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Thoughts from the President

Last fall, I received one of the greatest honors of my life when I was named the 13th president of Duquesne University of the Holy Spirit. In September, surrounded by family, friends, colleagues and students, I was formally inaugurated and celebrated this occasion with a wonderful Homecoming weekend.

It is both humbling and exciting to be the person chosen to lead Duquesne University to the next level of success and excellence. I have been at Duquesne since 1994; I know what this special academic institution means to me, to alumni and friends, to faculty and staff, to students and to this region. I’ve spent my entire career in Pittsburgh because it meant a great deal to me to be able to make a difference in my hometown. I may have moved my office—from the School of Law to Old Main—but my desire to carry out Duquesne’s mission remains the same. In my new position, I want to build upon our University’s strong foundation by advancing the interests of our extraordinarily talented students, engaging our loyal and dedicated alumni, and bolstering the amazing work of our faculty and staff—all centered on the core principle that guides us and makes us strong; our Spiritan mission.

One of the ways to accomplish this goal is to tell our story. These pages tell many stories, showcasing to the world what it means to be connected to Duquesne University.

Our alumni spread Duquesne’s mission of service to all corners of the globe. Alumnus Dr. Sebastian Brooke is a plastic surgeon who has travelled to developing countries to provide free surgical care that can be transformative, especially to children. He says, “If there is one thing I’ve learned, the world may be large, but the smallest of actions can have a big impact.”

Read on to discover how the work of alumnus Eric Sinagra can make a big impact on thousands, if not millions, of people every day. Sinagra has made a somewhat unusual subject the focus of his research and career, starting a company centered on improving the conditions of sidewalks. Through his work, he hopes to help cities and municipalities identify problems with sidewalks and improve safety for everyone—especially people with disabilities.

This issue also features information on dynamic new academic programs in the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business; oral historians’ efforts to capture the inspiring stories of the Spiritans; the incredible accomplishments of a Duquesne violinist; a nursing professor who was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to study the impact of culture and religion on breast cancer prevention among Muslim women; and a prestigious international program that brought 25 young African leaders to Duquesne to learn how to be catalysts for change and progress in their homelands.

I am proud that we can tell these stories. In doing so, I look forward to working closely with the entire University community to continue the remarkable legacy forged by generations of students, alumni and administrators. I am eager to learn and grow together, harnessing the energy of this distinctive academic institution so that we can lead it into the next stage of its upward trajectory. In this way, we will take Duquesne into a new era that reflects a powerful, energetic and ambitious vision that would have made our Spiritan founders proud.

Sincerely,

Ken Gormley
Duquesne University President

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Focus on Women’s Health Takes Nursing Professor to Mecca

DR. KHLOOD SALMAN AWARDED FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP TO STUDY IMPACT OF CULTURE, RELIGION ON BREAST CANCER PREVENTION AMONG ISLAMIC WOMEN

“...women in the Middle East devote themselves to taking care of their husband and their family—that often results in them putting themselves last.”

By Rose Ravasio, A’90
Many Muslim women are very conservative when it comes to their health, often guided by traditional Islamic principles and cultural customs.

Associate Nursing Professor Dr. Khlood Salman, a Muslim woman and native of Iraq, understands Muslim women’s health behavior. It was a close friend’s death from breast cancer that partially spurred Salman’s research focus on women’s health, which led to a Fulbright Scholarship focusing on breast cancer prevention.

“Modesty is a big thing for women in Islam—it’s not only cultural, it’s in religion, too,” says Salman, whose friend never disclosed her breast cancer diagnosis, despite being asked about her health. “Many Muslim women don’t feel comfortable being checked by a male doctor or being close to a man who is not their husband or a family member. And, women in the Middle East devote themselves to taking care of their husband and their family—that often results in them putting themselves last. When you don’t take care of yourself, anything can happen.”

Salman will travel to Mecca in Saudi Arabia this fall to study the impact of culture and religion on breast cancer prevention among Muslim women. According to Salman, Muslim women in Saudi Arabia aren’t comfortable discussing breast cancer.

“I proposed to go to Mecca—a very Islamic, conservative city and the holiest city of Islam—to understand how women there perceive breast cancer prevention,” she says.

Salman will be based at Umm al-Qura University, where she hopes to find a fellow faculty member to partner with on her qualitative study. She acknowledges that she won’t be able to start surveying women right away because of their modesty.

“I will settle in for a few months and then start to make friends and go from there,” says Salman. “I don’t anticipate any problems. I speak the language, which helps, and I am Muslim, so I know the religion and the culture very well.”

Salman says in addition to her research, she’ll offer to conduct faculty and student workshops at Umm al-Qura University.

“You have to educate women there, especially nursing and health professionals, in order to raise awareness,” says Salman.

The Fulbright Program is the flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government. Salman’s Fulbright Scholarship is the first awarded to a School of Nursing faculty member.

“Fulbright grants are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in the field,” says Nursing Dean Dr. Mary Ellen Glasgow. “Dr. Salman is an exemplar of a faculty scholar and leader who is invested in the health care needs of women of Middle Eastern descent, improving the Muslim-Christian dialogue, and a strong advocate for cancer prevention and culturally relevant care for women.”

“Modesty is a big thing for women in Islam—it’s not only cultural, it’s in religion, too.”
The newest freshman class at Duquesne may turn out to be the largest in University history.

While final enrollment figures are still being determined, the estimated enrollment of 1,550 freshmen in the new Class of 2020 is the largest at Duquesne to date. The other largest incoming classes were in 2013 (1,547) and 2012 (1,526).

The new freshman class is also the most diverse in Duquesne’s history, according to the University’s Enrollment Management Group. Minorities in this class—primarily African-American, Hispanic/Latino of any race and Asian—rose to 18 percent.

“Increasing diversity on campus and sustaining an environment where diversity is valued have been among the core goals of the Enrollment Management Group,” explains Kelley Maloney, director of enrollment marketing and communication.

The freshman class has a mean SAT score of 1142—the highest in University history—and an acceptance rate of 74 percent, one of the most selective in Duquesne history.

“We’re very pleased with the academic profile of our freshman class,” says Paul-James Cukanna, associate provost for enrollment management. “It met our enrollment goals and is one of the largest, most diverse and academically talented freshman classes in University history. It’s a collaborative effort and we appreciate the dedication and support of our partners and colleagues throughout the entire University.”

This marks the first year that students could enroll via test-optional admission in business and the second year for liberal arts, according to Maloney.

“This initiative proved very successful with approximately 200 academically talented students taking advantage of this option,” says Maloney.

Other notable highlights of the Class of 2020:

- Approximately 95 percent said Duquesne was their top choice school.
- When surveyed, freshmen said their primary reasons for selecting Duquesne were—in rank order—program of study, urban location, size and academic reputation.
- Members of the freshman class represent 11 countries, including China, Saudi Arabia, Costa Rica and Norway.
- Approximately 21 percent of the freshman class have relatives who are Duquesne graduates, making them a University legacy.
While it is not uncommon for twins to enroll together at Duquesne University, this year’s freshman class includes quadruplets, who hail from Baltimore. During August’s Freshman Move-In Day, President Ken Gormley (center) and his wife, Laura (far left), welcomed the Scott quadruplets and their parents, Adam (second from left) and Lisa (far right). The Scott freshmen are, from left, Brandon, Alexis, Christina and Dominique.
Gormley, Experts Tell the Real Story of the Presidents and the Constitution in New Book

After more than 10 years of work from concept to its recent publication, President Ken Gormley’s latest work provides what he describes as a real story in which the American presidents’ powers come to life in a context of actual events in history—energizing the Constitution of the United States of America.

The Presidents and the Constitution: A Living History features a chapter on each president contributed by some of the nation’s most renowned experts on the American presidency and the Constitution, including Gormley, who wrote the chapter on Bill Clinton and served as editor of the book.

“I wanted a book that showed all of the interconnections from one presidency to the next—that was the fun of it,” says Gormley, who used a working manuscript of the book to teach a University seminar on the topic during the last three fall semesters to Duquesne law students and then undergraduates. “It’s been the most fun course I’ve ever taught.”

According to publisher NYU Press, the book examines “presidential history through the lens of constitutional conflicts and challenges” and “offers a fresh perspective on how the Constitution has evolved in the hands of individual presidents.”

One of Gormley’s challenges with putting the book together initially was recruiting the chapter authors before he had a publisher on board. Once a few prominent figures committed to doing chapters, Gormley says it made it easier for others to sign up. Among the chapter contributors are former presidential candidate Gary Hart (James Monroe); American legal historian Paul Finkelman (Zachary Taylor and Franklin Pierce); and Founding Director of the International Lincoln Center at Louisiana State University William D. Pederson (Abraham Lincoln and Franklin Delano Roosevelt).

“I was really surprised and heartened by the enthusiasm for the project, and we ended up with what is a who’s who of writers in the field of the presidency, and that makes this book all the better,” says Gormley.

In addition, retired Duquesne Professor Emeritus of History Dr. Joe Rishel wrote the chapter on Millard Fillmore, and Pittsburgh Post-Gazette Executive Editor David Shribman contributed the chapter about William Henry Harrison. Upon completion of all 44 presidential chapters, Gormley was then faced with the arduous task of editing for continuity.

“I was very involved in conceiving of chapters, in working with authors to bring important themes to light, and I edited the entire thing with the goal of having it read like one book with a smooth, seamless narrative account,” he says. “That was maybe the most challenging and difficult part of it, but I’m really very happy with how it turned out.”

The Presidents and the Constitution has already garnered glowing reviews from prominent commentators, including associate editor of The Washington Post Bob Woodward, NPR correspondent Nina Totenberg, Politico’s John Harris and the Library Journal. Gormley recently participated in a panel discussion about the book hosted by the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia that focused on how each president has related to the Constitution and how their respective tenures have affected the document.

Second Century Dinner Celebrates Business School, Students and Alumni

The Palumbo-Donahue School of Business’ Second Century Dinner brought together nearly 300 current faculty, students, alumni and corporate representatives for recognitions and updates from Dr. Dean McFarlin, dean of the school, on March 30. McFarlin discussed strategic goals, the campaign to transform Rockwell Hall, and new academic programs and enhancements before awards were presented to students and alumni in the Power Center Ballroom.
National Jazz Workshop Held at Duquesne

National recording artists Sean Jones and Don Aliquo, Jr. headlined the prestigious National Jazz Workshop held at Duquesne in July. Duquesne was again one of just three locations nationwide selected to host the National Jazz Workshop, which is credited with setting the standard of excellence for students, educators and performers who are serious about the American art form of the genre. The workshop was hosted by Mike Tomaro, director of jazz studies in the Mary Pappert School of Music, and the Pittsburgh Jazz Orchestra at the City Music Center.

Duquesne and Community Leaders Collaborate to Enhance Engagement

Duquesne's Center for Community-Engaged Teaching and Research (CETR) has enlisted local community leaders as part of its new planning process to strengthen the University’s relationships in and involvement with Pittsburgh’s neighborhoods. The project was made possible by an anonymous grant.

Community leaders including Grant Ervin, chief resiliency officer for the City of Pittsburgh, Bill Generett, president and CEO of Urban Innovation21, and Sunanna Chand, learning innovation strategist of Remake Learning, are among those who’ve been tapped by CETR to collaborate with Duquesne administrators, faculty and staff to identify which of the University’s significant assets and resources can be even better matched with the concerns and needs of the surrounding neighborhoods. Additional community members on the committee include Rod Harris, deputy director of Community Health Promotion and Disease Prevention for the Allegheny County Health Department, and Terri Baltimore, vice president of neighborhood development of the Hill House Association.

"Duquesne University has a long tradition of meaningful and sustained community involvement, flowing from our Spiritan founders’ Catholic mission,” says Duquesne President Ken Gormley. “We are thrilled to launch this new initiative, taking advantage of the expertise of top community leaders.

CETR supports community-engaged teaching, learning and research that promote knowledge creation, civic development and community transformation. The center supports and facilitates partnerships and activities among faculty, students and community partners with the aim of positively impacting the community.

“I have seen firsthand the power and promise of Duquesne University’s successful community engagement efforts. These efforts have and continue to increase the quality of life of some of our region’s most vulnerable communities,” says Generett. “Urban Innovation21 is just one small example of the many community-based efforts that would not have happened without the University’s support. As the Pittsburgh region’s economy continues to grow, we must accelerate our work to make sure our most vulnerable communities are not left behind. Through this strategic planning process, I am excited to help CETR build upon the University’s solid community engagement foundation.”

Representatives from Duquesne’s offices of the President, Mission and Identity, and Research, as well as The Center for the Catholic Intellectual Tradition, Advancement, deans and the University’s endowed chairs in mission and global competitiveness, will participate in the project.

The committee will be led by a team of external consultants that includes Nancy Franklin of Franklin Solutions; Jamillia Kamara, formerly of Public Allies; and Megan Good, formerly of the Allegheny County Department of Human Services.

“Together, this team of consultants understands the national landscape of community engagement practices within higher education and has intimate knowledge of the assets and strengths found within Pittsburgh’s communities,” explains Lina Dostilio, director of CETR.

Duquesne University has a rich history of serving the region, its people and community partners through initiatives such as the Tribune Center for Clinical Legal Education and its eight community clinics; the Duquesne University Pharmacy in Pittsburgh’s Hill District neighborhood; and the Community-Based Health and Wellness Center for Older Adults.

The University continues to be one of the nation’s select institutions to receive the prestigious Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching’s Community Engagement Classification because of its engagement with neighborhood communities through teaching, research, student volunteerism, economic development involvement, and public-serving centers and institutes.

The committee will work on the planning process through June 2017.
Mentors and Mentees Teach and Learn from Each Other

What do you wish someone would have told you when you were a student at Duquesne? What advice would you give to a current student who shares your interests and goals?

