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Fall is always an exciting time on the Bluff, perhaps never more so than this year.

It has become common for us to announce the arrival of another bumper crop of talented, motivated freshmen. This fall is no exception, as we welcome a class nearly five percent larger than that of 2004—displacing last year’s group in the third spot on our all-time list. We now have our largest undergraduate student body ever on campus. It is also our brightest undergraduate population ever. Average SAT scores for our 2005 entrants follow the pattern set by their three predecessors—rising again to unprecedented heights.

Yet we cannot take this success for granted. We strive to do more in pursuit of our ultimate goal—to elevate Duquesne to the highest ranks of American Catholic higher education. The students we seek to attract and retain expect—and deserve—nothing less.

Our freshmen are not the only new faces on campus this fall. We welcome three new deans—Dr. Alan Miciak in our Business Schools, Admiral Donald Guter in our Law School and Dr. Olga Welch in our School of Education. They bring energy, experience and new perspectives to their schools, and we eagerly anticipate their impact on our continuing efforts to increase academic quality. Our new athletic director, Greg Amodio, will work hard to raise the profile and recognition of Duquesne’s intercollegiate sports.

With new people come new places. Amodio’s efforts will be bolstered by more than $2 million in improvements to recruiting and training facilities in the Palumbo Center. Now underway and to be completed this winter, the Palumbo upgrades mark the first steps in implementing our master plan for campus development. Later in this academic year, we will break ground on a new multi-purpose fitness and recreation center on the north side of Forbes Avenue. The building will include three floors of exercise facilities and a new ballroom overlooking the city—sure to become a hub of activity for students, staff and alumni alike. The lower floors will house a bookstore and other retail establishments—serving our students’ needs while contributing to the vitality of our Uptown neighborhood.

These are just a few of the highlights. You’ll notice this issue seems a little heftier than usual, and indeed, we have added several pages to accommodate all of our exciting news.

In these pages, we examine issues of experts and our own faculty. We also look back on the inaugural Holy Spirit Colloquium held this summer, as Duquesne—the world’s only Spiritan university—steps forward toward international leadership in scholarly discourse about our founders’ and sponsors’ inspiration.

Of course, our alumni are making news as well. Read on to learn how your fellow graduates are leaders in fields ranging from pharmacy to sports broadcasting, and how they often return to campus and the Chapel for one of the most important days of their lives.

We encourage all of you to visit the Bluff. Homecoming—previewed in this issue—is a superb opportunity to experience the excitement on campus. If you can’t make it back, I will again be traveling extensively this fall to meet alumni and friends across the country, and look forward to sharing Duquesne’s good news personally when I am in your area.

Finally, we explore in this issue the importance of philanthropy to Duquesne, and indeed to all colleges and universities. Without the generous support of you, our alumni and friends, the excitement you read about in these pages wouldn’t be possible. On behalf of our new freshmen, and the thousands of other students we serve, thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Charles J. Dougherty, Ph.D.
President
At Duquesne, volunteerism is more than a time-honored tradition. It’s a shared commitment by students, faculty and staff alike, who regularly donate time, talent, financial resources or material goods with the goal of making a positive difference in the lives of those in need.

The energy and interests of this vast network of generous individuals is organized for the greatest good through a formal umbrella organization known as Duquesne University Volunteers, or DUV. The acronym is a fitting tribute to our Spiritan heritage, where “the Spirit who gives life” continues to influence and guide those who answer the University’s call for service to the Church, the community, the nation and the world.

This spirit of service at Duquesne can be traced back more than 300 years to Claude Poullart des Places, founder of the Spiritan Congregation. Inspired by his Jesuit education, the 24-year-old French nobleman traded privilege for poverty and formed a small faith community of poor students dedicated to the Holy Spirit. Its aim was to educate and support young seminarians with little means as they prepared for the priesthood. In turn, these priests pledged to educate and serve the poor in rural France and in missions overseas.

On Pentecost Sunday 1703, this Congregation of the Holy Ghost—the Spiritans—was born. The congregation eventually expanded throughout the world, with a vision of service that focused on ministering to the educational, economic and spiritual needs of the poor and disenfranchised.

“This legacy of service continues to be the heart and soul of Duquesne University. It drives our outreach in and around Pittsburgh, across the country and around the globe. Through the DUV program, Duquesne continues to promote this vision of service whenever and wherever we see the need,” says Charles J. Dougherty, president of Duquesne University.

The DUV program is distinguished by its depth and breadth. DUV coordinates
They serve in a variety of capacities, from providing ongoing assistance to nonprofits, to staffing special community events, to raising funds for international relief efforts.

DUV Facts and Figures 2004-05

Number of DUV Members:
7,602 total volunteers
6,994 students
608 faculty, staff, family members, friends

Estimated Hours of Volunteer Service:
191,183

Estimated Dollar Value of Hours*:
$3,355,262

Number of Agencies and Organizations Served:
1,030 total agencies
960 off-campus agencies
70 University-affiliated

Amount of Money Raised**:
$183,728.64

Donated Items:
Food, clothing, toys, educational supplies, sports equipment, books, treat bags, Easter and Thanksgiving baskets, cell phones, cards, hygiene and toiletry items, birthday cakes, turkeys, flowers, time, energy and millions of smiles.

* Value based on the 2004 estimated dollar value of $17.55 per volunteer hour, established by INDEPENDENT SECTOR, a nonpartisan coalition of nonprofits, foundations and corporations dedicated to strengthening nonprofit initiatives, philanthropy and citizen action.

** Total contributions include University-wide donations in 2004-05 to United Way, Duquesne philanthropic partner
Duquesne volunteers are good neighbors. They have been particularly active in the Uptown community, coordinating initiatives for small business development, health and wellness services, public safety and community development.

Volunteerism at Duquesne also extends well beyond the Pittsburgh region. In raising funds for a catastrophic disaster like Hurricane Ivan, sponsoring an orphan’s education in Colombia, or providing manpower for agencies with continuous needs, such as The Brother’s Brother Foundation, Duquesne volunteers strive to help people in need from every corner of the world.

For example, DUV members helped coordinate the relief efforts of DU alumni, staff and students who raised money for rebuilding nations hit by the 2004 tsunami.

The Duquesne community was personally touched by the tragedy, as some alumni and 58 students are from areas affected by the disaster. Pledges from Duquesne employees, coupled with donations from students, reached $14,604 – surpassing the University’s original goal of $10,000.

DUV is increasingly recognized by social service agencies and other non-profit organizations throughout the area as a resource for obtaining volunteers for on-going assistance, help with special events and fund-raising efforts.

“It’s been wonderful having Duquesne University Volunteers at National Student Partnerships. The passion, dedication and commitment these students bring to our community is inspirational. The service they provide every day to our clients is irreplaceable and the amazing work is greatly appreciated,” says Emily Garlock, site coordinator for National Student Partnerships, the nation’s only year-round, student-led volunteer service organization that links people in need with the resources and opportunities necessary to become self-sufficient.

For University volunteers, DUV is another conduit for education for the mind, heart and spirit. Education major Diane Prager notes, “Different volunteer experiences have taught me various things about myself, and about life in general. All of my experience has helped me to realize that something as small as listening to how a child’s day was and as large as finding someone a job can really make a difference in their life.”

By Kim Saunders
Pharmacists are among the most visible and accessible health care professionals. We ask them to fill our prescriptions. We confide in them, seeking answers to a myriad of health questions. We trust them.

Graduates of Duquesne’s Mylan School of Pharmacy continue to make their mark on the health care system, both as trusted, confidential professionals and also as pioneers within their industry, developing new initiatives which strengthen the profession and improve the health of millions.

Dean R. Pete Vanderveen attributes the success of the school’s graduates to students’ academic strength and motivation, and also to the nature of Duquesne’s education.

“There’s something that happens here that, in other institutions, I haven’t seen,” says Vanderveen (dean of the Mylan School from 1998 to 2005). “I really believe that the personal attention students receive makes a difference. Faculty believe in them so that they believe in themselves. A larger than normal percentage of our graduates go on and do really well.”

And not just for themselves, but for others.

Bob Gussin, P’59, GP’61, retired corporate vice president for science and technology at Johnson & Johnson, knew he could improve the lives of disabled individuals forever with a revolutionary device that might one day replace their wheelchairs.

When inventor Dean Kamen approached Gussin with a four-wheel-drive mobility device that climbs stairs, navigates uneven surfaces and elevates its occupant to the height of other adults, Gussin knew he had to get involved.

“Disabled people who have looked at people’s belt buckles for years are now up to eye level,” says Gussin, when describing the device. “It changes their whole lives.”

When he approached Gussin, Kamen was seeking a partner to manufacture and market the new technology—now called the Independence iBOT 3000 Mobility System.

And though Gussin believed in the product, he first had to convince his company’s CEO of its potential.

“I said, ‘You’ll be making the biggest mistake in your 10 years as chairman if you don’t pursue this product,’” recalls Gussin. “He said he had never heard me that emotional before.”

Gussin’s efforts paid off. The Independence iBOT 3000 was recently approved for sale as a medical device by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and is now sold by Independence Technology, a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson.

While Gussin helped to produce and market this life-changing new technology, Pete Klein, P’88, worked to develop another technology that would give fellow pharmacists more time to work directly with their patients.

Klein’s interest in technology blossomed during an internship at Lebanon Shops Pharmacy in Pittsburgh’s Mt. Lebanon suburb. At the time, the pharmacy was transitioning from traditional, paper-based prescription filling to a computer-based system.

The experience led Klein to specialize in pharmacy automation and to eventually co-found his own company, Parata Systems, which automates the prescription-filling process. Founded in September 2001, Parata now employs about 260 people and has automated small, independent pharmacies as well as retail chains like Walgreens and Albertsons.

“We offer the smallest and the fastest system available for pharmacy automation,” says Klein. “It frees pharmacists up to counsel patients and provide immunizations, cholesterol screenings, bone density tests and blood pressure measurements.”

Klein’s efforts allow pharmacists to return to what Vanderveen refers to as the root of the profession: personal relationships with patients—a crucial focus of pharmacy today.

“We’re striving to re-establish those relationships,” says Vanderveen, “because of the importance of what the pharmacist can do to assure the appropriate health outcomes.

“Getting the patient the right prescription and the right dose at the right time doesn’t go far enough,” he says. “The pharmacist also needs to share responsibility with physicians and other health care providers to make sure that the outcome the patient receives is maximized.”

And while Klein strives to give pharmacists more time to help their patients, John D. Grabenstein, P’80, advocates for the training they
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need to perform their expanded role.

A colonel in the U.S. Army and director for military vaccines at the U.S. Army Surgeon General’s Office, Grabenstein wrote the national program for the American Pharmacists Association to train pharmacists to immunize patients.

Grabenstein is also chief architect and scientific director for the Defense Department’s Smallpox Vaccination Program, which has vaccinated more than 850,000 soldiers over a three-year period.

Vanderveen emphasizes the importance of pharmacists’ ability to immunize.

“There’s a pharmacy on just about every corner,” he says. “If we have a pneumococcal vaccine and there are a huge number of elderly patients who would benefit tremendously from receiving it, then what better place for them to go than the local pharmacy?”

Vanderveen says that Duquesne’s school of pharmacy is working hard to ensure that students are adequately trained across the board—from dispensing to immunizing to counseling and tracking the health outcomes of patients. The new Center for Pharmacy Care is one of many unique programs the school offers.

“Our goal is to make sure that our students leave here with all the skills necessary to meet with patients on a routine basis, monitor them, motivate them and teach them about health care changes,” says Vanderveen. He adds that when such care is given, the savings are phenomenal.

“We have literally hundreds of well-controlled studies that demonstrate that if this kind of care does occur, the cost savings to the health care system downstream are enormous.”

Giving today’s pharmacy students the comprehensive education they need takes time. Joseph A. Oddis, P’50, executive vice president and CEO of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) for 38 years, understands that well. He championed the movement from a four-year pharmacy degree to the five-to-six-year Pharm.D. degree as the sole entry-level degree.

Vanderveen says that the expanded degree is crucial, giving students more time to develop a broader expertise.

“We spend a lot of time working with students to develop leadership qualities,” says Vanderveen. “Our graduates are very well prepared.”

Oddis witnessed firsthand the pharmacy profession’s evolution toward patient counseling.

“I came into the profession at a time when things were shifting,” he says. “At first, practitioners just learned to compound and dispense medication. Then, the education became more clinical.”

Oddis also spearheaded another important milestone in the profession—the development of accredited residency programs for pharmacists throughout the nation. To make it happen, he partnered with his mentor, Sister M. Gonzales Duffy, P’47, who was on the cutting edge of the profession when she offered him his own residency at Mercy Hospital in the late 1940s.
Sister Gonzales became the first female president of ASHP, as well as the only member of a religious order to serve in the post. She also became known for pioneering the use of anesthetic lollipops for children.

Although pharmacists like Sister Gonzales had been experimenting for decades to adjust medications to make them safe and palatable for children, the “bible” of compounding drugs for children has only been available for 15 years. Milap Nahata, P'75, GP’77, served as the lead author of Pediatric Drug Formulations in 1990 to standardize the process of modifying medications for children.

“Eighty percent of drugs on the market have not been well studied in children,” says Nahata, who has numerous responsibilities at Ohio State University (OSU), including professor of pharmacy and division chair at the College of Pharmacy, professor of internal medicine and pediatrics at the College of Medicine and Public Health, and associate director of the Department of Pharmacy at the OSU Medical Center.

“Most drugs aren’t approved for children when they are released, but doctors or patients shouldn’t have to wait another 10 years until the studies are done to enable the FDA to label them for usage in children.”

Prior to Nahata’s book, pharmacists would continually receive inquiries from doctors who wanted to know how to adjust dosage levels to make the latest medications available to children. The process of adjusting the medications was often an arbitrary, trial-and-error process.

“It would delay or compromise treatment,” says Nahata.

Ensuring proper medication was also on the minds of two other pharmacy graduates who made national headlines while working from a neighborhood pharmacy on Pittsburgh’s North Side.

Jeff Fisher, P’85, and Don Kerrish, P’82, were nationally recognized for compounding hepatitis C and AIDS drugs at their company, Fisher Specialized Pharmacy Services.

“Compounding is an art form now, but it was the basis of pharmacy,” says Fisher, when describing the process of mixing chemicals from scratch according to a doctor’s specifications. “When companies started making the finished product, the art went by the wayside. But there is a need in some markets like infertility where specialty drugs aren’t commercially available.”

Word spread quickly across the country that Fisher and Kerrish compounded ribavirin, a drug used by patients with hepatitis C and AIDS. Although a major pharmaceutical company also produced the drug, it only offered it as a package along with another injectable drug.

Because many doctors wanted their patients to use a different injectable with ribavirin or change the dosage, they could avoid the waste and expense of purchasing the major company’s bundled drugs by getting compounded ribavirin through Fisher and Kerrish. As a result, their compounded product was often 80 percent cheaper than the pharmaceutical company’s drug.

Their success piqued the interest of Highmark, which purchased the company two years ago and now operates it as Medmark. Fisher is still with Medmark as vice president of pharmacy. However, Kerrish now leads his own company, Three Rivers Pharmaceuticals, which produces generic drugs. Fisher also co-founded Three Rivers Pharmaceuticals and serves on its board of directors.

Giving students the opportunities to achieve successes like those of Fisher, Kerrish and others is one of the things Edgar N. Duncan, P’54, does best.

