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The AU Honors Program



A look back, and a glimpse into its future



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE Alumni Association

By Michael N. Christakis, Ph.D. '99

And with the changing seasons comes the selection of this year's Alumni Association award



recipients. I am pleased to announce that the recipients of the Association's 2008 awards are: J. Robert Lunney '50 and Peggy Wozniak '72, Alumni Award for Distinguished Achievement; Enid Borden '72, Alumni Award for Distinguished Service; Teri Knopf Pullara '88, Abigail Allen Award for Service to Women; Richard Widdicombe '63, Lillian T. Nevins Award for Lifetime Service; Dr. Wes Bentz and Martha Widdicombe, Honorary Alumnus/a Recognition Award. (For more details, go to www.alfred.edu/pressreleases/viewrelease.cfm?ID=4690)

My thanks to Don Boulton '52 for his leadership throughout the nomination and selection process. As

has become tradition, this year's recipients will be recognized as part of Saturday's Alumni Association Awards Luncheon during Reunion Weekend.

Prior to the start of the Association's Awards Luncheon, all alumni and friends of Alfred University are invited to join us for the Alumni Association's annual meeting on Saturday, June 14, 2008 at 10 a.m. in Nevins Theater, where I will update the Association on our progress to date. At 10:45 a.m., as has also become tradition, University President Charley Edmondson has been invited to offer an update on the good work of our alma mater. Please plan on joining us for both the Association's meeting and President Edmondson's welcome.

With Reunion soon upon us, Michelle DeRitter '74 has graciously agreed to serve as Council's Reunion chair/coordinator and has been working tirelessly on our first-ever Alumni Association Wine Tasting. This special "New York State Wines" tasting will begin at 2 p.m. on Saturday afternoon of Reunion Weekend.

Finally, the Alumni Council has elected Warren Smith '59 to the

University's Board of Trustees as an alumni-elected trustee, effective at the Board's fall 2008 meeting. Warren replaces Fred George '75 who has ably served for the past three years and who has now been elected as a regular trustee. Our heartfelt thanks to Fred for representing us with distinction and our best wishes to Warren as he begins his tenure this fall.

I hope to see you all in "sunny" Alfred for Reunion Weekend!

Fiat Lux!

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Cover photo: The Alfred University Honors Program is known for offering a variety of interesting seminars. These include: Extinctions, Evolution & the Environment; A Question of Dreams; Films of Stanley Kubrick; Dissing and Defending Disney; The Art of French Cuisine; Editorial Cartoons; Classic American Films; The Human Genome Project; Godel, Escher & Bach; Zen and the Art of Chess; and The Evolution of the Blues. A few of these are displayed in our cover's "crystal ball."

Top photo: The Honors Program year-end dinner was an opportunity for all current members to say farewell to Dr. Paul Strong (center) after two decades of leadership.

Strong era ends in Alfred University's Honors Program

...And the honors kept coming. Honors students, that is. That's why Dr. Paul Strong, who will leave as director of the Honors Program at Alfred University, as well as vacate his desk in the English and Humanities Department this spring by way of retirement, kept coming too. Back each year for more than two decades as honors director. Back for the students.

At right: Paul Strong and Gordon Atlas

BY DEBBIE CLARK



The living room of the Honors House is the place for lively discussions. With Paul Strong are, from left, Kristen Kovatch '10 and Lyndsey Morris '10.

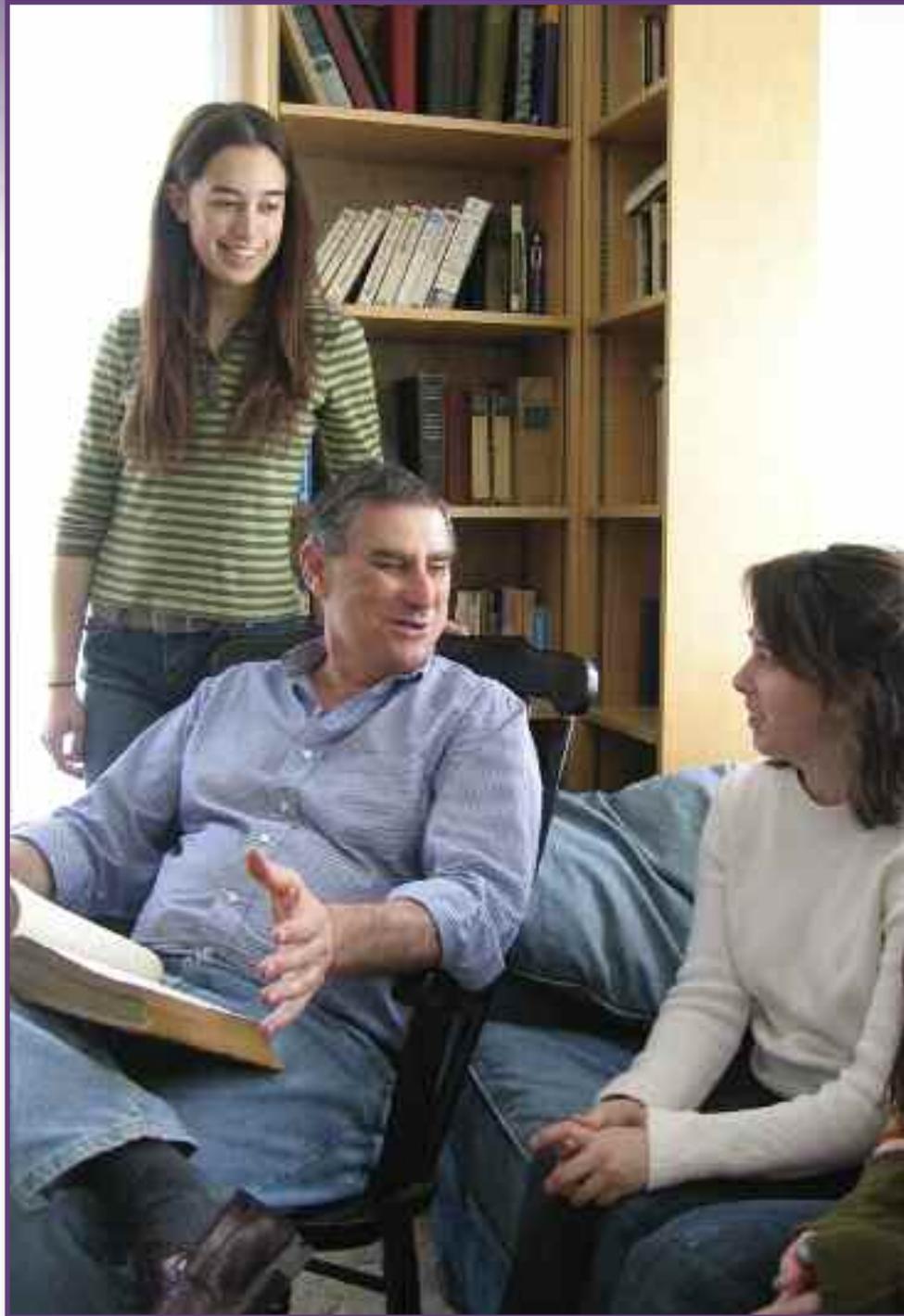
“I’m sad” to leave it, he said reminiscing. “I’ve met a lot of students, especially from the College of Ceramics whom I never would have met. I’ve made a lot of friends,” many of whom have kept in touch and even visited over the years with he and his wife, Susan, in Alfred, and at their summer/retirement home in Boothbay Harbor, ME.

In his final edition of the Honors newsletter “Sublunary Life,” Strong says “I’ve had over 20 years at HD (Honors director), and, thankfully, the freedom to make our Honors Program ‘as good’ as I possibly could. My life with you has been beyond beyond. It’s been a great run; now it’s time for someone else.” (That someone else is Dr. Gordon Atlas, see related story page 7.)

After more than two decades charting the course for the Honors Program, Strong believes it is “now incorporated into AU academics,” noting that “our program is radically different” from those offered at other institutions. With the many majors on campus, the Honors committee originally charged with setting up the program had to find a way for students, with their varying course requirements in the many majors they represented, to participate.

Initially Dr. Larry Greil, professor of sociology, headed up the program, begun in the early 1980s after faculty found “good students were leaving the University, often feeling isolated, out of

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– Paul Strong

Honors courses, ranging from music to film, and literature to also have to represent



The design for the pewter medallion was done by AU BFA Honors grad Felix Eddy '02. She also carved the wooden walrus outside the Honors House.

Naming the seal of the honors program "Siggy" was the idea of Caroline Mossip, the mother of deceased Honors student Diana Mossip '96.



So, just what is the deal with the walrus?

It was decided at some point that the Honors Program, like many other academic programs and institutions, needed an unofficial seal. In keeping with the slightly off-beat and punny sense of humor that can be found within the Program, the ultimate choice was, well, not quite a seal, but close. So, from that point on, a walrus began serving as the "seal" for the Honors Program. It's found in their newsletter, in brochures, and the medallion (above) that is bestowed upon each Honors Program student.

Then it was determined that the "seal" needed a name. Well, what better choice than "Siggy," a derivative of "sigillum," which is Latin for "seal" and also happens to appear on AU's Fiat Lux symbol.

The Honors House, located on Park Street, has a carved walrus plaque hanging outside its front door (which is visible behind the students and to the left in the photo on page 6). Also, within the Honors House there are lots of walrus beanie babies and other stuffed animals to be found on bookcases and tables.

“anything intellectual, interesting,” “serious play.”

Prospective candidates must apply, via an essay and academic recommendations, which are then perused by the director and an honors committee. Admitted students in the top 10 percent of their high school classes are invited to apply.

Honors students are bound to take at least one course each of the first two semesters and a total of four before they graduate. They must also write a senior thesis. Those projects have ranged from writing a piece for a jazz band or categorizing the letters of Virginia Wolfe found in the Openhym Collection, to creating art work or recreating a grandmother’s treasured recipes in a published book. The thesis projects generally “come close to a student’s heart. I

find that most moving,” said Strong.

New Honors participants are paired with a Big Brother or Big Sister to introduce them to the program and to the campus. “There have been eight marriages of Honors student to Honors student,” said Strong, but not among “Brother” or “Sister.” “That would be incest,” he quipped.

Strong says one measure of success is that many students keep taking Honors courses, even after they have taken the minimum required. This spring, sign-ups for fall 2008 seminars drew 45 students within the first hour-and-a-half. By noon, nearly all of the seven seminars were filled; there is a limit of 15 students per course. “And one came in clad in pajamas” to make

sure of making the class, said Strong.

Faculty are attracted as well, finding the opportunity to teach an Honors seminar opens new realms for them, often allowing them to teach about a favorite avocation, something quite removed from their traditional classroom teaching.

Some of the more avant-garde have captured recognition in *The New York Times*. In recent years, the Times has written about some of the more unique offerings such as Dr. Emrys Westacott’s “Tightwaddery,” Dr. Robert Myers’ “Nip, Tuck, Perm, Pierce, Tatoo: Advances in the Embodied Culture,” and Dr. Linda Mitchell’s “Western Civilization in Python (as in Monty) Perspective.”

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Honors Program students have fun with Dr. Strong and their collection of “seals.” From left are McKenzie Clemens ’10, Kristen Kovatch ’10, Alison Siegel ’09, Jessie Baldwin ’10, Benjamin Esham ’10, and Jen Helmer ’08.

Honors has also made a difference, after AU, for many of the students who have participated in the multitude of seminars over the years. Several graduates shared their memories.

Mike Pellicciotti '00 writes: "What is most memorable to me is how Dr. Strong went to New York to sit in on the Fulbright Scholarship selection committee process during my senior year ... The process is open to the public, and he went to observe it.

"There were two Alfred student applicants being considered. We both ended up being selected. However, I would not have been in if not for Dr. Strong's math skills. Apparently, the committee was calculating the applicant scores, and had undercounted my score. Accordingly, it put me under the selection mark. Of course, at the first break, Dr. Strong brought this mistake to the attention of the committee, which then accurately calculated my score, which resulted in my scholarship.

"This not only represents Dr. Strong's math skills, and attention to detail, but more importantly shows the level of commitment he has to the students at Alfred and their success. If not for this dedication to student growth and development, I would not have been presented this great life experience. Not to mention that I probably would not have applied



Gathered on the steps of the Honors House are from left to right: front row – Alison Siegel '09, Lyndsey Morris '10, Jen Helmer '08; second row – Jessie Baldwin '10, McKenzie Clemens '10, Kari Aldrich '10; third row – Kristen Kovatch '10, Paul Strong, and Benjamin Esham '10.

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Melissa Hirshson '91

similar; we look at life the same way, we feel deeply about the same things ...

"He was by far my favorite professor at Alfred, no question about it, even surpassing those in my own history department, which had been my major." Perhaps she sums it up best for many who have graduated with the Honors recognition over the years. Melissa says

"No other professor has ever had, for me, such talent, perception, wit, love, and a zest for life and teaching."

Michaela Cavallaro '94 remarks on a modern fiction seminar conducted at the Honors House. "... I vividly remember our seminar spreading out on the couches and the floor,

talking about literature and petting 'Salty' (the Honors Program dog at the time). It was exactly what I'd hoped college would be – something outside a traditional classroom, but full of thought-provoking discussion, intriguing people, and a nice warm pooch to cuddle."

without his initial support and encouragement in the first place."

Melissa Hirshson '91 writes: "I was in the first group of students who lived in the Honors House in 1990-91, and Paul and I developed a friendship that continues to this day; we constantly send each other funny e-mails and jokes, and when I drove through Alfred about eight months ago, we had a very nice lunch.

"We also bonded because, I think, our personalities are very

Starting this fall, it's on Atlas's shoulders

Atlas – Dr. Gordon Atlas, that is – is about to take a big weight onto his shoulders. This fall, Atlas, professor of psychology, will take over as director of the Honors Program at Alfred University, assuming the load that has been securely on Dr. Paul Strong's shoulders for more than two decades. Atlas feels up to the task. In fact, he's been contemplating this possibility for a while now.

A member of the faculty since 1989, Atlas has been affiliated with the Honors Program for quite a while, teaching more than 10 seminars on a variety of topics, many involving comedy and humor. "It's a 'hobby' for me; I like to keep it fun."

Not long into his tenure, Atlas began to think he might like to try Strong's role one day.

"I always enjoyed the students. That's my primary focus," he said, adding, "When you walk into an Honors seminar you are generally overwhelmed by the interest and capacity of the students."

When Atlas heard Strong was retiring this spring, he immediately let him know he'd be interested in taking over. But it wasn't entirely Strong's decision to make; Atlas had to go through an application/interview process with Provost Dr. Suzanne Buckley and a committee.

Although he inherits a very successful program, Atlas does have some thoughts about making a few changes once he gets acclimated.

"I'd like to boost the numbers, which have dwindled a bit," he said. An average of 25 students enter the program each fall. In the past there have been as many as 150 and he thinks there is an opportunity to add to the ranks by attracting qualified students after they have already been on campus a year or so.

Students are invited to apply for the program based on their SAT scores, the difficulty of their high school curriculum and the grades in those courses, a required essay detailing why they should be admitted to the program, and high school recommendations. The most important are their grades and how challenging their courses were, said Atlas.

"I would like to encourage more applications from currently enrolled students. Faculty advisers should be encouraged to inspire such applications from their better students. Some of our absolute best current students are not in the Honors Program," he maintained.

A case in point, said Atlas, is Melissa Them, a member of the class of 2000 who had the highest grade point average in the School of Liberal Arts & Sciences, and who now is assistant director of counseling at Union College, Schenectady, NY. Atlas had Melissa in class as a psychology student. He and Melissa have just published a paper together in the Feb. 16 2008 edition of "Current Psychology" – "Narcissism and Sensitivity to Criticism: A Preliminary Investigation." Them was not a participant in the Honors Program, said Atlas, adding that she should have been.

"Another idea that I would like to consider is a mentoring program in which senior Honors students serve as 'fellows' for first-year Honors students," said Atlas, noting they could provide more leadership and guidance to the newcomers.

Atlas would also seek more national recognition of the program.

"We have former Honors students who have been extremely successful in private and public enterprises; we should use this for more national attention. Also, the diversity of our Honors seminars could be fruit for greater attention on a more global scale," he added.

For the students, Atlas believes they would benefit from more involvement when writing their senior thesis. "I believe students could benefit from comparing and discussing their research projects. To

this end, I would like to see the Honors students present their theses in a group setting where all Honors student would be in attendance.

"I'd like to go on record with how much I appreciate what Paul Strong has done for this program," said Atlas. "There are large shoes to fill. The spirit, humor, and innovation he brought to the program will be hard to replace. I'm the apprentice," he added.



