. Faulkner '72 Agr**, Port Charlotte, Fla.—Aug. 29, 2017. | **Charles A. Fitzgerald '72 Lib**, Tyrone, Pa.—July 7, 2017. Brothers: Michael '74, '78 Med Edu; Richard '82 H&HD. | **Robert V. Mayer '72 Bus**, Harveys Lake, Pa.—August 2017. | **Donald N. McComb '72 H&HD, '90 MPA Lib GrtVly**, King Of Prussia, Pa.—Sept. 9, 2017. | **Joel S. Schwartz '72 Sci**, Bensalem, Pa.—Aug. 12, 2017. | **E.J. Sobeck '72 Bus**, Ramsey, N.J.—May 23, 2017. Daughter: Regina Hark '00 Bus. | **Robert W. Stout '72 MS Eng**, Colorado Springs, Colo.—Aug. 4, 2017. | **Thomas W. Uhrich '72 Bus** (ΚΣ), Charlotte, N.C.—Aug. 21, 2017. | **Thomas Aldous '73r Hershey**, Palmyra, Pa.—Sept. 2, 2017. | **Larry E. Anthony '73 Bus**, Boalsburg, Pa.—Aug. 30, 2017. Wife: Joyce Balo '73 Edu. | **David M. Barnas '73 Nur**, Natrona Heights, Pa.—Aug. 4, 2017. | **Wayne L. Dickinson '73**

Edu (ΒΘΙ), Palm Harbor, Fla.—Aug. 24, 2017. | **Robert J. Fritch '73 H&HD**, San Antonio—Aug. 31, 2017. | **Ronald Hand '73 A&A**, Centre Hall, Pa.—Aug. 29, 2017. Wife: Judith Gates '71 H&HD, '97 MA Hbg. | **William A. McNelis Jr. '73 Bus**, Santa Cruz, Calif.—Oct. 15, 2016. | **Frederick E. Motto Jr. '73 Lib**, Melbourne, Fla.—Aug. 13, 2017. | **Joel B. Antley '74 MEng Eng GrtVly**, Scottsdale, Ariz.—Aug. 11, 2017. Sons: Brian '86 Eng; Joseph '94 Lib Brandy. | **Richard A. Baltimore '74 H&HD**, Green Valley, Ariz.—Aug. 25, 2017. | **James L. Dickey '74 MBA Bus**, Dover, Pa.—Aug. 20, 2017. | **Mark S. Lewis '74 Edu**, Carlisle, Pa.—Aug. 18, 2017. | **John T. Murphy Jr. '74 Hbg**, Temperance, Mich.—July 30, 2017. | **Michael E. Nonnemacher '74 Hbg**, Jim Thorpe, Pa.—Aug. 29, 2017. | **Emmett Paige Jr. '74 MPA Hbg** (Dist. Alum., Alum. Fellow, AROTC), Fort Washington, Md.—Aug. 31, 2017. | **Jeffrey R. Repp '74 Eng**, Export, Pa.—Aug. 31, 2017. Sister: Claudia Surkosky '87 Eng. | **Leigh S. Shaffer '74 PhD Lib**, Columbia, Mo.—Aug. 5, 2017. | **Charles Shamro '74 Lib**, Princeton, W.Va.—July 29, 2017. | **Judith Miller Smith '74 Sci, '77 MS Agr**, Manheim, Pa.—Aug. 10, 2017. Husband: Richard '75 Agr. | **Sherman A. Timmins '74 PhD Bus** (ΔΧ), Maumee, Ohio—Aug. 11, 2017. | **Kenneth J. Carrell '75a Eng Bvr**, New Lenox, Ill.—Aug. 19, 2017. | **Michael Halama '75a Eng Bvr**, Monaca, Pa.—July 30, 2017. | **Johanna Lucas Harpster '75 Med Edu**, Chester, Vt.—Aug. 21, 2017. Husband: Donald '66, '69 MA, '76 PhD Lib. | **Barry K. Houtz '75 Bus**, Colorado Springs, Colo.—Aug. 29, 2017. | **David M. McCloskey '75 Edu**, Hillsboro, Ohio—July 26, 2017. | **Roberta Butler Muck '75 Nur**, Raleigh, N.C.—Feb. 6, 2017. Husband: William Jr. '76 Eng; son: Brian '00 Bus. | **Michael J. Oslac '75 PhD IDF**, Westlake Village, Calif.—Aug. 26, 2017. | **Terry M. Smith '75a Sci Bvr**, Camp Hill, Pa.—July 3, 2017. | **Andrew F. Kapalko '76 H&HD**, Port Orange, Fla.—Sept. 1, 2017. | **Robert E. Keffer '76 Bus**, Morrisville, Pa.—Sept. 1, 2017. Wife: Terry Walters '77 Bus. | **Charles F. Mulligan '76 Hbg**, Pittston, Pa.—Sept. 12, 2017. | **Robert P. Panco '76 Bus**, East Petersburg, Pa.—Aug. 16, 2017. | **David M. Waller '76, '85 MS Sci**, Pittsburgh—Aug. 11, 2017. | **Kenneth W. Millick '77 Sci**, Ravenna, Ohio—Aug. 11, 2017. | **Marcia Kerstetter Rice '77 MS Nur**, Wellesley Hills, Mass.—July 23,

