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### Lancaster Barnstormers



Thanks to the generosity of Alumni Board Member **Clair McCormick '66**, alumni and friends enjoyed a night out at the Lancaster Barnstormers game as the team took on the York Revolution. First row, from left: Derek Moore and Scott Zduniak. Second row, from left: **Bruce Moore '75**, **Jeff Williams '69**, **Jen Radzwillowicz '94**, **Karen Simpson '02** and Patti Gillette. Third row, from left: **Eric Chase '87**, **Diane Davis '65**, **Christine Bomgardner '02**, Logan Bomgardner and **Andrew Bomgardner '00**. Fourth row, from left: **Clair McCormick '66**, **Reese Davis '68**, **Tom Simpson '10** and **Jennifer Trueman Zduniak '88**.

The game offered a unique opportunity for Keystone alumni to cheer on one of their own, as alumnus **Scott Grimes '05** plays outfield for the York Revolution. Gathering on the field at Clipper Stadium, from left: Christina Fenton-Mace, director of alumni outreach; **Scott Grimes '05**; and **Clair McCormick '66**, event host and Alumni Association Board Member.



### Chef's Table



Alumni and friends gathered to enjoy an evening of fine dining at the Chef's Table Restaurant, which is operated by our talented culinary arts students. Seated, from left: **Dr. Barbara Smith Michael '62**, **Gary Koerner '62**, **Walt Davis '62**, and Jeannine Davis. Standing, same order: **Dr. Lloyd Michael '62**, First Lady Regina Boehm, President Edward G. Boehm, Jr., **Phil Davis '62**, and **Mary Lou Pugliese Davis '62**.



Taking a moment before the meal, seated from left: **Linda LaCoste Suraci '73**, **Dr. Robert White '72**, **Bill Timmer '72**, and Sharon Burke, executive director of institutional advancement. Standing, same order: **MaryEllen Ferguson Cappelloni '74**, **Joseph Allen '69**, and **Barbara Wentz '74**.

### Happy Hour



Alumni enjoyed a First Friday Happy Hour at P.J.'s Pub in Scranton. From left: **Trudi Black '72**; Nora Dillon, Assistant Director of the Keystone College Environmental Education Institute and Campus Engagement; Lourana Swayne; **Brad Foley '75**; **Sue Heller Schaffer '72**; **John McAuliffe '60**; Joanne O'Hearn; **John O'Hearn '69**; **Terra Steele '02**; and **Nikki Moser '85**.

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*Lawrence G. Lovasik*



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Dear Friends of Keystone College:

Time is racing onward in the whirlwind of our final academic year at Keystone College. After 18 wonderful years, the time is right to step down as Keystone's president on June 1, 2013. At the request of the Board of Trustees, I will continue to serve Keystone on campus and in the community thereafter as President Emeritus.

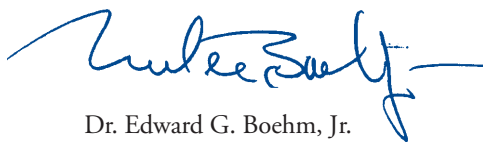
When Keystone First Lady Regina Boehm and I arrived on campus in 1995, Keystone faced numerous challenges. Thanks to all of our great supporters – students, faculty, staff, alumni and our many friends both locally and nationwide – we began to thrive. We worked together to become a baccalaureate college, we continually enhanced our academic programs, and our enrollment began to climb. In the year 2000, I was so proud to confer Keystone's first baccalaureate degree, a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice, to Stacey Davis Bell. I knew then, as did all of you, that was only the beginning.

As we have progressed and grown over the years, we have never lost sight of what a Keystone education really means. While our graduates have gone on to become leaders in many different fields and walks of life, they have never forgotten that true success means achieving not only for yourself but for others as well.

My decision to retire as President was a difficult one. At the same time, I know the time is right to pass the torch to a new president who will continue to lead our wonderful College to even greater accomplishments in the years ahead.

As Regina and I continue our final year as your President and First Lady, there is still a great deal left to be done. I know we will work together to build on all that we have accomplished in the past as we look forward to an even brighter future. For now, I simply conclude by saying thank you for all you do to support Keystone College.

Sincerely,



Dr. Edward G. Boehm, Jr.  
President



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## ■ Seeing the World

A number of students had a chance to see the world this past summer, thanks to study abroad and global learning opportunities. Students Shawon Gibbons and Katie Scheuch completed a one-month internship with Sodexo in Paris, France. Student Anne Castiglioni traveled with the School for Field Studies for one month in Tanzania. More than 20 students traveled to Puerto Rico for 11 days to study global health, diversity, and Spanish.

## ■ Family Weekend

Hundreds enjoyed a splendid autumn Family Weekend full of exciting events and activities during this annual fall tradition. As always, the weekend proved to be memorable for everyone involved.



## ■ Compass Weekend



Students learn about Orson's Best Produce, a 700-acre farm that raises beef, pigs, and goats in nearby Orson, Pa.

Keystone's unique orientation program, Keystone Compass, does more than just help students get acclimated to college life and form friendships. The program also introduces students to cutting edge concepts.

This year, a group of 15 Keystoneians participated in the "Livin' Off the Land" group where they received an insider's perspective on the farm-to-table concept featuring locally grown organic food.

Students observed agricultural practices at local facilities across the region, seeing how dairy and beef cattle are raised on a family farm and then prepared meals from scratch using the freshest of ingredients.

Food wasn't the only topic of discussion, as students also enjoyed a coffee tasting that featured fresh beans directly from a Costa Rican farm and learned about the importance of fair trade.

The group was led by Keystone faculty member Mark Seibert, who also oversees the Chef's Table Restaurant, an on-campus restaurant run by culinary arts students. "Featuring local food and businesses offered a great opportunity for students to experience the farm to table concept and see the many resources we have in Northeast Pennsylvania," Mark said. "Students learned a lot and we all enjoyed outstanding food."

## ■ Celebrating Interdependence

A global fair and presentation by activist Candace Gingrich-Jones were among the highlights of Keystone's Interdependence Day activities. The annual celebration reflects upon the importance of living peacefully in a global society.

Members of the campus community and local friends welcome Candace Gingrich-Jones, a nationally known activist for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender rights, to campus.



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## ■ New Opportunities

Members of the Keystone community now have the opportunity to participate in the newly formed Rotaract/Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) club. The group helps students build career contacts, develop leadership skills, and volunteer locally.

## ■ Christy Mathewson Days



President Boehm (left) and Professor Terry Wise (right) welcome author Bob Gaines to campus.

Members of the Keystone community joined forces with the Factoryville community to celebrate Christy Mathewson Days this past August. Held annually, the festivities honor Keystone alumnus, baseball Hall of Fame pitcher, and Factoryville native Christy Mathewson.

## ■ Terra Firma and Spirit of Flight Exhibit



From left: Artist **Denis Yanashot '74**, First Lady Regina Boehm, President Edward G. Boehm, Jr., and Professor Drake Gomez, director of exhibits.

Sculpture by **Denis Yanashot '74** was featured at Keystone's Linder Gallery this past fall. Well-known throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania for his elegant carved marble sculptures of flowers and plant forms, the exhibit featured these works and more recent sculptures made of assembled bones and other found objects relating to the experience of flight.

## ■ Scholarships Supported at Keystone Open

An enthusiastic group of 128 golfers enjoyed a day on the links during the 22nd annual Keystone College Open Golf Tournament this past August at Glen Oak Country Club, Clarks Summit.

Led by honorary co-chairs **Dennis Coffinberger '68** and **Bernie Fornicola '76**, the annual tournament raised approximately \$20,000 for Alumni Association scholarships at the College.