Graduates and students consider these questions through the University’s Alumni Mentor Program. Managed by the Office of Alumni Relations in partnership with Career Services and the undergraduate schools, the program has matched more than 60 pairs since its inception in 2014.

“The mission of our Alumni Mentor Program is to promote the personal and professional development of our students by providing engagement, support and networking opportunities,” explains Sarah Sperry, assistant vice president for alumni relations and annual giving.

Alexandrea Dalton, A’16, credits her mentor, William Caye, A’90, L’93, with helping her emerge from her professional shell.

“Before our first conversation, I was pretty nervous to step out of my comfort zone and try to find myself an internship or a career,” she admits. “But Bill helped me so much. He has truly focused my path and helped to take me where I want to go.”

The relationship, though, is a two-way street.

“Alex is very talented and has different ideas and problem-solving skills that she has taught me,” says Caye, who majored in political science as an undergraduate and now practices law in Pittsburgh. “Some of her strong suits are marketing, public relations and technology, which I found invaluable since I didn’t have these programs.”

Mentoring opportunities aren’t limited to alumni in the Pittsburgh area.

“I was a bit skeptical at first about how much of an impact I could have since I’m located in Florida,” explains Brad Frank, A’11. An integrated marketing communications graduate, he was paired with student Leslie Keegan, A’16, who pursued the same major on campus. Distance was no obstacle.

“Through a mutually agreed-upon plan and great communications practices with Leslie, we were able to quell any concerns that I initially had,” says Frank. “By becoming a mentor, you have an opportunity to create a lasting impact on current students.”

Keegan shares Frank’s enthusiasm.

“I would suggest this program to every undergraduate after my invaluable experience,” she says. “Learning from someone who is working in the same field has been extremely beneficial. I am now aware of what it takes to cut it in the real world.”

With more than 6,000 undergraduates at Duquesne, and more than 90,000 alumni, the program’s potential impact is limitless. To learn more and apply, visit duq.edu/alumnimentor.

Mentor William Caye, A’90, L’93, and mentee Alexandrea Dalton, A’16.

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MENTORING PROGRAM FAQS

How and when do I sign up?
Visit duq.edu/alumnimentor to volunteer. The program operates on a rolling basis. You may apply to become a mentor at any time, however, you are not guaranteed a student right away.

How are the mentoring pairs made?
Pairs are matched based on personality, location and similar major/career.

What kind of activities are involved?
Mentors and mentees decide what they want to work on together from the onset of the relationship. Suggested activities and other resources are available.

How much time is involved?
We suggest that you spend at least two hours per month building the mentoring relationship.

How should the mentoring relationship last?
The mentoring sessions run for a full academic year for undergraduates. At the end of the session, mentors and mentees are formally released to begin new partnerships, but because the goal is to develop ongoing relationships, pairs are encouraged to maintain contact on an informal basis.
Did You Know?

Student Veterans Association chapter members at Duquesne are enjoying a Newly Renovated Veterans Center thanks to grant money provided by the Student Veterans of America’s nationwide Vet Center Initiative (VCI). The VCI, sponsored by The Home Depot Foundation, was developed to support veteran centers on college campuses.

The Duquesne Debating Society continued its streak of success at the national level by winning four awards and seeing one team member named to the All-American Debate Team at the 2016 National Education Debate Association’s National Championship. Students Mary Halyama, Noah Martens, Chloe Mortenson, Janae Stacier and Edward Stumm represented Duquesne.

Communication and rhetoric scholars from around the world met on campus in June for the 14th annual Communication Ethics and International Association for Dialogue Analysis Conference. The conference was hosted by the Department of Communication and Rhetorical Studies.

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The Renaissance Society of America named a book by Dr. Jotham Parsons, associate professor of history, as the best member-written book in Renaissance studies this year. Parsons received the 2016 Phyllis Goodhart Gordan Book Prize for Making Money in Sixteenth-Century France: Currency, Culture and the State.
Duquesne Violinist Rising from Student to Stardom

By Chris Togneri

On June 4, 2016, the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review published an article about a Duquesne graduate whose musical talent led to two incredible job offers.

Standing in the center of the studio, Philip Manning tucks the violin under his chin. He pauses and inhales slowly, focusing his thoughts. His right hand extends as he lifts the bow. Then, his eyes narrow and, as he gently slides the bow over the strings, producing the opening notes, his face takes on a dreamlike appearance, as if he is in a trance.

“...what Philip has is an unbelievable discipline and attention to detail...”
“The goal of music, the main goal in my mind, is to convey the music to the listener in such a way that they can relate it to something in their own lives,” says Manning, 24, a violinist who recently finished his graduate work at Duquesne University’s Mary Pappert School of Music.

“That’s what gives music real meaning. During a performance, everything you’ve done on your own hopefully will come together.”

For Manning, everything is coming together.

A native of Victoria, British Columbia, Manning recently pulled off a remarkable feat by earning job offers as a First Violinist following his first two auditions. The first audition, in April, was for the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra; the second was for the Victoria Symphony last month.

He chose his hometown Victoria Symphony. The first concert of the summer season is July 20.

“To get an audition for a major symphony orchestra anywhere in North America or Europe on a first try is really unusual,” says Charles Stegeman, Manning’s violin professor at Duquesne. “Normally, you get it after several attempts. The fact that he got two in a row is just staggering, actually.

“But what Philip has is an unbelievable discipline and attention to detail and an ability to work hard,” Stegeman says. “He’s very disciplined. He doesn’t let mistakes get by. He’s an extremely accurate player, and that’s what it takes.”

Stegeman and his wife, Rachel — also a violin professor at Duquesne — saw to it that Manning was ready for the auditions.

Throughout the winter and spring, Manning practiced alone for five hours a day, perfecting pieces by Beethoven, Brahms, Mozart and others. Then, the Stegemans had him play his audition material in front of classmates and professors, “to help him get more comfortable with playing for significant periods of time accurately,” Stegeman says.

Playing alone is much different than performing in front of an audience, Stegeman and Manning say.

During the endless hours of solo practice, the musician focuses on the technical aspects of a piece, on playing each note perfectly, methodically, almost robotically.

Playing at an audition, Manning says, is unlike playing alone or in front of a traditional audience. Rather, it’s a combination of the two experiences, because judges seek technical perfection as well as emotional artistry.

“Basically, you have to be perfect,” he says.

If he wasn’t perfect in Victoria, he came close.

“There’s a standard — you have to play in time, you have to play in tune, and Philip did all of that,” says Peter Burris, the Victoria Symphony Orchestra manager. “He was a dream. We’re more than thrilled to have him coming.”

The Victoria audition on May 3 was the symphony’s “third or fourth” audition for a violinist, Burris says. Previous applicants simply were not good enough.

But when Manning began playing, Burris and the others immediately took note. The auditions were blind — the violinists played behind a screen and the judges did not know their names or résumés — but everyone knew when Manning was playing. He was simply that much better than the competition, Burris says.

Choosing Victoria over Calgary “wasn’t that difficult,” Manning says. “This was my first choice as a place to live. My family is here. And it’s a fairly spectacular part of the world.”

Manning finished his studies at Duquesne in the spring and has returned to Victoria, where he will live with his parents until he finds a place of his own. He credited his parents and his Duquesne professors for his early-career success.

“The Stegemans absolutely made sure I was ready,” he says. “And my parents have supported me so much over the years, this is as much a victory for them as me.

“I still have so much to learn. But this is great, for sure.”

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Recent Rankings and Honors for DU Programs and Schools

**EPA AGAIN RECOGNIZES DU FOR LARGEST GREEN POWER USE IN A-10**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has recognized Duquesne as the Individual Conference Champion of the 2015-16 College & University Green Power Challenge for using more green power than any other school in the Atlantic 10 Conference.

Since 2006, the EPA’s Green Power Partnership has tracked and recognized the collegiate athletic conferences with the highest combined green power use within the program. The Individual Conference Champion Award recognizes the school that uses the most green power in a qualifying conference—Duquesne has garnered the award every year of the challenge since 2007-08.

The University’s dedication to sustainability has driven the campus to rely 100 percent on clean energy. Duquesne has LEED-rated buildings, encourages individual recycling efforts and regularly participates in regional sustainability initiatives.

**UNDERGRADUATE BUSINESS SCHOOL RANKING BY ‘BLOOMBERG BUSINESSWEEK’ SOARS**

Duquesne’s undergraduate business program has soared in the Bloomberg Businessweek 2016 Best Undergraduate Business Schools rankings.

The opinions of employers and business students were heavily weighted in the Bloomberg ranking. After surveying nearly 30,000 students and recruiters at nearly 600 companies, Bloomberg Businessweek advanced the A.J. Palumbo School of Business Administration to No. 55 in the nation—up from its previous year’s ranking within the top 110.

In calculating this ranking, Bloomberg considered most heavily the employer survey. The students’ own ratings of campus, career services, faculty and administration also were ranked heavily. Starting salaries, which were adjusted by region and sector, and the percentage of graduates with at least one internship also figured into Bloomberg’s equation.

**COLLEGE CHOICE RANKS DU AMONG 75 BEST CATHOLIC COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES**

Duquesne is among a select group of 75 academic institutions named to the College Choice 2016 list of Best Catholic Colleges and Universities. The University is ranked at No. 43.

The ranking considers various factors to ensure that students get “the best rate of return on (their) educational investment.” According to College Choice, the factors considered were based on criteria that college freshmen indicated as most important to them—college reputation, net cost, average financial aid packages and average starting graduate salary. Resources for the list included the National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. News & World Report and Payscale.com.

**‘FORBES’ SAYS DUQUESNE IS ‘WORTH THE INVESTMENT’**

Duquesne University has again been rated among the nation’s Best Value Colleges by Forbes.

In its 2016 rankings, Forbes noted that private institutions, more than public schools, tend to be higher on “value-centric” rankings because, across the board, private school graduates have much higher earnings than graduates of public schools.

In trying to answer “what schools are worth the investment” and working with the Center for College Affordability and Productivity, Forbes based the rankings on quality (measured by student satisfaction, as well as actual and predicted retention rates); drop-out risk; time to complete a degree; alumni salaries; alumni skills; and gross tuition and fees.

Additionally, Forbes named Duquesne a 2016 Best Value Private College.
U.S. NEWS RANKS FOUR DUQUESNE GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN NATION’S TOP 50

Four Duquesne programs were ranked among the top 50 graduate programs in the nation, with another three in the top 100, according to U.S. News & World Report’s 2017 Best Graduate Schools. Illustrating the quality of a Duquesne education across many disciplines and schools, the following is a breakdown of how the University was ranked:

The John F. Donahue Graduate School of Business
- No. 130, part-time MBA program
- Notable: The program’s ranking made the greatest leap among any of the graduate offerings at Duquesne, up 15 slots from last year. The rankings considered 219 programs.

The School of Law
- No. 15, legal writing programs
- No. 44, part-time law programs
- No. 111 overall
- Notable: For the fourth year, the law school rose in the national rankings. Its newest ranking among 149 institutions is seven spots higher than last year’s.

The John G. Rangos School of Health Sciences
- No. 44, occupational therapy
- No. 64, physical therapy
- No. 69, speech pathology
- Notable: For many of the health sciences programs, the last time U.S. News ranked these degree areas was before 2014.

The Mylan School of Pharmacy
- No. 47 overall

The School of Nursing
- No. 85 overall
- Notable: The School of Nursing’s Doctor of Nursing Practice program was listed for the first time.

The School of Education
- No. 153 overall

The McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts
- No. 165, clinical psychology
- Notable: U.S. News last ranked this program four years ago.

COLLEGE CHOICE RANKS DUQUESNE NO. 16 BEST ONLINE MASTER’S IN NURSING

College Choice has ranked Duquesne at No. 16 among its 2016 Best Online Master’s Programs in Nursing. The School of Nursing jumped 10 spots from its No. 26 ranking in this category by College Choice in 2015. For its methodology, College Choice considered factors including academic reputation, acceptance rate, tuition and average graduate earnings. The website utilized data collected directly from school websites, U.S. News & World Report, the National Center for Education Statistics and Payscale.com, among other sources.

STANDARD & POOR’S UPGRADES UNIVERSITY’S CREDIT RATING TO ‘A’

Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services announced it has revised its credit rating of Duquesne University to “A” from its previous rating of “A-.” The rating increase is based on the most recent Standard & Poor’s Not-for-Profit Public and Private Colleges and Universities methodology. This is the University’s best ever rating from Standard & Poor’s.

“We assessed Duquesne’s enterprise profile as strong characterized by historically stable enrollment (and) above average student and faculty quality. We also assessed Duquesne’s financial profile as strong, with solid operating performance, growing net tuition revenues, improved financial resources and below average debt burden,” says Luke Gildner of Standard & Poor’s.

SCHOOL OF NURSING AMONG ‘U.S. NEWS’ TOP 20 BEST ONLINE PROGRAMS

U.S. News & World Report has ranked the School of Nursing among the nation’s Best Online Graduate Nursing Programs for the fourth consecutive year.

As part of the overall 2016 Best Online Programs, Duquesne’s School of Nursing is ranked No. 18 (tied with Eastern Kentucky University) out of 110 schools that offer online nursing master’s degree programs. U.S. News considered student engagement, faculty credentials and training, student services and technology, peer reputation and admissions selectivity as part of its methodology.

In addition to the nursing school, U.S. News ranked the School of Education No. 188 among Best Online Graduate Education Programs and Duquesne University was ranked No. 143 overall for Best Online Bachelor’s Degree Programs. ♦
Stories of Service
THE WORLDWIDE EXPERIENCES OF SPIRAN MISSIONARIES.

C laude Poullart des Places of Rennes, France, founded the Spiritans, formally known as the Congregation of the Holy Spirit, on Pentecost in 1703. He felt called to start a community for poor, young men wanting to become priests. It was his hope that these young priests would serve France’s rural poor and its missions overseas.