Paul Strong and Gordon Atlas

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Gordon Atlas

AU's political beat marches on

Issues and causes. Candidates and campaigns. Political involvement is part of the Alfred University tradition. From its very beginnings, the campus has fostered its young students' inclination to shape their future by playing a role in political decisions, both locally and nationally.

President Jonathan Allen marched off to war (the Civil War) with faculty and students. Abigail Allen was a suffragist who campaigned with Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Stanton Cady for women's rights.

In years past, political campaigns sparked more than debates on the AU campus. As President Emeritus John Nelson Norwood wrote in his comprehensive volume "Fiat Lux: The Story of Alfred University" — "The presidential campaign of 1888 was as heated at Alfred as any former one." (Following the 1884 campaign, a group of students in the "Old Guard" burned a presidential hopeful in effigy!) Norwood continued, "Members of the same family allegedly refused to speak to each other, while a prominent faculty member and a leading stalwart engaged in a public street brawl."

Inoculated with activism on the AU

campus, alumni today, though perhaps not as flamboyant in their approach — or as feisty as some of the candidates — are still very much involved in campaigning for their futures.

Several responded to an inquiry in E-News (our weekly, online newsletter) asking for their

experiences in this very active 2008 election year.

One of the first comments came from D. Philip "Phil" Baker '58, who campaigned for Sen. Barack Obama prior to the Ohio primary. He was forthright about the overall experience: "It IS murder on: the feet, the legs, sleep, and diet ... all those necessary items for the healthy life. Just throw them out the window and march when you campaign."

But he digresses. To continue:

"When I volunteered to go to Ohio to work for Obama I decided to opt for the entire experience. That meant riding out there on the campaign bus ... My companions? Well, mostly youngsters (That's a given. Campaign work is a young person's



Abigail Allen and president Jonathan Allen were among AU's earliest political activists.

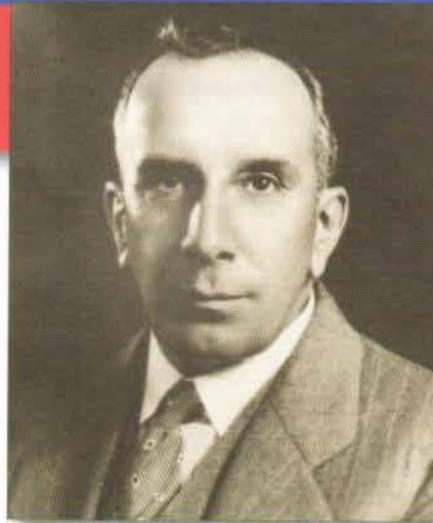
commitment. Indeed, the last time I did this kind of committed volunteer work for a candidate was Gene McCarthy, New Hampshire and Connecticut, 1968; yes 40 years ago!

“Our destination in Columbus was the Service Employees International Union. SEIU has backed Obama strongly since early in the campaign. Any of you who have worked a campaign, even a local campaign, know that within the headquarters all appears to be total chaos, and often is. But there is sort of an order that does exist. Both floors of the building were full of people. Two entire rooms were given over to phone banks and others were dedicated to: literature distribution, printing, contacts for drivers and canvassers. There were hundreds of people representing many states; I met people from California to Rhode Island.

“There was NO rest from the trip. As soon as we arrived we were quickly put into groups of four, given a group leader, given packs of voter lists with Obama position papers and door hangers for our canvass. Canvassing is rewarding and frustrating work, in equal parts. It really is exciting to meet and talk with voters. Doubly exciting when you find out they support your candidate, more exciting when they claim to be ‘undecided’ and you persuade them to your candidate.

“On Sunday, more of same. We started canvassing at 11 a.m. and worked on into the darkness of night. As you finished your neighborhood packet for the canvass you then reunited with your team, called headquarters and they sent someone to retrieve you so you could do it all over again...

“Food was always available to stoke you up upon return, and before going out again. But it was THE BAD KIND, the kind we used to be served in college dorms in our freshman years. Huge aluminum containers of congealing macaroni and cheese, or ziti



J. Nelson Norwood

“Members of the same family allegedly refused to speak to each other, while a prominent faculty member and a leading stalwart engaged in a public street brawl.”

From “Fiat Lux:
The Story of Alfred University”
by J. Nelson Norwood

and sauce, beans, EVERYTHING high in carbs, saturated fats, and sugar.

Susanna Miller '66 is involved with the Obama camp in southern New Jersey. She'll have quite a few new chapters in her campaign literature.

Ellen (Shindelman) Kowitt '90 lives in Colorado and has volunteered to work at the August Democratic Convention. She writes: “I majored in political science, interned on Capitol Hill for a congressman while I was a junior at Alfred and later worked in communications for the other side — the National Republican Congressional Committee. I am currently a part-time editor and write freelance articles on occasion.” Teresa (Vincent) Glanowski '99 is playing a more local role, but one which will have impact.

“I am currently the community outreach director for 16-year incumbent NYS Assemblymember Sam Hoyt, D-Buffalo. In my free time, I also work on local political races. This past summer we had several stunning victories that created some significant power shifts in local politics, and solidified our political team's status as an influential coalition of progressive Democrats.

“In addition, Sam is up for re-election this year and I plan to be as heavily involved in his re-election campaign as I can be in my off-hours. This will all play into the presidential race, as we will likely end up doing (at the least) ‘get out the vote’ campaigning for the eventual Democratic nominee.”

Jay Weisberger '01, living in Charlotte, NC, reports in that he hasn't “done anything ‘official’ for the Obama campaign, but I've been pretty active in trying to keep his grassroots momentum going.”

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Colla named new vice president

Stanley A. Colla Jr., a veteran of more than 20 years of development work at Dartmouth College, is the new vice president for University Relations at Alfred University.

McGee to become new LAS dean

Dr. Mary McGee, who has been associate dean of the faculty and dean of students at Columbia University School of General Studies since 2000, will join AU as dean of the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, effective July 1.



Alumna to speak at commencement

Justice Karla Turkheimer Moskowitz, a 1963 alumna of Alfred University, will deliver the address at AU's commencement, scheduled for 10 a.m. May 17 in McLane Center.

New book on women's rights at AU

Long-time AU librarian and administrator, Dr. Susan R. Strong, marks the end of her University career with the publishing of a book this spring on women's rights at AU.



MFA program again tops in nation

AU's Master of Fine Arts program is still the number one ranked program in ceramic art, according to the *U.S. News and World Report*. A new category this year ranks programs in glass art. AU's master's program is tied for second in the nation with Rochester Institute of Technology in that category.

AU to break ground for new theater

Alfred University will break ground at 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 16, on a new proscenium theater to complement the Miller Performing Arts Center. The new theater, which the University hopes will allow it to expand its Performing Arts programs, is a gift from Dr. Marlin Miller '54 and Ginger Miller.

Outstanding students named for 2008



Grace Stewart



Conrado O. Bowen

Grace Stewart, an artist in the School of Art & Design, and Conrado Bowen, a Spanish and marketing major in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, are this year's recipients of the Marlin Miller Outstanding Senior Awards at Alfred University.



Alfred going green

Alfred University is at the forefront of the "Green" Movement currently sweeping the nation. It is evident in every corner of the campus. With the assistance of GreenAlfred, a campus environmental advocacy group, and support from AVI Dining Serves, the campus dining halls went "trayless" beginning in the spring 2008 semester. The most recent efforts involve a collaboration among AU, Alfred State College, and the village of Alfred. The Sustainable Alfred Committee is dedicated to promoting "green" living. The group is currently putting together an inventory of local sustainability initiatives and related resources at both institutions and in the village.

For more on all these stories, please go to www.alfred.edu/alumni/online

Notes



Alumna Mildred (Kneerim) Gullette '31, sporting some new AU-logo attire, turned 100 years old on Sept. 20, 2007. Many alumni sent messages and greetings to mark the occasion.

1929

Irene Wells Fisk celebrated her 100th birthday Oct. 17, 2007, with family and friends.

1931

Former Class Correspondent Margrieta C. Hewey died on Dec. 27, 2007. She was a teacher for 41 years. She leaves two daughters.

1934

Catherine Davis Simpson
505 Bering Drive, Apt. 103
Houston, TX 77057-1461

1936

Mrs. Thelma Bates Ames
3486 George St.
Parishville, NY 13672

1938 **AU** REUNION YEAR!

Les Sidweber, son of Gilbert Sidweber, who attended AU from 1934-38 asks that anyone who knew his father (who died in 1976) to phone him at 609.440.7444, or e-mail to Digitalphotog1@aol.com.

1940

Charlie Spiro
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Your new Class Correspondent Charlie Spiro writes: "I have volunteered to be our class correspondent, but haven't as yet had the opportunity of contacting our members. For future editions, please contact me with any 'earthshattering' news of your activities. Perhaps some may not recognize my name since I actually was '40, having attended only in 1936 and '37. Best regards to all."

1942

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1943 **AU** REUNION YEAR!

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From your Class Correspondent:
"Consistent contributor Bob Sinclair writes a number of times a year to keep your correspondent informed about his interests and activities, especially those involving Alfredians from many classes. His holiday mail included cards and/or messages from Walt East, Ailsa Johnstone Inglis, and Benny Soldano, all from our class. Others in touch were Col. Larry March '45, Bill Crandall '42, C. Alan Lindquist '47, Eldyn Washburn '41, Betty Stangl Thomas '42, Sue Clinger-

Lange '68, Tom Knapp '44, Steve Saunders '58, and wife Barbara, and Barbara Guillaume Hathaway '47. Bob and other California alumni were looking forward to a reception on Jan. 25 hosted by Joel Moskowitz '61 and his wife Ann at their home in Corona Del Mar. AU President Charles Edmondson and his wife Dr. Laura Greyson were special guests.

"Bob continues to attend three meetings a year of the Conferences of California historical societies, held in various places of significance in the state. He also stays active in the Rotary Club and the American Legion.

"The saddest news a correspondent receives is the passing of a classmate, or one near and dear to a classmate. We heard from Margaret Ames Parker that her husband, Merle E. Parker '40, died Dec. 14, 2007. They had been married almost 65 years, and both knew during four years at Alfred that each was meant for the other. I remember Merle as a popular and conscientious figure on campus. He later had a distinguished career at Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester for 37 years, until he retired in 1977. The class of 1940 certainly lost one of its most eminent graduates.

"We're not surprised at all that our good friend, Isabel Riggs Geibel, who lives in Del Norte, CO, will be attending our 65th reunion and plans to drive the entire distance! This intrepid lady seems capable of doing almost anything, despite the aging factor. While in the New York State area she also is coordinating a high school reunion in her hometown of Canandaigua, NY.

"We had our usual newsy note and Christmas pictures from Ellis ('Chick') Berger. It's always a delight to view Chick and Tudy's beautifully decorated home, including their towering 11-foot Christmas tree. Chick said he received cards from Reg Miner, Tom Grove '44, Chuck Brady '44, Jack Wall '42, and George Reuning '49. He said he recently passed a physical exam with exemplary results. Chick indicated he wants to attend our reunion but circumstances may prevent his coming. We hope he makes it.

"We continue to keep in close touch with our dear friends, Col. Larry March '45 and his wife, Eddie. Larry has the distinction of being the first person honored for his accomplishments by his friends in Freedom Square, a large retirement community in Seminole, FL.

"We were very pleased to hear from Emma Jo Hill Potter, my former Brick roommate, who has had a rewarding and successful career in both instructional and business fields. Her friend and associate in their accounting firm, Grace Bruno, is recovering well after severe reactions to a prescription medication ...

"George Jones wrote an expressive and interesting Christmas note. Over his 89 years, he says, some wear and tear are expected, but the good news is that he's had some reassuring tests that reveal normal functioning. In September '07, he and his wife Claire attended a granddaughter's wedding and danced their shoes off! George continues his lifelong interest in environmental and animal welfare groups. He still has correspondents in Belgium, Normandy, and Germany, whom he met while on military occupation duty post WWII.

"I was sorry to hear of the passing of Cleone Post Hageman, my 'Finlandia' neighbor as I called her. During my freshman year, my room in the Brick was next to hers. Cleone had a portable record player, and usually the dramatic music of 'Finlandia' would emanate from her room. It became an indelible part of my memory of the time. It was heartwarming to read the eulogy by her son in the October '07, issue of the *Magazine*.

"A distant but dear relative of mine who lives near Rochester, NY, wrote us that in October '07 he and his sister attended the 100th birthday party of their cousin, Irene Wells Fisk, who graduated from Alfred University in 1929! Certainly a cause for celebration, and reason to recognize her graduation so many years ago. She now lives in Wellsville, NY, after a long teaching career.

"It's our 65th reunion this June. My travel plans and reservations are made and I fully intend to be there, with family, once again, on campus among friends and classmates to enjoy the ALFRED experience! Hope to see you there."

John Coleton has reported that his wife, Beverly Ann (Lang) Coleton, died Jan. 7, 2008. They were married 59 years. Beverly, a veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard, was to have her ashes interred at Arlington National Cemetery.

1945

"Don" Chapin Robbins writes that footage of her late husband was included in the recent PBS documentary "The War."

"Brought back memories of my wartime years at Alfred — ceramic art - Sigma Chi - caring professors, fun, dances, also sadness — fellow students killed in the war, the 'not normal' atmosphere ...

"Have enjoyed your assortment of Alfred news, magazines, through those I've kept in touch with the growth of Alfred, the alumni weekends, and most of all the friends I made there."

1946

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Class Correspondent Edith Roberts heard from Jim Thomson. "Have lived in Colorado Springs since 1983 which makes us almost natives. I was a ceramic engineer and had fantastic times working. In my spare time I designed and built three of my own houses. This one is all on one floor and the shelves in the kitchen all pull out to avoid that reaching inside. I spend my spare time shooting, not animals, just targets. Outside shotgun and inside pistol. I usually shoot at least five days a week and often six. Sure would like to hear from the rest of '47 folks as I am sure you would."

1948 AU REUNION YEAR!

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Your Class Correspondent writes:

"An e-mail from Johnnie Seidlin about a week ago told of activities for the past year — much travelling — and both he and wife, Joanne, are still working part-time. When home, Johnnie still is teaching medical students (he calls it harassing!) and family practice residents a couple days a week and seeing a few old patients ... With their multiple trips and the snowbird habitation near Sarasota, FL for about four months each winter after Christmas, it does not leave much time at home ...

"Mimi Tooke Polan and I spent the summer in New York State and thus were able to attend both the AU Reunion in June and the Alfred-Almond Central School reunion in July. Our summer place is a good location to get back to Alfred easily, near Steuben County, Loon Lake.

"Pay attention — our 60th reunion is coming up in June. Plan now to get there. The Golden Saxons are a great group, people you have seen before and persons whom you somehow missed along the way. They are all great!"

1949

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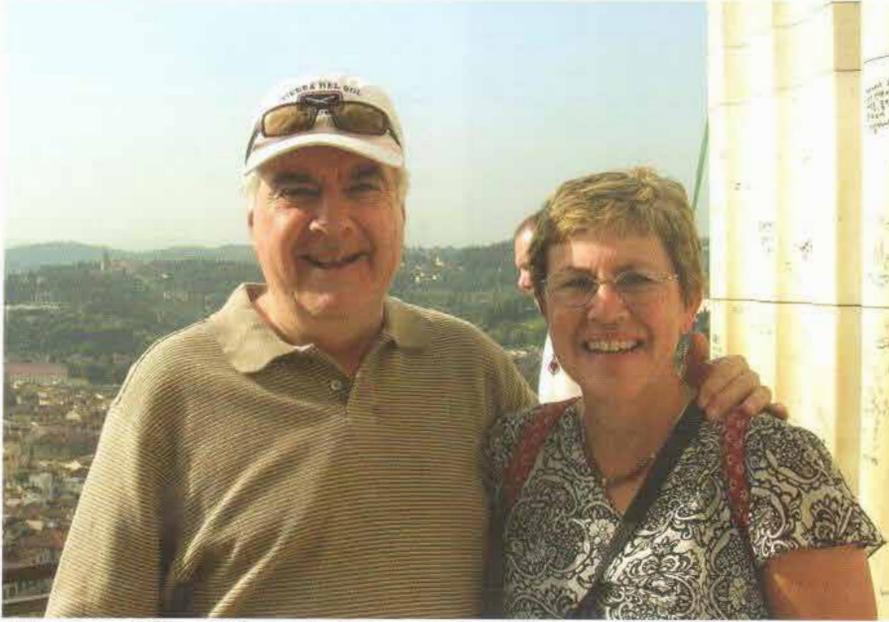
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Mike '66 and Ellen '66 Jenner in Florence, Italy. See page 19 for story.