The winning foursome was recognized at the reception following the tournament. From left are **Mike McConkey '08**; President Edward G. Boehm, Jr.; **Mark Layman '09**; **Dennis Coffinberger '68** and **Bernie Fornicola '76**, honorary co-chairs; and **Spencer Lunger '10**. Absent from photo is winning golfer Mark Biondi.



## ■ Giving Back



**First row, from left:** Desiree D'Orazio, Olivia Ruffin, Chuey Moua, Heather Clark, Sam Petrosi, Damion Piotrowski, Laci Watts, Brittany Goren, and Tim Clancy. **Second row, from left:** Keith Snyder, Shawon Gibbons, Maggie Emmons, Argit Marishta, Jeffrey Reuther, and Bob Frisco.

It has long been a hallmark of Keystone to give back to the community, and our current students are keeping that tradition alive. Keystone students pitched

in at the Oak Leaf Therapeutic Farm's "Rock the Arena" event, clearing rocks from an outdoor arena that will be used for therapeutic horses.

## ■ Concerts and Lectures Series

Another interesting and entertaining season has been put together by the Keystone College Concerts and Lectures Series. Visit [www.keystone.edu/concertsandlectures](http://www.keystone.edu/concertsandlectures) for the complete schedule of events.



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## Campus Transformed Through Renovations

The campus was buzzing with construction this past summer and early fall as several major construction projects were completed. Extensive renovations to Theatre in Brooks, a remodeling of Evans Hall and Fireplace Lounge, and the construction of a Rain Garden were just a few of the projects.

### Theatre in Brooks

Extensive renovations have transformed the Theatre in Brooks into a state-of-the-art facility featuring multi-purpose event space, faculty offices, and graphic design computer labs.

Work to the building was completed in two phases this past year. Phase one, completed in February, featured fire and safety upgrades and other enhancements such as new doors, stairs, and railings.

The second phase of the project featured significant aesthetic renovations and improvements to the electrical, plumbing, and heating/air conditioning systems. The facility now features smart classrooms with the latest technology upgrades.

Funding for the Brooks renovations was made possible thanks to a \$500,000 Pennsylvania Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program grant submitted in partnership with nearby Factoryville. Funding was matched by Keystone, and thanks to the generosity of donors, additional fundraising was added for a total project cost of \$1.4 million.

### Evans Hall/Fireplace Lounge

Evans Hall and the Fireplace Lounge, both in the Hibbard Campus Center, serve as frequently used multi-purpose event space on campus, often hosting student events and public lectures.

Both facilities have been completely remodeled, from floor to ceiling, using the same color scheme, flooring, and window coverings. Gone is the knotty pine; instead guests are welcomed by a modern décor.

**Photo One:** The Theatre in Brooks after renovations.

**Photo Two:** The Theatre in Brooks before renovations.

**Photo Three:** The Rain Garden.



The Fireplace Lounge, home to the Chef's Table Restaurant, also features a special memorial recognizing former Keystone faculty member Chef Michael Caracappa. The memorial includes Mike's chef coat, Chamberlin Chair medallion, and photo of Mike in his chef uniform.

Since 2010, the Hibbard Campus Center has had infrastructure and remodeling updates of more than \$2.4 million.

### Rain Garden

Campus is a bit more "green" thanks to the construction of a new Rain Garden. A rain garden is a landscaped, shallow depression that captures, absorbs, and filters storm water runoff. Located in the heart of campus near Sisson Hall (Admissions), the Rain Garden slows storm water as it travels downhill, filtering pollutants before they enter the South Branch of the Tunkhannock Creek.

A true collaborative effort, the Rain Garden was supported by many organizations and individuals, both on and off campus including: a \$7,500 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, a \$500 grant

from the Keystone Eco Club, and gifts of time and services by Sodexo and Scranton landscape architecture firm, Thomas McClane Associates.

The aforementioned projects weren't the only enhancements to campus this past summer. Additional upgrades and construction included:

- Art Center: Ceramic studio has been completely remodeled and now features a state-of-the-art kiln.
- Demolition of the former Health Services and Keystone Community Center to make way for future campus improvements.
- Renovation of the main floors of Tewksbury and Hollinshead to house Health Services and Keystone Community Center respectively.
- Construction of new entrances on the College Avenue side of Tewksbury and Hollinshead.
- Painting of Sickler Hall and 39 College Avenue in a Victorian theme.

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## Keystone Introduces New Public Health Major

Keystone continues to expand its academic offerings with the introduction of a new bachelor of science degree in public health.

The new public health offering will enable students to pursue a wide variety of careers involving public health and related professions, such as medicine, epidemiology, health education, law, business, and social work. Keystone Instructor **Vicki Stanavitch '92** and Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Allied Health Programs Dr. Dorothy Anthony developed the curriculum for the new major.

Several current Keystone students have already enrolled in the program; and new students will be eligible to enroll in the fall of 2013.

"Public health has become a critical issue not only in the United States but around the world," said Dorothy. "This new major will help prepare students to pursue careers in a profession that is vitally important to our society."

The flexibility of the public health curriculum enables students to incorporate various aspects of their liberal arts education including biology, business, communications, and education. In addition to careers in public health, other choices for careers or post-graduate studies for students pursuing this degree include psychology, information technology, homeland security, and sociology.

Recent student trips to Chicago (*see feature story on page 11*) and Costa Rica have highlighted the new public health

curriculum and emphasized the importance of this profession nationally and globally.

"Students who major in public health can prepare for a variety of careers based on their own particular interests and abilities," Vicki said. "When they graduate, they can use their public health degree to pursue the career of their choice."

For more information about the new bachelor of science degree in public health, visit [www.keystone.edu/publichealthdegree](http://www.keystone.edu/publichealthdegree).

## Miller Library Offers Streaming Video and Digital Historical Collections

Miller Library is now offering two new services which will be of great benefit to the Keystone community. The Library's new Films on Demand and Digital Collection make it easier than ever to access interesting and valuable information anytime of the day or night with the click of a mouse.

The Library's Films on Demand streaming video collection offers nearly 12,000 full-length videos available for on-demand viewing anytime and anywhere by students, faculty, and staff. These interesting videos include award-winning videos for such notable networks as PBS, NOVA, BBC and many others.

Also, the Library has begun digitizing several of its most-prized historical items to provide more complete access to the campus community and the general public. Currently, the "Christy Mathewson Collection"

and "Keystone College 1868 to the Present" are accessible from the Library's home web page. Now, everyone can enjoy access to photographs celebrating Keystone's proud past and view historical items chronicling the life and times of Hall of Fame pitcher, Keystone graduate, and Factoryville native, Christy Mathewson.

"People no longer have to be physically present in the library to

view some of our most interesting and important collections. They now have access to great historical collections and state-of-the art educational videos from their own computers anytime they choose. That's a great benefit to everyone, but especially to our students," said Miller Library Director Mari Flynn.

Mari said the Library plans to continue to add to its digital collections, and hopes to eventually include Keystone yearbooks.

"We're off to a really great start and we're going to continue to grow with time."

To view the digital collections page, please visit <http://web.keystone.edu/Library/digital.htm>. To learn more about the new Films on Demand feature, visit, <http://tinyurl.com/9mx46a2>.

If you have historical photos you would like to share, please contact the Alumni Outreach Office.



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## Keystone Inducts Eighth Athletics Hall of Fame Class



The eighth class of the Keystone College Athletics Hall of Fame was inducted during Homecoming Weekend. From left: Matthew Grimaldi, Ed.D., director of athletics; Inductees **Allan Wolfe '61, Ph.D.**, **Scott Marabell '84**, **Scott Grimes '05**, and **Lori Crawford Baltruchitis '86**; and President Edward G. Boehm, Jr., Ed.D.