While serving as assistant dean of the Graduate School of Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh, Duncan developed one of the nation’s first programs to encourage disadvantaged and minority youth to pursue careers as health care professionals.

“I have been very fortunate,” says Duncan when describing the many mentors who encouraged him to reach his potential. From his early days as his high school’s first African-American valedictorian to his later role as the first pharmacist to achieve the rank of assistant surgeon general in the U.S. Public Health Service, Duncan will never forget those who helped him along the way.

“I enjoy opening doors for others so that they can experience similar opportunities and encouragement,” he says.

Together with his wife Lauraine, Duncan established endowed funds at Duquesne to pay for books and emergency travel for disadvantaged students.

According to Vanderveen, Duncan’s dedication to his alma mater is not unusual for a Duquesne pharmacy alum.

“One of the exciting things about these pioneers is their dedication to the school,” he says. “They feel connected to their roots here, and they have a heartfelt interest in what we’re doing.”

With its impressive reputation and high ranking—number three in the nation among funding for private schools of pharmacy, according to the National Institutes of Health—Duquesne’s Pharmacy School continues to be on the cutting edge of pharmacy education.

After all, says Vanderveen, “We’ve got a legacy to keep.”

By Amy Winn and Alison D’Addieco
A long-term, campus-wide effort to increase interest in Duquesne among prospective students is showing strong results. The size and caliber of our incoming classes has continued to improve over the last four years. Though the fall 2005 final enrollment numbers will not be available until late September, it is anticipated that there will be more than a 10 percent increase in new students, not including transfer students or second degree students. The new freshman enrollment will most likely be around 1,340.

In 2005, the Office of Admissions received 43 percent more applications than in 2004. The impressive number is evidence that a new structured approach is the right recruitment strategy, according to Director of Admissions Paul-James Cukanna. Using research-based, creative recruitment methods, the Office of Admissions has focused on a pool of prospects that truly fit the campus profile. This has resulted in better academic credentials for the incoming freshmen. For example, over the last four years the average SAT score for new freshmen has increased by 50 points.

“Looking at standardized test scores, grade point averages and high school curriculum, I believe this is the best freshman class ever,” says Cukanna.

Along with considering a school’s location and programs, prospective students make emotional, intuitive decisions, influenced by the people they interact with and meet on campus. “We involve academic colleagues, admission liaisons and student life colleagues; it really does take a whole university community to recruit a class of students,” says Cukanna.

A key component, he says, is not only the high-quality education Duquesne offers, but also the school’s comprehensive mission. “What’s different about Duquesne,” agrees Debbie Zugates, associate director of Admissions, “is the service we give to students.”

Part of that service is helping students determine whether Duquesne is truly a good fit for them. “I define a school’s fit as the gap between what the student expects that first year, and the reality of it,” says Cukanna.

At Duquesne, that gap is relatively small, as evidenced by the University’s excellent student retention rate. “Nationally, about 35 percent of freshmen do not return for their second year,” says Cukanna. “Duquesne only loses a little over 10 percent.”

Strong admissions and retention rates show that a high-quality university can attract and retain a high-caliber student body.

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DUQUESNE IS IN DEMAND

Professor Vanessa Browne-Barbour has been named associate dean of the Law School.

Browne-Barbour, the first African-American woman to be granted tenure at the Law School, is now the first woman and first African-American to be appointed associate law dean.

She views her recent appointment as an honor and privilege, and believes that her tenure and appointment as associate dean demonstrates the University’s commitment to diversity.

“I am proud to be associated with one of the finest and most progressive institutions in the country,” says Browne-Barbour.

She could never have anticipated her most recent success when she graduated from Duquesne University School of Law in 1993. But she can point to at least one person who saw her extraordinary talent and encouraged her to follow her dreams.

One of her first professors at law school, Kellen McClendon, saw her potential and suggested that she consider a career in teaching law.

Before beginning her academic career, Browne-Barbour was a law clerk for the Honorable Justin M. Johnson and then a litigation associate for Reed Smith Shaw & McClay. In addition, her pro bono practice included child advocacy, paternity and adoption.

With the encouragement of McClendon and others, she embarked on her journey to become a full-time professor of law.

Browne-Barbour has strong ideas about how she will make an impact on the lives of her students.

“As the associate dean, I will ensure that our students receive the fundamentals they need to successfully pass the bar exam and become good lawyers,” says Browne-Barbour. As a professor, she remains committed to teaching her students about their responsibility to seek justice with a focus on ethics. “As a professor I will continue to give my students a solid foundation and encourage them to find and build relationships like the ones I’ve developed over the years.”

By Kristie Sinclair
Judged by word and deed, Johannes Brahms was by all accounts moody and gruff. But knowing the composer through his music is to know a genius in whom powerful intelligence and deep feeling found the perfect balance.

Beginning this fall the Mary Pappert School of Music will present a rare opportunity to hear the complete instrumental chamber works of this brilliant composer in a series of superb live performances.

Brahms on the Bluff, a three-year concert series, will showcase the playing of Professor David Allen Wehr, current holder of the University’s Hillman Distinguished Piano Chair, as well as faculty colleagues from the Mary Pappert School of Music and distinguished guest artists.

Wehr, the artistic director for Brahms on the Bluff, was also the driving force behind two previous multi-season concerts series in PNC Recital Hall, the Complete Beethoven Piano Sonata Cycle and Beethoven’s Dynamic Duos, which were presented from 2002 to 2004.

According to Wehr, Brahms’ chamber works are the finest examples of the combined Romantic fireworks and thoughtful musical structure that have secured the composer’s place in the standard classical repertoire for the past century.

The School of Music has an ideal setting for a chamber music series like Brahms on the Bluff. “PNC Recital Hall is the perfect size,” Wehr says. “It’s not too big, it’s not too small, and the acoustics are superb.”

Acoustics are always important, but the size of the venue is a special concern because chamber music should provide a far more personal connection between audience and performers, one that can never happen in concert halls designed for symphonic works or opera.

To help guarantee the sound he wants for performances, Wehr will listen to recordings of the rehearsals, evaluate every note and “tune” the playing so that solo passages and subordinate parts blend in a nuanced, expressive whole. The physics of sound is important, but so is the chemistry between the players, and the performers lined up for Brahms on the Bluff have a long history of successful collaboration and performance.

During the kickoff season’s concerts (see sidebar), Wehr and guest artists will be joined by a number of faculty colleagues, including violinist Charles Stegeman, associate professor and chair of the String Department, as well as cellist Anne Martindale Williams and violist Randolph Kelly, who both hold principal chairs in the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra in addition to teaching in the School of Music.

“One of the great things about being here at Duquesne is that I have these fantastic colleagues who love to play chamber music,” Wehr says. In fact it was Stegeman, whom Wehr has known and performed with for 15 years, who helped him work out the initial plans for the concert series that would evolve into Brahms on the Bluff.

Wehr claims that chamber music exacts “the highest possible level of sophistication in terms of the music, combined with this incredible communication and intimacy, and we are putting performers together with proven chemistry.”

Wehr has worked with internationally known violinist Donald McInnes for nearly as long as he has known Stegeman, and Williams and Stegeman have been playing together since they were students at Curtis Institute in Philadelphia. Those are just some of the artists from the first season of Brahms on the Bluff.

Wehr has long been committed to playing the chamber works of Brahms. “Chamber music is a passion, but Brahms is my great love,” Wehr says. “Brahms has always been a major part of my repertoire, and over the years I have played almost all of it.”

His love of Brahms began before his first music lesson. As he tells it, his mother was pregnant with him while she was a member of the chorus during a recording of Brahms German Requiem with the legendary Bruno Walter conducting the New York Philharmonic. “I literally have the music in my blood,” Wehr says.

Works by Brahms are notoriously difficult to play, especially the piano parts. With wide jumps and complex rhythms, the piano music, Wehr says, has “muscular” and “athletic” qualities that will be particularly evident in the first concert, which features works created to show off Brahms’ talent as a performer.

Despite being difficult to perform, Wehr believes the music is easy to love. Intellectually solid, yet packed with emotional power, Brahms’s densely layered compositions have the power to enthrall professional musicians as well as those hearing the music for the first time.

Ironically, Brahms was his own arch critic. After being hailed as the successor to Beethoven, the composer, driven by high expectations and dogged by self-doubt, labored over compositions for years, destroying what he deemed inferior, but leaving a musical legacy that is universally revered.

And though Brahms compositions have long been standard repertoire, most musicians never tire of playing his music. “Musicians know how smart the music is,” Wehr says, “but the general public doesn’t need to know that to appreciate Brahms.”

By Richard Tourtellott
Season One
2005–6

Sunday, September 18
Gypsy Fireworks

The series kicks off with the first two piano quartets, scored for violin, viola, cello and piano. These pieces were created for the composer’s 1863 Vienna concert debut and are among his most melodic, brilliant and accessible works. David Allen Wehr will perform with Donald McInnes, viola, Emile Miland, cello, and Charles Stegeman, chair of the School of Music’s String Department, on violin.

Sunday, October 16
Hungarian Dance Fever

This concert showcases the Hungarian Dances, nearly always heard in orchestral arrangements, but performed here in their original piano duet format. Guest artist is Cynthia Raim, winner of the first Three Rivers National Piano Competition.

Sunday, January 15
The Cello Rules

Anne Martindale Williams, principal cellist of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra (PSO) and Mary Pappert School of Music faculty member, joins David Allen Wehr for two duo sonatas, cornerstones of the piano-cello repertoire. The program also includes the contemplative Six Piano Pieces, op. 118, which are among the composer’s last works.

Sunday, February 26
Dual Duos and a Duet

PSO principal violist and School of Music faculty member Randolph Kelly is featured on two duo sonatas for viola and piano, op. 120, and faculty colleague Natasha Snitkovsky joins David Allen Wehr for a rare piano duet presentation of Variations on a Theme of Schumann. The season ends with Wehr’s solo interpretation of Variations and Fugue on a Theme of Handel, an immensely challenging masterpiece of musical architecture.

Brahms on the Bluff concerts will take place in PNC Recital Hall in the Mary Pappert School of Music at 3 p.m. on four Sundays during each concert season. Performances will be preceded by an informative talk at 2:15 p.m. and followed by a complimentary public reception. For more information, call 412.396.4632 or visit www.music.duq.edu.
**Duquesne University Symphony**

**2005-2006 Season**

**Fall 2005**

**Sunday, October 16**
Serenade for Brass, R. Starer
Carmen Fantasie, R. Shehderin
A Pagan Poem, C.M. Loeffler
Wonsun Roe, piano solo
*Broadcast at 8 p.m. on Oct. 20 on 89.3, WQED-FM

**Sunday, November 13**
Introduction to Act 3 of “Lohengrin,” R. Wagner
Triple Concerto (Episodes Concertantes), P. Juon
Pittsburgh Piano Trio
Legende for Cello and Orchestra, J. Cras
Misha Istomin, cello
Four Interludes from “Intermezzo,” R. Strauss
*Broadcast live on 89.3, WQED-FM

**Tuesday, December 6**
Concerto Competition Concert
Featuring winners from the Mary Pappert School of Music
Carnegie Library, Homestead

**Spring 2006**

**Sunday, February 12**
Double Concerto, A. Vivaldi
Double Concerto, M. Arnold
Triple Concerto, A. Vivaldi
Charles Stegeman, Rachel Stegeman, Gwen Thompson, violin
Symphony No. 3, R. Gliere
*Broadcast at 8 p.m. on Feb. 16 on 89.3, WQED-FM

**Sunday, March 19**
Les Preludes, F. Liszt
Donald McKinney conducting
Grand Duo for violin and contrabass, G. Bottesini
Christopher Wu, violin
Jeffrey Turner, contrabass
Plus selected encores
*Broadcast live on 89.3, WQED-FM

**Tuesday, April 11**
Gala Benefit Concert in memory of Robert Harth
A Little Miracle, D. Stock
Elizabeth Shammash, mezzo-soprano
Selected second work
Selected piano concerto
Yefim Bronfman, soloist

**Friday, April 21**
Opera Performances
Zanetto, P. Mascagni
Cavalleria Rusticana, P. Mascagni
Guenko Guechev, director
8 p.m., call for venue

**Sunday, April 23**
Opera Performances
Zanetto, P. Mascagni
Cavalleria Rusticana, P. Mascagni
Guenko Guechev, director
3 p.m., call for venue

Unless otherwise noted, all performances take place at Carnegie Music Hall in Oakland at 8 p.m. $10 suggested donation.

For more information, call 412.396.6043 or visit www.music.duq.edu

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As a Catholic university in the Spiritan tradition, Duquesne is guided by the Holy Spirit in its mission, history and vision. In embracing this Spiritan legacy, the University recently created and hosted The Spirit in the New Millennium: The Duquesne University First Annual Holy Spirit Lecture and Colloquium.

The event, which took place on July 7, is intended as a fitting expression of Duquesne’s mission and charism as a University founded by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit and dedicated to the Holy Spirit.

“As the University continues to focus more completely on our mission, we’ve been looking for ways to live out the Congregation’s history,” says Duquesne University President Charles Dougherty. “We decided that we wanted to move out front and become the place for the best scholarly thinking about the Holy Spirit on an annual basis.”

Designed as an academic event, the invitation-only lecture and colloquium brings together scholars who are renowned for their work and writings on the Holy Spirit. Dr. Geoffrey Wainwright, the Robert Earl Cushman Professor of Christian Theology at Duke University’s Divinity School, was the featured lecturer at the inaugural event. Wainwright chose the theme “The Holy Spirit, Witness and Martyrdom,” which he addressed before an audience of more than 100 guests and the nine other academic colloquists.

Widely published in this subject matter, Wainwright is involved in ecumenical relations and is an ordained minister of the British Methodist Church. He has co-chaired the dialogue between the World Methodist Council and the Roman Catholic Church since 1986.

Among the colloquists were scholars from Duquesne, Xavier and Marquette universities, the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, the University of Notre Dame, St. Vincent de Paul Seminary and Christ the Savior Russian Orthodox Cathedral. The 10 colloquists spent the day following Wainwright’s lecture exploring the Holy Spirit within the chosen theme.

“I’m hoping that within three to five years that no matter where you are in a theology department in this country, if someone says ‘Holy Spirit,’ your first thought is Duquesne University,” adds Dougherty, whose thought looks promising. The first annual Holy Spirit Lecture had such an overwhelming response, it had to be moved to a larger venue.

His eminence Cardinal Walter Kasper, head of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity, is the scheduled speaker for the second annual Duquesne University Holy Spirit Lecture and Colloquium in 2006.

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By Rose Ravasio

For more information on the Holy Spirit Lecture and Colloquium and to see the published writings from this year’s colloquists, visit www.theholyspiritcolloquium.duq.edu.
When the Rev. Henry J. McAnulty, C.S.Sp., became president of Duquesne University in 1959, Duquesne’s campus consisted of Old Main, Canevin Hall, the old gym (now the Rangos School of Health Sciences), a small library (now part of Hanley Hall), and Assumption Hall, a new dormitory three blocks away on Stevenson Street. Scattered in between was a hodgepodge of row houses serving as everything from classrooms to housing.

When he left office more than 20 years later, the area had been transformed. Most of the row houses—along with World War II surplus barracks and Quonset huts—had disappeared. In their places stood three more residence halls, three new academic buildings, a student union and dramatically enlarged library facilities.

“Father Mac” also succeeded in shepherding the University through the turbulent ’60s and motivating the student body to help save Duquesne from financial strains that forced many other private institutions to become state-related or close their doors.

