

**36** **Norma Bailey Cook** lost her husband in 1993 and son in 2002. Norma has three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren who live close by, and she also keeps in touch with **Emma Guattery Eckert '36** and **Helen Relihan '37**. **Carolyn Fonda Viall**, who turned 90 in April, did make it to the reunion luncheon, thanks to **Don Putterman**. Carolyn thanks all who were so good to her at the reunion and gave each attending classmate a yellow rose representing the class color. Carolyn received a certificate for 29 years of service as class councilor. **Herbert Bailey** attended the reunion along with his daughter from Syracuse. **Jane Highan** died in February this year. **Allen Johnson** also is deceased.

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**37** **ALUMNI WEEKEND June 1-3, 2007**  
Rachel Serkin, a junior from Brooklyn, N.Y., is the recipient of this year's Class of 1937 Scholarship. She wrote a letter thanking the class for its support.

**39** This year, the income from our 1939 Scholarship Fund allowed two scholarship awards: to Nicole Kelly of Tivoli, N.Y., and Zakhar Berkovich from Staten Island, N.Y. Nicole, a junior with a double major in anthropology and human biology, aspires to a career in medicine. Zakhar is a sophomore and also carries a double major, biology and Judaic studies. Zakhar plans to study medicine. Both have been involved in on-campus and community activities. '39ers can be proud of the talent their scholarship fund has aided and encouraged, and of future contributions to the world's welfare. The University's director

of Donor Relations writes, "Please know that your generosity is the foundation of our students' success today – and will be in years to come." **Lurena and Roger Marsters** recently moved to a new residence: 333 16th Avenue SE, Apt. #223, Largo, FL. 33771.

*Councilor: Dr. James R. Spence, spence7@juno.com*

**40** Seventy former members attended the Potter Club 75th celebration this past June. Attendees included classmates **Kenneth Haser** and **Joseph Capiello**, and **Al Kaehn '51**.

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**Jim Ellison '77** would like to buy a class ring from Albany Normal School from 1942 or a year close to that. Please contact Jim via e-mail at [jdejge@comcast.net](mailto:jdejge@comcast.net).



## Who Makes UAlbany Great?

This question could be answered in so many ways. Thoughts immediately turn to students who bring passion to the university, or to our faculty, whose dedication to teaching and research is exemplary in so many ways. We also cannot forget the many staff members who often go without special recognition. But

from my perspective, the University excels mainly through the dedication of a group of selfless individuals who were the students of the past and today's leaders – our alumni volunteers.

Volunteers keep us all connected and make UAlbany stronger. The range of their commitment includes recruiting students, promoting the university in the community, and honoring their peers' achievements. Our alumni volunteers coordinate networking sessions, inspire others to donate money so that the University has the resources it needs to compete in a dynamic world, and mentor those who follow them and need some direction.

When I ask why these unselfish individuals set aside time in their busy schedules, they tell me two things: that they believe it is their responsibility to give back to a place that has given them so much, and that the sense of achievement and personal growth they derive from their affiliation with UAlbany far outweighs any recognition they receive through other pursuits.

So whether it is planting a tree on campus clean-up day in Albany, N.Y.; securing a site for a social gathering in Los Angeles; or organizing a tour in Shanghai, China; UAlbany's success, I think, has a GREAT deal to do with its ALUMNI.

I often end this column with a request for action, but today I humbly end with ... thank you.

Lee Serravillo, Executive Director





Tino Hernandez



Carl H. Rosner



Harvey Patashnick



Patricia Caldwell



Michael Corso



Carolee Carmello



Gregory Maguire



Robert Matza

# Alumni Association Recognizes Outstanding Achievements

The University at Albany Alumni Association honored 16 alumni and friends of the University for their outstanding achievements and service to the University and the community during its 2006 Excellence Awards Gala June 2.

## DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

Honors an alumnus or alumna who exhibits sustained outstanding achievement in a chosen profession or field of endeavor and outstanding service to society or the community

**Tino Hernandez**, M.S.W. '88, chairman, New York City Housing Authority

## CITIZEN OF THE UNIVERSITY

Recognizes outstanding contributions to the University by a non-alumnus or -alumna through leadership, service or a special gift

**Carl H. Rosner**, president and chief executive officer of CardioMag Imaging, Inc.

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**Harvey Patashnick**, B.S. '67, M.S. '69, president, HP Consulting, LLC

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Recognizes sustained leadership and service to the Alumni Association and the University by alumni

**Patricia Caldwell**, M.A. '75, managing partner, Gordian Group LLC

**Michael Corso**, B.A. '83, M.A. '84, chief of policy and program management, Office of Telecommunications, New York State Department of Public Service

## EXCELLENCE IN ARTS & LETTERS

Celebrates alumni for extraordinary distinction in arts and letters

**Carolee Carmello**, B.S. '83, award-winning actress/singer

**Gregory Maguire**, B.A. '76, best-selling author

## EXCELLENCE IN BUSINESS

Pays tribute to alumni for outstanding distinction in business for profit

**Robert Matza**, B.S. '77, president, GoldenTree Asset Management Inc.

## EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

Pays tribute to alumni for exceptional volunteer community service

**Arnold Rothstein**, B.A. '60, M.A. '62, and **Judith K. Rothstein**, B.A. '64, M.A. '75, co-presidents, Community Caregivers Inc.

## EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Honors alumni for extraordinary distinction in the field of education, including pre-K through post-secondary classroom teaching, school services and administration/supervision

**James R. Butterworth**, B.A. '73, M.A. '77, M.S. '79, Ph.D. '86, assistant commissioner for the Office of Regional School and Community Services, New York State Education Department

**Mary Ellen Jukoski**, M.S. '74, president, Mitchell College

**Ruth Kellogg**, C.A.S. '72, Ph.D. '73, adjunct faculty member, University at Albany Department of Educational Administration and Policy Studies

## EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC SERVICE

Recognizes alumni for outstanding achievement in public service

**William Barnette**, M.S.W. '81, director, Bureau of Systems Development and Public Education, New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services

**The Honorable Gerald D. Jennings**, M.S. '76, mayor, City of Albany

## BERTHA E. BRIMMER MEDAL

Celebrates alumni for excellence in teaching K-12 and dedication to their profession

**Louis A. Schiavone, Jr.**, B.A. '75, M.A. '77, history teacher, Scotia-Glenville Schools

## MAKE YOUR NOMINATION FOR 2007

If you are interested in nominating someone for a 2007 Excellence Award, contact the Alumni Association at (518) 442-3080 or [alumni@uamail.albany.edu](mailto:alumni@uamail.albany.edu). The deadline is Nov. 10, 2006. Visit [www.albany.edu/alumni/Awards.htm](http://www.albany.edu/alumni/Awards.htm) for more details.



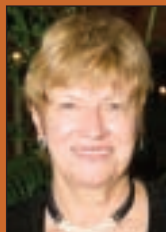
Arnold and Judith K. Rothstein



James R. Butterworth



Mary Ellen Jukoski



Ruth Kellogg



William Barnette



Gerald D. Jennings



Louis A. Schiavone

Mel Horowitz '61 and Jacquelyn Gavryck '51 celebrate winning this year's Alumni Weekend attendance and membership cups.



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**46** **Ludima Burton** had her fourth book, *The Wedding Cake*, published in 2005. Ludima also was inducted into the Farrell High School Hall of Fame in Farrell, Penn., in November 2005.

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**48** **Mary Larson Fedorka** has moved to Bradenton, Fla. Mary enjoys writing poetry and has had one poem published. **Irene Szarek Winch** lives in Inverness, Fla., where she has charge of the community library. Irene has visited Australia and Alaska and traveled to Poland this summer. **Mary Scuderi** has been retired for a few years, still lives in her home and enjoys taking care of it. **Julie Genovesi Fassett** plays bridge and volunteers at the Cherry Valley Museum. Julie, **Mary Emmett Foster** and **Peg Daley Luciano** all keep in touch. **Gari Deliganis Paticopoulos** from Boca Raton, Fla. remains quite active with church activities, and just recently traveled to Richmond, Va., for her grandson's graduation ceremony from the University at Richmond. Gari, **Eleanor** and **Charlotte**, your counselors, get together whenever possible. **Donald Sayles** reports that his visit to Italy last year, where he had spent 25 months during World War II, turned into a pickpocket nightmare only one hour after his arrival. **Ruth Seelbach Elmore** writes about her wonderful cruise on the *Baltic*, which became a five-day extended stay in London because British Airways went on strike. **Arthur Collins** emceed a reception at the Lenox Library for Maureen Stapleton, honoring her years in Berkshire County. Arthur had star billing at the premiere performance of *The Chosen One* in May at the Berkshire International Film Festival. **Joan Sittner Sherwood** will be turning 80 this year. She and her husband have enjoyed 50 years of marriage, and Joan has become a docent at CREHST Museum in Richland, Wash. **Helen Kisiel Schick** was unable to

attend the Myskania reunion because of family graduations and weddings. As Helen nears her 80th, she is working toward leaving her home for a condo.

**Annalee Levine Ginsberg** and her husband celebrated their 50th last summer and the highlight this year was their grandson's bar mitzvah. **Eleanor Holbig Alland** turned 80 in June and took a cruise through the Inside Passageway of Alaska. **Evelyn Boetcher Christophersen**, turning 80, sent a memo reminiscing about the '40s and World War II, when the men were not in school but defending our country. "We wondered and worried about the future, and here we are now about 60 years later, some scattered over the world, but many no longer with us." The University Libraries informed us that the Greatest Generation Fund is well on its way toward the \$200,000 mark. At our 55th reunion, we set the goal at \$100,000, and thanks to you all and many members of the classes of the '40s, we have surpassed our expectations. We recently received a major gift from a member of '45 and another major gift from one of our own.

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**49** **Bonnie Totten Adkins** and husband Lee were named "STAR Award Recipients" by Addison, Vt., Astral Supervisory Union School District. Bonnie and Lee's contribution was their

role in the Interfaith Middlebury Area Summer Lunch and Recreation Support Group, which provides nutritious meals and a supervised program for elementary children at risk of hunger during the summer months. **Jean Ineson Ebbert's** new address is 9100 Belvoir Woods Parkway, Fort Belvoir, VA. 22060. She has finally recovered from her November 2005 triple bypass surgery and aortic valve replacement and has nearly completed her fifth book. Jean and Leigh report that their fourth grandchild, Leo Franklin Ebbert, was born in September 2005. **Richard Foster** has a new granddaughter and a new address: 7333 Scotland Way, #2105, Sarasota, FL. 34238. Richard keeps busy teaching Spanish to fellow residents and also tutoring in Spanish. *The Fresno Bee*, a California newspaper, featured our own **Bob Kittredge's** volunteer activities in its "Someone You Should Know" column. Bob has volunteered at Stone Soup Fresno since 1992, holding various positions on the board, including president. He is currently the group's facilities coordinator. Bob also started the El Dorado Neighborhood Safety Forum, bringing together law enforcement and city personnel, apartment managers and owners for monthly meetings, which he moderates. **Bob Kloepfel** reports that he, **Nolan Powell**, **Russ Bailey**, and **Jack Kirby** – all very close friends in college and all veterans – found teaching jobs within about 50 miles of each other. All four have stayed in the same geographic area and each has retired from his respective school district. They get together several times during the

year. During this past Memorial Day weekend, **Russ Bailey**, Bob's guest at the Clifton Springs Rotary Club, spoke about his experience as a POW during World War II. **Jerry Reisner** retired in 1996 from his job as professor of biology at Allegheny College and now is involved in substitute teaching, which he is enjoying immensely. Jerry and Estelle have four children and four grandchildren. **Jake** and **Betsy Schule** celebrated 57 years of marriage in September 2005. **Abe Trop** returned from an exciting trip to Kenya this past spring. He works in African countries with local people to help establish independent voting districts for such amenities as sewers, street lighting, clinics, parks, cemeteries, etc. His next trip will be to Morocco this fall. **Joe** and **Joyce Zanchelli** went to Albany to attend the Potter Club reunion celebrating the fraternity's 75th year since its founding in 1931. There were 73 members present and, with spouses, the total attendance was 125. At the reunion, Joe and Joyce shared much time with **Ben Jackson '50** and his wife, Gloria. After the reunion, Ben and Gloria were the guests of the Zanchellis and on June 3 were joined by **Robertson Baker** and wife **Isabel '48**, and **Bob Kaiser** and his wife, Mary Ann. Ben, Robertson, Bob and Joe had all been residents at Sayles Hall Annex, 203 Ontario Street, Albany, during their college years, and you can imagine the good time they had rehashing the old days.

