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Many of you are familiar with the statue of the Reverend Joseph Strub, C.S.Sp., that stands outside the doors of Old Main. Exiled from Germany in 1872, Fr. Strub and his small band of Spiritans made their way to Pittsburgh, where they ministered to the immigrant community. Fr. Strub reluctantly accepted the bishop’s invitation to establish a Catholic college, and toiled for nearly four years laying the groundwork for its opening.

Two weeks after the first classes were held, Fr. Strub left Pittsburgh to set up a new Spiritan outpost in Arkansas. He was our founder, but he was not our first president. That distinction fell to the Reverend William Patrick Power, C.S.Sp., then called our rector. His tenure, too, was brief—only six years—but his achievements were many. The College’s legal charter was secured under his administration. He kept the school running while its faculty was ravaged by epidemics of smallpox and polio. He arranged for the school’s first purchase of land, and he spearheaded the construction of our signature building—Old Main.

For a time, a building called Power Hall existed on Vickroy Street, but it was demolished long ago. While Fr. Strub’s image graces the entrance to the structure Fr. Power built, there has been no permanent edifice on campus memorializing Fr. Power—until now.

This issue’s cover story celebrates the opening of the Power Center, our new multipurpose facility. It is a tribute to Fr. Power’s expansive spirit and enduring vision.

Old Main provided the physical facilities the fledgling college needed to grow and prosper, but it was also a statement. Its grand architecture and highly visible location signaled ambitious hopes and plans for the future. The same is true of the Power Center.

From a practical standpoint, the Power Center’s three floors of recreational space and equipment, enlarged bookstore, and new ballroom will help us to attract, retain, and better serve an expanding student body. From a symbolic point of view, its location reflects our renewed commitment to community engagement. The Power Center’s street-level retail stores and restaurants will enliven and serve the entire Uptown neighborhood, setting a precedent for our planned future developments along the busy Forbes Avenue corridor.

Walk past the Power Center at any time, glance through its windows, and you’ll see a blur of activity that hints at the vibrant spirit of continuous improvement permeating every corner of the Duquesne community. These pages contain even more evidence.

Our Nonprofit Leadership Institute is blazing new trails for disabled people seeking to serve their communities, while bioethics students are reaching out to learn and serve in impoverished Uganda. Our School of Nursing has increased its commitment to research, while the Gumberg Library has expanded its facilities and services for teachers and children. And our MBA program has received international recognition for incorporating principles of social and environmental sustainability—reflecting a mission-driven institutional priority also demonstrated in the Power Center’s eco-friendly design.

Far beyond our campus borders, our alumni carry Duquesne to all corners of the earth. In this issue, you’ll meet a decorated veteran who prevailed against our nation’s enemies and the evils of discrimination; an alumna overcoming her cerebral palsy to advocate for the poor and hungry; and 10 outstanding graduates from all walks of life recognized for living our mission and values with our prestigious new Mind, Heart, and Spirit Awards.

We also take time to thank our most generous annual donors—the members of the Duquesne Society—who lead the way in supporting our students and our many initiatives.

Like Fr. Strub, Fr. Power left shortly after his crowning achievement, accepting an assignment in Trinidad. But his legacy lives on—in the oldest and newest buildings on campus, and in the students, faculty, staff, and alumni who comprise today’s Duquesne community. Guided by the Spirit—and with your continued support—we share Fr. Power’s abiding faith and confidence in the future of Duquesne University. Thank you for being a part of it.

Sincerely,

Charles J. Dougherty, Ph.D.
President
Mary Elizabeth McCarthy’s story was first told in the Pittsburgh Catholic.

Mary Elizabeth McCarthy, A’66, GA’68, has been described as a passionate social activist for legal reform of services for the poor, a gifted writer and researcher, a religious teacher in the pattern of Christ and mostly, a flag bearer for the hungry.

McCarthy’s devotion to helping those in need has its roots on our Bluff, where she earned a bachelor’s degree in history and a master’s degree in American history.

Her student involvement in Duquesne’s Chi Rho Society, a group of men and women seeking spiritual and biblical learning, helped germinate the seeds of her social activism.

“Out of the Psalms we studied came the laments and yearnings of the hungry—hunger for both physical and spiritual food. Two decades later when I began my work with hunger, I realized that those Psalms had created a blueprint for me,” says McCarthy.
While at Duquesne in the ’60s, her love of scripture flourished and she began to attend Mass as often as possible.

“So many of my professors also attended regularly; that was a powerful witness to me,” she says. “I viewed Duquesne as having a very deep spiritual center. Duquesne was the place where my faith began to grow more fully and mature gradually.

“Of course, faith is never fully rooted until death, I believe,” she continues. “But for the witness of faith in action here on the Bluff, my life would be much poorer.”

McCarthy’s tossing down of the gauntlet against such a mighty opponent as world hunger is not surprising to those who know her. McCarthy has battled her whole life. She was born with cerebral palsy. As a child, she didn’t walk until she was three.

Today, her disability still attempts to thwart her. It has attacked nerves in her eyes and her esophagus. Stints in the hospital loom on the horizon; a palsy flare last year left her fatigued and with more deteriorating muscles.

That said, her body is not who Mary Elizabeth McCarthy is. Her cerebral palsy does not define her; her heart, mind, soul and good works do that.

She is a lector at St. Charles Lwanga Church in Pittsburgh’s East End and serves there on the pastoral council and directs youth education.

She is a board member and dedicated volunteer at Just Harvest, an advocacy and service agency for the impoverished of the city.

Last year, McCarthy, of Pittsburgh’s Garfield neighborhood, was recognized for her work to stave hunger in the city by receiving the Community Champions Award from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, the Pittsburgh Foundation and WQED-TV.

Her work fighting hunger began when she served as a volunteer at Pittsburgh’s East End Cooperative Ministry food pantry decades ago and today, she continues to arrange meals for the organization’s men’s shelter.

“We are the wealthiest country in the world—I think that it is a travesty that people go hungry here,” she says. “Feeding the hungry is mentioned 158 times in the Bible. It is in the Old and New testaments. It is a mission of the Lord.”

She says it bothers her when people say that the poor put themselves in these situations.

“They have been with me through the good and the bad parts of my life,” says McCarthy, of her Duquesne friends. “I consider each of them a treasure in their own way.”

“Who asks for such a life of struggle? We need to change that perception,” she says.

Due to her health and physical limitations, McCarthy primarily organizes meals, menus and servers, and advocates for legislation to improve conditions for the impoverished.

“My active mission work has become more behind the scenes,” she says.

At Just Harvest, McCarthy also staffs telephone campaigns, contacts legislators and helps with the implementation of the tax preparation program for the underprivileged. That work has yielded clients more than $2 million in refunds in the past two years.

And when she is not helping those agencies, she’s guiding more people to follow Christ’s teachings.

“The values that Duquesne instilled in me were ever a guide to me.”

“If anyone asks me how they can volunteer with the hungry, I say find the local food bank or shelter. It will be the most rewarding thing you ever do. If you can’t do the work, send supplies or money. If you can’t do that, lobby for legislation,” she says.

Another big part of her life is her “Duquesne family.” She is still close to several alumni who were her fellow Chi Rho members: Thomas Mangan, A’66, Richard Signore, A’66, and Maura McDowell, E’67. Barbara Drummond, A’66, was McCarthy’s instant friend when they met on the first day of orientation at Duquesne. They continue a close friendship today.

“They have been with me through the good and the bad parts of my life,” says McCarthy, of her Duquesne friends. “I consider each of them a treasure in their own way. The fabric of our lives were intertwined through an oasis on the Bluff.”

Her time on our Bluff shaped the person McCarthy would become, from opening her up to appreciating art, music and drama, to inspiring her to live her dreams, to instilling a sense of mission.

“I knew that it was possible to soar with my dreams. And I grew in empathy with those who suffered from the inequalities of life,” she says. “The idea of eradicating social ills did not seem to be futile. The values that Duquesne instilled in me were ever a guide to me.”

By Terri Bogolea Gallagher, A’81, and Megan Tressler
TEACHING & PERFORMING: An Ideal Balance

Because the Jack W. Geltz Distinguished Piano Chair enables the Music School to present high quality concerts, it also helps to educate high quality musicians.

At colleges and universities everywhere, teaching, service and scholarship are the words used to describe faculty accomplishments. In the field of music, however, scholarship often means performance.

And by offering faculty performances, music schools do more than provide a showcase for talent or a benchmark for scholarly achievement. Concerts and recitals are important tools for improving the educational experience of students and effective ways to enhance their public image.

At Duquesne University’s Mary Pappert School of Music, performance has long been an important component of its public outreach and educational philosophies. Now, thanks to an endowment that established the Jack W. Geltz Distinguished Piano Chair, performance at Duquesne is making a fine music program even stronger.
The Geltz Chair, a full-time, tenure track faculty position, was created by a financial gift from Jack W. Geltz, an avid classical music fan who received his bachelor’s degree in 1949 and a master’s degree in 1984 from Duquesne. The Geltz endowment makes it possible for the Music School to have an exceptional performer and teacher like David Allen Wehr, who was appointed to the Geltz Chair when it was created in 2006.

Wehr, who previously was Duquesne’s first Hillman Distinguished Professor, brings 30 years of performing experience to the classroom. According to Wehr, the Geltz endowment provides more than a guarantee that he can continue performing; the Geltz chair makes it possible for him to be a teacher and a performer, the perfect position for guiding the next generation of pianists.

In fact, Wehr believes that concerts may benefit music students in this way: performances help the faculty who take the stage because when teachers undergo the ordeal of getting ready to play, they are far better able to impart the essential skills of the performer to their students. Those performance skills are the intangibles that make it possible for a musician to truly master the instrument and the music, rare abilities that transform complex but rote tasks into art. They cannot effectively be taught by the uninitiated, Wehr says.

“These are not things a person is born knowing,” Wehr says. “Someone has to pass on their knowledge to you, and one of the biggest contributions I can make here at Duquesne is to draw upon my years of experience, my years of traveling and performing, and bring it to bear in very specific ways to the students I work with, one-on-one.”

Edward Kocher, dean of the School of Music, agrees that faculty performance improves teaching. For one thing, he points out, performances provide an excellent opportunity for teachers to model the behavior they expect in their students, particularly when the performances are of the highest quality, like Brahms on the Bluff, a project now wrapping up its final season. This three-year series of concerts presented the complete chamber music of Johannes Brahms and featured Wehr, the principal pianist and artistic director for the series, along with faculty performers and special guest artists.

Students not only attended the concerts, they were very much aware of the preparation for the performances.

“We’re an educational institution, and putting on concerts like this is really for the students,” Kocher says about Brahms on the Bluff. “These concerts can have life-changing possibilities when students hear this music played at this level in their own school and are taught by the musicians who perform it.”

Elaborating on how performance makes better teachers, Wehr comments that “for one thing it forces me to broaden my repertoire, and if I’m teaching something that I have performed many times, I simply know so much more about the work—not just how to perform it with precision in the studio, but how to perform it onstage, with other musicians, whose sound output must be balanced with mine.”

It works the other way too. “Teaching makes me a better performer,” Wehr says, adding, “I think most teachers would agree that it makes them better performers. Teaching requires a musician to articulate verbally what they normally would do automatically, and forces them to refine their ideas, not only about technicalities such as fingering and volume, but ideas related to expression and style, the elements of artistry that separate master from journeyman.”

Along with helping to enhance the quality of instruction, Brahms on the Bluff also shows how performances can help boost a music school’s reputation. Immensely successful, Brahms on the Bluff has attracted record numbers of concertgoers to PNC Recital Hall, with overflow seating needed at some of the performances. But more important than the size of the audience is the fact that for many it was their first concert at Duquesne. More important still was the audience’s reaction.

Kocher says that Brahms on the Bluff succeeded more than

Dean Edward Kocher, David Allen Wehr, Jack W. Geltz and President Charles J. Dougherty.
Sunday, February 24
Brahms on the Bluff: The Clarinet Chronicles
James Campbell, clarinet
Guenko Guechev, bass-baritone
Donald McInnes, viola
Charles Stegeman and Rachel Stegeman, violin
David Allen Wehr, piano
Anne Martindale Williams, cello
3 p.m./PNC Recital Hall
$10 Suggested Donation

Friday, February 29
Duquesne University Wind Symphony and Symphony Band
Robert C. Cameron, conductor
Performance for the CBDNA Conference, Washington, D.C.
8 p.m./The United States Marine Band Concert Hall

Sunday, March 30
Duquesne University Symphony Orchestra
Sidney Harth, music director
The Dean’s Concert
Works by Ezra Laderman, Former Dean, Yale School of Music
Dean Robert Sirotta, Manhattan School of Music
Marilyn Taft Thomas, Former Head, Carnegie Mellon University School of Music
Concerto No.14 in E flat, KV 449 by W.A. Mozart with soloist Dean Robert Blocker, Yale School of Music, piano
8 p.m./Carnegie Music Hall, Oakland
$10 Suggested Donation
Broadcast Live on 89.3 WQED-FM

Sunday, April 6
Pappert Women’s Chorale, Pappert Men’s Chorale, and Voices of Spirit
Christine Jordanoff and Richard Teaster, conductors
3 p.m./Epiphany Church

Thursday, April 10
The Duquesne Contemporary Ensemble
David Stock, conductor
8 p.m./PNC Recital Hall
$10 Suggested Donation

Monday, April 14
Duquesne University Jazz Ensemble
Mike Tomaro, director
Featuring Chuck Loeb
8 p.m./Manchester Craftsmen’s Guild

Friday, April 18, 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 20, 3 p.m.
Don Giovanni
Opera Workshop
Guenko Guechev, director
Duquesne University Symphony Orchestra
Sidney Harth, music director
Carnegie Public Library Music Hall, Carnegie
$10 Suggested Donation

Saturday, April 19
Duquesne University Wind Symphony and Symphony Band
Robert C. Cameron, conductor
8 p.m./Ballroom, Power Center
$10 Suggested Donation

For more information, please call 412.396.6083.

anticipated mainly for the way the public responded to the performances. “Literally dozens of people have approached me after the concerts to thank us for putting on the Brahms concerts,” says Kocher, adding that this unprecedented level of appreciation is highly gratifying.

Brahms on the Bluff has also been an example of exemplary collaboration among musicians. “It’s not about financial compensation at this level,” says Kocher. “It’s about artistic expression and joy.”

“It takes a huge commitment from the musicians,” adds Wehr. “We work very, very hard to prepare for them, but the actual concerts are sheer joy for us because the musicians want to perform this music.”

The Geltz Chair provides the financial resources to make the Mary Pappert School of Music’s piano performance capabilities permanent. That is important because the piano is the polestar of music. The instrument’s essential role in music history is indisputable, and the piano’s sonic range and expressive potential continue to cinch key roles for it in every musical genre. Today, as in centuries past, piano soloists earn accolades and command salaries envied but seldom surpassed by other musicians.

Moreover, the instrument’s intuitive keyboard design offers the promise—if not the fulfillment—of undraping music’s secrets, and so the piano has served for centuries as the learner’s chalkboard and creator’s workshop. For those reasons, every Duquesne music major, his or her instrument of choice notwithstanding, studies piano for four semesters.

Those factors put the piano program at the heart of a music school, and make it imperative that the school has a strong piano faculty. Even before the Hillman Chair, Duquesne’s piano faculty was a widely respected and accomplished group of teachers and musicians. However, having a faculty member teach and perform at the highest levels has nevertheless been an undeniable boon to the program.

In addition to all of its other benefits, performance may be credited with attracting new students. Wehr claims that the majority of the graduate students he now teaches come to Duquesne specifically to study with him, an indication, he feels, that the students are aware of his record as a performer. Kocher agrees, adding that Wehr, with a reputation formed by performance and competition, has attracted not just more but more accomplished prospects to the graduate piano program.

