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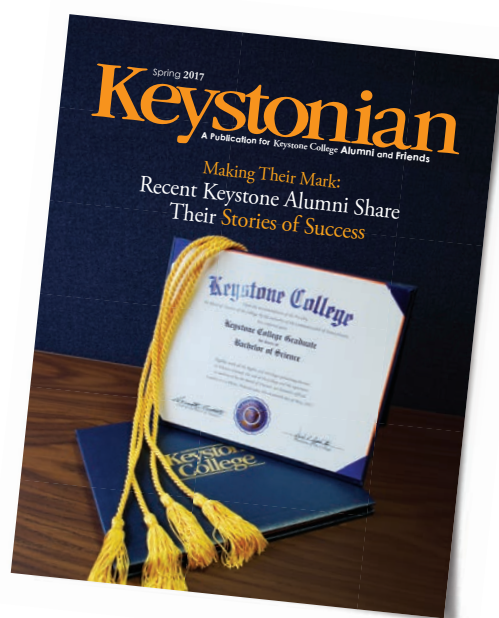
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Dear Friends of Keystone College:

There are numerous ways to earn a Keystone College education with many wondrous events and shared memories along the journey. It should come as no surprise that my favorite event of the academic year is our annual Commencement ceremony marking the end of many years of accomplishments and the beginning of new adventures. Each spring, I have the privilege of congratulating members of our graduating class as they receive their Keystone College diplomas and celebrate their accomplishments with family, friends, faculty, and staff.

Although Commencement marks the official end of the academic year, it marks a new beginning for our graduates as they prepare for the next phase of their lives. Many continue their education by attending graduate school, while others choose to pursue a career in their specific field or profession. No matter which direction they choose to travel, they are well prepared for a journey of life-long learning and success. At Keystone, our commitment extends beyond great academics. We go the extra mile to help students achieve their personal, educational, and career goals.

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As we approach the end of another academic year, we prepare to honor members of the Class of 2017 on May 13 as they walk on stage to receive their degrees. As they exit the stage, they will carry us with them and they will remain part of this strong and close-knit community for the rest of their lives. At Keystone, we wouldn't have it any other way.

Sincerely,



David L. Coppola, Ph.D.
President



■ Keystone Awarded More Than \$1.1 Million In New Grant Funding



Keystone student, Molly Powers, enjoys trails along the Keystone College Woodlands Campus.

In addition to last year's \$756,000 grant to renovate the College's Trolley Trail, Keystone College has been awarded more than \$1.1 million dollars in grant funding from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to support campus enhancements that benefit the College and local community.

A \$456,660 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Multimodal Transportation Fund will be used for new sidewalks, streetlights, and storm management improvements to an area on campus from Gambal Athletic Center to approximately the Children's Center.

The funding announcement was made by Pennsylvania State Senator John P. Blake, whose districts include the La Plume portion of campus where the improvements will be made. Work on the project is expected to begin this year.

The College also received a \$732,146 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) to construct a hiking and biking trail on

campus and connect it with a 1.5 mile segment of hiking trail known as the Trolley Trail. The new trail will also allow more direct access to Keystone's seven-mile community-use trail system already in existence.

Plans call for a public access hiking/biking trail to be constructed from College Avenue on the eastern side of campus near the Christy Mathewson Baseball Field to Keystone's new Athletic Field and Track Complex. The trail will then be extended to connect with the Trolley Trail. The new trail will include two trail heads, parking areas and a bike-share program which will enable members of the public to have access to bicycles for use on the trail.

"This trail will serve as a gateway to all of Keystone's outdoor educational and recreational resources, including our extensive trail system, athletic complex, apiary, maple sugar operation, outdoor classrooms, streams, green spaces and more," Sharon Burke, Director of Keystone College Environmental Education Institute (KCEEI), said.

"We're so grateful to PennDOT and all those responsible for helping to increase access to our beautiful woodlands campus for the benefit of all."

The project is one of 51 transportation statewide projects announced by Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Wolf and PennDOT Secretary Leslie S. Richards. The state projects are in line to receive \$33 million in federal funds as part of a program to improve transportation alternatives, according to PennDOT.

"We are very grateful to Senator John Blake, the Department of Community and Economic Development, and all parties who played a role in helping this grant become a reality," said Keystone College President David L. Coppola, Ph.D. "We view our beautiful campus as not only a tremendous asset for our students but also for the entire community. So, as we continue to see these important improvements to our campus, we are happy to share our natural resources with all residents of Northeastern Pennsylvania."



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■ New Board Members Elected

Keystone College has elected seven new Board of Trustee members. The new slate includes Ida Castro, J.D.; Alice M. Davis, Ph.D.; James B. Davis; Nancy S. Dressel; James M. Heffernan, Ph.D.; Sharon M. Meagher, Ph.D.; and John S. Morrison Jr. Robert H. Swartley has been elected as the new Board chair.

"The Keystone College community extends a heartfelt welcome to all of our newest members of the Board of Trustees and to Bob Swartley as the new chair of our Board of Trustees," said Keystone College President, Dr. David L. Coppola. "Their expertise and dedication will enable Keystone to continue our ongoing progress as one of the area's leading educational institutions."

Dr. Castro, Scranton, is vice



president for government and community relations and chief diversity officer at the Geisinger Commonwealth

School of Medicine where she heads diversity and inclusion and social justice efforts relating to leadership, students, faculty and staff initiatives, multicultural programming, activities, and events to promote better understanding of experiences.

In 1998 Ms. Castro was appointed by President Bill Clinton to serve as the first Latina Chairwomen of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Dr. Davis, Springville, is executive director and school counselor director of the Susquehanna County Career and Technology Center, Springville. She has also been president

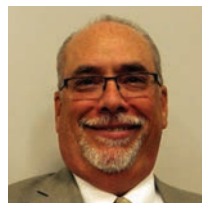


and CEO of Gracious Living Estates Personal Care Home, owner and CEO of

Davan's Delite, Inc., and owner and CEO of Davis Personal Care Home.

Among other professional and civic organizations, Dr. Davis is past president of the Pennsylvania Association of Career and Technical Administrators, president of the Pennsylvania Association of Career and Technical Educators, a former member of Keystone College President's Advisory Council, and has served as a volunteer chair of the Keystone College Annual Fund. She has received the Distinguished Citizen Award from the Baden-Powell Council of the Boy Scouts of America and the Pennsylvania High School Counselor of the Year Award by the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association.

Mr. Davis, Factoryville, is vice chairman of the board and treasurer for DGK Insurance, Factoryville, a firm



with which he has been affiliated since 1986. His areas of expertise include risk management of larger commercial accounts, fire companies, and

municipalities.

Among other civic activities, he is past president of the Factoryville Men's Civic Club, treasurer of Factoryville United Methodist Church, chair of the Clinton Township Planning Commission, and a member of the Wyoming County Planning Commission. Mr. Davis has been a member of Keystone's President's Advisory Council and serves on the committee for the Keystone Open Golf Tournament. In 2013, he received the Distinguished Service to Keystone College Award.

Mrs. Dressel, Pocono Pines, returns



to the Keystone Board, having previously served from 2006-2015. Recently retired, she served as the director of development

for United Neighborhood Centers of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Previously, she served as the development director of SCOLA Volunteers for Literacy, and as branch director of the Lupus Foundation of Pennsylvania Pocono/NE branch, development consultant at the Children's Advocacy Center, and adjunct faculty member at Keystone.