“Father Mac was an immensely popular figure on campus and throughout Pittsburgh for nearly 40 years,” notes the Rev. Timothy Hickey, C.S.Sp., Duquesne’s executive director for Mission and Identity. “His vision for the future, concern for the students and ability to work with all kinds of people remain alive today in our vibrant community and in the facilities that were built during his term.”

The distinctive leadership and dedication McAnulty displayed during the University’s second-longest presidency—and in his nearly 15 years as chancellor—is remembered and reflected by the commitment of those alumni and friends who have included Duquesne in their wills and estate plans.

In celebration of both, Duquesne has established the Father McAnulty Society, and has named all those who have made a bequest to Duquesne (through a will, living trust, beneficiary designation or other testamentary document) as charter members.

“Bequests are easy to establish and can be designated for a specific purpose, program or school, or can be unrestricted, allowing Duquesne to use the bequest where there is greatest need,” explains Carrie Matesevac Collins, executive director of Planned Giving. Collins’ office works with donors and their attorneys to ensure that specific wishes to help the University are fulfilled.

All McAnulty Society members will be invited to an upcoming event recognizing their contributions to the University. There, members will have an opportunity to meet, interact with and ask questions of the Planned Giving staff.

Collins wants to ensure that all qualified alumni and friends are properly honored. Alumni and friends who have made provisions for Duquesne University in their estate plans, but have not informed the Planned Giving office, or those who wish to update their plans to include Duquesne, are asked to contact Collins at 412.396.4272. For more information on planned giving opportunities, visit www.alumni.duq.edu/givPlan.html.

By Bob Woodside
Summer Improvements Made Across Campus

Summer was no time for slowing down on work across campus. Duquesne’s Facilities Management department was busy throughout the last few months implementing approximately 40 campus improvement projects designed to meet the University’s strategic plan, improve campus safety and continue to enhance the aesthetic appeal of Duquesne.

Two million dollars in renovations to the A.J. Palumbo Center, designed to advance athletic recruitment efforts, got underway in June. The work, which is slated for completion this fall, includes a new student-athlete recruiting center; film viewing and editing suites; expanded men’s and women’s basketball offices; larger weight training and physical therapy facilities; and additional athletics offices for other varsity programs.

The Duquesne Room in the Union received a facelift, with a higher ceiling, new walls and flooring, and new electronic equipment for its public address and presentation systems. The University also worked on its northern border, landscaping the grounds around Brottier Hall and finishing demolition on the recently purchased Forbes Avenue properties.

Approximately 10 classrooms across campus were renovated, while other improvements targeted residential comfort, including upgrading the heating, ventilation and air conditioning system in Duquesne Towers and modernizing bathrooms in Trinity Hall, restrooms in Rockwell and showers in St. Martin’s.

Palumbo’s arena floors were refinished and the deck of the Locust Street Parking Garage was sealed.

New Sculpture Installed on Campus this Fall

They commissioned an artist who had a great idea, but needed the right wall to make it work. The right wall turned out to be the brick façade above the pedestrian entry doors of the Forbes Avenue Parking Garage. There, this fall, a new sculpture by local artist James Simon will be installed.

The work, which is 26 feet tall and 9 feet wide, is a concrete relief sculpture that celebrates life in Uptown, a diverse part of Pittsburgh that stretches from Duquesne’s campus to Oakland’s edge. The Uptown Community Action Group (UCAG), an organization that aims to make Uptown a better neighborhood in which to live and work, commissioned the work.

The University administration welcomed the opportunity to join forces with a neighborhood group on a public art project so much they issued a 50/50 challenge grant.

Simon, who created the grouping of gargantuan musicians on Liberty Avenue in Pittsburgh’s cultural district, has spent years perfecting the craft of sculpting in concrete.

Fritzky Chair Named

Dr. Alan W. Seadler has been named the Edward V. Fritzky Chair in Biotechnology Leadership, an interdisciplinary professorship that will help biotechnology initiatives at Duquesne coalesce under a common organizational framework.

Seadler, who has extensive experience with local, national and international biotechnology companies, will also supply the leadership needed to create important alliances between the University and Pittsburgh’s biotechnology research community.

The Fritzky Chair is endowed by a $1.5 million gift from alumnus Edward V. Fritzky, former president, chairman and CEO of Immunex Corp., a Seattle-based firm known for creating revolutionary therapies for rheumatoid arthritis and other diseases based on the company’s research into the workings of the immune system.

Revamped MSISM Program Powers Up for Fall

The demise of the dot-coms. Overseas outsourcing. Sagging stock values of tech companies. All of these factors contribute to the popular misperception that information technology jobs are scarce. But, in reality, graduates of Duquesne’s newly revamped Master of Science in Information Systems Management (MSISM) are in high demand.

The new MSISM program prepares students for leadership positions where they translate how information technology solves business needs. To reflect the increase in computer security threats, the program now places a stronger emphasis on risk management. It also offers several new areas of concentration, including a specialization in digital forensics through a collaboration with the Cyril H. Wecht Institute of Forensic Science and Law.

Duquesne’s MSISM also is available as a dual degree when combined with an MBA.
Duquesne Launches Area’s Only Graduate-Level Forensic Accounting Program

Corporate fraud has become an important target of law enforcement, accounting firms and auditors, and there is currently a large demand for professionals trained to investigate it.

Duquesne has become the only Pittsburgh university—and one of a few in the country—to launch a forensic accounting program at the graduate level: a 15-credit forensic accounting specialization in its recently revived Master of Accountancy (MAcc) program.

Forensic accounting deals with conducting investigations of cases of actual or suspected corporate fraud, reviewing internal control systems and making recommendations to strengthen internal controls to prevent and detect fraud. Students taking the forensic accounting specialization study fraud examination, legal process and procedures, securities regulation, advanced forensic techniques and cases in fraud, which will help prepare students to sit for the Certified Fraud Examiner exam. This professional certification is sponsored through the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, a global professional association dedicated to fighting fraud.

Graduates of the MAcc program with a concentration in forensic accounting can pursue many career opportunities. Forensic accountants, for example, are in demand to work with public accounting firms, within corporate internal audit departments, in law enforcement agencies and in specialty firms that concentrate on the investigation of fraud.

SBDC Launches National Training Program to Promote European Trade

With the recent proliferation of free trade agreements, American businesses have greater access to international markets than ever before. However, international trade still poses many challenges for small businesses that must comply with complex safety regulations established in foreign markets.

To help small businesses overcome these challenges, Duquesne’s Chrysler Corporation Small Business Development Center (SBDC) is launching the first national program to educate companies about European Union (EU) safety regulations.

After identifying their own clients’ needs for assistance six years ago, the SBDC established its Center for International Regulatory Assistance (CITRA). A grant from the EU enables CITRA to offer free seminars around the country to small businesses that need help complying with the EU’s safety regulations.

All medical or safety-related products sold in the 25 countries that comprise the EU must bear the “CE” mark, which signifies that the products meet their safety standards. For example, electronic equipment, medical equipment and pressurized equipment are all subject to the EU’s CE mark regulations.

In addition to conducting seminars, CITRA has published books that clarify EU regulatory requirements and provide practical tips for companies that must comply with the standards. In the future, CITRA plans to broaden its services by educating companies about the compliance standards in other parts of the world.

Greek Alumni Council Established

The Office of Greek Life recently announced the creation of the new Duquesne University Greek Alumni Council. Representing Duquesne alumni who are members of the Bluff’s fraternity and sorority community, the organization’s primary efforts include promoting the American Fraternity Movement, which encourages students to join Greek life, at Duquesne.

“Many institutions of higher education have long standing Greek alumni councils that organize events and activities specifically for fraternity and sorority alumni,” explains Ron Shidemantle, Duquesne’s Greek Life director, who organized the council. “The council at Duquesne will play an active role in hosting annual events for Greek alumni, along with supporting the current community of students who make up the active collegiate chapters.”

The council has multiple purposes including the encouragement of sound undergraduate management of general fraternities and sororities with advice and guidance throughout the year. The group is also involved in the newly established Greek Life Book Endowment Fund, serving as the selection committee for the award each year, and is organizing the revival of the “Beef and Beer” reception for Greek alumni during Homecoming.

The council will work to promote activities and interests among each of the individual chapter alumni councils, and will support the Office of Greek Life in its efforts to advance the mission of Duquesne University.

Phenomenology Center Names New Director

Dr. Daniel J. Martino has been named the new director of The Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center.

Martino was assistant to the Reverend David L. Smith, C.S.Sp., former executive director of the center, from 1999-2004, and acting director of the center beginning last September. In August, he traveled to Nijmegen, The Netherlands, to present a paper on the phenomenological philosopher Stephan Strasser to the 55th International Phenomenology Congress.

The Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center was formally dedicated on Nov. 13, 1980, as an outgrowth of the phenomenological orientation of the University’s philosophy and psychology departments. After 25 years, the center enjoys an international reputation both as an exhaustive repository and as an active intellectual center through its sponsorship of an annual spring symposium at Duquesne as well as a lecture series devoted to the memory of Rev. André Schuwer at the annual meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy. The Center is named after Simon Silverman, the first major benefactor who understood Duquesne’s commitment to phenomenology.
“As I’m talking to you, I’m on the 50-yard line,” says Rob Alberino, A’92. “I’m looking out at the empty stadium. The skyline of Philadelphia is sort of off to my left. It’s just amazing.”

Alberino, director of broadcasting for and executive producer of Eagles Television Network (ETV), is immersed in the world of professional football.

“Work is like a hobby for me,” he laughs. For the past eight years, Alberino has worked to create ETV from the ground up, forming an in-house production crew that is now one of the top marketing groups in all of major league sports. He and his crew produce all the live events, radio shows and television shows for the Philadelphia Eagles—most of which are aired on the team’s flagship station, WPVI, Philadelphia’s ABC affiliate.

Alberino’s work with the Eagles has garnered him 21 regional Emmy Awards and 26 Telly Awards. He’s been nominated for best director each of the last eight years and, in addition to receiving awards in that category, he’s also earned outstanding feature, outstanding live production, outstanding production design and outstanding technical achievement awards.

He attributes much of ETV’s success to an incredibly dedicated crew.

“Some people can’t stand our schedule,” he says, “We literally work 95 to 100 hours a week during football season.”

And they’re also focused on quality. As the eyes of the audience, Alberino and his crew have to know what looks good on film — and what looks good to the fans. “We all share a common vision,” he says.

He attributes his personal success to his own eye for film: “Some people can throw a ball a hundred yards. My one gift in this world is I just know what looks good. That, and being a good dad. Those are my two gifts.”

With two young children at home—daughter, Angelina, 2½, and son, Jordan, 9—Alberino and his wife Lisa make family their priority, even with the crazy hours that come with working for the NFL.

“My kids and my family are the number one priority,” says Alberino. “If I have the choice between relaxing for 10 minutes or spending time with my kids, the kids always come first. And my wife is exactly the same way. I find a time to continue working while everyone is asleep.”

According to Alberino, his son, Jordan, lives and breathes the Eagles—and has built relationships with the players as his dad’s “little helper” during training camp. “I keep saying to him, ‘Dude, do you realize how lucky you are? And how ridiculously abnormal this is?’”

And Alberino remembers just how far he has come from his own beginnings. He credits Duquesne with giving him the focus he needed, and the generosity of the Minnie Hyman Endowed Scholarship, a need-based scholarship, for enabling an inner-city kid interested in broadcasting to pursue his dreams.

Originally from New Haven, Conn., Alberino says he chose Duquesne because of its broadcasting major and its intimate size. “I didn’t want to be a social security number,” he recalls. One of the strongest influences while at Duquesne was Dr. Fred Lorensen, director of freshman development.

“My biggest worry,” Alberino says, “was that I was not going to have a support system when I went away. I was going to a foreign place that I’d only visited once. Dr. Lorensen made it a home for me. He was a good ear,
He calls himself the team’s homefield advantage, as his instant replay footage has been used to reverse many challenged calls. “I can within a millisecond queue up specific angles to prove that the referee is wrong,” he says.

He has seen his work influence the game in other ways, too. “One of my most important duties,” he says, “is to cut a highlight that is specifically for the eyes of the players the night before a game. It really gets them thinking. One of the best compliments I’ve had was when our wide receivers coach, David Culley, told me that his guys beg him to finish up in their meeting so they can get a front row seat.”

For Alberino, it is not only being part of the excitement of major league football, but his relationships with the players which make his job so worthwhile.

“These guys are a different breed,” he says. “More often than not, all of the stereotypes that people have about football players are totally wrong. They’re incredibly close to their families. They’re good, God-fearing guys with good values and good morals. They’re super-hardworking, gregarious guys. It’s a blessing for me, because I need guys with personality for what I do, and we have just droves of personality.”

And exactly why does he need guys with personality? Because ETV’s features on these players follow them everywhere. Like defensive tackle Hollis Thomas, who Alberino calls his “own private vacation.”

“We go to crazy places with Hollis,” laughs Alberino. “We did a piece at the Grand Canyon where Hollis went around and talked to tourists. Here you are, getting to see one of the most amazing places in the world, and you’re doing it with an NFL star, and you’re getting paid to do it! And you’re coming back with stuff that people are just gobbling up.”

Though some ardent Philadelphia Phillies fans (or Pittsburgh Pirates fans, for that matter) may disagree, Alberino says that football by far surpasses baseball as the national pastime. “There are 16 games in football,” he says. “Every game counts. Every game matters.”

Looking out across the Eagles’ stadium from the 50-yard-line, Alberino reflects on his role in each of these decisive games: “I feel I’m part of something historical,” he says. “I love being part of the greatest league of any sport in America. And I’m doing exactly what I was put on earth to do. I don’t know if anybody can ask for anything more than that.”

By Alison D’Addieco
Some of the nation’s most ferocious, pundit-fueled, Red State vs. Blue State debates have similar roots: the intersection of faith and politics.

Confirmation over a new Supreme Court justice and the contentious fight over stem cell research are just some of the issues at the heart of hearty national debate that for a variety of reasons—legal, historical, political—have taken on a religious context.

Some of the nation’s top scholars and public policy experts will gather to address this compelling issue at the symposium Faith and Politics: Conversations About Values in the Public Sphere. Hosted by the McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts, the symposium will be held on Sept. 19 at Duquesne (see box for details).

The symposium will focus on understanding how faith and politics interact, specifically how religious values have played an increasing role in our political process in recent years, and how the politics and public affairs of today are almost impossible to understand without appreciating the central but often debated role of religion in American public life and in global politics.

In the Beginning

“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof…” Amendment I, U.S. Constitution

Many Americans believe that the First Amendment calls for a “separation of church and state.” In fact, the issue is far more complicated.

“One of the most pernicious frauds being perpetrated on the American public is the myth that somehow the United States Constitution prohibits the application of religious principles to questions of public policy,” says Robert S. Barker, Duquesne University distinguished professor of law. “The Religion Clause of the First Amendment has been distorted since 1947 into the notion that government must favor secularism over religion and may, and sometimes must, discriminate against citizens who choose religion over secularism in, for example, education.”