1950

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Class Correspondent Herb MacDonell writes: "Believe it or not I am serving on Grand Jury! The session before last, 23 October 2007, I left the Grand Jury only to go to a studio where I testified in Texas via teleconferencing. It was a 1983 case, the KFC-five! Five employees were murdered in a Kentucky Fried Chicken in Kilgore, TX. I shall spare you the details but at the time I told the DA, who had retained me, that the evidence was not a match. He ignored me. His 'experts,' with whom I disagreed, testified and a man went to prison for five years. Then someone thought they should use that new DNA. It proved I was right! They let the wrong guy out. Last July the Attorney General of Texas had to ask me to testify to prove they were wrong when they put on evidence in the first trial. Why? Because the defense attorney for the two new defendants, who were ignored in 1983 as they thought they had the right guy, were now on trial and the same 'experts' were subpoenaed to testify that they were right and the DNA was wrong! In other words, the state had the right guy the first time! The Attorney General's Office was embarrassed because they had to ask me to prove that they were wrong when they said I was wrong for 12 years. Result of my testimony? After I testified the defendant pled guilty to five homicides! The second defendant has yet to go to trial ..."

In other news, Herb reports: "Dan and Jean '49 Foster have been happily retired for 27 years and are living in a beautiful little town called Fountain Hills, AZ. Fountain Hills is adjacent to Scottsdale, and in a recent poll was named best place to live in Arizona. 'We are both still very active in the community and belong to several clubs including the Antique Car Club, Friendship Club, Men's Golf Club, VFW etc. plus holding a couple of board and Commission seats. We have made a few visits to Alfred over the years and each time it brought back some wonderful memories. Not only did we get a well-rounded education at Alfred but we got something even more important, a deep love for each other that has never faded over the 56 years of our marriage. Our best wishes to all Alfred Alumni wherever you are!"

From Dick Johnson he heard: "What a surprise? How did you get my e-mail? At the moment I am in Paris at the beginning of my regular summer holiday in Europe which I have been doing since 1966. Next week, I go to London for a week to visit friends and then back here where I pick up a leased Peugeot. After visiting friends in Provence, I'll be driving on to Greece where I'll stay through the middle of September. I'll return to New York about Oct. 1. I don't know if this is very interesting news but at least it indicates that even at our age, we can still keep moving. Being retired isn't all that bad!"

From Paul Kiesow: "I am on the Oxford City Council and am a member of Rotary, BSA, Community College Foundation, my church foundation, our hospital foundation, Chamber of Commerce, and the Twelve Step Home Board. My wife and I enjoy traveling, averaging two overseas trips, three Kentucky and three New York trips per year. My son

has two daughters, one 19 and one 24. My daughter has two boys, one 16 and one 10. My son lives nearby and my daughter family live in Louisville, KY. I just became a Great Grand Dad from my son's eldest daughter. In July 2006, I had my aorta valve replaced. I feel very lucky to live near Duke and to get well with lots of support."

From Don Rosser: "Remember the old Student Union alongside Burdick Hall and opposite Prexy's Pool? I used to spend long hours there playing bridge, usually with Dick Robinson, his roommate and fellow trackie. I was a track and cross-country runner at Alfred, went on to a career in journalism and education but never got off the treadmill. I retired from an editorship at the New Jersey Education Association in 1985 to concentrate on the two Bs; bridge and biking. Since I turned 60, I have been a perennial state cycling champion in my age group. 2007 was no exception; I won first place in the U.S. Cycling Federation's State Individual Time Trial Championships in the 75-plus age group. I am married to Helen Miller Rosser, ex-52. We recently moved from a four-level, 120-year-old house in Moorestown to a one-level in a nearby retirement community in the town of Mt. Laurel. I can't shake the bridge habit; I still play daily — the duplicate variety, in bridge clubs in southern New Jersey."

1951

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George Botti writes: "Although I am now 84 years old, I just had my 21st Leap Year Day birthday. According to my grandson, Baylen (8), I have reached the legal age to drink! Our children and their spouses all live nearby, here, in Huntington, Long Island, and New York City. Our grandson, Axel, is soon to make us great-grandparents. I keep busy doing volunteer work at the VA. Billie volunteers at Huntington Hospital. P.S. Burk Valvo, Don Lester, send some class notes!"

1952

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Class Correspondent Frank Bredell writes: "President-for-life Don Boulton reports from Chapel Hill, NC, that all is well with him and he plans to return this spring to St. Andrews University in Scotland for the

seventh time as a visiting professor. He'll be back for the AU reunion in June, he assures us, no doubt with golf stories at the ready.

"Betty Lou (Ogden) Crowley and her husband, Bick, are training to be docents at the Corning (NY) Museum of Glass and last November heard a lecture from two Alfred grads, Joel Philip Myers '62, '68 and Steven Weinberg '77, who were both featured in AU news releases early this year. Betty Lou also reports that her daughter, Beth Crowley Duane '86, is now director of marketing and community relations at the Corning Museum. They will give alumni a special guide tour. Her son, William '85, has a new Web site (www.cellcoverage.com) that reports on where cell phone reception is lacking ... She added that the highlight of 2007 was a trip to Italy with daughter Anne and friends. Betty Lou and Bick celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary at a castle, but Betty Lou was looking forward to what she called her 14th re-birthday, Jan. 20, the anniversary of her liver transplant.

"Val Cushing seems unaware of the meaning of retirement. He sent along his schedule of professional work for the year ... Val is exhibiting his pottery in Northhampton, MA; Pittsburgh; Kansas City Art Institute; Shakerag Craft School in

Sewanee, TN; Wellsville Art Center; Anderson Ranch in Snow Mass, CO; and Jangdezhen, China. The last show, at a symposium, will include a tour of China in the fall. In addition to all of this Val will have a sale of about 100 pieces of his work at his studio near Alfred, May 9-12. If any alumni want to visit with him at any of his events he will offer details. His e-mail is cushingve@frontier.net.

"Wally Higgins reports that he and wife Norma (Miller) '51 have become great-grandparents for the first time. Wally, AU associate professor of ceramics, emeritus, presented 'My Years at Glidden Pottery' for the Almond Historical Society last fall. He is also busy designing what he calls ceramic consumer products at the Ceramic Innovation Center.

"Being an English major has finally paid off. My wife Jean Carnahan and I went on a 'literary' tour of England last fall and explored places made famous by Charles Dickens, Arthur Conan Doyle, Thomas Hardy, Jane Austen, William Wordsworth and other lake poets. We also re-visited Stratford to pay our respects to William Shakespeare, putting aside Dutchy Barnard's dismissal of Willy Shakespeare as a lesser writer."

1953 AU REUNION YEAR!

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News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning:
"With such an impressive collection of museum quality artworks from around the world exhibited in Steve Bender's home, it would be easy to surmise that he is always traveling. And he has traveled extensively.

Class of '58 plans Reunion festivities

Class Correspondent Elliott Lasky reports that momentum is growing daily for the celebration of the class's 50th reunion and all the surrounding activities, to be interspersed among Reunion Weekend 2008, June 13-15 festivities.

"Two plus years ago we started phoning a list of our classmates obtained from the Alumni Office to see who would be interested in joining e-mail correspondence to find out what we have been doing with our lives in the last five decades. That worked out so well that the list is over 100 classmates and it has been a lot of fun for all.

"We believe some 60-odd are planning to attend the 50th class reunion, not including relatives or friends who will also make the trip.

"Russ Fahey, Andy Seaman, and I and our wives will make good on our promise five years ago to bicycle from southeastern Pennsylvania to Alfred, arriving on Friday afternoon, a distance of some 320 miles. The ride begins on Monday, June 9. John (Frenchy) Le Blanc and Roger Eiss may bike also. Leon Sobon and his wife will be joining this group for the last two days of the trip.

And there is even more to anticipate.

"An idea was proposed at our 45th reunion to have a class parade on the Friday of reunion weekend. Pat

Fahey, Russ's wife, was recruited to turn this idea into a full parade, now 90 percent complete! It will be the first of its kind for a 50th class reunion. We will have a color guard of classmates who were military officers; at least one bagpiper; a band; a horse-drawn carriage with the class officers; a decorated float with St. Pat (Steve Saunders reprising his role) complete in St. Pat regalia surrounded by a contingent of class beauties; class members marching as individuals and in groups (nursing grads, fraternities, sororities, football teammates, etc.).

To further the old-time theme there will also be antique cars for some of our antique classmates including at least one car from the '50s; the bikers, of course; and since no parade is complete without them, some fire engines. The parade will start at the McLane Center at 3 p.m. and make its way along Main Street and finish at the King Alfred statue (donated by Steve and Barb Saunders) where University dignitaries will greet us. It will definitely be worth arriving a little earlier than you might have planned."

To keep up with details as the celebration approaches, you can contact Elliott at: classof1958@entermail.net, or call 215.882.0918.

But he also admits to having a discerning eye when attending auctions in the good old United States. Steve and Phyllis continue to live in Princeton, NJ.”

1956

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Howard D. Mendes received a proclamation from the Manhattan Borough president, a NYS senator and a NYS assemblyman thanking him for his dedication and more than a quarter of a century of service as member of the Community Board Five, Midtown Manhattan. Howard is currently chairman of the board's Landmarks Committee.

1957

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Jack Coombs and his wife Kay celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last summer.

1958 AU REUNION YEAR!

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The Fine Art Museum at Western Carolina University opened its 2007-08 season with “Norm Schulman: A Life in Clay,” a celebration of the life and work of the acclaimed North Carolina ceramic artist.

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning:

“Sometimes it’s not as easy to retire as it seems. Especially if you’re better at what you do than anyone else. That’s what Dan Green found out when he first tried to retire from PPG. They decided to build a new plant in China and convinced Dan it couldn’t be done without him. So off he went to postpone his relaxation until the project was functioning the way it was drawn up. Today Dan and his wife, Vera, live in Sugar Land, TX.”



Jeffrey E. Spriegel Sr. '74, '79 (left) and his brother Andrew, an attorney in Cleveland, Ohio, attended a Cleveland Indians baseball game.

1959

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Nancy Cashimere Walsh writes: “Just thought I’d let my fellow classmates know that I’ve completed my first two half-marathons (at my age!), the last one being the Disney Half Marathon in Orlando. Following my retirement as CEO of the Olean (NY) YMCA, my husband, Richard Hellmer, and I moved to Palm Coast, FL. As you can see, we’re active and enjoying the fruits of retirement!”

Rev. Dr. John F. Beeson reports that he recently had a book published — “John Wesley and the American Frontier.” It is available through Amazon.com.

Barbara (Powell) Cohrssen completed the Nike 26.2 mile marathon in San Francisco on Oct. 21, 2007.

Richard Shankle of Auburn, IN has retired as marketing director at Peoples Federal Saving Bank of DeKalb County.

Joshua Allen Fierer, M.D. of North Palm Beach, FL, died Nov. 18, 2007. The former AU Trustee was a member of Tau Delta fraternity while on campus and served on the Interfraternity Council. He was a member of the Fiat Lux staff and played in the marching band and orchestra. He was married to the late Mary Ellen Bailey '61, who died in 1984.

Josh earned his M.D. degree from the State University of New York Health Center, Brooklyn. He served in the U.S. Air Force Medical Corps, advancing to the rank of captain. He was a flight surgeon in Vietnam. He was an instructor in pathology at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, New York; a professor at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons; a professor and director in the Anatomy and Pathology Department, Creighton University, Omaha, NB; and professor and chairman of the Department of Pathology, University of Illinois-Peoria.

1960

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Barbara (Paul) Ciuffa reports that she’s been “certified by the National Association of Counsel for Children as a CWLS — Child Welfare Law Specialist — one of 91 in the United States and six in Michigan, where I practice.”

Sylvia Weinstein Levinson writes: “My writing continues to go well. I had an essay published online in the Home Forum section of *The Christian Science Monitor* in April 2007 and I was named National Award Winner by City Works Press for its 2007 anthology, in which five of my poems were published. Life is good in San Diego and a few weeks a year in Maui.”

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1961

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Both Joel Moskowitz and Dr. Vasantha Amarakoon, director of AU's Center for Advanced Ceramic Technology, were quoted in a March 7, 2008 edition of *Forbes* magazine. The article —The Pressure Is On For Ceramics — deals with the current and future use of ceramics in the automotive field.

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning:

"In a sense, Jerry Goldberg has always been a pioneer. It was his idea, not his parents, to be a first-generation college student at Alfred. And with the encouragement of Fred Gertz and Mel Bernstein he went to law school at NYU. And he kept on breaking new ground by creating a successful career founding one of the first law firms to represent teacher bargaining units in the state of New Jersey. Today Jerry and his wife, Mindy, continue to live in Montville, NJ.

"When Steve Levine had his serious bicycle accident several months ago, many of his friends were worried. After all, he broke five ribs, his scapula, and needed 21 stitches. The fear was that such a violent accident would impair his practice. No, not his dental practice. His banjo practice! The good news is he has fully recovered and can belt out the Alfred Alma Mater as fast and loud as ever. Oh. And he still does some dentistry. Steve and his wife, Michiko, continue to live in River Edge, NJ."

1962

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Joe Wargo writes: "Although I have retired from full-time work (computer analyst and my 'second' career as a middle school teacher), I continue to teach mathematics part-time at the County College of Morris in Randolph, NJ." Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning adds: "The students Joe Wargo has been teaching for several years both in junior high and community college know him as a teacher who preaches and teaches discipline and attention to moving forward step by step. Not suprisingly, he has had great success as an educator ... Joe and his wife, Margie, continue to live in East Hanover, NJ."

A new exhibition at the Corning (NY) Museum of Glass features works by two Alfred University alumni — Joel Philip Myers '62 and '68 and Steven Weinberg '77. "Masters of Studio Glass" runs through October 2008. The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. To read about Joel and Steven and the exhibit, go to: www.news10now.com/content/all_news/?ArID=125077&SecID=83

1963 REUNION YEAR!

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Your Class Correspondent writes:

"You know, as I write this, I am considering giving up this column out of frustration. One, I am glad that there are a few people who regularly give me news. However, most of you don't bother to e-mail in anything. Perhaps your lives are either very dull, or extremely high-style, both of which would make it rather a step-down for you to write. It would be wonderful to hear that you planted your annual row of morning glory seeds this spring or that your sister's Godchild has received two gold stars in kindergarten — at least something from those who have not appeared in this column either ever or not in many years. Give it a try.

"Let me start with a voice out of the blue. Rev. Fredric Leach left a voice message on my country house phone which I retrieved about a month late. In any case, a long catch-up conversation ensued. Fred has retired but is actively overseeing the construction of a new Episcopal Church in the Albany, NY area near where he lives. Those of you who may have known Fred in college will remember that he is a fabulous storyteller. As you know, sometimes a story loses something when repeated. However, here is a simple re-telling: Fred's wife was cooking dinner and needed more tabasco sauce. Still in his clerical garb, she sent him to the local store. Fred is wandering the aisles and gets to the back where he sees a window where the manager can oversee part of the store. Fred yells up, 'Where is the tabasco sauce?' and the manager yells back 'aisle four.' As Fred is heading towards aisle four, he sees a woman looking strangely at him. By the time he gets to the check-out counter a crowd at the far counter has surrounded the woman. Several years later, Fred is at a convention and a delegate from another parish comes up to him and says 'Is it true that you were shopping and called out to God for tabasco sauce —and he answered, aisle four!?' OK folks send in your true-to-life jokes.

"For those of you who are musicians, Laurel Buckwalter '89, the carrillonneur at Alfred and organist at the Union University Church, reminded me that there is a fund drive to restore that large and famous old organ used by University music students and two separate religious congregations. It is a good cause. When I was a student, Dr. David N. Johnson was head of the Music Department and organist at this church.

"Joan Schlosser Potter writes that she has been very involved with her daughters, both of whom are pregnant. Joan, always

the great mother and grandmother, is on the ball.

"Dart and Joy Everitt seem to be in the retirement mode, even though they are not yet retired, with a cruise down the west coast of Mexico, a week in Mexico, a trip to Ireland, a reunion in Utica (where we hope they will join us at Big Moose Lake) and a fall cruise to Bermuda.

"Henry Hopkins spent this past Thanksgiving with his daughter Virginia's family along with Michael and Jane Hanckel Leonard '62. Henry is retired but very busy with his classic car restoration business and shows.