In the community, Mrs. Dressel serves on the Architectural Review Committee for Lake Naomi/Timber Trails. She is a past president of Temple Hesed Sisterhood, the Abington Blood Council, the Lackawanna County Medical Society Alliance, and the Jewish Community Parenting Center. She was the 2011 recipient of the Margaretta Belin Chamberlin Award of the Scranton Area Foundation and was involved in The Gathering at Keystone College.

Dr. Heffernan, Syracuse, N.Y., is



a senior consultant at RPA, Inc., an executive recruiting firm in Williamsport, Pa., where he has conducted numerous searches for

presidential and leadership positions. He has also served as executive director to the New York Campus Compact (NYCC), a membership association of colleges and universities committed to the public purposes of higher education.

Dr. Heffernan was vice president for student affairs and educational services at SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry where he also served as vice president for institutional advancement.

Previous experience includes serving

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as executive director of The Washington D.C. Center for Learning Alternatives; visiting professor at the Institute for Higher Education in New South Wales, Australia; associate professor in the Syracuse University Department of Higher and Adult Education; assistant director of Institutional Research at Dartmouth College; and research assistant at the University of Michigan Center for the Study of Higher Education.



Dr. Meagher is Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and Professor of Humanities at Widener University, Chester, Pa. She is a member of Widener's senior leadership, Dean's Council, and Provost's Council and is involved with facilitating the urban planning and visioning process in the community of Chester.

Dr. Meagher is co-founder and co-chair of the Public Philosophy Network, an organization which connects philosophers with one another, and with colleagues in other disciplines, for collaborative scholarship and social action projects.

She has also been a principal in PraXis edu, a higher education consulting

organization; chair of the Department of Latin American Studies and Women's Studies and Professor of Philosophy at the University of Scranton; Visiting Professor for the Centre for Gender, Culture, and Development at the Kigali Institute of Education, Kigali, Rwanda; and Director of Education for the Union Institute's Office of Social Responsibility, Washington, D.C.

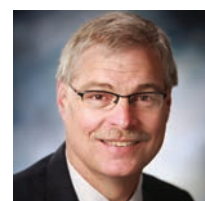


Mr. Morrison is a member of the Employment Opportunity and Training Center board of directors, and treasurer of Clarks Summit Fire Company Number 1 and the organization's Firemen's Relief Association. He is a member of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses and the Association of Professionals in Infection Control.

He has received the 2016 Keystone College Thomas Davis '52 Presidential Medallion; the Community Medical Center School of Nursing Georgia Black Award in Neurological Nursing; and the Community Medical Center School of Nursing Citizenship Award.

Before his recent retirement, Mr. Morrison, Pittston, had been employed for 17 years in a variety of health care

management positions at United Methodist Homes' Wesley Village campus in Pittston, including serving as a registered nurse manager, registered nurse assessment coordinator, assistant director of nursing, and director of infection control. He has also worked in healthcare and management positions for Mountainview Care Center, Olsten Kimberly Quality Care Home, and Health Care Associates.



Mr. Swartley, Collegeville, serves as Chair of the Board of Trustees. He is president and majority shareholder of Swartley Brothers Engineers, Inc., a firm specializing in industrial and commercial electrical engineering and construction in the Delaware Valley. He has received the Keystone College Joyce Tressler Award for Volunteerism and the Keystone College Presidential Medallion. Active in his community, he also serves on the board of Face to Face, a human services organization in the Philadelphia area.

Other officers elected to the Keystone Board include: John F. Pullo, Sr., chair-elect; Attorney Judith Gardner Price, first-vice chair; and James C. Clark, secretary.

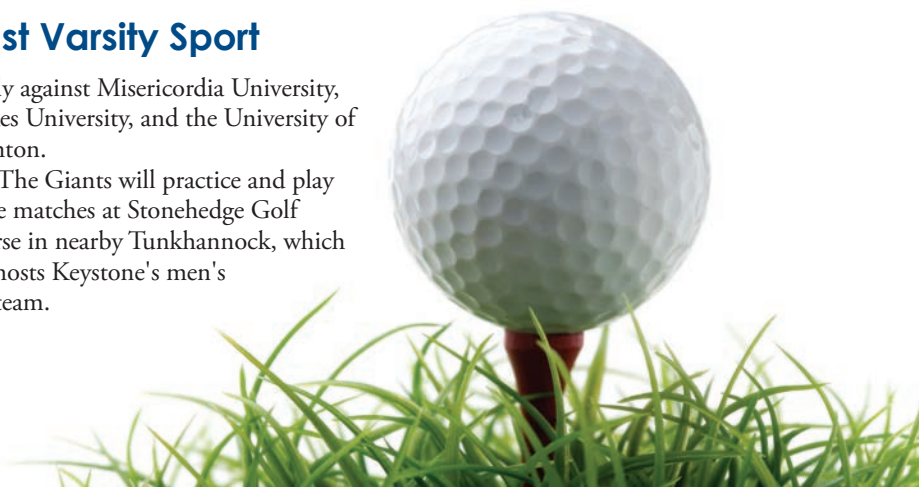
■ Women's Golf Added as 21st Varsity Sport

Beginning with the 2017-2018 academic year, Keystone College student-athletes can compete in women's golf, Keystone's 21st varsity sport offering.

The Giants will compete as an NCAA Division III independent member starting in fall 2017. Keystone joins current Colonial States Athletic Conference members Marywood University and Neumann University in offering women's golf. In addition to Marywood, the Giants have the opportunity to compete

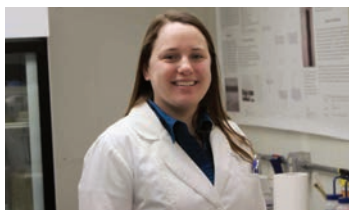
locally against Misericordia University, Wilkes University, and the University of Scranton.

The Giants will practice and play home matches at Stonehedge Golf Course in nearby Tunkhannock, which also hosts Keystone's men's golf team.



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■ New Faculty Members Welcomed



Jillian Fesolovich

Jillian Fesolovich; Darryl Horn, Ph.D.; and Joseph Janick, Ph.D. have been appointed as the newest Keystone College faculty members.

Assistant Professor Jillian Fesolovich comes to Keystone from the University of the Sciences, Philadelphia.

Ms. Fesolovich received her undergraduate degree from Misericordia University, her master of science degree in forensic science from Cedar Crest College, and is pursuing her doctorate in cellular and molecular biology from the University of the Sciences.

She has been an adjunct faculty member at Rutgers University; Arcadia University, Philadelphia; Lehigh/Carbon Community College; the University of the Sciences; and online for Southern New Hampshire University. She has worked professionally as a forensic biologist at NMS Labs and as a biochemist for Merck & Co.

Assistant Professor Dr. Darryl Horn joins Keystone College from the

Medical Education Readiness Program in Miramar, Fla., where he served as assistant professor of biochemistry.

He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point, his masters from the University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh, and his doctorate in biochemistry and molecular biology from the University of Miami. His teaching experience includes positions at the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh; Nova Southeastern University; Edison State College; and Broward College.

Assistant Professor Dr. Joseph Janick joins Keystone from Binghamton University where he recently successfully defended his dissertation. Dr. Janick received his undergraduate degree in geography from Colgate University and obtained his doctorate in geology from Binghamton University. He worked as a project scientist for the ARM Group and has been an adjunct instructor at Binghamton University.



