

Six join Alfred University Board of Trustees

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Five Alfred University alumni and a Hornell native have been named to the University's Board of Trustees. Elected to three-year terms on the board are alumni Gregory Connors, class of 1992; Dr. Terry A. Michalske, class of 1975; Richard Mott, class of 1980; Robert L. "Steve" Stephens Jr., class of 1971; and Roger D. Worboys, class of 1969. Bill Pullman, a native of Hornell who is now an actor, playwright and director, will also join the board. Greg Connors, a founding partner of Connors and Ferris, LLP, in Rochester, earned a degree in political science with a minor in business. After earning his law degree from Ohio Northern University, the Hornell native returned to Western New York, working for Segar and Sciortino in Rochester for six years before starting his own firm that specializes in workers' compensation in 2001. He is a member of the New York State Injured Workers' Bar Association, the Monroe County Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, and the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. He has lectured for the Monroe County Bar Association Continuing Legal Education Seminars. He is married to AU alumna Jeni Wetzel Connors, a member of the class of 1994, and together they are active on the organizing committee for the National Kidney Foundation's Gift of Life Walk, which helps promote organ donation, as well as the bi-annual Transplant Games. They are also involved with Rochester's Hunter's Hope Foundation event. Connors serves as a member of the board of directors for the National Kidney Foundation of Upstate New York. As students, both were active in athletics. Greg was a member of the varsity football team, and Jeni was a member of the varsity women's soccer team. They continue to be ardent supporters of Alfred University athletics teams. Greg has sponsored and played in the AU Alumni Football Tournament, and Jeni is a member of the AU Saxons Hall of Fame Committee. They both help organize and host the annual AU alumni event with the Rochester Rhinos Soccer Team. They reside in Pittsford with their children, Will and Luke. Terry Michalske earned his B.S. degree in ceramic engineering in 1975, and a Ph.D. in ceramic science in 1979. He is now director for biological and energy sciences at Sandia National Laboratories, and also heads the Department of Energy's Combustion Research Facility, an international user facility providing scientific and technical tools for understanding and predicting complex chemical and combustion systems. As founding director of the Department of Energy Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies, Michalske has contributed numerous technical accomplishments in the areas of materials science, surface and interfacial phenomena, nanoscale properties of materials, and integrated microsystems. His work on the stress corrosion fracture of silica has earned several international awards, including the Ross Coffin Purdy Award (1985) and the Weyl International Glass Science Award (1989). He is co-recipient of an R&D 100 Award (1994) for development of the Interfacial Force Microscope. At Sandia, Michalske has managed several technical organizations, including Surface Science, Biomolecular Materials and Nanotechnologies. He is a Fellow of the American Vacuum Society and the American Ceramic Society, and he currently serves on a number of external advisory boards for university and government programs and initiatives in energy, nanoscience and biotechnology. Michalske presented the 2005 Samuel R. Scholes Sr. Lecture on the AU campus. He is married to AU alumna Susan Knab Michalske, who received her degree in nursing in 1979. She had been a clinical instructor at the Albuquerque Technical Vocational Institute and is currently a clinical nurse specialist at the Albuquerque Veterans' Affairs Medical Center. The Michalskes divide their time between Livermore, CA, and Cedar Crest, NM. They have a son Stosh who attends the University of New Mexico and a daughter Kate who recently was graduated from the University of Colorado. Richard Mott, who earned a B.S. degree in ceramic engineering, has been president, chief executive officer and director of Kyphon, Inc., since September 2002. Kyphon (NASDAQ: KYPH) develops and markets medical devices designed to restore and preserve spinal function and diagnose low back pain using minimally invasive technologies. The company's products are used in balloon kyphoplasty for the treatment of spinal fractures caused by osteoporosis or cancer, in the Functional Anaesthetic Discography (F.A.D.) procedure for diagnosing the source of low back pain, and in the Interspinous Process Decompression (IPD) procedure for treating the symptoms of lumbar spinal stenosis. He has overseen the growth of the company from \$36 million in annual sales in 2002 to \$400 million this year. The company has a sales presence in more than 40 countries and is a recognized leader in its field. Mott, who is a graduate of the Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program, received the Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award in 2006, and the Frost and Sullivan Technology Leadership of the Year Award. Prior to joining Kyphon, Mott was a senior executive officer at Wilson Greatbatch Technologies, Inc., from September 1993 to March 2002, and served as the company's executive vice president and chief operating officer from December 2000 to March 2002. He has more than 18 years of management experience with companies