Barker is referring to a 1947 Supreme Court opinion in Everson v. Board of Education, which concerned a New Jersey statute that subsidized transportation for students attending private religious schools. The Supreme Court upheld the statute, however Justice Hugo Black’s opinion addressed the “establishment of religion” clause of the First Amendment. Justice Black wrote:

“Neither a state nor the federal government can set up a church. Neither can pass laws which aid one religion, aid all religions, or prefer one religion over another. Neither can force nor influence a person to go to or to remain away from church against his will or force him to profess a belief or disbelief in any religion. No person can be punished for entertaining or professing religious beliefs or disbelief, for church attendance or non-attendance. No tax in any amount, large or small, can be levied to support any religious activities or institutions, whatever they may be called, or whatever form they may adopt to teach or practice religion. Neither a state nor the federal government can, openly or secretly, participate in the affairs of any religious organizations or groups and vice versa.”

From this ruling grew the idea that American public policy should in no way be connected to religion. Throughout the last half century the public debate on the role of religion in public life has been dominated by fundamentalists on both the religious and political right. The symposium will provide an opportunity to engage in deep, serious analysis of this important issue.

Faith and Politics: Conversations About Values in the Public Sphere will be held from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 19 in the Duquesne Room of the Duquesne Union. It is free and open to the public. The symposium’s two plenary speakers are Fr. Richard John Neuhaus, president of The Institute on Religion and Public Life, and Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, archbishop of Washington, D.C. In addition, scholars from Duquesne, Furman University and Robert Morris University are among those participating in the event’s panel discussions on the separation of church and state, and religion and voting behavior. The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette’s Ann Rodgers will moderate a special interfaith panel on faith and citizenship. For more information, call 412.396.6387 or visit www.faithandpolitics.duq.edu.
Throughout the last half century, that idea of where, how or if faith and politics intersect has become a notion that has intrigued scholars and polarized the American public.
“I would say there were a number of value triggers in the last election, for which religious identification provided a handy measurement.”


Contemporary Politics

Are we living in a time in which religious issues dominate politics or has society reached the point where issues that weren’t discussed in the past are now fodder for public debate?

“I think we’ve always had issues that leapt to our attention, but we’re probably talking to issues that wouldn’t have been addressed in the past, like gay marriage, or we didn’t know or understand them, like stem cell research,” says the Reverend John Sawicki, C.S.Sp., a political science professor at Duquesne.

Sawicki also points to a rare climate of hostility among the political parties and the unprecedented communication methods, such as the Internet and blogs, available to Americans as reasons behind the preponderance of moral issues being debated.

The presidential election of 2004 also gave life to many issues that might not have received so much attention.

“I would say there were a number of value triggers in the last election, for which religious identification provided a handy measurement,” says Sawicki. “In American politics, religion is often a factor, but rarely a decisive factor.”

In fact, says Sawicki, much of the country is aligned around the “center” of far left and far right, with many people willing to allow some play on the issues in the interest of keeping the country together. At the same time, however, where there is a resurgence in fundamentalist religious doctrine, it’s on the conservative side. In the last presidential election, this conservative group provided a base for the Republicans.

“The center cannot, or is not, holding today. It has been the genius of American politics in the past—liberal, progressive, conservative, Republican, Democratic and all manner of religious affiliation—to have an effective center to which politicos could appeal. That seems to be attenuating, however. The GOP won big in 2004 by playing to a solid and reliable base. That may be the strategy for both parties in the future,” says Sawicki.

The United States is not the only part of the world seeing never-before-tackled issues come out in politics. The intersection of faith and politics is especially evident in Europe, which for years has been moving towards secularism. Pope John Paul II was a major player in advocating the reversal of secularism and his death in some ways brought to center stage the important role religious faith must play in the public square. Pope Benedict XVI has continued John Paul’s work in this area.

“In Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger’s homily before the Conclave, he spoke of relativism and pragmatism as eroding the moral and religious fabric of society,” says Cesareo.

Back in the United States, Cesareo believes the political issues of the day go beyond religion to something much harder to define, but possibly more universally accepted—morality.

“Many of the laws in the Constitution reflect moral principles and moral values,” he says. “We have a distorted sense of freedom—‘I can do and believe anything I want.’ That’s not really freedom and as that mindset took hold, it opened the door to questioning of moral standards and truths which have been the basis of our culture.”

So, whether contentious issues before the country are moral or religious, or both, what will it take to move the country forward?

“That’s the $64 million question,” said Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, archbishop of Washington, D.C. and Faith and Politics symposium speaker. “I think that the only way to do it is dialogue to try to find out what is the national consensus. I think it’s a lot of people talking together. Educators, religious leaders, political leaders, philosophers will have to get involved.”

Cesareo agrees.

“What has to happen is a transformation of hearts and minds through civil discourse to see whether there can be some common ground,” he says, citing the symposium as an opportunity for discussion. “We have to ask, ‘What’s going to be best for the nation’ instead of ‘us’ versus ‘them.’”

By Megan Tressler
Nearly 500 alumni and their friends and family enjoyed an evening of blues with the Second Annual Summertime Blues Concert, which was held in the Lenglet Perron on July 27. The concert featured renowned jazz guitarist and adjunct faculty Joe Negri and bassist and adjunct faculty Brian Stahurski.

In June, more than 80 alumni connected at a University event at the Union League in Philadelphia.

More than 150 educators from across the globe attended the 30th annual Improving University Teaching (IUT) conference, held July 11-14 at Duquesne. Here, Dr. Helen Sobehart, director of the University’s Leadership Institute and part of the team that brought the conference to Duquesne, recognizes Assistant Professor of Education Dr. Launcelot Brown with an IUT award.

Duquesne alums who wanted to hear the words “You’re hired” turned out for Trump Training, a special session held in advance of August’s The Apprentice auditions on campus. Duquesne marketing faculty Dr. Audrey Guskey, Dorene Ciletti and Jennifer Nightingale developed the session, which was full of tips and advice for securing a spot on the hit TV show. Shown is a team of alumni who developed the best marketing plan at Trump Training. Guskey, who also tried out for the program, has advanced through the third round of auditions.
For more than 35 years, many couples with a connection to the Bluff have decided there’s only one place to say “I do”—the Duquesne University Chapel.

Nearly 2,000 couples have started their lives together in the Chapel, sealing courtships or chance meetings that occurred while they were students or staff at the University. Many couples feel that getting married in the Chapel is a symbol of what Duquesne means to them.

“The University helps students begin their careers as professionals, and for those fortunate enough to be married at Duquesne, it helps them begin their lives together as married couples,” says Leigh (Chnupa) Colyer, B’01.

“Duquesne has tremendous sentimental value to me. It was the place where my husband, Jack, and I met in 1998 and my home for four years. It was also where we committed ourselves to each other for life. Coming back for our wedding was like revisiting our second home,” continues Colyer, who was married Aug. 28, 2004.

The site where the Colyers and thousands of others tied the knot is actually the second home of the campus worship site. In Duquesne’s early days, the Administration Building housed nearly all of the University’s functions, so the first “chapel” was actually a room on the fifth floor of “Old Main” that also doubled as the school’s auditorium. In 1894, ground was broken for a new building to be annexed to the Administration Building. Work continued on the building for the next decade, with the project finally completed in 1904.

More than 100 years later, the Chapel remains a “landmark of spirituality” for all members of the Duquesne community. For couples who choose to be married there, the campus church holds a more personal meaning.

“Ever since I began working here in 2001, I loved the idea of a Chapel wedding,” says Jaclyn DeNardo, office manager for Public Safety.

She and her husband, David, who is employed with the University’s Controller’s Office, were married in May of 2004. The couple started dating before working at Duquesne. Once working together, they often went to noon Mass. Jaclyn DeNardo eventually earned her degree at Duquesne, just a few weeks before the wedding.

“Duquesne was a part of our daily life, so getting married in the Chapel seemed like a perfect fit,” she says.

Alumni Erin (Hussey), N’95, and Scott Weimer, B’96, who married on Oct. 14, 2000, had the same feeling. “It was appropriate to be married at the Chapel since we started dating at Duquesne in 1994. We have many wonderful memories together, all of which began at Duquesne,” says Erin Weimer.

“There is a lot of growing up that goes on in college, and for many who have lost the connection with their home parish over the years, the Chapel takes on a special meaning,” offers Mary Ann Nicholls, a former campus minister who served as chapel coordinator at countless weddings.

The Reverend Ray French, C.S.Sp., agrees. “For many students, Duquesne has become their parish for the best part of their young adult lives. I think also that because of their engagement and involvement and their love of the University, it seems to them to be the most natural choice. I think it is a privilege that so many wish to share this most sacred moment in their lives with the Duquesne community,” he says.

In fact, for many couples, a Chapel wedding includes much more than the church for the ceremony—it means all things Duquesne, from members of the bridal party to the presiding priest to a reception in the Ballroom.
Going to the Chapel?
Here’s What You Need to Know

Debbie Kastosky, a member of the Spiritan Campus Ministry staff, serves as Chapel coordinator. She says fall is the most popular season and 3 p.m. is the preferred time for ceremonies. Reservations for the Chapel are taken nine to 12 months in advance, so in addition to calling early to secure the date of your choice, Kastosky offers these tips:

- Chapel weddings are reserved for current students, employees, faculty or alumni. Only Roman Catholic wedding ceremonies are permitted.
- In accordance with diocesan and church policy, the bride and the groom must be free to marry in the Catholic Church, and at least one must be Catholic.
- Couples must seek written permission from the Diocese of Pittsburgh to be married in the Chapel instead of their home parish.
- Weddings are performed Saturdays only at 11 a.m., 1 or 3 p.m.
- There are no weddings permitted during Lent or Advent or during the University’s Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks.
- All weddings are registered with Epiphany Church on Centre Avenue in Uptown, because Duquesne University is not a parish.
- Weddings may be performed by a Spiritan father or a guest priest of the wedding couple’s choice.
- Reservations for the Chapel are made through Campus Ministry; $200 is the suggested donation and includes services and other services must be made separately.
- For complete information on diocesan requirements and Duquesne University policy, contact Spiritan Campus Ministry at 412.396.6021.

fathers to officiate at the ceremony.

“It is amazing when you are asked to be a witness at the marriage of young people whom you have mostly known since they were freshmen. My heart is so touched—these young people are wonderful examples of the importance of the sacrament of marriage,” says French.

The Reverend Naos McCool, C.S.Sp., is also honored to oblige. “It is one thing to do something for the faculty or staff of the University but it is a totally different situation when you do something for the students. You work with a couple—get to know them, joke with them, laugh with them, cry with them—and it creates a special connection. And a couple will always remember the priest who married them,” he says.

The Spiritans have their favorite wedding memories as well. The Reverend Sean Hogan, C.S.Sp., executive vice president for Student Life, has presided over hundreds of ceremonies in the past 25 years. He chuckles over the memory of one young ring bearer who started down the aisle, then took one look at the crowd and bolted not just back up the aisle, but out the door—with the rings. Hogan’s most memorable ceremony, however, was the huge vow renewal for alumni on Homecoming Weekend in 1997. All alumni who had been married in the Chapel were invited to renew their vows and attend a formal evening reception.

“The response was overwhelming—we had over 200 couples in attendance that came from all over the country,” he recalls, adding that he concelebrated with Bushinski, who taught the University’s popular marriage course. “This was a tremendous moment, and for many alumni, helped them reconnect with Duquesne.”

Hogan presided over the extensive Chapel renovation a few years earlier, in 1994, to mark the centennial anniversary of the structure. The three-month renewal and restoration project, funded in large part by Kappa Sigma Phi alumni in honor of the Reverend William Crowley, C.S.Sp., yielded new pews, lighting, sound system, bathrooms, carpeting and other improvements. Substantial enhancements were also made to the sanctuary, altar and foyer. The most remarked-upon change, Hogan says, was the new interior painting and gold leaf décor that gave the site a more classical look.

“Today, I think the Chapel is much more beautiful and appropriate for the liturgies we have for students and alumni,” says Hogan. “It’s a focal point of the University, a beautiful setting and a beautiful way for alumni to keep connected with their alma mater.”

By Kim Saunders

Zugates and Adams wedding party

Did You Know

- The first recorded wedding in the Chapel was Nov. 22, 1969.
- Construction on the Chapel began in 1894 by the Holy Ghost brothers with bricks fired from the clay on site and was completed in 1904.
- The Chapel basement originally housed the Red Masquers theater and sometimes doubled as a basketball court.
- The 15 stained glass windows, donated by 19th century University benefactors, represent the 15 mysteries of the Rosary and were made in Munich, Germany.
- The interior was designed in the Gothic tradition; the outside of the sanctuary was constructed to resemble a castle.
- Marble tablets listing the names of generous donors over the last 100 years are mounted in the back of the church.
- Relics from St. Romulus and a full-size wax likeness of the saint were buried beneath the altar. When workmen discovered the image during a remodeling project in 1968, they thought they unearthed a body.
- Two storage rooms above the Chapel were renovated during the 1980s to serve as prayer rooms for male and female Muslim students.
- Although the original capacity was about 60, today the Chapel can accommodate 325 people on the floor and an additional 50 people in the choir loft.
- In addition to daily Mass, the Chapel hosts monthly ecumenical music and prayer services; Taize, a weekly Byzantine Mass; and various sacred music concerts throughout the year.
Fondest Memories

When I was a student here, the Duquesne Chapel played an important part in my spiritual formation. I have always been involved with the liturgies celebrated at Duquesne. Even as infants, my children were toddling around the chapel. The chapel is still and will continue to be a special place for me. My sister and I both met our husbands here at Duquesne and we had our wedding receptions in the Duquesne Ballroom. When my daughter, Tarah, N’03, began planning her wedding, we knew that the reception would naturally follow the family tradition. Because Tarah and her husband-to-be, Christopher Adams, B’00, were both Duquesne graduates and the Chapel played a special role in their lives, we thought we should add to the wedding the convenience of the Ballroom, a place where we were all comfortable celebrating. We also were thinking of our guests in this planning and the convenience of parking once and walking from the Chapel to the reception!

I look forward to this tradition continuing in our family, bringing others the joy of being a part of the “Duquesne Spirit and Family.”

-Debbie Zugates, mother of the bride and associate director, Duquesne’s Office of Admissions

We met the very first day of freshman orientation in the Duquesne Union in September 1967 when we were assigned to the same table of incoming freshmen. We were married in the Chapel on Feb. 12, 1972, and were able to celebrate our silver anniversary at the 1997 Vow Renewal Ceremony. The Chapel looked quite different then, but it was nice to see how many people were there, sharing the same experience. Duquesne has always held a special place in our hearts not only because it is where we met, but also because it helped to develop who and what we are and believe in today. We feel Duquesne is a part of our “family” and have held it in our hearts since that day in September 1967, and will continue to do so forever and always.

-Beveryl (Stiffler, A’71) and George J. Gedid, Jr., A’71

Scott and I were married at Duquesne’s Chapel on Oct. 14, 2000. It was the most perfect day, from start to finish. The fall leaves were beautiful, the sky was a gorgeous sunny blue and the wedding ceremony was very lovely. It was appropriate to be married at the Chapel since we started dating at Duquesne in 1994. Ironically enough, we both went to the same high school, but did not know each other at that time. Through a mutual friend, we started to get to know each other and spent a lot of quality time together. We have many wonderful memories together, all of which began at Duquesne.

-Scott Weimer, B’96

Duquesne University has tremendous sentimental value to me. It was the place where my husband, Jack, and I met in 1998, and on Aug. 28, 2004, it was where we committed ourselves to each other for life. Father Ray French and the Spiritan Campus Ministry staff helped to make the day run smoothly and be everything that we dreamed it would be. We have always felt that the Chapel and campus were beautiful places in late summer, with the gardens in bloom and the Bluff’s fountain glistening in the sun. But it was not until we were surrounded by our family and friends to celebrate our marriage that we truly appreciated the campus’ serene atmosphere. Even though weddings are quite nerve-racking, it was extremely calming to walk past that familiar “Duquesne D” as I entered the Chapel. We have only the fondest memories of our time as students and of our wedding as well, and owe great thanks to those people involved in the planning process.