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*A note from your class co-councilors: There must be a lot of news out there, most of it fit to be printed! How about some news for the next alumni magazine? It would be great to hear from some more '49ers!*

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**John Bowker, M.D.**, welcomed a new granddaughter, Jade Alice, in June 2005. John was awarded the Ernest M. Burgess, M.D., Award from the Amputee Coalition of America "for significant contributions in improving the lives of people with limb loss." He was the co-editor of *Atlas of Amputations for Limb Deficiencies: Surgical Prosthetic and Rehabilitation Principles* and is currently editing *The Diabetic Foot*. John looks forward to visitors to his home in Coral

Gables, Fla. **Kathryn Dando Murphy** has four children and six grandsons. She enjoys biking the Finger Lakes wine country and cross-country skiing at a nearby state park. **Marjorie Farwell Hunt** has a great-grandchild born on Marjorie's anniversary, Aug. 16, 2005. Marjorie is treasurer and membership chair of the Wayne County Retired Teachers' Association. She and her husband spend three or four months at their condo in Lake Worth, Fla., which escaped Wilma's hurricane force. **Jean Faville Smith** and her husband have taken three cruises since 2004 and are now booked on a riverboat cruise from Amsterdam to Bucharest. Jean hosted a luncheon for **Joyce and Joe Zanchelli**, who were visiting in Florida. **Jean Greenshields Burns** is a grandma for the first time. Jean and her husband celebrated their 50th anniversary in

June 2005. Jean volunteers as a tutor and educational consultant at New Faith Family Center, a women's shelter in Albany. Jean also serves on the governing board of Friends of the New York State Library. **Dorothy Hartmann Naumann** is a great-grandma. Dorothy and her husband took a trip to the Orient in April. We are sad to report that **Jane Hatt LaDuke** lost her husband, Emmett '54, in April 2004. **Marilyn Johnson Van Dyke** keeps busy with her historian's work on Lake George and Warren County, N.Y. Marilyn, named a registered historian by the Association of Public Historians of New York State, is now in her 15th year as historian for the Town of Queensbury and has served four years as executive director of the Warren County Historical Society. She also volunteers extensively. **Ruth LaGraff Phillips** recommends the trip that takes one to Finland, the Black Sea, Denmark and Norway. **Bob Lanni and Mary Anne Fitzgerald Lanni** both work for Community Caregivers as volunteer drivers giving rides to the elderly. Mary Anne also corrects writing sections of GED exams at the New York State Education Department. **Ruth Liepmann Tighe**, who lives in Saipan, is proud of her four children: a software engineer, an architect, an environmentalist whose company is building a road in Sumatra and a realtor. Ruth writes a weekly column of mostly local political commentary. **Teresa Mazzilli Picozzi** has a new grandchild, as well as a grandson who is a freshman at UAlbany. Teresa and her husband spend the winters in Hollywood, Fla. **Anna Morrissey Karpiak** was named Volunteer of the Year in 2002 at both St. Mary's Children and Family Services and Mercy Hospice in Syosset, Long Island. Anna continues volunteering at Mercy First and Good Shepherd Hospice, and is a lector and Eucharistic minister at her church. **Mary Lou Noble Richards** highly recommends visiting Santa Fe, N.M., which she does every other year to see her daughter. When at home in Florida, Mary Lou volunteers at the Martin County Library and Adult Literacy and also serves on the landscaping committee for

her association. Their town was severely damaged by the hurricanes of '04 and '05. **Helen Pilcher Terrill** and her husband recommend elderhostels, especially the intergenerational ones where they celebrated their 50th last year with their three children and the children's spouses. Helen reports they enjoy Bill's fishing trips to Cape Cod and Nantucket. **Shirley Serviss Fioravanti** is kept busy with her many volunteer activities. She's on the board of Oneonta's Center for Continuing Adult Learning and also teaches there. Shirley is the historian for Eastern Star and a member of the Garden Club, Republican Women, and Oneonta Italian-American Club, and she was the secretary in charge of the organization's scholarships. She also was elected to *Who's Who Among American Women* in November 2005. **John Smithler** took what sounds like a fabulous month-long cruise on Orient Lines, which stopped at many of the major cities of Europe. John hopes for a good turnout for the 55th reunion. **Margaret Smythe Smith** is busy as a Red Cross board member and secretary for the Greater Steuben County Chapter. Margaret also is on the Salvation Army advisory board. She recommends driving cross country as she and her husband did in August 2005. **Sonia Stepanian** is on the Women's Guild of her church and proofreads the church's publications. Sonia also is actively involved in the Daughters of Vartan Lodge.

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**53 Joyce Turner Ogden** continues to publish her annual *Library of Congress Changed Subject Heading Subdivisions* from her Olympia, Wash., home.

**54 Gerry Holzman** announced that the Empire State Carousel has found a permanent home at the Farmers' Museum in Cooperstown, N.Y. Gerry, the project's head carver during its construction, changed his career to professional woodcarver after many years working as

*Wilfred Thomas '41, left, and Vince Gillen '41 relive memories of their college baseball days during Reunion 2006.*



Canon Kay C. Hotaling '67, '70 chats with George Hearst III, president of The University at Albany Foundation, during a Foundation board meeting.



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a teacher. He also spends his time writing for a variety of publications, presenting workshops for teachers, conducting woodcarving classes, and acting as a consultant to the New York State Historical Association. **John** and **Rose Mary Bradt Zongrove** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in April. Their son-in-law, who is currently stationed in Iraq, was home for a two-week visit in May. Rose Mary underwent right knee replacement surgery in June and plans to have surgery on her left knee next year. **Irene** and **Duane Shuster** spend time traveling and volunteering at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History and are also active members in their local garden club. Irene and Duane spent last October in Australia and traveled for two weeks to Wales and Cornwall in June. **Marv Chernoff** has retired from California State University, Northridge, but is still writing plays and is currently working on a novel. One of Marv's plays, "Chaim's Love Song," was presented at the New Jewish Theater of Bloomington, Ind., and experienced a revival in Los Angeles. His new play "The Howie Monologues," based on growing up in Glens Falls and Albany, N.Y., was presented at his 55th high school reunion in Glens Falls; Rochester, N.Y.; and in Los Angeles. Marv is enjoying his new granddaughter, Melena, as well as travel to such places as Paris; China; New Orleans; and Sun Valley, Idaho. **Doris Maginsky**, although retired for many years, keeps an active lifestyle. Doris has not been traveling as her husband is not well, but continues to work for her church, play golf, swim and exercise at Curves on a regular basis. **Phyl Weaver** enjoyed a great trip in Kanazawa, Japan, in May. **Frank** and **Dottie Potochnick** recently enjoyed a cruise through the Panama Canal, which included excursions to Colombia, Costa Rica and Mexico. **Arnie Smith** enjoys hobbies such as fly fishing, fly tying, computing, photography, camping and, above all, avoiding work. Fishing adventures have taken him to the Yellowstone area several times in the past few years; since 1996 he has made an annual trek to Goose Bay, Labrador, Canada, to go

trout fishing, and plans to continue the tradition this year. He was awarded a Grand Slam Certificate from his Crooks Lake camp for his impressive achievements in fishing. **Howard** and **Joan**

**Ahders** took their fourth river cruise from Moscow to St. Petersburg, Russia, in May. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last year and took a bus trip from Seattle through Glacier Park,

then up around the Canadian Rockies to Vancouver, B.C. They also traveled to Tucson, Ariz.; Hotchkiss, Colo.; and then on to see **Leo Bennett** in Colorado Springs. Travels included a drive around

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## Harvey Patashnick, B.S.'67, M.S.'69:

# A Special Kind of Ingenuity

In the late 1970s, Harvey Patashnick, B.S.'67, M.S.'69, had talent, inspiration, ingenuity — and a garage where he could experiment. Today, the firm he and Georg Rupprecht co-founded in that garage, Rupprecht & Patashnick Co., Inc. (R&P), is the international leader in the development, manufacture and export of instruments that monitor ambient air particulate matter.



During the summer of 1966, UAlbany's physics department offered Patashnick, an undergraduate working as a student assistant at the Dudley Observatory in Albany, \$500 "to do any type of research I wanted." Observatory Director Curtis L. Hemenway suggested he develop a means to determine the mass of micrometeorites — "tiny particles that enter the upper atmosphere of the earth from space." Patashnick devised "an oscillating glass-fiber microbalance more sensitive than any other balance."

Later, as a principal investigator for NASA, he focused on programs related to space research and instrument development. Patashnick contracted with the space agency for a number of years, then explored new avenues of research, and R&P was born. The East Greenbush, N.Y.-based company has seen its technologies installed worldwide at air monitoring stations, power plants, oil refineries — and even next to Leonardo DaVinci's "The Last Supper" fresco in Milan, noted the former R&P president and CEO.

R&P began with two employees and grew to more than 100. The company also attracted the attention of Thermo Electron Corp., a multibillion-dollar Standard & Poor's 500 firm that acquired R&P in 2005.

A 1969 Distinguished Alumni Award recipient, Patashnick received the Alumni Association's 2006 Excellence in Entrepreneurship Award in June. In part, he credits the "quality education" he received at UAlbany for his success.

Patashnick has formed a new firm, HP Consulting, LLC, which provides business consulting services. He was also recently elected president of the Dudley Observatory Board of Trustees.

— Carol Olechowski

Florida in January, visiting friends and family, and a summer trip that included a Bucharest-to-Budapest river cruise.

**Norma and Bud Stotz's** volunteer activities include church choir and bell choir, the Reedville, Va., Fisherman's Museum, the model shop (Bud), and Meals on Wheels. In the past year, Norma and Bud have traveled with **Fran Hopkins Freeman** and her husband, Jack, on two Vantage trips, one to Russia and another to Greece and the Islands. The Freemans and Stotzes also traveled to Yosemite and other areas in California before heading to Hawaii for a week. Norma and Bud will be moving from their home in Reedville to a smaller place in nearby Heathsville. **Stephanie Manning** spent three weeks driving solo thru Oregon in September 2005, and enjoyed a weeklong tour in Ireland in November 2005. She was in Rome for a three-week stay in September. Stephanie continues to review books for *School Library Journal* and works on a selection committee for juvenile science books for H.W. Wilson. **George Wood** is still an AARP volunteer tax preparer and loves it. **Don and Dillies Pilevsky Mansky** traveled for two weeks through the Chilean fjords and glaciers. Dillies still teaches at Brookdale Community College's eldercampus in Lincroft, N.J.