Dr. Darryl Horn



Dr. Joseph Janick

■ Keystone Recognized by White House

Keystone College has been recognized for its successful participation in the White House Healthy Campus Challenge health insurance campaign during a recent ceremony at the White House.

In November and December, the College hosted several information sessions on campus to help local residents learn more about the federal health insurance Marketplace. Information was also spread through posters, flyers, online news sources, and social media.

The goal of the program was to help educate the Keystone community and the public on the importance of acquiring health insurance for individuals and families who do not currently have it through employees or other sources.

"It's really an honor to be invited to the White House to participate in Campus Challenge Day," said Keystone Director of Health Services Jessica Koscelnak. "Keystone came together as



Keystone representatives receiving recognition at the White House, from left: Kristie Canegallo, assistant to the president and deputy chief of staff for implementation, the White House; Jessica Koscelnak, director of health services, Keystone College; Nicole Langan, Keystone dean of student life; Jill Lennon, R.N., Keystone coordinator of health education.

a community to help spread the word about the importance of health insurance and how people can use the federal health

insurance Marketplace to obtain the coverage they need for themselves and their families."

■ Homecoming and Family Weekend

Save the date! Mark your calendars for **Homecoming and Family Weekend, October 13-14**. Enjoy an action-packed weekend at Keystone College as alumni, students, families, and friends gather to celebrate Keystone College.

Keystone will unite Homecoming and Family Weekend, combining nostalgia, pride, and excitement for multiple generations of Keystonians.

Alumni are invited to reconnect with fellow classmates, meet current students and families, and cheer for Keystone's athletic teams, among many other activities. Families will have a chance to explore the College their students call home and visit with alumni.

Highlights of the schedule include:

- Gold Club Dinner
- Alumni gatherings
- Athletic events
- Bonfire
- Homecoming Parade
- Athletics Hall of Fame
- Family activities

For the full schedule of events and to register, visit www.keystone.edu/homecoming.





■ Keystone Celebrates Return of Wrestling

Following a 25-year hiatus, Keystone College celebrated the return of wrestling to campus with a reception and ribbon cutting ceremony before the team's first home contest in November. Members of the campus community and alumni from across decades gathered to mark the occasion, and Bernie Fornicola '76, wife

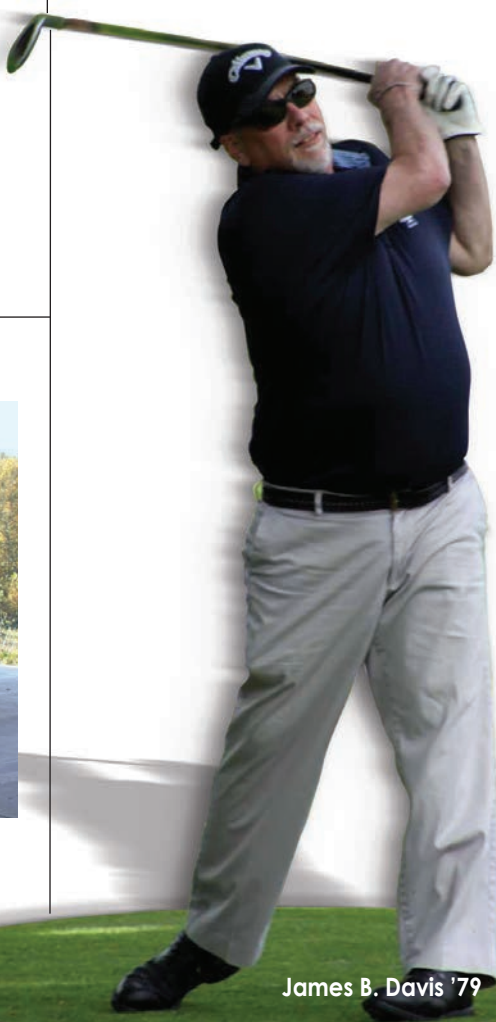
of former late coach Larry Fornicola, gave the team an inspirational talk.

Celebrating the return of wrestling to campus with a ribbon cutting ceremony, from left are: Matt Grimaldi, Ph.D., director of athletics; Steve Mytych, wrestling coach; Bernice Fornicola '76; Jonathan Lees Davis '80, trustee; and David L. Coppola, Ph.D., president.

■ Keystone Open

Support a great cause while hitting the links! The 27th annual Keystone Open Golf Tournament is scheduled for Monday, July 10 at 11 a.m. at Glen Oak Country Club, Clarks Summit, Pa. Proceeds from the event support the Alumni Association Student Engagement and Scholarship Fund which awards up to \$10,000 in scholarships annually to deserving students.

There are many sponsorship opportunities available and all sponsorships are accompanied by signage and day of event recognition. The field is limited to 128 golfers and registration fills quickly. For additional information on sponsorship opportunities or to register, please visit www.keystone.edu/keystoneopen or contact Jennifer Conklin at 570-945-8173 or jennifer.conklin@keystone.edu.



James B. Davis '79

■ National Philanthropy Day



The Student Philanthropy Club celebrated National Philanthropy Day in November with a variety of activities that allowed students to pay tribute to the donors who help make their education possible. Students spent part of the day writing thank you notes to donors, helping to create a culture of giving on campus.

Student-Athletes Give Back to the Community Through Service

Keystone College student-athletes are known for their success on the field of play, with four teams qualifying for the Colonial State Athletic Conference (CSAC) playoffs in their most recent seasons, 86 Giants earning All-Conference honors, 10 collecting All-Region accolades, and five capturing conference or regional Player of the Year awards.

They are also highly successful in the classroom, as 101 Giants were named to the CSAC All-Academic Team during the last academic year for carrying at least a 3.20 grade point average during their season of competition. Last fall, a record 53 Keystone student-athletes garnered All-Academic honors and the women's cross country team captured the CSAC Team Academic Award with the highest team GPA of any fall sports team in the conference.

Many people may not realize how much the Giants give back to the community by helping others in need, raising money and awareness for various charitable causes, and assisting with various local events.

In February, the Athletic Department held its annual Think Pink Night at a basketball doubleheader in the Gambal Athletic Center. The Giants presented a check for \$1,500 to the Northeast Regional Cancer Institute after teaming up with Colleges Against Cancer to raise funds in the battle against breast cancer. Proceeds from T-shirt sales, basket raffles, and a bake sale, all went to the cause.

Other charitable contests that have been used to raise money and awareness for various causes include field hockey's "Blue for Tashandra Burton" game, men's soccer's "Lace Up 4 Pediatric Cancer Awareness" game, volleyball's "Dig Pink" match, and the baseball and softball teams hosting the Bill Howerton Strikeout Cancer Weekend.



Men's soccer players proudly display gifts they collected and wrapped at this past December's Adopt a Family holiday gift wrapping party.

One of the most notable events that student-athletes have taken on is the Adopt a Family holiday gift wrapping party, which was held this past December for the second year in a row. Partnering with the Salvation Army, Keystone student-athletes made the holiday season brighter by collecting and wrapping presents for more than 20 local families.

Junior men's soccer player Steven Heintz, Jr., spoke of the family his squad helped out with the gift wrapping party.

"The family my team helped was a single mother with five children," said the sophomore goalkeeper. "It's nice knowing that we helped her out, and she can focus her time and finances on doing things with her family during the holidays, since the holidays are about family," Steven said.

Senior softball player Antonette Scialpi found the holiday gift wrapping party to be a rewarding, yet humbling experience.