such as Galileo Electro-Optics Corporation and Linvatec, a division of Conmed Corporation. He is a former member of the Alfred University Alumni Council. His wife is Gail Falcone Mott, a 1982 alumna of Alfred University. They have a daughter Lindsay and the family resides in Los Altos, CA. His sister is Elizabeth Mott Rothwell, a 1990 graduate of Alfred University, also with a degree in ceramic engineering. She is vice president of quality assurance and regulatory affairs for Kyphon, Inc. Bill Pullman is a graduate of the State University of New York at Oneonta and earned a Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of Massachusetts. He taught theater at SUNY Delhi and Montana State University before embarking on his career as an actor. A native of Hornell who still has family in the Alfred area, Pullman and his wife, Tamara, have become involved with the Alfred University over the past several years. Pullman was an artist-in-residence who offered workshops in acting and writing to students, and then returned in February 2007 to deliver the Ohara Lecture. His wife has taught summer dance workshops at the University. During the 1980s, Pullman worked with theater companies in New York and Los Angeles, and in 1986 began his film career with "Ruthless People." Over the past 20 years, he has had roles in more than 50 films, including "Spaceballs (1987)," "A League of Their Own (1992)," "Sleepless in Seattle (1993)," "While You Were Sleeping (1995)," "Independence Day (1996)," and "The Lost Highway (1997)." He has continued to do live theater, including a 2002 production of Edward Albee's "The Goat" or "Who is Sylvia?" He was nominated for the 2002 Drama Desk Award for Outstanding Actor in a Play. In January 2006, he starred in a Kennedy Center production of "The Subject was Roses," and was nominated for a Helen Hays Award as outstanding lead actor for his portrayal of John Cleary. Most recently, Pullman wrote and directed "Expedition 6," a play about the emergency rescue of two American astronauts and one Russian cosmonaut from the International Space Station shortly after the Columbia Shuttle disaster in February 2003. The play has been performed in development workshops at the Denver Center for the Performing Arts and Vassar College. It was performed last summer at the ACTF Playwright's Workshop in Washington, DC, and in San Francisco this summer. Steve Stephens, who is now executive assistant to the president of Clayton College and State University in Morrow, GA, received his master of science degree in education from Alfred University. He was an assistant professor of military science at AU while earning his degree. He obtained his bachelor's degree in education from West Virginia State University and attained the grade of cadet colonel in the Reserve Officer Training Corps, commanding the Corps of Cadets. In 1962, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant of infantry in the 101st Airborne Division. He served in the U.S. Army for more than 30 years, advancing to assistant division commander of an infantry division, retiring in 1993 with the rank of general. Stephens served as a Special Forces "A" Team Leader in Latin America; commanded two companies in Vietnam; and led the Army's first Joint Task Force to find and destroy drug laboratories in South America. He also was assigned to the Army General Staff and the Joint Chiefs of Staff. His many military awards include the Army Distinguished Service Medal and the Defense Department Superior Service Medal (Second Award). After his retirement from the military, Stephens was appointed director of personnel for the state of West Virginia. In 1997, he accepted an appointment to the position of deputy commissioner of the Georgia Merit System of Personnel Management. From July 2000 to July 2002, he was a project manager for Eagle Group International, Inc., directing a worldwide command post exercise program for the U.S. Army Reserves. In 2002, Stephens served as director of Academic Advisement for the Clayton State School of Business and as a visiting assistant professor. He moved to his current position, serving as the University's Affirmative Action officer, in 2004. Stephens is a graduate of the National War College, the Army Command and General Staff College, and the Defense Language Institute. He has also completed Harvard University's Senior Managers in Government course, Duke University's Strategic Leadership course, and the prestigious course of study at the Center for Creative Leadership. He is married to the former Delores "Olivia" Bennett. They have a son and two daughters. Roger Worboys, earned his B.S. degree in political science from Alfred University. A past member of the Alfred University Alumni Council, he will serve on the board as an alumni-elected trustee. He worked in the cable television industry for 28 years, most recently as senior vice president of Bresnan Communications in White Plains, NY. When the company was sold in 1999, Worboys retired. Worboys currently serves as a member of the Dean's Advisory Committee for the Whittemore School of Business and Economics at the University of New Hampshire and the advisory board of the Center for Venture Research, also at the University of New Hampshire. He is a board member and past treasurer of the Mill Pond Center for the Arts in Durham; a member of the board and the finance committee for Great Bay Services, a non-profit agency that serves the adult developmentally disabled; and a member of the eCoast Angels, an early stage investment group that funds and helps manage start-up high-tech companies located on the seacoast of New Hampshire. His service to Alfred University includes membership on the Alumni Council, the Dean's Executive Advisory Committee for the College of Business, and an organizer of Boston-area alumni events. As an undergraduate at AU, Worboys was a member of

Kappa Psi Upsilon and participated in the Reserve Officers Training Corps. He earned an MBA degree from the University of New Hampshire in 1971. He and his wife, Mary Lee, who was previously a librarian and now serves as an interpreter at Strawberry Banke, a historic site in Portsmouth, NH, are the parents of two children, Thomas and Elizabeth. The family resides in Durham, NH.