The eighth class of the Keystone College Athletic Hall of Fame was inducted during festivities over Homecoming. The Class of 2012 includes **Lori Crawford Baltruchitis '86**, **Scott Grimes '05**, **Scott Marabell '84**, and **Allan Wolfe '61, Ph.D.**

The Keystone College Athletic Hall of Fame was established in 2005 to celebrate, recognize, and honor the accomplishments of individuals who have made significant contributions as a student-athlete, or coach, to the rich tradition of the Keystone College athletic program.

**Lori Baltruchitis** was recognized for her outstanding contributions as a three sport athlete, excelling in field hockey, basketball, and softball. She was an instrumental part of all three of her teams and was named Keystone's Outstanding Athlete both in 1985 and 1986. Lori continued her softball career at Millersville University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in education. A Presidential Scholarship recipient at Keystone, she went on to teach kindergarten and is a full-time stay-at-home mom and is active in the autism community.

**Scott Grimes** was a record setter on the Keystone baseball diamond and is currently enjoying a professional playing career. While wearing a Giants uniform, he established six school records and is ranked in the top-four in four other categories.

He launched his successful professional career in 2006 and signed with the New York Mets before suffering a season-ending injury in 2008. In 2010, he joined the York Revolution and was named the Atlantic League Player of the Year and has since led the league in runs scored.

**Scott Marabell** was recognized for his many accomplishments on the baseball field that took him from Keystone to Jacksonville University, and onto the Los Angeles Dodgers. While with the Dodgers,

he spent five seasons in the minor leagues and was invited to big league camp in 1989. In his five seasons, he won three championships. Following his playing career, Scott started his successful coaching career during which he mentored many major league players.

**Allan Wolfe, Ph.D.**, was honored for his two-sport career as a standout member of Keystone's basketball and baseball teams. A team captain in both sports, he never missed a start in two years for either team and was named the Keystone Athlete of the Year in 1960 and 1961. As president of his class, he delivered the commencement address and went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Gettysburg College, a master's degree from Drake University, and a Ph.D. from University of Vermont. For over 40 years, Allan has served as a professor at Lebanon Valley College.

Nominations for the Class of 2013 are now being accepted. To nominate a Keystonian or to learn more about previous Hall of Fame classes, visit <http://www.gokcgiants.com/hof.aspx>.

## Cheerleaders Garner National Award



The Keystone College cheerleading squad was named camp champion in the Small Co-ed Division III category at the Universal Cheerleading Association national camp held at the University of Scranton. First row, from left: Rachel Gonzalez, Long Pond; Lauren Boyle, Sweet Valley; Alyssa Corey, Union Dale; Alyssa Mecca, Peckville; Gabriella Goldstein, Scranton; and Rebecca Melendez, Tobyhanna. Second row, from left: Shane Venesky, Peckville; Rachael Ogden, Taylor; Jordyn Slager, Long Pond; Kaleen Pastrana, Kunkletown; Kacy Gillette, Vandling; Arlaina Whitman, Scranton; Liz Farrell, Dallas; Cait Beavers, Scranton; and Zack Lakitsky, Tamaqua.

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## Celebrate Your Keystone Legacy

Generations of families have passed on the Keystone tradition to their children, grandchildren, and siblings, and we want to help celebrate this special relationship.

Keystone will host a Legacy Family Brunch to honor and recognize those who have made it a family tradition to attend Keystone. Keystone legacies are families in which two or more generations have graduated from Keystone.

Family connections have long been part of the success of Keystone College and its students. We would love to hear your Keystone family legacy story and ask you to join us on April 20, 2013 at 11 a.m. in Evans Hall to reconnect and share memories with fellow Keystone legacies. Please contact the Keystone College Alumni Outreach Office at [alumnirelations@keystone.edu](mailto:alumnirelations@keystone.edu) to receive an invite to this very special event.



A proud Keystone legacy family, from left:  
**Kay McCraney Elekes '55, Meagan Cunningham '10 and Luke Cunningham '77.**  
 Let us know if you're a Keystone legacy at [alumnirelations@keystone.edu](mailto:alumnirelations@keystone.edu).



## Homecoming Highlights

The campus was full of excitement over Homecoming in October as hundreds of alumni and friends gathered to rekindle old friendships. Mark your calendars for Homecoming 2013, to be held October 19.

**Photo One:** The Keystone College Alumni Association honored three individuals for outstanding achievements. From left, are: **Rick Kirijan '66**, Alumni Association Board of Directors chair; **J. Frederick Friden '51**, Distinguished Service to Keystone; **Scott Gower '06**, Young Alumni of the Year; **Suzanne Fisher Staples '65**, Keystonean of the Year; and President Edward G. Boehm, Jr.

**Photo Two:** Festive pumpkins welcome alumni to the Gathering at the Ravine Amphitheater.

**Photo Three:** Alumni honor the memory of fellow alumnus **Brian J. White '86** with the planting of a weeping cherry tree in the College Rain Garden.

**Photo Four:** Alumni and their families gather after the Homecoming Parade.



To view more photos from Homecoming Weekend please visit [www.flickr.com/photos/keystonecollege](http://www.flickr.com/photos/keystonecollege)



## Homecoming Highlights (continued)

**Photo Five:** Members of the Class of 1962 celebrated their 50th reunion. Seated, from left: **Barbara Turock, MaryLou Pugliese Davis, Janet Roth DeGroodt, Janet Rogers, Dr. Barbara Michael, and Carol Fitzsimmons Melling.** Standing, from left: President Edward G. and Mrs. Regina Boehm, **Byron Kline, Dr. Lloyd Michael, Walt Davis, Gary Koerner, Ron Bartkowski, Martin Kopa, Nils Erickson, Nancy Clark Witaconis, Phil Stevens, Phil Davis, Desmond Fries, and William Lewis.**

**Photo Six:** The group toasted their years at Keystone at a casual, gathering at the Ravine Amphitheater. Seated, from left: **Kim Woodfine Crawford '86, Doreen Hine Howard '86, and Lori Crawford Baltruchitis '86.** Standing, from left: **Jeff Hoffman '87, Allan Smulling '86, and Gwen Harris '86.**

**Photo Seven:** Alumni took advantage of the crisp fall weather and enjoyed a hike through part of Keystone's 160-acre Woodlands Campus, which was led by Professor Howard Jennings.

**Photo Eight:** President Edward G. and First Lady Regina Boehm pose with a group of alumni in the photo booth at Homecoming.





## Chicago Becomes an Urban Classroom for Keystone Students Studying Public Health



**Photo One:** Keystone students visited the Indian American Free Health Clinic, which offers free health care three days per week. From left: Argit Marishta, Kim Kaminsky, Kelsey Vinton, Brian Langan, Brittany Spaide, Randy Wheeland, Cheuy Moua, and Brad Conlon.

For eight Keystone College students, a trip to Chicago last spring turned out to be the trip of a lifetime.

While they certainly enjoyed themselves in the Windy City, the purpose of the trip was to participate in an experiential learning opportunity that would supplement their classroom studies with real world experience. In this case, the experience introduced them to a slice of life that many had only read about in books or seen on television.

The students – Randy Wheeland, Kim Kaminsky, Brittany Spaide, Argit Marishta, Bradford Conlon, Brian Langan, Chueyeileng Moua and Kelsey Vinton – traveled to Chicago May 31-June 7. They were accompanied by Keystone instructor Vicki Stanavitch '92, who teaches the Public Health 101 course that was the focus of the trip, as well as biology and chemistry courses, and Associate Professor Dr. Joseph Falcone, chair of the Department of Natural Sciences and Mathematics.

Public Health 101 introduces students to public health concepts and practices

at the community, state, and national levels. During the Public Health class, the students were able to study various municipal or rural public health care systems that are based in smaller cities like Scranton or Wilkes-Barre and in small towns throughout the area. “The students – most of whom come from suburban and rural settings – had little or no previous exposure to public health care delivery in urban settings,” Vicki said. “By going to Chicago, they were able to compare and contrast those local health systems with the health system of the third largest city in the nation.”