**Walt and Ann Rehder** spent two weeks on the Mediterranean coast in March 2006. Near the end of their stay, Walt and Ann happened to run into **Joan Bathrick** and **Charlie Cullen**, and all had a wonderful time catching up. Walt celebrated his 80th birthday this past May. **Beverly Dodge Brousseau** still manages the library at her church; does volunteer work for the Friends of the Albany Berkshire Ballet; and indulges in her latest passion, quilting. **Sven and Ingrid Sloth** went to Shanghai for the month of March.

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**55** As we detailed in last summer's newsletter, the Class of 1956 Fund proudly made its first award to Michael Nirsberger of Clifton Park, N.Y. Michael,

a student in the master's program in secondary education in the Department of Educational Theory and Practice, is preparing to teach secondary-level mathematics. A special thanks to those 1956 alumni whose generosity created the fund; we hope that they and many others will continue to support our project. We have learned that these former classmates died last spring: **Betty Lou Blakeslee Countaway**, **Marjorie Liddell Whitcomb** and **William Limage**. Please keep your councilor in mind when you have news to share.

*Councilor: John F. Orser, jorser@stny.rr.com*

**56** When contributing to our *alma mater*, please designate your gift to the Class of 1956 Scholarship Fund. **Phyllis Bialow Levitt** serves as a commissioner on the City of Dover, Del., Human Relations Commission and also on the board of the House of Pride, a drug rehabilitation organization. Phyllis also serves on Sen. Joseph Biden's Finance Committee and belongs to the Biden Seminar and Sen. Thomas Carper's Forum. **Virginia Hilfiker Ahart** chairs the Community Preservation Committee in Southampton, Mass. **Joan Wilkinson Arnold** and her husband, Bill, enjoyed a three-month trip to the Mediterranean last year, visiting Portugal, Spain, Greece, Turkey and Italy. **Barbara Anne Moore Bacon** is a certified master knitter and a member of the master hand knitters committee of The Knitting Guild Association. **Genevieve (Jean) Compagnone Baron** is retired and was the founder and past president of the Long Island Business Institute.

**Vivian Schiro Benenati** and her husband, Tom, went on a two-week Southern Caribbean cruise with Vivian's college roommate **Bea Engelhardt Wright** and her husband, Jack. **Carmela Salduco Bianchi** travels frequently to Italy, mostly to Rome, Terracina and Foggia. **Margaret Coogan Bondorew** retired from teaching at Northeastern University in Boston and recently was inducted into the Hall

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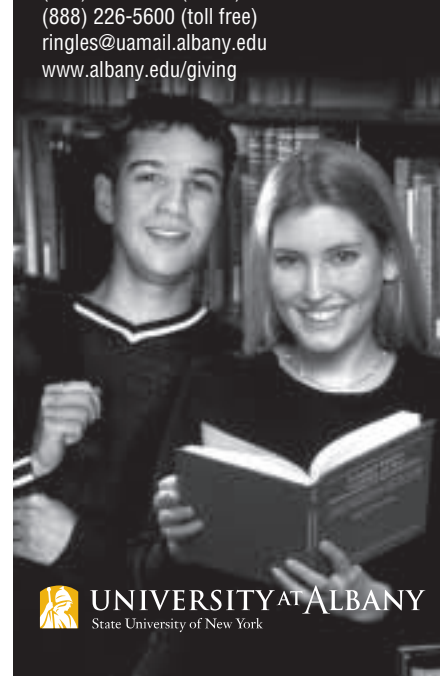
of Fame of the Mathematics Educators of Massachusetts. Margaret and her husband, John, are enjoying as much time as possible on Martha's Vineyard, as well as in Florida in the winter. **Marcia Dalbec Bonneau** is an adjunct lecturer at SUNY-Cortland. Marcia taught high school science for 31 years and was one of the first group of teachers to use the American Chemical Society's text, *Chemistry in the Community*. **William Berkeley Berkeley** volunteers for Meals on Wheels, serves on the board of directors of the Niagara Frontier Radio Reading Service for the Blind, and is a newscaster. **Jayne Struble Brook** is semi-retired and substitute teaches at a college center; she also tutors fifth and sixth graders once a week. **Janet Burt**, a retired mathematics teacher and department chairman, spent a total of 38 years in the world of education. She is an active transcriber and volunteer teacher for the Mohawk Valley Braille Transcribers in Utica, N.Y. Janet, who is active in local historical societies, has edited a local history audio book; she

also serves on several community boards. **Craig Chase** retired in 1993 from Slippery Rock University, Pa., and is an aide at the equestrian center for handicapped children on campus. **Stanley Davie** is manager of the Valley Central Federal Credit Union in Montgomery, N.Y. He and his wife, Barbara, are active members of the Gideons International and are involved in their church. **Marvin Goldstein** retired from Cytec Industries in chemical research in 2000 and initiated a second career as an adjunct professor of science at Norwalk Community College in Norwalk, Conn. **Marlene Watson** earned her M.Ed. at St. Lawrence University and taught math for 33 years. Marlene volunteers in a local nursing home as she has done for the past 15 years, and also at Red Cross blood drives. **John Wilcox** lives in Canandaigua, N.Y., with his wife, Shirley. They have six children, nine grandchildren, and by the time this goes to print, they will have two great-grandchildren. John, a retired high school administrator,

is presently tutoring. Members of the Class of 1956 who attended our 50th reunion June 2-4 were **Joan Wilkinson Arnold, Genevieve "Jean" Compagnone Baron, Annick Loehr Belleville, Vivian Schiro Benenati, Margaret Coogan Bondorew, Marcia Dalbec Bonneau, Elizabeth "Betty" Desimone, Aileen Cochrane Dower, Jane Ide Hutchins, Joyce Tannatta Keating, Thyriil "T" Ladd, P. William "Bill" Lindberg, Judy Vimmerstedt Morrell, Arnold Newman and Jane Anne Loman Russell**. Classmates bid a fond farewell to **Jane Ide Hutchins**, who is retiring as the lead councilor to the Class of 1956 after 15 years of outstanding service. Fortunately, Jane will continue to supervise the Class of 1956 Scholarship Fund, which she was instrumental in founding a number of years ago.

Councilors: *Jane Ida Hutchins, JIHutchins@aol.com; Arnold Newman, fish7hill@aol.com*

*SUNY Goes to Washington: Ken Haser, left, and Norman Arnold, right, both B.A.'40, joined UAlbany President Kermit Hall to help promote the State University of New York during SUNY Days April 5-6 in Washington, D.C. More than 800 SUNY alumni from the Washington area participated in the annual event, along with SUNY Chancellor John Ryan and 28 campus presidents.*



 UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY  
State University of New York

Glenn Thomas Hong, B.S.'76, says his mother kept him and his four siblings busy with sports, piano lessons, Boy Scouts, Junior Naval Reserve and church choir. His earliest hobbies were military history and gardening, and he planted his first tulip garden at age 12. In addition, he learned the basics of Chinese cooking while working at his grandfather's restaurant on Long Island.

A few years later, when he enrolled at UAlbany, Hong opted for an academic experience as eclectic as his boyhood interests. The Freeport High School graduate majored in biology, but also

loaded up on chemistry and math in preparation for his switch to engineering in graduate school at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, his

father's *alma mater*. "I was as well prepared as a non-engineering student could be," remembers Hong, who also studied German and lettered in track at UAlbany.

MIT Professor Mike Modell introduced him to the field of supercritical water oxidation, or



## Glenn Thomas Hong, B.S.'76: Gardening, Cooking and Supercritical Water Oxidation

SCWO. Hong was one of the first employees of MODAR, the first company to attempt to commercially exploit this alternative to incineration, which adds oxygen to high-pressure steam to destroy organic waste materials quickly and completely. MODAR was eventually sold to California-based General Atomics, for which Hong later worked as a consultant. Today, he owns Countercurrent Systems, a consulting business headquartered in Westborough, Mass., where he lives with his wife of 29 years, Karen, and their children, Andrew, 24; Elizabeth, 21; and Jessica, 17.

Hong's hobbies these days are gardening and cooking, with Chinese his mainstay, "but I am a hot pepper fan and so have picked up

Mexican and Thai, as well." His specialties are Kung Pao chicken, shrimp with cashews, and chicken with mangoes. "If this SCWO stuff doesn't pan out," he jokes, "I may go back into the restaurant business."

— Carol Olechowski

John Scott Robinson, B.A.'80, helps to manage the vast externally funded research program at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. The Smithsonian is the world's largest museum and research complex, with facilities around the globe.

As deputy director of the Office of Sponsored Projects, Robinson oversees the Smithsonian's Washington-based externally funded sponsored research office. More than \$143 million in sponsored projects was raised by Smithsonian scholars and principal investigators in Fiscal Year 2005.

Robinson has worked at the Smithsonian for 17 years



and is a certified research administrator. A double-major in history and political science, he attended Antioch Law School, then worked in the sponsored projects office at The George Washington University and for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Center for International Private Enterprise, where he managed a grant program to establish business associations worldwide.

Robinson is the brother of Tom Robinson, UAlbany's East Campus operations manager.

— Christine McKnight

## John Scott Robinson, B.A.'80: UAlbany's Man at the Smithsonian

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**Ben Lindeman** and **Sheila Lister Bamberger** have started to prepare for our 50th reunion, so please plan to join us in Albany June 1-3, 2007. Class members in the Capital District have been active in planning previous reunions, so please join the bandwagon; let Ben know your ideas and how you can help. **Emil Polak** is still doing research abroad for Volume III of his Latin manuscript of works on letter writing and secular oratory. Deepest sympathies go out to **Richard Backlund** for the loss of his grandson, Marine Lance Cpl. John Schmidt III, from wounds he suffered in Iraq.

*Councilors: Sheila Lister Bamberger, hsbamb@verizon.net; Benjamin H. Lindeman, bhilind@aol.com*

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The Attendance Cup was awarded to our class as almost 30 class members attended our 45th reunion party. **Mel Horowitz** was re-elected class councilor and Mel, **John Sullivan** and **Elaine Romatowski Frankonis** were selected as the 50th Reunion Committee. John is compiling contact information about class members and will be e-mailing a class newsletter. Please send your information to him at leesully@aol.com. Elaine has started a Weblog for the Class of '61 at [www.reddevilsredux.blogspot.com](http://www.reddevilsredux.blogspot.com), where she continues to post the biographies that classmates send her. You can e-mail Elaine at [sinoknarf@gmail.com](mailto:sinoknarf@gmail.com). We urge all class members to visit our Red Devils blog and post bios and/or messages. **Bob Sands** received a Fulbright Award for the 2005-06 academic year to teach and conduct research in Tunisia. He was appointed Professeur de l'Enseignement Supérieur and taught at l'Institut des Hautes Etudes Commerciales in Carthage. **Bradford Mundy**, now a retired teacher, research worker and author, worked at U.C. Berkeley, Montana State University, the National Science Foundation and Colby College. Bradford's hobbies include writing, gardening, fishing and grandchildren.