-Leigh (Chmupa) Colyer, B’01

In 1975, I graduated from Duquesne and planned a lovely wedding in the Duquesne Chapel where I had been attending Mass for the prior four years. It would be a lovely event—not! Just after the wedding invitations had been sent, the Administration Building was struck by lightning. A major fire resulted. To say the bride’s dreams of a picture perfect wedding “went up in smoke”
Behind the Scenes

As liturgy director, Stephen Steinbeiser has provided musical accompaniment for more than 100 weddings in the Duquesne Chapel and often gets an insider’s look at a couple’s big day.

“Most of the funny, or not so funny at the time, things happen behind the scenes — like someone forgetting the wedding rings back at the hotel, or the priest showing up just moments before the ceremony is about to begin, or the bride being stuck in Steelers traffic,” he says. He even recalls one occasion when the mother of the groom would not let go of her son so he could meet his bride at the altar.

“The weddings are always poignant when the couple focuses on making the liturgy a prayerful experience. One such couple consisted of a Catholic bride and Jewish groom. A local bishop who was a friend of the family presided over the ceremony and was sensitive and inclusive of the Jewish family present. This often happens with ministers from other denominations as well,” he adds.

would be to underestimate the situation. Imagine trying to find a new church just before the wedding. Luckily, we were able to schedule a wedding in my husband’s parish, but the church was a temporary one in the basement of the parish school. Also, imagine that Xeroxing was not common in 1975 and formal printing took an extended time. So we prepared mimeographed invitations on orange paper to mail to our guests to accompany the formal ones. Now here’s the good news: despite the fact that the wedding wasn’t what I imagined, the marriage was. Rob (Ed.D ’96) and I were married 30 years in August!

- Mary Lou (Murray) Bost, N’75

We were married at the Duquesne University Chapel on Aug. 31, 1974, by our parish priest, Father John Gallagher from Our Lady of Grace in Scott Township. We took “Marriage” with Father Bushinski while at Duquesne and Father B. performed the Rite of Solemn Engagement for us at the Chapel several months prior to our wedding. It was just the three of us in the church and it really was a solemn and meaningful experience. We live in the Chicago area now and it has been a while since we’ve had a chance to visit the campus, but we have very fond memories of our days at Duquesne and how the school prepared us for our future—especially for our future together.

-Tom (A’73) and Maureen (Donahue, A’74) Ferrari

I graduated with my B.A. in 1997 and I have worked on campus since June 6, 1992. My husband and I were married in the Chapel on Oct. 18, 2003, which turned out to be Homecoming weekend that year. My husband is a firefighter so some of the guys contacted friends at Pittsburgh’s No.4 engine company to see if they would bring a fire truck on to campus after the ceremony for pictures. As we came out of the Chapel the truck was sitting there. While we were getting pictures taken, President Dougherty walked passed and said hello. After all was said and done, it was a wonderful experience. I met the president again at a later date and told him the story of my wedding. He said that he got nervous when he first saw the fire truck on campus during Homecoming weekend. He was worried that something had happened! Sometimes I go to the Chapel on my lunch hour for the noon Mass. Whenever I am there I am reminded of that wonderful day.

-Tracie (Eisel) Ballock, A’91

My husband and I were married in the Chapel and had our wedding reception in the Ballroom on May 29, 1993. It was really the perfect situation for us. I had spent many an afternoon in the Ballroom—studying, sleeping, talking or listening in on other juicier conversations. As a student I had often said that when I was ready to get married I would love to have the reception there. When the time came the space was booked for the date that we had chosen. I was so disappoint ed I couldn’t even begin to imagine where else the reception could be. Within a few hours I got a return call saying that there had been a cancellation for my date. It was meant to be! We arranged to have my great uncle, who was a missionary priest in the Cayman Islands, travel to Pittsburgh and marry us in a very personal and intimate ceremony in the Chapel. I have the most wonderful memories of my wedding day. Apparently it made an impact on others in my family because in July of 2000 my brother and his wife, both also Duquesne grads, repeated the scenario by being married in the Chapel and also went on to the Ballroom for the reception.

-Colleen (Connolly) Chester, A’86

My wife Susan (Koenig, B’93) Loftus, and I thoroughly enjoyed our marriage at the Chapel on Saturday, Aug. 30, 1997. The Chapel had just been recently renovated—the red carpeting was replaced. The staff was great by letting us bring in our own musicians and our family priest from the D.C. area to celebrate the Mass. We watched our video every year on our anniversary and think about our great times at Duquesne. We met on the Duquesne rowing team and have been rowing and hanging out with each other ever since.

-Jeff Loftus, A’91

My husband and I celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary on April 19, 2005. We were married in the Duquesne Chapel and remember how cordial everyone was as we planned our ceremony. Our oldest son graduated from Duquesne in 2004 and our younger son just completed his freshman year at Duquesne. We have all had good memories of our association with the University.

-Deborah (Pelkington) Jackson, E’76

My husband, Bill, and I were married by Father Hogan on Sept. 7, 2002, in the Duquesne Chapel. From the day I stepped foot on the campus back in 1986 I always thought it would be great to get married there. Our wedding day dawned bright and beautiful. Our photographers discovered a very scenic and tranquil area behind the priests’ residence. (We asked permission of course!) The pictures were gorgeous. The football Dukes were playing (Gannon, I think) and we even had pictures of our wedding party cheering them on.

-Cathy (Tatkovski) McElroy, B’90, MBA’91

My wife, Susan (Scharding) Zabowski, and I are both 1969 Liberal Arts graduates, and she also received an M.A. in 1971. We actually met as freshmen, and were married in the Chapel on Groundhog Day, Feb. 2, 1974. Although we were totally prepared for a frigid, wintry day on the Bluff, the temperature actually reached 72 degrees that day, which was some kind of record high for that date at the time.

-Ron Zabowski, A’69
My husband and I were married in the Duquesne Chapel on Aug. 23, 1997, with my cousin, the Reverend Daniel O’Hara, presiding. I had graduated from the Rangos School with a master’s degree in physical therapy just two weeks before. My family moved around quite a bit while I was growing up so I didn’t really have a “hometown” parish. My time at Duquesne was the longest I have ever spent in one city, attending Mass in the same church. When Seth proposed to me there was only one choice for our wedding. Duquesne is still my home church (even though we live in Los Angeles) and we couldn’t have asked for a more beautiful, spiritual day.

-Jennifer (Kurz) Halvaksz, BS’96, MPT’97

My husband and I were married on May 25, 2003. Our reception was held at the Duquesne University Ballroom. The Ballroom was beautifully decorated and the room was spacious. A lot of Duquesne alumni (mostly from Gamma Phi Fraternity) attended.

-Lee Ann and Craig Riner, A’97

My husband, Pablo, and I were married at the Chapel in Trinity Hall on July 16, 1994, and had the reception on campus. After our original plans fell through 18 days before the wedding date, we desperately sought help from our international advisor at Duquesne, Tina DaSilva. We were international students from Argentina at the time, doing our graduate studies at the School of Education and the School of Music. We were in a panic, as it was too late to find another church and wedding reception site. The main Chapel at Duquesne was under major renovation, so the only hope was to get permission to marry in the Trinity Hall Chapel from Father Crowley. He had a reputation for being tough, and we were embarrassed to explain our situation, but we didn’t have many other choices. We didn’t know anybody in Pittsburgh and our budget was limited. When we met with Father Crowley, he listened to our story and asked the wedding date again. He unexpectedly broke into this beautiful, happy smile, and he said: “Of course you can get married here. That day is my 50th anniversary in the priesthood!” Needless to say, we almost fainted, feeling very relieved and grateful. At that point we were running against the clock, we had to change caterers and re-think the whole thing. We married on a beautiful, sunny and hot summer day, more than 11 years ago. We got the most beautiful pictures on campus, and we will never forget our angels, Tina DaSilva and Father Crowley. We still live in Pittsburgh, and our connection to Duquesne is sealed for ever.

-Claudia Melendez, GE’96

was emphatic about starting on time. We had arranged flowers through a florist in Monroeville, but of course there was some sort of construction on the Parkway East that caused significant delays. The flowers arrived at 1:45; however, my grandmother’s First Communion book (the centerpiece of my bouquet) had been left behind at the floral shop. The florist attempted to run back to the shop to retrieve it, leaving me to hand out the rest of the flowers and boutonnieres. Things were still somewhat under control until I realized my grandmother, aunt (godmother) and the ring bearer were nowhere to be found. By this time, Father B. was insisting that the best man send the mothers down the aisle to light the unity candle. I kept saying, “But the others aren’t here yet.” Turns out, they waited until the last minute to leave the hotel and then, of course, made a wrong turn on the Boulevard of the Allies. Regardless, Father B. was going to start the ceremony on time! As the second bridesmaid started down the aisle, my two aunts came flying in the door, with my grandmother and the ring bearer in tow. After the ceremony, Father B., in his robes, flew down the hill to Epiphany in enough time to officiate his second wedding of the day.

-Mary Perrine Meredith, P’79

My husband Jack (E’66), and I both graduated from Duquesne in the 1960s. Weddings were not permitted at that time in the Chapel. When we were preparing to celebrate our 25th anniversary, our daughters went to Father Bushinski and requested he celebrate our anniversary in the Chapel. This was a total surprise to us and a wonderful celebration with our children as lectors and commentators.

-Kathleen Gillen Senay, E’64

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Greg Amodio, who spent nearly a decade advancing the athletic program at Xavier University, has been named Duquesne’s new athletic director.

Amodio’s work at Xavier included managing a strategic, integrated program focused on increasing attendance, enhancing alumni participation in athletics and increasing fundraising. Under his leadership, Xavier’s men’s basketball attendance reached 97 percent capacity and women’s basketball attendance increased 150 percent.

At Duquesne, he is charged with evaluating the entirety of the athletics program, revitalizing relationships with alumni and strengthening corporate and community relationships.

“Greg is one of the bright young minds of collegiate athletics. He has the right experience to propel our athletics program forward,” says Duquesne President Charles J. Dougherty. Dougherty added that Xavier’s Catholic foundation, strength in academics and A-10 membership mirror Duquesne’s profile. “Greg was a part of the great success Xavier experienced in men’s basketball in recent years. He will play a pivotal role here at Duquesne not only in basketball, but in all of our sports programs.”

Amodio reports directly to President Dougherty.

“There are really great things happening in Duquesne’s athletics program. I will work to accentuate those areas that are achieving success and ensure we are growing in areas where Duquesne may have had limitations in the past,” says Amodio. “I am excited and looking forward to working with the staff to move the mission of the department forward, and to share the message of Duquesne athletics with alumni, fans and the greater community.”

On his immediate plans:

“My approach is sevenfold. The first step is to sit down with the athletics staff—coaches and administrators—to find out historically what has been good and bad, and start to develop a vision for athletics and find out who we are and who we want to be. Once we have that, we’ll move out to the campus community and get with the students, faculty and staff. These programs don’t belong to us, they belong to the students. We hope the student body will come out and support their peers and be part of the overall process of boosting Duquesne athletics to the next level. Third, is to take our message to the alums in the area and let them know that there are great things happening, new things on the horizon that are going to be put into place, that will be beneficial to where we want to go. Ultimately, we’d like to get out in the corporate community and seek their support as well. Financial commitment from friends of the program is going to be critical as we move forward and build all of our programs.”

“I think Greg’s hire is a home run for Duquesne. Years from now people will look back and see what an incredibly intelligent hire it was. He is a great, great fit for Duquesne.”

– Wake Forest head men’s basketball coach Skip Prosser

(Prosser was head men’s basketball coach for seven seasons at Xavier from 1995-01. Prior to that he was an assistant to Pete Gillen at Xavier for eight years.)
The Amodio File

Personal
Name: Gregory J. Amodio
Birthdate: March 23, 1962
Birthplace: Long Island, New York
Family: Wife, Kerry; children, Jake (12) and Alexandra (10)

Education
B.S. in Physical Education and Health, 1984
City University of New York - Queens College, Flushing, N.Y.
M.S. in Education, 1991

Work Experience
Xavier University
Associate Athletic Director (2001-05)
Assistant Athletic Director (1998-01)
Assistant Director, Marketing and Promotions (1994-98)
Adjunct Instructor - Sports Administration Graduate Program (1998-04)

Professional Golfers’ Association of America
Manager, Golf Promotions (1992-93)

American Heart Association
Coordinator, Community Programs and Education (1991-92)

On how his experience at Xavier helped prepare him for the challenges at Duquesne:

“The greatest thing for me is that I was able to move up through the ranks at Xavier and experience personal growth while the University was experiencing institutional growth. My first year, Skip Prosser was men’s basketball coach and we were in the Midwestern Cities Conference. In year two, we moved to the Atlantic 10, which was a big move for Xavier at the time. The move showed us pretty quickly that we could compete at a higher level. Competing at that higher level helped the program recruit better athletes and also presented opportunities for media exposure.

“You eventually get to the point where you develop a mind-set that success is expected at all times. That’s academic success and athletic success. At Duquesne, we will never compromise who we are as an academic institution for gains on the field. There has to be a happy marriage between the two.

“Xavier taught me that it can be done as long as there is an institutional commitment. From speaking to Dr. Dougherty, there is no question that the commitment is here. Now we need the commitment of all the external folks in terms of alumni, students, faculty, staff and the community to rally around Duquesne and take it to the next level.”

Comparing Pittsburgh to Cincinnati:

“I see direct comparisons between Pittsburgh and Cincinnati. The size and geographic location of the two cities is quite similar.

“In Cincinnati you have the Reds, Bengals and U.C. and in Pittsburgh it’s the Steelers, Pirates, Pitt and now the Penguins who are back on board. There is competition there, but there is also opportunity because both are great sports towns. It is up to us—and our challenge—to go back and do a better job of telling the Duquesne story, to let people know that great things are happening on the Bluff. We need to create an external movement to bring people back to see what is happening at Duquesne.

“At Xavier we used to play at Cincinnati Gardens, which was not on campus. Once we built the Cintas Center more people came on campus and realized that because of basketball all the great things that were happening. They could see how much the Xavier campus had been transformed.

“Greg has a complete and total understanding of what it takes to be successful at the highest level of college basketball. That characteristic, coupled with his magnetic personality, is not only a great fit for Duquesne but also the entire city of Pittsburgh. We will miss him.”

– Xavier head men’s basketball coach Sean Miller
“Greg’s hiring is a good one for Duquesne. He’s young and enthusiastic and will bring a lot of energy to the job. He did a tremendous job at Xavier and learned from several outstanding administrators. I am sure that the Duquesne family will be pleased with the job Greg will do.”

– Atlantic 10 commissioner Linda Bruno
**Duquesne Dukes**
**Football 2005 Season**

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HC - Homecoming game vs. Saint Peter’s

Home games are played at Arthur J. Rooney Athletic Field on the Duquesne campus

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Obviously, athletics can help bring people back on campus who haven’t been there. Especially students in the market. It is great for the University to have people coming up to sample the athletic product and seeing what a great place Duquesne is. We can really be a quality asset across the board, to Advancement, Alumni Relations, Admissions, and hopefully be a shining star for everything that goes on at Duquesne.”