For Wehr, his appointment to the Geltz Chair, and the Hillman Chair before that, has been the opportunity of a lifetime—one that enables him to prepare a new generation of pianists for the concert stage and simultaneously perform the music he loves with friends and colleagues:

“To me this situation is close to ideal.”

By Richard Tourtellott
Nancy A. Boxill, Ph.D.
A’69, will be the keynote speaker at the annual Duquesne University Downtown Luncheon on Wednesday, March 26.

Boxill’s grandfather was former Duquesne basketball star and Negro League baseball legend Cumberland Posey, and her grandmother was the first woman elected to the school board in nearby Homestead, Pa. Not surprisingly, Boxill has broken several barriers herself, and has dedicated her life and career to helping others do the same.

One of a handful of black students on our Bluff in the turbulent late 1960s, she was influenced by the events of the day and by Duquesne’s distinctive programs in existential phenomenology. After receiving her bachelor’s degree in psychology from Duquesne, she earned a master’s degree at the New School for Social Research in New York and a doctorate from Union Institute in Cincinnati. She spent 20 years practicing psychology and social work—among other things, managing YWCA shelters for homeless women and children in Atlanta. There, Boxill came to see how public policy decisions affect people’s daily lives, a realization that eventually led her into government service.

In 1987, she was appointed by Georgia’s governor to fill an unexpired term on the Fulton County Commission. Then, following in her grandmother’s footsteps, she ran for—and won—a full term, becoming the first elected female commissioner—of any race—in the county’s history. She has been repeatedly re-elected to her 6th District seat ever since.

During two decades in office, Boxill has focused on programs that help women and families overcome poverty and discrimination, tackling such issues as child care, family leave and affirmative action. She has encouraged qualified women and minorities to step forward for positions of leadership, appointing dozens to public boards and authorities.

While tending to the needs of her constituents, Boxill has remained active in volunteer service with such organizations as the National Black Arts Festival and the Atlanta Opera, and holds faculty positions at Union Institute and Atlanta’s Emory University.

Join Duquesne alumni from throughout the Pittsburgh area to hear Boxill’s insights on current issues and remembrances from her formative years on our Bluff.

The luncheon returns this year to the David L. Lawrence Convention Center. Registration opens at 11 a.m. with lunch served at noon. For information about individual reservations and corporate table sponsorships, call 412.396.6209 or visit www.alumni.duq.edu.

By Bob Woodside, A’83
Focus on RESEARCH

Duquesne’s New Center for Nursing Research helps fund, focus and conduct research projects
Research and scholarship have long been the foundation of nursing science. A quick survey of recent nursing history shows that university schools of nursing—blessed with intellectual capital, physical resources and a tradition of inquiry—have often been where the discoveries that advance nursing science take place.

Hoping to ensure its place in that tradition of discovery, the School of Nursing at Duquesne University has established a new center to facilitate faculty research.

The Duquesne University School of Nursing created the Center for Nursing Research (CNR) to expand the faculty research base, develop new scholars and programs of research, provide support services to faculty who undertake research projects, and increase external research funding. In addition, the CNR will help develop an academic culture in the School of Nursing fully aware of the centrality of research to the nursing profession.

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The CNR is currently searching for a full-time director. In the meantime, Associate Professor Linda Goodfellow, Ph.D., R.N., is acting as the interim director and working to build the physical and intellectual infrastructure for scholarship and research.

According to Goodfellow, the CNR Blackboard Organization Web site, which announces funding opportunities and is a repository for a wealth of other information, is a good example of that infrastructure.

“Faculty as well as master’s and doctoral students have access to the CNR Blackboard Organization site,” says Goodfellow. “Graduate student research assistants are available to assist faculty with searching and retrieving full-text articles on specific topics of study, creating tables and graphs for scholarly publications or developing PowerPoint presentations. Also, we have recently hired a grant writer.”

Goodfellow also pointed out that a Forum for Research and Scholarship (FORS), created for the purpose of intellectual discussion and debate and to promote research activities, meets monthly. Mock reviews are also held monthly so that faculty has an opportunity to get feedback from their peers prior to submitting a manuscript for publication or a grant application.

The CNR supports both quantitative and qualitative research. According to Associate Professor Rick Zoucha, Ph.D., R.N., every form of qualitative inquiry has a guiding philosophy, and in nursing research at Duquesne common qualitative methodologies include elements common to ethnography, grounded theory, phenomenology, ethnonursing, and participatory action research.

“Because qualitative methods of research are personal and relational, they can lead to a profound understanding of and deeper connections to those we serve,” Zoucha says.

The goal of qualitative research in nursing is to discover and understand phenomena related to clinical nursing issues. Using in-depth interviews, nurse researchers attempt to understand the perceptions and meaning of patients’ experiences through the patients’ eyes.

Assistant Professor Gretchen Schumacher, Ph.D., C.R.N.P., says, “Qualitative nursing research not only helps the nurse researcher understand little known phenomena, but it also helps give voice to the voiceless and the kind of empowerment that helps to promote health.”

In addition to qualitative research methods, “Many in the School of Nursing are vested in quantitative methodologies with the ultimate goal of developing interventions to improve patient care,” Goodfellow says. Quality of life issues in adults with congenital heart disease, the relationship between health literacy and HIV medication adherence, spirituality, reminiscent therapy in the elderly, and elderly abuse are just a few of the research projects currently underway.

“This is an exciting time in the School of Nursing,” Goodfellow says, “and the creation of the CNR is a perfect example of the deep commitment held by faculty and administration to advance nursing science in the School of Nursing.”

By Richard Turfellott
Duquesne University has been ranked No. 8 worldwide by the Aspen Institute for leadership in integrating social and environmental issues into its Master of Business Administration (MBA) program.

Schools ranked in the top 10 include Stanford, Notre Dame, Columbia and Cornell. Duquesne is ranked ahead of Yale, which came in at No. 9. Locally, Carnegie Mellon University ranked No. 27 and the University of Pittsburgh ranked No. 72.

Duquesne, which recently launched an MBA for Sustainability, was also ranked No. 1 worldwide among schools of its size in 2007.

“We are honored to receive this recognition,” says Dr. Alan R. Miciak, dean of the Palumbo Donahue School of Business. “We live in a rapidly changing world that requires business education and the free enterprise system to move at similar speeds. Social, ethical and environmental issues have been at the fore of our University since its founding, and they are common denominators in all that we do. The Aspen Institute provides a valuable service to global business education, and we at Duquesne are proud to participate in their mission.”

*Beyond Grey Pinstripes*, the biennial survey by the Aspen Institute Center for Business Education, looks at how social and environmental issues are integrated into programs that shape the training of future business leaders to compile its Global Top 100 list. More than 600 internationally accredited business schools were invited to participate.

“In the *Beyond Grey Pinstripes* survey, success is measured not by how much new MBA graduates earn or how many offers they get, but by how well-prepared they are to guide a company through the complex relationship of business and society, where issues relating to the environment or the well-being of a community can impact a company’s performance and reputation,” says Judith Samuelson, executive director of the Aspen Institute Business and Society Program.

Duquesne implemented the full-time, one-year MBA for Sustainability to incorporate the bedrock elements of ethics and fiscal responsibility into a global-minded program with environmental and human capital considered part of a multidimensional bottom line.

This program was developed with input from local corporations and prospective students. It does not treat topics focused on sustainability as add-on courses, but as issues integrated into each course offering. Hands-on experiences with local and international companies are part of the program.

Learn more about the rankings and the survey findings at www.beyonggreypinstripes.org. Learn more about Duquesne’s MBA programs, including the MBA for Sustainability, at www.business.duq.edu/grad/programs/default.htm.
Duquesne’s Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences (BSNES) has received approval from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to offer a program of instruction leading to a Master of Science in Biotechnology. Dr. Alan W. Seadler, the Edward V. Fritzky Chair in Biotechnology Leadership at the University, has been named program director during this inaugural period.

While traditional M.S. programs in the sciences serve to train students for careers in academic research, the skills required in small and large biomedical industries include proficiency in modern laboratory techniques as well as a variety of skills in management, communication and product development.

The program is designed to train students who have received undergraduate science degrees for careers in research and development, product development or project management in the life sciences industry. In addition, the M.S. in biotechnology offers a pathway for students currently working in laboratory positions to gain the scientific and business knowledge they need to advance their careers.

Program faculty includes members from both BSNES and the John F. Donahue Graduate School of Business. Courses are taught in the evening and late afternoon, at convenient times for working professionals. A part-time student can complete the curriculum in two years of evening classes.

The music therapy program at Duquesne University has been instrumental in helping to garner a $75,000 grant to create a music therapy program at Villa St. Joseph, a long-term residential care facility operated by the Sisters of St. Joseph in Baden (outside of Pittsburgh), while simultaneously obtaining services for clients and providing research opportunities.

Through the collaborative efforts of Ray Niedenberger, director of development at Villa St. Joseph, and Sister Donna Marie Beck, director and chair of Duquesne’s music therapy program and a sister of St. Joseph, the Staunton Farm Foundation awarded the grant in July.

The grant will establish a music therapy program led by a certified music therapist consulting with Beck and eventually will incorporate the help of music therapist interns in conducting biweekly music therapy sessions. Brigette Sutton, a 2004 graduate of Duquesne’s music therapy program, will serve as director of the program, which will facilitate opportunities for student interns.

Dr. Paula Witt-Enderby, associate professor of pharmacology-toxicology, and Dr. Vicki Davis, assistant professor of pharmacology, are in the second year of a $250,000 research grant from the national Susan G. Komen for the Cure. They are examining the possibilities of breast cancer protection offered by melatonin, used separately or in conjunction with hormone replacement therapy.

Witt-Enderby and Davis have found that melatonin helps cells to cluster together and specialize, or differentiate, faster than normal. This is important because cancer tumors are created from non-differentiated cells, the researchers say. Melatonin can urge the cells in breast tissue of non-pregnant, non-nursing women to form the specialized cells created in

Dr. Paula Witt-Enderby and Dr. Vicki Davis
nursing mothers, the researchers say. They are working to prove that this specialization prompted by melatonin, or used in conjunction with other hormones, would also provide a level of protection from breast cancer risk, just as breast-feeding does.

Besides its abilities as a possible cancer preventive, melatonin also could aid in sleep treatment, reduce bone loss, and mitigate risk that could be associated with hormone replacement therapy—all issues that may affect women, especially in the time leading up to menopause.

**DU Spin-Off Receives Additional Funding**

Applied Isotope Technologies (AIT), a spin-off company from Duquesne University that measures the toxicity of small amounts of metals, has received additional funding from the Pittsburgh Life Sciences Greenhouse (PLSG).

The PLSG has invested $150,000 in AIT, which uses a technology and method approved by the U.S. Department of Environmental Protection to successfully measure toxicity levels of metals in soil, urine and other biological samples.

The method to accurately determine measurements of minute samples was developed by one of AIT’s founders, Dr. Howard M. “Skip” Kingston, a chemistry professor at Duquesne. The new investment will partially fund work that continues to be done in laboratories at Duquesne and at other locations.

Through this investment, AIT will work to launch new products to larger markets in general and clinical biochemistry, with the eventual goal of developing test kits and complete testing systems for clinical diagnostics.

“This funding will allow AIT to further develop testing kits that could be used in cases ranging from health concerns to security issues, virtually in any field that deals with biomedical or environmental samples,” says Dr. Alan W. Seadler, the associate academic vice president for research at Duquesne.

**Duquesne Offers Online Graduate Degree for Parish Managers**

Duquesne University has developed an online master’s degree for current and prospective parish managers. The graduate program, which began in September, was designed with input from both priests and parish managers.

The Parish Management program was developed in response to a growing need for organization and leadership skills specific to the context of religious institutions. “There is a fundamental shift in the way Catholic parishes are being administered in the 21st century,” says Dr. Dorothy Bassett, dean of Duquesne’s School of Leadership and Professional Advancement. “To combat the significant growth in workload and daily demands, and to maximize the time priests spend ministering to their parishioners, lay people are being employed in ever-increasing numbers to assume administrative responsibility for parish operations.”

Duquesne’s Parish Management will help prepare laity to provide the daily operational support needed to run a parish. While the program was designed with Catholic parishes in mind, the course work is applicable and open to other denominations with similar church administration positions that typically require knowledge of finance, human resources, fundraising and information technology.

**Expert in Environmental Management Systems, Supply Chain Management Accepts Murrin Chair at DU**

Dr. Robert P. Sroufe, Jr. has accepted the Murrin Chair in Global Competitiveness at Duquesne University’s John F. Donahue Graduate School of Business. In this position, Sroufe will involve students in hands-on projects with area businesses, emphasizing sustainability in auditing, process improvement and change management.

Sroufe will not only conduct research, but integrate it into the classroom and across the curriculum, reducing the distance between cutting-edge findings, the classroom and best practices in the field.

Before Sroufe’s arrival at Duquesne, he was assistant professor of operations management at the Wallace E. Carroll School of Management, Boston College; taught in the Eli Broad Graduate School of Management at Michigan State University; and served as project manager/logistics systems analyst for the Department of Defense in Battle Creek, Mich.

**Music Therapy Chair Named Professional of the Year in Music Education**

Sister Donna Marie Beck, professor and director of the Department of Music Therapy at the Mary Pappert School of Music, has been named Professional of the Year in Music Education by Cambridge Who’s Who.

Cambridge Who’s Who names only one member from each discipline as a Professional of the Year. The honorees are selected based on
their accomplishments, academic achievement, leadership and service.

A recognized expert in the field of music therapy, Sister Beck conducts music therapy workshops and seminars nationally and internationally. She also specializes in music and spirituality, education, and using the Bonny Method of Guided Imagery and Music.

Sister Beck began at the music school in 1982, after teaching music in Catholic elementary and secondary schools for 22 years. She holds a Ph.D. in formative spirituality and music, as well as an M.A., M.M.Ed. and a B.S. in music education from Duquesne.

Duquesne University Awards First Doctoral Degree in Rehabilitation Sciences

The Rangos School of Health Sciences conferred its first doctoral degree in rehabilitation sciences in August.

Joseph Michael Schreiber completed Duquesne’s doctoral program, which was created to help meet the critical need for teacher-scholars in health and rehabilitation sciences.

Schreiber, assistant professor in the physical therapy department at Chatham University, focused his dissertation on the influence of published research in guiding evidence-based interventions used by practicing pediatric physical therapists.

Duquesne Law Magazine Draws Top Honors from ABA

Duquesne’s Juris Magazine has been named Best Overall Magazine for 2007 by the American Bar Association’s Law Student Division.

Juris, published biannually, is a student-operated publication that publishes articles concerning

substantive areas of the law as well as matters of local and national interest. Duquesne law students, faculty and alumni contribute articles to the magazine. This marks the 12th time that Juris has received top honors from the ABA in this category.

New Program Enhances Leadership in Women Executives

National reports show that organizations with women in key leadership positions have strengthened their corporate reputation, attracted and retained tremendous talent, successfully targeted and succeeded in new markets, and differentiated themselves from the competition.

In support of these findings, the new Women’s Executive Leadership Program at Duquesne, developed by the Center for Corporate and Executive Education (CCEE), is designed to both enhance leadership skills of female executives as well as answer a need in the business community.

Over the course of six months, the Women’s Executive Leadership Program offers participants a four-part experience that includes:

- authentic leadership and global business skill development opportunities for organizational contributions via strategic stretch assignments under the guidance of external coaches/mentors
- collaboration with an executive steward, who serves as a culture change agent within the organization and as a mentor to the participant
- executive forums in which to share best practices and promote organizational change

For more information on the Women’s Executive Leadership Program, call the CCEE at 412.396.6190.