They have. Since 1703, the Spiritans have dedicated themselves to the underserved around the globe. Today, nearly 3,000 Spiritans labor in more than 60 countries. Their work included the founding of Duquesne University—the only Spiritan university in North America—in 1878.

Over many decades as global missionaries, the Spiritans have acquired countless stories that have gone unrecorded and unwritten—until now.

In an effort to document their accomplishments and to provide a spiritual legacy for future Spiritans, Duquesne began to record some of these stories.

Oral historians so far have interviewed a half-dozen priests, some whom came to Duquesne to work or study.

“The mission of the project is to record the history of the Spiritans in their own words,” said Megan DeFries, oral historian at Duquesne. “This includes biographical sketches about their development as Spiritans and the work they’ve done, how they’ve lived the mission as Spiritans.”

Even though these missionaries have worked in many different countries, doing diverse work, Ms. DeFries recognized a common thread as she interviewed them. “You find common themes in their faith and their service because the way they develop as Spiritans is very similar around the world, and the way they’re all unified in their mission.

Their stories show the human side of being a priest, of someone that leads a religious life.”

The breadth and impact of the congregation’s global reach can be seen in the experiences of THE REV. SEAN HOGAN, a fourth-generation Spiritan and president of the Duquesne Scholarship Association. Father Hogan was 28 when he left Ireland for Kenya in 1968.

“I was a pastor of a parish that included a maternity hospital, and I paid the bills. I was also the headmaster of a high school in Thika, a large industrial town near Nairobi, Kenya,” he said.

Father Hogan built several churches, developed credit unions and built Kenya’s first youth center. “We had a lot of schools, but we didn’t have a library or recreation facilities for the kids. So we built the Thika Youth Center in cooperation with Thika Lions Club. The nearly two-year project was a great development because we could have a nursery school, a library, soccer fields and basketball courts. We also had a big hall where we could have dances or show movies,” he recalled.

The people were grateful, he said. “You bring Christ to them, but you also try and raise the standards of the people. You bring education. You bring medical facilities, and then you try and develop a middle class.”

Father Hogan offers this perspective to young Spiritans or men aspiring to join them. “Look at what we’re doing throughout the world. We have various options — education, development, running parishes and running schools. And it’s a great life. No one’s life is perfect, but it’s a very fulfilling one.”

THE REV. BILL CHRISTY, whose work with Spiritan Campus Ministry at Duquesne focuses on counseling and spiritual direction, was a missionary in Tanzania for 15 years and served in the Department of Aboriginal Affairs in Western Australia for six.

Unlike the warmth that Father Hogan received from the people in Kenya, the Aborigines initially were not welcoming to Father Christy. The wariness stemmed from years of mistreatment at the hands of the Australian government.

“The Aborigines didn’t have rights until the mid-’60s. They didn’t have the vote, they had no right to own property, and every Aborigine was considered a child and the government was considered their parent. An aboriginal Australian had no right to a passport because one would not give a passport to a child.

“And then I show up, and there’s all this baggage there. And that’s something you have to overcome.”

At times, “you realize your limitedness,” Father Christy said. “When we adopt somebody else’s worldview, we realize that we don’t have all the answers to their world. A profound importance to the Maasai [an aboriginal group in Tanzania] and to all Africans is fertility. The sense of family, the sense of generations, and ancestors. How do
we address infertility? For people who don’t have good medical care and are prone to infections and other things, fertility is the question. We didn’t have a ritual to bless them for fertility. ... Christianity doesn’t have an easy answer for them.”

THE REV. RAYMOND FRENCH was 19 when he fell in love with the Spiritans. It happened three decades ago through a chance meeting with the Rev. Jim Brown, a Spiritan who was conducting a 100-mile walk in Scotland for vocations.

The congregation’s inclusiveness impressed Father French, now Duquesne’s vice president for mission and identity. “It didn’t matter who you were or where you came from; they accepted you.”

He entered the Spiritans with men from Nigeria, Madagascar, Mauritius, Ireland, England and a few, like himself, from Scotland. “At a very early age, I got a sense of the world and that diversity is a beautiful thing,” he said.

For almost three years, Father French lived with three groups in Tanzania—the mountain people, the “fishers” and the warriors. He was, he said, “a Scots guy from a small town who finds himself in the middle of a village by the lake in Tanzania, struggling to learn a language, and feeling more at home than any place I’ve ever been, apart from Duquesne.”

The people readily welcomed Father French. “Hospitality is in their DNA,” he said.

But the different ethnic groups didn’t get along, and Father French wondered what he could do to bring them together. “I went back to my old passion for soccer and I thought, that’s the way I can do it,” he said.

He organized a soccer match and asked the villagers and their families to bring food to the big event. “It was magnificent. It was great fun, and I think it did show that difference can be a cause for celebration.”

The stories of Father French, Father Hogan, Father Christy and other Spiritans offer powerful insights into the human condition across the globe. The oral history project is ongoing. Recordings and transcripts of the interviews are available by appointment at the Duquesne library.

The Spiritans’ work requires an “openness to the Spirit, authentic relationships and walking on the margins,” Father French explains. “Know that when you’re with the underserved, they become your teacher. It was the most powerful experience of my life.”

SPIRITANS BRING A WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE TO CAMPUS AND SPEND TIME WORKING WITH STUDENTS.

Shown are the Reverend Sean Hogan, C.S.Sp. (top), the Reverend Bill Christy, C.S.Sp. (bottom left) and the Reverend Raymond French, C.S.Sp. (bottom right).
Enhancing Every Aspect of the Duquesne Experience

THE DUQUESNE FUND EXCEEDS GOALS IN ITS FIRST YEAR

Last fall, The Duquesne Fund was established as the University’s new annual giving program. Some 8,200 alumni and friends answered the call, contributing a total of $2,629,446 in annual giving dollars. Unlike previous campaigns that focused on individual projects, The Duquesne Fund was designed to provide consistent, yearly, and immediately expendable operating support, targeting mission-critical priorities and needs that make a Duquesne education distinctive, in such areas as:

**Academics:** Support for teaching and research, educational technology and library resources.

In academic year 2015-16, The Duquesne Fund supported graduation dissertation stipends in the McAnulty College, the recruitment of new faculty members for the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business, expenses for students in the Mylan School of Pharmacy’s experiential education program and more than $23,000 in faculty research stipends for the School of Education. The Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences used Duquesne Fund support to advance graduate student initiatives and sponsor a summer science camp for high school students.

**Access:** Scholarships and financial aid that make attending Duquesne more affordable for all.

A total of nearly $81,000 was distributed in scholarship support University-wide. In addition, nursing students received emergency tuition assistance through The Duquesne Fund.

**Activities:** A vibrant student life that augments classroom learning and promotes individual growth, including hundreds of organizations, special events, recreation and athletics.

The Duquesne Fund enabled Mary Pappert School of Music students to attend, present, perform and participate in national and international professional conferences. Spiritan Campus Ministry received support to send students on a pilgrimage to Philadelphia for the visit of Pope Francis.

**Atmosphere:** Safe and well-maintained facilities for learning and living, offering students the unique personal and professional benefits of a self-contained campus within a lively city center.

The law school repaired and replaced furnishings in its student lounge and one of its oldest classrooms, while the water-damaged Rare Books Reading Room in Gumberg Library was renovated with Duquesne Fund support.

Because it is based on the fiscal year, The Duquesne Fund resets to zero donors and zero dollars on July 1. Annual gifts are needed to build on the first year’s momentum and success. For more examples of The Duquesne Fund’s impact, or to make a gift, visit duq.edu/the-duquesne-fund.

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Commencement 2016: Dougherty Receives Honorary Degree

Dr. Charles J. Dougherty delivered his last commencement address as Duquesne’s president on May 6 as nearly 1,580 students received degrees. In the ceremony at the A.J. Palumbo Center, Dougherty, who retired on June 30 after 15 years, was presented with an honorary doctor of humane letters. “This is truly a moment of pride for me. I feel keenly and with the deepest affection what it means to be a member of this community of Duquesne University of the Holy Spirit. I understand and have the highest respect for what has been achieved here on our Bluff since 1878. I anticipate with eagerness and profound joy the great things that will be accomplished by today’s graduates. You and I know the values reinforced here and how they have given us both the will and the tools to make the world a better place. So I am indeed proud to share this day with you,” said Dougherty, as part of his address.
1. On July 1, new DUQUESNE PRESIDENT KEN GORMLEY had a busy first day in office. He attended morning Mass, had breakfast with members of the Department of Facilities Management, enjoyed lunch with student leaders, and joined faculty, staff, students and visitors on Academic Walk for an ice cream social.

2. Charlotte-area alumni, parents and friends gathered for a beautiful night out at the CHARLOTTE KNIGHTS minor league baseball game in May.

3. In April, at Duquesne’s Spirit of Diversity Dinner and Scholarship Benefit, the OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS honored students committed to academic excellence, diversity and inclusion. Former Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Charlie Batch, a community advocate, delivered the keynote address.

4. CLEVELAND CAVALIERS CEO Len Komoroski, A’82, shared some laughs with fellow alumni at the Cleveland Chapter Alumni Night at the Cavaliers in April.

5. The University’s WOMEN’S GUILD held its annual fundraiser in April. Proceeds from the fashion show and luncheon support Spiritan Campus Ministry’s cross-cultural mission experiences and an endowed scholarship for University students based on financial need. Shown are Women’s Guild President Bernie Krueger, Women’s Guild Scholarship recipient Loda Opot and Director of Spiritan Campus Ministry the Rev. Daniel Walsh, C.S.Sp.
6. A group of BROTHERS OF SIGMA CHI THETA have had an annual gathering for the past eight years. This year, the group met in Austin, Texas, to celebrate their friendship. According to the group: “Golf is the excuse—the Duquesne experience is the reason.”

7. Lisa (Bortz) Carozza, N’95, and her daughters had a fun night at the Toys of the ’50s, ’60s and ’70s exhibit as part of the Alumni Night at the HEINZ HISTORY CENTER in May.

8. Alumni and future alumni enjoyed hunting for eggs and visiting with the Easter Bunny at the Young Alumni Council’s annual EASTER EGG HUNT, held on Mellon Lawn in March.

9. At the annual BECOMING THE TRADITION event, the Alumni Association celebrated the class of 2016 as they joined the ranks of the more than 100,000 Duquesne alumni around the world.

10. The Class of 2016 Senior Class Council and the Office of Alumni Relations sponsored “Kick Off to Graduation,” an opportunity for all SPRING GRADUATES to prepare for their graduation from Duquesne.

11. NICOLE TOMASELLO, A’05, recently traveled to Rwanda as a volunteer with Team Heart to perform 16 open-heart surgeries on patients with severe rheumatic heart disease. She currently works as a perfusionist at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston, Mass.

12. Three Duquesne alumni and siblings recently took their DU Magazine to ITALY. Shown at the Amalfi Coast are Michael Calderone, A’78, L’81; Renee Calderone Bestic, A’83; and Bobbi Jo Calderone Wagner, L’93.
New Leadership Appointed for Three DU Schools

A new dean for the School of Education, as well as interim deans for the Rangos School of Health Sciences and the School of Law, have recently been appointed:

NEW SCHOOL OF EDUCATION DEAN NAMED

Dr. Cindy M. Walker has been named dean of the School of Education. She was most recently a professor of educational psychology in the School of Education at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and served as the school’s associate dean of research and engaged scholarship.

“I am very excited to embark on this new journey in my life at Duquesne University. Everyone that I met during my visit clearly embraced the social justice values that underlie the Spiritan mission,” says Walker. “While these values are what prompted me to apply for the position, the way in which everyone I met exemplified those values—coupled with the quality of the programs, students, staff and faculty in the School of Education—is what made me decide that Duquesne was where I wanted to be.”

Walker previously held positions at several academic institutions, including the University of Washington, Illinois State University and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. A specialist in statistics and quantitative research methods, Walker is co-author of the textbook Categorical Data Analysis for the Social Sciences and has published more than 25 articles in peer-reviewed journals. She has earned major grants for her work from federal and state agencies, including the National Science Foundation and the U.S. Department of Education. Walker has also served in various capacities for the American Psychological Association and the American Educational Research Association.

TUROCY NAMED INTERIM DEAN OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Dr. Paula S. Turocy has been appointed interim dean of the John G. Rangos, Sr., School of Health Sciences for the 2016-2017 academic year. An associate professor in the Department of Athletic Training, Turocy currently directs the University’s Pre-Medical and Health Professions Programs and will continue to do so during her tenure as dean. Turocy was the founding chair of athletic training through 2013 and served as the inaugural Anna L. Rangos Rizakus Endowed Chair in Health Sciences and Ethics. She brings national experience as an educator and health care professional to her new position. Turocy’s past work as president of the Commission on the Accreditation of Athletic Training Education makes her well qualified to oversee the five nationally-accredited professional disciplines in the school.

In 2014, Turocy was one of just six individuals inducted into the National Athletic Trainers’ Association (NATA) Hall of Fame—the highest honor an athletic trainer can receive. In 2009, Turocy was honored with a $75,000 endowed NATA Research and Education Foundation grant in her name that provides financial support for athletic training graduate students. Recently, this group again honored Turocy by naming an undergraduate scholarship after her.

Turocy currently serves on the national committee to develop specialty certification in pediatrics, and she has been recognized for outstanding leadership, teaching and service with numerous awards.

THE HON. MAUREEN LALLY-GREEN APPOINTED INTERIM SCHOOL OF LAW DEAN

Duquesne alumna The Honorable Maureen Lally-Green has been appointed interim dean of the School of Law.

Lally-Green served as judge of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania from 1998 until her retirement in 2009. She then served as associate general secretary and/or director of the Office of Church Relations for the Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh until 2015.

During her diverse law career, Lally-Green worked as an associate with a private Pittsburgh law firm; as counsel to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission in Washington, D.C., and for the former Westinghouse Electric Corporation; and as a consultant to justices of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. She served as both an adjunct professor and a full professor of law at Duquesne.