"Chris Withers writes: 'D. Chris Withers, Inc., a personalized fundraising consulting firm, continues to go extremely well. I provide a full range of consulting services including board of trustee retreats, capital campaign counsel, philanthropic audits, staff teaching, etc. to private colleges, universities, independent schools, the arts, and human service organizations. Wife, Sue '65, and I are both very active in our church. We have three kids, two of whom live overseas — one in Cameroon, Africa, and one in Shanghai, China — as well as five grandchildren, ALL of whom live overseas. Our health is good and we stay in close touch with Lynn Morrison '63, who was best man in our wedding.'

"Dave Hetherly writes: 'I am still the director of Camp Lawrence, a YMCA boy's resident camp located in New Hampshire. Since I retired 16 years ago, my life has been engulfed with this camp. I have been its director for 15 years, and have marveled at the number of kids (young men) who have grown up. Some of my staff weren't even born yet when I became the director. Now that's a little scary! My "back to the future" life work has been truly a grand journey. The finish line is nearing, but I hope that I have been a positive role model for these guys and that the positive values that the camp stands for have been implanted in their lives. They don't know it yet, but they will, hopefully!'

"Peter Baron and his wife Donna are busy. Peter is substitute teaching and Donna is painting and making jewelry as well as teaching one class a week.

"I will conclude with a little of my news. Our new Norwich Terrier puppy (Widdicombe Spencer) has been winning blue ribbons in every show that he enters in the Upstate New York area. Watch out Uno. Martha and I were skiing in Zermatt again this January past and plan to go again in February 2009. If you would like to join us, send some e-mail to let me know."



A number of AU friends were on hand for the marriage of Nancy Falk '78 and Ken Garrison on July 29, 2007. They included, (front row, from left) all in the Class of '78 — Dr. JoAnne Many, Wendy (Torres) Stanton, Amy (Freeman) Chartoff, Nancy Falk, Marcia (Hill) Demczar, and Jody Nurik; (back row, from left) Susan (Davis) Nestor '76, David Stanton '77.



The bride and groom, Nancy Falk '78 and Ken Garrison. See story page 22.

Joel Siegler writes: "Just wanted to let everyone know that I have finally retired. This is the second and final retirement for me. The company I have been with for the past six-and-a-half years, Saxon Mortgage, was taken over by Morgan Stanley last December, and made the decision to move all shared services to Dallas, TX. Since I qualify for full Social Security benefits I decided to call it a day. We do not have any definite plans for the future. Right now we will just chill, play golf, and maybe a little travel. I guess after more than 40 years, this is a welcome change."

Bill Rapp writes: "In March 2006, at the age of 64, I began an acting career doing background work for TV and movies. I got some print work and commercials along the way. And was having a lot of fun and making some great new friends. In March 2007 I began taking acting

lessons and on Feb. 22, 2008 made my stage debut in off off Broadway's longest running show (34 years) 'Line.' I have finally found what I want to be when I grow up."

Manhattan Supreme Court Justice Karla Moskowitz was named an Appellate Division justice early this year. Karla is going to be AU's 2008 Commencement speaker.

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning: "Anyone who knew Michael Horn when he was young knew he wanted to be a doctor, an animal doctor, a veterinarian. But he grew up in the Bronx, where farm animals were few and far between. So if you were at Alfred with Mike, you know he spent summer working on a farm in Ohio to get hands-on experience with animals. And he has been a doctor for decades. Only the animals he cares for are human. He's an obstetrician-gynecologist. Today Mike and his wife, Bea, continue to live in Cherry Hill, NJ.

1964

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Roger Underhill reports: "Enjoyed talking with Mickey Kaplan, after all these years, to find how much he enjoys living in the lovely Southern California community of Del Mar Beach. He keeps up an active tennis game, as well as keeping his hand in as a litigation attorney, although he's cut his work schedule ... He's a member of both the New York and California bars, having moved west in the early '70s. He was awarded two bronze stars during his year in Vietnam (1969-70). Hope to visit with him on my next trip to Southern Cal, and maybe at our 45th reunion. Had forgotten he used to play drums at the Beacon and he's gotten more into that of late.

"Talked with Les Haskins, who hopes to make the 45th as well. We were both at or 40th (my first)."

"If you see a 924 yellow and black Porsche, you know it's me going to a volleyball meet as I assist the University of California San Francisco Medical Schools recreational volleyball program. When I'm not refereeing volleyball matches, I'm involved in 'pushing' for the Recreation and Parks funding budget in the San Francisco District 11.

"Soon my wife, Na, and I will be visiting Northern Thailand where Na's family lives. In Central South Thailand, I will be on a 'dive tour' where I will photograph coral and a variety of fish in the Indian Ocean and the Gulf of Thailand.

"Lynda (Whitney) Harrison, her husband, Bob, and their daughter Heather will soon be visiting Las Vegas and later will be 'off in their Mercedes F-500 to their cottage on Bass Lake, Ontario, Canada where they will spend time relaxing and visiting with neighbors.' Come Fall, Daytona, FL will be their destination.

"From Clarence, NY, Ron and Betty La Porte report that they are busy with their hobbies. Ron cross country skis in the local parks and Betty enjoys lace knitting, and crocheting, but her specialty is bobbin lace. Bobbin lace is a woven lace, a craft which dates back to the Middle Ages. The big ruffs (bobbin lace) you see on the collars of men in the Middle Ages were a sign of status. Recently, Betty and Ron spent time visiting family in Charlotte, NC."

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning: "What's the old adage - to stay young, stay involved with youngsters. Many of David Hetherly's fondest youth experience occurred at YMCA Camp Lawrence in New



Mike Vatalaro '76 with Clemson University Provost Dori Helms (left) and President Jim Barker (right), receiving Clemson's Thomas Green Clemson Award in December 2007.

Hampshire. When he retired, he accepted the part-time position of camp director thinking it would keep him busy for a year or two. That was 15 years ago. With him as the longest serving director ever, the camp has never been more successful. David and his wife, Lois, continue to live in San Antonio, TX, and Meredith, NH.

"Some people think Jerry Klawitter's current highest priority is the successful company he chairs, Ascension Orthopedics, one of the hottest firms in the United States for venture capital investment. And they'd be right. But he also spends a lot of time planning yet another assault on the motorcycle land-speed record of 191 mph. His team hit 189 last year at the Bonneville Salt Flats. By his calculations, he thinks they might do 210 mph this year. To find out, check the Web page of the Southern California Timing Association. Jerry and his wife, Ann, continue to live in Austin, TX.

1965

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Your Class Correspondent Janet Pitt writes that she had her first grandchild last July when daughter Julia and her husband welcomed 9 lb. 13 1/2 oz. Brayden Michael. Janet also moved into a new home which she

and her fiance designed. In addition to decorating this partially solar-paneled house, Janet continues with her two part-time jobs as an educational diagnostician and mediator. Hobbies include dancing, bluegrass guitar jams, and Spanish conversational classes."

Clifford Gilbert writes: "My wife and I are fully retired from teaching etc. Just finished a brand new studio. Pottery, totem pole caring, sign making. In the winter I travel the ice and snow sculpting circuit. This winter (2007-08) I'll be in Breckenridge, CO, Quebec City, Quebec and the NYS Championships, and possibly Sweden. We enjoy snowmobiling and cross country skiing, ATVing, boating and canoeing. Sold our home in town and live a mile off the main road in a log cabin overlooking a lake. Love to hear from Alfred alumni. Our e-mail: CCGilbert17@yahoo.com."

Jay Wanderman writes: "Still working and enjoying life in Southern California. After 40 years of marriage (to the same woman), two kids, and three grandchildren, I look back on the Alfred years and friends with nostalgia."

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning: "We often hear of a professional who returns to the faculty of a college late in his career. Fred McMann did it the other way. Early in his career he came back to Alfred and for more than a dozen years lent his expertise to ensure the ceramic

engineering labs were the best they could be. Then he returned to industry where for the past 25 years he's been an expert at North American Manufacturing, today as the southern regional manager. Fred and his wife, Kathy, live in Missouri City, TX.

1966

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Ellen (Schwartz) Jenner writes that after July 1, 2008, she and Mike will be at 27 Silver Oak Drive, Hilton Head Island, SC 29926, 843.682. 2320. "We finally built our 'dream' home on Hilton Head and took possession on July 30 2007. We have lots of room and would love to have any alumni who visit this wonderful vacation spot come to visit us. I

retired from teaching in 2005 and Mike is 'thinking' about retiring (from EatonAerospace, Glenoden, PA). Our grandchildren are all up North, four in Pennsylvania and two in northern New Jersey, so we will have ample reason to return frequently ... Last June we had a wonderful trip to Italy, spending four days in Florence and three in Rome (see photo page 13). It was one of our best vacations ever! On my list of 'things to do before I die' was to see the Sistine Chapel and it truly was worth it. Of course the art and architecture in both cities was unbelievable and the history equally so."

The Dec. 5, 2007 edition of the "Martha Stewart Show" featured a segment on "Russ & Daughters," which according to *The New York Times Magazine* represents: "Purveyors of the highest quality smoked fish, caviar and specialty foods ... New York's premier appetizing food shop. Since 1914 this New

York institution has been run by four generations of the Russ family. The tastes, smells and old-world class of our landmark shop are a true New York experience." This was the third appearance for the third and fourth generation proprietors, Mark Federman and his daughter, Niki Russ Federman. They made latkes with Martha. To learn more, go to: www.russandaughters.com.

William Johnson was named CEO of Triton Systems.

1967

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Bob Karig has had a second book, "Coal Cars: The First Three Hundred Years," published by the University of Scranton Press.

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning: "If anyone wonders why college is a good idea, they should talk to Ronald Gebhardt. Before he came to Alfred he was more interested in basketball than education. But after earning his degree in business and attending grad school at Illinois, he became a human resources exec first at a Fortune 500 company and now for many years at a high-tech company which under Ron's watch has grown from 50 to 550 employees serving the airplane and space industries. Ron and his wife, Gloria, continue to live in Ogden, UT.

"Anyone who knows J. Clayton Miller knows he has a wide range of interests and an impressive library. But he's especially interested in history. Which explains why one of the most recent additions to his library is the rare, two-volume history of the Civil War written by Confederate President Jefferson Davis. Clay continues to live in Teaneck, NJ."

1968 REUNION YEAR!

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Works by Eileen Hickey-Hulme were included in Art Miami: POOL Art Fair, Dec. 7-9, 2007, at the Cavalier Hotel, Miami Beach.

Reunion sparks alumni collaboration

Andrew Finnel '67 and Ken Wissmann '65 met again at Reunion 2007 and discovered remarkably similar careers and interests. Their subsequent collaboration has produced a CD recording of Buddy Holly's top hits from the late 1950s and a stage play about the singer's career.

Finnel left Indiana University's doctoral program in English Literature with his ABD and has worked as a graphic artist/designer in New York City since 1975. He handled accounts at BBDO, the world's largest advertising agency. Freelance projects he has worked on include the design and illustration for two CDs of Reggae artist Peter Tosh: One Love Peace Concert and Jamaica World Music Festival. Finnel has taught high school English, and is now on the staff at the College of Staten Island/The City University of New York, as a graphic artist and designer. He also teaches graphic arts and design courses at Touro College.

Wissmann left the University of Pittsburgh's doctoral program with an ABD in statistics/research methodology and worked in his field with the Federal Government from 1975-2000. For the past eight years he has been a classroom teacher for Shenandoah University, Winchester, VA.

At Alfred, Wissmann was interested in folk music and often played guitar on the Campus Center lawn during the early 1960s. He started playing bass professionally at 52 and continues to play in a band covering rock classics of the 1970s. Wissmann's partnership with a local actor/singer/musician produced a musical theater script in 2006 about the life and music of Hank Williams, Sr.

A chance meeting with Finnel at Reunion 2007 led to a discussion of a Buddy Holly recording project which needed professional design and art work. According to Wissmann, "Andy's cover design and package inserts are fantastic and receive as much feedback as the music. Compared with our earlier, monochromatic CD packages, the colors of our Buddy Holly tribute CD literally jump off the sales table. Andy and I work well together on these projects and the geographic distance between producer and designer has never been a problem thanks to the Internet."

The newest musical theater project written by Wissmann and performer Robbie Limon features stage and set designs by Finnel.

An Evening with Buddy Holly takes place in late 1958 as Holly rehearses his band for a winter tour of Midwest theaters and dance halls.

For more information about the Buddy Holly CD and stage production, log on to www.robbielimonband.com. E-mail may be directed to finnel@mail.csi.cuny.edu, and kwissman@su.edu.

John Baynes sent in a report of the “other Baynes alumni”: Robert '04 earned an M.B.A. from Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio; commissioned second lieutenant, U.S. Army; completed the transportation officer basic course, Fort Eustis, VA, and Ranger School, Fort Benning, GA; currently assigned to the 10th Mountain Division, Iraq; Elizabeth '05 earned an M.S.W. From Syracuse University and is working as a patient counselor at the Veteran's Administration, Syracuse; Patrick '07 is working as a customer support agent for LinkedIn, Omaha, NB, and attending Creighton University Graduate School.

1969

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Judy (Clayton) Durham is an associate professor in the Department of Counselor Education at St. Joseph College, West Hartford, CT. She is currently serving as president of the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, a division of the American Counseling Association.

Linda (Motsay) Dietsche retired from the Veterans Administration Medical Center (VAMC) in Canandaigua, NY, in 2005. Two months later she was called up for active duty by the U.S. Navy. Demobilized in 2006, she is now working per diem at the VAMC in Canandaigua when not babysitting. She plans to retire from the Navy in May 2008. She sends regards to all the nurses.

Drew Mullen writes: “As an administrative law judge with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, I travel and conduct hearings around the country. Had a very pleasant surprise on a trip to the VA office in New York City when I was lucky enough to meet the director of the NYS Division of Veterans' Affairs, who had come down from his headquarters in Albany. I'd heard he was a good guy, a Vietnam veteran, and doing a great job for the veterans of New York. Even better, he's George Basher, Alfred class of 1969, with whom I trained in Army ROTC and, working for free meals, scrubbed and

washing thousands of pots in the kitchen at Ade Dining Hall! George and I had a great visit and reminisced about our Alfred days.”

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning: “Oh sure. Now that Martha Hibber-McGrath's gallery is a success there are lots of other places trying to mimic her success. But when she went out west there was hardly a town, let alone a gallery of ceramic art in Breckenridge, CO. So Martha accumulated her first creations to sell by contacting fellow Alfred artists. Today Martha continues to live in Dillon, CO.”

1970

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The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society has named Bob R. Powell, General Motors Technical Fellow, as the recipient of the 2007 Light Metals Technology Award.

Kenneth Campbell was re-elected to the Town Council of the Town of New Canaan, CT, Nov. 6, 2007. He was sworn in to his second, four-year term Nov. 20. Ken lives in New Canaan with his wife and son, a senior in high school. His older son is a sophomore at Fairfield University. Ken is a loan officer with Westport Mortgage LLC in Westport, CT.

1971

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On Dec. 20, 2007, the Consul General of Argentina in Houston, TX presented one of the country's highest recognitions, the “Orden de Mayo al Merito” — Order of Merit — to Houston attorney, Stanley Schneider for his work on a high-profile death penalty case involving Victor Saldano, an Argentine national on Texas' death row. This award is presented to outstanding foreigners whose “services and personal works have been distinguished by and deserve the gratitude of the Nation.” Stanley is one of the first two Texans to ever receive the award. He will be the speaker at AU's annual NYC networking luncheon, May 29.



In November 2007, Kathy Faber '75 and Marina Pascucci '77 participated in a women's panel at the Korean Ceramic Society meeting. Gathering with them during a night out event were (clockwise, from left) Dr. Kug-Sun Hong; Sung Do Jang '64; Cheol Y. Kim '81; Kap Soo Kim; Hyunho Shin '94; Ungsoo Kim '99, current AU Ph.D. Candidate in ceramic engineering; Hyojin Lee '97; Marina; Dr. William Carty, AU professor of ceramic engineering and material science; and Kathy.

Larry Casey has a Presidential appointment until January 2009. He is responsible for human trafficking issues, international child labor abuses, forced labor, prison labor and all Free Trade Agreements, as well as coordinating with all international organizations like UN, G-8, International Labor Organization in Geneva and OEC in Paris.

Peter Knickerbocker participated along with other Alfred alumni in an exhibit at the Earthworks Art Gallery in Penn Yan, NY.

1972

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David C. Greenspan, Ph.D. has joined Tutogen Medical, Inc., Alachua, FL, as vice president for global research and development.

1973 AU REUNION YEAR!

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Several examples of Brent Kee Young's "Matrix Series" were featured in a retrospective exhibit at Heights Arts Gallery, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, earlier this year. Brent teaches at Cleveland Institute of Art and is chairman of the Glass Department.