A financial advisor, a flooring dealer, a former fighter pilot and a funeral director. At first glance, they may seem to have little in common, however, each are alumni who have been recognized with the University’s 2007 Mind, Heart and Spirit Awards.

The awards program is part of a longtime partnership between Duquesne and the Pittsburgh Steelers Radio Network. The ties between the University and the family-owned National Football League franchise run deep. The team’s legendary founder, the late Arthur J. Rooney, Sr., his son and current chairman, Daniel M. Rooney, and grandson and current team president, Art Rooney II, are all well-known Duquesne alumni.

“The Mind, Heart and Spirit Awards offer us something more than just the promotional benefits of advertising on Steelers radio broadcasts,” explains Bridget Fare, Duquesne’s director of Public Affairs. “They also underscore our ongoing relationship with the Rooneys and the team, while allowing us to publicly recognize outstanding individuals.”

In their original incarnation, the awards were oriented toward admissions marketing, with area high school seniors being recognized for their academic and athletic performances. The focus changed this year, in accordance with intercollegiate athletic eligibility issues and a desire to spotlight a different aspect of the University’s community and identity.

“Our mission statement says everything you need to know about Duquesne,” says Julie Shepard, director of Alumni Relations. “Our
students live the mission every day on campus, but what’s truly remarkable is that they don’t leave it at the door when they pick up their diplomas. Our alumni carry the spirit of the mission into the rest of their lives.”

The revamped awards program—which honors 10 Duquesne alumni—emphasizes the five pillars of the mission—academic excellence, moral and spiritual values, ecumenism, service and world concerns. One recipient was honored at each Steelers exhibition and regular season home game—ten in all, two for each pillar. Honorees received two highly-coveted tickets to the game, along with premium parking passes and admission to the radio network’s pre-game VIP tent. Their names were displayed on Heinz Field’s Jumbotron scoreboard during the game and mentioned in that game’s Duquesne radio advertisements. All 10 winners later received commemorative trophies and additional recognition at an exclusive campus event.

The 2007 Mind, Heart and Spirit Award winners included:

**Moral and Spiritual Values**

**Patrick J. Molyneaux, B’87**
A partner in a family-owned floor covering business, Molyneaux was honored for building the Catholic Men’s Fellowship (CMF) program in the Diocese of Pittsburgh. As co-executive director, Molyneaux has organized scores of parish-based fellowships in which men gain a greater understanding of their Catholic faith and how to apply its principles to the challenges they face in their daily lives. CMF also organizes an annual conference that draws thousands of men to the Palumbo Center for speakers and worship.

**Dr. Vincent J. Morreale, A’89**
After earning a degree in social communications, Morreale went on to study chiropractic medicine and now owns and operates a thriving Pittsburgh practice. His strong work ethic, steadfast family values and selfless community involvement testify to the bedrock principles the Catholic faith imparts and Duquesne seeks to extend. Morreale actively supports Christian Sports International, Christian radio station WORD, and Catholic education at all levels, including North Catholic High School and Duquesne University.

Below: Mind, Heart and Spirit Award winners were honored at a Nov. 27 reception on campus. Among those in attendance were (left to right) Vincent Morreale, A’89; John Gannon, B’64; George D’Angelo, A’65; Rev. Timothy Hickey, C.S.S.P., executive director for Mission and Identity; University President Charles Dougherty; Samuel Spanos, B’80; Anthony Accamando, A’66; and Patrick Molyneaux, B’87. Honorees not pictured include Linda Hippert, GE’97; Ingrid Kanics, GHS’01; Gary Ritter, B’85; and Susan Simmers, GA’92.
Service

Ingrid Kanics, GHS’01
Kanics was permanently disabled by an accident while training to become an Army medic. Having previously served as a church volunteer and health care worker, she found a new healing vocation in the field of occupational therapy. Her class project — integrating therapeutic exercises with children’s play — has grown into a national movement that is revolutionizing the profession (see Duquesne University Magazine, Winter 2007) and a position as vice president with Pittsburgh’s Center for Creative Play.

Gary R. Ritter, B’85
Ritter owns and operates a Pittsburgh-area funeral home, and led recovery efforts in the Sharpsburg and Carnegie neighborhoods after the floods caused by Hurricane Ivan in 2004. Last year, he spearheaded a plan to rebuild a devastated park in Carnegie. Marshaling forces ranging from the Carnegie Action Network to the Home Depot stores and our own Duquesne University Volunteers, Ritter helped to assemble a small army of workers that installed thousands of dollars worth of donated playground equipment in just six hours.

Academic Excellence

Linda B. Hippert, Ed.D., GE’97
Hippert is a graduate of Duquesne’s Interdisciplinary Doctoral Program for Educational Leaders and now serves as an adjunct professor in the School of Leadership and Professional Advancement. For the past 10 years, she has been the superintendent of the South Fayette School District in McDonald, Pa. During her tenure, South Fayette students have exceeded all proficiency standards and have consistently scored among the highest in the Commonwealth on Pennsylvania’s required academic achievement exams.

Susan M. Simmers, GA’92
Simmers is a science teacher at Beechwood Elementary School in the Pittsburgh Public School District. She was recognized for developing innovative, hands-on exercises that teach very young children scientific facts while encouraging their natural curiosity. Her methods help students to become more engaged and interested in science, preparing them for further study and perhaps even scientific careers. Simmers’ work was also honored with a 2007 Carnegie Science Center Award for Excellence in Education.

World Concerns

Anthony W. Accamando, Jr., A’66
A member of Duquesne’s Century Club of distinguished alumni, Accamando served in the Army during the Vietnam War, witnessing the ravages wrought upon an already impoverished nation. He founded “Friends of Da Nang,” which has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to build schools and clinics and to provide medical treatment for the poor and injured left behind. A retired Adelphia Communications executive, he also worked tirelessly to help fellow Vietnam veterans find jobs in the cable industry.

George D’Angelo, Ph.D., A’65
A retired Air Force colonel who flew fighter jets in Vietnam, D’Angelo remained in the military until 1990 as a military-political officer. After retirement, he pursued doctoral studies at Union Institute University and worked with the United States Agency for International Development and the United Nations. He was the principal coordinator and founder of the U.N.-sponsored International Day of Peace, which promotes worldwide spiritual observances supporting nonviolence and harmony on Sept. 21 of each year.

“‘We identified a truly outstanding group of recipients for this year’s awards,’ Shepard says. ‘I’m sure there are many other alumni whose lives and works reflect our mission and who would be worthy of consideration for a 2008 Mind, Heart and Spirit Award.’”

To nominate an alumnus for future recognition, send an e-mail to alumni@duq.edu.

By Bob Woodside, A’83
Dean Eileen Zungolo of the School of Nursing and Dr. Gregory H. Frazer, dean and professor of the John G. Rangos Sr. School of Health Sciences, have recently received important honors.

The American Academy of Nursing (AAN) selected Zungolo to serve on that organization’s board of directors, and the National League for Nursing (NLN) has named her a fellow of the Academy of Nursing Education.

Selection to the 10-member Board of the AAN, which works to anticipate trends and shape health care policy, is a recognition of Zungolo’s numerous accomplishments within the nursing profession and places her within a select group of leaders who will be addressing today’s vital health care issues. As a fellow of the NLN’s Academy of Nursing Education, Zungolo has become a member of a group of educators recognized among their peers for academic leadership and the promotion of policy that advances nursing education. Fellows of the academy are nurse-educators who have made contributions whose effects are not limited to the classroom but will have far-reaching effects on the profession of nursing.

Frazer has been selected as a fellow of the Association of Schools of Allied Health Professionals (ASAHP).

“The purpose of the Fellows Awards program is to stimulate the striving for excellence within allied health. Criteria include demonstrated leadership, publication in professional journals, and professional creativity. Dean Frazer currently serves as a member of the board of directors of the association and has made significant contributions to an overall effort to improve accreditation processes involving a wide array of allied health educational programs,” stated Thomas W. Elwood, Dr. P.H., executive director of ASAHP. A national advocacy group, ASAHP represents the interests of more than 100 academic institutions and 300 individual members, and is dedicated to the education of allied health professionals.

Frazer has been involved in health science education for nearly 30 years. Under his tenure, the Rangos School has earned a national reputation for excellence in clinical instruction, research and advocacy. The physician assistant, physical therapy and occupational therapy programs have board pass rates of 100 percent; the remaining programs have achieved pass rates exceeding 90 percent.
— from his time breaking racial barriers at several colleges to the hundreds of hours he spent flying as a Tuskegee Airman during World War II — Harvey Alexander, GB’50, has been a fighter in the arena of discrimination.

Alexander was the first black to enroll in the College of Commerce at the University of Illinois only to be told by the dean that he would not find a job upon graduation. He was one of the famed Tuskegee Airmen, but his race kept him from a career as a commercial pilot.

After World War II, Alexander came to Duquesne University and found a rare respite from the battles of discrimination he had faced.

Alexander was part of the groundswell of veterans flocking to Duquesne in the postwar years to make use of the GI Bill. He arrived on our Bluff in 1949, a year after the student body reached a postwar peak of 5,280.

Then, Alexander was a 29-year-old with a bachelor’s degree in industrial management from the University of Illinois who taught accounting for two years at Southern University in Baton Rouge, La. He had decided to make a career of higher education and, after hearing about Duquesne from a Catholic friend at Southern University, traveled to Pittsburgh.

Though his high school days, part of his college years and his military experience were fraught with the injustices of racial discrimination, Alexander encountered no friction at Duquesne. He found Duquesne stood by the words of its mission — to serve God by serving students — and lived up to its goal of educating those otherwise disenfranchised.

“My choice turned out to be very, very good,” Alexander says. “As a matter of fact, I think I received special treatment because I was a teacher. They used me as a substitute in accounting when the regular undergraduate teachers were absent. I had a good relationship; I just meshed with the professors.”

He believes, too, that his Duquesne schooling later provided an employment edge.
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People thought more of degrees from places like Duquesne; I know I was hired over people with identical training,” he says.

It was a far cry from the treatment he received in his high school days in Georgetown, Ill., a town near the Indiana border. Though he was the rightful valedictorian of his 1939 graduating class, his name was never mentioned in the public ceremony. A white classmate was listed as valedictorian because the honor carried a $1,000 college scholarship. Alexander was told he shouldn’t think of college—he would make a nice houseboy.

Then, as in most of his life, Alexander took a fighter’s stance. “It’s always been something within me,” he recalls. “I knew what I wanted, and I was going to have it, one way or another.”

He gave up an academic scholarship at Fisk University in his sophomore year—even after meeting a young woman named Esther Beatty—to transfer to the University of Illinois, which offered the advanced accounting and business courses he needed. He soon discovered he would face another academic fight.

“The dean was proud of the fact that he was able to place all his graduates and, for that reason, I would be wasting my time and their time if I enrolled,” Alexander remembers. “I told the dean I was more familiar with discrimination in the state of Illinois than he was because I lived with it, and that there would be a time when these jobs would be available to Negroes, and if I didn’t get the training now, I would not be ready when that time came.”

In 1942, weary after a year of denigration, Alexander transferred to the University of Michigan, only to be drafted 17 days after classes began. He was poised to join the Army Air Corps, “but that’s when they learned they were not able to place me because I was Negro.”

He eventually landed at the Tuskegee Institute, training grounds for an elite team of black pilots, and at the Tuskegee Army Air Base, for basic and advanced flight instruction. An unanticipated break in training provided the opportunity for him
to marry Esther Beatty on Dec. 19, 1943. He completed training in 1944. Like all other Tuskegee Airmen, Alexander discovered that no general in the U.S. Army wanted black pilots.

“Mentally and physically, we were deemed incapable of flying and of learning to fly in combat,” Alexander says.

Unwanted, the diligent Tuskegee Airmen kept training, accruing 300 hours of preparation compared to 20 to 35 provided to white pilots. At that time, white pilots escorting bomber missions were losing 35 to 65 planes of every 100 flown, according to Alexander. When the Tuskegee Airmen finally were deployed, Alexander says, they didn’t lose a single plane in more than 200 missions.

Alexander himself did not see combat. He flew a multi-engine craft, and only pilots of single-engine planes were deployed. Yet, at 12,000 feet, Alexander found complete liberty:

“For the first time in my life, I felt free when I was in the air. I was in control of the airplane. I loved flying the B-25 Mitchell bomber. Those twin 1,700-horsepower engines churning on each side of the cockpit imparted their power into my very being. As I flew the skies over the United States, I felt a sense of empowerment that was not present on the ground. There, I was in control and not subject to society’s imposed restrictions of segregation and humiliation. In the sky, I was free as a bird.”

After his Duquesne days and several teaching and administrative positions, Alexander answered a call to serve as vice president of business at Johnson C. Smith University, a historically black institution in Charlotte that was nearing financial ruin.

Alexander took charge and promised a plan. He ended up cutting 500 unfunded scholarships and securing a $2 million loan to keep the school open. In retrospect, he says, “I think these are things the Lord set out for me to do. I just showed up.”

As he prepared to leave Johnson C. Smith University six years later, the school had a $750,000 surplus.

Alexander has finally received some of the accolades he so richly deserves. Last year, he was one of more than 300 Tuskegee Airmen to receive Congressional Medals of Honor, and he received the University of Illinois’ highest award, the Presidential Medallion.

Now a great-grandfather, Alexander has nursed his wife of 64 years, a former reading specialist, through dementia and recently has squared off against personal illness like the fighter he is.

“It’s been a long and fulfilling life,” he says. “Being a Negro has affected so much of my life and added to so much of the story. I do a number of presentations and one of the things I always try to let the audience know about is that fact. Sixty-five years or more ago, this was the racial and political climate in this country. Without it, there is no understanding of what we went through, what we did and how we became what we had become.”

By Karen Ferrick-Roman

More Military Alumni

Many Duquesne alumni have proudly served in the military. Following is a sampling of stories about their selfless service:

Walter Joseph Marm, Jr., B’64, was awarded the military’s highest decoration—the Medal of Honor—for his actions in the Vietnam War.

As a platoon leader in the 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), 1st Lt. Marm demonstrated incredible courage during a combat operation. On Nov. 14, 1965, during the Battle of Ia Drang, he was leading his company to relieve another unit. Marm’s platoon came under fire and was forced to take cover. Marm protected his unit by firing on enemy soldiers and deliberately exposing himself to fire from a concealed machine gun in an effort to locate the enemy soldier using it.

Marm disregarded the intense fire directed on him and charged 30 meters across open ground, hurling grenades at the enemy. He was severely wounded in the neck and jaw, but continued fighting to protect his platoon.

As his Medal of Honor citation reads:

1st Lt. Marm’s selfless actions reduced the fire on his platoon, broke the enemy assault, and rallied his unit to continue toward the accomplishment of this mission. 1st Lt. Marm’s gallantry on the battlefield and his extraordinary intrepidity at the risk of his life are in the highest traditions of the U.S. Army and reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of his country.

Marm is now a retired colonel living in North Carolina. His actions were depicted in the film We Were Soldiers.

Col. Stuart A. Herrington, A’64, was commissioned by Army ROTC and served a 30-year career in the United States Army as a military intelligence officer. He served during five wars on four continents, during which he became known for his expertise in identifying and apprehending military spies, and for
successful operations involving humane interrogation of captured personnel carried out during the Vietnam War, the Panama contingency, and Operation Desert Storm.

In 1975, as a captain, Herrington established and ran a new Army ROTC program at the University of South Florida. Despite its infancy, his program was selected in 1979 as the top Army ROTC school in the United States and Herrington was cited by the Department of the Army as the Outstanding Army ROTC Instructor in the United States.

