A Higher Perspective:

CELEBRATING 100 Years OF BUSINESS EDUCATION

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Business from a higher perspective is a way of thinking at the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business. It’s beyond reacting to trends in education that come and go with the latest headlines. It’s a vision of ethical leadership rooted in the founding mission of the Holy Ghost Fathers that began in 1913 and continues today, as we celebrate the school’s centennial.

As you’ll see in this issue’s cover story, ethical standards and public service are viewed as inseparable in the study of business at Duquesne. Earning a degree from the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business means graduates are poised for responsible leadership, prepared to make a difference in their careers, for their communities, and around the world.

As the complexities of a global economy deepen, widen, and accelerate, more than ever, a company’s success depends on professionals educated in business from a higher perspective. That’s why undergraduates, graduates, and working professionals pursuing a career in business choose Duquesne. They are seeking a first-rate education that will prepare them for a lifetime of success in a continuously evolving worldwide working environment.

In these pages, you’ll find additional ways in which the Duquesne community is improving our world. Our faculty and students are at the forefront of teaching, research, and service in every field—from fighting malaria in Africa to scouring the oceans for pharmaceutical compounds to treat chronic pain and addiction. Alumni are working on issues such as involving more women and minorities in science initiatives, making our world more secure, and overseeing national policy regarding bankruptcy law.

You’ll also see how we’re fulfilling, in a most dramatic fashion, our uniquely Holy Ghost, Spiritan mandate of serving God by serving students. U.S. News lists us among America’s most efficient universities—the only Catholic university in their top 20—and a “Great School at a Great Price.” We do this by providing outstanding academic quality at a highly competitive national level while spending and charging much less than our peers.

Our education is for the mind, heart, and spirit. Since 1878, that has been a priceless achievement. You demonstrate this each day in your families, your work, and your communities. And you help to make this same education possible for a new generation of students who are following in your footsteps. Thank you for all you do for Duquesne University of the Holy Spirit.

Sincerely,

Charles J. Dougherty, Ph.D.
Duquesne University President
DU Called One of the Most Efficient National Universities by ‘U.S. News’

Duquesne is one of the most efficiently operated top-tier ranked universities, according to a new listing issued by U.S. News & World Report.

It is the only institution in Pennsylvania—and the only Catholic school in the U.S.—included on this list of 20.

“I am not surprised that Duquesne University is included in this small list of efficiently operated top-tier universities,” says Paul-James Cukanna, associate provost for enrollment management. “Since his arrival in 2001, President Charles Dougherty has worked with his management team to implement best practices for both the financial and strategic management of this institution.

“These successful efforts have been reflected in the enrollment of the largest classes in our history. Premier investor services providers such as Standard & Poor’s and Moody’s have independently acknowledged our successes through their high credit ratings.”

In introducing the new rankings list, U.S. News notes, “These are the schools that are providing a high quality education while spending relatively less than their peers to achieve it.”

Duquesne, according to the list, spent $21,216 per student in fiscal year 2011 on instruction, research, student services and related educational expenditures. Those included on the national list spent between $17,731 and $27,572 per student.

According to U.S. News, “Schools that are featured on this list are doing a good job in managing their financial resources relative to other schools that may have larger state funding, higher tuition or larger endowments. Many of these schools are likely to be more affordable in terms of tuition relative to others in their ranking category, since almost all of them are public universities.”

Duquesne is one of only four private schools on the list, along with Brigham Young, Clark and Texas Christian University.
Great moments in Duquesne’s sports history, just waiting to be relived and shared with future generations, have been saved from deterioration and will live on thanks to a new initiative by the University Archives and Gumberg Library.

The University Archives is home to hundreds of reels of 8 mm and 16 mm film that document various games and seasons of both the basketball and football teams. However, in recent years, the reels—given to the archives by the Athletics Department for storage—started to deteriorate.

“At the time, this type of film was thought to be the best to record on but in reality the film was unstable,” explains Thomas White, University archivist and curator. “It became necessary to take action and save this part of the University’s past.”

As a result, the sports film digitization project was successfully launched last spring and approximately two-thirds of the film collection has been digitized. These films contain games from the 1920s through the 1990s.

“As we move further and further away from film, having the ability to digitize this part of Duquesne’s athletics history is fantastic,” says Dave Saba, associate athletic director for media relations, who delivered many of the films to the University Archives. “Many of the films were found in a cardboard box in the back of a storage closet. I’m sure many Duquesne alums will appreciate the time and effort it took to bring part of Duquesne’s history back to life.”

Starting with the 1955 NIT Championship basketball game, the films will be added to the library’s digital collections (http://digital.library.duq.edu) so that former and current players, alumni and their families can watch the games for free online.

“Our plan is to put the videos online along with complementary still photos and game programs,” says White. “Ultimately, our goal is to do that with many of the other games or at least some from each season.”

In addition, DVD copies have been created for easy viewing and long-term preservation. All digitized games are also stored on an external hard drive as an additional backup. While the DVDs are not yet in circulation, the plan is to reproduce the games and make them available for distribution.

Alumni who would like to assist with the preservation project in any capacity or have Duquesne sports films in need of being digitized can contact Thomas White at whitet@duq.edu.
Working with

The Most Dangerous Animals On Earth

By Karen Ferrick-Roman

Far from the dry and rainy seasons

of the tropics, Dr. David Lampe works in his Mellon Hall lab on a new approach to fighting one of the world’s most prominent and deadly infectious diseases: malaria.

About half of the world’s population is at risk for malaria, with the largest group being African children, says Lampe, associate professor of biological sciences in the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences. An estimated 1 million people worldwide die from malaria every year—and many who don’t die are severely debilitated in some of the poorest places on Earth.

“We’ve been contracting malaria as long as we’ve been a species,” says Lampe, who is among the scientists working to turn the tide, which is actually gaining on humans.

The deadly disease is carried by some of the hundreds of species of Anopheles mosquitoes—but only by the blood-sucking females. If the females carry the protozoan parasite—which spends part of its life cycle developing inside the mosquito and is responsible for causing the disease—they can transmit the parasite along with their bites. Basically, scientists have fought the disease in two ways to this point: killing the insects that carry malaria with insecticides or killing the parasites, once they are in humans, with drugs.

Drug resistance is evolving among the parasites and insecticide resistance is evolving among the mosquitoes. While the Gates Foundation and the World Health Organization have launched an initiative to eradicate malaria and some progress has been made on a vaccination, that approach is still far from 100 percent effective, says Lampe.

“It’s pretty clear that any effort to eradicate malaria is not going to succeed with one method of control,” he notes.

Lampe started collaborating six years ago with another researcher to genetically modify bacteria that live in mosquito guts to produce proteins that can kill malaria.
MALARIA STUDY

Fact: An estimated 300 million to 500 million cases of malaria occur every year.

About one million of them die every year, mostly African children.

Fact: Different types of malaria affect humans, rodents, reptiles and birds.

Dr. David Lampe also works with a strain of rodent malaria called Plasmodium berghei.

Fact: Resistance is an issue in both the disease-causing parasite and the mosquitoes that carry it.

The parasite is evolving resistance to drugs used to fight the disease, while the Anopheles mosquitoes also are evolving resistance to insecticides used to kill them. That’s why Lampe and his collaborators are focusing on indirectly destroying the parasites with the protein of a genetically modified bacterium.

Source: U.S. National Library of Medicine

Dr. David Lampe observes mosquito samples in his lab.
The Holy Family Institute (HFI) has appointed President Charles J. Dougherty as chairperson of the Holy Family Foundation Board.

“Dr. Dougherty has led Duquesne University into the first ranks of American Catholic higher education by emphasizing its unique Spiritan identity, enhancing the quality of the campus and the quality of the student experience, and developing a national reputation for academic excellence,” says Sister Linda Yankoski, chief executive officer of the Holy Family Institute. “We are fortunate to have someone of his caliber lead the board.”

One of Pittsburgh’s largest social service agencies, the Holy Family Institute provides help to children and families suffering from poverty, abuse, neglect and other debilitating circumstances.

“For more than a century, the Holy Family Institute has fostered positive change and support for children, youth and families through its many programs and services as well as its commitment to the sanctity of family,” says Dougherty. “With the heritage of its founders, the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, and its tradition of Catholic social teaching, the Institute, not unlike Duquesne University, serves God by serving others. It is truly an honor to be the chairperson for its Foundation Board.”

As chair of the 12-member Holy Family Foundation Board, Dougherty will serve a three-year term.

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“He brings to the chairmanship leadership and service excellence, both of which will strengthen HFI’s impact in attaining our mission.”

Dougherty is a nationally recognized scholar and expert in health care ethics and has served on numerous health care advisory commissions and projects.

Duquesne alumnus Gen. Michael V. Hayden returned to campus in November to present Global Security in the 21st Century, a lecture that focused on a group of international individuals and their influence on world security.

Hayden is considered an expert in technological intelligence and counterintelligence, global politics and terrorist risk analysis, and the structure and strategy of the
Most forensic science students envision careers spent working in city or county crime labs and testifying in U.S. courts. But for a number of recent graduates of the master’s in forensic science and law program, that career vision now includes deployment to Afghanistan.

Since 2009, seven Duquesne forensic science and law graduates have been hired by the Defense Forensic Science Center of Excellence (DFSCE)—formerly known as the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Laboratory—in Atlanta.

“It’s quite remarkable that they hired a couple of our graduates, continued to be pleased with them and then hired more,” says Dr. Fred Fochtman, director of the forensic science and law program of the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences. “It’s a good site for our students to launch their careers.”

Christine Swanson, a 2010 graduate of the program, started her career with the DFSCE as a latent print examiner shortly after graduating.

“Duquesne prepared me very well for the job,” says Swanson. “It helped starting right out of school because a lot of that basic knowledge in forensic science was still very fresh in my mind.”

The DFSCE has two main divisions: a forensic analysis division, which is a traditional crime lab based in Atlanta, and the forensic exploitation division for which Swanson works.

“We’re really different because our division is deployable,” explains Swanson. “Rather than working to provide evidence for court cases, our end goal is to provide intelligence to the military community overseas.”

Swanson’s first deployment to Afghanistan was from Aug. 2011 to May 2012.

“At first it was a little intimidating,” Swanson says of the deployment. “But it proved to be a deeply rewarding experience. I feel good about what I do. I’m able to see how my work directly helps the active-duty military who are putting their lives on the line for us.”

While the venue for her work might be different, Swanson says the work itself is the same.

“I work in fingerprints, so the science part of the job is the same,” she says. “We follow the same guidelines and standards that we would if we were preparing our analysis for court.”

Swanson knows her work could take her anywhere in the world.

“The goal is to be able to deploy within a week to anywhere the military might need our services,” says Swanson. “We could deploy to another area of conflict, but we could also provide relief assistance. For example, after natural disasters, such as the recent tsunamis, we could provide DNA and fingerprint analysis to help identify victims.”

Wherever her position with the DFSCE may take Swanson, one thing is certain: the job will be anything but ordinary.

American intelligence community. He earned a bachelor’s degree in 1967 and a master’s degree in 1969, both in history, from the McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts, which sponsored his lecture.

Hayden, a retired United States Air Force four-star general, is a principal of The Chertoff Group and recently served as a national security advisor for the Romney campaign. He served as director of the Central Intelligence Agency from 2006-2009, was the nation’s first principal deputy director of national intelligence from 2005-2008, and was the highest-ranking intelligence officer in the armed forces. He also directed the National Security Agency from 1999-2005.

Hayden served as commander of the Air Intelligence Agency, director of the Joint Command and Control Warfare Center, and chief of the Central Security Office.

While back at Duquesne, Hayden also delivered the keynote address to more than 650 veterans and their families at the 14th annual Veterans Day Breakfast. His address was part of a program that also included a presentation of the Seven Seals Award to Duquesne on behalf of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. The award, which is presented at both the state and national levels, honors support for service members from all seven Reserve components. It is one of the highest honors awarded by a military organization to an employer for its support of the military and veterans.
DU Launches New Website

After more than 12 months of work, the University has successfully launched its new website, www.duq.edu.

The completion of the redesign marks the beginning of a brand new web presence for the University that focuses on prospective students and other key audiences.

“We are striving for an audience-oriented website, with navigation that more easily allows site visitors to find the information they are looking for,” says Bridget Fare, assistant vice president of public affairs.

The new site makes better use of photography, available space and a white background. It also brings together the social media links of all known departments, programs and schools that have a presence on one or more of the social media sites (Facebook, Twitter, etc.).

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Alumna’s Work Influences National Policy

This fall, the Honorable Joy Flowers Conti, A’70, L’73, a U.S. District Court judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, will be concluding her three-year term as chair of the Judicial Conference’s Committee on the Administration of the Bankruptcy System. She was appointed to the position by U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts.

“Serving on a committee is, in and of itself, an honor and a privilege, and to be a chair is even more of an honor and a privilege,” says Conti. “It’s a very significant opportunity to be involved with national policymaking for the judiciary.”

Conti had expressed a desire to work on a committee with a bankruptcy connection, as she has a long academic and professional interest in the field. As chair, she travels extensively to local, regional and national meetings and educational programs.

She has been a member of the committee since 2007, and works with its 15 other members to oversee the bankruptcy system by monitoring, analyzing and proposing legislation affecting bankruptcy operations by making recommendations to the Judicial Conference, including: the number and location of bankruptcy
Business students at Duquesne will kick their data managing practices up a notch, thanks to a new partnership with Microsoft and Outer Edge Technology.

Students in the information systems field will have access to the latest—and one of the fastest growing—enterprise resource planning technologies through Microsoft Dynamics, which interweaves an organization’s finance, accounting, manufacturing, sales, service and other internal and external management information. Microsoft Dynamics AX has been donated by Microsoft through its Microsoft Dynamics Academic Alliance program.

Through Duquesne’s Microsoft Dynamics Academic Alliance membership, professors will also have access to all of the products in the Microsoft Dynamics line, as well as a community of over 1,100 other educational institutions worldwide, all working for the same goal: to provide their students with relevant experience to help increase their chances of getting hired. Additionally, Duquesne will have the opportunity to connect with various local Microsoft partners and take part in various events.

Outer Edge Technology (OET), which offers custom, private cloud solutions, has agreed to host the system for free for one year. OET will provide the computing infrastructure, operational support and datacenter services in support of this new and exciting business program.

“OET understands the importance of real-world training in preparing America’s college students to compete on a global stage and is committed to supporting outstanding programs like Duquesne’s master’s degree program for information systems management,” says Richard Emlet, founder and CEO of Outer Edge Technology.

These donations will clearly enhance the students’ working knowledge of this integrated technology—and their employability. “We’re grateful to Microsoft and to Outer Edge for contributing technology that will provide our students with cutting-edge workforce skills and knowledge,” says Dean Alan Miciak of the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business. “The master’s degree in information systems management provides real-world, hands-on experience with leading edge technology and makes our students more marketable.”

Manufacturing and other businesses are trending toward use of the Microsoft Dynamics AX system because of its ability to allow greater control of the total operations and budgets, and its delivery in Microsoft’s next-generation, integrated ERP and business productivity solutions.

judges; the allocation and management of bankruptcy judicial resources; case management; and statistical workload information and projections.

“The goal is to provide an effective voice for the bankruptcy system so we can maintain a strong bankruptcy system that can provide the judicial resources needed to access the system,” says Conti.

Conti was the first woman to serve as editor-in-chief of the Duquesne Law Review and she received her degree summa cum laude. After graduation, she clerked for Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice (and former Duquesne Law School dean) Louis Manderino. She was the first woman hired by law firm Kirkpatrick and Lockhart in 1974, and was a professor at Duquesne’s Law School from 1976-1982, where she taught courses in civil procedure, corporations, corporate finance, corporate reorganizations and bankruptcy. As a shareholder with Buchanan Ingersoll, she concentrated her practice on bankruptcy, creditors’ and debtors’ rights, health care, general corporate and nonprofit corporation law. She was nominated to the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania in 2002.
It was a project that brought some very big kids to the classrooms at Glen Montessori School in Ross and some very little students to the Duquesne University campus in the past few weeks.