**On what successful athletics programs can do for a university:**

“One of the integrated approaches we used at Xavier was that when we went to an event, for instance the Wooden Tradition in Indianapolis, we did not view it as just a basketball game. We viewed it as an opportunity. While we were playing a basketball game, or prior to that, admissions was holding an event, development was cultivating potential donors and alumni relations was staging a post-game function. All of the various components on campus were working together and using athletics—men’s basketball in that particular situation—as a gateway to the university. The key for us is to get the folks in the community who understand the Duquesne name through athletics and turn it into a benefit to the University as a whole.”

**On the importance of gaining support:**

“There is no doubt that Duquesne alumni have a great affinity for the men’s basketball program. I just think at this point they feel somewhat disenfranchised. It is our responsibility as an athletic department to go out into the community, embrace those people, and bring them back into the fold.

“We don’t necessarily need the bulk of support when we start to have success. We need support now. We need people to come back to the program and help us move to the next level. That’s where the ultimate satisfaction is going to be for folks—make the investment with us now. Become season ticket holders. Become corporate partners. Become athletics donors. As we continue to become successful, or more and more successful, they are going to have the pride of knowing that they were on the front edge of helping that program move to a new level.”

By Dave Saba
Jerry Schmitt, who on March 21 was named the 19th football coach in the 78-year recorded history of Duquesne football, is back on the Bluff after spending five years as head coach at his alma mater, Westminster College in New Wilmington, Pa. The Pittsburgh native is no stranger to Duquesne University, having served as an assistant for the Dukes from 1985-87 and again from 1992-99—the last eight seasons under former coach Greg Gattuso.

In his 11 seasons at Duquesne, Schmitt helped the Dukes to their first three Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference championships in 1995, 1996 and 1999 and the school’s first Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Bowl game in 1996. The 44-year-old Pittsburgh native, who served under three different head coaches in Terry Russell (1985-86), Dan McCann (1992) and Gattuso (1993-99), was the offensive coordinator for his last seven seasons at Duquesne, during which the Dukes posted a 53-21 record. He was promoted to assistant head coach by Gattuso prior to the 1994 season. Schmitt accepted the head coaching position at Westminster in March of 2000.

A graduate of Keystone Oaks High School, Schmitt was a three-year letterman and two-year starter on the offensive line at Westminster, where he helped lead the Titans to an undefeated regular season in 1981.

Schmitt’s wife, Paula, who earned her master’s degree at Duquesne, is an assistant principal at Pine-Richland High School, outside of Pittsburgh. Jerry, Paula and their son Matt, who will turn three in October, reside in Cranberry Township, Pa.

Here is a closer look at Duquesne’s new head football coach:
How does it feel to be back on campus?

I really feel as though I’ve been here three times before. A childhood friend of mine played football at Duquesne, and I’d try to get down to as many of his games as I could. I ended up spending a lot of time on campus and meeting a lot of people. I remember sitting in my room while at camp at Westminster in the early 1980s watching Duquesne defeat CMU on television. When I was first hired here as a coach under Terry Russell in 1985, I got to know an additional group of players and coaches. I heard all of the old club football stories from Terry. Then in 1993, I was able to experience the change from Division III to I-AA and the early championship years. I think having been around three distinct eras really gave me a good understanding of where Duquesne was, where it is now and where it is going. I think it is important for a person to understand the history of a program, so that program can continue to grow. Despite not being a Duquesne graduate, I feel as though I am as familiar with the football program as anyone based on the experiences I have had here.

You were last on campus on a regular basis in 1999. What changes have you seen at Duquesne?

When I left here, I felt Duquesne was a special place because—despite the close proximity to downtown Pittsburgh—the campus still had an intimate feel. In returning, I see that has not changed. I’ve noticed some new buildings and I’m aware of plans for additional improvements, which are good. At the same time, the character of the University has remained the same, which is great.

You were part of the program when it made the move from Division III to I-AA in 1993. Were you surprised at the level of success the program has had?

I remember what a challenge it was to make the move to I-AA. We had a new coaching staff and there were a lot of growing pains, but we improved every year. I could see the possibility of taking this program to greater heights as the years went on. The success the program has had since that 1993 season doesn’t surprise me. Student-athletes are the key to success. Early on, coach Gattuso and the staff did a good job of getting the players to appreciate the type of football that we wanted to play and it brought great results.

What is your fondest memory of your previous stint at Duquesne?

I think the most special moment was winning that first MAAC championship in 1995. That culminated a number of years of hard work by the staff and players. We reached a goal we were striving for in those first few years. We beat Wagner in the ECAC Bowl, which was significant because Wagner had a great program at the time and we had struggled with them a few years before. I just remember our kids going out and playing great. To win here at Rooney Field made it that much more special.

You categorize yourself as a “Pittsburgh Guy.” Where did you grow up?

I grew up in the South Hills in Dormont—in the same house where my parents still live. I went to St. Bernard’s for grade school and then on to Keystone Oaks High School. My first exposure to football came at St. Bernard’s, where I played for four years. I was very fortunate to be able to play for what was arguably one of the best programs in the Diocese of Pittsburgh. I can honestly say that I learned as much football in those four years as I ever did as a player or coach.

Who would you list as having the most influence on your coaching career?

My first coaching job was in 1983 at West Allegheny High School under Tom Donahoe, who is now the president and general manager of the Buffalo Bills. Rege O’Neill, who was a long-time coach at South Hills Catholic and Seton-La Salle, and Kevin Elko, who is now a prominent sports psychologist, were also on that staff. It was a great learning atmosphere. I was fortunate as a young guy to be influenced by three or four very good coaches.

You also taught math at the high school level for 17 years while coaching. How did working in the classroom prepare you for working on a football field?

There is a major correlation between working with students in a classroom and football players on the field. As a young coach, I was fortunate to be able to learn from both great teachers and great coaches. When I was teaching and coaching at Beaver High School, Pat Tarquinio was the head football coach and Ed Olkowski, who was a great basketball coach at Midland for many years, was a teacher there. My classroom was right next to Ed Olkowski’s and every single day we talked about teaching and coaching. I also got to spend a lot of time talking with Pat. Those conversations had a major influence on me, because both Pat and Ed were such highly successful high school coaches.
How would you describe your coaching style to someone who has never seen one of your teams play?

I believe in emphasizing fundamentals and technique and being very intense in everything we do. It is also important to maintain a certain level of class at all times. My philosophy can be summed up in three words: technique, intensity and class.

You have three former DU players that you coached on your current staff. How important is it for you to have alums on the staff?

I think it says a lot about Duquesne in that we have former players who want to come back and help the program succeed. Former players are the roots of the program. Mauro Monz, Carmen Bricillo and Tony Zimmerman all played here at various times during the 1990s and are all on the coaching staff this season. Our director of operations, John Rosato, is an alumnus who has committed many, many years to this program. His contributions are made behind the scenes and are an important part of the success of Duquesne football. Our video coordinator, Rich Ruffolo, is a former Duquesne player who puts in a lot of time without a lot of recognition. Those people are the lifeblood of a program.

A number of former Dukes are now in the NFL in various capacities. Did you ever think you’d see the day when that was so?

Both were exceptional football players who really understood the game. Tim Pichette, who played for four championship teams and did a good job coaching for Greg last year, was all set to coach the defensive backfield this season until the New England Patriots contacted him and offered him an entry-level position. It was a great opportunity that he couldn’t let slip by. When you throw in Leigh Bodden, who is in his fourth season as a defensive back for the Cleveland Browns, you can say Duquesne has quite a presence in the NFL. It is a real credit to the program and the quality of people who have played here.

A lot of players you coached in your early years at Duquesne have now established themselves in the “real world.” Have you been able to keep in touch with them?

I try to keep in touch as much as I can. A lot of times I’ll run into a former player here or there and it is always fun to find out what they are up to now. A lot of players I coached are starting families and putting down roots. One of the benefits of coaching is watching young people grow and develop. When I first accepted the head coaching position here, I was amazed by the number of congratulatory calls, letters and e-mails I received from past players. It really gave me a good feeling. It tells me that Duquesne really means something to them. I think it is imperative to keep former players, coaches and alumni close to the program because they are all part of the foundation of Duquesne football.

By Dave Saba
Making Up the Difference: Voluntary Support is the Lifeblood of a University’s Health

The word philanthropy carries a wealth of meaning. The Encarta English Dictionary defines it as “a desire to improve the material, social and spiritual welfare of humanity, especially through charitable activities,” as “a philanthropic action or organization,” and as “a general love for, or benevolence toward, the whole of humankind.”

For nonprofit organizations, this description is insufficient—philanthropy is a matter of life and death. Raise enough money from generous donors, you survive. Raise even more, you may thrive. Fall short, and you may not be around for much longer.

With such high stakes, it’s not surprising that the word also represents an industry of staff, consultants, organizations and publications devoted to the art and science of fund-raising.

“All nonprofits share common concerns and challenges,” explains Carol A. Carter, Duquesne University’s vice president for University Advancement.

The philanthropic environment is often fickle, tied to changing economic conditions and capable of turning on a dime in response to a bump in the markets. “Good news—or bad news—about an institution may impact its ability to raise funds, and perhaps have ripple effects on other organizations in its field or locality,” Carter notes.

Other issues are unique to particular types of institutions. “Higher education faces different hurdles than arts or social service groups,” Carter points out. “Its products and services—while almost universally seen as valuable to society—are often less apparent than a performance or artwork, less tangible than food or clothing.”

Critics point to rising tuition in arguing that higher education doesn’t need such support, not fully understanding the costs involved in operating a university or the competitive factors that regulate tuition, but not necessarily expenses. “At the bottom line, no institution of higher learning can operate for long solely on tuition income,” Carter says.

Many state-related schools, faced with shrinking government subsidies, are now pursuing private fund-raising with unprecedented vigor. Some private schools depend on income from large endowments to bridge the gap, but building and maintaining such nest eggs requires time, effort and—again—philanthropy.

Thus, universities compete among themselves—and with groups ranging from the local soup kitchen to global relief agencies—for a slice of the pie. Duquesne University has experienced the ups and downs of the fund-raising environment, yet has always survived and grown, thanks to the philanthropy of its many benefactors.

History tells us that Duquesne’s founding Spiritans did odd jobs and celebrated Mass in distant parishes, donating their earnings to their fledgling college. In 1921, the University’s first fund drive yielded $300,000, providing funds to build Canevin Hall and the old gym. A campaign in the 1950s raised $3 million to begin development of a larger campus. As Duquesne faced a financial crisis in the 1970s, students canvassed door-to-door, with an outpouring of support keeping the classrooms open. Subsequent capital campaigns placed the University on a firmer financial footing, but philanthropy remains paramount as Duquesne positions itself to better meet current and future needs.

“Raising the funds to sustain and advance a complex institution like Duquesne requires continuing support from many key constituencies,” Carter explains. “Board members, alumni, friends, corporations, foundations, faculty and staff all play vital roles in keeping Duquesne sound and growing. Year in and year out, we depend on their generosity.”

In 2004, for example, board member Robert Gussin, P’59, GP’61, H’95, and his wife, Patricia, pledged $1.5 million to endow the Spiritan Division of Academic Programs. Fellow board member John G. Rangos, Sr., H’00, committed $1 million to establish the Anna Rangos Rizakus Endowed Chair in Health Sciences and Ethics.

Board Chair John J. Connelly, A’71, and Vice Chair P. David Pappert, A’60, both made recent commitments benefiting the School of Music, and their colleagues are following their lead. Patricia Yoder, A’61, established an endowment to enhance programs in the McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts. Marie Milie Jones, A’85, L’87, supports the Law School and Alumni Association endowed scholarships, while John A. Staley, B’65, and James N. Crutchfield, A’92, are also helping to fund scholarships, and Maurice V. Peconi, B’71, GB’78, made an unrestricted gift to the President’s Discretionary Fund.

Other alumni also continue to support Duquesne in outstanding fashion. Edward V. Fritzky, A’72, H’04, last year endowed a $1.5 million chair in biotechnology leadership. Other recent examples include major endowment support for the Music School from Jack Geltz, B’49, GA’84, and for the Law School from Jack McGinley, L’68. Alumni Samuel Costanzo, A’72, Richard Grattan, B’68, and James McGuirk, A’66, all recently made significant commitments toward endowed scholarships.

In fact, support at all levels continues to grow. Duquesne’s Annual Fund raised a record $3.2 million, part of $12.5 million (cash) for total voluntary support during the 2004-05 fiscal year.

Corporate and foundation contributions rose substantially as well, highlighted by a recent $2 million gift from the Richard King Mellon Foundation—one of the nation’s largest independent foundations—to support teaching and learning initiatives.

Meanwhile, faculty and staff “give at the office” in more ways than one, taking a page from the early Spiritans by contributing to the University at high levels. Their strong support sends a clear message of confidence to other key constituents—a major asset as the University seeks to build on its momentum.

In 1966, University President Rev. Henry J. McAnulty, C.S.Sp., told an audience at a fund-raising event, “Whether or not we survive is no longer up to me. We are going to need help to survive.” These words apply still today—to Duquesne and to every other college, university and nonprofit institution that depends on philanthropy.

By Bob Woodside
GREEKS WRITE THE BOOK ON STUDENT PHILANTHROPY

Philanthropy is nothing new to members of fraternities and sororities. The more than 800 Greek students at Duquesne actively raise funds for their organizations’ national philanthropies—from Lou Gehrig’s disease to diabetes to schools and camps for children. They also raise funds and provide hands-on assistance to local community service organizations such as the Brashear Association on Pittsburgh’s South Side. Until recently, however, there was no united Greek student effort to support an on-campus cause.

“There were some scattered projects,” explains Ron Shidemantle, director of Greek Life. Members of Sigma Tau Gamma recently helped upgrade the confessionals in the University Chapel, while the brothers of Kappa Sigma Phi assisted with the 2003 renovation of Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, which their fraternal ancestors helped to construct 50 years earlier.

“We were looking for something the whole Greek community could rally behind,” Shidemantle says. They found their cause in a common student concern—the high cost of textbooks.

In the spring of 2004, the idea of establishing an endowed book fund was suggested, and five members of Duquesne’s Development staff challenged the Greek organizations, offering to match what the students raised in the first year.

By the end of the 2004-05 academic year, the students had raised their goal of $5,250. With the matching gifts, a total of $10,500 was reached—enough to endow the fund and present the first $250 award to a student this fall.

The recipient, who will be introduced at Homecoming, was selected by a committee of Greek Alumni Council board members.

In addition to directly supporting students’ textbook needs, the fund will provide an equal amount each year to purchase books for the Gumberg Library.

“We’re starting out small, and we realize that a $10,000 endowment will only provide a limited amount of money at first,” Shidemantle says. Duquesne’s fraternities and sororities expect to double that total—or more—in the coming year. All proceeds from October’s Greek Week—the largest annual student-run fund-raising event on campus—will be designated for the Greek Life Endowed Book Fund.

“We hope to get the fund up to $40,000 or $50,000 or more over the next few years,” Shidemantle says. “It’s exciting. We’re happy to give back to Duquesne students.”

It is also hoped that this effort will inspire more students to develop the habit of philanthropy during their years on the Bluff and beyond.

“As fellow students see how the Greeks are making a difference through their book fund, we hope they will be motivated to donate themselves, and to find other creative and meaningful ways to raise funds and help Duquesne,” observes Patricia Orangis, assistance vice president for University Advancement.