Keystone arranged the journey through the Chicago Center for Urban Life and Culture, a non-profit organization founded to provide practical learning experiences to college students that highlight Chicago’s urban diversity and multi-cultural lifestyles. The Center provided guidance and advice to the Keystone contingent to help maximize their experience. The group arranges a variety of student programs, internships, and group programs that use the city of

Chicago as a complete urban classroom. All of the Center’s programs move students outside the traditional classroom and immerse them in an urban environment in which they interact directly with diverse cultures, communities, and peoples. The practical learning experience enables students to develop a deeper understanding of the issues which they are studying and gain greater confidence in their ability to make a contribution through their studies, professions, or service to the community.

“While this experience related directly to the students’ Public Health class, our goal was to accomplish even more. We wanted our students to see how people in a large and diverse city like Chicago live on a daily basis in order to provide a complete educational experience,” Vicki said. “The minute we arrived in Chicago, every student knew we were in for a completely unique experience. They realized this trip would not only impact their education, but how they viewed their lives as well.”

“We saw firsthand how different public health systems are in Chicago and how different daily life can be,” said Kim



## Student Journals

The eight Keystone students maintained a journal highlighting their daily insights from their trip. Following are excerpts from the student journals, giving a glimpse into the student perspective.

### Brittany Spaide: Day 2, June 1, 2012

"My favorite part was probably the oxygen bus. It seemed to be Suzet's [Dr. Suzet McKinney's] baby. The CTA [Chicago Transit Authority] sold a bus to the fire department for \$1 and then the Public Health Department was able to outfit it with oxygen tanks (for public health emergency situations). There were about 35 seats for people to be able to sit in and get clean air. There was also space and tubes set up for additional standing room. Since it was originally a CTA bus, the fire department would be able to drive it down any residential street in Chicago. This bus is an example of how three different organizations in Chicago worked together."

### Chueyeileng Moua: Day 2, June 1, 2012

"Meeting the Deputy Commissioner Suzet M. McKinney was pretty awesome. I took a lot from the presentation and she was able to answer some of

Kaminsky, a senior biology major from Carbondale, Pa. "People in a large urban area are faced with great challenges. The public health system and those who work for it must be equipped to meet those challenges every single day."

The Keystone students, who paid for the trip individually, stayed in an apartment building in the city's East Hyde Park neighborhood and kept daily journals of their thoughts and reactions. The journals provided the opportunity for each student to document their opinions about public health and share thoughts during the journey.

While in Chicago, students followed a robust itinerary that was designed by the Chicago Center specifically for Keystone. Each day offered a balanced combination of planned learning activities and unscheduled time in which the group had opportunities to explore the city

beyond the traditional tourist attractions and to fully experience urban life.

Their first days were spent familiarizing themselves with the Hyde Park neighborhood, which would become their home-base for the week. Also home to President Barack Obama, Hyde Park has a long history of successful racial, religious and cultural diversity and would serve as an ideal laboratory to engage the students in both urban living and learning. The students also learned to navigate Chicago's public transportation system, which is the primary mode of transportation for the majority of people living there.

Throughout the week, the students had the chance to see firsthand how Chicago health professionals deal with issues such as crime and violence, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS, LGBT concerns, public health emergencies, diet and nutrition, and many other issues.

**Photo Two:** The group volunteered to plant vegetables and sunflowers at Growing Home, an

organic farm that grows food for a local soup kitchen and homeless shelter.



**Photo Three:** Randy figuring out the subway system.

**Photo Four:** Visiting the Mexican American Art Museum.





**Photo Five:** Meeting with Dr. Suzet McKinney, deputy commissioner for public health in the city of Chicago.

**Photo Six:** Learning about the South Side of Chicago at the Harlem Globetrotters monument.



They visited places such as the Indian American Medical Association Charitable Foundation Clinic, which provides basic primary and preventive care, free medications, and health education to about 3,000 people. They discovered that while all those who used the clinic were natives of India, they spoke in different dialects and that people from different cultures have many different customs and beliefs. These differences presented a unique challenge to those running the clinic. The students learned about the need and importance of providing services in a manner that respects cultural traditions.

The students spent a morning at Growing Home, an urban farm with a mission to operate, promote, and demonstrate the use of organic agriculture as a vehicle for job training, employment, and community development. While there, they planted vegetables in an urban garden, learning that environmental responsibility can flourish in urban environments as well. The garden annually grows and sells about 11,000 pounds of produce and earns \$45,000 in income.

They toured the Nameste Charter School, a unique school which utilizes a

curriculum that combines rigorous academics with physical activity and nutrition with very positive results. "Schools such as Nameste are different than any we have experienced in our own lives," said Randy Wheeland, a senior biology major from Newfoundland, Pa. "We got a completely different view of how education can be combined with health and wellness to improve classroom performance."

They also visited the Illinois Caucus for Adolescent Health, where they learned how sexual health issues, policies, and practices can impact youth. The students also toured the Center on Halsted, which has created a safe, nurturing environment that provides resources and improves life experiences for the LGBT community.

They had a face-to-face meeting with Dr. Suzet McKinney, deputy commissioner of the Chicago Public Health System, to discuss the public health issues most important to Chicago residents. They discovered the monumental challenges facing

my questions. What interested me was that Chicago and two other cities (New York and Los Angeles) actually work with each other to come up with similar plans of action in public health."

### **Bradford Conlon: Day 4, June 3, 2012**

"The best part about today was the free Indian American Medical Association Charitable Foundation Clinic. It provided us with a look at a successful non-profit clinic. I found that the clinic was very helpful and worked very closely with their community providing them the best options, from staff that speak numerous languages, to requiring no proof of insurance or anything in order to be treated. It's a very convenient system that makes for a healthy and happy community. I think there needs to be more clinics like this in our area."

### **Brian Langan, Day 5, June 4, 2012**

"We met Tiffanie Beatty, program director of Chicago center for urban life and culture, who took us to Namaste Charter School. I believe the school was grades one through eighth and was much different from schools back home. The students were selected to go to this school via lottery, or if they already had an older sibling attending. The school focused on overall health and wellness along



with academics. Each classroom had a small student-to-teacher ratio. There were two teachers in each classroom that we went into. They also had a weight room where kids work out each day of the school week to improve fitness. It seemed as though kids in this program were much better off than those not in the program. It seemed to me that they will be better prepared for the future.”

### Kelsey Vinton, Day 7, June 6, 2012

“Wednesday morning we went to the Illinois Caucus for Adolescent Health where we met the executive director, who talked about what happens in this business. She talked about how kids from all over Chicago take the subways to get to their building because they enjoy what they do there so much. She also talked about how this organization shows kids the positive approach to adolescent sexual health and parenting. This place is here for homeless kids, parenting adolescents, low-income, etc. They do plays of situations that kids might go through, to show them what they can do or say if they ever experience this problem. Also, they do a lot of workshops with the kids.”

public health officials as they constantly prepare for and respond to a wide spectrum of emergencies that can impact millions of people, including crises that arise from terrorism, natural events such as hurricanes, and public health and safety threats.

The students convened at the Harold Washington Library, a primarily Native American library, which served as the launching point for an educational tour of the city’s South Side. Along the tour they learned about the dramatic economic and social diversity that exists there.

The group also participated in many cultural activities. They took a walking tour of the Pilsen neighborhood and viewed many of the art displays which are prominent in this largely Mexican and Mexican-American community. They gathered at the Court Theatre for a performance of *Angels in America Part 1: Millennium Approaches*, a historical drama set in 1985 in New York City at the height of the AIDS epidemic. Lunch and dinners at area restaurants across the city provided many opportunities to sample the diverse tastes of Chicago, and a visit to the famous pier provided a fun night on the town.