Duquesne University classics professor Jason Schlude created a joint program—the Archeology and School Identity Project—for the two schools that not only taught both groups of students about anthropology, but also lessons on working with other students, both big and small.

“Everyone learns in a program like this. The Duquesne students have a great deal to offer the Glen students when it comes to both archeology and life experience, but the Glen students also have a tremendous amount to offer our students,” he explained.

Mr. Schlude’s own son, Hendrick, attends Glen, so when he started planning a joint program for his freshman students at Duquesne, it was only natural that he turned to Glen, which moved this summer from...
EVERYONE LEARNS

Emsworth into the former Perrysville Elementary School on Perry Highway. “I knew that they would be open to a learning experience like this,” he said.

Jackie Hermann, elementary education director at Glen, said 43 students from 6 to 12 years of age participated in the project. “We wanted our students to see what they may have in common with college freshmen,” she said.

The overall theme of the project was to study how the material goods that someone owns could reflect his or her culture, according to Mr. Schlude. “These belongings—artifacts—are a reflection of society, and we want all of the students to think what their own belongings might say about our society and culture,” he explained.

The Duquesne students ventured out to Glen for two Friday afternoon field trips, and then the Glen students visited the Duquesne campus for the third Friday session. Glen Montessori paid for the transportation for the project.

The first visit introduced the two groups of students after the entire group listened to a lecture and PowerPoint show by Mr. Schlude that discussed exactly what artifacts are and how archeologists discover them. “People’s stuff, artifacts, can be found thousands of years from now and can tell people something about what our life was like,” he said, showing the students photos of ancient housing, tools and weapons.

The students then worked together to look at their own homes and what their belongings might say about our culture. They then went outside to find “artifacts,” objects that Mr. Schlude had placed in the school yard. “This is fun,” said Olivia Parker, 6, a first-grader at Glen, as they searched the playground for pot shards and other objects.

Olivia, Juliette Vybiral, 7, and Jack Kelly, 8, worked with their Duquesne students, Andrea Lisky, 18, and Beth Gidenings, 19, to find their artifacts. “My name tag could be an artifact,” said Jack as he thought about the whole concept they had discussed. Ms. Lisky assured him that it would be a good one.

The enthusiasm of the students was palpable from both sets, although the older students seemed a bit more nervous than the little ones. “I’m not really used to kids,” one of the college students said as they ventured outside.

The second week, the Duquesne students went to the classrooms with the Glen students where they talked about the items in the rooms and what they would tell future generations. The third week, the Glen students visited Duquesne and toured the campus, complete with little backpacks that the admissions office had donated for the project.

For many of them, it was their first time on a college campus. Some of them thought college students had all sorts of free time and sat around. After the last session, Julie Pawlinkowski, 18, from Duquesne, said, “I was a little bit intimidated before the project because I’m the youngest in my family and not really around kids. But it was actually a lot of fun and we learned a lot.”

Ms. Pawlinkowski was surprised at the maturity level and questions from her young study partners. “We kept joking that the little kids were much more mature than we had been at their age,” she said. “And they were so eager to show us everything. They kept asking, ‘Is this an artifact?’ It was great.”

The younger students were fascinated with the university campus, said Mrs. Hermann, particularly the dormitory rooms. According to Mrs. Hermann, when one of the young Glen girls was asked by a Duquesne student if she thought she could live in a dorm room like the older student, she quipped, “Yes, if I stay exactly the same size.”

Mrs. Hermann said, “This project was incredible. It got our kids thinking of science-based careers like archeology.”

The project also has the Glen students looking at the world in a different way, said Mrs. Hermann. “They have been making comments about the context where materials are found and how they can affect the meaning of what they mean to society,” she said.

The lesson was such a hit that both Mrs. Hermann and Mr. Schlude hope other classes will adopt similar projects and they will continue joint-projects.

“Everyone learned something. The Glen students showed our students that people of all ages—even the wee ones—have the impressive ability to ask sophisticated questions and to be sophisticated thinkers,” said Mr. Schlude.

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‘U.S. News & World Report’: Duquesne, a Great School at a Great Price

Duquesne, again ranked in the top national tier of schools across the nation in the 2013 edition of U.S. News & World Report’s Best Colleges, also was among the top four Catholic universities listed in U.S. News’ Great Schools at Great Prices.

Achieving this special designation for the second year, Duquesne is listed among the top schools in the nation to provide a high-quality academic program at a good value. Ranked at No. 44, it was the fourth Catholic school named in this ranking, along with the University of Notre Dame, Georgetown University and Boston College.

U.S. News considers only schools that are ranked in or near the top half of the national tier for this listing because above-average academic institutions provide the greatest value. The ranking considers the net cost for undergraduate students with average need-based aid. Of the 50 best-value schools, Duquesne has one of the highest percentages of students who received need-based aid in 2011 (70 percent).

Overall, Duquesne again received a top national ranking, tied at No. 120 among 281 institutions selected and from more than 1,500 schools considered. Also listed at No. 120 were Catholic University of America, Howard University, Michigan Technological University and the University of Arizona. Among these peers at the No. 120 position, Duquesne showed the highest average freshman percentage retention rate, the highest actual graduation rate and the most selective SAT score threshold.

In addition to being included in the national rankings and Great Schools at Great Prices, Duquesne is considered to be one of the schools across the nation where students with “spirit and hard work” are given a chance to excel. The University is listed as an A+ Schools for B Students, considered by U.S. News to exemplify “schools (that) truly seek a broad, engaged student body.”

Online Campus Springs to Life

Duquesne has a main campus, a Rome campus and, now, an Online Campus.

The Duquesne University Online Campus will serve as an umbrella organization to promote the University’s existing online courses and programs. These programs will remain housed in their academic schools.

The new organization presents new prospects for teaching and learning online and hybrid learning environments, where face-to-face sessions are interwoven with online coursework.

In 1997, the School of Nursing began offering Duquesne’s first online degree program. Today, more than 20 online degrees and certificate programs are offered.

‘Princeton Review’ Again Features DU as One of Best Graduate Business Schools

Duquesne’s John F. Donahue Graduate School of Business again has been recognized as one of the best in the Princeton Review’s The Best 296 Business Schools, its 2013 annual guidebook.

The school’s “close-knit community” and the strength of its “enthusiastic, innovative, hard working, competitive and very smart” students, in concert with the “friendly” and “accessible” professors, provide an excellent learning environment for MBA students.

The school is noted for its emphasis on sustainability and business ethics, with high interest in the MBA Sustainability program as well as the school’s strong traditional part- and full-time MBA programs.

The guidebook includes a two-page profile of Duquesne, addressing academics, career and placement, student life and environment, and admissions. Profiles also offer ratings for academic experience, admissions selectivity and career services.
President Presents Convocation Address

Duquesne President Dr. Charles J. Dougherty presented *Enhancing the Quality of Our Students’ Experience* during his remarks to faculty, staff and students at the University’s 2012 Convocation program in September.

In his address, Dougherty focused on the theme *We serve God by serving students*, a line from the Duquesne University mission statement. Dougherty stressed that, together, every member of the University community, “regardless of specific tasks,” has a role in serving students.

Emphasizing the importance of developing students’ self-respect and mutual respect, Dougherty encouraged his audience to, themselves, recommit to maintaining an atmosphere on campus of civility and freedom from discrimination. “We must be, and indeed we rarely fail to be, role models of civility and mutual respect for our students and for one another,” he said.

In closing, Dougherty thanked all members of the campus community for making Duquesne a University of which “we all can be proud,” adding “this achievement...is ultimately about faithfulness to our history and to our Spiritan identity and mission.”

Read the full speech at: www.duq.edu/convocation2012.

New Beard Institute Leader Named

Bill O’Rourke has been named executive director of The Beard Institute of the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business.

Former director of ethics for the institute, O’Rourke now will lead the institute’s efforts in student programs, corporate programs and women’s development programs.

O’Rourke, who served as president of Alcoa-Russia from 2005 to 2008, held many leadership positions with Alcoa, including vice president of environment, health and safety, and sustainability; vice president of global business services; vice president of procurement; and chief information officer.

The board chair of Sustainable Pittsburgh, O’Rourke serves other civic, charitable and religious organizations. He earned his law degree at Duquesne and a bachelor of science in business administration at John Carroll University.

Named for its benefactor Eugene P. Beard, The Beard Institute focuses on the importance of business ethics, responsible financial management and sustainability in the global marketplace.

Journalism Students Learn Versatility in Real-Life Environments

Journalism and multimedia arts students have a spring launch planned for an online edition of *Off the Bluff*, their magazine focusing on Pittsburgh’s neighborhoods.

The magazine has been produced by students of Dr. Mike Dillon, chair of the Journalism and Multimedia Arts Department, since 2007. Students dedicate a semester of work to individual neighborhoods, which encourages students to discover and explore the city, as well as to practice good journalism.

Besides building their own clip books of good stories, students are serving the community and, intrinsically, acknowledging the value of individuals. At the same time, students are learning skills that will prepare them for careers that require increasing versatility—writing, editing, photography, design and videography.

*Off the Bluff* can be found at: www.offthebluff.com/.

Recent Grads Report DU Education Mission Accomplished

The University’s inaugural alumni survey shows about two-thirds of newer alumni—those who graduated a year ago and those who graduated five years ago—are working in the field they studied at Duquesne and about two-thirds are volunteering.

“The continued volunteering is important to our University, our graduates and our mission,” says Dr. Alexandra Gregory, associate provost/associate academic vice president, who spearheaded the survey effort. “It illustrates that our students, who are so active while on campus, take to heart the idea that their efforts can help to improve their communities.”

But perhaps one of the most remarkable facts gleaned from the survey is that more than half of these alumni have earned or are working on a graduate degree. About 28 percent of the responding alumni said they already have earned post-baccalaureate degrees and another 23 percent are currently enrolled in graduate programs. Of those who graduated in 2006, an outstanding 43 percent earned graduate degrees. A reported national average shows just over 10 percent of Americans obtain graduate degrees.

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Accomplished
Authors Bill McDonough and Andrew Winston were the keynote speakers at the sixth annual Beard Institute symposium, 100 Years of Sustainability, which was held in November. The theme focused on sustainability as a continuum, considering past practices, current initiatives and future projections.

The School of Nursing is among only 55 nursing schools in the country, and one of only two in Pennsylvania, to be awarded a competitive scholarship grant from the prestigious Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The grant is administered through the foundation’s New Careers in Nursing (NCIN) scholarship program. This is the third year the School of Nursing has received NCIN funding.

The School of Leadership and Professional Advancement (SLPA) has made G.I. Jobs’ 2013 Top Military Friendly School list. This competitive list honors the top 20 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools that are doing the most to embrace America’s military service members and veterans as students.

In November, Larry Schweiger, president and chief executive officer of the National Wildlife Federation, presented Living in a New Climate Paradigm: Welcome to the “Idiocene.” The event was part of the 20th anniversary celebration of the Bayer School’s Center for Environmental Research and Education (CERE). Schweiger’s argument is that humans have delayed climate action for so long that the planet is now entering a period of climate consequences. A Pittsburgh native, Schweiger is author of Last Chance: Preserving Life on Earth, a book that addresses the potential implications of global warming.

Nearly 160 students, faculty and staff from the Mylan School of Pharmacy recently visited Capitol Hill to promote the critical role that pharmacists play in providing medication therapy management services. Student pharmacists met with members from 37 U.S. House and Senate offices to demonstrate how pharmacist-provided medication therapy management services can improve patient health care outcomes and reduce health care costs.

Graduates of the School of Law achieved an 85.96 percent pass rate for first-time takers of the July 2012 Pennsylvania Bar Examination, according to the state’s Board of Law Examiners. It marked the seventh consecutive year that the School of Law exceeded the state average first-time pass rate. Duquesne’s recent results increased from its 2011 pass rate and placed the University ahead of five of 10 Pennsylvania law schools.

Four new letters to the editor have been attributed to Abraham Lincoln as a result of research by Associate Professor of Computer Science Dr. Patrick Juola and his software engineering team, and the Papers of Abraham Lincoln project in Springfield, Ill. Working with a $50,000 grant from the Office of Digital Humanities, the project uses computer software developed by Juola with engineers John Noecker Jr. and Mike Ryan, to examine newspaper articles from the years Lincoln served in the Illinois legislature. The software uses an atypical algorithm to determine authors based upon style and use of language. As part of the project the team is trying to determine which articles Lincoln may have written anonymously or under a pen name.

The Boom & Bust conference, held in November and co-sponsored by Duquesne’s Institute for Energy and the Environment and Penn State University, drew academic, government, industry and public representatives to address the impact of energy extraction on local communities. In addition to participants from southwestern Pennsylvania, the conference also attracted others beyond the region, including a representative from South Africa.
DU Launches Legal Clinic for Veterans

By Colleen C. Derda, A’83

Duquesne has a rich history of serving those who have served in the military. Now, the University is offering legal assistance to veterans with one of the nation’s first criminal law veterans’ clinics.

Student John Woodruff has a special perspective on the School of Law’s newest clinical education program. “As a member of the armed forces myself, I see that most—if not all—of the veterans truly want to do better and just need the structure and support offered by the staff and programs of Veterans Court to succeed,” says Woodruff, a Duquesne law student and 2nd Lt., U.S. Marine Corps.

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Woodruff and other students work under the direction of the clinic’s supervising attorneys to represent former military members in Veterans Court, a treatment court of the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas. The students prepare and present cases for disposition and stay in close contact with the veterans to ensure they are following court-ordered treatment plans.

“Duquesne has one of the first criminal law veterans’ clinics in the nation,” says Laurie Serafino, the University’s new director of clinical legal education and associate law professor, who supervises more than 20 attorneys and manages the work of more than 100 students involved in 12 clinical programs in Pittsburgh.

She says Duquesne’s rich history in clinical education and deep commitment to public service brought her to the University.

Legal Clinic for Veterans

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Debra Barnisin-Lange, senior assistant district attorney, shares her knowledge with law students participating in the Veterans Clinic.

Law Students Advance to Championship

The School of Law team of Colin Esgro, Elsbeth Koefer, Erica Lombardo and Ryan Wilk advanced to the championship round of the National Civil Trial Competition in Santa Monica, Calif., in November. The Duquesne team competed against 15 other law schools before losing in a split decision to Syracuse University College of Law. The competition only accepts the top trial advocacy teams in the country. Adjunct professors Sarah Bronder, L’12, and Amy Joseph Coles served as coaches. Adjunct professors Lisa Barnett, L’09, and Manning O’Connor II, L’83, assisted the team. Professor Amelia Michele Joiner, L’02, directs the University’s trial advocacy program.
Duquesne's new Veterans Clinic is one of 12 clinics and externship programs Laurie Serafino oversees at Duquesne.

The University’s new director of clinical legal education and associate law professor launched a long-term strategy for the programs and created a plan to involve more research faculty in the clinical legal education department. It’s all part of her mission to raise the profile of the School of Law’s overall program.

“Laurie brings a wealth of talent to the law school,” says Law Dean Ken Gormley. “A nationally recognized leader in the field of clinical legal education, she has endless enthusiasm and energy for building the program here at Duquesne and making it one of the top programs in the United States.”

Serafino most recently directed clinical programs at Pepperdine University School of Law, where she administered multiple clinics and externship placements for students with the U.S. State Department, federal courthouses, private companies and public interest law firms. She practiced law in California for 30 years, primarily as a criminal defense attorney.

“Duquesne provides law students with incredible opportunities to apply theoretical concepts and skills they have learned in the classroom to actual legal practice,” says Serafino. “Equally important, our clinics address real needs in the community, as evidenced by the partnership between Duquesne and the Allegheny County Veterans Court.”

The Hon. John Zottola, director of the Veterans Court, feels the law students’ work is an important component of the program.

“The role of Duquesne’s clinic in Veterans Court is to protect and preserve the rights of our veterans as they journey through the criminal justice system and attempt to regain their lives,” says Zottola.

Duquesne hopes the partnership between the court and the clinic leads to saving tax dollars that would otherwise have been directed to the veterans’ representation, keeping local veterans’ recidivism rates low.