By Bob Woodside

DUQUESNE ANNOUNCES WILLIAM URICCHIO MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Duquesne University President Charles Dougherty has announced an endowed scholarship honoring the late William Uricchio, a dedicated, long-time member of Duquesne’s Board of Directors.

“Bill served Duquesne with distinction, having a direct impact on the tremendous growth and change the University experienced over those three decades,” says Dougherty. “He provided great leadership in a strong yet understated manner, always considering the needs of our students first and foremost.”

Uricchio was an active member of Duquesne’s board for 33 years, as well as serving as vice chair and chair of the University’s Academic Affairs Committee for more than 25 years, offering expertise and thoughtful guidance.

The scholarship will be available to qualifying students in the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences. Uricchio shared the marvels of science for more than 40 years with students at Carlow University, where he served as a professor, challenging his students to think both analytically and creatively.

“Bill’s dedication to education will be shared with new generations of students through this scholarship opportunity,” says Dougherty.

Those wishing to contribute to the fund should call 412.396.4250 or send checks made payable to:

Duquesne University
c/o Advancement Services
305 Administration Building
Pittsburgh, PA 15282

The inaugural award will be for the 2006-2007 academic year.

By Bob Woodside
His efforts in fostering partnerships with the non-profit community, as well as his work in building our leadership programs, have served the University and its students well.

On behalf of the Duquesne community, I extend our deepest appreciation.
Dr. Benjamin Hodes, dean of the School of Leadership and Professional Advancement, is retiring after 29 years at Duquesne.
Under Hodes’ leadership, SLPA has been recognized with six national awards from the Association of Continuing Higher Education, an accomplishment that no other college or university can claim. He was the driving force behind the implementation of Duquesne’s paralegal institute, which has become one of the country’s top programs.

Hodes believes the future of the school is distance learning. During his tenure, SLPA pioneered the use of distance learning in the University and now offers six degree programs via distance that enroll over 320 students. Because enrollment has doubled every year for the last four years, SLPA expects more than 700 distance learning students next year.

“Dean Hodes has been extremely supportive of Duquesne faculty participation in SLPA, providing unique opportunities for interaction with and service to this population of nontraditional students, which resonates with the mission of Duquesne University’s founders,” says Dr. Janie Harden Fritz, associate professor in the Department of Communication & Rhetorical Studies. “His concern for accessible education adapted to the unique needs of adult students coupled with a refusal to compromise on quality and standards has made my participation with SLPA a source of great pride.”

Even with so many tangible accomplishments under his belt, Hodes would like to be remembered for his alignment with the Duquesne mission and working with students. “I am proud of being committed to fulfilling the historical mission of Duquesne University, allowing people to improve their lives by getting an education and making it accessible for them,” he says.

“What has given me the most pleasure is to have students tell me that they wouldn’t have had an opportunity to be where they are in their lives if it wasn’t for the education they got in SLPA. SLPA is very consistent with the historical mission of this university by giving people the opportunity to improve their lives through education and making education available to working adults.”

Students obviously appreciate his dedication.

Alumnus William R. Hatcher, LPA’02, recently wrote the following about Hodes:

“Professionalism, work ethic and success are words and phrases used to define a level of excellence—a level of excellence which you have not only achieved, but greatly surpassed. I can’t imagine the SLPA without you. You are an institution, like Duquesne itself. Thanks for 30 years of leadership, character, forward thinking and dedicated service.”

In 1998, Hodes founded the Nonprofit Leadership Institute, which focuses on enhancing the governance capacity of nonprofit organizations. The institute, which is highly regarded in the region, receives substantial support from Pittsburgh’s leading foundations. In addition to promoting social entrepreneurship, Hodes has devoted considerable effort to improving the management and governance capacities of nonprofit organizations. He has served as either a management or governance consultant to over 100 nonprofits ranging from large health care organizations to a small social service agency. His vision led to the development of Boards by Design, a foundation funded program designed to increase the diversity of nonprofit boards of trustees. Hodes currently serves on the board and executive committee of Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, the board of the CORO Center for Civic Leadership and the board of his community’s library.

“It was readily apparent to me that he was one of the leading adult education specialists in the country,” says Judie Donaldson, executive director of Grantmakers of Western Pennsylvania and former Adult Degree Program director at New York University, upon meeting Hodes 20 years ago. “Dean Hodes has always been on the cutting edge as an academic leader—anticipating needs, conceiving new learning models, insuring educational relevance, and setting standards for excellence.”

In his personal time, Hodes and his wife breed and raise Hungarian sheepdogs called Pulik. The couple has two dogs, Maydl, who is 11, and Tsuker, who is three. Their daughter has a pup named Mazik, who is five. Maydl is a champion in confirmation and has five titles in agility, three titles in obedience, and has a versatile title (given to dogs that have been titled in a least three areas and have met other qualifications). Tsuker has one title in agility. Hodes’ future plans include his continuing devotion to strengthening the nonprofit sector of the community and region, spending more time with his young grandchild and continuing his work with his dogs.

By Megan Tressler
Homecoming Schedule • October 13, 14, 15 & 16, 2005

Thursday, October 13, 2005
A.J. Palumbo School of Business Alumni Reception
5:30-7:30 p.m. – Room 613 Duquesne Union
School of Business graduates are invited to this special reception. The event is FREE, but advance reservations are requested. For more information, please call 412.396.5701 or e-mail grasserh@duq.edu.

Friday, October 14, 2005
Trolley Tour of Pittsburgh
8 p.m. – In front of Bayer Hall
Hop aboard our chartered “Molly’s Trolley” for a one-hour tour of Duquesne’s spectacular hometown. Advance reservations are required for this event. Tickets are $14 each.

Saturday, October 15, 2005
Nursing School Alumni Breakfast
8:30-11 a.m. – City View Café, Duquesne Union
Join your fellow nursing alumni for breakfast and a guest speaker. The event is FREE, but advance reservations are requested. For more information, please call 412.396.6383 or e-mail cunningh@duq.edu.

“Common Ground” Coffeehouse
9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. – Mellon Hall Lobby
Stop by for special brews of coffee and treats served by Alumni Board of Governors members at this FREE event.

Legacy Alumni Breakfast
9-10 a.m. – Room 613 Duquesne Union
A Duquesne education is a tradition in many families. Our legacy families are cordially invited to attend this breakfast in their honor, and receive a special welcome to Homecoming by Duquesne President Charles J. Dougherty. The event is FREE, but advance reservations are requested.

African-American Open Forum – Alumni and Students
9-11 a.m. – 102 Bayer Hall
Participate in an open discussion with current students and fellow African-American alumni to discuss topics critical in the African-American community. For more information, contact Dr. Shadia Gray at shadiagray@hotmail.com or call Alumni Relations at 412.396.6209.

Class of 1955 Reunion Brunch
10 a.m.-Noon – Duquesne Room, Third Floor Duquesne Union
If you graduated 50 or more years ago you are a Duquesne Pioneer! All Pioneers are invited to share memories, enjoy a delicious brunch and welcome the Class of 1955 into the Pioneers’ Club. Advance reservations are required for this event. Tickets are $13.

Rangos School of Health Sciences 15-Year Anniversary
11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. – Lawn behind Rangos Hall
Join your fellow alumni and their families for a picnic and fun activities for all ages. Personal invitations will be sent out soon. For more information, please call 412.396.5551 or e-mail duncara@duq.edu.

AutumnFest on the Walk
11 a.m.-3 p.m. – Academic Walk
Enjoy food, entertainment, crafts, music and children’s activities on Academic Walk.

Homecoming Pig Roast
11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. – Tent on College Hall Lawn
Go hog wild at this pre-game lunch! The event is FREE, but advance reservations are requested.

Dukes vs. Saint Peter’s Football Game
1:30 p.m. – Arthur J. Rooney Field
Cheer our championship Dukes on to victory over the Saint Peter’s Peacocks! Halftime activities include The Pride of Duquesne Marching Band and the presentation of the 2005 Homecoming Court. Football tickets are $10 each.

Strike Up the Band!
All alumni who play a musical instrument or were members of auxiliary squads are invited to “band together” with The Pride of Duquesne Marching Band as it parades down Academic Walk and onto Rooney Field prior to the football game. For more information, call 412.396.4232 or e-mail heath@duq.edu.

Post-Game Indoor Barbeque!
4-5:30 p.m. – Fifth Floor, Duquesne Union
Enjoy delicious food and the opportunity to mingle with old friends, as well as current students and their parents. Advance reservations and tickets are required for this event. Tickets are $15 each.

Class of 1995 Tenth Reunion and Student Life Leaders’ Dinner
4-7 p.m. – City View Café
Join the Rev. Sean Hogan, executive vice president for Student Life, as he hosts a dinner honoring the Class of 1995 and former student life leaders. If you were an orientation director or chairperson, a commuter assistant, a resident assistant, or a member of the executive board of Student Government, Duquesne Program Council, Commuter Council or Residence Hall Association, be sure to attend this special event! Advance reservations are required. Tickets are $25 for each adult (children are free).

“A Beef & Beer” Reception for Greek Alumni
4-5:30 p.m. – Bayer Hall Rotunda
Hosted by the newly formed Greek Alumni Council, all Greek alumni are invited to help bring back the popular Beef & Beer event! Representatives from each alumni group are specifically invited to attend to update alumni on current happenings in each group. This event is FREE, but advance reservations are required.

African-American Alumni Reception
5:30-7:30 p.m. – Duquesne Room, Third Floor Duquesne Union
We cordially invite all African-American alumni back to campus for this special reception. The event is FREE, but advance reservations are requested. For more information, please contact Dr. Shadia Gray at shadiagray@hotmail.com or the Alumni Relations office at 412.396.6209.

Office of Residence Life Freshman Talent Show
6 p.m. – PNC Recital Hall, Mary Pappert School of Music
Catch a glimpse of some of DU’s most talented freshmen at this traditional talent show.

Come to the Cabaret!
7:30-10 p.m. – Duquesne Union Ballroom
Duquesne’s award-winning Pappert Chorale and Jazz Ensemble will entertain you in a cabaret setting. Hors d’oeuvres and beverages will be served. The event is FREE, but advance reservations are requested.

Sunday, October 16, 2005
Traditional Sunday Mass in the Round
10 a.m.* – A.J. Palumbo Center
We are proud of Duquesne University’s spiritual roots. Come celebrate the Spiritan heritage of our campus by attending this traditional Sunday Mass.
*Replaces the regular 11 a.m. Chapel Mass

Farewell Brunch Hosted by President Charles J. Dougherty
11 a.m. – Duquesne Union Ballroom
Treat yourself and your family to a scrumptious brunch buffet. Advance reservations are required for this event. Tickets are $12 each.

For more information on any of the events listed, please call 800.456.8338 or 412.396.6209, or e-mail alumni@duq.edu.
Improving University Teaching Conference Puts World Spotlight on Duquesne

More than 150 educators from across the globe attended the 30th annual Improving University Teaching (IUT) conference, held July 11-14 at Duquesne.

The international gathering of educators dedicated to elevating the quality of instruction in colleges and universities was hosted by the Center for Teaching Excellence and School of Education’s Leadership Institute, which set out on a strategic, yearlong effort to bring it to Duquesne. The event planners whittled their site choices down to two: Montreal and Duquesne. Duquesne was chosen because of the dedication of the University in assisting the planners with the event. It marked just the third time the event has been held in the United States.

The Blues Come to Campus

The Second Annual Summer-time Blues Concert was held in the Lenglet Perron on July 27. More than 400 alums and their families enjoyed the outdoor concert, which featured nationally renowned jazz guitarists Joe Negri, Howard Alden, Jimmy Bruno and Ken Karsh, and keyboardist and vocalist Amanda Ford. The Jazz All Stars, with special guests Billy Kuhn and Brian Stahurski, also performed.

WDUQ-FM’s Tony Mowod, president of the Pittsburgh Jazz Society, served as the master of ceremonies.

Two Honorary Degrees Given During Commencement

This past spring, Duquesne students, faculty and administrators gathered to celebrate commencement. Two honorary degrees were bestowed during the ceremonies. First, Mary Ann Glendon, the Learned Hand Professor of Law at Harvard University, was recognized with an honorary doctorate in Humane Letters. Glendon writes and teaches in the fields of human rights, comparative law, constitutional law and legal theory, and currently serves as a member of the U.S. President’s Council on Bioethics. David Craighead, one of the leading musicians, organists and teachers of our age, was given an honorary doctorate in Music. His influence on organ teaching in this country is without parallel among living organists, and his students serve in leadership positions in colleges, universities and churches.

Commencement speakers included Ginny Thornburgh, the wife of former governor Dick Thornburgh and vice president and director of the Religion and Disability Program of the National Organization on Disability; Tine Hansen-Turton, MGA, executive director of the National Nursing Centers Consortium; Jim Roddey, former chief executive of Allegheny County; and Dr. William Zellmer, vice president of the American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists and editor of the American Journal of Health Systems Pharmacists.

Kinko’s Founder Helps Local Entrepreneurs Copy His Success

As the founder of Kinko’s, Paul Orfalea earned his fortune by providing printing and graphics services to small businesses around the world. He visited Duquesne as part of the seventh annual Entrepreneur’s Growth Conference to tell other entrepreneurs how to copy his success.

Orfalea’s visit was part of the June 9 event, organized by Duquesne’s Chrysler Corp. Small Business Development Center (SBDC) to help small business owners launch and grow their enterprises. Orfalea discussed his approach to business with the audience, sharing with them his experiences with employees. He believes happy employees will do more to provide excellent customer service, which ensures
customer loyalty. To promote a positive workplace atmosphere and boost employee morale, he championed family-friendly policies at Kinko’s. For example, he offered generous incentive programs for creative problem solving, profit sharing for all employees, dependent care assistance and tuition reimbursement. By treating his employees well, Orfalea reasoned that he could insulate his company from the damaging actions of unsatisfied employees.

In addition to Orfalea’s presentation, conference attendees were able to take advantage of one-on-one mentoring sessions, networking opportunities, dozens of workshops and a showcase of organizations that provide products, services and support to small businesses.

**Faculty and Graduate Students Awarded for Excellence in Teaching**

Three faculty members and four graduate students were recognized for their creativity and effectiveness in the classroom at the annual Celebration of Teaching Excellence this past spring.

Hosted by the Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) through the office of the provost, faculty are presented with a Creative Teaching Award to honor excellent teaching as well as to encourage faculty to share innovative ideas with their colleagues across the University. The Creative Teaching awardees, who are all from the School of Education, were Associate Professor Joseph Kush, Assistant Professor Linda Lengyel and Assistant Professor Carole Parke.

Recipients of the Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Teaching were Steven Hansen of the Theology Department, Clifford Lee of the Philosophy Department, Jennifer Bennett of the Biological Sciences Department and Nicholas Radio of the School of Pharmacy.

The CTE, which is currently celebrating its 15th anniversary, was founded upon the recommendation by the faculty University Teaching Committee, which suggested that a center be established to promote excellence in teaching at all levels, from beginning graduate teaching assistants to senior faculty scholars. Through workshops, book studies, consulting and teaching resources, the CTE staff provide information on sound instructional strategies and foster lively discussions about teaching.

**Pharmacy Exchange Program Brings Japanese Students to Duquesne**

Duquesne’s Mylan School of Pharmacy recently participated in a student exchange program with Kobe Gakuin University, based in Japan. Although the two universities have exchanged faculty for the past 14 years, the 2005 spring semester visit marked the first time students have participated in the program.