In general, the Keystone students spent the week experiencing everyday life in one of the nation’s greatest and most diverse urban centers. They learned how people thrive in an urban environment or struggle with ongoing economic, public health, racial and cultural challenges.

“The Chicago experience enabled students to put their understanding of the nation’s public health system in a more complete perspective, which will benefit them as they continue their education and professional careers,” notes Vicki.

The journey demonstrates how Keystone students have opportunities to engage in distinctive “real world” experiences through which they are able to interact with others and put

into practice what they have learned in the classroom. The trip directly relates to Keystone’s overall mission of teaching students to be involved with the world around them as they strive to use their education to improve the lives of others. From their first day on campus to the moment they receive their degrees, Keystone students are taught that their educational experience, no matter what particular field or major, does not exist in a vacuum.

In addition to being successful in their own lives, Keystone students strive to make the world a better place for others. Educational opportunities such as the Public Health trip to Chicago and many other experiences on campus, in the community, and around the world help emphasize the importance of that mission.

“I thought our experience was important in so many ways,” Randy said. “Growing up in a small-town environment, you don’t realize all the cultural, racial, and economic issues that occur in large cities like Chicago. Of course, all these issues are reflected in the health and well-being of the city’s residents, and that’s what made our experience there so meaningful.”

Argit Marishta, a junior from Tiran, Albania, with plans to attend medical school, realized the trip meant more than simply another college course. They experienced a slice of life they otherwise may never see.

“The entire week enabled me to look at so many things from an entirely different perspective,” said Argit. “This trip will help me as I pursue my education and my career. I would recommend it for anyone interested in public health issues or for those who just want to learn more about how people live life each and every day.”

Because the trip was such a great success, the group is already planning for a similar trip next year.

“We can’t wait to go back,” said Vicki. “The experience helped illustrate what a Keystone education is really all about.”



## End of an Era: President Boehm to Complete His Final Year as President

Keystone College President Edward G. Boehm, Jr., announced that he will complete his final year as Keystone's ninth president on June 1, 2013, after 18 successful years, the longest presidential tenure in Keystone College history. At the request of the Board of Trustees, he will then transition to the role of President Emeritus, continuing to serve the College in various duties on campus and in the community.

President Boehm made the announcement to Keystone's faculty and staff during a College-wide meeting at the end of August. Keystone has engaged nationally known presidential search firm RPA, Inc., and has begun a nationwide search for President Boehm's successor. A new president is expected to be announced by the end of the 2012-2013 academic year.

"It has been a great privilege and honor to serve as Keystone's president for nearly two decades," President Boehm said. "During that time, Keystone has grown from a junior college to one of the most respected baccalaureate institutions in Northeastern Pennsylvania. This phenomenal accomplishment is due to the talent and tremendous dedication of the entire Keystone family, including our students, faculty, staff, and administration, supported by our board of trustees, alumni, and friends. We have accomplished so much during this time, but most importantly, we have accomplished it together. Regina [Keystone First Lady Regina Boehm] and I will never forget your kindness, compassion and, most of all, your love of Keystone College."

"Ned Boehm will go down in Keystone history for his vital role in helping the College survive and prosper



when the future was very much in doubt," said **Thomas "Tim" Speicher '72**, chair of Keystone's Board of Trustees. "We all owe him a great deal of gratitude for his numerous accomplishments and, most importantly, his tremendous dedication to Keystone College."

President Boehm began his Keystone tenure in 1995, a time when the enrollment had dwindled to less than 400 students, and the school was in need of an infusion of energy and enthusiasm. Under his leadership, Keystone became a baccalaureate college in 1998 and granted its first bachelor's degree to one student in 2000. Since then, the College has progressed steadily, adding academic programs and attracting more students each year. During the 2012 commencement ceremony, Keystone conferred 355 degrees, the vast majority of which were bachelor's degrees. Keystone's total enrollment is now nearly 1,800 students.

In addition to his academic leadership, President Boehm has become known for

his optimistic attitude and genuine friendship, particularly his personal interest in all Keystone students. He is often quoted as saying, "We know our students not only by their names but by their dreams." Keystone students will readily attest that statement is a true reflection of his personality.

President and Mrs. Boehm have become well-known and respected leaders in the community, taking active roles in many civic and community organizations. For example, they jointly received the B'nai B'rith Amos Lodge No. 136 Americanism Award and served as co-chairs for the United Way of Lackawanna County 2003-2004 Campaign Fund Drive. President Boehm served on the United Way of Lackawanna County Board of Directors, President of Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO), as a board member of the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce, the Northeast Regional Cancer Institute Advisory Board, and Tyler Memorial Hospital, among many others.

Prior to his position at Keystone, President Boehm was a senior vice president for institutional advancement at Marshall University in West Virginia. He also held senior administrative positions at American University and Texas Christian University. He has a bachelor's degree from Frostburg State University in Maryland and a master's degree and doctorate from American University.

President and Mrs. Boehm are the parents of two sons, Evan and wife Melissa, and Andrew and wife Sarah, and grandparents of Grant Edward Boehm and Catherine Beckett Boehm.

**President and Mrs. Boehm have impacted the lives of many Keystoneians over their 18 years on campus. Please share with us some of your favorite memories or simply send best wishes by visiting [www.keystone.edu/celebratingtheboehms](http://www.keystone.edu/celebratingtheboehms).**



## Clay Taylor '77: International Pilot and Novelist

Air Traffic Controller. International Airline Pilot. Magazine Columnist. Published Novelist.

Although he's only in his mid-50's, **Clayton (Clay) Taylor '77** has had a full and varied career, and his journey is nowhere near the finish line. Clay is also a proud Keystone graduate who credits his education for much of his success in life.

"I was able to mature and become more of a serious student at Keystone. I developed a thirst for knowledge and learned what it means to work hard. Certainly, my education there has helped me with everything I have done."

A native of Clarks Summit, Pa., Clay graduated from Abington Heights High School and attended Keystone Junior College, where his mother, Eleanor Corr, managed the computer science lab. After graduating from Keystone with an associate of arts degree in general studies, Clay continued his education at the University of Scranton. But his lifelong passion for aviation changed his life forever.

"I learned to fly in high school at the old Schultsville Airport near Clarks Summit and I worked as a flight instructor for Pocono Airlines. From the very beginning, I loved it and I wanted to make it part of my life in some way."

Realizing the opportunity may never come again, Clay left college in his senior year to take a job as an air traffic controller. After his position was eliminated during the federal Professional Air Traffic Controller Strike in 1981, he was soon hired by Lockheed Corporation to work at a non-federal control tower. He also completed his bachelor's degree at the University of Scranton.

Ultimately, Clay knew he wanted to be flying a plane rather than working in a

control tower. His dream came true when he accepted a position as a full-time pilot and instructor for American Eagle Airlines, a division of American Airlines. In 1996, he was hired by Northwest Airlines (now part of Delta Airlines) and flew extensively in the United States before being transferred to international routes, which he continues today.

"I've flown to many parts of the world from Bangkok to Bombay and from Barcelona to Singapore. It's been a wonderful ride -- if tiring at times! My favorite layovers include Hawaii and Rome, which I'm sure is not surprising."

But flying jet airliners is not his only skill. Clay is an accomplished journalist and author. After writing articles and blogging for several airline industry publications, including writing a column for Airways Magazine, Clay decided to write fiction. He has written two novels, "Dead Eyes Opened" and "Flying in Circles." He is working on a soon-to-be completed third novel, "In for the Night."