2017. Daughter: Kimberly '94 MMgt IDF GrtVly. | **Joseph C. Rothberg '77 MEng Eng GrtVly**, Norristown, Pa.—Aug. 5, 2017. | **Donald A. Shade '77a Eng Alt**, Hollidaysburg, Pa.—Sept. 8, 2017. | **E. Thomas Valerio '77 Hbg**, Middletown, Pa.—Sept. 3, 2017. | **Richard C. Cronce '78 MS, '88 PhD Agr**, Bainbridge, Pa.—Dec. 21, 2016. | **Robert W. Deer '78 Lib**, Pittsburgh—Sept. 4, 2017. Son: Benjamin '13 Bus. | **Dominic Desteuens '78 Bus**, York, Pa.—July 30, 2017. Sister: Ann Wolfe '82 H&HD; son: Patric '15 Hbg. | **Stephen A. DiBiase '78 PhD Sci**, River Forest, Ill.—June 27, 2017. | **Lucretia Lamb Dilling '78 Edu**, Martinsburg, Pa.—Sept. 2, 2017. | **John M. Hemphill '78 MAdm Hbg**, Lancaster, Pa.—Sept. 19, 2017. | **Richard W. Neyhard '78a Com WB**, Nanticoke, Pa.—July 28, 2017. | **Michael D. O'Leary '78 Behrend**, Erie, Pa.—Sept. 13, 2017. | **Raymond J. Barry III '79 H&HD**, Lebanon, Pa.—July 31, 2017. Son: Scott '98 Bus. | **John A. Biever '79 MD, '84r Hershey**, Annville, Pa.—Sept. 12, 2017. Son: John '95 Sci. | **Patrick F. Branagan '79 Lib** (IIKΦ), Hornerstown, Pa.—Sept. 17, 2017. | **Ronald L. Collins '79 Lib**, Clearfield, Pa.—Aug. 18, 2017. | **Diane Malone Farrow '79 Nur**, Lewes, Del.—Aug. 4, 2017. | **Thomas E. Grabowski '79 Agr**, Trafford, Pa.—Aug. 15, 2017. | **Francis N. McKee '79 Eng** (ΔΣΦ), Gibbstown, N.J.—Sept. 16, 2017. Son: Benjamin '13 Lib. | **Janice S. Morgan '79 EMS**, Tampa, Fla.—Aug. 25, 2017. | **Ellsworth R. Spencer '79 Agr**, Venetia, Pa.—Aug. 22, 2017. Brother: Coe '76 Bus. | **Richard A. Stanko '79 JD Law**, Wallingford, Pa.—Aug. 4, 2017.

1980s

Joseph Latin '80a Lib NewKens, Stahlstown, Pa.—Aug. 7, 2017. | **Paul M. Mills '80 Med Edu**, Howard, Pa.—Sept. 15, 2017. | **Frank H. Torok '80 Lib** (TKE, Football), Louisburg, Kan.—July 10, 2017. | **Josefina Bigalli '81 Hbg**, Hershey, Pa.—Aug. 12, 2017. Daughter: Maria Withum '83 Bus. | **Jack R. Herbst '81**, Nazareth, Pa.—Aug. 12, 2017. | **Peter B. Mueller '81 Lib** (AROTC), State College—June 13, 2017. Siblings: James '72 Edu, Jo '72 Lib, Paul '74, '88, MFA Lib, Sarah '81 Lib, Hugh '84 Lib. | **William J. Palfey Jr. '81 Eng, '91 MS EMS** (AROTC), Fairfax, Va.—