"Many families are struggling financially and are unable to afford everyday essentials, let alone have an enjoyable Christmas. Christmas is a holiday every child looks forward to, and I'm ecstatic that I was able to make a difference in their lives for the holidays," she said.

The fall sports teams have been active in assisting incoming freshmen and returning students move into their dorms at the start of the semester. Most of the teams also participate in Keystone's "Relay for Life" in the spring. In the community, Keystone's cross country and basketball teams have volunteered to serve as course guides at the Steamtown Marathon in Scranton every October.

Keystone's athletic programs also offer a variety of camps and clinics for area kids throughout the year including soccer, field hockey, volleyball, basketball, wrestling, baseball, and softball, among others.

For the latest athletic news visit: www.gokcgiants.com



Dr. Thomas Biel '09



Keith Garubba '10



Stephen Pellegrino '12



Matt Powell '12

Making Their Mark: Recent Keystone Alumni Share Their Stories of Success

Some have gone on to graduate school and have obtained doctorates. Others have accepted jobs in their field and are pursuing professional careers with astounding success. Either way, one thing is certain: Many Keystone College graduates are making their mark on the world only a few years after walking on stage to receive their diplomas.

In this issue of *The Keystoneian*, we will introduce you to six Keystone alumni who have graduated within the last 10 years and tell you a bit more about them. We have no doubt you will be highly impressed.

Although we have chosen to highlight only a few graduates of the last decade in the space available, we certainly could have included many more. However, the graduates you are about to meet are symbolic of so many Keystone alumni. They are talented, personable, and highly skilled professionals pursuing important and interesting careers. While their individual stories vary, there is one constant. Each person credits his or her experience at Keystone as a key building block for success.

Dr. Thomas Biel '09

As a biomedical scientist and Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) post-doctoral fellow with the United States Food and Drug Administration, Dr. Thomas Biel is involved in research that can impact the health and well-being of people across the nation.

"As a researcher, we establish novel biomarkers and scientific methods

that evaluate and validate the safety, quality, and efficacy of therapeutics (the use of drugs and the method of their administration in the treatment of disease) to make sure that any prescribed therapeutic is effective and safe," Tom says. "The most important goal is to protect and improve the health and safety of Americans."

Tom's journey to his current position began in the classrooms and laboratories at Keystone. While he initially planned to focus on environmental science, he found that his biology and chemistry classes were particularly interesting.

He began helping Assistant Professor Vicki Stanavitch with research and laboratory work. The more he learned, the more he wanted to challenge himself. The Scranton native distinguished himself academically, earning the Sergius Gambal '47 Student Scholar of Distinction Award and was also awarded a Summer Research Fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences.

Tom went on to earn his doctoral degree from the College of Medicine at the University of Florida in December of 2014 and, in March of 2015, began his post-doctoral fellowship with the FDA, specializing in evaluating and validating scientific methods pharmaceutical companies use for developing new therapeutics.

"Basically, what I do now is 100 percent research, but in the near future I will split my time between research and the review of investigational drug applications," he says.

While he now has his doctorate, Tom credits Keystone for helping him pursue lofty career goals.

"Keystone really helped lay the foundation for what came next in my life. I gained my footing and was able to translate what I learned to the opportunities that came next. I still keep in touch with Vicki, both as a mentor and as a friend. I can't tell you how much I appreciate her guidance over the years."

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Keith Garubba '10

Keith Garubba's love for art stems from a rather unusual passion: comic books. Since he was a boy, Keith adored all sorts of comic books and their characters, particularly super-hero comics such as Spiderman and the Flash. As his love for art blossomed, Keith began creating and drawing his own comic book characters.

"It's just something I've always liked since I was a kid. I can't really say why, but comic books have fascinated me since I can remember," says the 2010 Keystone graduate.

Keith's love for art and comic books have happily collided in his role as an art instructor at Baum Art School, a non-profit community art school in Allentown, Pa. Keith teaches a variety of art classes to children, teenagers, and adults. His favorite, of course, is comic book art.

"I teach a wide array of courses to a diverse group of students, but the one I enjoy the most is a course drawing comic

book stories and characters,” Keith says. “It gives students a chance to be really creative and express themselves in a way they have never done before. Personally, I get to help others experience what I have loved for years. It brings me full circle to who I really am.”

Keith’s skills and abilities are far reaching. In addition to teaching, he maintains a studio in his home where he refines his many talents, particularly printmaking. After receiving his bachelor’s degree in visual arts from Keystone and being named Outstanding Graduate, Keith went on to obtain his master’s degree in printmaking in 2014 from The Ohio State University. From there, he’s gradually been making a name for himself in the art world.

His work has been displayed at galleries throughout the East Coast, and he has received numerous awards, including recently being named as the Emerging Artist of the Year by the Allentown Arts Commission. While he has many people to thank for his success, Keith credits his former professors at Keystone, particularly Judi Keats, Sally Tosti, Cliff Prokop, and Ward Roe for both teaching and inspiring him.

“I really discovered a gem when I discovered Keystone College,” says the Moscow, Pa. native. “This college not only met but exceeded my expectations, and I’ll always be very grateful to Keystone.”

Stephen Pellegrino '12

Sports and photography. That’s what Stephen Pellegrino enjoys most in his professional life. Fortunately, he has the chance to experience both as a photographer with the National Basketball Association.

On any given day or night, Steve can be seen on the sidelines of NBA arenas in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and other Eastern cities. The 2012 Keystone graduate wouldn’t have it any other way.

“I really love shooting sports,” Stephen says. “You never see the same thing twice. You have a split second, and you have to capture the moment. Then, you see your images and realize that other people enjoy them too. As for the players, they can look at an image and appreciate it for the rest of their lives. To me, that’s very satisfying.”

The Blakeslee, Pa., native has enjoyed sports since he was a boy and played baseball and soccer in high school. He also developed a love for photography and dreamed of combining both disciplines.

“I knew in high school that I wasn’t ever going to play professional sports. I also enjoyed photography and realized that might be a way to stay involved in sports as I got older,” Stephen says.

Stephen chose to attend Keystone, majoring in communications and minoring in photography. He refined his craft by taking photography classes taught by faculty members, Ward Roe and Stacey Donahue, and shooting Keystone athletic events.

“Ward and Stacey knew I wanted to shoot sports, and they pushed me in the right direction. I covered just about every sport there was at Keystone including baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, and more. When I graduated, I knew I was prepared.”

After earning his bachelor’s degree, Stephen began doing athletic photography for Holy Family University in Philadelphia. In 2014, he was hired by the NBA for a full-time job as a photo editor at the league’s headquarters in Secaucus, N.J. He was eventually promoted to photographer and began covering NBA and WNBA (Women’s National Basketball Association) games, including the NBA All Star Game in Brooklyn, N.Y.

He also had the opportunity to photograph the USA women’s basketball team before they departed for last year’s Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro. Stephen also maintains his own private

photography practice and shoots college sports, including contests at Keystone, when he isn’t assigned to NBA games.

Now that he has become established with the NBA, Stephen hopes to move up the ranks.

“I’d like to have my own team to shoot rather than being assigned to multiple teams. That’s my longer-term goal. For now, I really love going to work every day.”

Matt Powell '12

During his junior year at Keystone, Matt Powell secured an internship in the Tunkhannock, Pa., office of U.S. Rep. Tom Marino. As it turned out, that was the best thing that could have happened because it led to even better opportunities in the years to come.