Later in his career, Herrington taught strategy and intelligence subjects at the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pa., where he was awarded the Maxwell D. Taylor Chair in recognition of his teaching excellence. Known as a soldier-scholar, Herrington has written several well-known books, including Silence Was a Weapon: The Vietnam War in the Villages (now published as Stalking the Vietcong: Inside Operation Phoenix); Peace with Honor: An American Reports on Vietnam, 1973-75; and Traitors Among Us: Inside the Spy-Catcher’s World.

He is a regular media commentator on national security affairs, and his opinion pieces have appeared in numerous newspapers.

In recognition of his distinguished career, Herrington was inducted into the Duquesne University Century Club in 1985. In 1989, he was awarded the McAnulty College’s Distinguished Alumnus Award and delivered the commencement address to the college’s graduates. In 2000, he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters by the University and again delivered the commencement address.

In 2002 and 2003, Herrington, although retired, was asked by the Department of the Army to visit Guantanamo Bay and Iraq to evaluate the manner in which detainees were being treated and interrogated. His reports to the Army leadership calling attention to serious problems are now regarded by national security professionals as “warnings not heeded” that could have prevented much of the abuse later uncovered. He is now a vocal spokesperson for those who oppose the use of torture by American intelligence personnel.

Herrington’s military awards include the Distinguished Service Medal, five awards of the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Air Medal, and two awards of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry. On two occasions, he was also the recipient of the CIA’s coveted “Agency Seal Medallion” award.

Herrington’s twin daughters, Kim and Lynn, graduated from Duquesne in 1994, and are married to Duquesne alumni Lavi Niv and Joe Marm, respectively. (Note: Joe Marm is the son of Colonel Walter Joseph Marm—see previous entry.)

Martha Giddings Granger, GA’97, was promoted last year to lieutenant colonel and will take command of the 750-soldier Regimental Support Squadron of the 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment in Vilseck, Germany, later this year.

Granger, a 1990 graduate of the United States Military Academy and transportation corps officer, has served three tours in Iraq in her 17-year career.

As a second lieutenant, she served as a truck platoon leader, moving supplies, ammunition, fuel and water between Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iraq in Operation Desert Storm.

As a major, she served as an operational and logistics planner for the 1st Armored Division in Baghdad during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

And in 2006, she served as the special assistant to the commanding general of the Multi National Security Transition Command–Iraq.


Granger comes from a military family—her mother and father served as Air Force officers during the Vietnam War, and her sister currently serves as an Air Force master sergeant in Texas.

Granger is now at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., serving as a speechwriter for the chief of staff of the Army.

Amy (Weil) Mattila, GH’05, A’04, was finishing up a graduate program at the Rangos School of Health Sciences when she found out about an intern program the United States Army offered during the final phase of schooling. In January 2005, she joined the Army as a second lieutenant occupational therapist.

Her Army career started at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where she went through the Officer Basic Course, received training at Brooke Army Medical Center and saw the world-renowned burn center, where soldiers are treated after returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

Mattila then went to Walter Reed Army Medical Center, where she completed fieldwork and finished her degree with a Masters of Science in Occupational Therapy.
While serving there, she was able to complete four rotations in mental health, specializing in post-traumatic stress disorder; in-patient rehabilitation, working with spinal cord injuries and various orthopedic multi-trauma cases; out-patient hand therapy, where she saw patients with serious multi-trauma injuries to the upper extremities; and amputee care, working with soldiers who received amputations, mostly from blast injuries caused by improvised exploding devices.

She became a first lieutenant and then began her first permanent duty assignment at Ft. Jackson, S.C., working with many soldiers who are entering the Army for the first time. There, she started a post-traumatic stress disorder group for soldiers returning from Iraq and Afghanistan, and also met her husband.

Mattila is currently a captain stationed in Kaiserslautern, Germany, where she serves in a combat operational stress control unit. Her work is focused on mental health occupational therapy. While in Germany, she worked at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, where most of the wounded soldiers stop for stabilization before returning to the United States to continue their care.

Dr. Lew Irwin, lieutenant colonel, U.S. Army, and associate professor of political science at Duquesne recently wrote from Afghanistan about his experiences there:

I miss my family a great deal, but the work I am doing here in Afghanistan is fascinating, demanding and important, and I really believe that we are having a dramatic and positive impact upon the lives of average Afghan citizens.

I am a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve, and my current duties have me leading an effort to reform and strengthen the Afghan National Police. While we do not ordinarily associate policemen with military operations, in Afghanistan the Taliban have targeted the Afghan uniformed police for numerous attacks and sustained violence because they are more vulnerable than the Afghan soldiers while also serving as the face of the Afghan government for the average citizen.

Furthermore, the Afghan police have never really been effective in Afghan society, as over the nation’s history they have more often than not been corrupt and ineffective. If you put all of that together, the thinking goes that if we can reform the police while making them more effective, that will help to convince the people of Afghanistan that the government has their best interests at heart—thus winning the popular support for the government that is the center of gravity in a counterinsurgency.

I have been blessed and challenged to have received the lead in this high priority assignment, and I believe that my comrades and I are making a genuine difference here. Frankly, the outcome is uncertain—but our cause is just.

Thanks again for your interest in our efforts here in Afghanistan, and in the service of all of those who serve now or have come before us. I look forward to relating my experiences to the Duquesne community upon my return in February, and best wishes to everyone back home.

Duquesne University is proud of all alumni who have served or who are currently serving in the military. Alumni who would like to share their story of military service are welcome to send information and photos to the University’s Archives so their achievements will forever be a part of Duquesne’s history. When submitting, please include your contact information:

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On the Road with the DU Magazine

In March 2007, Anne Marie Rule Snyder, A’49, traveled with her family to Ireland. Her granddaughter Meghan Snyder, A’07, was also on the trip. The pair is pictured in Galway Bay, where they enjoyed the view and the DU Magazine.

Kathy Scott, A’97, took her Duquesne University Magazine to the United Kingdom in September. Here, she is shown in Edinburgh, Scotland, by Edinburgh Castle and the Princes Street Gardens.

Andrea Cannistraci, A’96, recently spent time traveling through Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria and the Czech Republic. Here, she is shown in Vaduz, the capital of Liechtenstein.

Do you take your Duquesne University Magazine on the road?

Next time you’re traveling with your magazine, snap a picture and send it to us to show your fellow alums that the spirit of Duquesne circles the globe. Send your high resolution (300 dpi) image to us at dumagazine@duq.edu, along with information about your trip.
Linda Kay (Vasselo) Weaver, A’03, E’03, recently traveled as a chaperone to 35 students, visiting Amsterdam, Brussels, Scotland, England and Paris. She then traveled to Italy with her husband. Here, she is shown outside of the Colosseum.

Brigetta Petrie Hannah, E’88, GE’93, recently visited Mary Ann Estok, MLLS’00, in Scottsdale, Ariz. Brigetta, right, is currently employed at Baldwin High School as a library media specialist, and Mary Ann is currently employed as a sales specialist for ING Mutual Funds. The photo was taken at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Scottsdale.

Erik Kolodziej, M’02, displays the Duquesne University Magazine in St. Petersburg, Russia, with the Russian Orthodox Church of Our Savior on the Spilled Blood in the background. It was built on the spot where Emperor Alexander II was assassinated in March 1881. Erik enjoyed a summer cruise to Scandinavia and Russia with family and friends from his hometown of Dunkirk, N.Y. Erik teaches general/vocal music at Edgeworth Elementary School, Quaker Valley School District, Sewickley, Pa.

Anthony (Tony) F. Williams, B’81, poses with his children in front of a divi tree during a recent trip to Oranjestad, Aruba. From left: Melina, a Duquesne nursing student; Tony; and F. Carmen, a Duquesne business student.
Chaz Kellem has never traded his wheelchair for a scull, yet he is a member of the board of directors for the Steel City Rowing Club in suburban Pittsburgh.

Kellem is the first person to be placed on a board through a new initiative of Duquesne University’s Boards-by-Design that focuses on giving those with disabilities increased representation on boards.

Kellem has used a wheelchair since the age of 6 because of osteogenesis imperfecta, or brittle bones. So far, he has tallied 47 broken bones and about 12 surgeries. But that’s not been enough to stop him from his work as an account executive with the Pittsburgh Pirates and, after work, from volunteering.

Kellem had served as a student representative on a technology board at Reizenstein Middle School in Pittsburgh’s East Liberty neighborhood. That was his only board involvement until last year, when he connected with Boards-by-Design.

In November, Boards-by-Design received a FISA Foundation grant to focus on placing those with disabilities on nonprofit boards. Part of Duquesne’s Nonprofit Leadership Institute, Boards-by-Design seeks to strengthen area nonprofit boards through diversity. Its initiatives have focused on matching the talents of professionals under age 40, minorities and women with appropriate organizations. Now, people with disabilities will also be served.

“This initiative to tap the talents of people with disabilities is the first of its kind that we know of in the country,” says Allison Jones, director of Boards-by-Design. “Besides making placements and adding diverse voices to boards, an important part of this program is to increase awareness of disabilities. People with disabilities largely remain an untapped resource. We believe that including underrepresented groups on boards not only strengthens boards and their responsiveness to the community, but simply is the right thing to do.”

The initiative certainly caught Kellem’s attention. Through the program, he learned the expectations of board service, then weighed several requests from boards interested in his membership.

“People with disabilities who are active in the community normally are asked to participate in other disabled groups, and I just didn’t want that,” says Kellem. “I wanted to see something where a group could use my marketing and sales background. I wanted the combination of being disabled and African-American to make an impact.”

Kellem started his two-year term with the Steel City Rowing Club last spring. “They’ve been very accepting and understanding,” Kellem says. “They’ve made changes because the initial meeting place was not accessible. As a group, they understand my role. It’s a lot of marketing, a lot of sales, a lot of program design. They have only two staff members, so we created an internship program, which I think is a good way to get extra assistance.”

“Chaz has a great deal of wisdom for his young age,” says Dori Tompa, executive director of Steel City Rowing Club. “We’ve been very appreciative of his enthusiasm, and the unusual perspective for us—especially his interest in helping us to get a variety of people to benefit from the organization. He is very helpful in enabling us to find ways of reaching out into the community.”

For more information on Boards-by-Design, which has matched more than 400 individuals with nonprofit boards in five years, call 412.396.6231 or e-mail BoardsByDesign@duq.edu.
One of the first things a group of Duquesne students noticed when they touched down in Uganda last June for a cross-cultural experience was red dust. “The red dust was everywhere—on the walls, on the bed linens, on the creases of our necks,” recalls student Amy VanDyke.

The 11 students soon discovered the red dust even found its way into the Ugandan hospitals, where they would also see overwhelming poverty and diligent Ugandan nurses, who manage to project a sense of poise and dignity while working with scarce medical resources and bumping into ethical dilemmas at every turn.

When Dr. Mary Therese Connors, coordinator of the health care ethics graduate program, was looking for a way for her students to gain insight into the way other cultures and countries handle health care ethics, one of those students—Father John Mary Mooka—quickly suggested his motherland, Uganda.

Located in East Africa with a population of 28 million and twice the size of Pennsylvania, Uganda has achieved exemplary status for its behavior-based strategy to combat HIV/AIDS, and is considered a model for the rest of sub-Saharan Africa. Uganda’s community-centered culture also presents distinctive opportunities for the study of health care ethics.

“A profound knowledge of health care ethics calls for cultural consideration and cultural competency,” says Connors. “It would be relevant for your bioethics education to be complemented by a global perspective and a cross-cultural experience.”
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Kathy Mayle, nursing faculty at Duquesne and doctoral candidate in Connors’ class, researched, planned and organized the trip, while Mooka arranged for the Mazzoldi House—a boarding lodge owned by the Apostles of Jesus Missionary Order—to host his classmates. At his request, the order renovated the house, adding private bathrooms to each room.

“Duquesne University and the Spiritans have been very kind to the Apostles of Jesus Missionary Order,” says Mooka. “We wanted to show the students the same hospitality and generosity that the Spiritans have shown us.”

Connors and her group were received in true Ugandan tradition—with dance, gifts and amusement. On their first day of clinical experience, the group visited Nsambya Hospital, a Catholic institution, and was challenged to compare their clinical rotations at UPMC Mercy hospital, in Pittsburgh, with their new experiences.

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Every day, Ugandan medical personnel are confronted with complex ethical choices: Which patient will be given medication? Which child will receive an operation? Who will occupy the hospital’s last available bed?

“Doctors and nurses do not have time for comprehensive deliberation and cannot dwell on past choices because immediately after making a delicate ethical decision, they might be faced with another one—sometimes of a completely different nature. I call it in-your-face ethics,” explains Mayle.

According to Dr. Emmanuel Otaala, Uganda’s minister of state for health, Duquesne University’s health care ethics group was the first international team of students to research bioethics in Uganda.

Reflecting on their trip, students talk about “life-changing” experiences and speculate how it will affect their career.

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By Carolina Pais-Barreto Beyers

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Snapshots

1. At a recent stewardship meeting with the leadership of the Chrysler Minority Dealers Association, the Reverend Tim Hickey, C.S.Sp., executive director of Mission and Identity; Chairman of Duquesne’s Board of Directors P. David Pappert, A’60; President Charles Dougherty; and E. Thomas Pappert, B’61, gathered to discuss the use and impact of a scholarship fund that was created in 1999 in honor of Tom Pappert.

2. Gino Peluso, JD’80, gives great advice to students interested in legal careers at Duquesne’s first annual Student-Alumni Career Networking Event.

3-4. On Nov. 29, Duquesne University and the Student Government Association hosted the 11th annual Christmas Light-Up Night on campus. Members of the Duquesne University community and their families gathered to help ring in the Christmas season with events that included Christmas carols, horse and carriage rides, crafts and pictures with Santa.

5-7. In September, Duquesne alumni, friends and members of the campus community gathered for the annual Homecoming Weekend, which included an alumni wine and cheese reception, AutumnFest, Dukes vs. Frostburg State football game and a special class of 1957 pin ceremony.

8-9. More than 100 performers from the Mary Pappert School of Music, a brass ensemble and other musicians performed at the 3rd annual O Come All Ye Faithful concert on Dec. 2.

10. Two generations showed off a future alumna when Kathy (Walton) Bond, A’57, visited with her daughter, Laura (Bond) Sluck, A’91, and granddaughter, Grace Elizabeth.
For the last 82 years, Duquesne students have voiced their opinions and told the stories that have become the history of the University through *The Duquesne Duke*.

The staff of Gumberg Library is working to preserve the history of *The Duke* by raising funds to convert each issue into a digital format.

“More than anything, *The Duke* represents the voice of the students through the 130 years of Duquesne’s history. It’s the one go-to place for a continuous history,” says Dr. Laverna Saunders, University librarian.

Saunders and her team have been investigating options for partnering with organizations that specialize in the digital online preservation of microfilm and hard copy. Their plan is to make all issues of *The Duke* keyword searchable and easily accessible from anywhere in the world with an Internet connection.

“My goal is to put the history out there for generations of alumni to come,” says Saunders.

The project, which has been in the works for several years, is slowly gaining momentum through the generous gifts of library benefactors. Saunders’ intention is to have the Web interface that will house the digital versions of the paper up and running by this spring, with the conversion of the individual issues taking place as funds become available.

University Archivist Tom White’s office handles roughly 400 requests a year from alumni and family members of alumni in search of old stories and pictures from *The Duke*. Digitizing the issues will open up the history of Duquesne to anyone with access to a computer.

Emily Leone, editor-in-chief of *The Duquesne Duke*, likens the project to taking care of an important asset.

“We were very excited when Dr. Saunders made us aware of this project because in a sense, it’s like protecting an investment. Digitizing *The Duke* enables us to, essentially, preserve the history of Duquesne,” she says.