Lally-Green recently served the Court of Judicial Discipline in its Diversion Program and has been chair, vice chair and a member of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court’s Appellate Court Procedural Rules Committee. She also co-chaired the subcommittee that recommended recent substantial changes to the appellate rules involving children/family matters. Lally-Green was secretary of the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Commission on Race, Gender and Ethnic Fairness. She chaired the committee that developed and proposed to the Supreme Court a Non-Discrimination Policy and Procedures for the judicial branch of government, which was adopted and made effective in 2008. Lally-Green also chaired the Supreme Court’s Gender Fairness Implementation Committee.

Among the many honors bestowed upon Lally-Green are the Helping Hands Judge Mansmann Award, induction into the Century Club of Distinguished Duquesne University Alumni and a St. Thomas More Award.
Integrity of Creation Conference Focuses on Protecting the Earth

SECOND ANNUAL CONFERENCE BRINGS PROMINENT SPEAKERS TO CAMPUS

The second annual Presidential Conference on Integrity of Creation focused on Protecting our Common Home, reflecting Pope Francis’ appeal to all people to meet “the urgent challenge to protect our common home.” Prominent academics gathered on campus in September to discuss a wide range of topics, including the planetary common good, ecological interdependence, the future of the earth and navigating the Anthropocene (referring to human activity as making a significant impact on Earth’s geology and ecosystems). The conference also featured a special session on the global Spiritan mission of justice, peace and the integrity of creation, led by members of the worldwide Spiritan congregation.

“As a Spiritan institution, it is important to honor our founders’ tradition of caring for our common home,” says Duquesne President Ken Gormley. “We have a responsibility to act as stewards of creation, finding ways to work together to confront climate change and other environmental challenges, and engage our future with a profound respect for the world we all share.”

The conference is an endowed academic event that celebrates the Spiritan mission of the University and has three goals: to provide a scholarly opportunity to engage established and emerging research on the conference topic; to foster interdisciplinary discourse on each topic; and to enlighten public awareness and discussion of the conference topic.

The plenary speakers included:
- Dr. Celia Deane-Drummond, professor of theology and director of the Center for Theology, Science and Human Flourishing at the University of Notre Dame
- Dr. Ursula Goodenough, professor of biology at Washington University in St. Louis
- Dr. Daniel P. Scheid, associate professor of theology at Duquesne University

“The plenary speakers for this year’s conference are internationally prominent academics who lead the scholarly discourse on science and religion with regard to our responsibility to protect the earth as our common home,” says Dr. Gerard Magill, chair of the conference committee and the Gallagher Chair for the Integration of Science, Theology, Philosophy and Law. “We were very fortunate to have such highly respected academics join us for the entire conference.”

Deane-Drummond is trained as both a scientist and a theologian. At the conference, she focused on The Theological Anthropology of Laudato Si’: Tracing the Interplay of Theology, Science and Ecology.

Goodenough is an expert in molecular and cell biology, and some of her recent research includes studies that she and her fellow investigators hope will contribute to the international effort to produce algae-based biodiesel as a transportation fuel. Her presentation title was The Evolutionary Dimensions of Laudato Si’.

Scheid has spent his career researching social ethics and, more specifically, ecological and comparative ethics. His conference presentation focused on The Moral Vision of Laudato Si’: The Cosmic Common Good as a Common Ground for Interreligious Ecological Ethics.

Gormley Tribute Event Benefits Law School’s Call to Excellence Fund

Nearly 400 alumni, faculty, staff and friends attended A Commitment to Excellence, a June 23 tribute hosted by the School of Law’s board of advisors to celebrate and recognize President Ken Gormley’s contributions to the law school during his 22 years at Duquesne. All proceeds from the tribute benefit the School of Law’s Call to Excellence Fund, strategic funding that addresses the school’s critical needs.

Pennsylvania Senator Jay Costa, Jr., L’89, President Ken Gormley and the Honorable Cynthia A. Baldwin, L’80.
When João Arnaldo Vembane arrives at work in Mozambique’s National Parliament, he’s not thinking of elections or upcoming votes or other things that may fill the heads of his colleagues. He is focused solely on creating initiatives that will improve the lives of Mozambique’s disabled citizens and those who live on the margins of society—orphans, people living with HIV and people in rural communities disconnected from vital services.

An advocate for disabled and vulnerable individuals for nearly 20 years, Vembane now serves as the disability advisor to the deputy president of Mozambique. Even in such an influential position, he feels there is more he could do. He wants to refine his skills so he can better strategically plan initiatives, create allies to build strong partnerships between stakeholders, and expand the reach of his work beyond Mozambique to help the disabled throughout Africa. Vembane saw the Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders as the perfect opportunity, so he applied and was accepted.

In July, as part of the fellowship, Vembane and 24 other equally impressive and impassioned men and women from 18 nations in sub-Saharan Africa came to Duquesne for a six-week program focused on how to be a catalyst for change and progress in their homelands.

The Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders began in 2014 as the flagship program of President Obama’s Young African Leaders Initiative (YALI). YALI empowers young Africans through academic coursework, leadership training and networking opportunities to hone their skills at a U.S. higher education institution with support for professional development after they return home. The fellows who came to Duquesne had ample opportunity to do all of the above in addition to working with city and county officials, including the Office of the Mayor, to prepare for a three-day presidential summit in Washington, D.C. in August.
The fellows have many issues to address in their communities, ranging from access to public health and education, to gender and LGBT rights, to disability services, to peace and anti-war movements and more. While the social issues on which they work may differ, the fellows share a common goal of making their home a more welcoming, more humane and more civilized place than the one in which they grew up.

“In Africa, the Mandela Fellowship opens doors,” said Mookho Moqhali, a lawyer from Lesotho who works on public health issues. “I have gained so much confidence with Mandela Fellow attached to my name.”

Moqhali is also a motivational speaker, which in itself requires a lot of confidence, but she credits Duquesne with helping her apply that level of confidence to her public health work as well.

“It used to take me 20 minutes to describe my job and my goals. Many of the events and lectures at Duquesne helped me learn how to very quickly get to the core of who I am and why I do what I do. Now, I’m willing to go knock on doors that I would have otherwise avoided.”

Duquesne was the only school in Pennsylvania chosen as one of 13 academic and leadership institutions across the country to welcome any number of the 1,500 Mandela fellows selected in 2016. Dr. Gerald Boodoo, director of the Center for African Studies, and Dr. Joseph DeCrosta, director of the Office of International Programs, spearheaded the University’s efforts to be named a host institution. They cited Duquesne’s Spiritan mission and commitment to the African continent as influencing factors in being chosen.

“The fellowship dovetails nicely with the University’s current and increasing connections in Africa and is a perfect way to continue the Spiritan mission of service,” said DeCrosta. “We are honored and humbled to play a role in a program that is a strategic public diplomacy priority for the United States.”
Rare Early Edition of Renaissance Poetry Donated to Gumberg Library

A rare and valuable edition of Edmund Spenser’s *The Faerie Queen*, a landmark work in English literature, now resides at Gumberg Library, not just to be viewed under glass, but also to be used as a learning tool for students studying English Renaissance poetry.

This 1611 first edition of *The Faerie Queen* and *Shepheards Calendar* was printed in London for the bookseller Matthew Lownes. In addition to its age, this edition is exceptional in that it marks the first time that Spenser’s primary works were printed together.

Dr. Greg Barnhisel, chair and professor of English in the McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts, calls it a beautiful, well-preserved example of English Renaissance book craft.

“Students and faculty will now be able to study *The Faerie Queen* in an edition printed just after Spenser’s death,” says Barnhisel. “They will also be able to see for themselves how much effort and craftsmanship went into putting together a book in the second century of printing.”

Dr. Robert Giannetti, who earned his Ph.D. in English at Duquesne in 1979, donated the book in honor of his late dissertation advisor, Dr. Foster Provost. Giannetti is a poet and the former owner of Bob’s Olde Books, an antiquarian bookstore in Lewiston, N.Y. In the past, he has shown support by giving to the Gumberg Library Endowment and the Albert C. Labriola Memorial Library Fund. After reconnecting with representatives from Duquesne and visiting campus for Homecoming, Giannetti wanted to do something special for the University, and worked with the library and the English department to donate *The Faerie Queen* and *Shepheards Calendar*.

The book is housed in the University archives—located in the Gumberg Library building, and the staff there is excited to have such a unique artifact in their care.

“In an age of digital texts and online reading, it’s especially important for scholars and students to experience this work as its original readers would have,” says University Librarian Dr. Sara Baron.

To see *The Faerie Queen* and *Shepheards Calendar*, contact Tom White, University archivist and curator, at whitet@duq.edu or 412.396.4870 to make an appointment.

McGinley Honored with Spiritus Award

John R. McGinley, Jr., L’68, received the Spiritus Award from Dr. Charles J. Dougherty at the second annual President’s Scholarship Dinner, held April 24 at the Omni William Penn Hotel.

McGinley, a board member and chair of the executive committee of the law firm Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mello, was recognized for his exceptional philanthropic support of Duquesne.

McGinley established an endowment in 2012 to support public service fellowships for students in Duquesne University’s School of Law. The McGinley Fellows receive valuable academic and professional experience in legislative, executive and judicial branch positions, and in non-governmental service agencies, both across the United States and around the world.

In addition, as chair of the Rita M. McGinley Foundation, McGinley has facilitated support for an annual national symposium hosted by the Duquesne University School of Nursing that explores issues of health care and public policy related to vulnerable populations. The McGinley family has also funded improvements to the University Psychology Clinic’s facilities and the 2015 renovation of the choir loft in Duquesne’s historic Chapel of the Holy Spirit.

The President’s Scholarship Dinner was established in 2014 to engage the University’s vendors and corporate partners in support of Duquesne, with proceeds benefiting scholarship funds.
New Professional MBA Offers Compelling Experiences and Flexibility

A rigorous curriculum and a flexible, convenient format that includes evening and online courses are the hallmarks of the new Professional MBA program that will be launched in January by the John F. Donahue Graduate School of Business.

The enhanced and redesigned 36-credit hour curriculum, which was strategically designed with working professionals in mind, is experientially focused and can be completed in just two years on a part-time basis. Students also may opt to take a full-time course load to complete the program in 16 months.

“Students pursue an MBA degree because they want to become better leaders, enhance their career prospects and learn how to tackle tough, real-world business problems—that’s a tall order, given the complexities and volatility inherent in today’s global business environment,” says Dr. Dean McFarlin, dean and professor of the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business. “But our new Professional MBA delivers—we help students think entrepreneurially, identify strategic business opportunities, grasp the value of sustainability and behave ethically as leaders in an increasingly diverse workforce.”

The Professional MBA program, which enables students to earn a top-ranked MBA at their own pace, includes a new Executive Insights course that brings seasoned business leaders into the classroom weekly to discuss how they created plans that moved organizations forward. A closing hands-on capstone project helps students sharpen and demonstrate the strategic skills they’ve learned throughout the program with a real-world client.

GMAT/GRE waivers are offered for qualified candidates, and new students are eligible to receive a financial award that will save 25 percent on the Professional MBA program. For more information, contact 412.396.6244 or jewettj@duq.edu. ♦
Duquesne Renews Collaborations with Universities in China

During a recent visit to China, Provost Dr. Timothy Austin established a new University international exchange partnership and renewed two others.

Accompanied by Associate Dean for Legal Programs and Professor of Law Frank Y. Liu, Austin began a weeklong trip by renewing a memorandum of understanding between the School of Law and the China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL), one of China’s top law schools.

These two schools jointly held the first ABA-approved summer study of Chinese law program in Beijing and have a rich history of faculty exchange. CUPL has also sent law students to complete the LL.M. program for foreign lawyers at the law school.

During his trip, Austin also signed a new collaborative agreement between the law school and the Guanghua Law School at Zhejiang University in Hangzhou, the third-ranked university in China. Together, the schools will work on a joint LL.M. program, faculty and student exchanges, a joint bar preparation program for Chinese lawyers who want to take American bar examinations and a continuing legal education program for Chinese and American lawyers.

“The presence of Chinese law students will enhance the globalization of Duquesne’s law programs and provide opportunities for Duquesne law professors and students to broaden their perspective about the rule of law in the world,” says Liu.

Austin concluded his trip with a visit to Shanghai University of Traditional Chinese Medicine (SHUTCM). There, he joined Rangos School of Health Sciences Dean Dr. Greg Frazer and Dr. Yang Chen, associate professor of speech-language pathology, to renew a five-year commitment between the schools to provide master’s-level education and training for SHUTCM faculty and clinical preceptors in physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech-language pathology.

The agreement also calls for Duquesne to host visiting scholars, provide a summer program for undergraduate health sciences students, collaborate on research projects, and provide doctoral level education in rehabilitation sciences.

Austin believes these partnerships will add to the diversity and richness of these programs and to students’ academic experiences.

“The sustained work of Dr. Chen and Deans Frazer and Liu, combined with their deep understanding of Chinese academic culture, has provided Duquesne with an excellent reputation for collaborations that are carefully constructed and mutually beneficial,” says Austin. “We look forward to building upon that foundation in the years to come.”

(Below) Provost Dr. Timothy Austin (second from left) shakes hands with Professor Huaide Ma of the China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL) in Beijing after signing an agreement to renew the relationship between the School of Law and CUPL. Law Professor Frank Yining Liu (third from left) developed the faculty exchange program between the two schools and co-founded the first ABA-approved Duquesne-CUPL summer Chinese law program in Beijing.
Professor’s New Book Examines History of KKK, Similarities to ISIS

While media and culture have changed dramatically in the last 150 years, the rulebook that terrorist groups use to engage media has not, according to Dr. Elaine Frantz Parsons, associate professor of history.