1974

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Katherine (Kopf) Laflam RN, BSN was awarded the 2007 Secretary of Veterans Affairs Award for Nursing Excellence. She has worked at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, White River Junction, VT, for 32 years and is now in the position of surgical nurse coordinator. Kathy lives in Meriden, NH, with her husband, Tom Laflam, in a house they built themselves. They have three sons and three grandsons.

Carl R. Butenas reports that he is a substance abuse counselor at Project Rehab, Grand Rapids, MI.

Jeffrey E. Spriegel Sr. '76, '79 is in his 17th year as the "Golden Voice" of the Kenmore (NY) East Bulldogs. He announces the upstate New York high school's football games, track meets, and boys and girls freshman, junior varsity, and varsity basketball games. He has also announced wrestling, volleyball, swim meets, and done baseball scorekeeping and hockey supervision. He played on the Junior Varsity Saxon Basketball Team and continued playing competitive sports well into his late 40s. He has been a school psychologist in the Kenmore district for 25 years following three years in Lockport, NY. Jeff also has volunteered for 17 years for the summer New York Empire State Games and is currently the Western region's security supervisor on the lead staff. He has been married to his wife, Kim, the "girl down the street," for 28 years and has two adult children, Jeffrey Jr. and Laura. He enjoys golfing in a summer league and plays whenever he can in Western New York and Canada. Jeff says he was a proud member of Zeta Beta Tau when he was a student at AU.



Alpha Kappa Omicron (AKO) members returned to campus for a September (2007) Celebration Dinner in Susan Howell Hall. The main order of business was installing new officers for the Alumni Association Board. Serving for two-year terms are: president-Sheila Flanagan '79; communications-Bridgette Henne '02; events-Rita Murphy '73 and Kristin Leete '93; scholarship liaisons-Betsy (Eiler) Johnston '85 and Beth Judson '82. Also on hand for the dinner were: Barbara Rickard '65; Cathy Baumgarten '71; Sue (Fitzgerald) Blondin '72; Rita (Bonning) Murphy '73; Janet Smith '75; Patty Martire '76; Laura (Gulvin) Bronson '79; Liz Bilinski '81; Patty Gonzalez '82; Janet Yudewitz '83; Paula (Gottlieb) Kanter '83; Annie Wechsler-Rosenblum '83; Gail (Newcombe) Brown '84; Betsy Johnston-Reichart '85; Ellen (Cartledge) Boldt '87; Mary-Lou Cartledge '91; Lisa (Poloncarz) Davis '91; Aretta Stillman '98; and Meghan Martin '04.

Pam Cabanas exhibited a series of large pastel paintings created during the last two years last fall at the Gibbs Library, Washington Village, ME.

1975

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David Branfman of Branfman & Associates has practiced law in San Diego County for more than 28 years. He focuses on intellectual property and entertainment/new media law. David and his wife Susyn live in Encinitas, CA.

Susan Rogers was promoted to executive vice president and general manager at WXXI Public Broadcasting, Rochester, NY.

Katherine Faber and Marina Pascucci '77 attended the 50th Anniversary meeting of the Korean Ceramic Society, the only women from the United States invited. They were asked to speak at a special symposium, "Beyond Bias and Barriers-Fulfilling the Potential of Women in the Engineering World." See photo page 20.

1976

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Dr. Beth (Hurlburt) Hensley writes that she was promoted to rank of professor at Southside Regional Medical Center School of Nursing, Petersburg, VA. She is currently teaching the senior-level course, Professional Issues in Nursing, and has been instrumental in developing a remediation project for the traditional and online nursing programs.

Anne C. Evans was selected by her peers at Damon & Morey LLP, Buffalo, NY, for inclusion in "The Best Lawyers in America," 2008.



Anne C. Evans '76

Professor Mike Vatalaro, chairman, Department of Art, and professor of art/ceramics at Clemson University, Clemson, SC, was awarded the Thomas Green Clemson Award, recognizing long standing contributions to the University.

1977

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A new exhibition at the Corning (NY) Museum of Glass features works by two Alfred University alumni — Steven Weinberg '77 and Joel Philip Myers '62 and '68. "Masters of Studio Glass" runs through October 2008. The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. To read about Joel and Steven and the exhibit, go to: http://www.news10now.com/content/all_news/?ArID=125077&SecID=83

Christine Costello is teaching English as a second language to international students at Burr and Burton Academy, Manchester, VT.

1978 AU REUNION YEAR!

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Nancy Falk writes: "Here's the latest news from Northern Virginia ... We finally made it official! After 10 wonderful years together, Ken Garrison and I were wed on July 29, 2007, surrounded by family and friends ... One of the greatest gifts we received was that our long-time friends from AU and Theta Theta Chi traveled across the country to be with us. As one of the AU wedding attendees commented in the guest book, 'thanks for giving us an excuse to get together.' The wedding was the first time the whole group had been together since graduation. We had a wonderful wedding weekend that started with a tour of Capitol Hill, included a Saturday cookout, and ended with the ceremony and reception on Sunday. The weather was perfect and a great time was had by all as they laughed, talked, shared old memories, and created new ones.

"Ironically, while the group met at a university, most live in major metropolitan areas such as Boston (JoAnne), Pittsburgh (Wendy and Dave), Northern NJ (Amy), Cleveland (Marcia), Raleigh, NC (Susanne) and Northern VA/DC (Nancy). Go figure! We've vowed not to wait another 29 years to get together.

"Here's My Favorite Wedding Story: As we were taking a picture of AU alumni at the wedding, the wife of my recently married first cousin heard the name Alfred University. She proceeded to share the news that her father, Gil Chollick (AU Board of Trustees) and Carol Chollick are both AU alumni. It is indeed a small world.

"Post wedding, my goal is to complete dissertation and Ph.D. by May 2008. Between now and then I will be interviewing deans of colleges of nursing to learn more about their perceptions related to aging nurse faculty."

Jennifer Ludemann is teaching mathematics courses for Westwood College On-Line and mathematics and information systems technology courses for Axia College of University of Phoenix. In addition, she and partner Jim Wilbanks install and repair computer networks in and around Siloam Springs, AR (home since 2004). In their 'time' both are active in the community theater and several non-profit groups.

1979

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Your classmates want to hear from you!

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Upcoming Class Notes deadline: Sept. 1, 2008

1980

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Jim Murphy '80, '82 was named the 2007 Suburban Newspapers of America's national Advertising Director of the Year for daily newspapers. Jim has spent more than 20 years in newspapers as a writer, editor, online manager, general manager, and advertising director, and is the recipient of 30 journalism and advertising awards. He has also taught as an adjunct at several colleges and was director of marketing services at a Syracuse, NY ad agency. He is currently advertising and market development director of *The Post-Star*, Glens Falls, NY. Jim, his wife Mary (Renner '85) and three children live in Glens Falls.

Sculptor Frank Morbillo had six sculptures selected for the set of "GAME" that is being filmed in Albuquerque, NM, and scheduled to be in theaters in 2009.

Works by internationally known Israeli ceramic sculptor Rina Peleg were featured at the Schaller Gallery, New York City, last fall.

Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning, reports that Scott Krawiec has a strong reputation in providing CPA services to businesses and owners in the oil and gas industry. Scott and his wife, Margo, continue to live in Centennial, CO.

"Almost since they've known one another Carol (Essom) Sherrier and her husband, Bob, have coordinated with one another trying out new things. When he was in med school, she was a med tech. When she was in med school, he was a resident. When she was in residency, he was a new doc. When they moved to Colorado he joined a practice while she got the kids settled. Now she's back practicing psychiatry and he's winding up his medical career. They plan to come back East in a few years. Carol and Bob continue to live in Boulder."

1981

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Wayne Carnall has been named chief accountant in the Division of Corporation Finance for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Michael Czado is an anesthetist with the Waterville (ME) Anesthesia Associates. He and his wife, Brenda, have two children.

Constellation Brands, Fairport, NY, has named Dave Moynihan as senior vice president, chief production and supply officer with global responsibilities.



Marlee Cannon Dave Moynihan '81 of Wellsville, NY, has been appointed the student disability services counselor and peer tutor coordinator for the School of Applied Technology (Wellsville) at Alfred State College.

Kathleen Barrett is a sales associate for Lois Schneider Realtor, Summit, NJ. She has five children, ages 11 through 22.

1982

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Michael Midey is superintendent of schools for the Bloomfield (NY) Central School District.

Carol Urbaitis is dean of Student Services and Enrollment Management at Finger Lakes Community College, Canandaigua, NY.

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning: "Beth (Valvo) Gilbert) is one of those people who is best at whatever she does. She proved that in several roles she performed as an engineer in some of the biggest firms in the United States. Now that she's concentrating on the education of her kids, few are surprised to learn their school district is consistently ranked in the U.S. top 10. Why? Because Beth's a parent-leader in the school's ongoing tradition of relying on parental volunteer involvement. Beth and her husband, Jeff, and family, continue to live in Dallas, TX.

"It's reasonable to expect that a scholar with a Ph.D. in materials science as well as an MBA would be in high demand by big and small private start-up and research companies, as well as public and military organizations, to say nothing of universities. And Glenn Whichard is and has been for his entire career. If you think that's pretty sedate you don't know Glenn. When he's not working on the cutting edge of high-tech companies, he's riding his motorcycle all over the United States or running long distances. Glenn and his wife, Ruth, now live in North Logan, UT.

1983 AU REUNION YEAR!

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Matt Riggs was elected to the executive board of the Indiana Geographic Information Council. He currently manages the GIS service area at Cripe Architects+Engineers.

Robert M. Barton, is the newly elected president of the American Car Rental Association. Robert is chief operating officer of U-Save Car & Truck Rental and parent company, Franchise Services of North America.

One of Corning, Inc.'s innovators of LCD glass, the late Dr. J.C. Lapp, is being memorialized by having one of the top innovation awards that Corning Display Technologies presents each year renamed in his honor. J.C. died of cancer April 26, 2007.

Last fall, New York artist and designer Bobby Silverman participated in "Current Perspectives," a lecture series at the Kansas City Art Institute.

David Levy of Cortlandt Manor, NY, is the winner of the R. Shaw Goldthwaite Award from the North East Quality Council. He is quality consultant and principal of Levy Quality Consulting, LLC.

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning: "After working in traditional (ceramic) engineering roles for several large companies for many years, Howard Moore decided he wanted to own a company himself. He bought Precision Machine Components in Hutto, TX, and tripled the output of the company while substantially increasing its profits. Howard and his wife, Kate, live in Round Rock, TX.

1984

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Digital prints by Joseph Scheer, AU professor of printmaking, were on display at the Hillstrom Museum of Art at Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN, Nov. 19, 2007-Jan. 13, 2008.

An article by Richard M. Dolan — “UFOs are Real: So Now What?” — appeared in the Jan. 3, 2008 edition of *The Canadian National Newspaper*.

Gregory Cole was honored by Jamestown (NY) Community College as one of 11 alumni distinguishing themselves as educators. He is an information technology instructor at Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus BOCES.

1985

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Rosemary (Miele) Meade was selected by her administrative team at Colonia High School to be Woodbridge (NJ) Township Education Foundation Teacher of the Year. She was also elected as a member of the Edison Township Board of Education for a three-year term.

Her husband, Shawn Meade '86, just completed training as the first K-9 officer for the Edison Township Police Department. “Lucky,” a German shepherd, is now part of the Meade family and is training to search for explosives as well as to track for humans and do search and rescue missions.

Rosemary and Shawn live in Edison, NJ, with their two boys, Shawn II, 17, and Ryan, 15.

Amy Pollard is the new vice president of patient care at Nicholas H. Noyes Memorial Hospital, Dansville, NY.



Tobie Accardi '91 married Robert Ancipink on Sept. 29, 2007. On hand were a number of AU friends, including (from left) Cassandra (Chororos) Halligan '91, John Halligan, Dana (Brown) Baumann '91, Jimmy Baumann, the bride, Robert Ancipink, Matthew Liste, Lorraine (Kraft) Liste '91, Grace (Conrad) Fastenberg '91, Michael Fastenberg, Joe Haven '92, Amy (Rider) Haven '92, Heather (Graham) Baris '91, and Tara Villanueva '91.

1986

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Your Class Correspondent heard from Tonya Previglian who writes: “I have been working as a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) in the Buffalo, NY area. I have done a few medical missions in the last few years. I spent 1999 working for Orbis International providing anesthesia and teaching for ophthalmic surgeries on patients throughout nine different developing countries. I went as a volunteer in 2006 to the Philippines for two weeks and worked in a mission hospital, taking some CRNA students from the University of Buffalo. I just returned (December 2007) from a month-long medical mission in Liberia on the African Mercy Ship giving anesthesia to patients with severe facial anomalies/tumors, cleft lips, eye injuries/anomalies and traumatic injuries due to childbirth. All of these have been great and rewarding experiences, so I wanted to share in hopes of inspiring other health professionals to volunteer ...”

Correspondent Catherine (Riscili) Staszewski also reports that Christi Haritatos married John Campbell (one of her best friends since sixth grade growing up in Rome, NY) on Nov. 11, 2007. They have five children between them ages 8 through 20 years. They live in Rochester, NY, where Christi is a social worker at Eastridge High School and John has his own television production company, Campbell Media Group.

Ron Bel Bruno joined HNW, Inc., New York, NY in August 2007 as senior vice president and editorial director, overseeing the firm's digital and print publications. HNW (HNW.com) is a full-service marketing agency providing branding and communications solutions to the financial-services and luxury goods industries. Ron was previously a Senior Editor at Time Inc. Content Solutions.

Paula Tomanovich has been promoted to nurse manager at Wilmington (DE) Hospital, working with the elderly in acute care.

Walter McConnell, AU associate professor of art & design, is one of the exhibiting artists in “Eastern Standard: Western Artists in China” at the Massachusetts Museum of

Contemporary Art (MASS MoCA). The exhibition is on display through the summer.

Beth Mennelle is a full-time substitute teacher this academic year at Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, Northwood, NH.

1987

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Nola (Kennedy) Pearce writes: "After 20 years as a QA management systems professional in the telecommunications, semiconductor, and pressure vessel OEM industries, I have jumped ship to the 'dark side' as a professional recruiter! ... one of my career goals has been to maintain a solid network where I can draw my next great employee from. This led me to the next logical step of transferring this interest into a career. So, here I am — account executive/recruiter for ETS Tech-Ops, a division of Executive Tech Search, part of the MRI Network. Check out my Web site at: www.etttech-ops.com."

Laura Miller is a freelance travel writer, guidebook author, travel consultant and mother of five. She is married to **Charles W. Miller Jr.**, director of Harper International, Lancaster, NY. Laura has been under contract writing travel guides for John Wiley & Sons Publishing and is responsible for titles like: *Frommer's Walt Disney World and Orlando*, *Walt Disney World and Orlando for Dummies*, and *Frommer's Florida*. She is also responsible for the Web site Club Mom.

Works by **Sharon McConnell**, director of the Fosdick-Nelson Gallery at AU, were included in "HARDedgeSoft" last fall at the Cazenovia (NY) College of Art Gallery.

Nitin P. Padture, Ph.D., is a professor in the Department of Materials Science & Engineering at The Ohio State University.

Linda Crumb is interim vice president of patient services at Cayuga Medical Center, Ithaca, NY.

1988 AU REUNION YEAR!

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Bill Castle's Pollywogg Holler, an ecoresort in Belmont, NY, was featured in an article distributed last summer by GateHouse News Service.

Margo Undercoffer is the new principal at Francis P. Donnelly Elementary School, Conklin, NY.

Insero & Co. has hired **Melinda Yoder** as an accounting consultant. She lives in Fairport, NY.

Staci Covey, RN, MS, CNA, administrator of Troy (PA) Community Hospital and Guthrie Home Care, was elected chairman of the Hospital Association of Pennsylvania Small Hospital Council.

Vice President **Janet King** has been promoted to general manager by International Data Group Research Services, headquartered in Boston, MA.

Sculptor **Varda Yatom** exhibited work in The Art show of the Art Dealer's Association of America at New York's Park Avenue Armory. She and her husband, Shay Yatom, were invited by Babcock Galleries to be its guests at the opening in February 2008.

Christine Wallner was featured in the December 2007 issue of *California Home + Design* magazine. In 2005, Christine founded an eco wall-treatment business, StonelaceDesigns in Berkeley, CA. Her company creates, designs, and applies products and finishes that are "earth friendly." In addition to exclusive homes, recent corporate clients include Hilton Hotels and Liz Claiborne Prana. Her Web site is www.stonelacedesigns.com. Chris also holds a patent on Verite, an innovative cement veneer material.