Officially dubbed *The Duquesne Duke* in 1925, its predecessors, the *Duquesne Monthly* and the *Pittsburgh College Bulletin*, record the student history of Duquesne University from 1894. During World War II, *The Duke* was called the *Duquesne Durational*, and while shortened to a one-page newsletter, the publication never ceased printing.

Saunders hopes that giving alumni easy access to *The Duquesne Duke* encourages them to learn more about Duquesne’s history.

By Randy Cole
BUILDING FROM STRENGTH:
Power Center Advances Campus Development
What began as an innovative vision just a few years ago is now a powerful reality. Duquesne’s new 130,000-square-foot multipurpose facility opened on Jan. 7. Named for Duquesne’s first president, the Reverend William Patrick Power, C.S.Sp., the Power Center is an impressive tribute to Duquesne’s commitment to growth, progress and community engagement.

“This development, the largest construction project on campus in more than a decade, represents our commitment to help revitalize the Uptown neighborhood as well as to serve our students, who deserve state-of-the-art facilities,” says President Charles J. Dougherty. “We are extremely proud of this complex, its recreation facilities for students and staff, its retail venues for the University and the larger community, and its technology-rich meeting space.”

The property, located across the street from the University’s Forbes Avenue entrance, between Chatham Square and Magee Street, houses a sophisticated student and employee recreation center, multipurpose classrooms and studios, a spacious conference center with a ballroom, kitchen and rooftop deck. Conveniently located at street level are popular retail services accessible to serve the campus community and general public alike: Barnes & Noble at Duquesne with a café serving Starbucks baked goods, prepared sandwiches and coffee; The Red Ring restaurant; Jamba Juice Bar; and the Marketplace.

The center represents an historic milestone for the University. Besides being the first new construction in more than a decade, the 2-acre development extends Duquesne’s footprint from the heart of campus on our Bluff to the University’s front door on Forbes Avenue.

“First and foremost, our campus expansion was undertaken to meet the needs of our growing University and enhance the quality of our students’
experience,” says Steve Schillo, vice president for Management and Business at Duquesne University.

The new addition to campus encompasses more than a facility to tend to material needs.

“We pride ourselves on providing those things that students want and need to thrive academically, as well as physically and psychologically. With the addition of new recreation facilities and workout areas on campus, we are providing a social center for students while promoting healthy lifestyles,” adds Paul-James Cukanna, associate vice president of Enrollment Management.

The University has worked closely with the City of Pittsburgh as well as with the Uptown Partners of Pittsburgh to develop a shared vision that addresses community needs as well as University goals.

Peter Smerd, president of Boulevard Building, Inc., has been involved in Uptown investment for more than 30 years as developer/owner of the Forbes Med-Tech Center across from UPMC Mercy hospital.

“We’re very excited about the new project because it represents a very visible investment by Duquesne University...
The Red Ring:
A Gem Among New Dining Options

Trendy yet traditional. That’s what guests can expect from The Red Ring restaurant, Uptown’s casual new dining spot found at street level of the Power Center. Open to the general public as well as to Duquesne students and staff, The Red Ring provides a unique dining experience in a stimulating, contemporary environment.

Named for the University’s memorable ruby class ring, the restaurant aims to create a similar feeling of pride and recognition among all its visitors, says Jerry Mullen, resident district manager, DU Dining Services.

“Our goal is to share the enthusiasm and rich traditions of Duquesne with the campus community and beyond,” he says. The 5,300-square-foot restaurant will be open for lunch and dinner seven days a week and will feature an array of appetizers, salads, burgers, sandwiches, wraps, entrées and freshly made desserts. Menu items include “Bluff” stuffed potato skins, Duquesne wings, a red and bleu burger, the “El Presidente” sandwich and a deep-fried brownie sundae.

The Duquesne influence is apparent from the classic red and blue décor, 7-foot-tall glass panels depicting University life and landmarks, and menu items boasting “pre-requisites” and “electives.” Yet the 213-seat, smoke-free restaurant with a full-bar and performance stage holds wide appeal for the general public.

“People will come for the great food and come back for the atmosphere,” continues Mullen. “There’s nothing else like this around. We are not a dining hall, not a chain restaurant. The Red Ring is a truly unique environment.”

Next door to The Red Ring, visitors can find another “one-of-a-kind” establishment—Jamba Juice, a health food and drink bar specializing in energizing smoothies, juices and snacks that taste great and are good for you. Like Starbucks, this enterprise was born on the West Coast and is now sweeping the country. The Power Center location marks the first Jamba Juice in the Pittsburgh market and only the second in Pennsylvania.

In addition to the juice bar, the site includes a handy Marketplace that offers an assortment of convenience items including coffee, pastries and muffins, bottled beverages, snacks, grab-and-go sandwiches and salads, candy, frozen entrées, ice cream and other frozen treats as well as health and beauty aids.

Like The Red Ring, Jamba Juice and the Marketplace are open to the public as well as to members of the University community.
Power Recreation Center
Provides Single Stop for Fitness, Wellness Activities

The Power Recreation Center is open—just in time for Duquesne students and employees to make good on their New Year’s resolutions revolving around fitness.

The Power Recreation Center, which comprises about 80,000 square feet on floors 2, 3 and 4 of the new Power Center, opened its basketball/volleyball courts, walking track, weights and cardio equipment and more to students, staff and faculty on Jan. 7.

“This is an exciting time at Duquesne and a great commitment by the University to promote the health and well-being of all its members,” says Bill Gavin, Duquesne’s new director of recreation. “I’m looking forward to the challenges and opportunities to build on the existing recreation programs and add new programming.”

Gavin will organize and lead programming and operations for intramural sports, club sports, fitness, wellness programs and special events for more than 10,000 students and nearly 2,800 employees. Varsity programs and athletes will continue to be housed in the A.J. Palumbo Center.

“The Power Center is open seven days a week, more than 100 hours each week, and gives students and employees nearly limitless access to new recreation space and equipment, fitness classes and wellness programs,” says Gavin.

The state-of-the-art facility was built for the exclusive use of Duquesne students and employees, who access the recreation areas from a bank of elevators in the building’s lobby or from the Sklar Skywalk.

The elevator opens to a modern, brightly colored reception area on the building’s second floor where students or employees must swipe their ID cards to be admitted through a secure University ID access entrance. Once they are in, they can access the additional floors in the recreation facility via internal elevators or communicating stairwells.

The second level houses a fitness area and an aerobics studio with a built-in sound system and mirrored walls. Windows on two sides provide expansive views of campus and Downtown. This floor also features three big-screen plasma TV sets and 30 Nautilus cardio fitness machines with personal viewing screens.

Beyond the reception area is a lounge with comfortable furniture, wireless Internet access and vending machines. Two large student locker rooms are on this floor as well. A large room with audiovisual capabilities will serve as a classroom for wellness programs or special events. Recreation offices, including Gavin’s, are housed here. The main attraction of the third level is a basketball/volleyball court, complete with electronic scoreboard. The court can be configured with as many as six hoops or can be used as half or full court.

“I like the Power Center because the courts are always available to play basketball, and we don’t have to worry about whether a team practice is scheduled,” says Chris Prykull, a junior accounting major.

Separate staff locker facilities are included on this level. The floor also includes a lounge, three additional studios and two offices.

Walkers and runners who access the third level Mezzanine will be able to keep their eyes on the game action as they round the court on three lanes. A mile requires 16 laps around the track.

The fourth level features a large free weights room that fronts on Forbes Avenue, two racquetball courts, a studio and another basketball/volleyball court with two scoreboards. The lounge is intended as a place where people will be able to meet, relax and make use of wireless and hard-wired Internet access. Additional office space is also located on this floor.

The recreational opportunities available in the new Power Recreation Center reach beyond providing physical activity, Gavin says.

“Participating in any of the center’s programs and activities helps students and employees engage with each other, learn about teamwork and develop respect for a healthy lifestyle,” explains Gavin. “But the Power Recreation Center is also more than just a workout place—it’s a great place for friends to meet and just hang out.”

By Kimberly Saunders and Karen Ferrick-Roman
Bookend to Recreation:
Barnes & Noble at Duquesne

While The Red Ring restaurant, Jamba Juice and the Marketplace will nourish the body, the new Barnes & Noble at Duquesne University plans to nourish the mind and soul of Power Center patrons. As one of the “bookends” of the new building, this new collegiate superstore combines the best features of a traditional college bookstore with those of a full-size general bookseller, including WiFi access.

The new store on Forbes Avenue is 18,000 square feet—more than three times as large as the old location in the Duquesne Union—and encompasses two floors. The first floor includes an enormous selection of books, magazines, Duquesne-branded apparel, gifts and accessories, as well as a cafe that serves snacks, sandwiches and Starbucks coffee. The lower level, accessible by an internal staircase and elevator, is dedicated to student textbooks and supplies for school and dorms. Duquesne students and employees will continue to enjoy the same special offers and services.

Seating and meeting areas and an outdoor patio are among the amenities of the larger space.

The expansion allowed for better textbook distribution, the addition of the coffee shop and a significantly larger selection of general reading materials, notes John Kachur, store manager.

“This large, beautiful new store on the corner of Duquesne’s busiest city intersection is truly something to be proud of, and sure to enhance the University’s image among students, prospects and alumni,” says Kachur.

“There’s more room for everything,” says Natalie Sciulli, a fourth-year student in the Forensics Science and Law Program. “I like how there are more books that aren’t just for school. It’s exciting!”

Sciulli has traded studying spaces, from the Duquesne Union Starbucks to the new Barnes & Noble cafe. “I have a new hiding spot, in the cafe area, so that’s why I go there now.”

In addition to offering a much larger inventory, the new location is open 15 more hours a week than the old store, a benefit the campus community is sure to appreciate. The convenient site will also be a boon to the residents and employees in neighboring areas.

“We expect to double the number of employees in every section of the store,” says Kachur. “And since there has not been a book retailer in downtown Pittsburgh since the Barnes & Noble on Smithfield Street closed in December 2006, we think the new store will be eagerly received by the public as well. The store will also be open for special events at the Palumbo Center or the new Penguins arena.”

By Kimberly Saunders

Power Ballroom
Offers Versatility, Panoramic Views

The Sklar Skywalk, which made an impressive statement when it was completed last year, connects the heart of campus to the Power Ballroom, a new conference space/ballroom on the fifth level of the Power Center.

The new ballroom, like the retail shops on the Forbes Avenue level of the Power Center, will be available to the public as well as to the campus community. Alumni and Duquesne-affiliated partners can rent the space for special events from wedding receptions to seminars. The ballroom can be configured a number of ways, accommodating about 450 for dinner and about 700 for a lecture.

“The setting and technology in the Power Ballroom will enhance many events that will be planned at Duquesne,” says President Charles J. Dougherty. “This certainly will augment space already available on campus and is a very visible symbol of the University’s overall development and growth.”

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The spacious room evokes a “top-of-the-world” feeling with vistas of Downtown Pittsburgh, the Mellon Arena and new views of campus. Balconies on the Forbes Avenue and Chatham Square sides of the building allow guests panoramic views. A large pre-function area that can be used for receptions or overflow features four plasma screens. Insulated panels soundproof the ballroom and can be used to divide the area. The room is equipped with screens of several sizes to fulfill a variety of needs. Thanks to high-technology equipment, at the touch of a button, the lights will dim and screens will drop. In addition, sunscreen shades will help with daytime use of projectors. A dance floor and portable stage are available. A full-service kitchen, managed by Duquesne’s Dining Services, is available to prepare meals “from soup to nuts.”

Special packages for wedding receptions and other events, including food, meeting space and parking, are available.

“The ballroom is gorgeous!” exclaims Cara Spencer, a fourth-year student in the Forensics Science and Law Program. “The bathrooms by the Power Ballroom look as though someone should be handing you a towel and spritzing you with perfume as you leave.”

The Power Center:
New and Sustainable

Building plans for the Power Center have been specifically developed to earn the Silver Certification in Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED). This certification evaluates issues including the building’s energy efficiency, the amount of recycled content in construction materials, the amount of landfill waste generated during construction, impact of the building on the surrounding community and indoor air quality. The facility has been built according to LEED standards, and the University has applied for certification of the building.
**Power Center green efforts include:**

Controlled lighting that adapts when gym spaces are unoccupied, in recreational use or hosting competitions or videotaped events. Daylight sensors automatically dim light fixtures near windows when conditions permit.

Carbon dioxide sensors that monitor gas levels and adjust the intake of fresh air.

Waterless urinals, which save more than 50,000 gallons of water each year.

Highly effective filters that protect against outdoor pollutants; sources of indoor pollutants have been minimized through careful selection of paints, finishes and carpeting.

Heating and cooling provided entirely by the University’s Energy Center, which generates electricity, steam and chilled water from natural gas turbines, an environmentally sensitive and energy-efficient process.
Virtual DU

In the fall of 2007, Duquesne launched a virtual tour of the University. Designed for use by prospective students, parents, alumni and campus visitors, the virtual tour consists of an interactive map that allows users to click on any campus building and access a drop down screen with four photos and a short descriptive paragraph of each location. The virtual tour currently features more than 150 photos of campus buildings and students. Functionality and usability soon will be enhanced by including video, links, city maps and additional photos. To access the virtual tour, please visit www.duq.edu/virtuatour.

DU Community Mourns the Reverend Adrian van Kaam, Founder of Formative Spirituality Studies

The Reverend Adrian van Kaam, C.S.Sp., a world-renowned author and former professor of psychology at Duquesne, died November 17 at the Little Sisters of the Poor Nursing Home in Pittsburgh at the age of 87.

In 1954, after ministering in Holland for six years, van Kaam came to the United States and was appointed to the faculty in the psychology department of Duquesne. He started studies that left their mark on Duquesne and the study of psychology worldwide. “He was the real inspiration of the unique program in existential phenomenological psychology that began in 1959, a world-renowned program,” said the Reverend David Smith, C.S.Sp., who had van Kaam as a professor and as director of his master’s thesis. “There was none like it in the entire world. It was his original idea, and he brought together faculty members from all over the country who were interested in and committed to a type of psychology that respected the uniqueness, the dignity and the freedom of the human being.

“He was one of the greatest creative minds I ever encountered,” said Smith. “He was a man of towering intellect, tender heart and capacious spirit. He welcomed everybody warmly and graciously and politely, ‘Dear friend, how are you?’”

Van Kaam, who authored more than 60 books, also started several institutes, including the Graduate Institute of Formative Spirituality in 1963. Through this institute, van Kaam trained hundreds of priests, nuns, brothers and lay people from all over the world who worked as directors of seminaries and novitiates.

Van Kaam received the President’s Award for Excellence in teaching and taught as a professor in the spiritual formation field until the institute closed in 1993. In 1979, he and Dr. Susan Muto co-founded the Epiphany Association, an ecumenical spirituality center dedicated to education in classical and contemporary fields of formative spirituality.

Born April 19, 1920, he was ordained on July 21, 1946, at the Seminary in Gemert, Netherlands. He received an honorary Doctor of Christian Letters degree from Franciscan University.

In 2004, he retired to Libermann Hall, located in the Pittsburgh suburbs, and was under the skilled care of the Little Sisters of the Poor on the North Side of Pittsburgh since 2005.

Surviving are his sisters, Bet van Gemert and Lia Schlikaans van Kaam, and several nieces and nephews in Holland.

“He saw God in everybody,” Smith said. “He wanted every man and woman to reach their full potential as human beings. He certainly made a great contribution to Duquesne University, to the Church and to the lives of thousands and thousands of people. Now he is dancing with the angels.”
Jerome Bettis, an NFL player and beloved Pittsburgh Steeler for more than 10 years, a sportscaster and philanthropist, will address Duquesne University’s graduating class at May commencement.