Aug. 27, 2017. Siblings: Bruce '85 Sci; Jacqueline Capanelli '87 Bus; Jeffrey '88 Eng. | **Pamela Swank Dinner '82 Lib**, Mechanicsburg, Pa.—Aug. 10, 2017. Husband: Scott '79 Bus. | **Joan E. Gregory '82 A&A**, Kensington, Md.—June 29, 2017. | **Robert P. Kara '83a Eng Fayt**, Madison, Ohio—Aug. 27, 2017. | **Lori Grippo McCarthy '82a Bus Worth**, Scranton, Pa.—July 31, 2017. | **Mitzi Veisz Westover '82a Eng Alt**, Harrisburg, Pa.—Aug. 21, 2017. | **Alice D. Duvall '83 Hbg**, Carlisle, Pa.—Aug. 14, 2017. | **Edward A. Lesko Jr. '84 Agr**, Collingswood, N.J.—July 31, 2017. | **Vincent P. McGinn '84 MS Sci, '85 PhD Eng**, Dekalb, Ill.—Aug. 15, 2017. Wife: Mary Sue '82 Lib, '82, '83 MS Edu; daughter: Julianne '12 Sci. | **Julie F. McKain '84 JD Law**, Carlisle, Pa.—Aug. 31, 2017. | **Lisa Potts Scoggins '84 Eng**, Universal City, Texas—Aug. 26, 2017. | **Dawn L. Carlucci '85 Lib**, Exton, Pa.—Aug. 20, 2017. | **Alfred M. Hardesty '85 MA Lib**, Saxtons River, Vt.—Aug. 19, 2017. | **Raymond E. Babineau Jr. '86 Eng**, Fredericksburg, Va.—July 30, 2017. | **Michael S. Blumenthal '86 Lib**, State College—Aug. 12, 2017. Wife: Wendy Yeisley '93 Com; siblings: Sheryl Hannafin '81 Edu; Stephen '83 Bus. | **David C. Falvo '86, '89 MEd Sci**, Girard, Pa.—Sept. 1, 2017. | **James A. McAvoy '86a Eng Shen**, Titusville, Pa.—Sept. 7, 2017. Wife: Helen Hutchinson '86a Lib Shen. | **Gary A. Michak '86 MBA Bus**, Harveys Lake, Pa.—Sept. 20, 2017. | **Jane Tarbox Auhl '87 MA Lib**, State College—Sept. 9, 2017. Husband: Richard '88, '04 MEng Eng; children: Miranda '17 Edu/Sci; Nicole '14 Edu; Jonathan '14 Lib. | **Bonnie Heebner Wagner '87 Lib**, State College—Oct. 17, 2016. | **Michael J. Bray '88 MBA Bus**, South Windsor, Conn.—Aug. 31, 2017. Wife: Pearl Ueno '88 MBA Bus. | **David M. Esposito '88 PhD Lib**, State College—Aug. 8, 2017. | **Scott W. Seifried '88 Bus**, Moorestown, N.J.—Aug. 12, 2017. | **Daniel J. Bernard '89 Edu**, Pittsburgh—Sept. 2, 2017. | **Charles E. Eyler '89 DEd Edu**, Johnson, Vt.—Aug. 10, 2017. Wife: Patricia Bomberger '72 MS Hbg. | **Donna L. Norbury '89 MBA Bus**, Cape May Court House, N.J.—July 31, 2017. | **John D. Pirillo '89 Behrend**, Warren, Pa.—Aug. 3, 2017. | **Rolf A. Rosenberry '89 Lib**, Roxbury, Pa.—Aug. 5, 2017. | **Michael T. Young '89 Lib**, Plano, Texas—Nov. 30, 2016.



HAROLD MARCUS 1927-2017

Engineer and Entrepreneur

'49 Hal Marcus came to Penn State at the age of 16, and became the first in his family to graduate from college. He spent his career in industrial engineering and real estate development, but never forgot his early experiences: "When he was able to give back to the community," says his wife, Inge, "he wanted to give scholarships to other strug-

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Marcus '49 Eng and his wife gave back to Penn State—a \$10 million gift in 2010 established an endowment to foster interdisciplinary research spanning engineering, medicine, and science. The industrial engineering department was renamed in their honor in 1998. In 2003, they gave \$5 million to create the Harold and Inge Marcus Dean's Chair in Engineering, and were named Penn State's Philanthropists of the Year. "Hal was a proud alumnus who was committed to making sure future generations of engineers were afforded the resources they need to succeed," says Janis Terpenney, who is the Peter and Angela Dal Pezzo Chair and head of the Marcus Department.