Parsons tackles the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) and how Northern newspapers and culture helped to build it in her new book *Ku-Klux: The Birth of the Klan During Reconstruction*. The book, 13 years in the making, works to separate myth from evidence, reputation from reality.

It illustrates that the same rules to be menacingly violent, dress differently, take credit for more incidents than you actually may have done and have an air of mystery might apply to ISIS, circa 2016, or to a fledgling Ku Klux Klan forming in Tennessee in 1866.

“Klansmen often made jokes and tall tale claims about what they did, like leaping out of a building and setting fire to a train,” says Parsons. “They made up a set of fake codes and a constitution called a ‘prescript,’ which set up a very elaborate bureaucratic structure that would go almost entirely unused. Because they did this sort of thing, there is a tendency to imagine the Klan as being more coherent and organized than they actually were.”

Klan founders also took ghost costumes popular on stage at the time and drew on the blackface minstrel shows and burlesque common in Northern culture to devise costumes.

“When the Klan appeared, their look was modern to the people at the time. Even though they were resisting the modern, they were using a lot of trendy costumes and catch phrases,” observes Parsons.

Then, as now, terrorists tended to originate in the disaffected middle class—not those living in poverty.

“If you are low enough down the totem pole, you wouldn’t have the skills or resources to engage in elaborate attacks,” explains Parsons. “These attacks require planning, organizing and communicating. You have to think of things like having everything from horses and weapons for raids to food for groups during meetings. That’s not going to come from the very bottom of society.”

Parsons also notes that, in fact, black resistance to Klan attacks was often substantial and sometimes effective.

“Would-be victims planned to protect themselves, organized to protect each other and fought back once the KKK arrived. Klan attackers rarely attacked in places which were well defended or in earshot of would-be defenders.

“There are lessons to learn from the effectiveness of black resistance to the Klan, now that we also face terrorist threats from today’s groups,” says Parsons.

Business School Offers New Specialized Master’s Programs Entirely Online

Two options for master’s degrees are now available entirely online through the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business.

The two flexible programs will make a Master of Science in Management and a Master of Science in Sports Business accessible at an Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business-accredited business school. While the programs are totally online to provide the greatest flexibility, students will benefit from the experiential learning emphasized through hands-on projects.

The master’s degree in management offers an education in leading change and executive strategy—an alternative to the traditional MBA, which emphasizes specific functional areas of business.

“This degree will develop the leadership skills needed to manage people and shape strategies, which our business partners see as increasingly necessary in this flexible, fluid business climate,” says Dr. Karen Donovan, associate dean of graduate programs and executive education. “The degree appeals particularly to those who want to lead in times of changes and uncertainty.

“The sports business program is geared to working professionals in a variety of positions across the sports industry—from professional teams to high school athletics, as well as those working in stadium and retail management,” says Donovan. “Both academic and industry experts are serving on our faculty, and the University is building on the legacy of having offered the nation’s first online graduate program in sports business.”

The University provides sports business students access to TeamWork Online, an industry leader in job placement that rates Duquesne’s job placement at eight times the national average.

Both programs, like all those in the school of business, include components devoted to ethics. The programs can be completed, full time, in one year and in less than two years on a part-time basis—and students can benefit from Duquesne’s career service offerings. For eligible students, GMAT and GRE tests will be waived for admission. For more information, visit [www.duq.edu/business](http://www.duq.edu/business).
On Sept. 22, in front of more than 2,000 guests in the A.J. Palumbo Center, Ken Gormley was formally inaugurated as the 13th president of Duquesne University.
President Gormley enters the A.J. Palumbo Center to a crowd of more than 2,000.
The day started with a special Mass, followed by an academic procession of more than 400 Board of Directors members, faculty and guests, starting on Academic Walk and continuing through campus to the Palumbo Center. Along the way, hundreds of students and staff lined campus sidewalks to honor Gormley.

“When I saw the incredible display of positive energy, enthusiasm, support and love from everyone on A-Walk, I was overwhelmed with gratitude. It was an experience that my family and I will never forget,” said Gormley.

To keep them close on the special day, Gormley wore his grandfather’s diamond tie tack from the 1800s.

“My grandfather was a road builder and would wear this fancy diamond tie pin. During the Depression, he was going to sell it so that my dad could go to college, but they found other means and it was left to us when he died. It was forgotten until this special occasion,” said Gormley, who also wore his mother’s Phi Beta Kappa pin clipped over his heart and a pin his dad received from being a member of the American Chemical Society. “Having these family heirlooms with me was a way to remember them and honor them.”

The ceremony included special musical performances by the Duquesne University Wind Ensemble, Voices of Spirit, students Michael Warren and Alianna Whiteaker-Chudecke, the Duquesne University Jazz Ensemble and Joe Negri & Friends. The invocation was led by Rev. Raymond French, C.S.Sp., Duquesne’s vice president for mission and identity, and the benediction was led by Rev. Daniel Walsh, C.S.Sp., director of Spiritan Campus Ministry and University chaplain. Dr. Samuel Hazo, McAnulty Distinguished Professor of English Emeritus and former poet laureate of Pennsylvania, recited his poem An Open Letter to a Closed Mind.

Many honored guests were recognized, including—representing Duquesne’s friends and neighbors—Most Reverend David A. Zubik, D.D., bishop of the Diocese of Pittsburgh; Mark Nordenberg, chancellor emeritus and chair of the Institute of Politics, University of Pittsburgh; David B. Wilkins, Lester Kissel Professor of Law, Harvard Law School; The Honorable William Peduto, mayor, City of Pittsburgh; The
Participants in the procession gathered in Bayer Learning Center.

During the procession, the line of well-wishers stretched the length of Academic Walk.

Students join Gormley in the procession as he nears the A.J. Palumbo Center.
Honorable Rich Fitzgerald, Allegheny County Executive; The Honorable Christine Donohue, Pennsylvania Supreme Court; and The Honorable Michael J. Stack III, lieutenant governor of Pennsylvania. Representing the Duquesne University community were Rev. Jeffrey T. Duaine, C.S.Sp., chairman, Duquesne University Corporation; James Daher, president, Student Government Association; Dr. Anne Burrows, president, Faculty Senate; alumna Linda Hernandez, Esq.; and Jeffrie Mallory, director, Office of Multicultural Affairs.

Marie Milie Jones, Esq., chair of Duquesne University’s Board of Directors, conducted the installation of presidential authority. After a special video presentation providing a glimpse into the fascinating history of Duquesne—written and narrated by Gormley—he stepped to the podium to address the crowd. His inauguration speech conveyed his gratitude regarding being chosen as Duquesne’s president and his excitement to build on the University’s 138-year foundation.

“I’ve spent the past three decades building professional relationships not only in Pittsburgh, but throughout Pennsylvania and across the country. I’d like to help to push Duquesne out onto a bigger stage—both locally and nationally—and allow us to shine in a way that’s bigger than anything we’ve done before, building on the strong foundation that’s been built by past presidents and our whole Duquesne community,” Gormley told the crowd of more than 2,000.

One of the ways to take Duquesne to the next level of excellence, said Gormley, is focusing on the University’s mission. He said he appreciates the religious identity of Duquesne and, since joining the campus community in 1994, has treasured the steadfast presence of the University’s Spiritan founders and what they contribute to Duquesne.

“I found the Spiritans to be ‘roll-up-your-sleeves and help others’ kinds of priests, which was exciting and wonderful, because it matched my own philosophy of how to accomplish God’s work in an academic setting,” said Gormley. “The founder of the Holy Ghost order, Claude des Places, was a lawyer by training; but, he gave up his family’s wealth to help poor chimney sweeps and homeless children in Paris. I believe that an integral part of Duquesne’s mission is to continue this original goal in a new context—both in Western Pennsylvania and around the world.”

Gormley also spoke about community engagement and using the Pittsburgh region as a “laboratory” for faculty and student research that aims to benefit Duquesne’s neighbors.

“In the next decade, I’d like to see Duquesne become the dominant university in terms of community involvement in Western Pennsylvania. My job is to assist our talented faculty and others to make that happen,” he said. “I believe that we can help invent the future of this region, and do so in a way that reflects the rich tradition of the Spiritans.”

Gormley focused on increased national and international exposure for Duquesne, building on cooperative arrangements and programs already in place in more than 15 countries. He said a focus on faculty and student scholarly initiatives around the world can help Duquesne carry out its mission and create more opportunities for growth.

“Our faculty is the engine of this institution,” said Gormley. “We have extraordinary talent—the world needs to know about it.”

Duquesne’s mission of “serving God by serving students” will continue to be the University’s guiding force.

“On the topic of student-centeredness, let me say that I believe that advancing the interests of our students should be the polestar of everything we do,” said Gormley, who is the father of two Duquesne graduates. “I’ve been teaching and working with students for over 30 years. In my view, it’s the most important thing we do as educators. It’s why we’re here.”

Gormley recognized the importance of Duquesne alumni, not only through their contributions to Duquesne, but through their work across the globe.

“Our graduates have been models of the selfless Duquesne tradition of giving back. They are incredible role models for future generations of Duquesne students,” said Gormley, who referred to graduates as Duquesne’s “secret weapons.” “They’re the driving force behind the University’s success, and I guarantee you—they will be a dynamic force behind the incredible transformations ahead of us.”

Gormley ended his speech as he began it—with gratitude for his new role:

“Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for bestowing this important mantle of trust on me. I will do everything within my power to live up to your high expectations and to carry forward Duquesne’s precious tradition and legacy. I ask for your prayers as I begin this new journey as president of Duquesne University. And I pray that we all are imbued with wisdom, humility and an abiding commitment to serving others, guided by the Spirit who gives life.”
Marie Milie Jones, Esq., chair of Duquesne University’s Board of Directors, formally installs Ken Gormley as University president.

During the ceremony, Gormley started a new tradition by presenting President Emeritus Charles J. Dougherty with a replica of Duquesne’s presidential medallion that has been passed down from president to president since 1931. Gormley quipped, “Unlike mine, you get to keep this one!”

Immediately following the inauguration ceremony, more than 800 special guests gathered in the Duquesne Union Ballroom for a gala to honor President Ken Gormley, who was joined by his wife, Laura, and children, Rebecca, Carolyn, Madeleine and Luke.

Mike Clark, Marie Milie Jones and Bishop Zubik celebrate at the gala.
Alumnus Sets Sights on Safety

ERIC SINAGRA’S COMPANY FOCUSES ON IMPROVING SIDEWALK SAFETY & ACCESSIBILITY

By Megan Tressler
Most people don’t spend much time thinking about sidewalks. For many walkers and joggers, sidewalks provide a safe, convenient way to get from one place to another. However, for people with disabilities, navigating sidewalks can be a challenge. Eric Sinagra, A’11, wants to make sure sidewalks are safe for everyone.

Sinagra has made sidewalks the focus of his research and career, starting a company centered on improving the conditions of sidewalks. The company, called pathVu and based in Pittsburgh, is still in its infancy, but Sinagra and his partners have big plans to use the company’s proprietary technology to help cities and municipalities identify problems with sidewalks and improve safety for everyone—especially people who are blind, use wheelchairs or have a hard time getting around.

According to Sinagra, current federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines state that sidewalk surfaces should be stable, firm and slip resistant. Beyond those broad and vague terms, no firm standards exist, though he says there is a draft for additional guidelines that address specific issues, such as slope, width of sidewalk and roughness.

Though his company drives him now, Sinagra didn’t even think of entrepreneurship until about three years ago, when he was finishing his master’s thesis and looking to apply the technology he developed.

“As I was finishing the research, I essentially said, ‘I don’t want to see the technology sit in the corner and collect dust. I want to see it be used,’” says Sinagra, whose mother, Rosalie, works in the dean’s office in the Mary Pappert School of Music at Duquesne.

He was inspired by his brother Nick, A’06, GA’08, who started a company. Nick was also his inspiration in another very important way.

“We are trying to help others. We focus on people with a disability, older adults, but it applies to everyone,” says Sinagra. “We want to find a way to help pedestrians improve their lives.”

One of the goals of pathVu is to create a navigation tool that directs pedestrians along the most direct route with the least amount of challenges.

The company uses technology—a manually-propelled computer on wheels with sensors that collect GPS data and detect surface roughness, slope and tripping hazards—developed by Sinagra as part of his master’s thesis to investigate how rough sidewalks affect wheelchair users. Because Sinagra and his partners can’t physically walk every sidewalk in every town or city, pathVu also relies on people submitting information about sidewalk conditions. All of the information collected is used to help build a database accessed by pathVu’s app, which allows users to take pictures of a problem and instantly upload them (the app can be accessed by Apple and Android devices).

Sinagra hopes his company can help cities, municipalities and organizations understand sidewalk problems and prioritize improvements. He recently worked with Washington, D.C. officials to collect data for 66 miles around the city and was contacted by representatives from Toronto about using pathVu’s app for a pilot program.

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“My brother uses a wheelchair. Growing up with him got me interested in rehab and developing technology for people with disabilities,” says Sinagra, who has seen firsthand how sidewalks can prove challenging for his brother. “There have been those times when we’ve tried to do something, such as going to a restaurant, and sidewalks caused problems. Seeing the different challenges he faces—it happens that sidewalks is where I ended up.”

Sinagra’s commitment to helping others doesn’t end with sidewalks. He volunteers with Spiritan Campus Ministry and returns to Duquesne for Mass each Sunday with his wife, Ali (Yorke) Sinagra, A’13.

“Going to Mass at Duquesne re-emphasizes the service part of your life,” he says.

He also tries to live Duquesne’s mission through his work. “The mission says ‘Serving God by Serving Others’ and that’s essentially what we’re trying to do with the company,” says Sinagra.

The company’s next steps are to keep improving its navigation tools, market its technology to potential customers and develop community partnerships (pathVu recently partnered with Duquesne’s Office of Residence Life to introduce students to its app and recruit them to report on sidewalk conditions as they travel around Pittsburgh).