The all-University ceremony is scheduled for Friday, May 2, at 5 p.m., in the A.J. Palumbo Center. A reception will follow immediately on Academic Walk. Before the ceremony, a Baccalaureate Mass will be celebrated in the Union Ballroom at 3 p.m.

Bettis, the first-round draft pick of the Los Angeles Rams in 1993, was traded to the Steelers before the 1996 season. The former running back and six-time Pro Bowl player ended his accolade-filled football days with a picture-perfect finish: playing on the winning Super Bowl XL team before family, friends and fans in his hometown of Detroit.

His awards include Offensive Rookie of the Year, team Most Valuable Player and Comeback Player of the Year. But, as Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year in 2002, some of Bettis’ biggest wins have been acknowledged off the playing field. The Man of the Year Award recognizes contributions to the community, which have been important to Bettis since his college days at the University of Notre Dame. Throughout his career, he has increased his commitment to helping the community. The Bus Stops Here Foundation, started in 1997, has helped to raise money for troubled and underprivileged children. He has done public service campaigns for asthma, a disease he shares with millions of others. His charities have helped to give thousands of football cleats to Detroit high schools, fund scholarships, provide Thanksgiving turkey dinners, rebuild recreation centers and parks, and donate computer systems.

The Cyber Bus Computer Literacy Program—which was initiated at Duquesne during the 2007-08 academic year—addresses technology issues and shrinks the growing digital divide by providing free computers and computer literacy training to inner-city school children.

“If it were up to me, every kid would have a computer,” Bettis wrote in his recent autobiography, The Bus: My Life In and Out of a Helmet. “And if you could see the kids’ faces when we give each of them their very own computers to keep…”

Bettis, who enjoyed the benefits of a free football camp in Detroit as a youngster, learned more than football from NFL player and community philanthropist Reggie McKenzie.

“A few years ago I asked him why he started his charitable foundation,” Bettis wrote. “And he said he wanted to try to affect one kid. He thought if he could affect one kid, then he had made a difference.

“I told him he had. And that kid was me.”

“If you play professional sports, you become a role model, whether you want to or not. If I was going to be a role model, then why not excel at it? That’s what my parents taught me.”

The attitude of McKenzie—and now, Bettis—mirrors the Spiritan charism that brings to life the belief that one person can make a difference, that we are called to advocate for others.

“Life is a series of decisions, some big, most of them small,” Bettis wrote. “Somewhere along the way, I decided I had a responsibility as a role model to help make a difference. If you play professional sports, you become a role model, whether you want to or not. If I was going to be a role model, then why not excel at it? That’s what my parents taught me.”

By Karen Ferrick-Roman
Ray Goss Celebrates 40 Years Behind the Mic

Duquesne has played more than 2,100 games in its 92-year basketball history. Ray Goss, the radio “voice of the Dukes,” has been behind the mic for half of them. The 2007-08 men’s basketball season marks the 40th year Goss has been handling play-by-play duties for DU basketball.

Goss, who graduated from Duquesne with a B.A. in radio/TV journalism in 1958, called his first game on March 17, 1968, when Duquesne faced Fordham in the first round of the National Invitation Tournament at Madison Square Garden. He began on a full-time basis at the start of the 1968-69 season.

Goss, who was born and raised in Carnegie, Pa., has missed just one game in his broadcasting career—on Jan. 7, 1978, at Penn State—when he auditioned for a regional play-by-play position with the NBA.

“CBS had just reached a television agreement with the NBA and they were looking for new talent,” says Goss. “Beano Cook, who was at CBS at the time, had arranged for me to get an audition. It was the Los Angeles Lakers against the Indiana Pacers at Market Square Arena. I remember [former Duquesne standout] Norm Nixon was a rookie for the Lakers.

They paid me $500 to do a game no one ever saw. As it turned out, Philadelphia and Portland were in the NBA Finals that year, and the ratings were terrible. CBS dropped the idea of regional telecasts, and I never signed that contract.”

The NBA’s loss was Duquesne’s gain.

“I never thought I’d be doing Duquesne games for 40 years,” says Goss. “I initially thought it would be a stepping-stone. I wanted to hit the NBA or the networks. I’ve enjoyed every minute of it. The fans have been great.”

Goss, who has described the action for two NCAA Tournament and seven Dukes NIT teams, has chronicled his experiences in radio in a book tentatively titled Misadventures in Basketball. Goss hopes to have the book published this summer.

“Over 50 years, so many things have happened in my broadcasting career, I just thought I’d put them down on paper,” he says. “You know, something for my kids to remember me by.”

Dukes Post Big Win

Suzie McConnell-Serio’s Dukes posted one of the biggest wins in recent women’s basketball history when they defeated then-16-2 Dayton 83-69 at the Palumbo Center on Jan. 19. The win, McConnell-Serio’s first in the Atlantic 10, ended a 16-game Dayton win streak that was tied for the longest in the nation at the time. The much-improved Dukes eclipsed last season’s seven-win total when they posted their eighth victory on Jan. 2 over Niagara. At press time, the Duquesne women were 10-8 with three of the losses coming in overtime.
’77 Dukes Honored

The Department of Athletics honored the members of Duquesne’s 1976-77 NCAA Tournament team by wearing special “throwback” jerseys for the Dec. 28 game against Robert Morris. The ’77 Dukes, winner of the first ECBL (which evolved into the Atlantic 10) Championship, were recognized at halftime of the game. Below is a look at the ’77 team, then and now:


Rooney Field Renovation Update

On Nov. 11, 2007, construction started on the first phase of the renovation of Arthur J. Rooney Athletic Field, which serves as home of Duquesne’s football, women’s lacrosse and men’s and women’s soccer teams.

Plans call for the construction of permanent grandstand seating on the Bluff Street side of the field—replacing the temporary bleachers that have been installed for the past 14 football seasons. Permanent concession stands and restrooms will also be added to the south side of the field. The Academic Walk sideline will also gain additional seating. In addition, the fieldhouse located at the east end of the field will be remodeled and expanded to provide an area for a new football locker room, football coaches suite and additional locker room space for the soccer, lacrosse and swim teams. The renovation coincides with the football program’s adoption of a scholarship model and move to the Northeast Conference in 2008.

“The renovation of Rooney Field is yet another sign of the University’s commitment to the football program as well as the entire Department of Athletics,” says Athletic Director Greg Amodio. “This project will benefit all of the programs that call Rooney Field home and will more importantly provide needed amenities for our fans.”

Construction of the grandstand, which began the day after the Dukes’ final home football game, is expected to be completed in time for the 2008 season. Fieldhouse renovation will begin following the ’08 season. Rooney Field, named in honor of Duquesne University football letterman and founder of the National Football League’s Pittsburgh Steelers, Art Rooney, lies on the site of a former faculty/staff parking lot, and was formally dedicated prior to an Oct. 30, 1993, football game against St. John’s.
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The Greek philosopher Heraclitus must have been wise when it came to children. He mused that “man is most nearly himself when he achieves the seriousness of a child at play.” One step into the newly remodeled Maureen Sullivan Curriculum Center brings to light the truth of those words.

Gumberg Library and the Duquesne University School of Education, with the help of PNC Charitable Trusts, recently completed an expansion and remodeling of the center, creating a playful, educational space for students and alumni—regardless of whether or not their Duquesne degree is from the School of Education—to gain insight into the best ways to educate their students.

The center, which also recently doubled in size, opened last summer and specializes in providing users with elementary and secondary school teaching resources for all subject areas.

“Many people who use the center work with children in various capacities in music, health science and speech-language pathology, in addition to traditional classroom education,” says Danielle Buck, curriculum center coordinator.

Housed in the center’s expanded 2,273 square feet is a SMART Board, an interactive multimedia tool used for incorporating unique instruction methods into teaching. The center’s other materials include everything from textbook kits to activity and lesson plan books, a large children’s and young adult literature collection, audiovisual materials, software, Praxis exam study materials, puppets and an Ellison Die-Cut Machine with a wide variety of dies. Additionally, laminating and plastic comb binding services are available for a minimal fee.

To complement the large children’s literature collection, the new center features the Dr. Barbara Manner and Dr. James Manner Children’s Literature Reading Area, which the Manners dedicated to their grandchildren. The area features comfortable seating that patrons may use when browsing the center’s collection. Dr. Barbara Manner is a faculty member in the School of Education.

In addition to the named seating area, the University is working to memorialize Dr. Joseph T. Brennan with an endowment connected to the center. A longtime School of Education faculty member and founder of the reading specialist program and reading clinic at Duquesne, Brennan passed away on July 3, 2007, after a battle with Parkinson’s disease.

The new space is located on the fifth floor of Gumberg Library and is open during normal library hours. The center, originally dedicated in 2001 to honor the 30-plus years of Maureen Sullivan’s service to Duquesne as director of the library science program, will be formally rededicated during National Library Week, April 13-19, 2008. ■

By Randy Cole
Maurice “Mossie” Murphy, A’58, was Duquesne’s unofficial basketball recruiter. Murphy gained campus notoriety as captain of the cheerleading squad in the late 1950s, but graduation did not end his involvement. The Duquesne Duke saluted his efforts nearly a decade later in the following tribute:

Mossie graduated from Duquesne after a brilliant career in buffoonery from which the administration has not yet fully recovered. During his undergraduate years, Mossie emerged as the most avid cheerleader and greatest public relations man the Dukes have ever seen. He has never retired his megaphone, which really isn’t needed, and surely the coming basketball season will be no exception to his spirited sessions of leading the student body in ear-splitting cheers.

Even the nationally distributed Sports Illustrated carried a story of Murphy’s involvement as an unofficial basketball team recruiter. In the story, Coach Red Manning, Murphy and a “gangling high school star” were lunching in the dining room of Pittsburgh’s Pick-Roosevelt Hotel when Murphy spied Pennsylvania Governor David L. Lawrence at another table.

“Seizing his teenage prospect, Mossie Murphy bounded over to the governor with outstretched hand and bellowed, “Hi, governor! How’s your son these days?” “Just fine,” replied the governor, “and how are you?” Mossie warmly introduced his recruit to the governor, then strutted back to his table. The prospect was excited about meeting the governor for the first time. Mossie should have been just as excited—he had never met the governor, either.”

It was reported that basketball standout Willie Somerset was recruited by Murphy, who made such a hit with Somerset’s mother that “she practically laughed Willie into Duquesne.”

Legends such as Mossie Murphy kept athletics at Duquesne exciting. Following his death in January 1997 at the age of 61, his seat in the Palumbo Center (seat 1, row G, section A-3) was retired in his honor.

By Dr. Joseph F. Rishel, Professor of History
Duquesne Provides Hands-On Demonstration to FDA

Faculty and graduate students of the Mylan School of Pharmacy provided three days of technical demonstrations to Food and Drug Administration (FDA) employees, geared toward raising the quality and efficiency of pharmaceutical manufacturing.

Thirty-six FDA reviewers, who evaluate new drug applications from pharmaceutical manufacturers, and inspectors who evaluate the quality of manufacturing facilities and operations, participated in the Duquesne program Sept. 18-20, receiving practical experience in modern process development and pharmaceutical manufacturing. Duquesne, which has previously provided national and international technical leadership to the FDA and the pharmaceutical industry, is one of only a few universities to offer such advanced experiences to FDA personnel.

Business Workshops Focus on Honing Internet Strategies

The focus of the second annual Pennsylvania Business Technology Conference, presented by Duquesne’s Donahue Graduate School of Business and the Small Business Development Center (SBDC), was using the Internet as a strategic business tool.

The conference, held December 6, aims to help small business owners and entrepreneurs grow their business through the purposeful and creative implementation of technology. Featured sessions highlighted how blogs and podcasts can drive business, improving customer experience, e-marketing, network virtualization and Web design, among other topics.

A luncheon keynote address, The 10 Greatest Myths of the Internet, was delivered by John Clinton, partnership manager of Homestead Technologies. Since 1996, the California-based Homestead has helped more than 12 million businesses establish a Web presence.

Richard Clarke, Counterterrorism Expert, Addresses Security Issues

The Conference on Homeland Security Policy was held on Oct. 25 at Duquesne University. Richard Clarke, a counterterrorism expert with 11 consecutive years of White House service, delivered the keynote speech.

While serving the last three presidents as a senior White House adviser, Clarke occupied a variety of distinct roles such as special assistant to the president for global affairs, national coordinator for security and counterterrorism, and special adviser to the president for cyber security. According to BBC news, Clarke was one of the first U.S. officials to initiate military action against al-Qaeda before 2001.

In his best-seller Against All Enemies: Inside America’s War on Terror, Clarke argues that the current administration did
not give adequate attention to al-Qaida threats before September 11, and did not concentrate efforts on Osama bin Laden afterward.

Renowned Liturgical Composer Marty Haugen Performs at Duquesne

Marty Haugen, one of the most widely sung liturgical composers today, participated in a Sept. 8 performance at Duquesne University that featured and benefited disabled young adults.

Agape: The Stories and the Feast, a narration of Bible stories, featured singers and dancers with physical and mental disabilities, including those participating in the St. Anthony’s School at the University and at other locations.

Haugen, who is known for such songs and hymns as We Are Many Parts, We Remember and Shepherd Me, O God, also presented a Concert of Healing and Hope at Duquesne on Sept. 10.

April Symposium Will Focus on Forensic Science and Pop Culture

Are you a mystery and true crime reader? A CSI and Forensic Files enthusiast? A forensic scientist, trial attorney or judge?


Meet the minds behind some of America’s most popular mystery novels, true crime books and TV shows, as well as the real-life forensic scientists, criminal attorneys and others on whose work theirs is based. Featured guests include Linda Fairstein, internationally best-selling author of the Alex Cooper Crime Novel series and former sex crimes prosecutor; David Berman and Jon Wellner, writers, researchers and actors on America’s top-rated primetime TV show, CSI: Crime Scene Investigation; Robert Tanenbaum, author and former homicide prosecutor; Karen T. Taylor, forensic artist whose work has been featured on network and cable television with CSI; Andrew Wilder, writer, Criminal Minds; and Jan Burke, Edgar Award-winning crime novelist.

Registration, program and hotel information is now available at duq.edu/factmeetsfiction.

Experts Discuss First Amendment’s Freedom of Religion Clause

National experts explored Freedom of—or from—Religion: Understanding the Separation of Church and State, at Duquesne’s third annual Faith and Politics Symposium on Sept. 20. “Past, present and future controversies concerning the ‘wall of separation’ between church and state raise provocative questions and promote discussion that affects so many issues. These controversies really cut across the political and religious spectrum,” says Dr. Albert C. Labriola, acting dean of the McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts.

The symposium’s four featured speakers were Bishop Thomas J. Curry, bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Calif.; John L. Allen, Jr., journalist, senior correspondent for the National Catholic Reporter and Vatican analyst for CNN and NPR; Daniel L. Dreisbach, professor, department of justice, law and society, American University School of Public Affairs; and Frank S. Ravitch, professor, Michigan State University College of Law.

Duquesne Reflects on Accomplishments, Sets Course for Future Growth

At Convocation on Sept. 7, Duquesne University President Charles J. Dougherty shared advances made by the University in the past year and challenged faculty and staff to continue to institutionalize beneficial change.

Dougherty discussed one of the most visible signs of growth on campus—the new Power Center, named for Duquesne’s first president, the Reverend William Patrick Power, C.S.Sp.

In his annual “state of the University” address, Dougherty also announced that Athletics and University Advancement have raised about $1 million to build permanent grandstands for Rooney Field. He also gave good news about the positive financial standing of the University. For the 18th year in a row, Duquesne has
ended its fiscal year with a surplus in its operating budget. In the most recent independent assessment, Standard and Poor’s upgraded Duquesne’s outlook from “stable” to “positive.”