Today, Matt is a legislative assistant on Rep. Marino’s staff in Washington, D.C., responsible for helping to keep Mr. Marino briefed on issues such as health care, homeland security, agriculture, and the environment.

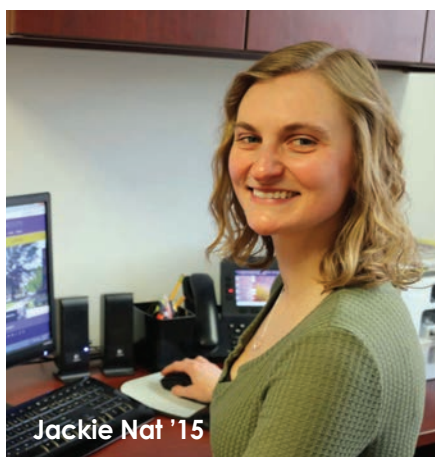
“That internship really changed my life,” recalls Matt, who majored in social science with a minor in political science. “Two of my professors, Janet Wrightnour and Marie Andreoli, really convinced me to pursue that internship, and I’m so glad they did. From there, I was able to get a full-time job with Congressman Marino. That was a great opportunity for me.”

Each work day, Matt leaves his apartment in nearby Arlington, Va., and takes a 10-minute subway ride to Rep. Marino’s office in the Rayburn House Office Building in Washington, D.C. He spends his days working on some of the most important issues in the nation and often prepares Rep. Marino for meetings and committee hearings.

As for the future, Matt isn’t making any predictions. Law school may be a possibility or even a position in the private sector in the years to come. As for the present, Matt couldn’t be happier.



Veronica Van Hof '15



Jackie Nat '15

"I really love it. I feel like I'm really playing a role in the legislative process, and that's very satisfying," he says. "For me, it all started with my college internship."

Veronica Van Hof '15

As a child growing up near Newark, N.J., Veronica Van Hof yearned to one day live in a more rustic setting. In 2015, Veronica got her wish as she was named resident director of the Unexpected Wildlife Refuge in rural Newfield, N.J. Now, Veronica lives in a cabin heated only by a wood stove on the 800-acre refuge located deep in the heart of the Pine Barrens in southern New Jersey.

"I have to admit, when I first moved here, the biggest adjustment was getting used to the wood stove. I adore the solitude," Veronica says. "I fall asleep to the sounds of coyotes and great horned

owls outside of my window. I have really learned to enjoy this lifestyle, from learning how to split firewood to the lack of the sounds of civilization. I have a border collie mix and a cattle dog and they, along with the Canada geese, are tremendous watchdogs. Nothing comes near this house without them knowing about it first."

As a resident director, Veronica writes grants, arranges educational events and after-school programs, makes social media postings, and works with volunteers to maintain and patrol the Refuge's 10 miles of trails. She also mitigates wildlife issues in nearby communities by helping local residents learn how to live alongside wildlife and by teaching them to resolve conflicts humanely. The refuge has a zero-interference policy, meaning it does not provide artificial housing or food sources for the wildlife.

"I can hear our resident bald eagles calling to each other or watch the beavers collecting building materials for their lodge on a cold day. I get to experience all this without ever leaving my living room," Veronica says.

Veronica obtained her associate's degree in journalism and worked as a journalist for a local newspaper in Northeastern Pennsylvania and also worked in media relations. At the age of 35, she decided to pursue her true passion and enrolled at Keystone as a wildlife biology major.

She loved her time at Keystone and credits, among others, Professor Jerry Skinner for his expertise and interest in nature and the environment. About seven months after graduating, Veronica obtained her position with the wildlife refuge. Right now, she can't ask for anything more.

"I do what I love to do and get paid for it. What could be better than that?"

Jackie Nat '15

When Jackie Nat was a Keystone

student majoring in communication arts and minoring in theater and integrated marketing communications, she was known for being involved in virtually everything.

While maintaining a perfect 4.0 grade point average, the Plains, Pa. native was a member of Keystone's women's volleyball and track and field teams, the Keystone Players theater group, and Voices singing group. She also served an internship with the College's Office of Communications, worked on alumni giving campaigns, and served as a work-study student in the Institutional Advancement Department.

Jackie is now employed as a human resources coordinator at Misericordia University but, true to form, her involvement doesn't end there. She has also served as the women's volleyball coach and recently choreographed a musical for the University's theater group, all while pursuing a master's degree in organizational management. Her advice to college students: "Get involved."

"I tell students not to be afraid of pursuing anything that interests them," she says. "Each experience gives you a chance to learn new things and meet new people. If you find there's something you want to do, just go out and do it."

Jackie's education at Keystone meant more to her than being involved in many activities. The friendships she developed because of those activities will last a lifetime.

"I truly loved the family aspect of Keystone. I love that I can come back to campus and am welcomed with open arms. It still feels like home. I know that I am the woman I am today because of Keystone College."

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Jillian Fesolovich: Leading the Keystone Forensics Program to an Even Brighter Future

When Assistant Professor Jillian Fesolovich joined the Keystone College faculty at the start of the 2016-17 fall semester, she was optimistic that she was in the right place at the right time. After teaching forensic biology for nearly a full year, Jillian realizes her instincts were absolutely correct.

"I've really enjoyed my first year at Keystone," said Jillian. "I love the campus. I'm supported by my colleagues, and I really enjoy my work with students in the classroom."

A native of nearby Peckville, Pa., Jillian received her undergraduate degree from Misericordia University, her master of science degree in forensic science from Cedar Crest College, and is pursuing her doctorate in cellular and molecular biology from the University of the Sciences.

She has been an adjunct faculty member at Rutgers University, Arcadia University, Lehigh/Carbon Community College, the University of the Sciences, and online for Southern New Hampshire University. She has worked professionally as a forensic biologist at NMS Labs and as a biochemist for Merck & Co. Jillian also served as a forensic biologist for the television show "Explorer" on the National Geographic Channel.

"Forensic biology is a profession with a bright future, and I feel that Keystone really has a lot to offer our students," Jillian said. "Projections show forensic biology to have a 27 percent growth rate through 2024 and that's a higher rate than most professions."

Keystone offers a forensic biology concentration within the natural sciences degree program. Students receive a broad-based education covering biological, chemical, and physical science methods, including extensive laboratory work.



Assistant Professor Jillian Fesolovich on the site of a forensic experiment in Gettysburg, Pa.

"Forensic biology is such an exciting profession that can lead to rewarding careers such as crime scene investigators, positions with federal agencies, state and local police forces, laboratories, genetic testing companies and much more," Jillian said. "It really is a career not only for the present but for the future."

Jillian said her experience as a forensic biologist has been satisfying both professionally and personally.

"For me, there are rewards that go beyond a job title or a paycheck. It's really satisfying to know that you've had a role in seeing justice done and bringing closure to the families of victims."

Ryan Patrick Joyce '04



Ryan Joyce began working as an automobile designer with Chrysler in 2006. He remembers being thrilled to land his dream job at the young age of 24.

Ten years later, Ryan believes his position with the company, now known as Fiat Chrysler, is still at the top of his career list. No wonder. For the last decade, Ryan has played a key role in helping the automotive giant create some of the most popular models on the market. In fact, Ryan has just completed an assignment as the lead interior designer for the completely redesigned 2017 Jeep Compass.