Students meet with the veterans, discuss their cases and treatment plans during phone consultations, and accompany them to court appearances.

Daniel Kunz, the clinic’s supervising attorney, guides the students and leads them in rigorous coursework related to criminal process and procedure, probation and parole, and ethics issues. Debra Barnis-Lange, senior assistant district attorney, co-teaches the classroom component.

Classroom and other clinic space in Fisher Hall is filled to capacity this year. It’s one of the many reasons the University is raising funds for an expanded clinical location in a separate facility. The proposed site, at 914 Fifth Ave. in Pittsburgh’s Uptown neighborhood and in close proximity to the courthouses, will be more convenient and accessible for the public.

The project moved ahead this year with a $250,000 grant from the Allegheny County Redevelopment Authority for furnishing and purchasing equipment for the building. Pennsylvania Senator Jay Costa Jr., L’89, supported the application, as did other local and state elected officials.

For information about naming opportunities for the new building and interior spaces, contact the Development Office at 412.396.5690. For information about the clinical legal education programs, call 412.396.4704.
From Alaska to Pittsburgh:
A Mother’s Search for Help and Hope

BY DAVID JAKIELO, A’05, GA’10

An Alaskan mother’s journey to help her autistic son recently led her across the country to the Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic at Duquesne.

While researching online, Maureen Pintner, of Anchorage, Alaska, came across a paper written by Dr. Diane Williams, associate professor in the Rangos School of Health Sciences’ Department of Speech-Language Pathology. The research intrigued Pintner because of the connection made in the article between autism, brain-based research and language.

“Her phone number was at the end of the paper, so I called,” explains Pintner, who talked with Williams for about an hour about her son. “She volunteered to read some of my son’s paperwork so I sent her pages and pages and pages to review.”

Williams has expertise in the areas of autism and developmental language disorders. She is a board recognized specialist in child language and is a certified speech-language pathologist with extensive clinical experience with children and adults with autism and other developmental disorders.

“When I offered to read the reports, it was with the thought that I would just give guidance over the phone,” explains Williams. “I have parents that find me and call to have a conversation. They have a question, we have a conversation and that’s it. But she asked if it would be possible to schedule a visit.”

While it’s not unusual for families from outside of the Pittsburgh area to visit Duquesne’s Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic, none had traveled over 4,000 miles. However, an opportunity for such a meeting presented itself when Pintner and her son were scheduled to visit a neurology center outside of Philadelphia and could detour to Pittsburgh for a visit with Williams.

During the two-day visit, Williams and her colleague Lori Marra, a clinical instructor in the Department of Speech-Language Pathology, performed an initial assessment and then therapy-related work. As is the case with all patients of Williams and Marra, a report was developed with their findings, which also included recommendations to help the patient.

As a follow-up, the duo will have phone conversations with the boy’s speech-language pathologist in Alaska to make sure those treating him there understand the recommendations.

Pintner is not a beginner when it comes to getting the evidence-based services her son needs. Her advocacy journey has included travel across the United States and the services of speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, recreation therapists, animal assisted therapy, neurologists, psychologists, neuropsychiatrists, psychiatrists, board certified behavior analysts, private schools, tutors and special education attorneys. She leaves the Duquesne visit with a positive outlook.

“I’ve always known it would be a tough road and that there is a lot of work to do,” she says. “But these professionals at Duquesne have great ideas and recommendations to help my son’s behavior and his ability to communicate more effectively. I’m optimistic that I have located a new language intervention for my son. I can’t wait to take this evidence-based research back to Alaska.

“Dr. Williams has been a very warm and welcoming person,” says Pintner. “She knows what she is talking about and everything that she has said and written has made sense to me. I am hoping that the application of her cutting-edge research will help my son’s language struggles because he is a smart boy with lots of potential.”

A practicing clinician for 20 years before she returned to graduate school to pursue her doctorate degree, Williams is happy her research can give a family hope.

“Occasionally I will have written an article and get an e-mail or call from a speech-language pathologist or a parent saying it was really helpful,” she says. “But this was the first time I was able to meet the parent and work with the child. It has been a really positive experience.”

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Three New Members Join Duquesne’s Century Club

Three new members of the Century Club of Distinguished Duquesne University Alumni were recognized on campus in September.

The Century Club was established during Duquesne’s 100th anniversary in 1978 to recognize graduates with exemplary records of professional achievement and service to the University and community. Of the more than 98,000 alumni since 1878, only 317 have been admitted to its elite ranks. The 2012 class of Century Club inductees includes:

**Martin J. Ashby, Graduate Music 1991**

**Executive Producer, MCG Jazz**

**Manchester Craftsmen’s Guild**

Ashby began performing professionally at age eight with his family in Baldwinsville, N.Y. He completed high school in three years and earned a scholarship to Ithaca College at age 16.

After completing his degree, he worked in New York City selling subscriptions to the New York Philharmonic. The business structure of the orchestra fascinated Ashby, who was intrigued by the disparity in operations between classical and jazz arts organizations.

While working for the Cleveland Orchestra, Ohio Ballet, National Symphony and Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra (PSO), Ashby experimented with applying their marketing and management techniques to small-scale jazz events and festivals.

In 1987, Ashby left the PSO to start a jazz subscription series at the Manchester Craftsmen’s Guild. Twenty-five years later, Ashby is now the executive producer of MCG Jazz. He has produced some 2,000 concerts and 40 recordings, including five Grammy Award winners.

Ashby has served as artistic advisor and producer for festivals including Animal Crackers in Racine, Wis., Jazz on the Circle in Cleveland, and Jazz at Seven Springs in Champion, Pa. He has consulted with the San Francisco Jazz Festival, the Japan Society, the Museum of African American Music, and the Musical Instrument Museum in Phoenix. He is the EPP Goldman-Sachs Fellow at the National Museum of American History.

A motivational speaker, Ashby teaches teamwork and empowers communities through jazz principles of innovation, improvisation, creativity and collaboration. He is also an adjunct professor at Oberlin Conservatory of Music and Duquesne.

As a guitarist, Ashby has performed and recorded with Slide Hampton, Claudio Roditi, Nancy Wilson, Paquito D’Rivera, Herbie Mann, Phil Woods, The Dizzy Gillespie All-Star Big Band and others. He is a voting member of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences and the Latin Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences.

**The Honorable Kate Ford Elliott, Graduate Education 1973, Law 1978**

**President Judge Emeritus**

**Superior Court of Pennsylvania**

Ford Elliott began her career as a teacher in the Pittsburgh Public Schools. She earned a master’s degree from Duquesne’s School of Education in 1973, and graduated from its Law School in 1978.

She clerked for Superior Court Judge Harry Montgomery, then served as administrative assistant to fellow Duquesne alumnus and Superior Court President Judge William Cercone, and, later, as the court’s chief staff attorney.

After spending a year in the litigation group with the firm of Kirkpatrick and Lockhart, she was drawn back to Superior Court, winning election as a judge in 1989—only the second woman to attain a seat on the commonwealth’s busiest appellate court.

As the court observed its 110th anniversary in 2006, she was elected to the position once held by her mentor Judge Cercone, becoming the first woman to serve as president judge of any of Pennsylvania’s appellate courts.

She served on Duquesne’s Board of Directors for ten years and currently is a member of the Duquesne University Law School Dean’s Advisory Board.

Ford Elliott was an executive committee member of the Council of Chief Judges of State Courts of Appeal, serving as the national organization’s president in 2011, and was vice chair of the Pennsylvania Futures Commission on Justice in the 21st Century.

She has also held leadership positions in the American and Pennsylvania Bar Associations and served on the boards of WQED Pittsburgh, Arsenal Children and Family
Services, Successful Women, and Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers.

Ford Elliott received the Carlow College Woman of Spirit Award in 1997, the St. Thomas More Award in 2007, and the Amen Corner Award in 2010. She has also been honored as the Duquesne Law Alumni Association Distinguished Alumna and Duquesne Women’s Law Association “Woman of the Year” in 2006.

**Thaddeus J. Senko, Business 1978**

*Global Partner in Charge, KPMG*

Senko joined KPMG after receiving his bachelor’s degree from Duquesne in 1978. He was assigned to the firm’s Denver office and earned the Elijah Watt Sells Award for attaining the highest score in Colorado on the November 1978 CPA exam.

Senko served as a computer audit specialist, national instructor, college recruiter and primary office recruiter. He was assigned to KPMG’s New York City office in 1985 and elected to the partnership in 1989.

Senko launched the firm’s internal audit services practice in 1998, and served as national partner in charge and global leader of KPMG’s Internal Audit, Regulatory & Compliance Services practice. He conducted the firm’s initial Enterprise Risk Assessment in 2005, and was project leader for the design and implementation of the firm’s Enterprise Risk Management process.

In 2006, Senko became the firm’s first chief audit executive, and in 2009, he was named KPMG’s first global chief executive for climate change and sustainability. In this position, he was responsible for sustainability strategy, services and investments across a wide range of audit, tax and advisory functions. KPMG is the world’s fourth largest accounting and consulting firm, with 145,000 professionals in 152 countries.

For the past year, he has been global coordination partner for KPMG’s Rio Tinto account, working with one of the world’s largest multinational mining companies.

Senko has been involved with community initiatives including the Pioneer Junior Hockey Association, Artreach of Denver, and the Arapahoe County Court Appointed Special Advocates. He supports Catholic schools both in his home community and in the West African nation of Ghana.

Senko currently serves on Duquesne’s Board of Directors and established the KPMG/Joseph T. Senko Scholarship. Named for his firm and his father, the endowed fund provides financial aid to needy accounting students in Duquesne’s Business School.

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**DU Coat of Arms**

**Evokes History, Heraldry**

Editor’s note: As more and more alumni inquire about the Duquesne coat of arms, which appears on the cover of Duquesne University Magazine, we decided to publish a brief history of its design.

**As Duquesne grew** in the early part of the 20th century, the Reverend John F. Malloy, A.M., of the English Department, designed a coat of arms for the University.

According to *The Spirit that Gives Life*, by Dr. Joseph F. Rishel, when Father Malloy “designed the University coat of arms, he followed strictly the rules of heraldry, incorporating elements from the shield of the Marquis Duquesne as well as elements evocative of the University and the Holy Ghost Fathers. Father Malloy explained the significance of the symbols:

The black lion in the silver shield is adopted bodily from the arms of the Marquis Duquesne, whose name the University bears; the book is added for a “difference,” as kings-at-arms allow, and to indicate the coat is that of a school. The tinctures, azure and gules—blue and red—are the heraldic equivalent both of the athletic colors of the school and those of the Congregation of the Holy Ghost. The halloed dove in silver (the heraldic white) is the readily recognized symbol of the Holy Ghost, titular of the University. The many implications of the motto, “It is the Spirit that giveth life,” make it a particularly happy choice.”

The coat of arms was the basis for the University seal.
Donna Reilly-Ribaudo, N’83, and her family raise money to build schools, clinics and OVC (orphans and vulnerable children) Centers in Africa. Here, she is shown at the Phinda Game Reserve in South Africa.

Sisters Terry Parks, E’74, and Rosanna Slobodian, P’59, are shown aboard the Norwegian Gem. In June, they cruised to Nassau with 34 friends and family members.

Allison Morton Baran, GE’10; Dennis Baran, B’99; and Christine Baran Goldsworthy, E’97, GE’99, took the DU Magazine to Europe. They are seen here in front of St. Charles Church in Vienna, Austria.

Joel D. Keefer, A’71, and his wife, Jolene, recently visited Easter Island, the Galapagos Islands and Peru with some close friends. Here, the couple is shown by one of the many moai that dot Easter Island.

Pharmacy Exchange Program students are shown in front of Kinkaku-ji Temple (Temple of the Golden Pavilion) located in Kyoto, Japan.

The Simmer family recently walked the Golden Gate Bridge. Shown are: Blaine Simmer; Duquesne doctoral student Jared Simmer; Cherith Simmer, assistant dean and assistant professor in the School of Nursing; Elizabeth Simmer; and Garrett Simmer.

More “On the Road” photos are available on Duquesne’s alumni website. To view photos, visit: http://www.myduquesne.duq.edu/s/831/index.aspx?sid=831

New visitors to this site need to create an account using information from the mailing label of your Duquesne University Magazine. After logging in, click “Event Photos” on the left menu. Then, click on the folder that says “On the Road with the Duquesne Magazine.”
As an undergraduate walking from classes on our Bluff to an internship with Bayer Corporation downtown, Rebecca Lucore, A’95, GA’00, dreamed of a career that would inspire her to use her talents in unique ways.

In the two decades since that internship, Lucore’s career has taken her places she never expected. Following graduation in 1995, Lucore was hired full time in Bayer Corporation’s communications group. During that time, she did everything from internal communications to advertising and media relations. In 2001, her professional path took a decidedly philanthropic turn when she was named executive director of the Bayer Foundation.

“I remember mine the very first day was ‘salad,’” she recalls. “I had 60 seconds to put together a two-minute speech on the topic. It was a challenge, but it was great preparation because it’s a major part of what I do now. Even outside my communications classes, I had a lot of professors who challenged me to develop skills in presenting ideas and public speaking. That has served me well and gone a long way. It’s important no matter what your career.”

Beyond her continued success with Bayer, Lucore has received many accolades from outside groups. In 2012, she was named Business Communicator of the Year by Pittsburgh’s chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators, and STEMconnector named her as one of the 100 Women Leaders of STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics education).

One project that led to Lucore’s recognition by STEMconnector is the Bayer Scholars program, of which Duquesne University is a part.

“As a science and research company, Bayer has had a great focus on STEM education, especially the underrepresentation issue,” explains Lucore. “There just aren’t enough women and other minorities going into these fields.”

To help, the Bayer Foundation funded the Bayer Scholars program, which provides scholarship, internship and mentorship opportunities to women and other minorities studying chemical engineering and chemistry.

Duquesne’s first cohort of five Bayer Scholars completed an internship cycle at Bayer MaterialScience last summer. As a result, two of the Bayer Scholars have accepted offers of employment from Bayer Corporation upon the completion of their degree programs in May 2013.

“The internship was a wonderful experience for them,” says Lucore. “And with some of the students now becoming Bayer employees, it’s really nice to see some of the programs we fund come full circle.”

Lucore’s Duquesne ties run even deeper: she met her husband, Christopher Cutone, B’95, GE’97, freshman year in an English class. Today, they live in the North Hills of Pittsburgh with their three young sons.

Reflecting on how her time at Duquesne prepared her for such a varied career, Lucore recalls a graduate class with Dr. Calvin Troup, associate professor of communications. At the beginning of class, each student would select a piece of paper with a subject on it from out of Troup’s hat.

Even outside my communications classes, I had a lot of professors who challenged me to develop skills...”
Recently, Duquesne researchers have been focusing on brownfield remediation, mine and Marcellus Shale drainage issues, marine-based pharmaceutical compounds, and improving communications between children with autism and their parents.

Grant Gives Students Hands-on Learning Opportunities

A second grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) will allow Duquesne students to gain hands-on learning while tackling widespread, complex problems: brownfield remediation, acid mine and Marcellus Shale drainage, and feral cat colonies.

Drs. Nancy Trun and Sarah Woodley, associate professors of biology, received a $503,270 award from the NSF to refine Trun’s extremely effective methods of teaching science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) subjects. The award expands upon a previous $205,000 NSF grant that has produced outstanding critical thinking skills and knowledge retention rates in students while training them in laboratory and technical writing skills. As a result, Trun’s Superlab class serves as a national model for service-learning.

The grant to Duquesne was among only 20 Phase II NSF grants awarded nationwide to receive more than $500,000.

“Linking classroom work with real-world activities, Duquesne is taking the lead in tapping the resources of universities and their students to improve local communities through Application Based Service-Learning,” says Dr. David W. Seybert, dean of the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences.

With the current NSF grant, Trun and Woodley will work with nine faculty members and their students at eight institutions across the northeast. The collaborators will tackle three project areas, developing online learning techniques to be used with different tools and research areas. Importantly, the students’ data and insights could help communities.