Marcus (AEII) died March 18, 2017, in Olympia, Wash., at the age of 89. He is survived by Inge and their son, Matthew. —Anna Andersen

1990s

Frances H. Curtin '90 Hbg, Lebanon, Pa.—Aug. 5, 2017. | **Thomas J. Santarelli '90 Behrend**, Linesville, Pa.—Aug. 4, 2017. | **Sally Barnes Sauserman '90a H&HD MtAlt**, Chambersburg, Pa.—Aug. 6, 2017. | **Suzanne Bellan '93 MMgt IDF GrtVly**, Trenton, N.J.—Aug. 28, 2017. | **Thomas E. Janis '95a Sci NewKens**, New Castle, Pa.—Aug. 27, 2017. | **Ronald A. Keir '95 Com**, Grapevine, Texas—Aug. 15, 2017. | **Eric E. Schultz '95 Eng, '11 MBA IDF WC**, Henderson, Nev.—Sept. 5, 2017. | **Matthew J. Miller '97 Eng**, Encinitas, Calif.—April 18, 2017. | **Beth A. Roberts '97a H&HD Shen**, New Castle, Pa.—Sept. 4, 2017. | **Charles R. Andrews '98 MEng Eng GrtVly**, Garnet Valley, Pa.—Aug. 23, 2017. | **H. Scott Poole '98 JD Law**, Lancaster, Pa.—Aug. 15, 2017. | **Anthony N. Cox '99 Lib**, Collegeville, Pa.—Aug. 1, 2017. Mother: Karen '93a Bus WB.

2000s

Ryan D. Force '00 Bus (BΘII, Wrestling), Franklin Lakes, N.J.—Aug. 30, 2017. Brother:

Shane '96 Bus. | **Christine C. Bard '01 PhD Edu**, Chicago—Aug. 20, 2017. | **Mary B. Bianco '02 PhD Edu**, Easton, Pa.—Aug. 18, 2017. Daughter: Andriana '11 Eng. | **Andrew P. Good '02 Eng Alt**, Altoona, Pa.—Aug. 7, 2017. | **Dennis P. Leyman '02 MEd Edu**, Boswell, Pa.—Sept. 1, 2017. | **Beverly Singley Slater '02a Schuyl**, Pottsville, Pa.—Aug. 16, 2017. | **Melissa Donnelly Kohler '04 Behrend**, Pittsburgh—Sept. 4, 2017. | **Austin A. Ayers '05 Lib**, Allentown, Pa.—Sept. 1, 2017. | **Julie M. McWilliams '05 Behrend**, Danville, Pa.—Feb. 24, 2017. | **Daniel R. Kalbach '07 A&A**, Mechanicsburg, Pa.—Aug. 21, 2017.

2010s

Andrew J. Knapp '10 Behrend, Irwin, Pa.—Sept. 9, 2017. | **Kyle Lauser '10 Brandy**, Boothwyn, Pa.—Sept. 7, 2017. | **Homer L. Lane '11 MPA Hbg**, Philadelphia—Aug. 19, 2017. | **David L. Fugate '14 MSE GrtVly WC**, Los Gatos, Calif.—July 14, 2017. | **James H. Lillo '14 Lib**, Kintnersville, Pa.—Nov. 28, 2016. | **David Cuatlacuatl Teles '15 MFA A&A**, Plymouth, Ind.—Sept. 2, 2017. |

Michael McNamara '15 Eng, Allentown, Pa.—Sept. 8, 2017. Father: Jon '88 Sci. | **Jarrett R. Ruchka '15 Sci**, West Mifflin, Pa.—Sept. 1, 2017.