These four Class of '62 graduates reunite every three years. In April 2006 they met in New Orleans. Standing from left: Hannah Schnitt-Rodgers, Linda Bosworth, Sheril Joan McCormack. Seated: Susan Blank



## ALUMNI NEWS AND NOTES

**Gail Rogers Rice** has been the president of North Country Community College in Saranac Lake, N.Y., for 15 years. She is the proud mother of two daughters and has two wonderful grandsons. **Jan Goodermote Newport** spent many years teaching at the Bethlehem and Berlin central schools. She was a substitute teacher while her two sons were young and served as JOBBS program coordinator at Berlin Central School from 1995-2002. Sadly, Jan's son Christopher was killed by a drunk, hit-and-run driver in 2003. Last year, her family prevailed in getting the New York State Assembly and Senate to agree to legislation that changed "leaving the scene," formerly a Class E felony, to a Class D – the same as DWI. **Peter Spina** is interim president at the State University of New York Institute of Technology in Utica. Peter also was elected to UAlbany's Athletic Hall of Fame and received outstanding alumnus awards from UAlbany and New York University. **John Sullivan's** second book, *Gatekeeper, Memoirs of a CIA Polygraph Examiner*, is due out in February 2007. **Elaine Frankonis** lives in New Paltz, N.Y., where she takes care of her 90-year-old mother and Weblogs her life at [www.kalilily.net](http://www.kalilily.net). **Mel Horowitz** recently was selected to serve as literacy chair of his Rotary district. **Richard Bailey** retired in 1995 after spending 34-plus years teaching mathematics at South Colonie High School. He and wife **Marcia Marion '62** recently celebrated their 47th anniversary. They have four children and six grandchildren. Since retiring, they have been doing a lot of traveling; they plan to visit Russia and Europe during the coming year. **Joan Ferrari Herman** retired in 1998 after teaching in the business department for 29 years in the Guilderland and Voorheesville schools. Joan and her husband, Carl, have two daughters and six grandchildren. They keep busy traveling, and Joan participates in community singing groups.

*Councilor: Melvyn J. Horowitz, [melandsis@yahoo.com](mailto:melandsis@yahoo.com)*

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**Margaret Saimond Mundy** taught in New York and Vermont, worked in campus ministry at Montana State University, and most recently worked part time at Colby College in Waterville, Maine. Margaret enjoys three children and six grandchildren; she also participates in music ministry and enjoys quilting. **Gene Altman** has renamed his Albany-based business Technology Rentals of America. **Robert Sweeney** is now retired from directing the Pisgah Forest Institute at Brevard College in North Carolina. His work served as a flagship for the USDA Forest Service. Bob and his wife, Phyllis, recently co-authored an article in *Green Teacher*, the trade journal of environmental educators. For 14 years, Bob also was a professor of biology and director of Great Lakes Lab at Buffalo State. **Stephen Myslinski** has retired from the Naval Reserve but is still teaching at Salve Regina University in Newport, R.I. Stephen and his wife are considering both retirement and a move to North Carolina. They have enjoyed year-long vacations in Switzerland. Every three years, former UAlbany roommates **Hannah Schnitt-Rodgers, Linda Bosworth, Sheril Joan McCormack** and **Susan Blank** take a trip somewhere in the world. In the spring of 2005, they enjoyed a trip to New Orleans. **Sheril McCormack**, your councilor, would love more classmates to send her news.

*Councilor: Sheril McCormack, [vanillastar202@yahoo.com](mailto:vanillastar202@yahoo.com)*

**65** After retiring from the New York State Education Department, **Nick Argyros** started Photography Center of the Capital District (PCCD) in Troy, N.Y. PCCD hosts a wide variety of functions, including exhibitions; a camera museum; and numerous do-it-yourself facilities, such as computer workstations. Nick can be reached at [pccd404@att.net](mailto:pccd404@att.net). In 2002, **Jim Hottois** received an award from the Civil Air Patrol for lifesaving and a certificate from California's

Imperial County Sheriff for saving three people who had become stuck in the sand in the desert on a 110+ degree day. **Carole "Kate" Harvey** recently married **John Jacobs** and is living near Philadelphia. Kate is still working as an ordained minister and for the last 11 years has been executive director of the Ministers Council, a professional association of clergy. Her five children are healthy and living in Rhode Island, Connecticut and D.C. The Class of 1965 has a Web site at [www.albany.edu/~class65](http://www.albany.edu/~class65). Anyone interested in helping develop this site further can contact class councilor **Judy Madnick** at [jmadnick@alumni.albany.edu](mailto:jmadnick@alumni.albany.edu).

**66** Past co-councilors **Francine Greenfield Rockowitz** and **Claudia Mackey Bylenok** wish to thank their classmates and guests who attended the 40th reunion dinner June 3. We especially want to thank **Gary Spielmann** for volunteering to be the next class councilor.

*Class councilor: Gary Spielmann, (518) 758-7962*

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*Councilor: Kay C. Hotaling, (518) 877-5834.*

**68** **Nikki Smith** retired in 2002 as executive director of the Office of National and Community Service of New York State. Nikki is now heading up a new federally funded program for Senior Services of Albany. "SmartWorks" is a volunteer program for informed, motivated and committed Capital Region professionals who have retired or who are about to retire, and who are seeking opportunities for self-development and community involvement. It will be a national model that utilizes the growing population of "baby boomer" retirees in an effective and meaningful way.

**69** **Stanley Axelrod** is a retired Albany High School social studies teacher with a special interest in the historic structures of the Albany School District. He has developed a Web site at [www.timesunion.com/communities/albanyhistoricschools](http://www.timesunion.com/communities/albanyhistoricschools) that chronicles the beauty of 50 schools built between 1832 and 1932. Fewer than half now stand.



### EOP REUNION

After a successful EOP Alumni and Friends reunion in Atlanta in July, a constituent group is being formed to keep EOP alumni and friends connected. As a member of the **EOP Alumni and Friends constituent group**, you'll receive all the benefits of Alumni Association membership and the opportunity to become involved in EOP activities and events.

To join or for more information, contact the Alumni Association at 1-800-836-ALUM or visit [www.albany.edu/alumni](http://www.albany.edu/alumni).

Twins Lisa and Debbie Ganz, both B.A.'89, work twice as hard as most other people. They also have twice the fun.



## Lisa and Debbie Ganz, Both B.A. '89: Success Times Two

After earning communication degrees, Lisa recalls, they worked in New York City, Australia and New Zealand, then returned to launch their first big creative venture, Twins Restaurant, with their partner, actor Tom Berenger. As the only restaurant in the world staffed entirely by identical twins — 37 sets, to be exact — Twins generated interest, and free publicity, from Oprah Winfrey, CNN, *The New York Times* and other media giants.

For now, the restaurant is “on the back burner” while Debbie and Lisa focus on Twins Talent (twinstalent.tv), which casts for reality shows. Their clients include “Nanny 911,” “Hell’s Kitchen” and “Mr. T.”

“In addition, Twins Talent is a unique talent management and casting company specializing in twins, triplets, quadruplets and quintuplets for film, print and commercials. We also create reality and documentary projects for TV,” says Lisa.

The authors of *The Book of Twins – A Celebration in Words and Pictures* are negotiating to write two more books, one on twins and multiples and the other a humorous dating book, and to host “a fun variety radio show, “Talk 2 US.” They operate the non-profit T.W.I.N.S. (Twins World International Networking Society), founded to help families of twins and multiples in need, and also manage Twinsworld.com, a Web resource they created for their favorite demographic.

Lisa and Debbie remember the University fondly. While they enjoyed their classes, “the value of friendship is the most important lesson we learned. We are still very close with our roommates and many people who attended Albany during our years there.” The sisters remain grateful, too, for the friendship and support Coach Bob Ford and graduate student Marcia Vannuccini, M.A.'88, offered when their father passed away a few days before they returned for their sophomore year. “They were never too busy to talk to us, and for that, we will always be grateful.”

(Contact the Ganzes at [twinsworld1@aol.com](mailto:twinsworld1@aol.com).)

— Carol Olechowski

**70** Virginia Heidelberg has retired after 27 years of teaching at Applegarth Middle School in Monroe, N.J. Paula Camardella Twomey retired from the Ithaca City School District this past June. She taught Spanish for 31 years in several districts. During her career, she won a Rockefeller Travel Grant to Spain, an NEH Grant to study Federico Garcia Lorca, and a sabbatical leave to work on curriculum at Cornell University. Paula is the author of 10 books published by Teacher's Discovery.

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**71** William “Billy” Wilbanks has spent the last few years researching and compiling the Texas state track champions since 1905 and has put his research together in *SchoolDay*, available on CD-ROM. He is selling *Texas High School Champions: 1905-2005* for \$10. William can be contacted at [wilbankswilliam@hotmail.com](mailto:wilbankswilliam@hotmail.com). Paul Werner will serve as the 2006-07 president of the Florida Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. He practices and lives in Boca Raton with his wife, Anita. Steve Grilli was hired by Innovative Surveillance Technology Inc. (IST) as vice president of service operations and general manager. Steve's primary responsibility is to oversee and manage nationwide service operations from IST's newest facility in Lorton, Va. Robert Gottfried, a partner in Hodgson Russ LLP's Immigration Practice Group, was a featured speaker at a preretirement conference at the United Nations addressing procedures for U.N. retirees to obtain permanent United States residence and ancillary immigration benefits. It marked the seventh consecutive year he was invited to make this address.

Councilor: Linda Waters Zusman, [lalocazus@aol.com](mailto:lalocazus@aol.com)

**72** The New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities honored Ellen Triebwasser of Red Hook for 30 years of service to the people of the State of New York.



OMRDD Commissioner Thomas A. Maul with Ellen Triebwasser

**73** Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS) of White Plains, N.Y., has honored Judy Fink with the Leonard Rohmer Award for High Professional Accomplishment. Judy joined WJCS as director of Geriatric Services and coordinator of Project Time-Out in 1995. She also is a creative consultant and senior advocate for the Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services. John Rubin directed “Little Willy” and performed at the Ohio Theatre in New York City this past April.

**74** The New York State Association of Homes and Services for the Aging honored John Turongian with the James W. Sanderson Memorial Award for Leadership. John serves as chief executive officer of United Helpers, a not-for-profit human services organization headquartered in Ogdensburg, N.Y. Timothy Flanagan was named president of Framingham State College in Massachusetts.

**75** David Taffet is gunned down in “A House Divided,” a two-hour movie pilot scheduled to air on ABC this fall. He also is featured in the film “Razor Room,” set for release next winter. David continues to host the only liberal radio talk show in Texas on KNON in Dallas. The Georgia Museum of Art recently announced the appointment of Nancy Lendved as museum shop manager.

**76** Nathan Salant has been appointed to the NCAA D-II National Baseball Committee and was named

chair of the South Central Region. David Keller celebrates the 10th anniversary of his Comp-Doctor personal computer service business. The Chamber of Southern Saratoga County has announced Terry Kenny as this year's Southern Star, a designation reserved for outstanding chamber volunteers. Terry, an account executive with Latham-based Cool Insuring Agency, was chosen for his dedicated support of the chamber and his work on the annual golf tournament.

**77** Elizabeth Mascari Norfrey and her husband, David, have accepted a shared music ministry position at Christ Episcopal Church in Charlottesville, Va. The Norfreys live in Rhode Island and have two daughters. The Supreme Judicial Court Standing Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services in Boston, Mass., presented Samuel Moskowitz with the Adams Pro Bono Publico Award. Samuel practices in the law firm of Davis, Malm & D'Agostine, P.C., in Boston.

**79** Joseph Cardillo was presented with the Town Award at Colby-Sawyer College's 2006 Commencement Ceremony. The U.S. Chapter of the International Association for Landscape Ecology selected Bruce Milne of the University of New Mexico as the recipient of the 2006 Distinguished Landscape Ecologist Award.