The report said that Duquesne has “a seasoned management team with success in achieving strategic goals.”

Additionally, total gifts to the University increased by 7.2 percent in the last year.

Over the last four years, more than 6,000 new donors have contributed to the University. From the previous three years, the average total gifts annually rose by 51 percent. Other fund-raising successes included a 12.5 percent increase in the annual fund and a 10 percent increase in alumni giving. Faculty and staff giving also rose by 10 percent last year, and contributions from parents were up 9 percent.

The S&P upgrade also considered Duquesne’s improved admissions picture. The 2006 freshman class was one of the University’s largest; in the last five years, the number of undergraduate students rose by nearly 500. At the same time, undergraduate applications increased by more than 50 percent and acceptances dropped by about one-third. This illustrates Duquesne’s increasing selectivity.

Dougherty told the audience that Duquesne’s mission remains timeless and unchanged:

“We will continue to provide an education that intentionally changes lives profoundly and for the better. We will preserve the personal character of our community, keeping it a place that values each individual with special focus on the development of our students. We will continue to focus on first-rate teaching and the learning it produces. We are committed to Pittsburgh, to our neighborhood and, in a special way, to our own Bluff. And we are resolved to maintain the special spirit here that is Duquesne.”

Faculty Recognized for Excellence, 25 Years of Service

Several faculty members were recognized at Duquesne’s annual Convocation on Sept. 7 for excellence in teaching and for providing 25 years of service to Duquesne.

Those receiving presidential awards were:

Dr. John Kern II
associate professor of statistics

Dr. Paula Witt-Enderby
associate professor of pharmacology-toxicology

Dr. Stephen Newmyer
professor of classics

Dr. Jeffry Madura
chair and professor of chemistry and biochemistry

Dr. Janie Fritz,
associate professor
in the Communication and Rhetorical Studies Department, was recognized for receiving the 2007 Eugene P. Beard Faculty Award for Leadership in Ethics.

Faculty members recognized for 25 years of service were:

Dr. Priscilla M. Austin
assistant professor of accounting,
Palumbo/Donahue Schools of Business

Robert S. Barker
Duquesne University Distinguished Professor of Law

Sister Donna Marie Beck, C.S.J.
professor and director of the
Department of Music Therapy, Mary Pappert School of Music

Dr. Frank J. D’Amico
professor of mathematics, McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts

Dr. David Hanson
associate professor of international business and director of international programs, Palumbo/Donahue Schools of Business

Dr. Rick McCown
professor of education and chair of educational foundations and leadership, School of Education

Margaret Patterson
associate professor of journalism and multimedia arts, McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts
1940s

Edward A. Rock, Sr., B’42, GB’49, was honored at the Beta Pi Sigma fraternity picnic in August with a surprise 88th birthday party. He is the founding father of the fraternity. Also, Ed and his wife, Olive, celebrated their 63rd anniversary in May.

1950s

David J. Armstrong, JD’56, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for commercial litigation, insurance law and white-collar criminal defense.

Mario E. Lombardo, A’58, JD’61, has recently authored a children’s Christmas story, Ralph the Star Elf: Santa’s Little Secret. It is available on Amazon.com.

1960s

Carol Morgan, A’63, won third prize for her pen and ink painting Elizabeth in a contest sponsored by the National Arts Program at the National Press Club, which included 50 entries. She retired from the federal government in August.

Dr. Bonita M. Schaffner, E’66, has been named division dean of liberal arts and sciences at Berkeley City College, where she will administer and develop all college liberal arts and sciences programs.

Daniel P. Stefko, B’66, JD’69, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for insurance law.

Dr. Clare Porac, A’67, GA’71, is the new associate director of graduate and postgraduate education and training, education directorate, American Psychological Association in Washington, D.C. Among her many responsibilities is the coordination of the Preparing Future Faculty program.

Dr. William Robinson, A’68, was recognized for more than 30 years of dedication to students by Thiel College when the William A. Robinson Theater was dedicated in his honor. Currently a professor of performing arts, he has also served as chairman of the Department of Communication and the Department of Performing Arts and founded the theatre minor offered by the college. He is also director of the Thiel Players, the college’s century-old student theatre company, and received the Professor of the Year award in February 2007.

John Edward Wall, A’68, JD’73, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for personal injury litigation and product liability litigation.

1970s

James W. Horner, GE’70, was recently inducted in the WPIAL Athletic Hall of Fame, Inaugural Class of 2007. He was also inducted in the Southwestern Pennsylvania Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2005.

Dr. Joseph Wronka, A’70, GA’72, is the author of Human Rights and Social Justice: Social Action and Service for the Helping and Health Professions (Sage Publications), which is described as examining “how human rights and social justice can serve as a conceptual framework for policy and practice among the helping and health professions broadly defined to include social work, psychology, psychiatry, medicine, nursing and public health, which have recognized the importance of human rights principles.”

Cornelius T. McQuillan, C.S.Sp., A’71, who was serving as pastor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in Sabana Hoyos, Puerto Rico, has been reassigned as promoter of vocations.
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will continue as a part-time member of the faculty of the Arecibo Campus of the Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico, a campus that Spiritan missionaries helped found.

Virginia (Saccone) Punashot, E’71, and John P. Punashot, A’70, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary.

James R. Miller, JD’72, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for personal injury litigation.

Dr. Linda Toth, A’72, professor of pharmacology and associate dean of research and faculty affairs at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, has received the 2007 Charles River Laboratories’ Excellence in Refinement Award at the sixth World Congress on Alternatives and Animal Use in the Life Sciences in Tokyo. She was chosen to receive this award for “a body of research that improves both the understanding and practice of refinement alternatives.” Refinement refers to “methods aimed at minimizing pain and distress for laboratory animals.”

Ralph J. Saunders, Jr., B’72, JD’75, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for workers’ compensation law.

Kenneth P. Davie, JD’73, has been reappointed assistant town attorney for the town of Kearny, and has recently coached the High Tech High School boys’ varsity soccer team to its fourth consecutive Hudson County Conference Championship. He has been qualified by the New Jersey Supreme Court as a family and civil law mediator.

Robert J. Marino, A’73, JD’79, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for personal injury litigation.

Jerome L. Wolf, JD’73, partner in the estates and asset planning practice group of the firm Duane Morris in Boca Raton, performed pro bono work in New Orleans. He and a paralegal performed this work—primarily in probate matters—for Hurricane Katrina victims. Jerry has more than 30 years of experience in trusts and estate law.

Raymond E. Urgo, A’75, founder and principal of Urgo & Associates (Los Angeles), has been honored with the Distinguished Service Award by the board of directors of the Society for Technical Communication in Arlington, Va. He was recognized for his “dedicated leadership and service to the Policies & Procedures Special Interest Group (SIG), beginning with your role as founding member, then longtime SIG manager, and now cheerful sponsor and mentor to SIG members and volunteers.” At Urgo & Associates, he advises on best practices for investing in policies and procedures systems and documentation to transform organizational performance.

David L. Smiga, A’76, senior counsel-litigation in the United States Steel Corporation’s Law Department, was elected chairman of the Allegheny County (Pa.) Bar Association’s...
Rosemarie Scotti Hughes, Ph.D., E’64, dean of the School of Psychology and Counseling at Regent University in Virginia Beach, Va., and licensed professional counselor and marriage and family therapist, recently went on a trip that was a cultural and professional exchange program through People to People. The trip, led by past presidents of the American Counseling Association, held professional meetings in Beijing and Ulaan Baatar, Mongolia. She also was part of a tour in Hong Kong.

“I was fortunate to observe traditional Chinese treatment in a Beijing hospital. It was eye-opening to see also the larger Tongren hospital, with facilities that would be considered as just basic in the U.S., but yet with caring psychiatrists who are working hard to get mental health services to people. In Mongolia, which has only been free from Russian rule for 16 years, the training programs are trying hard to catch up. For example, a professor actually wept at seeing a simple group exercise, because he had never seen anything like it demonstrated before. We were humbled by all of the people we met because of their dedication despite lack of resources,” she says.

Hughes has been dean of the School of Psychology and Counseling at Regent for 13 years. She is also a tenured professor and teaches Psychology and Counseling of Women. She is the author of three books and many journal articles.

environmental section. The appointment runs through Sept. 1.

Maureen Kowalski, B’77, JD’90, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for workers’ compensation law.

John C. Conti, JD’78, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for medical malpractice law and personal injury litigation.

Dr. Marie Mackowick, P’78, was awarded the W. Arthur Purdum Award, the highest award of the Maryland Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists. The award honors sustained contributions to health-systems pharmacy.

1980s

Carol A. Behers, A’80, JD’83, was elected to serve a three-year term on the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Bar Institute. She is a principal in the Pittsburgh firm of Raphael, Ramsden & Behers, P.C. and concentrates her practice in family law.

Kenneth J. Horoho, JD’80, a partner with the firm of Goldberg, Gruener, Gentile, Horoho and Avalli, P.C., was included in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 in the field of family law. He also just completed a term as president of the 29,000-member Pennsylvania Bar Association.

Judy (Ruggiero) Miller, A’80, was appointed director of communications of Easter Seals, Greater Washington-Baltimore Region in Silver Spring, Md.

Gino F. Peluso, JD’80, was recently elected treasurer of the Duquesne University Law Alumni Association. Peluso is entering his 27th year in the private practice of law, while having spent nine years as an assistant district attorney in Westmoreland County. He is also a member of the Saint Thomas More Society of the Diocese of Greensburg, whose mission is to explore contemporary issues of morality, ethics, law and policy through the life and ideals of Saint Thomas More, who is long considered to be the patron saint of lawyers.

Kathy Bronson, A’81, has joined the creative department of St. John & Partners as a senior copywriter, after serving as a freelancer for the agency. She has more than 25 years of experience and has worked on such brands as Cingular Wireless, American Airlines, Chili’s Grill & Bar, SouthTrust Bank and Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Florida, Texas and Alabama.

William D. Clifford, JD’81, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for commercial litigation.

Cynthia Danel, JD’81, partner with Edgar Snyder & Associates, has been certified as a member of the Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum. Membership is limited to attorneys who are already life members of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum, and acted as principal counsel in more than one case that has resulted in a multi-million dollar verdict, award or settlement. Danel is past president of the Western Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association and earned the 2007 Pennsylvania Super Lawyer distinction.

Patricia A. Onufrak, A’81, received a master’s degree in legal administration.
Dr. Salvatore J. LaGumina’s, E’55, new book, The Humble and The Heroic: Wartime Italian Americans (Cambria Press), recently won the New York State Sons of Italy Literary Award. In October, he also was honored by the Society of Catholic Social Scientists with a lifetime achievement award. In his latest book, LaGumina undertakes the momentous task of telling the story of Italian Americans during World War II, when they were a maligned people. Through hard work, selfless sacrifice and astonishing service, they moved beyond the shadow of suspicion to essential and vital positions within the “greatest generation.”

LaGumina is emeritus professor and director of the Center for Italian American Studies at Nassau Community College. He is a member of the executive committee of the New York State Commission for Social Justice, and the author and co-editor of more than 17 books.

LaGumina’s wife and daughter also are Duquesne alumni: Julie (Heath) LaGumina, E’56, and Christine LaGumina Cutrone, E’90.

from Marymount University and was recognized as the Outstanding Student in the Legal Administration Program at an awards ceremony prior to graduation. In conjunction with the program, she also did pro bono work as a paralegal with Just Neighbors, an immigration legal clinic, and is continuing to assist immigrants as an ESL tutor and self-employed technical editor.

Charles R. Vargo, B’81, executive director of the Washington Physician Hospital Organization, Inc., was honored by the Graduate School of Public Health (GSPH) of the University of Pittsburgh with the Margaret F. Gloninger Service Award. The award is presented “to a GSPH alumnus who has made a significant contribution to GSPH or to the community through volunteer service.” Vargo serves on the boards of Global Links and Providence Connections, Inc. He is also involved in global health outreach and has made six trips to Latin America with Catholic Health East’s global health ministry and Duquesne University’s Center for International Nursing.

Todd Berkey, B’82, partner with Edgar Snyder & Associates, has been certified as a member of the Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum. Membership is limited to attorneys who are already life members of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum, and acted as principal counsel in more than one case that has resulted in a multi-million dollar verdict, award or settlement. Berkey has earned the 2007 Pennsylvania Super Lawyer distinction.

Debra S. Dunne, P’82, has joined Stradley Ronon in Philadelphia as a partner and chair of the firm’s life sciences practice group. She will oversee a nine-attorney practice group that represents companies in the pharmaceutical, medical device and other healthcare-related industries. She counsels clients on regulatory, compliance and risk-management issues, litigates pharmaceutical and medical-device products liability cases and handles matters involving all stages of the product life cycle including clinical trials, pre-approval activities, labeling, advertising and promotion, and post-marketing challenges.

Jim Saxton, JD’82, and hcPro published the second edition of his book, The Satisfied Patient. The book is described as a resource designed for physicians and physician practice administrators/managers, corporate compliance officers, risk managers, in house counsel and other executives. Saxton chairs the health care litigation group and co-chairs the health care department of the law firm of Stevens & Lee, in addition to his active trial practice representing providers, including physicians, hospitals and retirement communities.

Charles G. Brown, JD’83, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for workers’ compensation law.

Diane Clark, JD’83, has joined the personal injury litigation team of Edgar Snyder & Associates in Pittsburgh.

Michael J. Foley, JD’83, partner in the law firm of Foley, McLane, Foley, McDonald & MacGregor, P.C., is president-elect of the Pennsylvania Association for Justice (formerly the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association). He was named a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer in 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007. He focuses his practice on medical malpractice, civil litigation and products liability.

The Reverend Kenneth F. Yossa, A’83, presented a paper, “Autonomy, Zerrissenheit, and the Future of Orthodox Ecclesial Unity” at the sixth annual Leuven Encounters in Systematic
Susan M. Kapusta, PhD’06, GA’01, general manager of Community Affairs and the United States Steel Foundation at United States Steel Corporation, was recently presented with the Anthony L. Bucci Award for Excellence in Communication Ethics from Duquesne University’s Department of Communication & Rhetorical Studies.

Kapusta’s work with community outreach and her long-standing commitment to the ethical mission of U. S. Steel prompted the faculty to select her from a wide range of potential candidates.

The Anthony L. Bucci Award for Excellence in Communication Ethics is granted each year to a marketplace leader who exemplifies Duquesne University’s mission of service and serves as a standard bearer for ethics in the marketplace.

Kapusta was granted the Ph.D. in Rhetoric from the Department of Communication & Rhetorical Studies in 2006. An experienced executive, Kapusta has held several significant corporate management positions during her tenure at United States Steel Corporation. For the past six years, she has helped lead the strategic mission of the United States Steel Foundation and is also a member of its board of trustees. Among her current responsibilities, she manages a multi-million dollar budget, leads staff and volunteer efforts for hundreds of people and has developed award-winning community outreach initiatives with numerous philanthropic organizations in Pittsburgh. She also oversees U. S. Steel’s annual United Way ‘Million Dollar Club’ employee campaign. In 2007, she was named a council member for the United Way’s Women’s Leadership Initiative and works with other leaders in Allegheny County to provide a pathway for growth and success in our communities.

Kapusta represents U. S. Steel on the $55 million Carnegie Library Capital Campaign Cabinet and is on the advisory committee for Beginning with Books Center for Early Literacy. She is a former member of the board of directors of the Community College of Allegheny County and is a member of the Kappa Tau Alpha National Honor Society. Kapusta currently teaches as part of the adjunct faculty at Duquesne to give back to the community and encourage students to reach for their dreams. She and her husband, Dr. Rick Kapusta, reside in Upper St. Clair, Pa. ■

Duquesne Announces Partnership with Chautauqua Institution

Chautauqua Institution, an internationally renowned center for life-long educational, recreational, artistic and religious pursuits, is now offering a discount to Duquesne University alumni, faculty, staff and students for its 2008 Summer Lecture Series.