The United States is different from Japan in the way that pharmacists get involved in patient care. In Japan, more than half of all patients still receive their medications directly from a doctor. Exposure to U.S.-based pharmacy programs is helpful to Japanese students, as pharmacy programs in Japan have been traditionally science based. Since the 1990s, they have evolved to become more clinically based like U.S. pharmacy programs.

A delegation of 32 students spent two weeks attending daily programs at Duquesne, including English as a second language courses, and visited local pharmaceutical manufacturer Mylan Laboratories; Chartwell, a company that provides home drug infusion services; Giant Eagle’s central prescription fulfillment facility; and Mercy Hospital.

During the 2005-2006 academic year, Duquesne hopes to send a delegation of its students to study at Kobe Gakuin in Japan.

**Clergy Day**

Continuing education is a vital part of any profession and those who have devoted themselves to God are no exception.

On June 7, more than 75 priests from several dioceses including Erie, Altoona, Greensburg, Johnstown, Steubenville and Pittsburgh attended Clergy Day at Duquesne. This annual event provides a day of intellectual and pastoral renewal to priests who would normally not have the time or resources for such information and education.

Nicholas Cafardi, dean emeritus of the School of Law, and Dr. Francesco Cesareo, dean of the McAnulty College & Graduate School of Liberal Arts, spearheaded the return of Clergy Day to campus.

“Duquesne University has a responsibility to participate in the local church,” explains Cesareo. “We live out that relationship between the church community and the University in Clergy Day.”

Session topics included the spiritual journey of priesthood, bioethical issues at the end of life and maintaining self-sufficiency.

Pittsburgh Bishop Donald Wuerl is especially happy that Clergy Day has returned to the Bluff. “This is an excellent example of resources being placed at the service of the Church,” comments Wuerl. “I’m delighted that it has started again and look forward to Clergy Day for many years to come.”

Dr. Francesco Cesareo, dean of the McAnulty College & Graduate School of Liberal Arts, and Pittsburgh Bishop Donald Wuerl at Clergy Day.
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Sr. Mary Janet Ryan, E’47, recently received the John E. McGrady Award for humanitarian service from the board of the Catholic Youth Association in Pittsburgh, the Rooney Family and the Art Rooney Award Dinner Committee. The award honored in part her more than 13 years of service as a volunteer victim-witness advocate. She is celebrating her 70th jubilee and retired from Seton Hill University in 1990.

1950s

Michael Socash, E’50, retired from teaching at William H. Crocker School in Hillsborough, Ca. The school honored his 25 years of service with a bronze plaque on the walk in front of the school. He taught in Pennsylvania and Ohio before moving to California. He is currently a substitute teacher, very active with the St. Vincent de Paul Society and president of his church conference. Dr. George J. Pavlic, S’52, retired after nearly 40 years in the private practice of hematology/oncology. He has written the book, Coming to Grips with Cancer and Chemotherapy, for cancer patients, their families and anyone wishing to know what cancer patients endure. More information is available at www.geocities.com/docpavlic. Elizabeth Riley Lambert, A’58, professor of English at Gettysburg College, has received the Edwin T. and Cynthia Shearer Johnson Distinguished Teaching Professorship in the Humanities. The criteria for selection includes being a senior member of the humanities faculty, who, without neglecting scholarship, has gained stature primarily as an exceptional classroom teacher. Lambert’s book, Edmund Burke of Beaconsfield, a biography of the 18th century British statesman, was published by the University of Delaware Press in 2003.

1960s

Carol (Mamula) Morgan, A’63, featured a gesture drawing on the TV show White House Chronicles on WHUT, Howard University. The program also aired on 360 other PBS stations. Peter Brunette, A’65, GA’67, has accepted a position as Reynolds Professor of Film Studies at Wake Forest University. He has been teaching at George Mason University for the past 29 years and his most recent book on the Hong Kong filmmaker, Wong Kar-wai, was published by the University of Illinois Press. James T. Delisi, A’68, is a retired federal employee and army reservist who works part-time for a non-profit organization in Morgantown, W.Va. His article, Slaying the Manpower Dragon, was published in the May-June 2005 issue of Army Logistician.

1970s

Deborah Kumer Coltrane, N’73, received an M.B.A. from Waynesburg College. She also holds an M.S.N. from LaRoche College. She is currently director of marketing and education for Pocket Nurse (Pittsburgh), a nurse-owned and operated company that sells medical supplies and equipment to healthcare educators. Arthur Leonard, L’75, has been named a 2005 Super Lawyer by Law & Politics Magazine. This prestigious award is received by only five percent of lawyers in the state.
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Alumni Updates

Leonard is a senior partner of Robb Leonard Mulvihill, located in Pittsburgh. He practices largely to litigation as well as land use development, construction law and municipal law. He is a member of the Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County and Outstanding Lawyers of America, and was awarded the highest legal rating by Martindale Hubbell.

Marvin J. Balliet, B’79, was recently promoted to chief operating officer for the Global Private Client Americas Division of Merrill Lynch in Princeton, N.J. Dr. Christine Patti-Heisler, E’79, has been hired by California University of Pennsylvania as an associate professor in the Secondary Education Program. She will be teaching graduate level classes for aspiring elementary/secondary principals. She has been an elementary principal for the last 19 years. Debra W. Riefner, B’79, has been named senior vice president, corporate banking of National City Bank of Pennsylvania. In addition to managing strategic relationships, she will oversee health care and higher education initiatives. In 2004, Riefner received the National City Excel Award for revenue growth, the highest employee recognition from the bank. She is a member of the Healthcare Financial Management Association and the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Lynn Jones-Sandler, E’79, graduated in May from Bryn Mawr College with a master’s degree in social work and social services. She recently started a private counseling practice in the Princeton, N.J. area. Larry Slater, A’79, GA’80, has opened a market research consulting firm in Mt. Lebanon, Pa., which concentrates on such areas as market research, competitive intelligence, due diligence, analysis of industry trends, media coverage analysis, freelance writing for executives or organizations and Web site text, and also offers development, audience and trends research and analysis for nonprofits. Previously he was the research director for the Pittsburgh Business Times.
DU Father-Daughter Team
Enrich Community Theater

Playwright Anastasia Matejka, A’98, GA’00, was always taught to “write what you know,” so it’s little wonder that the setting for her first musical is a small, religious college campus. What may be surprising, however, is that her collaborator was her father, Ken, a veteran professor in the A.J. Palumbo School of Business Administration. The two combined their personal interests and professional talents to write, score and direct Losing Your Faculties, a musical comedy about the “wacky hijinks” of college life from the viewpoints of both students and faculty. The play had a successful community theater run last spring in Cranberry Township, Pa.

The elder Matejka had plenty of insight to offer from his 30 years of experience teaching in higher education. However, his main contribution was as composer, lyricist and musical director (he studied music at Carnegie Tech—now Carnegie Mellon University—in his younger years). Anastasia has been honing her playwriting and acting skills since she was a student at Duquesne. She also served as director for Losing Your Faculties. Anastasia Matejka insists that none of the characters from her play are based on real people but admits she was inspired by her days at Duquesne. In fact, she is currently developing a second musical show titled Play Dead, based on a one-act play she wrote in college.

1990s

Frank Kumor, GM’93, currently teaching at Kutztown University, has recently performed as a soloist in International Percussion Festivals in Spain, Brazil, Argentina, Poland, Mexico and Puerto Rico. He will also be returning to Spain this year to serve on a panel of adjudicators for an international marimba competition and premiering a new work composed for him by former Duquesne faculty member Stanley Leonard. Melinda Merk, JD’94, has joined Holland & Knight’s Private Wealth Services Section as senior counsel. She focuses on domestic and international tax planning, estate planning, estate administration, and business law for individuals, families and business owners. Cheryl Grieo, N’97, has been appointed nurse manager of the Surgical Progressive Care Unit at Jefferson Regional Medical Center.

Dr. James I. Joubert, GH’97, graduated from Louisiana State University School of Medicine with a Doctor of Medicine in 2004 and completed the first year of his residency in psychiatry at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston. Colleen (Covey) Stratman, GH’97, has been accepted into the physiology Ph.D. program at the Medical College of Wisconsin. She has been working as physical therapist. Dr. Timothy P. Muldoon, GA’98, has been named director of Boston College’s newly created Church in the 21st Century Center. The center was created in the spring of 2002 to assist Cynthia (Papageorgiou) Kot, B’83, earned a Master of Business Administration degree from Walsh College in Troy, Mich. Scott H. Cupp, A’83, co-authored No One Can Hurt Him Anymore, a true story of a Florida child abuse case. Cupp is the assistant state attorney in the Lee County Office in Florida, supervising 28 prosecutors in the felony division. David Finoli, A’83, is the co-author of two books (his fourth and fifth) released during the summer. When the Bucs Won It All, the story of the 1979 World Champion Pittsburgh Pirates, was written with Bill Ranier, A’83. Tales of the Steel City Gridirons, co-authored with Chris Fletcher, A’84, describes the history of football that has been played in Western Pennsylvania, including Duquesne University. Falco A. Muscante, A’83, JD’87, has joined the law firm of Maiello Brungo & Maiello, LLP. He provides counsel in the areas of public sector law and is also director of the South Allegheny School Board. Traci L. (Johns) Belanger, A’86, was promoted to the position of coordinator of counseling services for Southern New Hampshire University.
Former DU Athlete Continues
to Score at Senior Games

More than 50 years ago, Carl Pacacha, A’52, tasted victory on the basketball court as a starting guard during the Duquesne Dukes’ glory years. He was co-captain of the 1952 team that ranked fourth in the nation, and played in the NIT and NCAA finals. In 1993, he was inducted into the Duquesne Sports Hall of Fame.

Over the years, Pacacha found similar athletic success on the tennis court, becoming the reigning champion in Michigan in the 70-74 age bracket. This past summer, he and doubles partner Dick Rood captured the silver medal at the National Senior Games tennis competition held in Pittsburgh’s Schenley Park.

Pacacha, a Korean War veteran, continued on in higher education, earning master’s and doctoral degrees from Michigan State University. He and his wife Joan, also a member of the class of 1952, reside in Rochester Hills, Mich.

Alumni Updates

Dr. Lynn George, GN’01, was named associate dean for the School of Nursing at Robert Morris University. Amira (Hadziabdic) Tann, A’01, is a finance analyst for the Department of Defense. Shawn Tann, B’01, is a systems analyst for BAE Systems.

Marriages


New Arrivals

APD Fraternity Brother Honored for Community Involvement

Tony Williams, B’81, was honored as the 2005 Outstanding Alumnus at the annual dinner of the Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity Pittsburgh Alumni Club. Williams received the Adam DiVincenzo Award for Community Involvement. Williams is an active volunteer for numerous organizations and projects including the Pennsylvania “Adopt a Highway” litter control program, Our Lady of Grace parish, the Chartiers Valley Creative and Performing Arts Award Scholarship, Keep Collier Township Beautiful Committee, and Central Blood Bank. A proud Italian-American, Williams was also the 1994 recipient of the prestigious “David Award” from the Italo-American National Union in Chicago for fraternalism and is a past treasurer of the annual Columbus Day Parade in Pittsburgh.

In Memoriam

Alumna Authors Children’s Book

Linda Dickerson, GA’83, became an accidental author when the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children invited her to be a story reader during Library Week. She received such an enthusiastic response to her original story about the school’s mascot Lavi the Lion that she eventually put the tale on paper. The result is a 32-page children’s picture book, full of puns and word play, illustrated by Jennifer Rempel and published by The Local History Company. The book chronicles the adventures of a young lion that travels from Africa to Pittsburgh where he finds a new “pride” and home in a most unexpected location.

Dickerson is a writer, columnist, magazine publisher and the principal of a management consulting practice for nonprofits. She is an active leader in the community, working with many organizations that strive to improve the lives of children. Dickerson donates her royalties from Lavi the Lion to the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children.

Red Manning

Red Manning, a native of Munhall, Pa., began his basketball career at Duquesne in 1947 as a member of the freshman team. Manning became a starter as a sophomore and captained the Dukes as a senior, playing on the 1950 NIT team that was the second-winningest in school history at the time with a 23-6 record.

He graduated with a degree in education in 1951 and completed his master’s in administration in 1953. Manning was drafted in the eighth round by the NBA’s Fort Wayne Pistons in 1951.

Manning later returned to Duquesne to coach basketball and inherited a team that was 10-12 in 1957-58. Four years later, under Manning, the team improved to 22-7, with the No. 17 (AP) ranking and a semifinal appearance in the 1962 NIT. He led the ’62 Dukes to a high rank of No. 3, and Duquesne’s basketball team appeared in the Top 10 for the first time since 1955-56. Over his 16 years of coaching, Manning won 247 games.

He stepped down as head coach following the 1973-74 season and was named director of Athletics until 1982, when he retired.

Manning was known for emphasis on defense. He once summed up his defensive philosophy by saying: “The good offensive player must have exceptional ability. Ordinary players can compensate for their offensive shortcomings by working hard on defense. You can teach defense to any player if he wants to work. That’s what defense is—hard work and teamwork.”

Manning died on April 27, 2005, in Bethel Park, Pa., at age 76.

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Be on the lookout for...

September 14, 2005

September 17, 2005
Alumni reception at the home of Rich (B’68) and Martha (E’69) Grattan, Hilton Head, S.C., 6–8 p.m. Free but advance reservations required.

September 17, 2005

September 18, 2005
Lowcountry Boil and Steelers Party at the home of Jeff (B’78) and Mary (P’79) Meredith, Marietta, Ga. (Atlanta area), 12–5 p.m. Free but advance reservations required.

September 18, 2005
Steelers Party hosted by Pete Klein (P’88) at Parata Systems, Durham, N.C. (Raleigh-Durham area), 12:30–5 p.m. Free but advance reservations required.

September 19, 2005
“Faith and Politics: Conversations About Values in the Public Sphere” featuring Cardinal Theodore McCarrick and Fr. Richard John Neuhaus, Duquesne Room, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Visit www.faithandpolitics.duq.edu for information and registration.

September 26, 2005
Alumni networking reception at Lockwood-Mathews Mansion, Norwalk, Conn., 7–9 p.m., $20. Advance reservations required.

September 27, 2005
Alumni networking reception at Prudential Tower, Skywalk Observatory (50th floor), Boston, Mass., 7–9 p.m., $20. Advance reservations required.

October 10, 2005
School of Nursing Alumni Fundraiser at Kaufmann’s, Ross Park Mall (Pittsburgh’s North Hills). Buy a $5 ticket to shop all day at Kaufmann’s and get 25 percent off all sale and regular merchandise, 15 percent on home store and furniture. All ticket proceeds go to the Nursing Alumni Association. To purchase tickets, call 412.396.6347 or stop by the School of Nursing, 544 Fisher Hall.

October 13-16, 2005
Homecoming 2005 and Freshman Parent Weekend

November 4, 2005
Alumni networking reception at the Union League Club, Chicago, Ill., 6:30–8:30 p.m., $20. Advance reservations required.

November 10, 2005
Alumni networking reception at the Cleveland Botanical Garden, Cleveland, Ohio, 6:30–8:30 p.m., $20. Advance reservations required.

December 2, 2005
Alumni reception and Kimmel Center Show — save the date, more details are coming!

For information on alumni events, please call the Alumni Relations office at (800) I-LOVE-DU or visit us at www.alumni.duq.edu.