Joseph Cardillo

**80** Charles Clark, senior vice president and retirement practice leader for Aon Consulting in Philadelphia, was selected by the President of the United States and members of Congress to be a delegate at the third and final summit called for by the “Savings are Vital to Everyone Retirement Act of 1997” in March. Charles is an associate of the Society of Actuaries, an enrolled actuary, a member of the Pension Section of the Society of Actuaries and a member of the American Academy of Actuaries.

The Ostrowski family enjoys the 2006 Legacy Dessert Reception the evening before commencement. Pictured from left are Judy, Kathleen '06, John '82 and Patricia.



## ALUMNI NEWS AND NOTES

**Susan Seligson Pattenaude** is supervising domestic violence attorney for The Legal Project, a not-for-profit legal services agency in Albany, N.Y.



Casey Crabill

Raritan Valley Community College trustees named **Kathleen "Casey" Crabill** the first woman president of the College of the Redwoods in Eureka, Calif. **Russell Marnell**

was named to the *Martindale-Hubbell Register of Preeminent Lawyers*. **Susan Ward** has accepted a position as director of the Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center.

**81 William Reilly** is a recipient of the National Disney Education Award. He teaches sixth-grade social studies at Bethlehem Central Middle School in



Michael Arcuri

Delmar, N.Y. **Michael Arcuri** is the democratic candidate for Congress in New York's 24th Congressional District this year. Michael, who resides in Utica, has

served as Oneida County District Attorney since 1994, winning election to that seat four times.

*Councilors: Anthony Giardina, agiardina@yahoo.com; Marc Gronich, mgalbany@juno.com; Seth Starr, seth@fsv.com*

**82 Matt Ross** has been appointed chief executive officer of the Paul



Matt Ross

Green School of Rock Music, LLC. Matt has held positions with Clear Channel Communications, Emmis Broadcasting and CBS Radio. He also is

president and founder of The Kids Foundation, which has raised over \$2 million for organizations that work with children with autism and other developmental disabilities. **Cornelia Laverty** has joined GTECH Holdings Corporation of West Greenwich, R.I., as senior vice president and chief marketing officer. **Rob Gierka** manages the IT

Publications Office for the State of North Carolina. He also works as pet chaplain at the North Carolina State School of Veterinary Medicine. For more information, go to [www.PetChaplain.com](http://www.PetChaplain.com).

**83 Paul Grondahl** has joined the Authors Guild and also has launched a Web site: [www.paulgrondahl.com](http://www.paulgrondahl.com). National Grid has named **Kathy Lane** the company's first chief information officer, covering both its United States and

United Kingdom operations. Kathy will be responsible for directing National Grid's information technology requirements on a global basis. **Carolee Carmello** was nominated for a Tony Award for featured actress in a musical for her role as Gabrielle in Broadway's "Lestat." The SUNY Board of Trustees awarded **Denise Knight** the title of distinguished teaching professor in May 2006. Denise has been a member of the SUNY Cortland English department for the past 16 years.

**84 Ting Kwok** graduated from

Fordham Law in May 2005 and New York University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences in May 2006. **Lauretta**



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**Chrys** was named the executive vice president and retail director for Citizens Bank in New York. **Karen Keeler Sengel** and her husband, Mark, teach in Thailand and reside in Virginia in the summer.

## Number One Fan

Brian Fessler B.A. '06

**Major:** double major in political science and history

**Student highlights:** Presidential Scholar, president of the 414,000-member SUNY Student Assembly, Student Association chief justice, "RACC Rowdies," intern with New York State Office of Homeland Security

**Alumni service:** Now 22, he's the newest — and youngest — member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

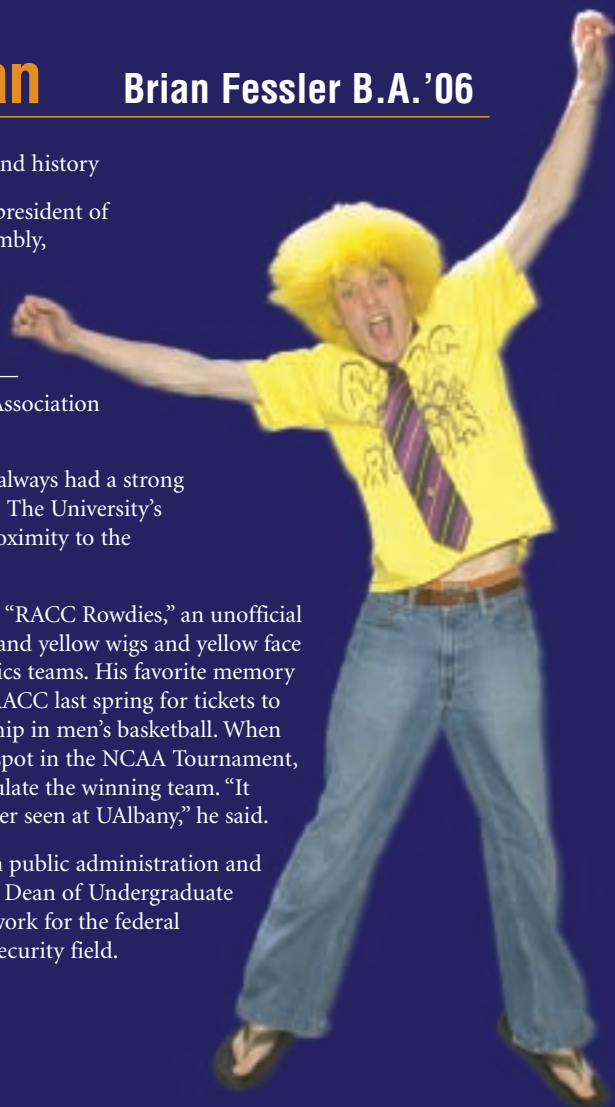
**Why he enrolled at UAlbany:** Fessler has always had a strong interest in government and public service. The University's affordability, large campus size, and its proximity to the state capital made it a perfect fit for him.

**Favorite UAlbany memory:** As one of the "RACC Rowdies," an unofficial group of about 50 student fans in purple and yellow wigs and yellow face paint, Fessler cheered on UAlbany's athletics teams. His favorite memory is the overnight campout in front of the RACC last spring for tickets to the America East Conference Championship in men's basketball. When UAlbany defeated Vermont and landed a spot in the NCAA Tournament, he rushed the basketball court to congratulate the winning team. "It was by far the most school spirit I have ever seen at UAlbany," he said.

**Future:** He's pursuing a master's degree in public administration and is a graduate assistant to Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies Sue Faerman. His career goal: to work for the federal government in the defense or homeland security field.

— Christine McKnight

— Carol Olechowski





Martha McCaffrey '99, left, is congratulated by Christine Bouchard '73, '87, chair of the Alumni Association's Scholarship Committee, on receiving the Albert N. Husted Fellowship Award for 2006.

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**William Heath** retired from the Chase Manhattan Bank in 2001 after 17 years of service. He now lives in northern England and is a mountain guide leading walks in England and Europe along with his wife, Rebecca.

**85 James Proper** has been awarded a travel scholarship to China for November 2006 from Phi Delta Kappa (PDK) International of Bloomington, Ind. PDK is a professional education organization dedicated to leadership, service and research. The National Council of Jewish Women has announced the

appointment of **Stacy Kass** as executive director. Stacy began her career in the non-profit sector at the New York City Volunteer Corps and over the next 10 years held notable positions in Girls Incorporated and United Neighborhood Houses, the umbrella and support organization for settlement houses in New York City. **Ed McCartan** contributed six paintings to the Bona Biennial 2006, an exhibition of works by St. Bonaventure University alumni held in May.



Stacy Kass

**86 Lisa Bond** works for L'Occitane, a French skin care, body care, fragrance and gourmet food company located in New York City. She is vice president of human resources, responsible for the North American region. **Howard S. Krooks**, partner of Elder Law Associates, P.A., was admitted to practice law in Florida and New York and is of counsel to Littman Krooks LLP in New York. Howard also was the recipient of the 2006 Outstanding Achievement



Howard S. Krooks

Award from the New York chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys for advocacy work he performed prior to and since relocating to Florida in September 2005.

**Christopher Paradise** has been awarded tenure and promoted to associate professor of biology at Davidson College in North Carolina.



Christopher Paradise

**Randy Dorian** was awarded a Fulbright fellowship under the Indo-American Environmental Leadership Program. Randy was based in New Delhi, India, from December 2005 through March 2006, and researched environmental information technology. **Andy Seras** was selected as a coach to join the USA Wrestling National Greco-Roman Team. Andy served as an Olympic coach for the 2004 U.S. Olympic Greco-Roman team that competed in Moscow, Russia, and placed fifth in the standings. He lives in Sandy Hook, Conn.

Coach Bob Ford, left, provides an update on the UAlbany football team's prospects for 2006-07 at a Varsity Club tailgate prior to a New York Giants practice.



**87 Debra Resnick**, executive director for the FTI Forensic and Litigation Consulting Intellectual Property Practice, has been named chair of the New York State Bar Association's 1,350-member Intellectual Property Law Section. Two years ago, **Lisa Lillien** launched HungryGirl.com, a Web site and a free daily e-mail subscription service. Her site features lower calorie products, and the latest diet and food-related news. Lisa has been featured on TV's "Extra" and also in the April issue of the celebrity, diet and fitness issue of *People* magazine.



Debra Resnick

**89 Brooklyn resident Selina Regan** has accepted a position as vice president in the environmental practice of Willis, the international corporate insurance brokerage. Working with attorneys, developers and private equity firms, Selina designs, markets and places customized environmental insurance programs to meet clients' risk



Selina Regan

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Or send it by regular mail to: Class News and Notes Editor, Alumni House, UAlbany Alumni Association, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12222

management needs. **Cheryl Ackerman** is vice president of finance and assistant treasurer of Emmis Communications in Indianapolis, Ind.

**90 Abbe Ruttenberg Serphos** joined Barnes & Noble, Inc., as director of communications in September 2005.

**Laurie Lieman**, a member of the Pine Hills Neighborhood Association, was awarded a Neighborhood Service Award plaque at the 15th anniversary celebration of The Committee on University and Community Relations in March. As Webmaster for the Pine Hills Neighborhood Association, Laurie also received the 2006 Outstanding Web site certificate from the Neighborhood Resource Center of Albany, N.Y.

**91 Robert Pickus** was promoted to director for Abacus Group LLC in New York City last January. **Robert Levin**,



publisher and editor-in-chief of *The New York Enterprise Report*, recently received the Small Business Journalist of the Year Award from the U.S. Small Business Administration. **Karl Leib** is currently assistant professor of political science at Christian Brothers University in Memphis, Tenn. **Benjamin Stone** recently joined Cozen O'Connor's Seattle office as a member of the firm's insurance department. Previously, Stone was an associate in the insurance coverage and employment litigation departments of Keller Rohrbach LLP in Seattle.

**Scott Thompson**, who serves as a Navy JAG in Naples, Italy, was promoted to commander. **Kimberly McDonald-Brackin** was named the women's swimming and diving head coach at the University of Texas.

**92 Mary Mullen** recently was named to *Boston Magazine's* "Best Financial Advisers" list.



Mary Mullen

**Stephanie Madnick Marnin** earned her J.D. in May from the University of



Vicki, Stephanie and Sophie Marnin

Connecticut School of Law. The recipient of the CALI Excellence Award in Health Care Law and Sexuality, Gender and the Law, she clerked for the Honorable Lois Tanzer, Hartford Superior Court. Stephanie has been the director of the Rainbow Center, the University of Connecticut's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Educational Resource Center. Stephanie and Vicki Nolan Marnin reside in Middletown, Conn., with their daughter, Sophie. **Teresa Golden** has a new position as assistant professor at Southeastern Oklahoma State University. **Todd Conte** is a director of CBSI Services Inc. in Harrison, N.Y.