Special group rates are available. For more information, please visit http://www.alumni.duq.edu/pdfs/duquesne-chautauqua-2008.pdf.

Chautauqua Institution is a short drive from many cities in Pennsylvania, Ohio and New York. Do more for yourself this summer—spend some time at Chautauqua. ■
representation of counties and local governments sued by those who allege police abuse, excessive force and other violations of constitutional rights. She is also vice chair of the Board of Directors at Duquesne University.

**John T. Pion, JD’85, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C.,** was recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America 2008* for personal injury litigation.

**Sister Anita Isidoro, OSB, GA’86,** won first place for her drawing of the Holy Trinity, *The Creation,* at Sacred Heart Church in East Berlin, Conn. She is a member of the Benedictines of Jesus Crucified, a community that lives in prayer, silence, charity and work. She makes computer reproductions of her paintings for note cards and also custom-draws special cards.

**Patricia A. Goulding, E’87, GE’89,** executive director of National Dance Week, was honored with the Preservation of Our Heritage in American Dance Award from Oklahoma City University’s Ann Lacy School of American Dance and Arts Management for her work in National Dance Week and years in the dance profession. Goulding is also a

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**In Memoriam**

**Sean Doherty, A’84,** longtime WDUQ sports director, died on Dec. 8. He was 47. After earning a journalism degree at Duquesne, Doherty joined the sports department at WDUQ. He was named sports director in 1987, and was also the color commentator for Duquesne basketball for three years.

**Dr. Joseph T. Brennan,** a professor at Duquesne in the School of Education for 36 years, died on July 3. He was founder of the reading specialist program and reading clinic at Duquesne, and was a member of the International Reading Association and the Three Rivers Reading Council. He also was the past president of the Orpheus Club, where he held membership for 42 years.

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**Dr. Samuel Hazo, GA’55, Hon’65,** will receive an honorary doctorate from the University of Notre Dame at its 163rd commencement on May 18.

The Reverend John I. Jenkins, president of Notre Dame, explained why Hazo was chosen for this honor: “You have engaged the world around you with an impressive collection of literary works that speak with wisdom, truth and compassion. Your career exemplifies the great value of liberal education and echoes much of what Notre Dame values most dearly.”

The author of books of poetry, fiction, essays and plays, Hazo is the founder and director of the International Poetry Forum in Pittsburgh. He is also McAnulty Distinguished Professor of English Emeritus at Duquesne, where he taught for 43 years. From 1950 until 1957, he served in the U. S. Marine Corps, completing his tour as a captain. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Notre Dame and his doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh. He was recently honored with the Griffin Award for Creative Writing from Notre Dame. A National Book Award Finalist, he was chosen to be the first State Poet of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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**Peeking into the Past**

After World War II, the University’s enrollment began to increase dramatically because of the GI Bill and other economic incentives. By the early 1950s, it became clear that the current campus would be insufficient to meet the needs of future students. As a result, the old neighborhood buildings began to be removed and replaced with newer facilities.

Many of the buildings pictured here—Vickroy Street (now Academic Walk), 1950—would be torn down by the 1960s to make room for Mellon Hall.
In August, Tamiko Stanley, B’00, was the first person hired as the City of Pittsburgh’s assistant director of personnel/Equal Employment Opportunities officer.

Stanley’s job is to diversify the city’s workforce by overseeing all employment and applications divisions of the city’s personnel department. She is in the process of developing her plan to make sure the city’s future workforce reflects the diversity of the Pittsburgh community.

Stanley has been scrutinizing the city’s various hiring processes, such as testing for firefighter candidates, that may deter women and minorities from applying or getting the job. She is the main author of a campaign called DiverseCity 365, which she describes as a program that “recognizes that 365 days a year we are a diverse city and intends to promote, celebrate and embrace that as a culture. It is an intimate approach towards promoting city jobs and educating the public in detail about choosing a rewarding career with the city.”

Registered nurse and author, and her 35 years of experience in teaching dance includes special needs students and liturgical dance groups.

Jeanine L. DeBor, A’89, is director of Law Alumni Relations at Duquesne University.

Michelle Leibow, A’89, is now director of marketing for McKesson Specialty Pharmacy Services. She will focus on the “continued development and execution of an overall marketing strategy that represents best-in-class specialty pharmacy services for payor, manufacturer and patient needs.”

1990s

Francis J. Schultz, A’90, JD’95, was re-elected to a third term as district attorney of Crawford County, Pa., on Nov. 6.

Steven W. Zoffer, JD’91, of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., was recognized in The Best Lawyers in America 2008 for commercial litigation.

Dr. Raimi Abiodun, N’92, has just had her book, Healthcare Management: Are Social Skills the Answer, published.

Dr. Michael E. Aleprete, Jr., A’93, is now assistant professor of political science at Westminster College.

Dr. Robert M. Frampton, MPT’93, DHCE’02, is the dean of the College of Health Professions at The University of Findlay.

Lamman Rucker, B’96, GE’00, made his major studio feature film debut in Why Did I Get Married?, released in October. His television work includes Law & Order, Half & Half, The Temptations, As The World Turns and All My Children, and he has received an Audelco (Audience Development Committee, Inc.) nomination for his stage work. He is also an activist and spokesperson for several non-profit organizations dealing with prevention, education and testing initiatives for HIV/AIDS and other issues.

Katrina (Scanlon) Knepp, GE’97, and

Cheer on the Dukes!

Support the Dukes when they visit your city by watching the game with your fellow alumni. Alumni Relations is making blocks of tickets available to alumni and even scheduling pre-game events with alumni chapters for the following road games:

Thursday, Feb. 21 - Dukes at Xavier
Tip-off: 7 p.m.
To reserve tickets, go to www.alumni.duq.edu

Sunday, March 2 - Dukes at Charlotte
Pre-game event: Noon, Tip-off: 2 p.m.
Visit www.alumni.duq.edu for pre-game site and reservations.
Questions can be directed to Alumni Relations at 1.800.456.8338

Wednesday, March 12 - Saturday, March 15
A-10 Men’s Basketball Tournament
Atlantic City, N.Y.
Check www.alumni.duq.edu for travel deals and alumni gatherings as we cheer on the Dukes!

For more information about Dukes basketball, please visit http://goduquesne.cstv.com/
her husband, Patrick, and two sons, have welcomed their third child, 5-year-old Claire Elyse Yei-Min Knepp from Korea. Knepp is a third grade teacher at Peebles Elementary.

Anthony “Andy” Ai, B’99, vice president, Corporate Accounts Analysis, PNC Financial Services Group, was named as one of the “40 Under 40” by Pittsburgh Magazine, recognizing talented individuals “making a positive impact on the region’s development.” There are more than 60 Asian-American organizations locally and he is trying to “link all the different groups together and make Pittsburgh a better region for Asian-Americans.”

2000s

Emily S. (Erb) Bell, A’00, has been promoted to market manager, on-premise Maryland and Washington, D.C., with BACARDI, U.S.A. She was formerly responsible for western Pennsylvania.

Erin Mahoney, A’00, earned an M.A. in forensic psychology from John Jay College of Criminology and is now a supervisor of a unit with the Bronx Mental Health Court.

Lauren (Vavrek) Simko, PharmD’00, was recently promoted to pharmacy district manager for Rite Aid Corporation.

Brian Wuenschell, JD’00, has joined the personal injury litigation team of Edgar Asbill & Brennan LLP in the Washington, D.C. office. At Duquesne, Myrick was a teaching assistant for the Legal Research and Writing Program, the managing editor of the Duquesne Law Journal, editor-in-chief of the Business Law Journal and president of the Corporate Law Society.

Nicholas Reitze, S’06, is a laboratory coordinator with RedPath Integrated Pathology, Inc.

Reid Bromwell, B’07, was named general manager of Star Paratransit, a division of the Pittsburgh Transportation Group.

Mark Whitaker, A’07, was hired as a research associate for the Pittsburgh Technology Council. He is “responsible for gathering and analyzing data and providing informational services, in order to increase the value of council programs and initiatives.”

Marriages

Christine Lopusznick, E’97, married Andrew Romer, A’06.

Kelly Teorsky, GH’01, married Andrew Yurasko III.

Kelly Burkhart, MPT’02, married Matthew Stratton, S’01.

Kristin Smith, B’02, married Brad Lovas, A’02, GA’03.

Jodi Polizzano, E’03, GE’04, married Jeff Weismann, B’01.

In Memoriam

John B. Hillenbrand, A’40
Mary (Carr) Petersen, N’53
George Coleman Horvath, B’55
Edward M. Kovacs, Jr., B’63
Sr. Mary Evelyn Hannan, GE’64
Sr. Maria Goretti DiZinno, GE’74
John K. Lally, A’79
Theresa Louise Karsh, P’87
Dr. Claudia Balach, GE’97, Ed.D.’03
Dr. William W. Frost III, A’99

New Arrivals

Dominic Alfred, son of Susan (Bartos) Rocco, A’91, and Pasquale J. Rocco, Jr.

Braydon Nicholas, son of Melissa (Zilinskas) Prutz, M’93, and Mark Prutz, M’92.
According to the Investment Company Institute, Americans’ nest eggs reached a record $16.4 trillion in 2006, including $8.3 trillion in individual retirement accounts (IRAs) and defined contribution plans such as 401(k), 403(b) and 457 plans. These staggering numbers demonstrate the power and wealth of American workers who have focused on saving for retirement. Taking advantage of employer-sponsored plans and/or IRAs will include you among this savvy and forward-thinking group.

Retirement assets account for nearly 40 percent of household financial assets, the Investment Company Institute recently reported. Because you have taken such great steps to ensure your financial future, it also makes sense to determine how these assets fit in your overall estate plan. Why spend a lifetime building this nest egg, only to have it virtually wiped out by taxes at death? If you name an individual other than your spouse, such as a child, as the beneficiary of your traditional IRA, the plan assets can be subject to up to four different taxes:

- Federal estate tax: Under current law, if you pass away with an estate in excess of $2 million, the balance of your traditional IRA will be included in your estate for federal estate tax purposes. Although that sounds like a high threshold, when you include your house, savings, investments, life insurance and other assets, it is far more attainable for far more people than you might imagine. If your IRA is includable in your estate, the balance available after taxes could be lessened by 45 percent or more. (Assets left to your spouse are generally not subject to estate tax, but once that spouse passes away, the estate tax issue will again become relevant.)

- Federal income tax: An IRA can produce income known as “income in respect of a decedent.” This means that withdrawals from your IRA by your estate or heirs will be taxed as ordinary income, with rates that could hit 35 percent.

- State income and estate taxes: Additionally, the IRA balance may be subject to both state income and state estate tax depending on where you live.

There is an alternative. When you name a charitable organization, such as Duquesne University, as a beneficiary of your IRA, the charity will receive 100 percent of the proceeds tax free. The IRA balance will be subject to none of the taxes discussed above. You can thus make a significant impact on the life and programs of the University without imposing any negative tax consequences upon your heirs.

If you are concerned that this would shortchange your children in favor of your alma mater, remember that it is not a zero-sum game. The decision isn’t whether to leave money to your children or your favorite charity; rather, it is whether to leave money to your children and charity and cut the Internal Revenue Service out of your estate plans. There are alternative assets to bequeath to your children that will not only make certain you provide them with a legacy, but will also provide them with tax benefits, including common stocks, mutual fund shares held in taxable accounts, real estate, ownership interests in a business and other assets that would qualify for capital gains treatment if sold. Naming a charity as your IRA beneficiary is a far more tax-efficient strategy than leaving your children to suffer such draconian tax consequences.

Additionally, you can exercise a degree of control over the retirement plan assets that pass to Duquesne University by indicating that the proceeds are to be distributed in support of a specific school, program or fund. For example, if you wish to support scholarships at the School of Nursing, your beneficiary designation can read: “Duquesne University School of Nursing Scholarship Fund.” Our Gift Planning staff can assist you in crafting the appropriate beneficiary designation to support the University endeavor of your choosing.

If you have named Duquesne as a beneficiary of your retirement plan, but have not yet informed the University, or if you wish to become a member of the Father McAnulty Society by including Duquesne University as a beneficiary, please contact Carrie Matesevac Collins at 412.396.4272 or collinscm@duq.edu.
Be on the lookout for...

**Sunday, Feb. 24, 2008**
Mylan School of Pharmacy alumni brunch and men’s basketball game
Brunch at City View Café, Student Union: Noon
Tip-off: 2 p.m.
For information, contact Jacki Markley at 412.396.5844 or markley@duq.edu.

**Sunday, March 2, 2008**
Pittsburgh Symphony performance and alumni reception
Performance: 2 p.m.
Orlando, Fla.
For event details and registration, go to www.alumni.duq.edu.

**Thursday, March 13, 2008**
For more information, call 412.396.6388.

**Wednesday, March 26, 2008**
Duquesne University Downtown Luncheon (formerly Downtown Alumni Luncheon)
Registration and exhibit tables: 11 a.m.
Lunch: noon
David L. Lawrence Convention Center
To register, go to www.alumni.duq.edu (corporate tables are welcome).
Call Alumni Relations with questions: 412.396.5894.

**Thursday, April 3, 2008**
Cleveland Cavaliers NBA pre-game reception and game tickets
Join the Duquesne alumni chapter in Cleveland as the Cavs play the Chicago Bulls (Cavs president is Len Komoroski, a Duquesne grad!)
Pre-game reception: TBD
Tip-off: 8 p.m.
Quicken Loans Arena, Cleveland
To register, go to www.alumni.duq.edu.

**Monday, April 14, 2008**
Pascal Day lecture by Professor Robert George of Princeton University
7 p.m.
Duquesne Room, Duquesne Student Union
For more information, call 412.396.6388.

**Thursday, April 17, 2008**
Gumberg Library Rededication/Grand Unveiling of the newly renovated Maureen Sullivan Curriculum Center
4-6 p.m.
Contact University Events for details: 412.396.6033.

**Friday, April 18, 2008**
Law Alumni Reunion Dinner
Reception: 4:30 p.m.
Dinner: 6 p.m.
LeMont Restaurant, Pittsburgh’s Mt. Washington neighborhood
For information, contact Jeanine DeBor at 412.396.5215 or deborj@duq.edu.

**Saturday, April 19 and Sunday, April 20, 2008**
International Alumni Community Service Weekend
Duquesne alumni are encouraged to do community service in their own neighborhoods—photos and stories about your efforts are welcome and will be posted online at www.alumni.duq.edu.

**Friday, May 2, 2008**
University Commencement

**May 2-4, 2008**
Pharmacy Alumni Conference
Seven Springs (near Pittsburgh)
For information, contact Jacki Markley at 412.396.5844 or markley@duq.edu.

**Sunday, June 1, 2008**
School of Law Commencement Ceremony
Mass: 9:30 a.m.
Ceremony: 11 a.m.
A.J. Palumbo Center
For more information, contact Jeanine DeBor at 412.396.5215 or deborj@duq.edu.

**Monday, June 16 or 23, 2008**
Palumbo/Donahue School of Business Golf Outing
Contact Bob Kollar for details: kollar@duq.edu.

**Monday, June 23, 2008**
14th Annual RSHS Golf Invitational
Diamond Run Golf Club
Registration begins at 11 a.m., followed by shotgun start, reception and awards banquet. For more information, contact Deb Durica at 412.396.5551 or durica@duq.edu.

**Homecoming 2008**
60th Anniversary of Duquesne’s Journalism Department
For additional details, contact Sally Richie at 412.396.1311 or richiea@duq.edu.

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