“We want to keep proving our technology so it will be implemented widely,” says Sinagra. “Our mission is improving accessibility and walkability for all pedestrians.”
Learning Through Play

DUQUESNE STUDENTS AND LOCAL CHILDREN CROSS LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL BARRIERS TO SHARE SKILLS AS PART OF NEW PROGRAM

By Michelle Boehm, GA’12

The joyful squeals of young children mixed with the quick patter of rapidly spoken Spanish bounced off the walls of a crowded Duquesne University classroom. Dozens of parents—many of whom had never set foot on a college campus—sat with camera phones poised. Their children were ready to perform in a play as part of Duquesne’s Reading to Play Playing to Read (RPPR) program.

Although not a typical college scene, it is one embraced by Dr. Lucía Osa-Melero, assistant professor in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures and co-creator of RPPR. Following in Duquesne’s tradition of community engagement, Osa-Melero, along with fellow Department of Modern Languages and Literatures Assistant Professor Dr. Vanessa Marie Fernández, developed the program, which blends teaching and research with local civic issues.

“The idea was to have a collaboration between Duquesne and the community, as partners that benefit equally from the relationship,” explains Fernández.

Support from the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures and a Wimmer Family Foundation grant enabled them to create a multifaceted collaboration between Duquesne

“Most had never seen so many non-Hispanics speaking Spanish before. Their eyes lit up. One child approached me and asked where we had all come from.”
and Casa San José, a nonprofit organization that developed an afterschool program for 5- to 8-year-olds who recently immigrated to Pittsburgh.

When RPPR was first introduced, Duquesne students enrolled in Osa-Melero’s and Fernández’s upper-level Spanish literature and language courses teamed up to teach the Spanish-speaking children short skits on Mexican history and culture. Most recently, in the program’s second year, students from Osa-Melero’s conversation and composition course partnered with students in Spanish for Health Care Professionals, a class taught by Modern Languages and Literatures Adjunct Lecturer Dr. Carmen Alicia Martínez, to create plays on healthy living and disease prevention.

Duquesne students developed games, reading circles and other activities—all in Spanish—to keep the children engaged.

“The kids quickly grew comfortable and different Spanish dialects filled the room,” says Monroe. “It shows that naturally there are no boundaries to culture and language.”

According to research by Osa-Melero, Fernández and Martínez, not only did the University students grow more confident and proficient in their language skills, but the Casa San José students also experienced growth.

“The process of introducing Duquesne students opens up their world beyond what they know.”

Martínez was excited to witness how the program empowered the young children by showing them how valuable their bilingual skills are for others.

“This program exemplifies Duquesne’s commitment to encourage the active involvement of students within our communities,” she shares. “It prepares them to become active participants and agents of change.”

An unexpected effect was the parents’ enthusiasm.

“They were so proud to see their children perform at a university. It made higher education feel attainable,” says Osa-Melero, who believes RPPR fosters understanding, tolerance and appreciation for other communities that exist in Pittsburgh. “This is a clear example of the community-engaged pedagogy. Community engagement implies an equally balanced relationship and this is what Reading to Play Playing to Read is all about.”

“Osa-Melero anticipates offering the program each spring.”
Creating Knowledge

RECENTLY, DUQUESNE RESEARCHERS HAVE BEEN FOCUSING ON PROTEIN TRAFFICKING DYNAMICS; CALIBRATING A PARTICLE DETECTOR; THE PROMISE OF A DUQUESNE-CREATED COMPOUND TO TREAT ONE OF THE DEADLIEST FORMS OF BRAIN CANCER; AND SO MUCH MORE.

DUQUESNE COMPOUND TO FIGHT BRAIN CANCER EARNRS ORPHAN DRUG STATUS

The promise of a Duquesne-created compound to treat one of the deadliest forms of brain cancer has led to a special designation by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the European Medicines Agency.

The Orphan Drug Designation for the compound FLAG-003, discovered in the lab of Dr. Aleem Gangjee, distinguished professor of medicinal chemistry, and licensed to FLAG Therapeutics Inc., will help to advance the new therapy through clinical testing and regulatory processes.

“The Orphan Drug Designation, which can lead to an expedited review, acknowledges drugs that are very important and show great promise, but impact a small group of people,” says Dr. Alan Seadler, associate academic vice president for research. “I don’t know of any other drug developed at Duquesne that has gotten this far in the process.”

“This compound is an unprecedented, first-of-its-kind drug with multiple mechanisms of action in a single agent, providing combination chemotherapy to attack brain tumors on several fronts without pathways for escape,” explains Gangjee.

Preliminary results indicate that FLAG-003 inhibits tumor growth significantly better than the currently approved chemotherapy, temozolomide (TMZ).

LASERS PROMISE TO CUT WAIT TIME FOR BLOOD TESTS FOR DEADLY SEPSIS

Not having to wait 48 to 72 hours for a blood culture when sepsis is suspected could save thousands of lives a year—and research by Duquesne’s biomedical engineering program shows the time might be slashed by lasers.

Sepsis strikes more than a million Americans each year, reports the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Generally, doctors prescribe expensive, broad-spectrum antibiotics while waiting for test results, hoping to bolster the immune system’s response to infection. But the medications might not be enough to tame the specific reaction that can cause organ failure or lead to blood clots and impaired blood flow.

Research by Dr. John Viator, director of the biomedical engineering program, his students and collaborators, shows that bacteriophages—viruses that infect and flourish within bacteria—are part of an answer.

Viator received a $1.4 million, five-year grant from the NIH’s National Cancer Institute to refine laser-based photoacoustics to detect melanoma circulating in the blood stream before it metastasizes into a tumor. Similar principles were applied to this work with sepsis, developed in connection with the University of Pittsburgh.
**$1 MILLION GRANT SUPPORTS SCIENTIST’S STUDY OF PROTEIN TRAFFICKING DYNAMICS**

A Duquesne biology professor has received a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant of more than $1 million to explore how cells adapt to stress and changes in their environment by reorganizing existing proteins.

Dr. Allyson O’Donnell, an assistant professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, was selected for a five-year NSF Faculty Early Career Development Program Grant. Her research examines a process called protein trafficking that determines which proteins go where inside the cell. O’Donnell’s work focuses on a class of proteins called alpha-arrestins, which are devoted to the selective protein reshuffling that occurs inside the cell in response to environmental stressors or altered nutrient supply. Alpha-arrestins are key decision makers, assuring that this protein reorganization happens correctly and helping proteins get to the right locations inside the cell.

“If the environment changes, alpha-arrestins can selectively target a specific protein to the cell surface while removing a different protein from that same location. What is the signal sensed by the alpha-arrestin that allows proteins to be selectively transported? How does the alpha-arrestin recognize the proteins it must move?” asks O’Donnell. “Answering these fundamental biological questions can impact all aspects of cell physiology and can have far-reaching clinical implications.”

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**PHYSICS PROFESSOR AWARDED GRANT TO CALIBRATE PARTICLE DETECTOR**

Assistant Professor of Physics Dr. Fatiha Benmokhtar will lead a group of Duquesne undergraduate students to calibrate an enormous particle detector to study strange quarks—one of several unimaginably small building blocks that make up matter throughout the universe.

Benmokhtar’s current research in experimental nuclear physics will help improve a huge particle accelerator at the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility in Newport News, Va. Benmokhtar was awarded a $183,000 grant to be dispersed over three years from the National Science Foundation to develop data analysis software that will be used to calibrate a classroom-sized particle detector called a Ring Imaging Cherenkov detector (RICH), which is part of the larger accelerator. The RICH is used to separate and identify different types of charged particles as they pass through materials within the detector. In this instance, Benmokhtar and her team are calibrating the detector to isolate kaons, the particles that contain strange quarks.

Construction of the RICH is a joint effort of researchers from Italy, England, Germany, Chile and the United States.

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**DUQUESNE MATHEMATICIAN CONTRIBUTES TO GROUNDBREAKING ONLINE DATABASE**

A sophisticated database linking the vast theoretical world of math to the practical world of encryption and security has been formally unleashed online.

“You unknowingly deal with these complex computations dozens of times each day,” says Dr. Anna Haensch, assistant professor of mathematics and one of 70-plus participants from 12 countries who launched the L-functions and Modular Forms Database. “Nearly all of the cryptography that protects your private information online, in credit and debit transactions, as well as on Facebook and Google, is based on a few really hard problems in the field of number theory.”

This project is essentially the first periodic table of elements for math. The atlas-like collection of previously uncharted computations, supported by the U.S. National Science Foundation and the United Kingdom Engineering and Physical Research Council, assembles more than a billion mathematical items in a single place and a unified format.

By understanding these complicated structures, mathematicians will be able to build sophisticated cryptosystems that simultaneously transform and protect data as it passes through the cloud, says Haensch.
LASER FOCUS ON SEMICONDUCTORS YIELDS $445K GRANT FOR PROFESSOR

A $445,000 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) will enable a Duquesne professor to further develop compounds called diamond-like semiconductors—crystals capable of changing the wavelength and frequency of lasers.

Dr. Jennifer Aitken, associate professor of chemistry and biochemistry, has received her third NSF grant to further develop the optics in the semiconductor crystals she has created. This three-year NSF grant will allow Aitken to develop semiconductors that will shift the wavelengths of laser lights for eventual uses in military, medical, industrial and commercial products.

“We’re trying to develop diamond-like semiconductors to be compounds for infrared, nonlinear optical devices,” explains Aitken. “When laser light passes through these compounds, a different kind of light comes out. That’s the nonlinear aspect. When laser light passes through the crystal, it can produce light that is half the wavelength and double the frequency of the incoming light, and this light can be harnessed for different uses.”

For instance, in the military, systems using nonlinear optical crystals already are being used in counter-measure systems to redirect missiles away from a target using infrared radiation or to detect drugs and explosives within containers. In medicine, laser surgery using different wavelengths of light could result in less damage to surrounding tissue and shorten healing time. Using these crystals to analyze human breath, looking for the specific biomarkers of conditions, could mean an easier, less invasive diagnosis.

WATER QUALITY MONITORING TURNS TO DNA TRACKING INSTEAD OF SAMPLE COLLECTING

This past summer, science undergraduates researched new DNA-based ways to monitor water quality and aquatic life in Pittsburgh without ever touching a fish.

A $24,750 grant from the EQT Foundation supported Dr. Brady Porter, associate professor of biology, and his student researchers in lab-intensive work called DNA meta-barcoding, which will determine what regions of fish DNA are common across local species but also can identify specific fish.

By collecting water samples that contain the environmental DNA shed by fish and mussels in the Allegheny, Monongahela and Ohio rivers, and comparing it against the meta-barcode results, Porter and his team will then be able to put together a picture of all aquatic life in the water.

The presence or absence of certain fish and mussels has long been used to indicate water quality. Standard methods for large rivers rely on labor-intensive processes—trawling for fish and electroshocking fish to stun them so they can be caught. Scuba-diving surveys often are done for freshwater mussels. But both methods can be hazardous to the surveyors and the aquatic life.

By combining two cutting-edge methods that rely instead on DNA information, water quality surveys could be conducted at the molecular level—with greater safety for humans and wildlife, more accuracy and lower cost, says Porter.

ANCIENT GREEK ARTIFACTS ONLY A 3-D SCAN AWAY

Dr. Katherine Rask, assistant professor of classics, recently returned from a monthlong study-abroad trip to Greece, where she and a small team of undergraduate students digitally preserved artifacts from the Athenian Agora and Corinth—two prominent excavation sites—through the process of 3-D scanning.

Rask’s students scanned more than 60 religious items that range in date from the 9th century BCE (Before the Common Era) to the 3rd century CE (Common Era).

“Our project theme was material religion,” says Rask. “So we chose artifacts such as ancient curse tablets, figurines from sanctuaries and various grave goods—items that could be connected to a particular shrine, a documented offering, a specific ritual or a divinity.”

The digital 3-D models created from the scans will be shared with researchers, students and others through an open-source website being developed this fall by the classics department.

“As part of the project’s community outreach component, several of the scanned artifacts will be “physically” available through the use of a 3-D printer. According to Rask, the printed models will go into student-created artifact kits and shared with schools for the blind, enabling the students to be introduced to the artifacts in a real, tangible way.

This project was supported by a Wimmer Grant and funding from the classics department.
The Gift of a Smile

CATCHING UP WITH DR. SEBASTIAN BROOKE

By Michelle Boehm, GA’12

Dr. Sebastian Brooke has travelled the world to give a very special gift to children: smiles. A 2004 graduate of the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences, Brooke is a plastic surgeon who has travelled to developing countries as an Operation Smile Stryker Fellow volunteer to perform cleft lip and palate repairs. Through the global charity’s mission trips, he has journeyed from Guatemala to Madagascar to provide free surgical care that can be transformative.

“In a short amount of time and with minimal cost, you can completely change a child’s life,” he says. “Children with cleft palates are often excluded from schools, then as adults, struggle to find work. Yet, in a mere hour and a half, I can do a repair that reintegrates them back into society—it’s amazing.”

Brooke’s interest in plastic surgery sparked when his father, Dr. Roger Brooke, moved his family from South Africa to Pittsburgh to accept a teaching position in psychology at Duquesne University—a post he still holds today.

While at a gathering for South African families living in the area, Sebastian Brooke met a pediatric plastic surgeon and was immediately impressed. “As a teen, the idea of surgery was cool. But, it was the passion he displayed for his work and the difference he made in people’s lives that stuck,” remembers Sebastian Brooke. “I wanted to make a difference, too.”

As a Duquesne student, Sebastian Brooke received similar guidance and inspiration from Campus Minister Reverend Raymond French, C.S.Sp. French, now vice president for Duquesne’s Office of Mission and Identity, encouraged him to be part of something bigger than himself, and emphasized service and a concern for others. He helped Sebastian Brooke better understand the transformative power of giving back.