"I never had any formal training as a writer, other than one or two English courses I took at Keystone. After writing a column for Airways Magazine, I wanted to try my hand at writing a full-length novel. It was certainly a learning experience. At this point, I'm not sure I could stop writing even if I wanted to. Of course, all my books are aviation based because that's what I know." For more information on Clay's books, visit [claytontaylorspen.com](http://claytontaylorspen.com).

Clay and his wife, Kim, who also grew up in Clarks Summit and attended Abington Heights, reside in Fort Worth, Texas. The couple has two daughters, Lyndsay, a graduate at the University of Texas in Austin, and Melissa, a student at North Texas University.





## Jerry Miller '62: Making the Most Out of Life

**Jerry Miller '62** is a man of many talents who knows how to balance his career with his passions to make the most out of life. A former Marine, Jerry spent more than 30 years as a materials manager, procuring expensive equipment for major construction projects around the globe.

Besides serving his country and becoming an expert in his field, this loyal Keystone graduate has other accomplishments for which he can be equally proud.

An avid soccer enthusiast, Jerry spent many years playing, coaching, and refereeing the sport he loves at home and abroad and was even part-owner of a professional soccer team.

These days, Jerry spends the bulk of his time performing other important acts of kindness that are close to his heart: caring for abused and abandoned animals on land he owns near Houston, Texas.

That's a long list of accomplishments for Jerry, who graduated from Keystone Junior College in 1962 with an associate degree in mechanical engineering and economics. Jerry was more than a student at Keystone – he was a private first-class in the United States Marines Corps, participating in Marine training programs while attending college. Jerry spent a total of eight years in the Marine Corps.

“Keystone was a great school for many reasons, but particularly because of the faculty. There were some excellent teachers, and I became very interested in subjects like mathematics and economics, which would prove to be invaluable later in my life.”

Jerry became interested in soccer at Keystone and joined the soccer team. It was the beginning of an association with the sport that would last for several more decades.

After graduating from Keystone, Jerry obtained his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering and economics from St. John's University in New York

City. He then began a long career as a materials manager in the construction industry, working on major projects in the United States, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia, Korea and several other countries.

While living in those nations, Jerry continued to play soccer and coached youth and senior teams as well.

“It was a really gratifying experience being able to coach soccer with young people all over the world. It was inspiring not only from an athletic standpoint but from a human standpoint too. I encourage student-athletes to stay involved with the sports they love beyond their college careers.”

After returning to the United States and settling in the Houston area, Jerry continued to play and coach soccer and, for one year, served as part-owner of the Houston Dynamos pro soccer team.

Jerry's latest passion is helping animals which have been abandoned or abused. He takes horses, donkeys, dogs, and other animals which he finds or which are referred to him and nurses them back to health. Jerry's two adult sons, Chris and Randy, help out as well.

“It really means a lot to me to help in this way. I was adopted so I have a strong feeling for animals which have been left on their own. I guess you can say I'm just returning the favor.”

**Photo One:** Jerry's senior class photo from 1962.

**Photo Two:** Jerry Miller (left) and a co-worker proudly raise the American flag at a construction site in New Jersey near New York City.







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## class notes

### 1930s

**Bill Seamans '38** celebrated his 97th birthday on April 22, 2012 with his wife, Tina, daughter Susan, and a small group of friends. He still enjoys life in spite of his stroke in 2009. He writes to his friends and enjoys feeding birds and chipmunks out on his terrace. Some Keystoneians still keep in touch with him, **Florence Gillespie Brown '41** calls and writes notes. Elizabeth Connery, former alumni director, writes to Bill quite often. He loves to hear from them. Bill still talks about when he played football at Keystone - great times!

### 1940s

**Jack Kostige '47** reports that the Keystone College Classes of '46 and '47 Military In Memoriam \$10,000 Endowment Fund stands at \$9,150. That the shortfall might not need to be met by a few stalwart believers, I persevere in appealing for even small donations. Mail to Donna Clemens, Keystone College, One College Green, PO Box 50, La Plume, PA 18440. Identify it as a donation to Military In Memoriam.

### 1950s

**Margaret Thomas Buchholz '52** recently published a new book, "Josephine: from Washington Working Girl to Fisherman's Wife. A Memoir 1917-1959."

**Charles "Fitz" Fitz-Gerald '57** is very active in theatre. He performed in Agatha Christi's "And Then There Were None by Homemade Theater" and "Black Tie" by Theater Voices, an A.R. Gurney play. He also

designed the set for "A Raisin in the Sun" by Our Own Productions.



From left: Brenda Fitz-Gerald, **Charles "Fitz" Fitz-Gerald '57**, **Lydia Gobbi Gourvitz '58**, and Tim Fitz-Gerald.

Charles "Fitz" traveled to Sacramento, Calif. to see his son and daughter-in-law who were in the cast of "Wicked." He also visited with **Lydia Gobbi Gourvitz '58**, Tim, Brenda and Fitz enjoying lunch before a showing of "Wicked." **Ruth Henry '53 and Webb '52 Comfort** have just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. Attending the big bash included **Betty Hurlburt '53** and **Earle '53 Comfort**; **Charlotte Moser '53** and **Tom '52 Davis**; **Nancy Kerns '53** and **Gardner '52 VanScyoc**; and **Ellen Verhulst '53** and **Bob '53 Eastty**. This group is hoping to return to Keystone next fall for their 60th reunion as well as **Carolyn Sarrides Mott '53**. **Ellen Verhulst Eastty '53** hopes the rest of you are also making plans. **Marion Breden Brennan '59** enjoyed a wonderful trip to the northern lakes of Italy this past April.

### 1960s

**Rev. Fred Oleck '60**, and his wife, Jane, sold their home and moved into Heritage Hill Senior Community in Weatherly, Pa. Fred remembers very good days at Keystone, especially the students and faculty.



**Ted '61 and Bette LaRegina '60 Heston** traveled to Italy this fall and were unable to join us at Homecoming. They say hi to all.

**Nancy Clark Witaconis '62** writes to the classes of '61, '62, and '63: it was great to see so many at Homecoming this October.

**Doug Kile '64** lives in Endwell, N.Y. with his wife of 22 years, Suzanne, and adopted cats, Moochie and Vito. Following graduation from Susquehanna University, he pursued a career with IBM. Following acquisition of his Systems Integration Division in Owego, N.Y., he continued with Lockheed Martin until retiring in 2004 as director of human resources. A memorable experience was his first marathon in London 2001 with youngest daughter Loren, and more recently the 100th Run for the Diamond Marathon in Berwick, which is the oldest road race in the country. He also enjoyed reuniting with old buddies after years apart. **Bob Richards '64, Jay Stanton '64, Paul Morgan '64** and "Coach" Mike Mould at the 2011 Keystone Basketball Reunion.

**Betty Markley Steele '64** retired from real estate sales in Ann Arbor, Mich. at the end of 2011 and moved to Franklin, Tenn. She and her husband, Bob, have been volunteering as ushers at a local theatre. Their children and grandchildren visit frequently and they love having friends visit as well to take in the sights and sounds of Nashville. If you love "country," come on down!

## The Bonds of Friendships



### Judith Tirkot Jaeger '66

On that first day we piled nearly all our earthly belongings, or so it seemed to our families, into the family car, which back then, was NOT a van, more likely a '64 Chevy or Ford station wagon, and pulled up to West Hall. We were excited and wanting to be "on our own," but also nervous about the friends we'd make or the roommate we would sleep in the same room with for the next 10 months. Not to mention, there were the orange and blue "dinks" we had to wear on our heads, or the signs a senior put around our neck saying: "I'm a lowly freshmen" or "I don't have a date for the dance Saturday night." That was 1964 - and it was Keystone Junior College.

Who would have known nearly 50 years later, we would be just as excited to all be together again.