Mine Drainage

Woodley and others will be involved in mine and Marcellus Shale drainage issues, partnering with the University of Akron, Mount Aloysius College and Lock Haven University to examine mine drainage incorporating geology, microbiology, water quality and physiology factors.

Brownfield Remediation

As former industrial sites are resurrected through brownfield redevelopments nationwide, biology students and others will conduct ground-level work leading to remediation. Working with Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) architects and State University of New York faculty and students, they will determine what chemicals the soil contains and how to make the land sustainable again.

Feral Cats

Trun and her students will continue to study issues surrounding feral cat colonies—tackling health and environmental questions concerning colonies of wild cats and working with the Homeless Cat Management Team, a nonprofit spearheaded by Trun and biology faculty Dr. Lisa Ludvico and Dr. Becky Morrow, who also is a veterinarian. The organization spays and neuters feral cats to control the population and attendant health and community issues associated with large, wild cat colonies.
Oceans May Hold Answers to Beating Addiction, Stemming Chronic Pain

Westerners have grown used to the idea of scientists combing the rainforests for pharmaceutical compounds. The ocean is a possible pharmacopeia not often discussed in landlocked Pittsburgh. Still, from his inland academic base, Dr. Kevin Tidgewell, assistant professor of medicinal chemistry, scours the ocean for natural products.

Tidgewell arrived on our Bluff last year direct from Panama, where he spent the last two years searching the seas for products that may help those who suffer from complex diseases, such as neurological disorders, cancers and parasitic infections. He focuses on cyanobacteria, one-celled organisms that gather in colonies that look like limp seaweed when scooped up.

He takes a multidisciplinary approach, incorporating chemistry, pharmacology and cellular biology in his examination of the structures and activities of the body’s receptors responsible for the uptake of opiates and other drugs.

A post-doctoral research fellow at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at the University of California at San Diego, Tidgewell also was a post-doctoral research fellow in Panama at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute. Since then, his work has branched into the search for new painkillers and treatments for addiction.

Tidgewell discovers marine-based compounds from extracts that he produces from the fine filaments of cyanobacteria. On cyanobacterial “expeditions,” which might put him 60 feet under the surface, Tidgewell harvests cyanobacteria that will be used to produce the extracts and to study its physical structures and chemical makeup.

After more than 48 hours of processing, extracting the chemicals from the cyanobacteria and pre-fractionating them by using chromatography, Tidgewell starts analyzing the compounds present using nuclear magnetic resonance imaging in the Center for Biotechnology and liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry instruments in Duquesne’s Center of Excellence in Mass Spectrometry.

Access to state-of-the-art equipment—and the ease of having it within a single building—was part of what lured Tidgewell to Duquesne. Additionally, he felt energized by the other research occurring on campus. Likewise, Tidgewell dovetails with Duquesne.

“Dr. Tidgewell’s expertise and research interests complements the already growing number of drug discoveries that our medicinal chemists have developed through their research in recent years,” says Dr. J. Douglas Bricker, dean of the pharmacy school. “His research interests are in alignment with the mission of the school to improve health outcomes in patients and their communities through drug discovery.”

Autism Expert Targets Family Communication

Helping children with autism develop their behavior by improving communications between them and their parents is a goal for School of Education Professor Dr. Rachel Robertson.

Robertson, a board-certified behavior analyst and assistant professor of special education, is particularly hoping to serve as a resource for African-American families that may be deterred from participating in studies and resource groups.

Robertson asks families to let her visit them in their homes at the time of day when the child with autism is most likely to have problem behavior. After observing the situation, Robertson can then work with the family to develop a different way of communicating with the autistic child that may head off a resulting meltdown—improving
behavior of the child and reducing stress levels at home.

Robertson’s experience shows that by being very clear and up front about expectations, parents and caregivers may sideline difficult behavior.

For instance, parents may find their children flop onto the grocery store floor, screaming and kicking, when they don’t get candy. “If they’ve learned this works well—and they get the candy—they are more likely to continue using this behavior in the future,” says Robertson.

While toddlers, autistic and otherwise, might be most apt to use this type of behavior, autistic children tend to depend on the behavior longer if other communication skills don’t develop.

Many people with autism also suffer from anxiety, particularly in unexpected situations.

“To latch onto the predictability and anticipate what’s happening is really important for them. Routines are calming to make the chaotic world understandable,” says Robertson. “It’s important that parents and caregivers try to enter their children’s world as a baby step to getting them into the bigger world.”

By visiting with families, Robertson hopes to understand the child’s behavior and offer parents effective strategies. For more information on participating in this work, funded by a $9,000 Faculty Development award and $2,000 from the Sizemore Urban Initiative, contact Robertson at robertsonr@duq.edu or 412.396.4478.

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Dr. Aleem Gangjee, distinguished professor of medicinal chemistry and holder of the Van Kaam, C.S.Sp., Endowed Chair in Scholarly Excellence, has been recognized with the elite American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists (AAPS) Award in Drug Discovery and Development Interface.

The award reflects Gangjee’s efforts to produce efficient, hard-working compounds that abate cancer by acting in ways that usually require more than one agent.

“Dr. Gangjee’s work has expanded the field of new and novel drugs available for chemotherapy because he looks not only for new base chemotherapeutics but has developed multi-acting drugs,” says Dr. Alan Seadler, associate provost for research. “These can provide better therapy and overcome resistance that is seen with current drugs. Dr. Gangjee’s years of exceptional research, which contributed to his recognition by AAPS, have created a new frontier for cancer treatment.”

Gangjee has been a powerhouse of production in his 20-some years of research at Duquesne, receiving about 30 patents and developing many compounds.
1. A group of more than 50 Duquesne alumni (both Pirates and Cubs fans) gathered in Chicago at Brixen Ivy for a day of watching baseball, meeting new friends and getting an update on all things Duquesne from University President Charles Dougherty.

2. Members of the Alumni Association Board of Governors and the Office of Alumni Relations staff celebrated the University's 134th birthday on October 2 by handing out more than 400 cupcakes to students in the Union.

3. Fifteen incoming freshmen and their families were welcomed into the Duquesne community at a send-off event held in the Philadelphia home of alumnus Bill Bell, P'92, and his wife, Maureen.

4. The Duquesne University Women's Advisory Board honored women of distinction and its 2012 scholarship winner at the annual Power Ball, held in November. Shown are scholarship recipient Brennen Elliott; Advisory Board Member and Power Ball Chair Jan Engelberg; Duquesne President Charles Dougherty; honorees Lynn Emberg Purse, M'89, and Carol A. Bechers, A'80, L'83; and Mary Pappert School of Music Dean Edward Kocher.

5. In October, representatives of the Pro Football Hall of Fame were on campus to dedicate a plaque in honor of alumnus and Pittsburgh Steelers founder Art Rooney. Shown unveiling the plaque are George Veras, president and CEO of Pro Football Hall of Fame Enterprises, and alumnus Art Rooney II, president and co-owner of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

6. The annual Breakfast with Santa event brought back to campus more than 300 alumni and their families for holiday crafts, reindeer games, hot breakfast, and of course, Santa and Mrs. Claus.
The Duquesne experience transforms each of us in different ways.

I came to the Bluff from northern Michigan in the fall of 1980, never dreaming that I would still be in Pittsburgh nearly 33 years later. I stayed here to earn an MBA, fell in love, married and had twins, and through it all, Duquesne University has remained a treasured part of my life.

For me, the latest phase has been serving as president of the Alumni Board of Governors. Our board was restructured in 2010 to better reflect the diversity of our more than 80,000 alumni.

Our 24 members represent each of Duquesne’s 10 schools; regional chapters in New York, Philadelphia and Chicago; and affinities such as the Tamburitzans, athletics, commuters, Greeks, multicultural graduates, the Young Alumni Council and the Student Government Association. At-large members further promote a balance of ages and viewpoints.

Board membership is more than an honor; it is also a significant responsibility. Each member serves on one of five committees: Governance and Engagement, Scholarships and Awards, Programming and Events, Communications and Marketing, and Advocacy. We review and recommend candidates for the Century Club and serve as advisors to the Alumni Relations staff.

Perhaps most rewarding of all, we distribute and steward the Alumni Endowed Scholarship Funds. Last year, we awarded more than $92,000 in need-based aid to 86 students and $16,000 in merit-based awards to four students. Each of these recipients is a Legacy—an immediate relative of a fellow Duquesne alum. Through the generosity of fellow graduates, new generations have the opportunity for a Duquesne education and the life-changing experiences that come with it.

As president, I have the distinct pleasure of attending numerous events on campus and across the country. It is always fascinating to meet our graduates and learn how this special place has touched and changed their lives, and gratifying to know that the board’s efforts are strengthening the bonds among alumni, students and the University, ultimately making Duquesne even better.

We serve as ambassadors, but we are also representatives. To learn more about the Alumni Board, visit www.MyDuquesne.duq.edu/alumniboard. If you ever have concerns, questions, comments or suggestions, feel free to contact us via e-mail at alumniboard@duq.edu.

One never knows where his or her Duquesne experience will lead. Take a moment to reflect upon yours and to consider the many ways that you can stay connected with our alma mater. Should you discover an interest in Alumni Board service, or wish to recommend a fellow graduate, please see the nomination forms and instructions posted on our website.

I look forward to meeting or hearing from you, and thank you for your devotion to Duquesne.
of Pittsburgh. Family events like the Easter Egg Hunt and Alumni Day at the Zoo are huge successes that sell out quickly each year.

Last spring, the YAC hosted its first Red and Blue Brew, a beer tasting fundraiser. Due to the overwhelming success of the inaugural event, this year’s Red and Blue Brew, to be held on Saturday, March 2, will be moved to the Union Ballroom, which will accommodate up to 200 more people. Still, another sellout is expected; contact Alumni Relations for reservation availability.

Proceeds from the event support the newly created Young Alumni Council Endowed Impact Fund, which will assist Duquesne students who have demonstrated involvement at the University and in the community, with educational expenses, according to Kimberly Tague, YAC secretary of membership.

“We have found a way to use social events sponsored by the YAC to support the Impact Fund and consider the development of the fund to be our greatest accomplishment thus far,” says Tague.

To contribute to this fund, visit www.MyDuquesne.duq.edu/givetoduquesne and save the date for the 2013 Red and Blue Brew.

To connect with the YAC, you can find information about upcoming events and council openings on both LinkedIn and Facebook under Duquesne University Young Alumni Council, and online at www.MyDuquesne.duq.edu/YAC.

The current Alumni Board of Governors members are as follows:

- Mary Adele Krolikowski, B’84, GB’88  
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  SLPA Liaison
- Robert Schneider, E’71  
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  Pharmacy Liaison
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  At-Large Member
- Bill Young, A’81  
  At-Large Member

*Not a voting member
This year, the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business turns 100, and in ten decades, thousands of talented men and women have earned business degrees on our Bluff.

But those graduates gained more than just a degree. The education they received prepared them for leadership and community service as well as for professional accomplishments, and their achievements have proven the value of a Duquesne business degree ever since the first class graduated almost a century ago.

Guided by the Spiritans

The core values of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit have immeasurably enhanced students’ experiences and unfailingly guided the business school. Some students, like Kira Cha, a 2009 graduate of the MBA Sustainability program, choose to attend Duquesne because of its ethics-based approach. Cha, now employed by Boeing at the aircraft manufacturer’s Tukwila, Wash., plant, was serving in the Peace Corps in Costa Rica when she began her search for graduate programs.
On the University’s website she read about the Spiritan worldview. She was evaluating a number of graduate programs but was persuaded to choose the Donahue Graduate School of Business because of the Spiritans’ philosophy—learning is for the heart and the spirit as well as for the mind, and education’s true value resides in how it can be used to help others.

“I think that the MBA Sustainability program really embodies that tradition of Duquesne,” says Cha.

Those values convinced her that Duquesne would be right for her and, after applying and being accepted, she finalized her decision without visiting campus.

“I left Costa Rica on Friday, came to Pittsburgh on Sunday and started classes that Monday,” she says, recalling the journey that took the Texas native to Pittsburgh for the first time.

Cha’s story may be unique, but regardless of the reasons that business students choose Duquesne, by the time they graduate, each enters the professional world with an education rooted in ethics, strengthened by exposure to the liberal arts and guided toward the highest levels of professional attainment.

WORKING CLASSES

Before there was a business school, Duquesne offered a two-year commercial course, with bookkeeping, commercial law and other business subjects, a curriculum that would evolve into a four-year program. In 1913, just two years after gaining university status, Duquesne created the School of Accounts, Finance and Commerce, which had two degree programs: a Bachelor of Science in Economics and a Bachelor of Commercial Science. There was a daytime program on campus and an evening program downtown, for working people.

Classes at night became a hallmark of Duquesne’s business school as well as the means by which it attained initial success, even though success seemed at first remote. First-year enrollment was only 14, yet that number more than tripled in two semesters, and classes moved to a larger downtown building.

By 1915, the school had over 200 students, mostly in the evening program. Enrollment climbed to over 500 students by 1917, making the business school the largest school at the University and the fifth largest university business school in the nation.
ACCOUNTING FOR SUCCESS

From the beginning, the business school has excelled at preparing students for the Pennsylvania CPA exam. In 1917, nine of every 10 Duquesne graduates who took the test passed it, a higher rate than any other school in the state.

In fact, more than half of Western Pennsylvania’s CPAs in the twentieth century’s first several decades were Duquesne alumni, according to a dean’s report from that era. Incredibly, between 1932 and 1940, every single Duquesne student who took the CPA examination passed it, and in those years Duquesne was graduating more future CPAs than any other two U.S. universities combined.


Rockey was on the path to professional success before graduating. A model student, strong in mathematics, he took a full course load and held a 30-hour per week internship at Mellon Bank during his junior and senior years. He was confident enough to take the exam before Commencement.

On his own, Rockey had the talent and drive to succeed. Nevertheless, he gives credit to Duquesne’s accounting curriculum, with its courses in business law and ethics, for getting him ready for the CPA exam. “The accounting curriculum was geared toward the concepts of the exam and preparing you to be a good accountant, and the CPA exam is all about being a good accountant,” he observes.

PUTTING STUDENTS FIRST

Like all Duquesne students, business school graduates receive invaluable assistance from the members of the faculty, who, over the years have put the University’s motto—To Serve God by Serving Students—into action.

Alumna Gretchen Smarto, senior vice president and CFO at FedEx Ground, recalls that she was encouraged to take part in mock interviews and other professional development opportunities by the business faculty, experiences that helped her excel as a student and as a professional.

The worth of professional preparation can never be discounted, yet for Smarto, it is Duquesne’s way of understanding the whole person—mind, heart and spirit—that remains foremost in her memory and provides a perspective that differentiates her as an executive. “You don’t realize fully, how important it is when you graduate,” Smarto points out. “But that focus on the whole person is something I try to put into action every day.”

Rockey agrees and offers a point of view that is clearly informed by Spiritan values. “I think that what Duquesne teaches you is that it’s more than just business or accounting. It’s about making a difference in the world.”

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PNC Executive Vice President
Joe Rockey
A CENTURY OF
Innovation

While remaining faithful to Duquesne’s philosophy of ethics-based education, the School of Business has always adapted to emerging trends, an approach yielding an invaluable educational experience for students as well as a profound impact on the region and the profession of business.

The School of Business was one of the first in the nation to blend liberal arts education with commercial courses.

The business school was the first in the region to offer degree programs held entirely in the evenings, specifically for working people.
EQUITY, ETHICS AND EXPANSION

Early in its history, the school of business was addressing equity issues in education. The Spiritans granted scholarships to needy students, and in 1918, special classes were offered in the evening for women.

By 1920, the school had 1,097 students, more than 1,000 in the evening program, and by the end of the decade business students were nearly half the University’s enrollment. In 1931, its name became the School of Economics and Business Administration, and the following year was shortened to the School of Business Administration.

Enrollment declined after the country’s 1929 economic collapse, and the business school weathered several years of low matriculation. During the Great Depression, the business school undertook an effort to improve prospects for the unemployed through an outreach program called the School for the Unemployed, which offered non-credit courses taught by volunteer faculty instructors.