“Working on this project has really been the culmination of my experiences here at Chrysler. It is so satisfying knowing that you’ve played a role in designing a vehicle that’s making such a tremendous impact in the marketplace,” Ryan said during a break in his busy day at Detroit’s North American International Auto Show.

Ryan even had the chance to highlight his work when he drove a newly designed Compass from his home in

Detroit to his hometown of Moosic, Pa. during the Christmas holidays.

“That really made my visit home something special. Being able to drive the car around town and show it off to my friends and family made the trip home that much more enjoyable.”

Ryan graduated from Keystone in 2004 with an associate degree in fine arts. He continued his education at the Cleveland Institute of Art, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in industrial design, with a concentration in transportation design. While in Cleveland, he was one of seven college students nationwide selected to appear on the four-part Discovery Channel documentary, “Futurecar,” which highlighted the skills of young automobile designers.

Ryan began his career at Chrysler in 2006 and steadily began to take on additional responsibilities.

“When people see a new vehicle in a showroom, they may not realize it started out as an artistic concept that requires imagination to create. That

concept eventually goes through many changes before the vehicle ever goes into production. That’s why I really find it so satisfying to see a design that I helped create be developed into a finished product.”

Ryan credits his education at Keystone for providing the fundamental building blocks of his success.

“For me, Keystone was where it all started. I had such great training by talented faculty members. Professors like Ward Roe, Bill Tersteeg, Judi Keats, and Cliff Prokop were awesome.”

“Ryan was a perfect fit for Keystone,” said Professor Prokop. “We recognized that he had a special talent, and the rest is history.”

With the Compass project completed, Ryan says he’s moving on to other assignments at Chrysler, and he’s looking forward to all of them.

“It’s a great feeling. I get excited about going to work every single day. You really can’t ask for more than that.”

Nicole Delevan: Striving to be Her Best ... And Succeeding

If success can be defined as taking advantage of opportunities, then Keystone College senior Nicole Delevan is well on her way to a successful career and a meaningful life.

Nicole will graduate next spring with bachelor's degrees in art education, early childhood education, and special education, and her current GPA stands at a near-perfect 3.97. She's a member of the Keystone Honors Program and is president of the Keystone Student Chapter of the Pennsylvania Art Education Association.

But excellence in the classroom is only part of Nicole's personal success story.

When she's not studying, Nicole is a whirlwind of activity on campus and in the community. She's had a great career on the women's cross country team and track team, including serving as captain. She has served as president of the Inter-Hall Council, and has been a member of the Ecology Club, Student Government, and the Art Society.

Currently, she is a member of the Keystone Student Chapter of the Pennsylvania State Education Association, Alpha Lambda Delta national honors society, and Keystone Admissions Ambassadors. She's worked as an Admissions Department tour guide and represented Keystone in the Colleges Against Cancer initiative. Nicole has volunteered at summer camps and at pre-school reading programs at Helping Hands Learning Center. She's managed to accomplish all those goals while holding a part-time job in a health food store and teaching art classes at a local studio.

"I know that sounds like a lot. But I really enjoy keeping busy and striving to accomplish my goals," said Nicole, a resident of Forty-Fort, Pa. "I've learned to manage my time really well. I love meeting new people, and when you are involved with a lot of activities, you get to do that."

After she graduates, Nicole has one simple but important goal – finding a job as a school teacher.

"I would love a teaching job. I love kids, and I know teaching is what I really want to do," she said. "Preferably, I would like to stay in Pennsylvania, but moving to New York or anywhere in the East would be fine. No matter where, I know I will do my best to make a difference."

Nicole believes Keystone has helped her grow as a student and as a person.

"I think Keystone has given me the opportunity to become involved in so many different things and has helped broaden my perspective," she said. "Plus, the small class sizes are great and the faculty and staff are awesome."



Nicole Delevan

So, what advice does Nicole have for current and future Keystone students?

"I would tell them to pursue every opportunity and remain positive and energetic. And, of course, I'd remind everyone to get their homework done!"

Meet the Institutional Advancement Team



Members of the Keystone College Institutional Advancement team include, seated from left: Meghan Skelston, Ehrin Clark, Jennifer Conklin '03/'05 and Donna Clemens. Standing, from left: Mary Kern, Liz Ratchford, Frank Ohotnicky, Peter Moylan, Heather Schield and Mariellen Walsh.

The Keystone College Institutional Advancement (IA) office works to make Keystone's short and long-term goals a reality through identifying and prioritizing key funding needs while developing and sustaining long-lasting relationships.

As Keystone prepares for our 150th anniversary, a number of changes have taken place in IA to best align operations to meet fundraising demands in the years ahead.

Heather Schield is now serving as Vice President for Institutional Advancement. In that role, she establishes fundraising and alumni development goals and objectives and provides leadership to the department's robust fundraising efforts. Heather is a Certified Fundraising Executive and holds a bachelor of arts degree in mass communications from Bloomsburg University. Formerly the

Executive Director of the Muscular Dystrophy Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Heather joined the Keystone IA staff in 2013.

Heather worked closely with former Vice President for Institutional Advancement **Charlotte Ravaoli** for a number of months to ensure a seamless transition into the new role. Charlotte will continue to serve Keystone as Chief of Staff to the President where she'll oversee scheduling and work closely with the College's Board of Trustees.

Former Director of Alumni Engagement **Mariellen Walsh** has transitioned into the role of Major Gifts Officer, where she assists donors in directing funds to planned giving, naming, and endowment opportunities. A graduate of Marywood University with a bachelor's of science in retail management,

Mariellen joined Keystone in 2012.

Working closely with Mariellen is **Peter Moylan**, Gifts Officer. Peter secures gift commitments for the College's Annual Fund and capital purposes and establishes and cultivates relationships. Peter received a bachelor's degree in history/political science from the University of Scranton.

New to Institutional Advancement, but not the College, is **Ehrin Clark**. Now serving as the Director of Alumni Engagement and Annual Giving, Ehrin previously served as Assistant Director of Admissions in Keystone's Enrollment Division. In her new role, Ehrin engages alumni through events and social media and works closely on the College's Annual Fund. She also serves as the adviser to the Student Philanthropy Council on campus, working to build a culture of

philanthropy. She received a bachelor's degree in communication arts and a master's degree in communications from Marywood University.

Jennifer Conklin '03/'05

joined Keystone as Coordinator of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving. Collaborating with the Director of Alumni Engagement and Annual Giving, she engages alumni and also designs electronic and print publications. Jennifer received an associate degree in fine arts and a bachelor's degree in visual arts with a concentration in graphic design from Keystone College.

Donna Clemens serves as Director of Donor Relations. A 26-year employee of the College, Donna works closely to develop, nurture, and grow strong relationships with donors and friends of Keystone by involving them more actively in the life of the College, and recognizing their contributions with the goal of growing their philanthropic support. Donna received a bachelor's of arts degree in English Literature from Marywood University.

As Director of Grants, **Elizabeth**

Ratchford secures grant support for academic, program, and capital projects that advance the College's Strategic Plan. She works to establish, cultivate, and sustain relationships with current and potential grant organizations. Liz came to Keystone in January 2012 after working for 15 years seeking grants for municipal and government organizations. She received a bachelor's degree from the University of Scranton.

Managing data resources that support all College fundraising is **Frank Ohotnicky** in his role as Director of Advancement Services. Frank oversees and manages the implementation of data programs and the creation of reports which help inform future decisions. He received a bachelor's degree in arts administration and a master's degree in higher education administration from Marywood University.