Our little group met of ten and became something special together on third west and we had such a great time we asked to all be together on fourth north for our senior year. Dean Williams said That was a first time request. After graduation we met at the first

few October Homecomings, but then life stepped up the pace and aside from gathering again at weddings it wasn't until 1996 that we met again in Pittsburgh and then in 2002 in Florida. This year we decided not to wait until our official 50th Reunion but gathered in June at a lovely home we rented overlooking Lake Lure, N.C. We shared memories through photos, both old and new. We shared the journeys life paths had taken for each of us. We shared weddings and births and even losses. We shared laughter and tears. We realized that each of us had contributed to our community, our work places, and to our families. We all agreed from that first day in a little town of La Plume, Pa. in September 1964 until June 2012 in a little town of Lake Lure, N.C., the friendships we made and the bonds we began have grown and strengthened and have become priceless to each of us. Keystone (Junior) College, for that we thank you.





William Delgado



Keystone alumni enjoying time on the 660 foot front porch at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, Mich. From left: **Cynthia Ceccarelli Stevens '63**, **Curt Stevens '64**, **Sandra Irion '64**, and **Irma Lengel Falls '73**.

**Edmund Burdick, Jr. '65** retired after practicing optometry for 40 years in New Milford, Pa.

**Kirby Hickey '65** was elected treasurer for the World Methodist Council in 2011. He feels very blessed and honored to hold this position for it gave him the opportunity to travel throughout the world. The people, places, and experiences have been a very rich blessing.

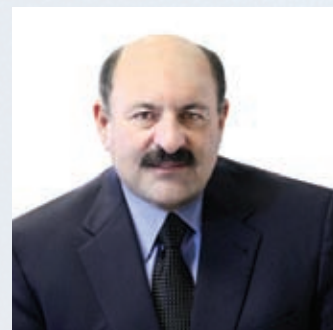
**Susan Nathan '65** is still in private practice as a licensed psychologist. She worked as a consultant for a bariatric surgical center in Newport Beach, Calif. for the past two and a half years. Her daughter, Sara, is happily married and has a two year son. Susan is thrilled to be a grandmother!

**Denny Coffinberger '68** writes: Hello, classmates of 1968! We are soon to have been gone from Keystone 45 years in 2013. If someone would like to take the bull by the horns and start working on a Great Reunion for Homecoming 2013, I and the Alumni Office would gladly help. The Reunion includes special celebrations for the classes of 1967, 1968, and 1969. Most of us have retired at this point, which allows us more time to

celebrate our time at Keystone and to prepare for it. We could play some golf, eat, drink, and talk about the good times we had there. I still enjoy going back to campus to see the changes, but am still reminded that after all this time the atmosphere is still the same. If anyone has an interest, call me at home (570-784-3977) or on my cell (570-854-0486). I would love to hear from anyone about anything going on in your life or listen to any of your ideas for a Great Reunion next year. Go Little Giants!

#### 1970s

**Peter Giusti '73** was appointed president of USA Cares, a national military non-profit.



Peter Giusti '73

**Brian Keeler '73** had a show of his artwork entitled, "The Light of Summer" at the Titus Gallery, Ithaca, N.Y.



**Janet Chambers Farrand '74**

received the 2011-2012 New Jersey Governor's Jefferson Award in recognition of her volunteer service to youth. She also received a \$5,000 prize as a finalist in the 2012 Russ Berrie Making a Difference Award. Janet is president of the Foster and Adoptive Family Services Foundation and second vice president of Foster and Adoptive Family Services.

**Julie James '78** is a senior planner at J. Jill Group in Massachusetts. After Keystone, Julie graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology.

**June Burns '79** reports her youngest son, **Brian Burns** graduated summa cum laude on May 19 with a degree in Communications. He is the last in their immediate family to graduate from Keystone. Her son, **David Taylor**, graduated in 1978. Her daughter, **Holly Taylor**, graduated in 1978 and was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame in 2009. June graduated in 1979 a month after Brian was born. June's son **John Burns '86** graduated from Keystone and hopefully her granddaughter will apply for 2013. Their international friend and family member Lamin Sarr is a graduate and attended Commencement 2012 to be with us. Needless to say, they love Keystone College!

**1980s**

**Dr. Mike Perko '82** recently co-authored an animated children's book chosen as a top rated app for NOOK and was selected by Apple for download on iTunes. The book, "Sheldon's Adventure," follows Sheldon, a young

turtle who is trying to get comfortable in his own shell. Tackling issues of self-esteem and bullying, Sheldon has a series of adventures that bring home messages of believing in yourself and being happy with who you are. Dr. Perko is a professor in the Public Health Education Department at UNC-Greensboro and has been a champion of children's health for 20 years.

**Stephen Cheskiewicz '84**

is working with Pearson Education on supplements to a new textbook in the Your Office series, "Your Office Getting Started with Advanced Cases."

**1990s**

**Dave "Weitie" Weitzman '90** coaches the FC Sonic Lehigh Valley. They won the 2012 Nationals Premier Soccer League Championship.

**Julanne Zimmerman Skinner '93** received her master's degree in public administration from Marywood University.

**Alexandria Marchel Zuranski '93** recently moved to Grand Rapids, Mich. with her husband, Chris. She works for the Social Security Administration at the Grand Rapids field office.

**Mary Ann Angeloni '94** and her husband, Marino, celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary in August. Mary Ann is a substitute teacher in the Valley View and Dunmore school districts and Marino was employed by Tobyhanna Army Depot prior to his retirement. The couple marked the occasion with a family dinner.

**2000s**

**Stephen Dutko '01** started a business, The Dutko Group, and has a magazine coming out soon.

**Suzanne Mark '02** and Michael Hasenauer are engaged and currently living in Shoemakersville. Suzanne is working as a case manager at Family Care for Children and Youth. (Michael attended Keystone in 2000 and 2001.)

**Jason Collins '04** recently took a position with the IT Telecomm team at TMG Health.

**Karly Evans '05** received her master's degree in teaching-secondary K-12 education from Marywood University.

**Joseph Worsnick '05** and Sarah Prislupski were married September 10, 2011. Joseph is a sales representative with L.T. Verrastro and Sarah is a physician assistant in cardiology Geisinger Wyoming Valley. The couple resides in Scranton.

**Leigh Mannina '06** and Justin Abromavage were married October 13, 2012. Leigh and Justin are co-owners of Little Acres Learning Academy in Moscow.

**Dan Hiller '07** and **Heather Nelson '07** were married on September 1, 2012. Heather is a juvenile probation officer and Dan works in plumbing and heating. They reside in Honesdale with their daughter, Abigail, and son, Daniel, Jr.

**Brooke Stevens '06** and Jason David are engaged. Brooke is an elementary school teacher in Mid Valley School District and Jason is a mason with Benko Construction Co. A summer 2013 wedding is planned.

**Class Correspondents**

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From left: Deliah Hobbs, Victoria Wasolowski, and Jessica Wickizer.

**Michael Swanson '06** had his artwork displayed in an exhibit at New Visions Studio & Gallery, Scranton. The exhibit featured six other Keystone College alumni.

**John Pierson '08** received his master's degree in teaching-secondary K-12 education from Marywood University.

**Rob Booth '09** and Shannon Sanko are engaged. Rob is a photo editor for ESPN.com and Shannon is an early intervention associate for Rehabilitation Associates of CT. They currently reside in Meriden, Conn. A wedding is planned for April 2013.



Shannon Sanko and Rob Booth '09

**Cortney Chadwick '09** received her master's degree in social work at Marywood University.

**Stephanie Clifford Davis '09** and William Davis were married April 28, 2012. Stephanie is a child case manager at Scranton Counseling Center and William is employed by Price Chopper. The couple resides in Throop.