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Your Class Correspondent reports that **Kristin (Beckley) Ungar** recently accepted the position of chief financial officer at Customer Operations Performance Center Inc., a management consulting firm. Kristin, her husband **Larry Ungar**, and their two teen-age daughters have relocated to Austin, TX. They would love to hear from fellow classmates at beckleyungar@gmail.com.

Phil Benne is in his 19th year as head women's soccer coach at Roanoke College, Salem, VA. He and his wife, Stephanie, and sons Andrew, Alex, and Max, live in Salem.

Sculptor **Dave Poulin** assisted seventh graders at Titusville (PA) Middle School in designing and constructing three bronze statues. A fourth is in the works. He has also worked on a bronze sculpture with fourth-grade Keystone Elementary students, Clarion, PA. For more information on Dave, go to davepoulin-studios.com.

Diana Pancioli writes: "My recent good news is that I have a commission from the Ford family to create a mural to commemorate Josephine Ford who gave so much to the Cancer Center at Henry Ford Hospital. I have already begun work on it and hope to complete it by September 2008."

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Matt McElligott, of Selkirk, NY, a children's book author, has two new books out: "Backbeard: Pirate For Hire," (sequel to "Backbeard and the Birthday Suit," 2006) published by Walker & Co., and "Bean Thirteen," published by Putnam. Learn more at www.mattmcelligott.com.

Bobby Cranston writes: "I was named 'Teacher of the Year' at Ridge Community High School, Haines City, FL, where I teach AP macroeconomics, American government, and German. I also became a National Board Certified Teacher last November.

In the November, 2007 issue of *Public Works Magazine* (www.pwmag.com), **Keith Reester**, director of public works for Loveland, CO, was named one of 2007's 50 Trendsetters for the Public Works Industry.

AU to induct four into Athletics Hall of Fame

Alfred University will welcome four new members to its Athletic Hall of Fame at induction ceremonies the evening of Oct. 4, held as part of Homecoming Weekend.

New members inducted will be former AU men's lacrosse coach Al Brown, former men's swimming standout Eric Winkky '90, former women's soccer player Val DiFlorio '91, and former record-setting men's lacrosse goalie Peter McClean '92. Also during the banquet, the University will present its first Athletics Award of Distinction, which recognizes long-term exceptional service to, and involvement in, the athletic programs at Alfred University. Mark O'Meara, '74, is the first recipient of this award. For more information, go to www.alfred.edu/pressreleases/viewrelease.cfm?ID=4695

Thomas E. Knapp '44 sent a column from the *Hendersonville (NC) Times-News* featuring Randi Solin, who operates Solinglass Studio, Brattleboro, VT.

Nora Burdick, Wellsville (NY) Central School District reading coach at Immaculate Conception School, is a new Democrat member of the Wellsville Town Board, filling a two-year term. She also recently earned a school administration certificate.

Works by Maine sculptor John Bisbee, featuring his recent "one ton" works, which take a variety of forms —vertical and horizontal, ominous and playful — were in an exhibit at the Portland (ME) Museum of Art this past winter. A video diary John kept was also included. The artist is known for his use of brads (a slender wire nail), nails, and spikes.

Johnny's Lunch, a 71-year dining icon from Jamestown, NY, announced it has located its corporate headquarters at 4210 Sylvania Ave., Suite 202, Toledo, OH 43623. Anthony Calamunci, grandson of Johnny's Lunch founder John Colera, and a corporate attorney in Toledo, announced the new headquarters and named the new executive team that will take Johnny's to the next level. Anthony will be chief executive officer.

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AU Librarian/Archivist Laurie McFadden has published "Alfred and Alfred Station," a 128-page collection of black-and-white photos. The book is available through

Arcadia Publishing at 888.313.2665 or www.arcadiapublishing.com.

Matthew Solomon creates ceramic decorative pieces under the name Milleflora Ceramics, in his studio in the Catskills.

Jeff Tunncliff was ordained a priest in the Diocese of Rochester, NY, on June 30, 2007. His first assignment is in St. Mary's Church, Elmira, NY.

Ceramist John DeWeese was a visiting artist at the University of North Dakota last fall.

Stephen Dennis is the new director of planning and economic development for the city of Corning.

Bridgett Cassety is the principal of Veracity Benefit Designs, Inc., Amherst, NY. She is married to Scott. They have three children, Louis, 16, Franklin, 14, and Caroline, 5.

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Rachel Pisciotta and Tina Power were nominated for the 2007 Rochester (NY) Business Journal Forty Under 40 Award. Rachel is vice president and CFO of Visiting Nurse Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc. Tina is vice president, financial planning and analysis for Paetac Holding Corp.

Ali (Goldbach) Haffner is a partner at the law firm of Shipman & Goodwin, Hartford, CT.

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Kimberly Jarrett writes to her classmates: "I was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma (in early December 2007). I can be reached via e-mail at kmbryjar@aol.com, if anyone would like to say hello. Hodgkin's Lymphoma is the 'best cancer to have — the most curable.' I know I will be okay."

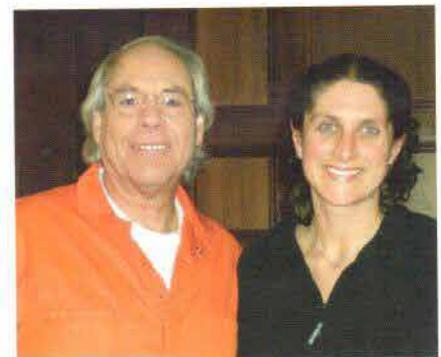
Opposing elements characterized the unique pieces in "Urban Blooms: Ceramic Sculptures by Linda Huey," one of six exhibits this spring at Brattleboro (VT) Museum & Art Center.

Republican challenger Thomas W. Reed II was elected mayor of Corning, NY, on Nov. 6, 2007. Thomas is a lawyer. He lives in Corning with his wife, Jean, and children Autumn, 9, and Will, 7.

Attorney Ali (Goldbach) Haffner returned to Shipman & Goodwin, Hartford, CT, as a partner, after serving eight years as an employees benefits and executive compensation attorney for IBM. She lives in Danbury, CT, with her husband, Rob, and their two children, Lily, 4, and Joshua, 2.

Amy Muhleisen, CPA and internal auditor at Steuben Trust Co., Hornell, spoke to the Alfred University Institute of Management Accountants members in March 2008.

La-Verne (Cody) Gittens created an installation piece, "Homecoming," for the "Female Aesthetics" exhibit at the Restoration Center for Arts and Culture, Brooklyn, NY, which ran from Feb. 9-March 29, 2008. Also, she was the producer/host of



Robert Klein '62 and Deirdre (Kane) Feldman '94 on the set of "Dirty Movie." See story page 27.

"Link, Everyday Dramas in the Lives of African Americans," which appeared in March 2008, via the Manhattan Neighborhood Network on Time Warner Cable.

Jennifer Dobie's specialty petal pots were featured in an article last fall in the *Oakland Press*, Pontiac, MI. She exhibited her pots at the 32nd annual Potters Market, Madison Heights, MI, where she resides, in November 2007.

Monika Kaden celebrated the completion of her latest sculpture, "The Dancer," and other new works, last fall at the MonikaKaden Fine Arts Studio, Santa Fe, NM.

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning: "When Christopher Neubecker came to Alfred he thought international business was in his future. So he spent his junior year in Paris. But he became more interested in the city of Paris than in business. After Alfred he earned a MS in city planning at the University of Colorado. After an internship in Breckinridge, he was hired and today is a manger on one of the best known planning staff in the United States. And he can ski most of the year. Chris continues to live and ski in Breckinridge, CO.

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Dierdre (Kane) Feldman writes: "I work in the Prop Department on films and television shows. For the past two years I've worked on 'Law & Order.' We had a few weeks off due to the writers' strike. During that time, I took a job as the propmaster on a film, National Lampoon's 'Dirty Movie.' This is not a film for the faint of heart. The movie is a series of dirty, un-PC jokes set against the back drop of a once thriving, now on hard times production company, whose CEO is played by the wonderfully talented Alfred alumnus, Robert Klein '62. I worked with Robert for five days, and it was a pleasure. We shared stories of the differences and similarities of Alfred life in the 1960s and the 1990s. He told me about the pressures of joining a fraternity, because of the lack of other social venues, and about romantic rendezvous at the Steinhilf. We both agreed that our experience at Alfred was quite a change from life in the boroughs of New



Jennifer Jones '97, Jeremy Gage '97, Carla (Renzi) Gage '97, Paul Mitchell '98 with photo crashers Odin and Alessio Gage, at The Common Ground Country Fair, Unity, ME, Sept. 22, 2007.

York City. Robert is from the Bronx and I am from Queens. The shoot days were long and Robert helped to keep things light. We all had a lot of fun and laughs. I recommend that those who are not familiar with Robert Klein's comedic work try to find some of his stand-up routines. I would put him up there with Lenny Bruce as a comedic heavyweight. "These days I live in Astoria, NY, with my husband who is in the film business as well. We are expecting our first child in late June."

Derek Baehre and his wife, Lisa, and their son Benjamin welcomed Tyler Nicholas on Nov. 29, 2007.

Artist Catherine Frost is the owner of the Children's Art Workshop, Rocky Point, NY.

Robert Flowers is interim vice president for Student Affairs at Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY.

News via Rich Simington, AU director of gift planning: "Think things are busy in your house? It's probably calmer than the Dobbins' where Geoffrey carries out his law

practice while Celeste '98 home schools their three children. While all this is happening, several cats and a dog keep busy. Geoff and Celeste continue to live in West Valley City, UT."

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Kristine (Deily) Dale and George Dale '96 hosted the third annual Friends of Jeremy Golf Tournament to benefit the Children's Craniofacial Association Oct. 13, 2007. They became involved through their son, Jeremy, who was born with a craniofacial abnormality.

Samantha Henneke and Bruce Gholson '97 of Bulldog Pottery, Seagrove, NC, were among a select group of 37 international crystalline potters invited to participate in

Krystallos 2007, Cambridge Springs, PA, October 2007.

Lori Tiller presented "Sun Painting," as part of last summer's series of workshops for visitors to Allegany State Park in collaboration with the Cattaraugus (NY) County Arts Council.

Christianne Smith of Ballston Spa, NY, owns Designsmith Studio. Last fall she was named Best of Albany (NY) graphic designer by *Metroland* newspaper. She was also featured in an article about working at home in a November edition of the *Delmar (NY) Weekly*.

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Cindy Arserio writes: "I, Greg, and big brother Nathan would like to share the announcement of the birth of Meghan Diane Arserio, born Feb. 3, 2007."

Glenn '97 and Sharlene (Glenn) Clinton '96 report the birth of their son, Jair Robert Clinton, on Aug. 20, 2007, weighing in at 5 lbs., 10.2 oz. and 19 3/4 inches long.

Pascale Delsol is a world language teacher at Lake Region Middle School, Naples, ME.

John Devine, a golf course grounds worker in the Buffalo, NY area was cited in a *Buffalo News* article on Jack Kerouac's "On the Road," as an example of how successive generations have embraced Kerouac since his landmark second novel was published in 1957. Following graduation, John, a philosophy major, packed a bag and hitchhiked to California.

Kurt Treeby was a juror for the 48th annual Membership Exhibit of the Rome (NY) Art Association last fall. He teaches painting and drawing at SUNY Brockport.

Ayumi Horie was one of the potters profiled in an article which appeared in the *New Paltz Times*, in November 2007. She lives in Rosendale, NY, and her work can be seen at ayumihorie.com.

Michelle Cryan, author/illustrator, conducted a special children's program and book-signing of her work, "Where Is Baby?: A Life-the-Flap Sign Language Book," at The Colgate (University) Bookstore, Hamilton,

NY, in February 2008. Michelle's book is published by Gallaudet University Press.

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Your Class Correspondent reports: "Chris Johnson married Tessa Thomas of Binghamton, NY, on July 21, 2007. Tessa is a graduate of Nazareth College (Rochester, NY) and is a kindergarten teacher in the Jamestown, NY school district. Chris is currently teaching seventh grade science and environmental science at Maple Grove High School (his alma mater) in Bemus Point, NY.

"Denise (Miller) Farnsworth and Benjamin Farnsworth '00 had a son, Thomas Aiden Farnsworth, on Feb. 8, 2008."



Brian Halligan writes: "My wife Shannon and I would like to announce the birth of our first child, Lily Alexandra Halligan on Nov. 15, 2007."

Carla (Renzi) Gage writes: Jeremy Gage and I are so happy to have reconnected with our good friend Paul Mitchell '98. Paul is a fellow 'Mainiac' now. He is making maps for a non-profit in Farmington, ME. We met up for The Common Ground Country Fair in Unity, ME, on Sept. 22, 2007, which is literally around the corner from our house in Thorndike. We had a great time and happened to run into Jennifer Jones as well.

"I am still at home with our boys. Odin is 6 and in kindergarten. Alessio will be 3 in April. They are a lot of fun and seem to have formed a pretty good bond with each other. We have also adopted a very sweet tortoiseshell cat. She is a great addition to our family!

"Jeremy is still boatbuilding with French and Webb in Belfast, ME. His current project is a three-boat restoration; totally rebuilding the 1902 Herreshoff sailboats side by side. It's a big project but all three are due to launch in June."

Jennifer Case writes: "My husband and I have two daughters, Aivlyn (born April 2005) and Lucy (born March 2007). We live in Rochester, NY, and I am home full-time with our girls. I do occasional temp jobs at the high school I attended and taught at but spend the majority of my time with our two little sunbeams. I've dabbled in graphic design and American Sign Language about pursuing new career options when I rejoin the workforce some day. for now we are content."

SunKoo Yuh had a show of his glazed porcelain sculptures last fall at the Philadelphia Art Alliance.

Ceramic artist Kristen Morgin was featured in an article in the July 2007 edition of *Art Ltd.*



Top: Joseph '99 and Maria Page Hungerford on their wedding day. Above: The identical twin Hungerford daughters, Cora Elizabeth and Katherine "Kate" Elise. See story page 29.



Dan Edson '98, '02 and Michelle Korwin-Edson '99, '04 had their first child, Kayla Marie Edson, on Aug. 20, 2007. She weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 19.5 inches long.

Contemporary glass sculpture by Seattle (WA) artist Sean Albert '05 and Portland (OR) artist Jeremy Lepisto was exhibited at D&A Fine Arts, Woodland Hills, CA, last fall.

Blake Keil, commander of Battery A, 2nd Battalion, 15th Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade, 10th Mountain Division, at Forward Operating Base Mahmudiyah, Iraq, received a Silver Star last fall in recognition for his role in planning and leading multiple operations combating al Qaeda. the fourth highest military decoration, the Silver Star is awarded for gallantry in battle.

Twin Cities artist Andrea Stanislav addressed the contemporary effects of the 19th century belief of Manifest Destiny, environmental values, and the vanishing natural world in an exhibition at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, this past winter. She is an assistant professor of sculpture at the University of Minnesota.

Devin Dressman, a postdoctoral fellow at Johns Hopkins University, was featured in an article in the Oct. 5, 2007 edition of *Science* magazine for his recycling project in Hopkins labs.

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Your Class Correspondent writes: "I joined Thomas Publishing at the end of February (2008) as the director of sales, North America for the Managing Automation brand. I will continue to travel and will be at our Annual Summit in Las Vegas until the day before our Reunion and am taking a

red-eye back. So if I can make it, you can too. I hope to see many of my classmates in Alfred June 13-15!"

Jim Collins and Will Nauman '99 competed in the 32nd Annual Marine Corp Marathon, Oct. 28, 2007. The 26.2 mile course wound through Arlington, VA and Washington, DC. It was Jim's first marathon and Will's fourth. Jim and Will also

participated in the Sodus Point Triathlon with fellow Kappa Sigma Fraternity brother Jason Kellogg on Aug. 19, 2007. The sprint distance triathlon included a half-mile swim in Lake Ontario, a 13-mile bike ride, and a 5K run.

Abby (Unger) Marschke writes that she and husband Mike Marschke had a daughter, Willa Marschke, on Dec. 7, 2007.



Willa Marschke

Martha McGee of Wellsville, NY, has been hired by Alfred State College as assistant director of Student Accounts.

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Class Correspondent Mike Christakis writes: "I recently accepted a position in the Office of the Vice President for Student Success here at the University at Albany as the assistant to the vice president. In this capacity, my responsibilities include the assessment of the various programs/units throughout the division, division-wide planning, and risk



Will Nauman '99 (left) and Jim Collins '98 after finishing the Marine Corp Marathon.

management related to areas which might impact students.

Chrissy is three months into her new job as the director of quality and research initiatives at the Healthcare Association of New York State and is really enjoying her work. Our next big move ... buying a house!"