By the mid-1930s, enrollment had stabilized, and in the 1936–1937 academic year the business curriculum began including ethics courses. Though ethics and ethical business practices had always been taught at the school, Duquesne was making it a higher priority than did other institutions, and by 1938, the school’s first quarter-century, more than 20,000 students had been exposed to the school’s unique ethics-driven business curriculum.

Dr. Bernadine Meyer was one of the Business School’s original female full-time faculty members and served as interim dean of the school, 1990-91.

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After World War II, enrollment surged as veterans took advantage of tuition benefits in the GI Bill of Rights, and before long downtown classrooms were filled to capacity, so finding a new home for the business school became imperative. After years of property purchases, fundraising and construction, Rockwell Hall opened in the spring semester of 1959.

ENHANCING AN EXCELLENT REPUTATION

Shortly after moving to Rockwell Hall, Duquesne’s business school joined a list of elite business schools by earning full accreditation from the AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business). Along with that international accreditation, the business school of the early 1960s

In 1918, the business school offered special classes to help those women who wished to continue working after filling in for the men who went off to war.

In 1961, the business school became the first in the Western New York/Pennsylvania region to be fully accredited by the AACSB International—Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business—a coveted ranking that continues to set the business school apart.

In 1963, the school became one of the earliest adopters of computer technology in business education with the opening of its Systems Lab in Rockwell Hall.
stood apart because it was an early adopter of computing technology.

From its founding, but in particular in the past five decades, the business school has been adapting curriculums and course offerings to a changing business environment while continuing to provide graduate course work for professionals at corporate offices over the years at U.S. Steel, Calgon, Harley-Davidson, and American Eagle Outfitters.

Emphasis on opportunities in global markets has been a key part of the school since 1913, and throughout the decades, students have been encouraged to gain experience by taking advantage of exchange programs as well as course work. By the 1970s, the school began establishing cooperative programs to provide business students with the opportunity to study overseas, in Europe, Asia and Latin America.

A global focus as well as cooperation with outside organizations is clearly evident in the innovative, accelerated MBA Sustainability program, which was created during the term of current Business Dean Dr. Alan Miciak. Emerging as a key curriculum initiative of recent years, the program not only gets students involved in consulting projects with business and non-profit partners, it offers global study trips to Asia, Europe and South America for corporate visits where students learn best practices in business sustainability firsthand.

“Sustainability has been called the next frontier for business, and so it has become the new frontier for business education,” says Miciak, about the sea change that the MBA Sustainability program represents. “We distinguished ourselves as a university and as a business school by having an ability to change with the times and, on occasion, change the times by keeping one eye on the horizon.”

In recent decades, more than at any time in its history, the business school has undertaken initiatives that provide service to the region’s commercial enterprises.

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC), established in 1981 to help counteract the collapse of the region’s steel industry, provides consultation for entrepreneurs endeavoring to launch businesses as well as advice and assistance that helps keep existing businesses alive and profitable. In addition, the SBDC spearheaded the creation of the Pittsburgh Central Keystone Innovation Zone, which to date has spawned over 25 technology firms. It also expanded its outreach by creating the on-campus Center for International and Regulatory Assistance (CITRA), which helps local firms with mandatory product certification in the European Union and other nations.

Perhaps no outreach initiative says more about the core philosophy of the business school than the Beard Institute. Created as the Beard Center for Leadership in Ethics through a gift from alumnus Eugene Beard in 1990, the institute works to promote ethical practices and decision-making in the region as well as the Duquesne community. It works to promote...
Information for this article was derived in part from Business From a Higher Perspective: 100 Years of the Duquesne University School of Business by University Archivist and Curator of Special Collections Thomas White.

Defining Success

Business schools can easily point to the professional achievements of their graduates to define their own success, but perhaps more important is how graduates view the role that their education played in achieving that success. For John Lucot, president and COO of Giant Eagle, Duquesne’s role in his success is clear.

Lucot graduated from Duquesne with a bachelor’s degree in business, the first in his family to earn a college degree. He worked full time at Giant Eagle, his employer ever since high school, to put himself through the School of Business, so most of his college memories involve studying and stocking shelves.

He emerged from the experience, however, with a conviction that his success and the quality of the business education he received are inseparable.

“I always was—and still am—proud to say that I graduated from Duquesne,” Lucot says. “I think my college experience really helped to shape who I am as a person, and I owe a great deal of my success to being an alum of Duquesne.”

A Higher Perspective

100 Years of Business Education at Duquesne University

Alumni and other members of the Duquesne family will enjoy this richly illustrated history of the School of Business. Printed in full color, with a hard binding, this keepsake book, which was written by University Archivist Thomas White, sells for just $45.

Take a peek inside and order online at www.duq.edu/business-100-book.

For more information, contact Courtney Cox, cox@duq.edu/412.396.5831.

And don’t miss these School of Business Centennial Celebration events in 2013.

Senior Alumni Luncheon
Wednesday, March 20
Power Center Ballroom

Golf Outing
Monday, June 17
Rolling Hills Country Club, McMurray, Pa.

Centennial Gala
Saturday, October 26
Duquesne Union Ballroom

Register and learn more about our Centennial Celebration at www.duq.edu/business-100.

In 2007, the Donahue Graduate School of Business launched its MBA Sustainability program, putting Duquesne in the vanguard of universities incorporating sustainability into graduate business programs.

PRME
Principles for Responsible Management Education

The business school was one of the first 100 endorsers of the United Nations-backed initiative Principles for Responsible Management Education, international standards for sustainability and social responsibility in business education.

Honor the Past. Celebrate the Present. Embrace the Future.

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Thousands of alumni returned to campus in September for Homecoming. Highlights included a Dukes football game, Greek Carnival shows, the 2012 Century Club induction, a Tamburitzans performance, Autumnfest, the all-alumni dinner/dance, a Red Masquers variety show, a reunion Mass and Sunday brunch honoring the class of 1962.
Save the Dates for Homecoming & Reunion Weekend 2013:
October 11-13

Hope you’ll join us on the Bluff this fall!
**On Stage for 100 Years**

**Red Masquers’ Centennial**

By David Jakielo, A’05, GA’10

**Duquesne University’s Red Masquers**, the oldest amateur theater company in the city of Pittsburgh, is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year. The centennial season, which kicked-off last September, has showcased all new and original works.

“We wanted to recognize our past and the wonderful, thrilling contributions we have given to the Pittsburgh theater scene in the past 100 years,” says John Lane, director of theater arts and Red Masquers director. “However, we are not able to fulfill our mission by just celebrating our past, so all of our productions for this year have been world premieres.”

The Red Masquers group traces its roots back to the late 1800s, when Duquesne first started to offer an education in dramatics. In those early days, performances were given each spring in a rented downtown theater. The birth of the Red Masquers elevated drama at Duquesne and allowed for productions to be staged on campus. The student-led group expanded to perform tragedies, comedies, farces, pageants, tableaux, and actually wrote and performed many original plays.

Today, the company continues to provide students a creative outlet, whether on stage or behind-the-scenes, to learn about and participate in theater regardless of major or background. The group has come a long way since the days when men performed both the male and female roles, prior to the Department of Drama opening to women in the 1920s.

The final show of the 100th season, *March*, will be performed from April 11 to 13 and April 21 to 23 in the Peter Mills Auditorium, in Rockwell Hall. The show was written by alumnus Matt Smith and tells the story of a pair of witches dwelling in the basement of a local high school that are forced to deal with a newcomer after centuries of tradition.

For more information, visit the Red Masquers Blog at http://redmasquers.blogspot.com.

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**School of Education**

Receives Continued Accreditation

The education unit at Duquesne—the School of Education, the Department of Music Education in the Mary Pappert School of Music and the Department of Speech-Language Pathology in the Rangos School of Health Sciences—has received official approval of its continuing accreditation for 2012-2019 from the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

NCATE accreditation of programs means that the School of Education has met national professional standards for the preparation of teachers and other school specialists. Through accreditation, prospective teachers are assured that Duquesne’s programs are up-to-date and relevant, and will prepare them for licensing examinations and successful futures as educators.

“Securing NCATE accreditation affirms the excellence of the education unit at Duquesne University,” says Dr. Olga Welch, dean of the School of Education. “This is no small achievement as NCATE national accreditation represents the ‘gold standard’ in teacher education. Programs that achieve this distinction can confidently assert that they have met the most rigorous of teacher preparation standards.”

The continuing accreditation review process involved a significant collaborative effort among the three schools and the certification programs. This effort included an on-site review by the NCATE Board of Examiners Team of 154 respondents representing administration, program faculty and students, alumni, staff, the School of Education, the Mary Pappert School of Music and the Rangos School of Health Sciences. The reaccreditation review process was spearheaded by Dr. Susan Munson, associate dean for teacher education in the School of Education.

Founded in 1954, NCATE helps ensure high quality teacher, specialist and administrator preparation programs by providing professional program accreditation. The U.S. Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation recognize NCATE as an accrediting body for teacher preparation programs throughout the country.
The Duquesne chapter of the Delta Zeta sorority recently presented the Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic with a $1,000 donation as part of its philanthropy efforts. Chapter members presented a check to Dr. Mikael D.Z. Kimelman, associate professor and chair of the Department of Speech-Language Pathology, on Oct. 23. The Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic serves clients from the greater Pittsburgh area that have a variety of communication disorders.

In August, more than 525 students participated in their first Keep it Clean South Side program, sponsored by the Duquesne University Volunteer (DUV) office and the Pennsylvania Resources Council. These enthusiastic freshmen dedicated a Saturday morning during Orientation to working with community members to become active and engaged change agents regarding the litter issues in Pittsburgh’s South Side community. In total, during the clean-up the volunteers collected more than 225 bags of trash and 45 bags of recyclables.

In September, 22 Duquesne students, two alumni and Alia Pustorino-Clevenger, Duquesne’s assistant director for community engagement, participated in the Glass SweeP-PUP hosted by the South Side Pups campaign. In just two hours, volunteers were able to collect more than 400 pounds of glass, which was recycled by the city of Pittsburgh in an effort to reduce harm to residents of the city’s South Side neighborhood and their pets.

Students in Dr. Keith Gorse's Organization and Administration in Athletic Training Class are working with the Fox Chapel (Pa.) community to develop better safety protocols and emergency action plans for Squaw Valley Park. Students will investigate the strengths and weaknesses regarding the safety of the park (playgrounds, ponds, proximity to the street, etc.). They will then develop safety protocols, recommendations and emergency action plans for the park.

On Sept. 11, 2012, the sisters of Delta Zeta remembered the firefighters of the Pittsburgh Bureau of Fire by providing lunch at the local fire station located in Uptown. Kathleen Phillips, Kassandra DiPlacido and Kaitlin Kaleel showed their appreciation and gratitude to these men for their service on this special day of remembrance.

In August, 10 Duquesne students and one Spiritan Campus Ministry staff member traveled to a Spiritan mission in San Juan de la Maguana, Dominican Republic, to run a children’s camp with teens from Nuestra Seniora de Esperanza (Our Lady of Hope) Parish. The goal of the camp is to provide structured play and positive mentorship for some of the children in the barrio where the parish is located. In addition to running the camp, the youth group and Duquesne students painted several murals outside of the nearby elementary school, and were able to visit some interesting and important locations of the area, such as a hydroelectric reservoir in the local mountain range and the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, located in the center of town.
When it comes to planning a wedding or special event, nothing means more than location and personal service.

Whether your event calls for a formal or informal setting, requires a small lunch or a full dinner, or whether you need room for 50 or 500 guests, Duquesne offers a variety of meeting and reception spaces staffed by professional event planners dedicated to making sure your special day is flawless.

“We coordinate everything, from parking to audio-visual equipment to table settings to custom menus from our on-site catering provided by Aramark,” says Megan Peterson, conference services coordinator for Duquesne. “And, we offer stunning views from our campus location on the Bluff.”

One of the most popular University venues is also its newest. The Power Center Ballroom, located on the top level of the Power Center, is a state-of-the-art venue that can accommodate up to 500 guests. With its floor-to-ceiling windows and wrap-around balcony, the ballroom offers breathtaking views of the city.

“People who see the Power Center Ballroom for the first time are always amazed by its size and beauty,” says Peterson. “It’s a perfect place to celebrate good times.”

Wedding photos courtesy of Studio Bash
of the Power Center, features expansive, customizable event space for various sizes and types of functions. This silver certified LEED space features a spectacular view of Pittsburgh from floor-to-ceiling windows and two outdoor decks. The Fides Shepperson Suite is conveniently located adjacent to the ballroom and is ideal for pre-dinner receptions.

“What makes the Power Center Ballroom different from other venues is definitely the elegant and sophisticated feel to the space and the view,” says Karen White, events coordinator for the ballroom. “The view is always the first thing people remark about upon entering the space, and it provides the perfect backdrop for any event.”

Lindsey (E’08) and Bob Swartz (B’05) were recently married in the University Chapel and held their wedding reception in the Power Center Ballroom.

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“We and our guests really enjoyed that everything was located in one spot, so no one had to drive anywhere in between the ceremony and reception,” she continues. “We would recommend this to other couples because it was such a wonderful day for us.”

For more information about hosting your special event at Duquesne, visit duq.edu/conference-services, or for inquiries about the Power Center Ballroom, contact Karen White at 412.396.3516 or whitek1@duq.edu.
Dr. Nancy Trun and Dr. Sarah Woodley in the Department of Biological Sciences received a $503,280 grant from the National Science Foundation in the latest round of funding obtained by Duquesne.

The School of Nursing, $2,500 from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for a Pre-Entry Immersion Program. This brings the total award amount to date to $5,200. Dr. Leah Cunningham and Dr. Joan Lockhart will administer the award.

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC), $84,958 through the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development from the U.S. Small Business Administration under the State Trade and Export Promotion grant. Dr. Mary McKinney, SBDC director, will administer the award.

The physics department, Bayer School, $7,000 from the Jefferson Laboratory, Newport News, Va., for Data Analysis of Gas Electron Multipliers for a Ring Imaging Detector. The principal investigator is visiting professor Dr. Fatiha Benmokhtar.

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC), $194,828 from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for the Southwestern Region PREP program; $16,805 from the same agency for the Northwestern Region PREP program; and $65,000 as a subcontractor from the Small Business Administration for a Defense Economic Transition Assistance Program. Dr. Mary McKinney, SBDC director, will administer the awards.

Dr. Rodney Hopson and Dr. Gibbs Kanyongo, School of Education, $40,000 from the Kingsley Association. The funds will provide program evaluation and outcomes implementations and assessments for the Kingsley Association.

Dr. Rachel Whitcomb, School of Music, $35,000 from the Pittsburgh Foundation to be used for academic support for the Early Childhood Music Initiative.

The Mylan School of Pharmacy, $22,000 subcontract from The National Institute for Pharmaceutical Technology and Education via a U.S. Food and Drug Administration Grant, for Quality Risk Management Systems Advanced Training. Dr. Carl Anderson will administer the funds.

The Office of Research, $2,040 in additional funding from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration training program, from program income from seminars conducted by the Small Business Development Center. Anticipated funding for Years 1 and 2 will be $9,540. Dr. James Phillips, director of sponsored research, will administer the award.

Dr. John Pollock, Department of Biological Sciences, $250,000 from an anonymous donor to be used to support the creation of and conduct research for Scientastic!, a television series and related digital media.

Dr. Aimee Kane, School of Business, $16,800 from Carnegie Mellon University on a National Science Foundation Grant for the project Voss Collaborative Research: Sharing Insights Across Multiple Virtual Organizations. Total anticipated funding will be $33,600 when the second year of funding is awarded.

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC), $11,000 from the Small Business Administration to be used for public service. Dr. Mary McKinney, SBDC director, will administer the award.

Dr. Wilson Meng, Mylan School of Pharmacy, $49,567 from the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, subcontracted with the University of Pittsburgh. The funds will be used for Type 1 Diabetes-Suppressive Microspheres.

The Office of Research, $100,000 from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, to support outreach activities to distressed communities through the SBDC and the Institute for Energy and the Environment. This is the second year of funding. Dr. James S. Phillips, director of the Office of Research, will administer the award.