Working closely with the Director of Advancement Services is **Mary Kern**, Advancement Services Assistant. Mary helps support the information needs of the office through daily gift entry, systems updates and general maintenance of the

database. A Keystone employee since 2007, Mary previously served as a division assistant with the Social and Behavioral Sciences Division. She has an associate degree in office systems technology from Bucks County Community College and is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in business at Keystone.

The newest addition to the IA team is **Meghan Skelston** who serves as Administrative Assistant. Meghan provides administrative support and assists with the preparation, organization, and delivery of materials for meetings, proposal submissions and events while serving as the first line of contact for the office. She received a bachelor's degree in hospitality management from Florida State University and prior to joining Keystone was employed by Geico.

"These changes, coupled with the dedication and many years of experience of our Institutional Advancement staff, prepare Keystone to move forward in support of our 150th anniversary and build an even stronger culture of engagement and philanthropy," said Heather Schield.

In Memoriam

'37 **John T. Evans**
October 21, 2016

'42 **James S. Seamans**
December 29, 2016

'43 **Leroy Hoyt Baker, Jr.**
September 7, 2016

'43 **John G. Butler**
January 4, 2017

'43 **Jeanne Swarts Fleckenstein**
July 14, 2015

'44 **Jean Williams Newberry**
February 3, 2017

'45 **Carol Schaeffer Craft**
October 3, 2016

'47 **William O. Fleckenstein**
March 9, 2017

'48 **W. Douglas Muir**
January 3, 2017

'48 **Katharine Conlon Payne**
September 10, 2016

'48 **DeVillo Sloan**
September 22, 2016

'49 **Charles Crocker**
January 27, 2017

'49 **Helen L. Deykes Weinschenk**
December 22, 2016

'59 **Peggy A. Hill Kircher**
September 15, 2016

'62 **John T. Williams**
October 30, 2016

'64 **Curtis N. Stevens**
October 31, 2016



Curtis N. Stevens '64

'65 **Enrico A. Serine**
September 21, 2016

'71 **James Carter**
February 2, 2017

'72 **James Calpin**
February 8, 2017

'72 **Janice Pashchuk**
December 28, 2016

'73 **Roseann P. O'Malley Langan**
November 2, 2016

'78 **Jonathan P. Wottrich**
September 14, 2016

'82 **Madge Pryal**
December 3, 2016

'96 **Kathleen Krebs**
February 4, 2017



Kathleen Krebs '96

'02 **John J. Baker**
September 6, 2016

'02 **Margaret E. Carey O'Malley**
December 23, 2016

'12 **James Pietrowski**
January 24, 2017

Class Notes

1950s

Dr. Robert McGurkin '54 is the chairman of the Woodstock Action Group in Woodstock, England.

1960s

Richard Lee '61 and his wife Patty celebrated 50 years of marriage in May 2016.

Carol Melling '62 spends every winter in the Florida Keys with her daughter. The rest of the year she shuttles back and forth between the home she and her husband built 43 years ago in West Virginia and a beach house in North Carolina.

Gary Koerner '62 returned to campus to visit the staff and studio of Keystone's radio station. While a student at KJC, Gary was the Radio Station Manager. Currently he is instrumental in keeping the station current with streaming practices and overall knowledge and growth of WKCV. He shares his ideas and passion for progress, and is in regular contact with Radio Station Coordinator, Greg Palaskas, who has expanded the Radio Club into 36 student members.



Several members from the class of '66 celebrating their 50th class reunion during Homecoming 2016 are Judy Tirkot Jaeger, Diane Seamans Laughlin, Joan Haacke-Burbick, Bette Anne West Peltzer, JoAnn McCall Casciano, Jean Fogelberg Bowen, Carolyn Schladt, and Beth Foster Burr.



Marty '62 & Joan Kopa

Marty Kopa '62 has lived in Florida for about 30 years, and now retired, he enjoys fishing and spending time with his wife, Joan. He still stays in contact with former Keystone, and Arizona State classmate, **M. Walt Davis**.

M. Walt Davis '62 retired at the end of March 2016 after 40 years with Mutual Insurance

Company of Arizona. Since then, he has been honored by the Arizona Medical Association with their Distinguished Service Award and recently he was appointed by the Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court to the Attorney Discipline Probably Cause Committee.

Karen Huntley Borrows '63 is retired from the Tampa Florida Veterans Hospital. She sends her thanks to her professors, and apologies to any classmate she may have offended during her education.

Becky Carres Swift '64 and her husband celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary on July 24, 2016.

Suzanne Shalkop Ehrnfeldt '66 retired after 17 years as a medical secretary and is now enjoying time with her grandchildren.

Judith Tirkot Jaeger '66 shared her Homecoming experience: "It was wonderful to be part of Keystone's 'Golden Girls' who gathered at our 50th Keystone Reunion in October. Being back on the campus together was like 'Coming Home.' Reuniting with our Keystone family and meeting new friends was like a special gift we unwrapped again and again."

Sandra T. Brown '68 shared that attending Keystone was a family tradition and she is so proud of Keystone's continued advancements.

Richard Keefe '68 and **John Keefe '71** were featured in an article in The Wyoming County Press Examiner. The article highlighted the Keefe brothers wrestling careers as well as the return of Keystone College wrestling and the impact of late Coach Larry Fornicola.

1970s

John Chipak '71 was recently re-elected to the Board of Directors/Scranton Canoe Club and installed as club secretary.

Joan Hvasta Gallo '73 and John Gallo '70 are happily living in North Abington Township, Pa. They have two daughters, one granddaughter, and a grandson on the way. They enjoy remembering their days at Keystone College and are happy to see continuing growth and expanding student opportunities.

Thomas Kielty Blomain '76 published his third book of poetry "Yellow Trophies" with New York Quarterly. His previous books are "Gray Area" (Nightshade Press/Keystone College Books) and "Blues from Paradise" (Foothills Publishing). He also co-edited



Gary Koerner '62 visits with students and staff involved with Keystone's Radio Station, WKCV.

and contributed poems to the recent Nightshade Press/Keystone College Books anthology, "Down the Dog Hole," which was released with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception at Keystone in September.



Thomas Kielty Blomain '76

Sandra Hayduk Spott '79

is retiring from coaching field hockey at Lackawanna Trail after 26 seasons. Her career has included 342 wins, including the District 2 Class 3A Championship this past year, and only two losing seasons.

1990s

JoAnn Fuller '92 is the vice president, loan operations manager at Wayne Bank, Honesdale. She was recently featured in an Interest in Finance Q and A article in Happenings Magazine.

2000s

Chasity Mosser O'Dell '02

has three children. She and her husband are working on starting a small business selling homemade soaps and candles. She is also currently job hunting.

David Schulte '05 married Jacquelyn Harris on August 13. Both are teachers in the Scranton School District. Jacquelyn received a bachelor's from Colgate College and a master's from Brown University. David received dual bachelor's degrees from Keystone College and is pursuing his master's at Marywood University. David was also featured in a September 2016 Scranton Times Tribune article about film photography classrooms in area schools. David teaches darkroom and photography techniques and morals to around 60 students in the Scranton School District.

Jason Washo '05 is engaged to Amy Hetro. They are planning a winter wedding. Amy received a bachelor's degree in business administration from King's College, a master's degree at Wilkes University, and is pursuing a doctorate degree at Marywood University. Jason received a bachelor's degree in information technology and network engineering from Keystone College and a master's degree in software engineering from the University of Scranton. He is currently principal and chief architect at Sho Technology Solutions in Scranton.