Mr. William and Mrs. Stephanie Clifford '09 Davis

**Aubrey Gangemi '09** and **Jeffrey Owens '09** are engaged. Aubrey is employed by Throop Civic Center and Jeffrey is employed by Progressive Insurance. A fall wedding is planned.

**Ashley Millard '09** and Joshua Parsons were married June 2, 2012. Ashley is a teacher at Little Red Caboose and Joshua is a heavy machine operator at Precision Pipeline.

**Stacy Ossenfort '09** has been named special events coordinator at the Waverly Community House.

**Mindy Owens '09** and **Tristan Bennett '09** are engaged. Mindy is a graphic designer at Paper Magic, Inc. and Tristan is enrolled at the Pennsylvania State Police Academy. They currently reside in Clifford Twp.





Tristan Bennett '09 and  
Mindy Owens '09

**Anthony Pinto '09** is an adjunct professor in the Business, Management and Technology division teaching information technology at Keystone College, in addition to his day job as a domain architect at Met Life.

**Sara Snodgrass '09** had her artwork displayed in an exhibit at New Visions Studio & Gallery, Scranton.

**Karl Sussman '09** was recently promoted to run his own department, Supported Employment Department at ARC, where he assists clients in finding and keeping jobs. At this point in time, he wouldn't want to be doing anything else.

## 2010s

**Sean Costello '10** had his artwork displayed in an exhibit at New Visions Studio & Gallery, Scranton.

**Phil DelTorto '10** is still teaching English in Korea. If you haven't checked out his blog [philhasseoul.blogspot.com](http://philhasseoul.blogspot.com) lately, please do so. He has many great stories and pictures. Send him a comment or message that KC fans are reading!

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**New job? New child?**  
**New spouse? Big promotion?**  
**New adventure? New discoveries?**  
**New thoughts?**  
**New move?**

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**Emily Kain '10** recently accepted a position as account executive with the Dallas Cowboys organization.

**Brian Kapmeyer '10** and Bridget Gavin were married July 7, 2012. Brian is an accountant for Michael Barbetti LLC certified public accountants and Bridget is a vision-support and Wilson Reading teacher for Dallas School District.

**Brink Powell '10** began working as a customer service representative for State Farm Insurance in February 2012. In September 2012 she played the lead role of Gillian in "Bell, Book, & Candle" at Providence Playhouse in Scranton.

**Aaron Bartron '11** was recently promoted to a production supervisor at a call center for a market research firm. Aaron and his wife live in Rexburg, Idaho.

**Robert Eskra '11** is attending Widener University School of Law in Harrisburg pursuing his juris doctorate.

**Kerry Zadzura Kizer '11** and Jonathan Kizer were married July 7, 2012. Kerry is the head toddler teacher at the

Day Nursery Association and Jonathan is an autobody technician. The couple resides in Scranton.



Mr. Jonathan and Mrs. Kerry Zadzura Kizer '11

**Deanna Miletta '11** has completed the selection process for the state police and is waiting for a cadet class to open. She is very excited to begin.

**Matthew Mroz '11** had his artwork displayed in an exhibit at New Visions Studio & Gallery, Scranton.

**Gina Osif '11** is a teaching assistant and research assistant at Marywood University in the Psychology Department.

**Cain Pavlak '11** is currently a specialist in the Army and will be going to Fort Hood, Texas to be a cavalry scout.

**Erica Simon '11** had her artwork displayed in an exhibit at New Visions Studio & Gallery, Scranton.

**Rebecca Swierczek '11** is a graduate student in the dance/movement therapy and counseling program at Antioch University New England in Keene, N.H.

**Carolyn Walker '11** recently accepted a position as elementary art teacher in the Red Bank School District in New Bethlehem.

**Kendra Bianchi '12** was recently hired as a preschool teacher at Creative Critters in Scranton.

**Robert Bodnar '12** is living in Sitka, Ala., working as a fisheries technician.

**Alex Seeley '12** had his artwork displayed in an exhibit at New Visions Studio & Gallery, Scranton.

**In Memoriam**

'39 Mrs. Dorothy Jones White  
8/25/2012  
'40 Mrs. Sophie Colovos White  
8/9/2012  
'41 Mr. Nicholas Supron  
9/17/2012  
'41 Mrs. Marie Coolbaugh  
Schanbacher  
6/26/2012  
'42 Miss Claire M. Ventanni  
7/13/2012  
'43 Rev. Daniel D. Driscoll, III  
7/27/2012

'44 Mr. Donald W. Peck  
7/21/2012  
'46 Mrs. Lois Smith Bagley  
8/25/2012  
'48 Colonel Roland H. Collins  
9/11/2012  
'48 Miss Kathryn P. Marchese  
6/13/2012  
'49 Mrs. Ruth M. Masonis  
Vaskas  
8/30/2012  
'51 Mr. Frederick C. Washburn  
8/10/2012  
'59 Mrs. Wilma Gehman Bennett  
9/2/2012

'62 Mrs. Bonnie S. Bryant  
Cardarelli  
6/24/2012  
'65 Mr. Peter J. Shea  
5/24/2012  
'65 Mr. Jerome E. Giles  
7/9/2012  
'68 Ms. Rochelle E. Goldman  
5/31/2012  
'70 Mr. Martin V. Catalano  
9/3/2012  
'72 Mr. David L. Merrick  
7/31/2012  
'72 Atty. Selyne K. Youngclaus  
8/13/2012

'76 Mr. Theodore F. Duggan  
7/26/2012  
'78 Mr. John A. F. Shields  
9/5/2012  
'78 Mrs. Ann M. Cardomone  
Borowski  
9/21/2012  
'81 Mrs. Karen R. Hayden Hoyt  
5/24/2012  
'82 Mr. Thomas G. Lopatofsky  
9/9/2012  
'83 Mrs. Nora A. King Cognetti  
9/4/2012



# calendar

## of upcoming events

Mark your calendars and be sure to attend one of Keystone College's many free events this academic year. We offer scholarly lectures, concerts, cultural programs, and seasonal activities to the campus community and general public.

### DECEMBER

December 1, 2012

**Winterfest 2012:  
Factoryville Tree Lighting  
Celebration**

4:30 p.m., Factoryville Borough Hall

December 8, 2012

**Winter Botany workshop  
presented by KCEEI (\$50 fee)**

9 a.m.-3 p.m., Lackawanna Hall

December 12, 2012

**Winterfest 2012:  
Celebration of Lights**

6 p.m., Evans Hall

### JANUARY

January 21, 2013

**Concerts and Lectures Series  
presents Dr. Martin Luther  
King, Jr., Day Celebration  
featuring Dr. Roscoe Brown**

7 p.m., Brooks Theatre (tentative)



Dr. Roscoe Brown

### FEBRUARY

February 9, 2013

**Alumni Basketball and  
Cheerleader Reunion\***

1 p.m., Keystone College



Basketball Reunion

February 12, 2013

**Concerts and Lectures Series  
presents Making Relationships  
Matter by David Coleman,  
the "Dating Doctor"**

7 p.m., Brooks Theatre

### MARCH

March 7, 2013

**Concerts and Lectures Series  
presents The Music of  
The Quietmen**

7 p.m., Brooks Theatre



The Quietmen

March 23, 2013

**Maple Sugaring Demonstration  
and Open House\***

9 a.m.-Noon, Sugar Shack



Sugar Shack

### APRIL

April 4, 2013

**Concerts and Lectures Series  
presents Poetry Reading  
by Jim Daniels**

7 p.m., Evans Hall

April 13, 2013

**Save the Date - Details to Follow  
Celebration Gala for  
President and Mrs. Boehm**

April 15, 2013

**NEPA Alumni Happy Hour\***

5 p.m., Platform Lounge, Radisson  
Lackawanna Station Hotel, Scranton

April 20, 2013

**Legacy Family Luncheon\***

11 a.m., Evans Hall

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