Dr. John Stolz, Department of Biological Sciences, $16,000 from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for Continued Investigations of ‘Alternative’ Anaerobic Biogeochemical Redox Cycles in Volcanic, Hypersaline Environments: Earth, Mars and Europa. The total award amount received to date is $111,999.
School of Education, $175,000 from the Heinz Endowments for The Sizemore Urban Education Initiative, a three-pronged urban education initiative. This is the second installment of funding, bringing the total award to $350,000. Education Dean Olga Welch will administer the award.

School of Nursing, $5,000 from the Eden Hall Foundation for the school’s Exploring Social Justice for Vulnerable Populations: The Face of the Veteran symposium. Sister Rosemary Donley will administer the award.

Dr. Matt Kostek, Department of Physical Therapy, Rangos School, $9,000 from the Samuel and Emma Winters Foundation for The Effect of Shortening Muscle Contractions on Dystrophic Muscle.

Dr. Lina Dostilio, director of academic community engagement, $10,000 from the Bringing Theory to Practice Project, supported by the S. Engelhard Foundation and the Christian A. Johnson Foundation. Working in conjunction with the Association of American Colleges and Universities. This award is to be used to integrate civic learning and democratic engagement student learning outcomes within the seminar component of the Community Engagement Scholars program.

Dr. Lauren O’Donnell, Mylan School of Pharmacy, $9,000 from the Samuel and Emma Winters Foundation for Neuroprotective Role of Inflammatory Cytokine in Neonatal CNS Infections.

The Office of Research, $53,152 from the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency to continue the Program for Academic Excellence. Dr. Judith Griggs, director of the Learning Skills Center, will administer the grant.

Dr. Alexandra Santau, $10,000 from The Grable Foundation for Inquiry Based Science Teaching.

Dr. Sarah E. Wallace, Department of Speech-Language Pathology, Rangos School, $5,000 from the Advancing Academic Research Career, given by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, to complete a treatment efficacy study.

The School of Nursing, $2,700 from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for a pre-entry immersion program. Dr. Leah Cunningham and Dr. Joan Lockhart will administer the award.

The Mylan School of Pharmacy, a subcontract from The National Institute for Pharmaceutical Technology and Education, $85,413 from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for Physical Characterization of Complex Mixtures: Solid Dispersion API/Polymers Miscibility. The grant will be administered by Drs. Peter Wildfong and Ira Buckner.

Dr. Heather Rusiewicz, Department of Speech-Language Pathology in the Rangos School, $7,384 Faculty Development Fund award, for Entrainment of Speech and Manual Movements in Children With and Without Speech Sound Disorders. The grant will run through April 30, 2014.

Dr. Jeffy Madura and Dr. Jeff Evanseck, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Bayer School, $6,000 from Gaussian Inc. for the Center for Computational Sciences.

Dr. Thomas Mattei and Terri Kroh, School of Pharmacy, $100,000 from McAuley Ministries Inc. and $10,000 from The Portiuncula Foundation of The Sisters of St. Francis to support the Hill District Center for Pharmacy Services Community Outreach Initiative.

Dr. Fraser Fleming, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, $463,200 from the National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases for Developing Isonitrile Chemistry for Medicinal Applications. The award extends through July 31, 2015.

Ms. Maria Wheeler, a student of Dr. Brady Porter, Department of Biological Sciences, $2,528 from the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium for research.

Dr. Jennifer Aitken, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Bayer School, $6,000 from the Pittsburgh Conference on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy Inc., for the Project SEED Program. Aitken also received $1,000 to support attending the 224th American Chemical Society National Meeting in Philadelphia.

Dr. John Stolz, The Center for Environmental Research & Education, Bayer School, $42,500 from the Institute of Professional Environmental Practice for public service. The award extends through June 30, 2013.

Dr. Ben Kolber, Department of Biological Sciences, Bayer School, $6,000 from the Hunkele Dreaded Disease Award for Treating Comorbid Major Depression and Chronic Pain with Novel Compounds that Target Both Individual Diseases. The award extends through May 31, 2014. Also, Kolber received $300 from the American Physiological Society for serving as an APS Undergraduate Summer Research Program during the summer of 2012.

Dr. Ellen Gawalt, Department of Chemistry, Bayer School, $5,000 from Cabertech for lab supplies. The award extends through June 30, 2013.
Duquesne to Host NCAAs in 2015

On the heels of a highly successful hosting stint in 2012, the NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Committee has once again chosen the city of Pittsburgh as a Second and Third Round site for the 2015 NCAA Men’s Basketball Championship. Duquesne University will serve as host, and Pittsburgh’s CONSOL Energy Center will be the home for the event scheduled for March 19 & 21.

“The bid process was as competitive as ever, with 53 cities expressing the desire to be a part of one of the world’s premier sporting events,” says NCAA Vice President of Men’s Basketball Dan Gavitt. “We are thrilled for our hosts for the ‘14 and ‘15 tournaments, as they include a mix of cities that have proven over the course of several decades how to stage this great event, as well as cities that have come on to the scene in recent years and have embraced the tournament.”

The selection marks the fifth time the city of Pittsburgh and Duquesne University have been chosen to host an NCAA basketball championship—and fourth time as men’s host. Duquesne hosted the NCAA Men’s First and Second Round in 1997 & 2002, and the NCAA Women’s East Regional in 2001 at the Civic/Mellon Arena. Last year, DU hosted Second and Third Round men’s games at CONSOL Energy Center.

“We are pleased to once again have the opportunity to host the men’s NCAA Championship,” says DU Director of Athletics Greg Amodio. “The hard work of our staff as well as the staff at CONSOL Energy Center made last year’s event a success. We look forward to working with the city of Pittsburgh and CONSOL Energy Center to put on another first-class event.”

“We are excited that the NCAA has again selected CONSOL Energy Center as a host site,” says David Morehouse, CEO and president of the Pittsburgh Penguins. “We got such a great response to the 2012 tournament games here and look forward to another tremendous experience in 2015. And it gives us another platform to showcase the city and the region.”

“CONSOL Energy Center and AEG Facilities are honored to be selected to host the 2015 Men’s

Student-Athletes Come to the Aid of Their Neighbors

The Department of Athletics staff, coaches and student-athletes joined forces with Duquesne alumnus Dr. Vince Morreale to come to the aid of those affected by terrible storms associated with Hurricane Sandy which ravaged the East Coast last October.

Morreale, a New Jersey native, teamed with his family and a number of business associates to help form Operation Sand Dollar, a Pittsburgh-based community effort led by Doctors Express Urgent Care in Shaler, Pa. The staff at Doctors Express asked its network of doctors, patients, vendors and Doctors Express facilities across the country to gather essential items for the hurricane victims.

Duquesne Director of Athletics Greg Amodio challenged the department to donate gently-used Duquesne clothing items. Each coach, staff member and student-athlete was asked to donate one item. The items were driven to New Jersey and delivered to Catholic Charities in Lakewood, N.J.
Dukes and Colonials Unite

The Student-Athlete Advisory Committees (SAAC) at Duquesne and Robert Morris University came together to make an impact locally with their second annual food drive in conjunction with last November’s DU at RMU football game.

The two schools solicited over 3,000 non-perishable food items that benefitted the West Hills Food Pantry in Moon Township. The pantry, which has been in continuous operation for 22 years, serves between 150 and 200 families each week.

“I am blown away by the amount of items we were able to donate,” says Nicole Imbrogno, Duquesne assistant director of marketing and promotions. “We know these kids are working 24/7 in the classroom and on the field/court/pool, etc. But to then take the time to encourage their peers to help those less fortunate than they are is so promising for our future!”

“It is very exciting to see the Robert Morris and Duquesne communities come together for such a great cause,” says Robert Morris SAAC Staff Advisor and Assistant Men’s Lacrosse Coach Dan Mulford. “It hits especially close to home for us at RMU as we are able to give back to those in our area who are in need of assistance. The West Hills Food Pantry provides help to so many families every week and to have our student-athletes give back to the community in which they live is tremendous.”

NCAA Championship. Pittsburgh is famous for its strong sports culture, and hosting the Men’s NCAA Championship will once again showcase Pittsburgh as a great sports town,” says Jay Cooper, regional vice president of AEG Facilities. “This is a fantastic event for the city of Pittsburgh and the entire region, and we are looking forward to working with our partners, Duquesne University and the NCAA, on this iconic event.”

The ‘97 First and Second Round games—which marked the first NCAA Tournament games played in Pittsburgh—sent Louisville and Texas to the Sweet 16. The six tournament games, including 13th-seeded Coppin State’s 78-65 First Round upset of No. 2 South Carolina and two Second Round games that were decided by one point each, were played before sellout crowds at the then-Civic Arena.

Pittsburgh was the second opening round site to sell out in 2002, the first year of the current NCAA “pod” system. The hometown University of Pittsburgh and UCLA both advanced to the Sweet 16 from the newly renamed Mellon Arena. UCLA’s memorable 105-101 double-overtime win over No. 1 seed Cincinnati in the Second Round was the highest-scoring game of the 2002 Championship.

Last year’s event, which also sold out well in advance, drew 56,928 fans for the three tournament sessions (six total games) as Ohio State and Syracuse moved on to regional play from the eight-team field. The opening day second session crowd of 19,413 was the largest for any indoor arena event in Pittsburgh history. Overall, the 2012 NCAA Second and Third Round games had the highest viewership since 1994.

Duquesne season ticket holders will have priority for 2015 tournament tickets. Ticket information will be released by the Duquesne Athletics Department as it becomes available.
Our Bluff in Brief

Center for Pharmacy Services Garners $100,000 Grant

The Center for Pharmacy Services has been awarded a $100,000 grant from McAuley Ministries, the grant-making arm of Pittsburgh Mercy Health System.

Through the grant, which will be distributed over two years, the Center for Pharmacy Services will hire an outreach coordinator to expand its disease management, health screenings and health education activities in the Hill District, Uptown and West Oakland neighborhoods of Pittsburgh.

The Center for Pharmacy Services, located in the Hill District, works to improve access to medications and patient adherence, enhance medication safety and reduce overall health care expenditures. The Center for Pharmacy Services is the first faculty-designed, university-operated community pharmacy in the nation.

Sustainability Symposium a Success

Approximately 150 executives, academics and students gathered on campus in November for the Beard Institute’s sixth annual Beard Symposium, titled 100 Years of Sustainability. Speakers included sustainability thought leaders William McDonough and Andrew Winston, who delivered keynote speeches on pending business challenges and opportunities.

During the symposium, the Beard Institute presented its 2012 Green to Gold award to Procter & Gamble. The annual award recognizes an American company that demonstrates commercial success in sustainable business practices.

The Birth and Development of Bioethics Explored

In November, The Center for Healthcare Ethics hosted Dr. Renzo Pegoraro, who presented The Signs of the Times; from the Vatican II to the Birth and Development of Bioethics.

Pegoraro, professor of bioethics at the University of Padua’s School for Obstetricians of the Faculty of Medicine, delivered the keynote address in conjunction with the center’s David F. Kelly Bioethics Lectures series.

In addition to being a doctor of medicine, Pegoraro studied both philosophy and theology. He has served as president of the Research Ethics Committee of the Medical Centre of Padua, was a member of the National Healthcare Council and serves as an ethicist at numerous institutions.
Social Justice for Vulnerable Populations: The Face of the Veteran

In its continuing efforts to examine and address social justice for vulnerable populations, the School of Nursing presented *The Face of the Veteran* at its 3rd annual Rita M. McGinley Symposium held in October.

Themes addressed at *The Face of the Veteran* included resiliency, veterans with minimal brain damage and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, the woman veteran, the aging and chronically ill veteran, the homeless veteran, and the families of veterans.

With fewer than one-third of American veterans receiving health care in Veterans Administration hospitals and clinics, private nonprofit and for-profit providers are serving vets in acute care settings, ambulatory clinics, homes and communities. This has made veterans’ health care issues a primary concern to a wide range of professionals.

Experts Tackle Post-Combat Problems in the 21st Century

The tens of thousands of U.S. servicemen and women returning from Iraq, Afghanistan and other deployments have resulted in a scale of post-combat problems not seen in decades. The diagnosis and treatment of traumatic brain injuries and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, the retrieval and identification of human remains, and the challenges of returning to civilian life are among the many issues that today’s American military veterans are facing.

In consideration of the medical, legal and public policy questions prompted by this topic, the Cyril H. Wecht Institute of Forensic Science and Law presented *Post-Combat Problems in the 21st Century*. This 12th annual conference was held in November.

Conference topics included: *Traumatic Brain Injury and the Combat Veteran, Identifying our War Dead, and Violence and Crimes by the Veteran and the Returning Soldier*. The event also included the panel discussions *Diagnosing and Treating Health Issues in Today’s Returning Veterans and Adjudicating Veterans: A Problem-Solving Approach*.

Multicultural Education Expert Visits Campus

Multicultural education expert Dr. Cynthia Tyson visited campus in November in conjunction with the School of Education’s Sizemore Urban Education Initiative.

Tyson spoke with several groups including Sizemore Scholars, the Leading Teacher Program in Urban Education Cohort, the Heinz Fellows, the Urban Education Book Club and members of the School of Education faculty.

A professor in the School of Teaching and Learning at The Ohio State University, Tyson teaches courses in social studies and global education. Her research and scholarly interests include teaching for social justice, early childhood social studies and multicultural children’s literature. Tyson also has an interest in the examination of race/racism in qualitative research. Tyson has presented research papers at numerous national meetings and conferences, and has published articles in leading scholarly journals and books in her field.

Law School Hosts International Seminar

The School of Law, in cooperation with the Inter-American Bar Association, hosted *Current Constitutional Issues in the Americas*, an international seminar devoted to constitutionalism in the Western Hemisphere.

The seminar, held in November, featured some of the most accomplished justices, judges, law professors and other jurists from the United States, Canada, Mexico, Costa Rica, Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina and Chile.

“This is the fifth in a series of biennial seminars, which started in 2004,” said Distinguished Professor of Law Bob Barker, who coordinated the seminar. “This year, the School of Law again welcomed esteemed guests to consider constitutionalism in the Western Hemisphere.”
Madeleine Skelly Foust graduated from Duquesne with a master’s of arts degree in 1928. In 1930, she wrote a three-act play, *The Dragon’s Tooth*. The play was produced by the Newman Players Company in Pittsburgh’s East Liberty neighborhood. Students from Duquesne, as well as other Pittsburgh colleges, participated in the production. According to the May 22, 1930 *Duquesne Duke*: “Considerable interest has been aroused over *The Dragon’s Tooth*, as the play is one of the few plays written by local talent to be produced in amateur production in Pittsburgh.”

In 1936, Foust was hired by Duquesne. Rev. Thomas F. Coakley, of Sacred Heart Church in Pittsburgh, wrote to Duquesne President Rev. Jeremiah J. Callahan, C.S.Sp., recommending Foust for a position: “The bearer, Mrs. Madeleine Skelly Foust, of this Parish, has a distinguished career as a dramatist, a playwright, and a director and producer of plays. She has had a fine education, much experience, she is sensible and has splendid judgment, and I am sending her to you with this note of commendation, in case you have need of services such as hers in your dramatic and public speaking departments at Duquesne.” Foust became the dean of the drama school, the dean of women and professor of speech and play production.

According to *The Spirit that Gives Life* by Dr. Joseph F. Rishel, Foust “was not only an enthusiastic director but also a gifted playwright, and her passion play, *The Other Kingdom*, was regularly revived during the Lenten season. It was under her guidance that the School of Theater Arts and Dramatic Literature became known as the School of Drama. She also was the one who instituted the practice of producing all the required props, scenery and costumes at the University rather than renting the materials.”

Duquesne was one of the first business schools of its size to incorporate computer technology into its curriculum, and in 1969, students could get an M.S. in Business Information Systems. The University’s Systems Lab was started in 1963, and housed Duquesne’s first IBM computer. The lab was expanded as the 1960s progressed, and by 1967, Duquesne was ranked in the top 5 business schools for computer capacity in the country for schools of similar size.
1950s

Mary Ann Perry, P’57, received her M.S. in organizational management and human resources development from Manhattanville College in May 2012.