**93 Sarah Zevin** oversees the recruiting of professors at the Teaching Company, a Chantilly, Va., organization that creates and sells college-style courses on tape, DVD and CD. **Deon Retemeyer** has been named assistant general counsel of NEC Corporation of America, the U.S. subsidiary of NEC Corporation, a Japanese technology company.

**94 Leon Malan** was presented with the Jack Jensen Award for Teaching Excellence at Colby-Sawyer College's 2006 commencement ceremony.



Leon Malan

**95 Craig Kaylor** of Longmeadow, Mass., was recently promoted to vice president and general counsel for Hampden Bank. Craig has been employed by Hampden since 1999 and most recently served as the bank's vice president and compliance officer.



Craig Kaylor



For David Schulman, B.S.'96, and George Fuchs, B.S.'97,

## It's Business and It's Family

The UAlbany connection counts in more ways than one for David Schulman, B.S.'96, and George Fuchs, B.S.'97. Not only are they senior partners in their own New York City financial planning firm, but they also share extensive family links to the University, with spouses, two parents, two brothers and three cousins all holding degrees from UAlbany.

Schulman's wife, Milena Khaitov Schulman, graduated from UAlbany in 2000. Fuchs's wife, Tansy Goodman, earned her degree from the University in 1997. The two partners, who head The Fuchs/Schulman Group at Smith Barney, also have alumni brothers: Michael Schulman (1994) and Justin Fuchs (2004). Schulman's father, Jerry (1972), and mother, Alice (1974), both earned master's degrees in education from the University, and three of David's cousins are alumni: Andrew Novins (1993), Beverly Katz Gilbert (1981) and Rochelle Katz (1988).

Ironically, Schulman and Fuchs, now both 31, never even knew each other as undergraduates. Schulman's wife, then his fiancée, introduced them after recognizing Fuchs during a visit to the Morgan Stanley office where Fuchs and Schulman both launched their business careers. Fuchs had hired Milena for a part-time position at Radio Shack during their undergraduate days at UAlbany.

Fuchs and Schulman soon left Morgan Stanley to establish The Fuchs/Schulman Group at Smith Barney. Both licensed as certified financial planners, they now manage 200 clients with assets totaling about \$200 million. They focus on wealth planning for business owners, individuals and families.

For Schulman, who majored in business, a career in financial planning was a natural step.

"My education gave me a "big picture" understanding of the business world, and also a sense of how to manage a staff and clientele," he said.

Fuchs took a less traditional path, majoring in atmospheric sciences. He interned as a weatherman at WTEN-TV in Albany, reporting for his shift at 3 a.m. "It taught me how to be in front of people and how to present myself," he said.

Schulman and his wife live with their baby daughter in Scarsdale. Fuchs and his wife, who live in Brooklyn, are the parents of a 2-year-old daughter.

— Christine McKnight



## Josh Shaw, B.S.'97: Lemonade and a Smile

When life hands you lemons, you should make lemonade. Just ask Josh Shaw, B.S.'97, whose own personal recipe for lemonade includes equal parts passion, innovation and positive mental attitude, garnished with a generous slice of risk.

Shaped and motivated by his parents' divorce and by his father's death at a young age, the Rye Brook, N.Y., native plowed snow and mowed lawns for neighbors. Later, as a "stick boy" for the New York Rangers — "the job of a lifetime for a kid who loved sports" — he would sell the team's autographed hockey sticks at the local flea market.

In high school, Shaw started a T-shirt company and brought it with him to the University. At UAlbany, he and best friend Keith Garber, B.A.'97, began a firm that issued discount cards for goods and services provided by Capital Region businesses, merging it with a similar company in Boston months later. Student Advantage Inc. was bringing in \$400,000 annually by 1994 and at one point was valued on the NASDAQ at more than \$1 billion. By age 24, Shaw, who had majored in finance and marketing at UAlbany's School of Business, was a millionaire.

His latest venture is GoSMILE, co-founded with "smile beauty practitioner" Jonathan Levine, DMD. The upscale line of tooth-whitening products and systems is available at high-end retail and cosmetic stores, as well as online (<http://gosmile.com>) and through television infomercials.

Shaw, GoSMILE's chief operating officer, told students during a visit to UAlbany last March: "You can be an entrepreneur in any industry. You have a good foundation in your classes. I found my time here to be very relevant to what I do today." He also advised aspiring entrepreneurs to "learn to manage change."

Shaw, who appeared last fall on the NBC television series "The Apprentice," said the experience was "a test of perseverance, integrity and intelligence. I walked away realizing I had even more potential." Shaw is also co-author, with Alexandra Barzvi, of a motivational book. He hopes that *Who Invented Lemonade?* will help readers to understand that success "involves taking risks, keeping an open mind, and realizing the power of intention and perspective." A portion of the proceeds from the book will benefit Autism Speaks (<http://autismspeaks.org>), one of his favorite charities.

Shaw and his wife, Melissa, reside in Manhattan with their daughter, Ava Violet.

— Carol Olechowski

**Andrew Rush** has been appointed director of media services and public affairs for the New York State Bar Association. **Sharon**



**Ward** has accepted a position as director of the Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center, a project of the Keystone Research Center. The PBPS is a new policy research organization that will focus on building a fair and equitable state tax system that adequately supports services for low-income and working Pennsylvanians.

**96** In April 2005 **Chris Barnes** suffered an "anoxic brain injury" due to a sudden cardiac arrest after jogging. Chris receives daily physical therapy and is slowly improving, although he is unable to voluntarily move any of his extremities or to communicate. To help Chris' recovery process and to spread awareness, family and friends have created the Web site [www.hopeforchris.com](http://www.hopeforchris.com), which provides information on anoxic brain injuries and daily updates on Chris's condition.



Chris Barnes

**98** **Diana Nicholson** has been named senior vice president of consumer products for Monster®, the leading global online careers property.

**00** **Teresa Snyder** has been appointed the new deputy superintendent of the Shenendehowa School District.

**01** Delegates to the Omicron Delta Kappa National Convention voted to approve another two-year term for Vice President **Michael Christakis**.

**02** **Brian Levine** was elected to the Albany Public Library Board of Trustees in May 2006. Brian is a senior budgeting analyst for the New York State Department of Civil



Brian Levine

Service. **Rochelle Haynes** graduated in June from Princeton University with dual degrees, Master of Public Affairs and Master of Urban and Regional Planning. **Brandon Boyle** has been promoted to director of lending of the Capital District Community Loan Fund in Albany, N.Y.

*Councilor: Brian Levine,  
BrianLevine@alumni.albany.edu*

**03** **Joana Lucashuk** graduated from New York Law School in May. **Richard Cohen** passed away suddenly in July 2006. Rich was a member of Five Quad Volunteer Ambulance Service while a student at UAlbany. Rich served in a variety of positions and was an excellent training officer and CPR instructor.

**05** **Jodi Schwartz** was featured in the new book *Firestarters: 100 Job Profiles to Inspire Young Women*, by Dale Salvaggio Bradshaw and Kelly Beatty. Jodi was one of 100 real women whose career achievements inspire girls and young women. **Katrina Zalatan**, associate professor of business administration at Hartwick College in Oneonta, has been named the college's Mellon Fellow for 2006-07.

For class councilor information, go to:

[www.albany.edu/alumni/council\\_of\\_classes](http://www.albany.edu/alumni/council_of_classes)

or call the Alumni Association at (518) 442-3080.

Alumni Association board member Sean Maguire '00, '04, left, and Shawn Bigam '06 relax at a student leadership barbecue sponsored by the Alumni Association just before finals.



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Sena SoHyun Chang



Molly Ann Sharry



Samantha Acerra Markey



Alison Fox Wohlstetter

## Births

- 1984 – **Stephen Honan** and wife Christina are proud to announce the adoption of a baby boy, Stephen Donovan, born Feb. 5, 2006, in Texas and adopted Feb. 14
- 1990 – **Tom Henry** and **Heather Auld**, a daughter, Bellamy Jane Auld, May 3, 2006  
**Doug Bricker** and wife Pam, a daughter, Macie Simone Bricker, Sept. 20, 2005  
**Richard Holstein** and wife Erin, a daughter, Lauren Elizabeth, Feb. 21, 2006  
**Abbe Ruttenberg Serphos** and husband Michael, a son, Brayden, July 2004
- 1991 – **Robert Pickus** and wife Lynn, a son, Noah, Oct. 11, 2004  
**Marc Potash** and wife Lesley, a girl, Jordan Michelle, March 12, 2006
- 1992 – **Jennifer Acerra-Markey** and husband John, a daughter, Samantha Acerra Markey, April 19, 2005  
**Robin Fox** and husband Scott Wohlstetter, a daughter, Alison Cayla Wohlstetter, Aug. 1, 2005

- 1993 – **Lori Turk Parizman** and husband Michael, a son, Ethan Logan, March 17, 2006
- 1994 – **Elise Iacovelli** and **Craig Ruyle**, a daughter, Catherine Elizabeth, July 22, 2005  
**Michelle Zweigman Mittleman** and husband Jon, a son, Zachary Bryan, March 15, 2005
- 1996 – **Sharon Bailey Sharry** and husband Mike, a daughter, Molly Ann Sharry, June 28, 2005  
**Kathleen Johnson** and husband Craig, a son, Declan Johnson, Aug. 29, 2005  
**David Schulman** and wife Milena Khaitov, a daughter, Bella Sasha, March 15, 2006
- 2003 – **Saori Kakihara** and husband Yongjin Chang, a daughter, Sena SoHyun Chang, Feb. 26, 2006  
**Amber Spatola Newcomb** and husband Shanon, a daughter, Emma Claire, May 29, 2006

## Weddings

- 1992 – **Elizabeth Ann Ceisler** and Todd Conte, March 27, 2006
- 1993 – **Sarah Mitte** and Jack Zevin, April 23, 2006
- 1994 – **Eric Solomon** and Amy Garay, Oct. 1, 2005
- 1996 – **Emily Trawda** and Andrew Weiss, Feb. 20, 2005
- 2001 – **Holly Lambert** and Stephen Reilly, Sept. 17, 2005



Eric Solomon '94 and Amy Garay

## Thinking About Graduate or Law School?



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For class schedules, cost and registration information, contact the Alumni Association at (518) 442-3080 or visit us on the Web at [www.albany.edu/alumni/TestPrep.htm](http://www.albany.edu/alumni/TestPrep.htm).

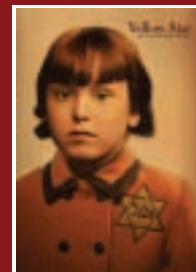
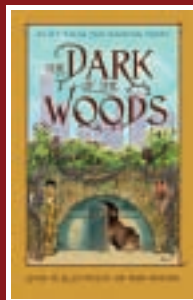
**Carolyn Wolf, B.S.'63, M.L.S.'68**, has published her 5th edition of *Basic Library Skills*. The book provides a self-contained, short course in essential library skills for patrons of school and public libraries. Carolyn is professor emeritus of Hartwick College in Oneonta, N.Y.

**Dennis Fried, M.A.'73**, has once again translated his dog Genevieve's barktations from Doggerel into English. *More Memoirs of a Papillon: Diary of a Mad Dog* is the sequel to Genevieve's pet/humor classic *Memoirs of a Papillon: The Canine Guide to Living with Humans Without Going Mad*. Learn more about Genevieve and her translator at [www.dogtellsall.com](http://www.dogtellsall.com).