After completing his undergraduate work at Duquesne, Sebastian Brooke attended Drexel University College of Medicine, where his global interests began to develop. He bicycled across America to bring attention to global health issues and returned to South Africa to conduct research on preventing the transmission of HIV from mother to child.

It was during his plastic surgery residency at Penn State Hershey Medical Center that occasions to use his surgical skills on a more global scale began to emerge and a path started to take shape. Sebastian Brooke was awarded the Stryker Fellowship with Operation Smile and given the opportunity to go to Guatemala, Madagascar and India. He was struck by how much his travels affected him.

“I was always drawn to the many applications and possibilities that plastic surgery offers—depending on the day, I could perform a facial reconstruction, a burn reconstruction or a lower extremities trauma surgery on patients ranging from newborns to geriatrics. Each patient, each surgery was unique, significant,” says Sebastian Brooke. “If there is one thing I’ve learned, the world may be large, but the smallest of actions can have a big impact.”

The time he spent overseas with Operation Smile, surrounded by others with the same passion and goals, was a defining moment. “Being immersed in that environment was something I had imagined, thought about and been interested in since talking to that plastic surgeon so long ago,” he says. “In fact, when I think back, there have been so many influencing people who have kept me going in this direction—going all the way back to Duquesne through today.”

Having recently completed a year at UPMC in Pittsburgh, where he largely performed cancer reconstruction surgeries as a microvascular and reconstructive fellow, Sebastian Brooke is now dedicating a year to advanced craniofacial surgery training at the Royal Children’s Hospital in Melbourne, Australia.

Yet, he already is thinking about more mission trips and the chance to help develop new, self-sustaining Operation Smile training centers for surgical care in places such as the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Rwanda or Madagascar.

After he completes his subspecialty training, Sebastian Brooke says he is open to living and working anywhere, and that he hopes to open his practice to children whenever possible.

“Working with adults is rewarding, but there is something special about the relationship formed when caring for a child,” says Sebastian Brooke. “And I look forward to working with them more in my practice, wherever that may be.”
HISTORY PROFESSOR APPOINTED SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE AT PRESTIGIOUS MILITARY COLLEGE

The United States Army War College in Carlisle, Pa., has appointed a Duquesne history professor as its 2016 Harold Keith Johnson Chair of Military History for the 2016-2017 academic year.

Dr. Holly A. Mayer, associate professor of history in the McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts, will be the Johnson Chair at the prestigious U.S. Army War College, which provides graduate-level instruction to military officers and civilian officials to prepare them for senior leadership assignments and responsibilities.

Established in 1978, the Johnson Chair acts as a scholar-in-residence program for visiting professors to teach and conduct research on military history. The Army War College expects holders of the Johnson Chair to contribute to the college’s core curriculum courses and teach an elective course.

During her time at the Army War College, Mayer will teach senior-level military and government officers within the Department of National Security and Strategy. She will conduct a seminar titled Theory of War and Strategy this fall and an elective of her choice in spring 2017.

THE PARTNERSHIP IN EDUCATION’S APP WINS INTERNATIONAL GAMING AWARD

CityHacks: In Search of Sleep, a free app developed by Biological Sciences Professor Dr. John Pollock and the organization The Partnership in Education, recently received the bronze honor at the 2016 Serious Play Conference, an international conference that brings together professionals who want to revolutionize STEM field learning. This marks the second award the app has garnered (see page 46).

The Partnership in Education, Duquesne’s STEM education and health literacy research and development group, is led by Pollock, who began developing CityHacks in 2014 after recognizing the need for high-quality educational apps in K-12 classrooms using iPads and tablets.

“CityHacks: In Search of Sleep is designed to be fun and engaging to read while at the same time providing a learning experience about the biology, science and social science behind sleep,” says Pollock.

The CityHacks app is available for free download in the iTunes store and will become available for Android systems later this year.

DU LANDS NATIONALLY SELECTED UCEA FELLOWS FOR SUMMER PROGRAM

Two students selected from across the nation by the University Council for Educational Administration (UCEA) to participate in a prestigious summer fellowship both selected Duquesne University from among nine UCEA centers across the United States.

Lilliana Castrellon, a doctoral student in the University of Utah’s Department of Educational Leadership and Policy, and Sung Tae Jang, a doctoral candidate in education policy and leadership at the University of Minnesota, both chose to do fellowships at the UCEA Center for Educational Leadership and Social Justice (CELSJ) in the School of Education.

Castrellon and Jang indicated that Duquesne’s CELSJ stood out because their research goals and the center’s goals are so closely aligned. The two share an interest in research that will help improve educational opportunities and experiences for historically marginalized students in their respective communities.
Scholarships Foster Growing Diversity in Sciences at Duquesne

Scholarships designed to increase diversity in scientific fields at Duquesne University are providing six eligible students with full-tuition, four-year scholarships, starting this fall.

The endowed Qualters Scholarship is designated for an African-American male studying science. The inaugural recipient is biology major Michael Oladosu.

“This scholarship was created by Dr. Irene Qualters and is named for her mother, Elizabeth,” explains Dr. Philip Reeder, dean of the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences. “As a scientist, Dr. Qualters recognizes the importance of diversifying the student body in the sciences and preparing a diverse and capable collection of young scientists to meet the challenges of the future.”

Another program designed to increase diversity in the STEM fields, the Bayer School Scholars Program (BSSP), is a cooperative program for incoming Duquesne freshmen involving Duquesne University, the Citizen Science Lab and local industries. Applicants must be African-American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian or female, a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, and entering, as a freshman, a degree program offered in the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences.

“A big reason why the U.S. is falling behind other countries in STEM is that we have effectively written off a huge chunk of our population as being uninterested in those fields or incapable of succeeding in them,” says Dr. Phillip Palmer, assistant dean of the Bayer School.

Besides a full-tuition scholarship for four years, the BSSP benefits include research projects, internships and mentoring. Each program in the Bayer School admitted a scholar for fall 2016: biological sciences, chemistry and biochemistry, environmental science, forensic science and law, and physics.

Nursing School and Gumberg Library Work to Expand Veteran Resources

Veteran students now have access to expanded resources at Gumberg Library thanks to funding from a federal Health Resources and Services Administration grant awarded to the School of Nursing.

Nearly 170 print and electronic books, DVDs and online streaming videos focused on veterans’ reintegration into society have been added. These new materials, which include poetry, fiction, narratives and nonfiction, will enhance the library’s current collection by addressing the physical, mental, economic and social issues facing members of the military.

Grant administrator Dr. Mark Crider, assistant dean for administration and special projects in the nursing school who is director of the Veteran to BSN Program, worked with Health Sciences Librarian David Nolfi to identify the expansion of library resources as a way to further develop veteran knowledge and support the grant’s goals.

A Resources for Veterans online guide is now available at http://guides.library.duq.edu/resourcesforveterans. The grant was awarded to the School of Nursing to increase enrollment, retention and graduation rates of veterans in Duquesne’s undergraduate nursing programs.

Power Center Ballroom Named to Honor President Emeritus

Retiring President Charles J. Dougherty received two honors before leaving Duquesne in June—the bestowing of his new title of president emeritus and the news that the Power Center Ballroom would be renamed in his honor.

The president emeritus title has never been granted before in University history. According to Board Chairperson Marie Milie Jones, the new title represents gratitude for Dougherty’s work at Duquesne.

“The Board of Directors wanted to formally acknowledge Charlie’s outstanding performance during his tenure and felt naming him president emeritus, a title not used before at Duquesne, would be an appropriate honor,” explains Jones.

The Power Center Ballroom is now known as the Charles J. Dougherty Ballroom.

“Given that Charlie was instrumental in many improvements to campus, with the Power Center being central among them, the board thought the dedication of the showcase ballroom in that building was fitting,” says Jones.
STAY TUNED: ‘DISCOVERY SCIENCE’ CHANNEL TAPPING DEAN’S EXPERTISE

The debut of Dr. Philip Reeder, dean of the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences, as a science consultant for the Discovery Science channel has blossomed into an expanded role with the cable channel.

Reeder, a specialist in using high-tech equipment to collect data and produce underground maps, participated in archaeology research in Spain focused on the legendary island of Atlantis. This work was featured in an episode of Discovery Science’s top-rated show *What on Earth?*, which explored the idea of the ancient city of Atlantis being in a location in Spain.

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STEAM AT CORE OF SCHOOL OF EDUCATION’S 7TH ANNUAL SIZEMORE CONFERENCE

In May, more than 275 people from throughout the region attended the seventh annual Dr. Barbara A. Sizemore Summer Conference, focusing on science, technology, engineering and math, as well as the arts (STEAM).

The conference provided participants with experiences and tools to support their work in and beyond the classroom and, as a result, motivated them to continue the work of educating students in urban settings. A variety of speakers and hands-on workshops shared the latest in effective research and educational approaches.

Part of the School of Education’s Dr. Barbara A. Sizemore Urban Education Initiative, the namesake conference honors Sizemore, who throughout her life campaigned tirelessly to foster educational equity for urban youth. The Dr. Barbara A. Sizemore Summer Conference and The Canevin Center for Educational Transformation and Social Justice are funded through a grant from The Heinz Endowments.

RECENTLY RETIRED PROFESSOR RECEIVES HONOR FOR VIETNAM DOCUMENTARY

Former Navy Seabee, Duquesne alumnus and recently retired Duquesne Professor Dr. Dennis Woytek was a winner in the 37th Annual Telly Awards for *The Seabees Return To Vietnam*.

Woytek recently returned to Vietnam nearly 50 years after serving as a soldier there and created the award-winning documentary about the trip, which also featured 10 of his fellow Seabees. According to Woytek: “That time spent with men you do not know but call brothers is a special time. Eleven Seabees returned to Vietnam.

The heat, humidity, smells immediately transport all 11 Seabees through time. Memories are as vivid as yesterday; for many, those memories are constant. Returning to the camps, bases and outpost built by Seabees, as well as actively defended, is a journey for some to heal those wounds that haunt them quietly, that no one understands. This journey of 11 Seabees truly represents every Seabee that served in Vietnam; this journey is for all of us.”

The Telly Awards are the premier awards honoring outstanding local, regional and cable TV commercials and programs, the finest video and film productions, and online commercials, video and films. The contest draws over 13,000 entries from all 50 states and numerous countries.

NEW SCHUBERT ON THE BLUFF SEASON TO INCLUDE WORKS BY AARON COPLAND

Season two of the Mary Pappert School of Music series *Schubert on the Bluff* kicked off in September, with a focus on works by popular American composer Aaron Copland. Led by pianist and artistic director David Allen Wehr, *Schubert on the Bluff: Year Two* will feature three more concerts comprised of music by both Copland and Franz Schubert.

“I’ve always loved the nobility and deep sincerity of Aaron Copland’s music, and I think his style contrasts well with Schubert’s, yet both composers show a talent for memorable melodies and emotional warmth,” says Wehr, the Jack W. Geltz Distinguished Piano Chair.

To learn more about upcoming *Schubert on the Bluff* performances, visit www.duq.edu/schubert.

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Dr. Henk ten Have, director of the Center for Healthcare Ethics, has recently published two books on bioethics.

In *Global Bioethics: An Introduction* (Routledge), ten Have sets the scene for establishing global bioethics because of the social, economic and environmental effects of globalization. With his background as a researcher, practicing physician and philosopher, as well as director of UNESCO’s Division of Ethics of Science and Technology, ten Have raises awareness of the increasing importance of bioethics in the global landscape.

“Health is negatively related to poverty and ecological degradation. Social, economic and political conditions make people vulnerable,” says ten Have. “Most of all, an ethical framework is needed that values common interests more than private or national ones.”

In his second book on bioethics published this year, ten Have looks at the global sense of vulnerability to disease, disasters and environmental changes. *Vulnerability: Challenging Bioethics* (Routledge) explains and elaborates on this new concept of vulnerability in bioethics. While vulnerability is typically framed as an individual weakness, ten Have examines the phenomenon as being created through the social and economic conditions of a person’s life.

The Routledge website explains, “We feel vulnerable to disease as new infections spread rapidly across the globe, while disasters and climate change make health increasingly precarious. Moreover, clinical trials of new drugs often exploit vulnerable populations in developing countries that otherwise have no access to health care, and new genetic technologies make people with disabilities vulnerable to discrimination. Therefore, the concept of ‘vulnerability’ has contributed new ideas to the debates about the ethical dimensions of medicine and health care.”

The inaugural Thomas J. Mattei Award for Excellence in Community Care was awarded to Jeffrey Rosso, a 2016 graduate of the Mylan School of Pharmacy.

Rosso was nominated for the award for his involvement in organizing the school’s annual Health and Wellness Fair in Pittsburgh, in addition to other contributions to the school and community. Rosso’s efforts have enabled Duquesne to continue to host a Health and Wellness Fair each year in October as part of American Pharmacists Month. More than 12 professional pharmacy student organizations participate in offering a wide variety of educational outreach, screening activities and immunizations.

The Thomas J. Mattei Award for Excellence in Community Care was established to honor the legacy of Mattei, who passed away in 2015 after serving the school for more than 45 years in many capacities, including associate professor, associate dean for professional programs, director of continued pharmacy education and division head for Clinical, Social and Administrative Sciences. The award is given each year to a graduating student pharmacist who has demonstrated a commitment to patient care and counseling, with preference given to those who have worked with underserved populations.

In March, Gen. Michael V. Hayden and Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter Joby Warrick shared their views of national security with an audience of about 450 in the Power Center.

*A Conversation with General Michael Hayden* was hosted by the McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts and moderated by then President-Elect and Law Professor Ken Gormley.