Patrick Kennedy, A’58, received a master’s degree in public relations from Pennsylvania State University and celebrated the 30th anniversary of his ordination as deacon in May. Retired for 12 years, he has been director of development for the Pontifical North American College in Rome, manager of public relations at Dow Jones and Co., and editor of Foundation News. He resides in Suwanee, Ga.

1960s

Carol (Mamula) Morgan, A’63, led her community of Harvard Mews in Washington, D.C., to obtain a grant to pay for permeable paving in her development’s parking lot, which will protect the Chesapeake Bay from runoff. She was also awarded 30 trees from the Casey Trees Foundation to be transplanted to the development.

Larry Dunn, B’65, has been elected treasurer of the Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation. He is the owner of Larry Dunn Associates, a business and government consulting firm.

Paul Eckman, GA’66, has authored, along with Tom Zwierzelewski and the Scottsdale Historical Society, a new addition to Arcadia Publishing’s Images of America. The pictorial history book is titled Around Scottsdale and Everson.

Steven K. Yablonski, L’67, was reappointed by the governor of Florida to another term on the nominating commission. He has served as a commissioner since 2002, and is an arbitrator for the Florida New Vehicle Arbitration Board.

1970s

Clare Bohn, A’70, received her MSLS (library science) from Clarion University.

Debra J. Borkovich, M’73, has earned a doctor of science degree (D.Sc.) from Robert Morris University School of Information Systems and Communications, specializing in the applied research field of cultural and corporate anthropology. She is an adjunct faculty member of the Organizational Leadership Department at RMU and a contracts management and strategic business consultant.

David S. Pollock, L’74, of Pollock Begg Komar Glasser & Vertz LLC, was recently selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2013. All five partners were recognized among the list of practitioners of legal excellence in the U.S. in the area of family law. Also, the firm is a 2013 Tier One Best Law Firm recipient in the area of family law, according to rankings released by U.S. News Media Group and Best Lawyers.

Richard Rojcewicz, Ph.D.’76, is one of the translators of Contributions to Philosophy (of the Event) by Martin Heidegger.

Suzan Ulrich, DrPH, CNM, FACNM, N’76, associate dean of midwifery and women’s health at Frontier Nursing University, has been named one of only 20 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Executive Nurse Fellows from across the country for 2012. She will participate in a “three-year, world-class leadership development program that is enhancing nurse leaders’ effectiveness in improving the nation’s health care system.”

Tom Etzel, A’77, is the founder and president of the non-profit Global Peace Building Foundation, which recently held its second annual Tribute to Youth & Peace Building event.

Laurie Mahan Baker, M’78, and David W. Baker, M’77, GM’79, have retired from teaching music after more than 30 years of service to Washington County Public Schools in Hagerstown, Md. They both taught students in grades K-12.

Alumni Spotlight

Brian Cooper, A’90, attempted to realize his lifelong dream of playing on the PGA Tour when he appeared on the Golf Channel’s 18th season of its reality competition series, Big Break Greenbrier.

The Big Break show concept pits highly skilled golfers against each other in a variety of challenges that test their physical skills and mental toughness. During Big Break Greenbrier, one contestant is eliminated each week, with the last player standing awarded his Big Break, an opportunity to compete on the PGA Tour at The Greenbrier Classic in July 2013.

Cooper finished fifth in the competition.

Cooper has amassed more than 30 victories on various professional golf tours worldwide. A two-sport athlete at Duquesne—hockey and baseball—Cooper switched to golf full-time after graduation, and is currently playing full-time on the Gateway Tour. He holds nine course records.

He posts updates to his quest for the PGA at www.coopsgolf.com.
Kim Berkeley Clark, L’83, was the recipient of the 2012 Greater Pittsburgh ATHENA Award, which recognizes professional excellence, contributions to the community and mentorship of other women. Clark is a judge in the Fifth Judicial District of the Pennsylvania Court of Common Pleas.

She began her career as an assistant district attorney and later served as deputy district attorney in Allegheny County. Clark was appointed to the Court of Common Pleas in 1999. She was the first African-American to be named an administrative judge in Allegheny County and the first judge and African-American female to serve as president of the Allegheny County Bar Association.

She is a trustee for Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh and a member of the Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council advisory board, the Pittsburgh Project board of directors and the advisory committee of the Pittsburgh Urban League’s Urban Youth Empowerment Program. A gifted pianist and clarinetist, Clark has nurtured a love of music in children by giving piano lessons at the Afro-American Music Institute, located in Pittsburgh’s Homewood neighborhood.

Mary K. McDonald, L’79, a partner in the law firm of McCarthy McDonald Schulberg & Joy, has been selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America for 2013, in the field of family law.

Lisa A. Cesare, L’84, was recently promoted to senior corporate counsel at Compass Group USA. She was also appointed contracts and policy advisor to the Southbury (Conn.) Film Commission and serves as chairperson of the retirement plan oversight committee for the town of Southbury. She is married with two children.

Kelly (Prendergast) Nestor, A’88, is a clinical instructor in the nurse practitioner track of the graduate program at Villanova University College of Nursing and sees patients in her long-term care setting practice, where she has been practicing for the last four years in conjunction with Western Mainline Medical Associates. She was recently elected to the board of directors for Saunders House and Bryn Mawr Terrace, long-term care facilities.

1980s

Carol A. Behers, A’80, L’83, a principal of Raphael, Ramsden & Behers, P.C., was awarded a 2012 Woman of Distinction Award from the Duquesne University Women’s Advisory Board at the Art Deco Power Ball.

David M. Landay, L’81, a sole practitioner concentrating his practice in representing accident and injury victims, was elected to the Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County. He is also on the board of directors of the Western PA Trial Lawyers Association.

Henry M. Sneath, L’83, a principal shareholder at the Pittsburgh business litigation, insurance coverage and intellectual property boutique law firm, Picadio Sneath Miller & Norton, P.C., was recently awarded the 2012 Pennsylvania Defense Counsel of the Year Award by the Pennsylvania Defense Institute.

1990s

Francis J. Schultz, A’90, L’95, district attorney of Crawford County, was appointed by Governor Tom Corbett to the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing.

David Cullen, A’92, GE’93, is the assistant principal at NYC Charter School for Architecture, Engineering and the Construction Industries. He obtained his doctoral degree from the University of Phoenix in educational leadership with a specialization in curriculum and instruction.

P.J. Malak, L’92, was named outstanding general counsel by the Houston Business Journal at its annual Best Corporate Counsel Awards ceremony. He is secretary, general counsel & chief audit executive for the global heavy equipment manufacturer, Mitsubishi Caterpillar Forklift, based in Houston.

Dr. Michael Aleprete, A’93, assistant professor of political science at Westminster College, attended the seminar, Food from a Global Perspective: Italy, the Mediterranean and the Globe, in Italy as part of a CIEE International Faculty Development Seminar.

Roland Barksdale-Hall, GA’93, GLPA’00, is the author of Farrell, part of Arcadia Publishing’s Images of America series. The book includes stories of residents (Fred Husnick, Jr.) who were members of the Duquesne Tamburitans. His son is currently a business major at Duquesne.

Sue Ellen Dunlap, GE’93, is the author of Love and Miss You, the story of her late son Michael’s brave four-year battle with brain cancer. More information can be found at www.loveandmissyou.net.

Brian Eddy, A’93, has been named manager of major gifts and corporate relations at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Francis Feld, N’93, was deployed to New Jersey with the PA-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team for disaster medical relief after Hurricane Sandy. He is currently a nurse anesthetist at UPMC Mercy and a paramedic for Ross West View EMSA and University Ambulance Service in State College.

Vincent F. Palmeri, A’94, was promoted to senior admissions advisor at the Le Cordon Bleu School of Culinary Arts in Chicago.

Brian Eddy, A’93, has been named manager of major gifts and corporate relations at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Pittsburgh.
Marsha McFalls, P’96, Pharm.D.’00, became a certified instructional technology specialist K-12. She is an assistant professor of pharmacy practice and director of the Academic Research Center for Pharmacy Practice at Duquesne.

Jeremy Hartzell, B’97, GB’00, L’00, president of the board of directors of the Pittsburgh affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure, has been named a “40 under 40” by Pittsburgh Magazine, which recognizes “people committed to shaping the Pittsburgh region and making it a better place.” He is employed at BNY Mellon where he is responsible for income tax accounting implications of corporate structuring transactions, including mergers and acquisitions.

Ed Monroe, N’97, is a nurse in the medical-surgical ICU at UPMC Mercy and has been recognized by the Above and Beyond Program at the hospital.

Brian Rock, B’98, accepted a position as assistant director of residence life at the University of Oklahoma. He relocated his family from Falls Church, Va., to Norman, Okla.

Dana Slizik, A’98, was named by Cribs for Kids as its first National Safe Sleep Ambassador in 2010, and was recently elected to the Cribs for Kids board of directors. After she and her husband lost their daughter Samantha Ann, who was stillborn, she has become a dedicated volunteer for several additional organizations.

Amy (Bender) Thimons, N’98, is a CRNA currently working for UPP at UPMC Mercy and UPMC Passavant and WPAA at Sewickley Valley Hospital. She and her husband, Dr. Dave Thimons, are the parents of Brigitte Catherine.

Michael Grandinetti, B’99, master illusionist, performed at the A.J. Palumbo Center for Duquesne’s Family Weekend in October. His fall schedule also included a halftime show during the Carolina Panthers game against the defending Super Bowl champion New York Giants at the Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte.

Marc Ponchion, L’99, was recently named partner at Allen & Overy LLP, an international law firm based in London. He is a member of Allen & Overy’s global financial services group and is based in Washington, D.C. Previously, he was an associate at Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

Debra West, GE’99, has joined Coldwell Banker in its South Hills office as a sales associate. She has more than 15 years of experience in the fields of sales, sales management and purchasing. Most recently, she was a district sales manager for FedEx for five years. She will also serve as a new member on the Mt. Lebanon traffic board.

2000s

Ann-Marie Christopher, B’00, MBA’04, was recently hired as a senior master planner in the materials department at Black Box Corporation.

Ellen K. Payne, HS’01, completed her Ph.D. from the University of Nevada, Reno and is an assistant professor and clinical education coordinator at Marywood University for its ATEP.

Ashlee Mae Beckett, E’05, has attained her National Board Certification in early adolescents with a focus on history and social studies. She received her master’s in educational leadership from Edinboro University and is a 6th grade global geography teacher in the Mt. Lebanon School District. She founded and runs her school’s International Club, the largest student-led club in the school, which hosts an annual International Night with over 500 community members to raise money for an orphanage in Haiti.

Jessica Van Deren, GLPA’05, has joined Vermont Technical College as director of admissions.

Tim Fish, A’06, has been hired as a project controls analyst for the Laurel Valley area with Williams Energy Services in Coraopolis.

Marcus Rauhut, A’06, multimedia editor of the Chambersburg Public Opinion, received two first place Keystone Press awards from the Pennsylvania Newspaper Association. Fallen Heroes Project, an interactive multimedia project, tells the stories of local soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan, and his video project is on the burning of Chambersburg during the Civil War.

Randy Cole, GA’07, was promoted to director of marketing & communications at Grove City College.

Carrie Matesevac Collins, GLPA’07, was recently appointed vice president of institutional advancement at University of the Sciences in Philadelphia. Previously the executive director of gift planning and stewardship at Duquesne, she is responsible for a comprehensive fundraising and alumni relations program for the university’s 14,000 alumni.

Kevin Edwards, B’07, director of marketing & business development for Specialized Engineering, has been appointed to the board of directors of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Frederick County and is serving as the organization’s chairman of development. He also volunteers as a big brother.

Dan Tearno, GLPA’07, was honored with the Beer Institute’s 2012 Jeff Becker Beer Industry Service Award in recognition “for his record of dedication, service and leadership on behalf of brewers and importers.” He is currently a consultant and senior policy advisor to HEINEKEN USA.

Samantha Howard, A’08, E’08, GE’09, competed in the U.S. Olympic Marathon Trials in 2011. She married Brian McNally and lives and teaches in Lancaster.

Shereen Graham, E’09, has been hired as a buy/planner for the Traco Division of Alcoa Inc. in Cranberry Township.

Emily Nenni, L’09, a member of the McGuire, Wood & Bissette Litigation Group in the Brevard, N.C., office, has passed the Tennessee Bar Exam.
Jessica Rogowicz, GE’09, started a chapter of Miles Against Melanoma in Pittsburgh and is the director of the organization. They have raised over $25,000, which was donated to the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute. She is a two-time melanoma survivor and wants to raise awareness of the disease. Her website is www.MilesAgainstMelanoma5kPA.org.

Lori (Steranchak) Andrade, GE’10, has been hired as a research associate in the psychology department at Carnegie Mellon University.

David N. Curry, GLPA’10, was selected for promotion to division chief at the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, Threat Mitigation Center, in Springfield, Va.

Stephen D. DeCarlo, HS’10, GHS’11, accepted a position at Johns Hopkins Hospital in the surgical residency program. After completing his residency, he was offered a position as cardiac PA-C in the cardiovascular surgical intensive care unit and cardiac operations.

Anthony Margiotta, MBA’11, was promoted to manager in the pension & benefits department of Schneider Downs & Co., Inc. He and his wife, Stephanie, are the parents of Joseph and Dominic.

Mike Stolar, A’11, produced advertising materials for the Erie Festival of Dance which featured the Duquesne Tamburitzans as guest artists.

Peter Yehl, A’11, has been awarded a fellowship from The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi and started studies towards a master’s of international development at the University of Pittsburgh.

Jeremy G. Angus, B’12, has been named director of development & alumni affairs for Bishop Canevin High School. He was formerly the executive director of the Ambridge Area Chamber of Commerce.

Dan Budreika, B’12, was awarded the Outstanding Eminent Archon (President) Award by Sigma Alpha Epsilon’s national office. He was one of 15 to receive this award out of 228 chapters and 17 colonies across the country.

Jeffrey Fromknecht, L’12, recently passed the Florida Bar and founded Side Project, Inc., which works with non-profit organizations to develop ideas and projects into sustainable programs that have a positive impact on the community.

David Cullen, A’92, GE’93, married Jennifer McKenna.

Vincent F. Palmeri, A’94, married Angelica A. Marrero.

Keri Hinton, B’00, married Thomas J. Bell, Jr.

Cindy Powers, Pharm.D.’03, married Michael Magrini.

Jessica Swedenhjelm, A’03, married Kenneth Erb.

Lori L. Kozleuchar, B’04, married Michael Slifko.

Brittany Hoffman, N’08, married Damien Harkins.

Samantha Howard, A’08, E’08, GE’09, married Brian McNally.

Michael J. Joyce, B’09, L’11, married Alyson N. Rotz.

Karla Leigh Kershaw, Pharm.D.’09, married Christopher John Caruso, HS’07, N’09.

Candy Reed, Pharm.D.’11, married Matthew Klotz, M’09.

Louis V. Kasperik, P’41, was recently honored with the 2012 Community Service Award from the Latrobe (Pa.) Area Chamber of Commerce.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army’s 80th Infantry Division earning both the Bronze Star for meritorious service and the European-African-Eastern Service Medal with four Bronze Stars.

He opened Kasperik Pharmacy in 1955, which he operated until his retirement in 1982. Through his community service, Kasperik has touched the lives of many. He played a significant role in the development of Derry’s Community Center, senior housing development and swimming pool. He became a member of the board of directors of Latrobe Area Hospital (now Excela Health Latrobe Hospital) in 1958, and served in that capacity for 46 years.

Kasperik counseled many high school and undergraduate college students who sought his advice and assistance as they contemplated careers in medicine, pharmacy, nursing and other health-related areas.

He also donated his time to his alma mater, serving as an active volunteer for many years with Duquesne’s alumni associations, and serving on the University’s Board of Governors for 10 years.
Alumni Spotlight

Marie Milie Jones, A’85, L’87, was invested into The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, a select Roman Catholic order of knighthood under the protection of the Pope. It traces its roots to the time of the First Crusade. The order is generally charged with protection and support of Christianity in the Holy Land, preservation of sacred institutions in the Holy Land and sustaining the charitable works of the Catholic Church. Jones was installed in a ceremony in New York City by His Eminence Edwin Cardinal O’Brien, the Grand Master of the Order.