**Daniel Martin, B.A.'76**, has published *Journey Back*, a novel of psychological suspense that deals with a mentally unstable man struggling to escape from his real or imagined pursuers. Dan, a graduate of UAlbany and Cornell Law School, became interested in psychology after practicing law for 10 years. He returned to school and earned a master's in counseling services from Rider

**Joseph Serio, B.S.'86**, has co-authored, with Robert J. Kelly and Jess Maghan, *Illicit Trafficking: A Reference Handbook*, covering trafficking in people, narcotics, arms and nuclear material. Joseph is also editor-in-chief of the bimonthly magazine *Crime and Justice International*.

## Authors and Editors



**Anne White, M.L.S.'66**, has published her third novel in the Lake George Mystery series, *Best Laid Plans*. Anne, who received a 1999 Unpublished Writers Grant from the Malice Domestic organization and a nomination two years later for a Malice Best First Mystery Award, continues her series about Loren Graham, the hard-working young mayor of the Lake George village of Emerald Point.

**Carol A. Hrvol Flores, B.A.'66**, has authored *Owen Jones*, a definitive survey of the oeuvre of one of the 19th century's most significant designers. Carol is an architecture historian and associate professor in the College of Architecture and Planning at Ball State University.

**Ellen Datlow, B.A., '71**, has co-edited *The Dark of the Woods*, a gathering of 16 original, unique ghost stories, deftly penned by authors versed in the argot of the damned, including Ramsey Campbell, Jeffrey Ford, Glen Hirshberg and Tanith Lee.

**L. Lloyd Stewart, B.A.'72**, has authored *A Far Cry from Freedom: Gradual Abolition (1799-1827): New York State's Crime Against Humanity*. The book is a history of New York's movement toward abolishing slavery. A former president of the Urban League of Northeastern New York, L. Lloyd is currently serving on the board of the Albany Convention Center Authority.

College. In 1993, he co-authored a scholarly monograph, "The Danger to Self and Others – Exception to Confidentiality," published by the American Counseling Association. For more information, visit [www.journeybackthenovel.com](http://www.journeybackthenovel.com).

**David Simms, M.A.'77, Ph.D.'81, M.L.S.'90**, had his first novel, *The Stars of Axuncanny*, published in April. Set in the Catskills, with forays into Albany, this quirky, offbeat story concerns the life and loves of a motorcycle-riding poet-monk who believes in nothing. For more information, visit [www.freewebs.com/davidsimms](http://www.freewebs.com/davidsimms).

**Jennifer Roy, B.S.'89**, has written *Yellow Star*. This is a true story of Jennifer's aunt, Syvia, one of 12 surviving children of the Lodz Ghetto in Poland, where more than 250,000 people were held during World War II. When the war ended, only about 800 were left alive. Syvia today lives in Maryland and is active in Holocaust education. Jennifer is the author of more than 30 books.

*President Kermit Hall shares the UAlbany spirit with the principals of Smithtown high schools during the second annual Roads Scholar Tour. Pictured from left are, Edward Ehmann, John Dolan and President Kermit Hall. New UAlbany faculty, staff and students took a two-day tour of Long Island, home of many UAlbany students. The trip included a reception for local alumni and incoming students; visits to Farmingdale State University, Nassau Community College and Freeport Library; and a visit with staff at Newsday.*



## ALUMNI NEWS AND NOTES

### Deaths

#### 20s

**Edna Layton** '26, Jan. 19, 2005  
**Ruth Lockard Hanford** '27, April 2, 2004  
**Alice Hills Hargrave** '29, Oct. 17, 2004  
**Bertha Pitkin Lasdon** '29, April 4, 2006  
**Grace Mark Schwartz** '29, Nov. 19, 2004

#### 30s

**Eva Jackofsky Lasdon** '30, May 30, 2006  
**Edith Gibson Foreman** '31, Sept. 25, 2004  
**Dorothy Dorn Haber** '31, March 11, 2006  
**Esther De Heus Van Keuren** '31, Jan. 7, 2005  
**Carmella Mauriello Battista** '33, Feb. 11, 2006  
**Ida Putnam Brooks** '34, April 16, 2006  
**Elsa Kjolseth Church** '34, July 7, 2006  
**Robert Robinson** '34, July 5, 2005  
**Mary Kastic Simister** '34, May 17, 2006  
**Fannie Maggolino Eddington** '35, May 11, 2006  
**Margaret Jacobs Seld** '35, Feb. 23, 2006  
**Helen Bromley Vaughan** '35, Jan. 24, 2004  
**Robert Foland** '36, Sept. 29, 2005  
**Julia Merchant Fowler** '36, Nov. 26, 2005  
**Jeanne Humphrey McCord** '36, Aug. 7, 2005  
**Jane Higham Smith** '36, Feb. 3, 2006  
**Patricia Gauthier Hoover** '37, March 30, 2004  
**Ruth Frost Berkman** '38, May 22, 2006  
**Martha Conger** '38, July 22, 2005  
**Mary Tobin Daly** '38, April 18, 2006  
**Charles Gaylord** '38, Jan. 2, 2006  
**Eleanor Dubois Huba** '38, Feb. 9, 2006  
**Leroy Irviss** '38, March 17, 2006  
**Cecelia Sullivan Myers** '38, June 10, 2005  
**Bertha Wood Snyder** '38, Feb. 27, 2006

**Olive King Coons** '39, Sept. 29, 2005  
**Malvina Grossman Frankel** '39, Jan. 18, 2006  
**Virginia Wegener Igou** '39, Nov. 11, 2005  
**Bernice Mosbey Peebles** '39, Feb. 18, 2006  
**Mildred Leach Syzdek** '39, Jan. 21, 2006  
**Dorothy Warren Wert** '39, Feb. 21, 2006

#### 40s

**Irving Fishman** '40, Jan. 22, 2004  
**Fred Fundis** '40, Dec. 3, 2005  
**Helen Bailey Fundis** '40, Nov. 16, 2005  
**Otto Howe** '40, March 20, 2004  
**Leonard Kayle** '40, April 22, 2006  
**Douglas Murphy** '40, March 13, 2006  
**Bernard Arbit** '42, Aug. 30, 2006  
**Louise DeAngelis Hall** '42, March 7, 2006  
**Josephine Trumbull Lornez** '42, Oct. 12, 2005  
**Hazel Roberts Read** '42, Jan. 20, 2006  
**Helen Adinolfi** '43, May 14, 2006  
**Shirley Mosher Gunderson** '43, Oct. 27, 2005  
**Dorothea Wolfe** '43, Oct. 24, 2005  
**Elizabeth Williams Gates** '44, Oct. 21, 2005  
**Violet Lockyer** '44, June 29, 2006  
**Barbara Smith** '44, July 22, 2004  
**Esther Poskanzer Carden** '45, July 17, 2005  
**Janet Brumm Weber** '45, Nov. 2, 2005  
**Rebecca Byrne** '46, April 16, 2005  
**Charlotte Davis Prussien** '47, May 11, 2005  
**Gertrude Welikes Sherwin** '48, Feb. 27, 2006

**50s**  
**Herbert Ginsburg** '50, March 22, 2006  
**Martin Lewenstein** '50, Nov. 17, 2005  
**Lucille Barnum Ringwood** '50, June 25, 2006  
**Diane Webber Wheeler** '50, Feb. 6, 2006  
**Raymond Antil** '51, Jan. 12, 2006  
**George Lampman** '51, April 30, 2006  
**C. Douglas O'Malley** '51, April 5, 2006  
**Glen Armitage** '52, March 16, 2006  
**Donald Guertin** '52, Jan. 19, 2006

**Mildred Sutherland Therrien** '52, May 30, 2006  
**Mary Louck Bennett** '53, May 28, 2005  
**George Elmendorf** '53, Feb. 27, 2006  
**Helen Kibling Harding** '53, Jan. 5, 2006  
**Lu-Ann Livingood Turner** '53, March 21, 2006  
**Henry Fauerbach** '54, May 9, 2006  
**Robert Johnson** '54, Oct. 13, 2005  
**Betty Lou Blakeslee Countaway** '55, March 25, 2006  
**William Limage** '55, April 17, 2006  
**Marjorie Liddell Whitcomb** '55, April 24, 2006  
**Katherine Monsees Gaudreau** '57, April 4, 2006  
**Sherman Hunt** '57, March 8, 2006  
**Phyllis Roberts Pfeiffer** '57, Feb. 6, 2006  
**William Quinn** '57, Sept. 24, 2005  
**Martha Ross Small** '57, Feb. 18, 2006  
**Thomas Sullivan** '58, April 14, 2006  
**James Carmichael** '59, Dec. 16, 2005

#### 60s

**Alfred Hodina** '60, May 11, 2004  
**Arsen Lacourse** '60, Sept. 29, 2005  
**Roberta Garvey Johnson** '61, June 5, 2004  
**Paul Shaffer** '61, April 5, 2006  
**Irving Waxman** '61, May 3, 2006  
**Royce Coon** '62, Jan. 23, 2006  
**David Pikul** '62, June 11, 2006  
**Samuel Roberts** '62, June 27, 2006  
**Nancy Moore Huntress** '63, July 4, 2006  
**Howard Woodruff** '63, April 14, 2006  
**Gary Luczak** '65, Oct. 30, 2005  
**Dennis DeLorenzo** '66, Feb. 15, 2006  
**Susan Turbyville Puckett** '66, Jan. 13, 2006  
**Frances Servidio** '66, Dec. 4, 2005  
**Olive Bray** '67, March 1, 2006  
**Paul Cleveland** '68, Nov. 13, 2005  
**Yolanda Fenyo Kendris** '68, June 1, 2006  
**Harold Radalin** '68, Nov. 13, 2005

### Bernard Arbit, Class of '42

Bernard Arbit, a member of the Class of '42 and longtime supporter of the University, died Aug. 30, 2006, in New York City. He was 86.



Arbit, a member of Kappa Beta fraternity, was a World War II veteran who fought in Burma. He was owner of Arbit Trading Corp., an import-export business, and more recently operated Riverview Catering in Hastings-on-Hudson. A Troy native, he had lived in Manhattan since the end of World War II.

He was a member of The University at Albany Foundation board and the Advisory Board of the Center for Jewish Studies, where he established the Bernard D. Arbit Research Associates program. Lecture Center 25 was also named in his honor. He served earlier on the board of the Alumni Association and received the association's Distinguished Alumni Award in 1989. He is survived by five nieces and nephews; his cousin and close friend, Marc Nezer of Vashon, Wash.; and his longtime companion, Betty Ty of New York City.



## Howard "Howie" Woodruff, B.S. '63, M.S. '71

Howard "Howie" Woodruff, B.S.'63, M.S.'71, who spent half his life at the University as a student and then an employee, passed away April 14 in Bakersfield, Calif. He was 66.

Woodruff, a Hinsdale, N.Y., native, was one of the first residents of Waterbury Hall. After earning a bachelor's degree in business education, he spent four years in Turkey as a Peace Corps volunteer. He returned to the University for a master's in accounting and began working as a graduate assistant in housing. In his 28 years with the Office of Residential Life, he also served as dorm director, quad coordinator and associate director. He retired in 1994, but served as Alumni Association director from 2000-01.

Woodruff was an avid fan of the Great Danes, attending all home and away basketball games for nearly 30 years and missing only six football games during that time.

Survivors include two brothers and four sisters. Donations in Woodruff's memory may be made to The University at Albany Foundation or the Alumni Association.