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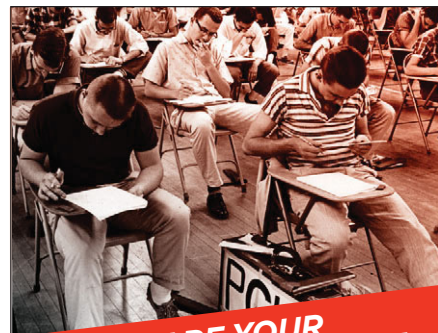
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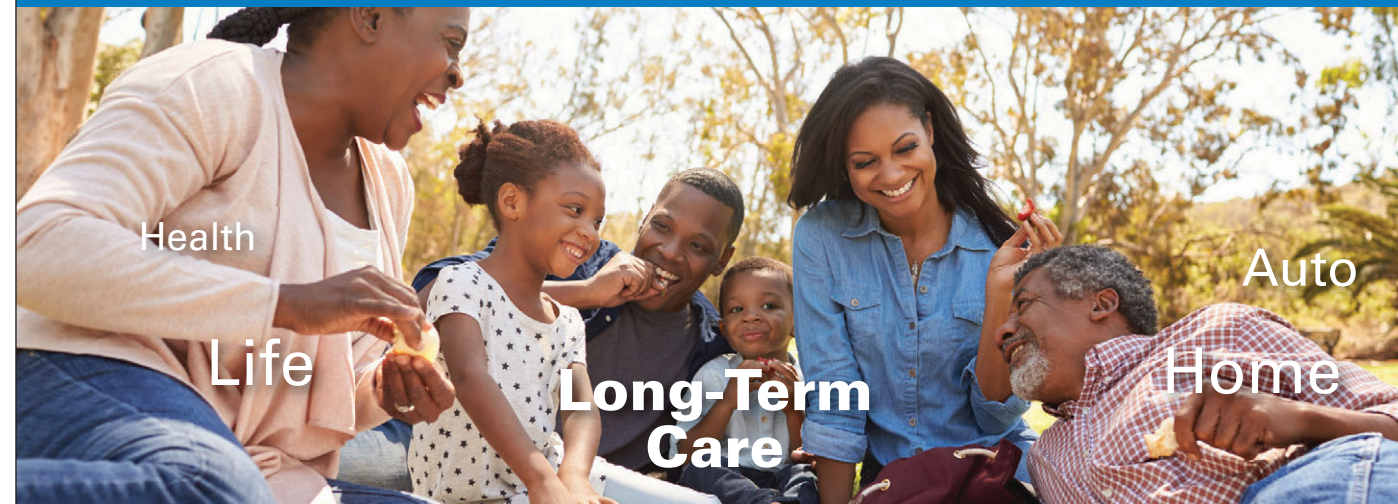
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Walking Back the Years

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By Robyn Passante '95 Com

➔ **A WEIRD THING HAPPENS** when alumni return to University Park.

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That's the best way I can describe the euphoric *I feel like I'm walking to class at the Forum* nostalgia that mingles so awkwardly with the *Whoa that building over there used to be a parking lot!* reality check that all aging alums experience. Time races on at Penn State, despite it standing blissfully still in our minds—a cold, hard fact that became embarrassingly apparent to me when my friend **Chris Guarino '94 Bus** and I tried to show his 17-year-old son (and prospective Penn Stater), Tyler, the campus we graduated from more than two decades ago.

Inevitably, such a tour leans heavily on one phrase in particular – “used to be.” Among the “wisdom” we offered Tyler:

While gazing bewilderedly around the HUB basement: “Is this where Fast Break used to be?”

Walking up Shortlidge Mall: “This used to be a road you could drive straight through campus.”

Passing the Joab L. Thomas Building: “That used to be called COB. It stood for Classroom/Office Building, 'cause they didn't give it a real name at first, and we had to call it something.”

Entering the newly renovated IM Building: “Wow, this used to be about half the size!”

Marveling at Pegula Ice Arena: “Hockey used to be a club sport here, and they played in a tiny rink that used to be down that hill.”

Wandering through East Halls: “There's McKean; that used to be my dorm. Huh, looks like they're gutting it.”

Standing in line at Berkey Creamery: “This used to be a big parking lot. They called it The Tundra in the wintertime; it was so windy it felt like it took forever to walk across.”

Poor Tyler. He had quietly objected to the very idea of our

tour on the grounds that they were already signed up for an official campus tour the following morning, followed by a tour at Penn State Hershey a day later. “My tour will be better,” his dad had assured the would-be nursing student. “The Chris Guarino Tour will show you everything you won't see on the other tour.”

He wasn't wrong, either. We did show Tyler everything he wouldn't have seen on the other tour. It's just that only we could still see it.

No matter, though. The allure of campus and that infectious buzz of Penn State pride took hold of Tyler as expected. On their flight back home to North Carolina, Chris texted me: *Tyler LOVES everything about Penn State. If he gets accepted he will go.*

So the other tours went well? I asked.

Yes, all tours were great. But not as great as ours.

Indeed. The Lion Ambassadors might impress with their fact-giving, backward-walking group talks, but we proved that we, too, can effortlessly walk backward through campus. All the way back to 1991.

Tyler might not agree. But he'll understand one day, when he's a Usetabee like us.

Robyn Passante is a writer based in State College.



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