Sadie Allen '08 was featured in "Eclectic Countryside," a show at the Northumberland County Council for the Arts and Humanities Gallery. Allen grew up on a dairy farm sketching on barn doors and farm equipment. She received her bachelor's of arts in visual arts at Keystone College and currently does commissioned art and teaches art lessons. Her work is primarily whimsical and representational with occasional nonrepresentational pieces.

Lindsay Birmelin Grady '08

was recently hired as the workforce development and special projects coordinator at the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce. Lindsay received a bachelor's degree from Keystone College and is currently working toward a master's degree from the Pennsylvania State University. Lindsay previously worked as executive director of Workforce Wayne/Northeast Innovation Alliance.

Lindsay Ancherani '09

married Scott Parker in September 2016. The wedding and reception were held at Montdale Country Club and officiated by Mayor Patrick Loughney of Dunmore. Lindsay received a bachelor's degree at Keystone College and is employed by Prudential Retirement. Scott is a graduate of McCann School of Business and is currently a manager at Goodwill Industries.

Justine Fauver '09 and Rick Smith were married at St. Ann's

Basilica on May 21, 2016. Justine received a bachelor's degree in child and society and certification in early childhood and elementary education from Keystone College. She received a master's in curriculum and instruction from the University of Scranton and is a third grade teacher at Riverside School District. Rick is a union carpenter employed by L. R. Castanzo.

Jeffrey Owens '09 began a new career working with the Office of Inspector General for the state of Pennsylvania as a welfare fraud investigator.

Katie Reed '09 is engaged to Mark Aebli. Katie earned a bachelor's degree in child and society from Keystone College and is currently employed by the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport and Texas Roadhouse. Mark is employed by the city of Scranton Department of Public Works.

Stephanie Santore '09 was featured in the cover story of *The Scranton Times-Tribune* on October 23, 2016. In 2014 Stephanie created the NOMAD project, an organization to help homeless in Scranton and surrounding areas. Her goal is not only to supply items, but to break the stigma of homelessness.

Stephanie Chunca '10 has been appointed senior coordinator of community employment services at Keystone Community Resources. Stephanie received a bachelor degree in communication from Keystone and has 28 years of experience.

Philip Dunn '10 is engaged to Lindsay Kuchinski. Lindsay received a bachelor's degree in business from the Pennsylvania State University and is a plant manager at Aramark Cleanroom services. Philip received an associate in criminal justice from Keystone College and works in his family's business, Phil Dunn Concrete and Inground Pools.

Stephen Verespy '10 received his doctorate in chemical biology from Virginia

Commonwealth University in August 2016 and is currently working at UC San Diego as a postdoctoral scholar.

Shay Neary '12 was featured in a Mic article celebrating her accomplishment of being the first plus size transgender model to land a major fashion campaign. The campaign is for plus-size brand Coverstory.

Megan Alles '13 has been teaching in the Charlotte, N.C. area for about three years and loves it. She and her boyfriend have three dogs. Megan noted, "Thanks to Keystone College I am doing what I love and loving what I do!"

Abby Cohen '13 recently became a game presentation associate with the Philadelphia 76ers. After receiving her bachelor's of arts in visual arts, she went on to Wesley College and obtained a master's degree in sport leadership, sport administration.

Natalie Wentz '13 has been named a lecturer in the biology department of the University of Scranton. After receiving her bachelor's in biology from Keystone, Natalie received her master's degree in biochemistry at the University of Scranton. She received the 2016 outstanding graduate student award.

Nicole Blank '15 and **Anthony Michlik '14** were engaged on November 7, 2016.

Jerica Rode '15 was recently elected as director at large of Florida Physical Therapy Association (FPTA) Student Special Interest Group.

Valerie Lemus '16 is currently serving as a member in AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC). AmeriCorps NCCC is a national service program for 18-24 year olds to serve with non-profit organizations and government agencies to meet urgent community needs through several projects in categories such as youth development, energy conservation, environmental stewardship, disaster relief, and food security.

Residence Hall Renamed in Honor of Dr. Edward G. Boehm, Jr. and Regina E. Boehm



Keystone College has renamed its Keystone Commons Residence Hall to Boehm Hall in honor of President Emeritus, Dr. Edward G. Boehm, Jr., and former Keystone First Lady, Regina E. Boehm.

The College plans to make a variety of student-centered renovations to the residence hall in the coming months, thanks to a contribution from a generous donor. The Keystone community will officially celebrate the renaming with a ribbon-cutting ceremony in the near future. The suite-style residence hall, housing 60 students, was built in 2001 under President Boehm's leadership.

"Keystone College is pleased to rename Keystone Commons in honor of Ned and Regina Boehm," Keystone College President David L. Coppola, Ph.D. said. "During their 18 years on campus, the Boehms played a vital role in the growth of Keystone College from a junior college to a highly respected four-year baccalaureate institution, which now offers master's degrees and online degrees, as well. The entire community has such tremendous gratitude for their accomplishments and for their selfless dedication and leadership to Keystone and Northeastern Pennsylvania."

President Boehm began his Keystone tenure in 1995 and remained as president through June 2013. Under his leadership, Keystone became a baccalaureate college in 1998 and granted its first bachelor's degree in 2000. Since then, the College has progressed steadily, adding academic programs, master's degrees, and a wide variety of new and updated facilities.

President and Mrs. Boehm were well known for their optimistic attitude and genuine friendship, particularly their personal interest in all Keystone students. President Boehm was often quoted as saying, "We know our students not only by their names but by their dreams." President and Mrs. Boehm had been respected leaders in the community, taking active roles in many civic and community organizations. 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, as a board member of the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce, and the Northeast

Regional Cancer Institute Advisory Board, among many others.

Mrs. Boehm served as a board member of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic, Northeast Theatre, Boys and Girls Club of Scranton, and as president of the Philharmonic League of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Among many community awards, she received the Roseann Smith Alperin Award from the Junior League of Scranton. Mrs. Boehm received a bachelor's degree from Penn State University and is a graduate of executive series of Leadership Lackawanna and Leadership Wilkes-Barre.

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

President and Mrs. Boehm currently reside in the Richmond, Va. area. They 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.



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April 19, 2017

Faculty Colloquium "The Roads Less Traveled and Some I Didn't Know Existed: A Sabbatical Research Journey" by Professor Heather Shanks-McElroy, Ph.D.
3 p.m., Evans Hall, Hibbard Campus Center

April 19, 2017

Poetry Reading by Maria Mazziotti Gillan
7 p.m., Evans Hall, Hibbard Campus Center

April 23, 2017

Symphonic Band/Vocal Music Spring Concert
7 p.m., Theatre in Brooks

April 26, 2017

Spring Undergraduate Research and Creativity Celebration
9-11 a.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m., Theatre in Brooks

April 30, 2017

Jazz Ensemble Spring Concert
7 p.m., Theatre in Brooks

May 4, 2017

All-College Honors Convocation
12:30 p.m., Theatre in Brooks

May 12, 2017

Master's Hooding Ceremony
6 p.m., Evans Hall, Hibbard Campus Center

May 13, 2017

Commencement
11 a.m., Pavilion at Montage Mountain

June-August, 2017

Numerous Athletic Camps
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July 10, 2017

Keystone Open
11 a.m., Glen Oak Country Club Clarks Summit, Pa.

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Campus-Wide Events

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