### 70s

**Marjorie Ackert** '70, Oct. 7, 2004  
**Jane Coffman** '70, Oct. 4, 2005  
**Jules Firetag** '70, June 22, 2005  
**Karen Morse** '70, Dec. 1, 2005  
**William Rohde** '70, Feb. 3, 2005  
**Elizabeth Slawson** '70, Nov. 21, 2005  
**Dorothy Gulbenkian Blaney** '71, July 10, 2006  
**Emily Gardner** '71, March 14, 2005  
**Elizabeth Rhatigan Bell** '72, May 29, 2006  
**Edward Canfield** '72, March 3, 2006  
**Susan Heighton** '72, Dec. 11, 2005  
**Stan Longyear** '73, Sept. 14, 2005  
**Vanna McMullen** '73, March 15, 2006  
**Carole Stein Pearson** '73, Oct. 16, 2005  
**Barbara Stone** '74, June 1, 2005  
**Andrea Zundell Tilles** '74, April 17, 2006  
**Annon Birenzvige** '75, Dec. 21, 2004  
**Eleanor Brown** '75, July 4, 2006  
**Anthony Giacona** '75, April 21, 2006  
**Russell Lieblich** '75, Jan. 27, 2005  
**Robert Malone** '75, Dec. 26, 2005  
**Natalie Wachspress** '75, July 8, 2005  
**Patricia Allegra** '76, March 9, 2006  
**Scott Flamm** '76, Jan. 9, 2006  
**Christine Krackeler** '76, May 14, 2006  
**Ronald Alpert** '77, Jan. 19, 2005  
**William Counts** '77, July 21, 2005  
**Kathee Gillen Budzyna** '78, Oct. 23, 2005  
**Stephanie Guastella MacKenzie** '78, April 26, 2005  
**John Sullivan** '79, March 11, 2006

### 80s

**Cathleen Johnson** '80, Sept. 26, 2005  
**Rom Moheban** '81, March 13, 2006  
**Roscoe Masterman** '82, Nov. 27, 2005  
**Peter Mucci** '82, May 1, 2005  
**Edwina Winslow** '83, Dec. 11, 2005  
**Ann Lehman** '86, July 3, 2006  
**Levi Louis** '86, Dec. 6, 2005  
**Mary-Jo Tout Rosenblatt** '87, April 10, 2006  
**Paul Drescher** '88, April 21, 2006  
**John Harwood** '88, Dec. 10, 2005  
**John Kochheiser** '89, March 18, 2005  
**Raymond Santora, Jr.** '89, Jan. 28, 2004

### 90s

**Jane Christensen** '92, Nov. 20, 2005  
**Rita Barnard** '93, Oct. 22, 2005  
**Eric Rohacek** '96, Jan. 3, 2006  
**William Savage** '96, March 22, 2006  
**Philip Storozow** '96, March 22, 2004  
**Michael Tuohy** '97, Aug. 26, 2004

### 00s

**Roberto Cavaliere** '02, Dec. 19, 2005  
**Lance Van Blerkom** '02, May 5, 2005  
**Sandra Howlett** '05, May 28, 2006

The University at Albany community mourns the loss of **Lance Cpl. Michael Glover '01** who lost his life Aug. 16, 2006, in Iraq. He was with the Marine Corps Reserve's 2nd Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division based in Albany.

### Faculty/Staff

**Eleanor Brown** '75, Instructor, Milne School, 1970-73, July 4, 2006  
**Stanley Coffman Jr.**, Professor, English, 1979-83, May 24, 2005

**James Doherty**, Janitor, Plant, 1979-90, June 13, 2006  
**Lorraine Flaherty**, Professor, Biology and Biomedical Sciences, 1984-2006, Feb. 22, 2006  
**Mabel Jackman**, Professor, School of Education, 1942-69, Feb. 15, 2006  
**John Jackson**, University Auxiliary Services, 1963-2001, April 1, 2006  
**Arthur Long**, Professor, Chemistry, 1953-84, Jan. 20, 2006  
**Robert Lorette**, Professor, Educational Administration and Policy Studies, 1955-76, March 27, 2006  
**Thomas Martland**, Professor, Philosophy, 1966-2000, Jan. 4, 2006  
**Harriet Norton**, Professor, Educational Theory and Practice, 1953-77, Feb. 20, 2006  
**James Riedel**, Professor, Political Science, 1963-91, March 26, 2006  
**Wallace Taylor**, Professor, Educational Administration and Policy Studies, 1938-73, April 23, 2006  
**Richard Teevan**, Professor, Psychology, 1969-91, June 3, 2006

## Remembering Tom Eggers, B.A. '93

When Tom Eggers, B.A.'93, began battling stomach cancer in late 2004, his family and his friends from UAlbany were fighting the disease along with him. When he lost his brief but valiant struggle in January 2005, they channeled their energies into fundraising endeavors that have benefited a number of good causes, including a scholarship fund in Tom's name at his alma mater, North Rockland High School, and St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. With \$1,251 realized from a November 2005 happy hour hosted by the University at Albany Alumni Association's New York City chapter, Tom's wife, Kelly, and his many friends from UAlbany, including Jennifer Ottmann Bieber, B.A. '95, and Nicole Eidshaug, B.A. '95, are establishing a permanent memorial at the University's Cancer Research Center. The plaque, which will read "Beloved Husband, Son, Brother and Friend," will be affixed to the Wall of Memory and Hope.



*Alumni turned out to cheer on the Capital District's Tri-City Valley Cats, who honored the America East Champion UAlbany men's basketball team June 29. Pictured from left are Dan Doyle '97, '04; Christy DeLaMater '04; and Stephanie and Carmen Ferriero '04.*



## ALUMNI NEWS AND NOTES

# Alumni Association Welcomes New Board Members

*The UAlbany Alumni Association voted in four new members to the board of directors June 2:*

### Barry Z. Davis '74, '97

Barry is a licensed social worker and is very involved, both professionally and personally, in social action, social justice and advocacy issues. He worked for almost 20 years in student activities and counseling at a variety of colleges and universities in the Northeast prior to returning to Albany in 1995 to begin full-time work on his M.S.W. degree. Barry is a member of UAlbany's Council of Classes and served previously on the Alumni Association board from 1989 to 2004. He also helped create UAlbany's Social Welfare Constituent Group and served as its first president.

Barry Z. Davis



### Jill Rigney Delaney '96

Jill graduated from UAlbany in 1996, earning a bachelor's in rhetoric and communication. While there, she served four years as class president and held offices on both Indian and Freedom quad boards. Jill has held various positions in the field of business communications, including public relations manager for a Boston-based software company and communications director in the non-profit sector. She recently returned to non-profit work, taking a part-time position with the International Alliance for Technology and Women, which affords her more time for her family.

Jill Rigney Delaney



### Brian Fessler '06

Brian Fessler received his bachelor's degree in 2006 with a double major in political science and history; he simultaneously worked on a master's in public administration. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa (leadership honor society), Pi Sigma Alpha (political science honor society), and Phi Alpha Theta (history honor society). He is a founder of the "RACC Rowdies," which helped drive student attendance at UAlbany basketball games. He also recently completed a term as a SUNY Board of Trustees member and president of the SUNY Student Assembly.

Melanie Kadlic



Brian Fessler



### Melanie Kadlic '99

Melanie currently works for the Department of Purchasing in Fairfax County Government in northern Virginia to ensure compliance with county policies and best practices. Previously, at the U.S. Department of Education, Melanie monitored programs under No Child Left Behind and created evaluation instruments to analyze projects implemented by partnerships of public schools, community-based organizations and higher education institutions. She has served for the past year on the Fairfax County School Board's Minority Student Achievement Committee. Melanie holds a master's degree in public policy from Duke University and a bachelor's in political science from UAlbany.

### UAlbany Alumni Association Officers

President, Jeffrey L. Luks '91, '01  
 Vice President, Robert A. Burstein, Esq. '72  
 Secretary, Carole S. Harnoff '74  
 Treasurer, Sean M. Maguire '00, '04

## CALENDAR

For more information, visit the UAlbany Web calendar at [www.albany.edu/todayualbany/](http://www.albany.edu/todayualbany/) or call (518) 442-3080.

### NOVEMBER

- 10 Culinary Institute of America Luncheon, Capital Region Chapter
- 26 UAlbany Men's Basketball Pregame Party at UConn

### DECEMBER

- 2 UAlbany vs. Siena Pregame Party
- 3 UAlbany's Eighth Annual Holiday Concert

### JANUARY

- 23 Los Angeles Gathering of Alumni and Friends
- 25 Phoenix Gathering of Alumni and Friends

- 27 Annual Luncheon at Marina Jack Restaurant in Sarasota, Fla., West Coast Chapter

### FEBRUARY

- 3 Big Purple Growl and Ferocious Feast

Alumni Association President Jeffrey Luks '91, '01, center, welcomed the Class of 2006 into the alumni ranks as he was presented the 2006 class banner during the annual Torch Night ceremony.



## ALUMNI NEWS AND NOTES



# Letters to the Editor

### The Nudelman Sisters Today

I was surprised and delighted to see a photograph of my triplet sisters and me in the article on UAlbany's Baby Boomers (*UAlbany* magazine, Spring 2006). Although the photo of Ellen, Nancy and Lynn Nudelman is labeled 1971, it was actually taken in 1969, the year we graduated. My sister Ellen Davidson, B.S.'69, is a math teacher in New York. My sister Nancy Lobell, B.S.'69, is a retired New York math teacher and is now an associate in the Stanford Teacher Education Program at Stanford University. I am director of Care Management at the Council on Aging Silicon Valley, San Jose, Calif.



*The Nudelman sisters in 1969*

**Lynn Nudelman Villagran, B.A.'69, M.S.W.**  
San Jose, Calif.



### UAlbany: Leading the Way on Aging Issues

*UAlbany* magazine's Spring 2006 cover story on "Keeping the Senior Years Golden" is a wonderful feature about the University's leadership role on aging issues. It is often hard, I have found, to vividly communicate the essence of social work and its promise for addressing the issues we face, both individually and as a society, because almost by definition, social work cares about problems that cannot be easily addressed through market mechanisms or the for-profit sector. Congratulations for a terrific article and thank you for the prominent placement given to aging and health.

**James F. O'Sullivan, B.A.'87**  
Senior Program Officer  
The John A. Hartford Foundation, Inc.  
New York, N.Y.

### Remembering Susan Seabury Smith

I sadly learned of the passing of Susan Seabury Smith when I read the class notes for the Class of 1935. I had the good fortune of landing a job in the Curriculum Laboratory of the University's education department in the summer of 1966. The Curriculum Lab was located in a little annex behind Draper Hall on the old campus. Dr. Smith had the monumental task of transferring the lab to the new campus that summer. Under her supervision, I learned about the wealth of material in the education field, about the importance of organization, about the finer points of packing thousands of boxes, and about laughing when faced with what looked like an endless task. For two more years, I continued to work for Dr. Smith in the Curriculum Lab, and I saw that little library flourish under her care. I also flourished under her care. At the time, I had no home, little money, and plenty of personal problems. Dr. Smith frequently gave me letters of encouragement along with sizable amounts of cash, saying they were from a faculty group looking out for needy students. Surely the cash was always from Dr. Smith. She kept me in school when I thought I would have to quit because of my finances. Thanks to Dr. Smith, I graduated from the University in 1969 and went on to a 33-year career teaching English in New Hartford, N.Y. Dr. Smith was a teacher who made all the difference for me.

**Nancy Peterson Farina, B.A.'69**  
Whitesboro, N.Y.



*Susan Seabury Smith*

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