Mike heard from Joseph Hungerford: "On Sept. 10, 2005 I was married to Maria Page from Hornell, NY. Just prior, I was named chief engineer-common vehicles for Lockheed Martin's Tactical Wheeled Vehicle Group, Owego, NY, designing military trucks to replace the aging Humvee. In May 2007, Maria gave birth to our identical twin girls, Cora Elizabeth and Katherine Elise 'Kate.' After a couple of tense weeks in the NICU, they have really thrived and of course we're as proud as parents can be. With the birth of our twins, our life priorities have changed slightly. As such, I have put SCCA open wheel race car driving aside (TEMPORARILY) after an eight-year run on a regional circuit. My involvement driving race cars netted a Rookie of the Year award, back-to-back runner-up finishes in season championships, and memories that will last a lifetime (that's just slightly less than how long the bills will last from all the crash damage). Last month, I accepted an engineering management position with BorgWarner Turbo and Emissions Systems, Asheville, NC. This is a reunion with the company I started with immediately after graduation and a relocation to an area that I've always loved. Life's been good and it just keeps getting better."

Mike also heard: "Peter Cromme and Jennifer (Chin) Cromme welcomed their

second daughter, Elena Caitlyn, on Dec. 28, 2007. The Cromme family is currently living in Bamberg, Germany."

Artist Rory MacDonald was awarded the Canadian Clay and Glass Gallery's Winifred Shantz Award for Ceramists, a \$10,000 prize intended to help emerging artists who work with pottery or clay. Rory is an assistant professor of ceramics at the University of Regina, New Brunswick.

Kelly Marie Knee earned a Ph.D. in molecular biology and biochemistry last summer from Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT. She is a post-doctoral fellow at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Her research focus is on the structure of proteins related to the formation of cataracts.

Michael Beitz was one of three artists with work on view at the 61st Rochester-Finger Lakes Exhibition, Memorial Art Gallery, Rochester NY, last summer. He is a wood-worker at Wendell Castle College, Le Roy, NY.

When her Army Captain son told her the troops needed her expertise as a trauma counselor, Molly VanDuser of Fuquay Varina, NC, left her practice to work with soldiers at Fort Bragg. To read her story go to: www.alfred.edu/pressreleases/viewrelease.cfm?ID=4335

R. Jacob Sposito, owner of the Harbor Perk Coffeehouse, Ashtabula, Ohio, had an art exhibit at the Ashtabula Arts Center last summer.

Kristina Schling of East Greenbush, NY, a needle felting artist, participated in a collaborative, juried exhibit of fiber entitled

"Fiber Fun," during November 2007 at Harmony House Marketplace, Cohoes, NY.

Russell Patterson, contract GeoBase coordinator for Charleston (SSC) Air Force Base, presented an Environmental Studies Seminar on the AU campus last fall dealing with environmental management on military installations using Geographic Information Systems.

"Jeff Schmuki: Pattern Recognition," an exhibition featuring sculptural ceramic works and installation that explore the relationship between cartography, documentary, memory and the natural/manmade landscape, was on view Jan. 30-March 2, 2008, at the Richard E. Peeler Art Center, DePauw University, Greencastle, IN. Jeff is currently a visiting associate professor of ceramics at DePauw.

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Your Class Correspondent Jasmine Lellock heard from Alison Huftalen: "Took a great cross country trip with Karolyn Reddy in August, New York to California.

She started grad school at UC Davis this fall. I graduated with my MLS in September and moved to Toledo with my boyfriend who is teaching at the University of Toledo. I am doing some freelance research work and am in the market for a full-time librarian position. I miss NYC but am getting a bit more familiar with the Midwest pace of things."

Jasmine also reports that she received her master of art degree in English literature from the University of Maryland. She is continuing with Ph.D. course work.

Heidi (Hampton) Lazar writes: "Dan and I had a beautiful baby boy on Jan. 23, 2008. We named him Jacob Dylan.

Cindy Lewis-Black, and husband, Chris Black, purchased their first home in September 2007. They live in Beaver Dams, NY; if there are any alumni in the area, please contact Cindy at lewis_1@yahoo.com.

A group of alumni from the NYS College of Ceramics had a group exhibition, "New Alfred," last summer at LaCoste Gallery, Concord, MA. Participating were: ceramic artists Sanam Emani '02; Carlo Sammarco '00; Linda Sikora; Chadwick Augustine '04; Lauren Gallaspy '07; Michyio Oishi '04; and Nathan Prouty '06; alumna painter Erika Wastrom '06; and alumnus printmaker Peter Lutz '06.

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Class Correspondent Christa (Nyman) Christakis heard from Jay Weisberger: "Things have been good here in Charlotte, NC. I received my accreditation in public relations in October and have been hard at work on a variety of clients. One of them is a winery in NC's Yadkin Valley, a place everyone should come and visit ... I'm also starting my tenure on the board



Kara Lynn Costello '00 and Peter Thomas Kupinski '97 were married on Aug. 11, 2007, at Burgundy Basin, Pittsford, NY. A number of AU alumni friends and family members attended the celebration.



Andrea Goetschius '01, who is a graphic designer for ipas, an international women's health organization based in Raleigh, NC, met legendary White House reporter Helen Thomas at the "Women, Action & Media" conference in Boston, MA, in March.

of the Public Relations Society of America chapter here in Charlotte ... I'm the treasurer for 2008.

"Sarah and I spent the holidays in Bar Harbor, ME, with a stop in PA to see my folks each way. We needed the break, but it was a wonderful trip. Our golden retriever, Ashley, even managed to handle the 21-hour car ride in style. She's 9 months old and has been a joy.

"Other plans for this year are heading to Charleston, NC, for a concert (we both sing in a local choir) that coincides with Sarah's b-day. We're hoping to make a trip to Greece before the year is out. Otherwise, you'll find us exploring this beautiful state, including our annual trip to Holden Beach. I also have installed an AU sticker on my car to spread the word to these Southerners."

Your Class Correspondents Lauren and Kizzy heard from Maggie (Fairman) Williams: "On May 5, 2007, I married Matt Williams in a Renaissance wedding at a local winery ... Both of us are now working on finishing our Ph.D.s (mine in biochemistry, his in BME) at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, and hoping to start fellowships in the fall, though we haven't quite figured out where yet. If you want to see pics of our crazy wedding, you can at mnmwilliams.myphotoalbum.com.

Emily French writes to report the birth of "our son, Nolan William French, born Oct. 4, 2007. My husband Will and I now live in Richmond, VA, where I am assistant director of admissions at Randolph-Macon College and my husband is a teacher with Henrico County Public Schools."

Pablo Soto had glass works in "A Tribute to Mary Nyburg, Blue Heron Gallery Founder" at the Blue Heron Gallery, Stonington, ME, last summer.

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Tara Verdi writes: "I was married on Sept. 8, 2007 to Nick Vuono, whom I met at PricewaterhouseCoopers in Boston, where we were both working. We were married in

Southampton, NY, and Bridget Keil '03, Lauren (Flynn) Selig '03 (and husband Dan Selig) were the Alfred alums in attendance. After the wedding, we spent two weeks in Fiji and then moved to London for two years for work. London is great so far; we really like the city any how easy it is to travel to other places in Europe. So far we've been to Paris and Prague for weekend trips and are planning to do some skiing in the Alps."

Amy (Nisbet) Fritz writes: "My husband, Julian Fritz, and I were married at the Alfred Lake Lodge on Oct. 6, 2007. We currently reside in Clayton, NC.

Justin Sikora writes that he married Dody Fowler on June 23, 2007. They run a summer seasonal parasail business in Dewey Beach, DE. In the off season, they follow the warm weather to St. Thomas, USVI. Currently, they are residing in West Palm Beach, FL, for the winter. They are expecting their first child in July '08.

Kyle Torok writes: "Kyle Torok and Colleen Bowen quit living in sin and were married Oct. 27, 2007, at the Veranda in Senoia, GA. Afterward, guests enjoyed a southern barbecue dinner, the bride's cake and the groom's cake, the latter of which sported the Pirate Theater logo. The newlyweds' first dance was to 'The Monster Mash,' by Bobby 'Boris' Pickett; they honeymooned over Halloween in New Orleans. Colleen kept her last name and Kyle kept his, and they live in



Maggie Fairman '01 married Matt Williams on May 5, 2007. Several Alfredians were on hand for the celebration. They included (from left) Camille Valentin '02, Walter Julius '01, Jen Havey '01, Jamie (Franczyk) Hebert '02, (behind her is her husband Nick Hebert and their daughter Samantha), the bride, and the groom.

Atlanta, GA, with two cats, neither of which has a last name to keep.”

AKO sisters gathered in Burlington, VT, on Oct. 6, 2007, for the wedding of Kendra Stratton and Brad Albertson. Alfred alums attending included Penny (Schader) Dunn '00, Jessica (Trapasso) Levy '98, Bridgette Henne, Margaret (Honti) Quinn '03, Desiree Lombardo '01, and Danielle Johnson-Kutch '03.

Melissa (Wyant) Wolcott writes that she and her husband, Edward E. Wolcott, had a second child, Devin Robert, on Aug. 6, 2007. Big brother is Edward Donald, 2.

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Class Correspondent Danielle Johnson-Kutch heard from Margaret (Honti) Quinn who wrote: “Brian and I bought our first home in October with the help of fellow AKO sister Tracy Young, who now works as an agent for Coldwell Banker in Connecticut. Albany is definitely not being affected by the housing slump! Now that we are in, we are finding more odd jobs



Kyle Torok '02 married Colleen Bowen on Oct. 27, 2007

every time we turn around. I still enjoy working from home. There's nothing like waltzing to your desk in your pjs! Feel free to e-mail me at hq_enterpr8ises@bww.com. If ou would like to stop over for a cup of coffee, I'm always up for visitors.”

Class Correspondent Sebastian White sends the following: “Congratulations to Megan Martin who is engaged and planning a spring 2009 wedding.

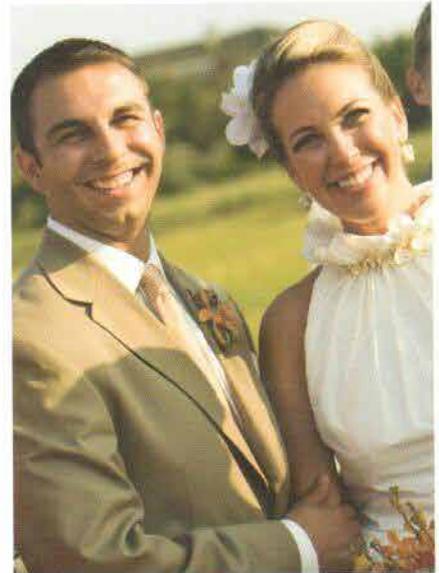
“Brigid O’Dea, who lives in New York City, recently had the chance to take a fun trip to India on business.

“April Felipe is in her first year at Ohio University where she is working toward her MFA in ceramics.

“Alison Green and Christina Piracci are living in Greenpoint, Brooklyn. Alison is still teaching seventh grade English in Bushwick, Brooklyn. Christina is working at the NYC Law Department and will be graduating from St. John’s University School of Law in December 2008. I recently had brunch with Alison and the newly married Melissa Barley-Trindle, who is living in Los Angeles.”

Lauren (Flynn) Selig received her masters of arts degree in art education from Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) last fall and exhibited a body of art work, “Hope is a Good Thing,” at MICA the week of her graduation. She also presented the findings from her thesis based on urban students’ aesthetic reactions to style and visual culture at the Maryland Art Education Association convention in October 2007 and is looking forward to presenting at the national convention as well.

Benjamin H. Lawrence writes: “I got married on Aug. 25, 2007 to Ivana Varunek in Sarajevo, Bosina and Herzegovina. I am currently providing economic consulting services with Chemonics International trying to de-regulate the business sector in Bosnia. My wife works with the Embassy of Switzerland here in Sarajevo, managing the Swiss grant projects and providing simultaneous translations from French and Italian into Bosnian.



Newlyweds Tara Verdi '02 and Nick Vuono.

John Dunphy writes that he will be participating in “America’s Most Beautiful Bike Ride,” a 100-mile trek around Lake Tahoe, Nevada/California, on June 1. John, currently a freelance writer and editor of *The Lawrence Ledger*, Lawrence Township, NJ, is raising \$4,800 for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to participate in the ride. This is his second time riding for the Society, having raised \$4,400 for them in 2006. Anyone interested in learning more about The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s “Team in Training” program or making a donation to John’s fundraiser can visit: <http://www.active.com/donate/tntsonj/tnts onjJDunphy>

Photos by Cara Fuller of Huntsville, AL were included in “Sings of Life,” an exhibit last September at the Cazenovia (NY) College Art Gallery. Her work can be viewed on her Web site at carafuller.com.

2004

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Miranda Vagg, managing editor of the Medina (NY) *Journal-Register*, found herself interviewing a fellow AU alum, 1996 graduate Chad Kenward. Chad currently works for the Medina Police Department and has been cited as the American Legion Burts-Clark Post 204 Policeman of the Year. "He's also the Medina Central School resource officer and works daily with the students there teaching them, working with them during trying times and keeping them coming back to school," says Miranda.

Lisa (Schlafer) Briscoe writes: "I married Oliver Briscoe on April 8, 2006. We now live in Chester, England. I am employed as a financial analyst with Bank of America."

Rachel Olin writes that she married Ken Levy on Dec. 23, 2007. "Ken is a 1990 graduate of Wagner College. Alexandra Pinckney '05 and a few other Alfred pals attend the wedding. I miss my Alfred friends and wish we could have kept in better contact." You can e-mail Rachel at areso52@aol.com.

Bryan Sick has successfully completed basic training as part of the 913th Division of the Recruit Training Command at the Great Lakes Naval Station in Great Lakes, IL, where he also participated in and helped direct the choir. He is now attending the Naval Nuclear Field "A" School in Goose Creek, SC, where he is studying nuclear technology. See photo page 34.

Hollie Hall of Andover, NY, is a counselor in Counseling Services at Alfred State College.

Gerit Grimm presented "In Carnival," a ceramics installation of colorful characters exploring American pop culture at Waterworks, Salisbury, NC, last fall.

2005

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Bradford A. Boyd writes: "I have recently moved to London, and am here visiting for my final year of law school (Roger Williams Law, RI/visiting at Pepperdine University School of Law, London Campus). Next summer I will become qualified to practice law in both New York (after the bar exam) and in England. I am also currently working in international trade. Specifically, I am an executive in the claims and legal defense department at an insurance company that provides liability insurance for large ships. (This was my goal since being at AU, and the reason for studying in the College of Business for my minor, as well as my reason for attending a law school with a concentration in maritime law). I am



Benjamin H. Lawrence '03 married Ivana Varunek in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, on Aug. 25, 2007.

constantly involved in managing litigation and multi-million dollar claims for the company, dealing with everything from contract disputes in Syria on behalf of German ship owners, to managing the response teams to ship collisions and oil spills in Alaska. My minor in business from AU has helped me manage the litigation and international business dealings in the most efficient manner, as well as provided me with the sound understanding (thanks to Prof. Hutter) of the currency and stock markets which our clients affect. It is an amazing international job, and I have now travelled in 18 countries on four continents. The numbers keep going up, and I feel it is important for people in the AU community to realize the global importance that an AU business education can have, especially when coupled with a graduate education that is tailored to a specific industry. I have also used my business education to start my own company in the United States, which will be launched in May. It is an insurance brokerage and consulting company that deals with broking liability and hull insurance for oil tankers, container ships, fishing vessels, and the like. I also have set up a yacht insurance company in Spain which is being launched next spring as well, in partnership with a large German broker." He can be reached at: 228 Platinum House Harrow, Middlesex, (Greater London) England HA1 2EX; bradford.boyd@northstar-global.com; bboyd079@barrister.rwu.edu; 401.369.9811.



Amy Nisbet '02 married Julian Fritz on Oct. 6, 2007. On hand for the festivities at the Alfred Lake Lodge were (from left) Lydia Buzá '77, Andrew Nisbet '05, Bree (Ordway) Forshee '02, Susan Silver '02, the bride, Janet Dalecki '02, Carmen (Bridge) Vegder '89, and Rebecca Dnymich '91.

Marc-Anthony Polizzi writes that he was married Sept. 16, 2006 to Cynthia Gurecki. He is currently working on his MFA at Tulane University, New Orleans, and teaching freshman glass.

John E. Belisle writes: "Melissa J. Berman '06 and I got engaged last month. We're planning an October 2008 wedding."