Jones practices law in the boutique litigation firm of Jones Passodelis, PLLC, formed in 2011, and located in Pittsburgh, where she focuses on employment and civil rights matters. She currently serves as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Duquesne University as well as a member of the Board of Regents of St. Vincent Seminary. She lives in Cranberry Township, Pa.

New Arrivals

Gianni Pasquale, son of Susan Rocco, A’91, and Pasquale Rocco.


Gianna Victoria, daughter of Jayanne (Grgurina) Silvers, P’97, and Brian Silvers.

Alexander Nicholas, son of Pete Lawrence, A’98, and Svetlana Vasileva.

Brigette Catherine, daughter of Amy (Bender) Thimons, N’98, and Dr. Dave Thimons.

Olivia Lynn, daughter of Gretchen Oshop Meyers, S’99, and David Meyers.

Miles Edward, son of Brean Caldwell Vaske, B’99, L’02, and Dr. Brian P. Vaske, S’99.

Meghan Finley, daughter of Patricia King Oberdorf, S’00, and Mike Oberdorf.

Grant Michael, son of Christine (Grech) Rueger, Pharm.D.’01, and Robert Rueger.

Kira Anne, daughter of Stacie Anne (Cole) Gopal, GHS’02, and Dr. Rajesh Gopal.

Vincenzo Joseph, son of Lorrie Lee (Cherillo) Jansen, A’02, L’05, and Erik Jansen, L’05.

Troy James, son of Jessica (Schaefers) Campana, Pharm.D.’04, and James Campana, Pharm.D.’04.

Garrett Joseph, son of Jodi (Frisina) Halfast, HS’04, GHS’05, and Jason Halfast.

Penelope Marie, daughter of Veronica (Vazquez) Ravella, A’04, and Nick Ravella, MBA’05.

Benjamin Anderson, son of Michelle (Gregg) Blaire, S’05, HS’05, DPT’07, and Benjamin Blaire.

Jonah Thomas, son of Lauren (Wooditch) Compel, N’05, and David Compel.

Sofia Grace, daughter of Todd A. Fortney, Pharm.D.’05, and Melody J. Fortney.

Grayson Heath, son of Katelyn (Werner) Gensler, E’07, GE’10, and Raymond Gensler, IV.

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DU Magazine Wins Two Awards

Duquesne University Magazine received two awards from the Pittsburgh chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) at the 33rd Annual Golden Triangle Awards dinner in September. There were 125 entries and 62 winners from around the region.

The magazine was given an award of honor in the “Publications” category and in the “Feature Writing” category for an article about the School of Nursing’s 75th anniversary, Answering the Call.
In Memoriam

It is with deep sadness that we list the following alumni and friends who passed away between June 1, 2012, and Dec. 4, 2012:

Elisabeth B. Anderson, GA'66, GA'82
George D. Appel, E'63
Joseph R. Barolak, B'50
Francine Barsh, E'54
Bernard F. Beranek, GA'79
Peter Berges, LPA'02
M. Georgina Bienkowski, E'60
Frances L. Bigante, E'61, GE'72
John W. Boenigk, P'40
John J. Bologna, A'79
Joseph Borkowski, B'59, GB'67
Eugene F. Brady, B'48
James M. Breslin, E'82
Mary R. Brickner, B'85
Marylou Brickner, E'61, GE'75
John P. Brill, E'59, GE'62
Helen W. Buchheit, N'48
Francis P. Bucholtz, M'57
Raymond V. Bunch
George F. Bytsura, E'47
Carole W. Carr
Lawrence (Larry) R. Carr, E'62
George A. Cecere, B’50
Rudolph J. Celigio, E’58
John A. Chellino, A’70
Raymond A. Chellinsky, B’50
Mark A. Chesick, B’92
Loo L. Chew, N’75
Shirley Chu, GS’54
Donald L. Clarke, GB’67
Roger Clough
Marcella M. Conrad, E’43
Beano H. Cook
David J. Cramer
Dennis J. Cuff, P’66
Robert J. Cunningham, B’78
Robert A. Daley, B’46
Gomer H. Davis, B’56
Pamela R. Dayalan, P’90, GP’96
Rosalie Deck, M’57, GM’71
Gregory J. Deet, A’98
Wendy E. DeGeorge
James Degnan
Peter Delouis, A’70, GA’72
Laurence H. Demers, A’85
Donald R. DeNardo, E’51
M. Adrian Dimmerling, E’51, GE’56
George T. Doran, GA’63

James C. Dottle, A’63
Edward J. Dymer, B’66
Constance R. Elou, N’90
Dennis J. Engel, E’66, GA’68
George S. Faith, B’55
Frank J. Farina, GM’64
Maxwell A. Farrell, A’49
Roland G. Fecteau, GE’62
Robert H. Ferster, P’78
M. L. Fien, GE’61
Thomas P. Finan, B’63
Michael J. Folan
Richard T. Fontanesi, B’71
Frances J. Frank, N’63, GE’69
James M. Frederick, B’51
Joseph V. Friel, GS’55
Francis E. Gallagher, A’49
Harold F. Gardner, B’67, GB’72
Margaret A. Gentile, N’63
Charles A. Geswaldo, B’57
Francis J. Gidus, A’53
Geraldine E. Glenn, E’65
Thomas E. Gralewski, B’61
James B. Hay
Raymond F. Heike
Lawrence E. Helwig, S’50
Elizabeth Q. Hermesmann, E’54
John J. Higgiston, A’49
Anthony J. Hoelzle, A’50
Joan A. Hoffman, E’63, GE’82
Patricia J. Horrigan, A’50
Mary J. Huckestein, E’38
Winfield H. Hughes, GE’69
Clifford R. Jack, L’56

Lillian Janavage, E’54
Marjorie L. Jarrell, E’78
Mary A. Jaskel, E’52, GE’58
Kenneth G. Jenkins
Ralph G. Johnson, A’48
Duane L. Keenan
Daniel G. Kelly, A’84, GA’95
Paul G. Kersting, N’62
Lawrence P. Kindlin, A’75
Edwin Klett
William E. Kline, A’61, GA’63
Mark A. Knight, A’81
Edward W. Kollar, B’49
James L. Kolling, B’54
Irene E. Kollinger
Michael J. Komrada, M’73
Donald J. Kossler, S’56
Anne Kremenik, E’55
Fred J. Kuntz
James I. Kurtz
Richard P. Laitta, A’52
Kenneth G. Langfitt, GB’92
Michael A. LaRocca, B’49
Robert A. Lippert, B’61
Susan M. Lippincott, P’84
Albert J. Lowe, A’74
Joseph P. Maffei, E’53, GE’57
Andrew Mahalingappa, A’92
James A. Manner
Bernard Marcus, P’43
Rose E. Margiotti, E’38
G. E. Mariani, B’52
Diana R. Mariani, A’98
John D. Marino, B’52

In Memoriam: Dr. Bernard Beranek

Dr. Bernard Beranek, an associate professor who marked 40 years of service with Duquesne at the time of his retirement in May, died on Nov. 23.

Beranek taught medieval and Renaissance literature, ranging from the ancient classics of Plato and Socrates to J.R.R. Tolkien and contemporary global literatures. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame and his graduate degrees from Duquesne. He began his academic career in 1971 as a graduate teaching fellow.

Dr. Linda Kinnahan of the English department remembered this book-loving colleague at his retirement send-off with these words: “Along with my English department colleagues, I have always found Bernie to be generous with his knowledge (and his books), but more importantly, to insist upon the humanity of the work we do as teachers and scholars and the way in which we connect with and conduct ourselves with each other. That human quality has taught me much more, finally, than all of the books on those shelves.”
In Memoriam: Mary Louise “Mame” McDowell

Mary Louise “Mame” McDowell, A’50, passed away on April 17, 2012, at the age of 82.

The widow of pioneering Pittsburgh news broadcaster Al McDowell, Mame was a mainstay of the Duquesne University Alumni Association for decades, serving as its president for three years, and a tireless fundraiser and advocate for the University throughout the regional community.

She built an extensive network of friends and colleagues through her participation in politics and government, serving as payroll supervisor in the Allegheny County Controller’s Office for more than 20 years, and for 30 years as a member of the Allegheny County Democratic Committee.

McDowell was a 1990 inductee of the Century Club of Distinguished Duquesne Alumni.

Gordon K. Marshall, GA’85
M. S. McClain, GE’62
Mary E. McCloy, E’47, GE’54
Raymond A. McColligan, A’39
Gerald J. McCormick, B’53
Thomas M. McDonough, GHS’94
Mame McDowell, A’50
Betsy J. McGreevy, A’82
Wilbert R. McSteen, B’49
Robert X. Medonis, E’53, GA’85
Shawn R. Moll
William D. Miller, B’75
Donald P. Minahan, A’57
Anthony J. Misiti, B’55
Carol J. Mitch
Theodore W. Mzik, E’50
Shawn P. Mordecki, P’94
Ronald R. Morris
Jane E. Murtaugh
Raymond Naccarati
Joseph A. Nealon, E’40
August J. Nedlik, B’49
Sister Mary Martin Odea, GE’70
Charles E. Oleson, GE’00
Camille Ordner, E’50
Hazel E. Overbeck, P’47
M. Cortona Owens, E’74
Sylvester Pace
Joseph J. Pahorlak, A’58
Roland C. Pantano, B’57
Matt J. Pausic, B’50
Frank P. Paz, A’50
Catherine Schminke Peliff, P’74
Matt T. Pericak
Ronald J. Perry, M’50
Joseph L. Perry, B’50
Arsenio A. Pessolano, S’49, GA’51
Michael J. Petriga
Michael T. Petrozza, E’50
Norman J. Pinkowski, GS’67
Raymond B. Plowchalk, B’52
Patricia L. Plusquelilig, N’80
Alphonse J. Popoli
Richard A. Portasik, GA’56
Richard T. Powell
Beth D. Prendergast, P’82
Joseph A. Rasimas
M. C. Rittelmann, GE’53
Robert T. Ritter, N’77
Edward L. Roberts, GA’69
John F. Robinson, GA’66
Charles J. Rohleder, B’68
Ora J. Rousseau, M’52
Renzi F. Rozzi, B’60
Celesta Rudolph, E’55
James A. Russell, GE’73
Anthony Santantonio, L’62
Paul J. Savage, A’52
Paul J. Scandrol, GE’61
Louis A. Scari, M’47, GM’49
Paul R. Schauer, B’37
Kristine L. Schindler, B’12
Robert R. Schweers, A’91, L’95
Louis A. Sciuolo, B’77
Louis F. Serra, GE’68
James J. Shaffer, GA’85
Bernard P. Shullik, A’70
Emil Simodejka, A’72
Marilyn E. Single, GM’84
Quentin R. Skrabec, B’48
Francis R. Sluganski, A’77
Richard G. Smith, GS’50
Carol J. Sokolski, L’75
Patricia M. Stack, E’54
M. C. Stanko, E’58, GE’67
Abe H. Stein, P’48
M. Stella Stofcik, E’54
H. Campbell Stuckaman
Edward D. Susa, M’68, GE’72
George G. Sweeney, GA’71
Adelbert J. Tarasovitch, B’58
Timothy R. Tarr
Edgar R. Thomas, B’70
Helen R. Toth, GE’71
Paul C. Tracey, B’56
Vincent V. Vaccarello, B’89
Tina L. Valicenti, E’80
Cornelius Vander Poel
Edward M. Vavro
William A. Vernal, A’48
David D. Villani, B’71
Rita Walker, GE’67
Ronald J. Weber, E’93
Paul F. Weisend, A’49
Charles Wilgus
Virginia M. Witney, E’57
Charlotte Worthington, GE’68
M. G. Yesko, E’56, GE’65
Frank C. Zaccaro, E’48, GE’50
Timothy M. Zahumensky

This list is provided through Duquesne’s Advancement Records Office and may not be complete. If you have information about an alumnus who recently passed away and is not listed, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 412.396.6209 or dumagazine@duq.edu so that we may update our records.

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406 Koren Building
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Pittsburgh, PA 15282
February 14, 2013
Bayer School Alumni and Faculty Reception followed by the 2013 Darwin Day Lecture
6-7:15 p.m.
Duquesne Union, 6th Floor, City View Café
For questions or to RSVP, contact 412.396.4900 or science@duq.edu.

February 15, 2013
Forensic Fridays - “DUID:” The Science and Law of Driving Under the Influence of Distractions
1-4:30 p.m.
Duquesne Union, Africa Room
For more information or to register, visit www.duq.edu/forensics, or contact the Wecht Institute at 412.396.1330 or wechtinstitute@duq.edu.

February 23, 2013
Sports Industry Networking Night
5 p.m. Alumni Welcome
5:30 p.m. Student Arrival
7 p.m. Dukes vs. St. Bonaventure
A.J. Palumbo Center
A night of networking with students in the Sports Marketing Program and others interested in sports-related careers.
RSVP online at www.myduquesne.duq.edu or call 412.396.6209.

March 2, 2013
Red & Blue Brew
7-10 p.m.
Union Ballroom
Join the Young Alumni Council at their 2nd Annual Beer Tasting. Space is limited.
RSVP online at www.myduquesne.duq.edu or call 412.396.6209.

March 7, 2013
Phoenix, Ariz., Alumni and Parent Reception
6-8 p.m.
Hosted in the home of John, L’80, and Ann Kaites Phoenix, Ariz.
For more information or to register, go to www.myduquesne.duq.edu or call 412.396.6209.

March 14, 2013
Young Law Alumni Reception
5:30-7:30 p.m.
The Rivers Club, Pittsburgh, Pa.
For questions or to RSVP, contact lawalumni@duq.edu.

March 15, 2013
Forensic Fridays - “Open Access DNA:” Legal, Scientific and Ethical Issues
9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Duquesne Union, Africa Room
For more information or to register, visit www.duq.edu/forensics, or contact the Wecht Institute at 412.396.1330 or wechtinstitute@duq.edu.

March 24, 2013
Duquesne University Easter Egg Hunt, Sponsored by the Young Alumni Council
12-2 p.m.
Mellon Lawn
For more information or to register, visit www.myduquesne.duq.edu or call 412.396.6209.

April 19, 2013
The 61st Annual Law Alumni Reunion Dinner
5 p.m.
Duquesne University - William Patrick Power Center Ballroom
Contact:lawalumni@duq.edu.

April 19, 2013
Forensic Fridays - Interpreting Behavior from Sexual Homicide Crime Scenes
1-4:30 p.m.
Duquesne Union, Africa Room
For more information or to register, visit www.duq.edu/forensics or contact the Wecht Institute at 412.396.1330 or wechtinstitute@duq.edu.

April 20, 2013
Wine School with Father Sawicki
6-8 p.m.
Duquesne Union, Africa Room
Join Fr. Sawicki, assistant professor of political science, for an evening of wine, friends and fun. Space is limited. RSVP online after March 1 at www.myduquesne.duq.edu or call 412.396.6209.

April 26, 2013
A Tribute to Joe Negri
6 p.m.
Power Center, Ballroom
An evening of music and memories with Joe Negri. Proceeds benefit the Joe Negri Endowed Jazz Guitar Scholarship.
For more information, contact University Events at universityevents@duq.edu or 412.396.5131.
April 29-30, 2013

2013 Symposium on Merleau-Ponty
Into the Future
Duquesne Union, Africa Room
Contact: Dr. Jeffrey McCurry, Director,
Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center at 412.396.6038 or
phenomenology@duq.edu.

May 10, 2013

Forensic Fridays – Forensic Audio and Linguistic Analysis of Insider Threats: From Watergate to Today
1-4:30 p.m.
Duquesne Union, Africa Room
For more information or to register, visit www.duq.edu/forensics or contact the Wecht Institute at 412.396.1330 or wechtinstitute@duq.edu.

May 13, 2013

Duquesne Athletic Fund Spring Golf Invitational
The Pittsburgh Field Club
For questions or to RSVP, contact Bryan Colonna at 412.396.5927 or Renee Bestic at 412.396.1292.