Contemporary glass sculpture by Seattle (WA) artist Sean Albert '05 and Portland (OR) artist Jermey Lepisto was exhibited at D&A Fine Arts, Woodland Hills, CA, last fall.

2006

Erica Harney had her first solo exhibition of painting, "Solo Debut," at VARGA Gallery, Woodstock, last September.

Elli (Elisavet) Papatheodorou, a visiting resident ceramic artist at the Watershed Center for the Ceramic Arts, Newcastle, ME, last winter, visited Wiscasset (ME) High School for a hands-on program.

Strong National Museum of Play, Rochester, NY, hired Earl F. Johnson as vice president for finance and operations. He is responsible for managing all finance and management information systems functions and supervising the teams that conduct them. Earl lives in Almond, N.Y.

2007

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Class Correspondent Abby Tripp writes: "I'm finishing up the first year of my M.A. in literature at the University of Kentucky and looking forward to teaching a section of first-year writing in the fall. From what I hear, the Bluegrass region is beautiful — amazing farms, rolling hills, tasty bourbon — but right now I'm a little better equipped to discuss the (admittedly fabulous) view from the fifth floor of Young Library. I'm hoping to remedy this soon; my parents and I have plans for a



Bryan Sick '04 and Bonnie Ye '07

day trip to Louisville when they visit, and I'll be road tripping through southern Kentucky this June en route to my summer job in Atlanta, GA. I've already paid one visit to Alfred since graduation, driving up for a Homecoming reunion with Jodi Andersen, Laura Gill, Crystal Lehman, and Rebecca Miller.

"During a slow night at the Writing Center last week, Becky and I caught up on Facebook. Deciding to make my job easier, she sent the following update: 'Rebecca, the most Simon, Miller ended up totally bailing on London after two weeks, 'cause she was lonely and it was only kinda great. Then she had a happy reunion at Alfred! For the fall she mostly painted a whole lot and took some art classes and did a few portrait commissions. She has been active in the West Chester Art Collective, which formed this past fall and had its first show in February. Now she is working on a collection of drawings and trying, not too hard though, to figure out her future.'

"After graduating in December, Kalie Stiffler returned to her hometown of Erie, PA, where she works as a graphic designer at Web development company Paragon Media One. She is also doing some freelance work.

"Tara Ketterer writes, 'I have been living in Barcelona for the last six months doing an internship in personnel selection with ICESA

Recurso Humanos. I am getting ready to take a two-month intensive Spanish course, plan to travel around Spain some more, and come back to get a job in management consulting in Philly in May.'

"John Kalish is 'working in downtown Boston providing customer support as well as training and hiring of employees for Carbonite Inc., an online backup company.' He is also playing Marcellus Washburn in Hyde Park Riverside Theater's production of 'The Music Man' and performing with Redline, Boston's newest post-collegiate acapella group. He recently wrapped up his first season with Calliope, an adult choir based in downtown Boston.

"Caroline DeLeon is also living in Boston and working as a Financial Aid Adviser for The Action Center for Educational Services and Scholarships. "The organization tries to ensure that all young people of the Boston area are informed about possible resources for financial aid' in the face of rising higher education costs, she says. 'My students make me laugh and are constantly keeping me on my toes.'

When he's not paying the bills with a full-time gig at Barnes & Noble, Rob Kostelnik continues to 'make my monsters, just on a smaller scale' and present his work at two Milwaukee, WI, galleries: Art and Soul and Creative Fire."

Dillon Stein has entered first-year studies at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, Lewisburg, WV.



Bonnie Ye is working directly with the VP of Advanced Products Group at AVX Corp., Myrtle Beach, SC.

Dillon Stein '07

She spent two weeks in China for the company in February. She was hired for the position by the CEO after meeting him at the reception before the AU Trustees dinner prior to graduation. She is living in Myrtle Beach, SC.

Levi Bridges had an article published on one of the very poor overcrowded cities along the outskirts of Mexico City proper as the October 2007 lead story for the monthly English language newspaper — "The Guide, Inside Mexico" — where he was interning last spring in Mexico City.

Six Boston University Society of Public Health students have been awarded a competitive grant from the Association of



Lisa (Schlafer) Briscoe '04 and Oliver Briscoe

Schools of Public Health for their campaign proposal "Public Health: In Real Time." The campaign seeks to raise awareness of potential careers in public health among Boston-area high school students. One of the students is **Kian Merchant-Borna**.

Lauren M. Mastin is an assistant accountant with The Bonadio Group, Rochester, NY.

FRIENDS

Cliff Dubreuil, former longtime cross country and track and field coach at Alfred University, is the recipient of the Ken Warren Leadership Award, which recognizes career contributions to the track and field throwing disciplines.

Dubreuil received the award from the National Throw Coaches Association (NTCA) in November at the organization's national conference. The award is named after Ken Warren, who helped found the NTCA in 2002.

Dubreuil began coaching field throwing events in 1955, when he was an assistant coach for the University of Rochester track and field team. He was appointed track coach at Alfred in 1959 and coached the Saxons until his retirement in 1995. A 1993 inductee into the Alfred University Sports Hall of Fame, he has continued to volunteer his services as a throw coach for the AU.

ENGAGEMENTS

Anthony Cavalli '91 to **Katrina Keller**
Christopher Johnson '97 to **Tessa Thomas**
Allison Lipani '01, '06 to **John Feenaughty '06**

Nicholas Burt '01 to **Amanda Kreeger**
Jennifer Baltrush '02 to **Matthew Gifford '03**

Melissa DeBolt '02 to **Dr. Gabor Virag**
Shawn Henry '02 to **Sophie Gublo '03**
Nicole Smolinski '02 to **Brian Rick**
Kendra Stratton '02 to **Brad Albertson**
Gretchen Schwerzler '03 to **Thomas Whitcomb '03**

Rachel Olin '04 to **Ken Levy**
Kelly Palczewski '04 to **Adam Preston '04**
Hannah Patterson '04 to **Ryan Raynes '04**
Ben Mullen '07 to **Amanda McConnell**

MARRIAGES

Nancy L. Falk '78 and **Kenneth F. Garrison, Jr.**, July 29, 2007
Christi Haritatos '86 and **John Campbell**, Nov. 11, 2007

Jill Wittliff '88 and **Chris Nestico**, Aug. 3, 2007

Adam Pearson '90 and **Merritt Friedman**, Nov. 3, 2007

Shane R. Pitkin '95 and **Kara S. Vartuli**, July 20, 2007

Christopher Johnson '97 and **Tessa Thomas**, July 21, 2007

Pete Kupinski '97 and **Kara L. Costello '00**, Aug. 11, 2007

Derek J. Case '98 and **Elizabeth Genovesi**, Aug. 18, 2007

David Seymour '98 and **Cassie Fairchild**, Feb. 16, 2008

Benjamin Ronald Link '99 and **Dr. Kathryn Anne Kohel**, Aug. 4, 2007

Jennifer Marie Waterhouse '00 and **Ian Stewart**, June 2, 2007

Jeffrey D. Mattison '00 and **Nicole L. Peterson**, June 23, 2007

Jason T. Croston '00 and **Patricia A. Shaffrey**, June 30, 2007

Jason N. Kellogg '00 and **Gale H. Baldwin**, Sept. 22, 2007

Lawrence David Latini '01 and **Beth Ann Skivington**, March 31, 2007

Benjamin T. Gore '01 and **Jill M. Soroka**, Sept. 22, 2007

Justin Sikora '02 and **Dody Fowler**, June 23, 2007

Kyle J. Rookey '02 and **Angela E. Cimino**, July 14, 2007

William Till II '02 and **Lori Hughes '05**, Aug. 18, 2007

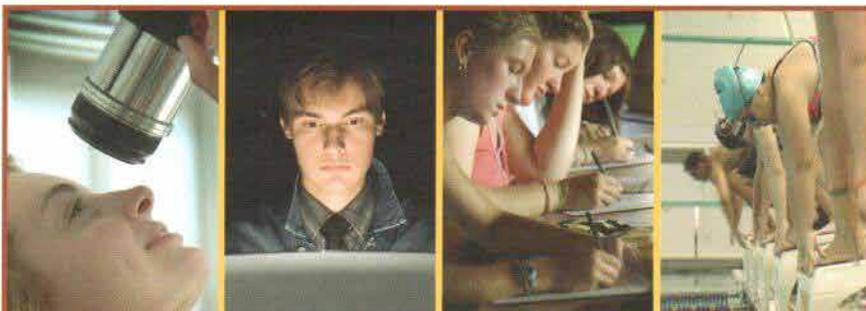
Tara L. Verdi '02 and **Nicholas J. Vuono**, Sept. 8, 2007

Tammy L. Burnside '02 and **David M. Woods**, Sept. 15, 2007

Kyle Torok '02 and **Colleen Bowen**, Oct. 27, 2007

Benjamin H. Lawrence '03 and **Irvana Varunek**, July 25, 2007

Lindsey Stanton '03 and **Peter Mastrodonato '03**, July 29, 2007



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Swimming
Team Football
Team Lacrosse

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Penny (Kalika) Haesloop '03 and J.D. Haesloop, Sept. 1, 2007
 Lisa Schlafer '04 and Oliver Briscoe, April 8, 2006
 Hannah B. Patterson '04 and Ryan A. Raynes '04, October 2007
 Kelli H. Fogg '04 and Todd W. Shuttleworth, Oct. 6, 2007
 Cherity Humbert '04 and Timothy M. Allen, January 2008
 Marc-Anthony Polizzi '05 and Cynthia Gurecki, Sept. 16, 2006
 Timothy W. Ball '06 and Heather M. Burley, June 30, 2007
 Laura R. Cone '06 and Grant A. LaFrance, Aug. 3, 2007
 Jessica L. Drepensed '07 and Jacob A. Frawley, Sept. 10, 2007
 Benjamin M. Mullen '08 and Amanda McConnell, July 7, 2007

BIRTHS

Robert A Grobengieser '85 and wife, a daughter, Mae Grobengieser, Sept. 16, 2007
 Derek O. Baehre '94 and Lisa, a son, Tyler Nicholas Baehre, Nov. 29, 2007
 Elizabeth (Welch) Riley '95 and Charles Riley, a daughter, Stella Jeanne Riley, Aug. 1, 2007
 Jennifer (Conrow) Case '97 and Jeremy Case, two children, Aivlyn, April 2005, and Lucy, March 2007
 Sharlene (Glenn) Clinton '96 and Glenn Clinton '97, a son, Jair Robert Clinton, Aug. 20, 2007
 Brian Halligan '97 and Shannon, a daughter, Lilly Alexandra Halligan, Nov. 15, 2007
 Dan Edson '98 and Michelle Korwin-Edson '99, a daughter, Kayla Marie Edson, Aug. 20, 2007
 Abby (Unger) Marschke '98 and Mike Marschke '98, a daughter, Willa Marschke, Dec. 7, 2007
 Denise (Miller) Farnsworth '98 and Benjamin Farnsworth '00, a son, Thomas Aiden, Feb. 8, 2008
 Penny (Schader) Dunn '00 and Corey Dunn '00, a daughter, Molly, Nov. 27, 2007
 Heidi (Hampton) Lazar '00 and Daniel Lazar '00, a son, Jacob Dylan, Jan. 23, 2008
 Julie Miller '02 and Jose Raman, a son, Joey, Jan. 12, 2008

DEATHS

ALUMNI

Clarissa A. Bassett '30, Aug. 3, 2007
 Corinne A. Lee '31, Nov. 1, 2007
 Margrieta Coit Hewey '31, Dec. 27, 2007
 Albert Berkowitz '31, March 5, 2008
 Frieda Wenger '32, Aug. 15, 2007
 Clara Reed Lynch '32, Sept. 22, 2007
 Wilma Tucciarone '32, Jan. 4, 2008
 Jo Buckley Burr '35, July 5, 2007
 DeForest Angell '36, February 2008
 Jean F. Lampman '37, Jan. 18, 2008
 Lois Barreca '39, Dec. 17, 2007
 Russell Barreca '39, Feb. 14, 2008
 Janet Migneault Otis '40, Nov. 30, 2007
 Merle E. Parker '40, Dec. 14, 2007
 Dorothea J. Stout '40, Jan. 7, 2007
 Morris C. Musgrave '41, Sept. 7, 2007
 Harold E. Glinsky '41, Oct. 20, 2007
 Mary Prudence Chipman Petre '42, Aug. 9, 2007
 Myra Whitney White Buckley '42, Dec. 31, 2007
 Winslow Anderson '43, Dec. 10, 2007
 Beverly Ann (Lang) Coleton '43, Jan. 7, 2008
 Shirley L. Britton '47, Aug. 25, 2007
 Lawrence P. Garvey '48, Nov. 1, 2007
 Pamela A. Lian '48, Feb. 25, 2007
 Margaret J. McCandless '48, Oct. 14, 2007
 Lawrence P. Garvey '48, Nov. 1, 2007
 Mark J. Meck '48, Nov. 12, 2007
 Regina J. Dick '49, Oct. 23, 2007
 Joseph F. Pellegrino '49, March 12, 2008
 Richard E. Smith '49, Jan. 2, 2008
 Earl C. Lowe '50, Oct. 11, 2006
 Jack Leon Peterson '50, Nov. 4, 2007
 Lee C. Winship '50, Dec. 4, 2007
 Shirley (Champlin) Parker '50, 2007
 Edwin Lee Finney '51, Nov. 19, 2007
 Constance (Crofoot) Quirk '51, Dec. 17, 2007
 Robert Tibbott '52, Jan. 25, 2008
 Robert C. Thurnau '53, Aug. 24, 2007
 Priscilla (Parsons) Osswald '55, July 4, 2007
 Rev. Chester M. Gretz '55, Feb. 10, 2008
 Carlin Champlin '56, Aug. 29, 2007
 Ronald Irwin Hochwald '56, Aug. 29, 2007
 Millard M. Evak '56, Dec. 14, 2007
 Robert E. Jackson '57, Oct. 16, 2007
 Barbara M. (Weyand) Miles '57, Dec. 23, 2007
 Alfred L. Brown '58, Dec. 18, 2007
 Joshua Allen Fierer M.D. '59, Nov. 18, 2007
 Francis W. Stanton '59, Dec. 18, 2007
 Robert L. Shaner '59, Sept. 22, 2007
 Franklin J. Bullis '59, Oct. 4, 2007

Angelo (Randy) Randazzo '60, Sept. 13, 2007
 Joseph A. DiCamillo '62, Sept. 25, 2007
 Dr. Philip M. Redstone '62, March 16, 2008
 Bruce E. Jackson '67, Dec. 19, 2007
 Barbara (Olney) Bjorck '70, Feb. 3, 2005
 Stephen Andrew Pontzer '70, Oct. 11, 2007
 Judith Greene '84, Oct. 21, 2007
 Michael T. Zonsa II '84, Nov. 29, 2007
 Eric J. Christensen '93, Jan. 1, 2008
 Patrick Power '07, Oct. 16, 2007

It has come to the editor's attention that we erroneously reported the death of an alumnus in the October 2007 edition of the Alfred Magazine. The Joseph M. Teta who died on May 20, 2007, was not our alumnus from the class of 1963. It was instead, his father, Joseph M. Teta, class of 1934. We truly regret the error and any inconvenience or concern it might have caused.

FACULTY/STAFF

Carol "CB" Burdick, mother, grandmother, sister, friend, mentor, naturalist, poet, pianist, and longtime instructor in English at Alfred University, ended her many careers surrounded by family at her home in Alfred Station, NY, on April 12, 2008. She is survived by her three children, Peter Hudson of Addison, ME; Chris Hudson of Bellingham, WA; and Anna Pool of Durango, CO; grandchildren Blake and Hill Hudson and Kavi and Kelsey Pool; her sister Judy Downey of Camp Hill, PA; and nephews Thomas and Michael Downey and nieces Peggy, Amy, and Tim Burdick. She was predeceased by her brother, Dr. Kenneth Burdick.
 To read a full obituary, go to: www.alfred.edu/pressreleases/viewrelease.cfm?ID=4677

Arthur Parsons Bean Jr., Sept. 13, 2007 (professor of literature 1963-84)

FRIENDS

Mary Thacher, June 2007
 Hazel C. Schreckengost, Nov. 5, 2007 (wife of the late Don Schreckengst, professor of ceramic design at AU)
 Gladys M. Baker, Nov. 23, 2007 (cook)
 Jacqueline J. Dale, Nov. 29, 2007 (secretary, director of athletics)
 Mary Alice Richardson, Dec. 2, 2007 (worked in Business and Finance Office)
 Gloria J. Koskie, Dec. 7, 2007

FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD



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Sincerely,
F. Peter Cuneo '67

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2008



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Alumni Golf Scramble
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