Hayden, a two-time Duquesne alumnus and the only person to lead both the Central Intelligence Agency and National Security Agency, served in U.S. intelligence and security under both political parties and has recently published a memoir, *Playing to the Edge: American Intelligence in the Age of Terror*. Warrick, a writer with *The Washington Post* and author of *Black Flags: The Rise of ISIS*, talked about the challenges of covering national security issues.
SCHOOL OF NURSING RECEIVES GRANT FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

The School of Nursing will be able to fund the scholarship of four of its doctoral nursing students in 2016 and 2017 thanks to a $40,000 grant from the Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare.

The grant will enable the School of Nursing to provide a $10,000 scholarship (over two years) to one Ph.D. Jonas Nurse Leader Scholar, two Ph.D. Jonas Veterans Healthcare Scholars and one DNP Jonas Veterans Health Scholar. In addition, the Ph.D. Nurse Leader Scholar will receive an additional $10,000 in matching funds from the University.

The Jonas Scholars at the School of Nursing will join more than 1,000 future nurse educators and leaders at 140 universities across all 50 states supported by Jonas Center programs, the Jonas Nurse Leaders Scholars Program and the Jonas Veterans Healthcare Program. These scholarships support nurses pursuing Ph.D.s and DNPs, the terminal degrees in the field.

REDESIGNED ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAM PREPARES STUDENTS FOR FUTURES INSIDE EXISTING ORGANIZATIONS, NEW VENTURES

The conventional view limits entrepreneurship to launching and growing your own business. Beginning this fall, the redesigned entrepreneurship program in the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business will surpass that expectation by also offering students interested in joining larger corporations, government agencies and nonprofits a foundation in the entrepreneurial mindset.

“In today’s rapidly evolving business environment, companies and organizations of all types and sizes desperately need employees with entrepreneurship skills if they are to survive, much less adapt and grow,” says Dr. Dean McFarlin, dean of the business school.

As part of the curriculum, students will engage with successful entrepreneurs, attend startup community events and have classes in accelerator and incubator spaces. They’ll also be involved with BlueTree Allied Angels, an alliance of accredited investors interested in early-stage companies.

These programmatic changes dovetail with the arrival of the school’s inaugural holder of the Merle E. Gilliand Professorship in Entrepreneurial Finance, a new position made possible through a special gift from the Gilliand Foundation. Dr. Peter Gianiodis, formerly an associate professor of strategy and entrepreneurship at Clemson University, assumed the Gilliand professorship on July 1.

DARWIN EVOLVES INTO AN APP, READERS CONTROL OUTCOME OF SCIENCE-BASED ‘E-BOOK’

A mobile app that essentially channels Charles Darwin and an interactive e-book focused on sleep—both developed at Duquesne—each recently received a Parents’ Choice Recommended Award.

The products, created by Dr. John Pollock, professor of biological sciences in the Bayer School of Natural and Environmental Sciences, were among the 20 percent of those submitted to receive a commendation from the independent Parents’ Choice Foundation.

The all-ages Charles Darwin Synthetic Interview, created by Pollock and curated by Dr. David Lampe, associate professor of biological sciences, is available in a free, “lite” version for iPad/iPhone and Android. It features the 24 most popular questions that children and adults wanted to ask the late scientist. The full version, with 199 questions, is available for about $10 from Apple iTunes, Google Play and the Amazon App Store.

The Bibliotech e-book CityHacks: In Search of Sleep, a free app, prompts readers to make choices that impact the outcome of the story. The book, created and produced by Pollock, focuses on a teen finding facts about sleep. (For more information on the app, please see page 42.)

To learn more about resources for families and educators, visit www.thepartnershipineducation.com.
Nasty pothole on your route to work? Icy sidewalk in front of a business? Loose dog in your neighborhood? City of Pittsburgh residents know that they can report these types of complaints to the 311 Response Center. This past summer, a group of Duquesne University graduate students were asked to analyze the center’s operations to make it even better.

The group of MBA Sustainability program students in the Palumbo-Donahue School of Business evaluated and developed cost-effective recommendations after being approached by the 311 Response Center to assist with efforts to improve its customer relationship management (CRM) system.

“Our MBA Sustainability students really stepped up to the plate for this project, utilizing the skills and expertise they’ve gained through the program while getting real-world experience in helping make a difference with the 311 Response Center and the City of Pittsburgh’s residents,” explains Assistant Marketing Professor Dr. Dorene Ciletti.

The Duquesne students analyzed the 311 Response Center’s current operations, considered stakeholder feedback (from customers to employees to management) and examined best practices of other 311 response centers in the United States before developing and presenting both short-term and long-term recommendations for improvement.

Some of the suggestions included:
- Improve accountability through weekly reporting
- Enhance employee engagement through recognition
- Better promote the benefits of utilizing the 311 Response Center’s MyBurgh App, including creating a video about it
- Categorizing calls for efficiency; significantly reduce call-type categories

“The 311 Response Center is the gateway to city services, but it can’t be effective if our residents, commuters, businesses and students are not familiar with us,” says 311 Manager Wendy Urbanic. “We are grateful for the students’ hard work and research, and have already begun implementing some of the short-term suggestions to increase citizen engagement and to continue to improve our customer service levels.”

Duquesne’s MBA Sustainability program encourages students to learn how to integrate sustainability in all aspects of business and to consult/develop solutions for organizations like the City of Pittsburgh’s 311 Response Center.

The MBA Sustainability program at Duquesne is ranked No. 10 among graduate programs for environmental sustainability by TriplePundit and is the only program in Pennsylvania included in the nation’s Top 10 for Environmental Sustainability, according to Net Impact. Duquesne’s Donahue Graduate School of Business is ranked No. 10 among MBA programs worldwide and No. 4 among U.S. schools by Corporate Knights—a quarterly international publication focused on social, economic and ecological benefits and costs—in its 2015 Better World MBA ranking.

Duquesne University’s long history of serving the region as a trusted community partner includes initiatives such as the Tribone Center for Clinical Legal Education and its eight community clinics; the Duquesne University Pharmacy in Pittsburgh’s Hill District neighborhood; the Small Business Development Center; and the Community-Based Health and Wellness Center for Older Adults.
#DuqWorldwide

The women’s basketball team, coming off its most successful season in program history, prepared for the upcoming season with a tour of Europe, which featured visits to four countries in a span of 12 days in mid-August.

The Dukes, who made the school’s first NCAA Women’s Basketball Championship appearance last March, played a total of three exhibition games while visiting France, Croatia, Hungary and Serbia.

“It was wonderful to be able to increase our visibility and reputation in countries that have strong basketball cultures, while also bringing the Duquesne University brand to new audiences,” says fourth-year head coach Dan Burt.

Burt, recognized as one of women’s basketball’s top international recruiters, has assembled a 2016-17 roster that includes six from overseas. Senior Amadea Szamosi, sophomore Eniko Kuttor and freshman Nina Aho all hail from Hungary. Sophomore Julijana Vojinovic is from Serbia, sophomore Kadri-Ann Lass is from Estonia and junior Judith Sole comes from Spain.

The trip provided a welcome change, as DU’s American players had the chance to visit the homes of their foreign teammates. The team spent time at the homes of Kuttor in Székesfehérvár and Szamosi in Pécs, embracing the opportunity to have authentic Hungarian meals.

“I feel blessed to have my family away from home visit my hometown,” says Szamosi. “It was an unbelievable and amazing experience to show them my house and city. It was a moment that will surely last a lifetime.”

“As important as the basketball aspect of the trip was, it was also a great opportunity for these women to come together as a family,” says Burt. “It was fantastic to see the shoe on the other foot, with our American players experiencing life in a foreign country.”

The team, which flew from Pittsburgh to Paris on Aug. 4, toured the Basilica of the Sacred Heart and saw the Arc de Triomphe, the Paris Opera, the Notre-Dame Cathedral, the Musée du Louvre (home of the Mona Lisa), Champs-Élysées and one of France’s most popular attractions—the Eiffel Tower.

The team visited Budapest and Pécs in Hungary, Vrbas in Serbia and Dubrovnik in Croatia for various tours, as well as games, before returning to Pittsburgh on Aug. 16.

The NCAA allows for foreign tours by college programs once every four years. The tour was the second-ever for the program, which travelled to Toronto for four games in August of 2002. The team was allowed 10 practices prior to leaving. ◆
The 2015-16 year was one without precedent for Duquesne athletics, as the women’s soccer, football and women’s basketball programs all advanced to NCAA Championship play for the first time in school history. The success spanned all sports as for the first time, all eligible teams advanced to Atlantic 10 Championship play.

Now it’s time for you to get in on the action!! Heading into November, there are plenty of opportunities to come out and support your Dukes. The 2015 Northeast Conference Champions and NCAA FCS Playoff qualifying Duquesne football team finishes out the 2016 home season with games against Bryant (Oct. 29) and Sacred Heart (Nov. 12).

The 2016-17 basketball season gets underway the weekend of Nov. 11, when both the men and women welcome their first home opponents to Palumbo Center. The DU men will once again face a challenging schedule, with 18 home games, including a Jan. 14 clash with Dayton at CONSOL Energy Center. The women, who are looking to make a second-straight NCAA Tournament appearance, will play 14 home games - highlighted by visits from Maryland on Dec. 21 and Pitt on Dec. 29.

For complete schedules for all Duquesne athletics events or to purchase tickets, visit goduquesne.com.
Alumni Updates

1950s

Paul R. O’Connor, A’55, is now a columnist for the Valley Mirror in Munhall, Pa.

1960s

Jere W. Leib, Ph.D., A’64, has been reappointed to the Indiana State Psychology Licensing Board by the governor of Indiana.

Richard Gillespie, A’66, has been elected chairman of the board of The Bank of Princeton. He is one of several founders of the bank and has served on the board of directors since its inception in 2006. He is also a partner and vice chairman of Mediguide, LLC, an international health services company headquartered in Delaware.

Dennis P. Brenckle, B’67, was recently named chairman of the board of the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. He previously served as chairman of the audit committee. He was also named to the board of the Penn State Health System.

Wayne R. Schiebel, A’69, faculty member at Saint Joseph High School (Natrona Heights, Pa.), was a recipient of its inaugural Spirit of Saint Joseph Award. The awards recognize alumni and friends “who quietly bring Saint Joseph High School’s mission of preparing students for college, life and heaven to life through their humble, selfless support—role models for us all.”

1970s

Robert Heckman, B’70, is retired to Vero Beach, Fla., after serving in the U.S. Army and working with the FBI.

Ralph Stalter, A’73, has been appointed executive director of the Clark County Theatre Center, a new state-of-the-art regional theater complex in Las Vegas.

1980s

Carol A. Behers, A’80, L’83, of Raphael, Ramsden & Behers, received the inaugural Heart of Justice Award from the Allegheny County Bar Foundation at its 35th Anniversary Gala. The award recognized her “unwavering passion for community service and outstanding character and integrity.” She was also named by Best Lawyers in America as Pittsburgh’s 2016 Family Law Lawyer of the Year.

1990s

William F. Caye, B’93, was named counsel to the law firm BusinessLegal, P.C. He has also been selected to be a member of the Serra Club of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. He is a retired senior deputy attorney general, a former federal and state judicial law clerk, and a past assistant district attorney.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Formalizing the long-standing relationship between Duquesne and the Hill District neighborhood, a longtime civic leader and Hill House Association employee has been selected as the University’s inaugural Community-Engaged Pathways Community Fellow.

Baltimore is a published author, as well as an advocate. As developer of the Hill District Community Collaborative, she has focused on providing supportive housing for women and children, and promoting economic development, health and wellness around the neighborhood’s green spaces. A substantial contribution to the CETR endowment made the fellowship possible.
Francis Feld, N’93, is a member of the PA-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team and was deployed by the Department of Health and Human Services to the Washington, D.C. area for the 2016 State of the Union address.

Mark Aaron, L’94, was elected to a fifth term as district attorney of Clarion County, Pa. He was unopposed in the election, and is now the longest-serving district attorney in Clarion County history.

Dr. Jacqueline Simon Gunn, GA’94, has the true life chronicles of her psychotherapy patients explored in BARE: Psychotherapy Stripped (University Professors Press). The book provides a look into the thoughts of a therapist in session and why she makes her therapeutic choices. The book is similar to a novel and is an “engaging and easy-to-read story for the masses.” She is licensed and practices in New York City.

Michelle (Wedge) Cooley, P’96, received her MBA with dual specializations in health care management and operations management from the University of Scranton.

Elizabeth Rosso, A’96, L’02, published Meet Max!, a picture book for children.

Michael Grandinetti, B’99, master illusionist, returned for the third season of Masters of Illusion on The CW. He also performed NBA halftime shows for the Milwaukee Bucks vs. Chicago Bulls game and the Golden State Warriors vs. San Antonio Spurs game; was the closing performer in the 60th anniversary edition of “It’s Magic,” an annual southern California theatrical spectacular; and performed on Hollywood Boulevard for the 84th annual Christmas Parade.

2000s

Danielle Crumrine, A’00, GE’03, has been appointed to the Arbor Day Foundation board of trustees for a three-year term. For the past nine years, she has served as executive director of Tree Pittsburgh and was recently named a top 40 under 40 environmental leader across the state of Pennsylvania by the PA Environmental Council.

Alyssa (Pike) Kunselman, B’00, was hired as director of business development at Mascaro Construction Company, LP.

Rudi Navarra, A’00, accepted a job as program officer at The Solutions Project in Miami.

Heather Neisworth, GA’00, is a lecturer at Georgetown University and is teaching a class that she developed in internal communications and employee engagement.

Jeff Roberts, L’00, is a member of Burke Cromer Cremonese, LLC, representing oil and gas companies, as well as energy business owners, in all aspects of litigation and transactional matters in state and federal courts, arbitrations and negotiations. He has experience handling products liability actions, contract disputes, environmental impact claims, employment law matters and personal injury matters, and was recognized as a 2016 BTI Client Service All-Star by the BTI Consulting Group. He served in the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General’s Corps and still serves in the U.S. Navy Reserve.

Kate (Poh) Dopiarak, GE’01, had her first children’s book, You’re My Boo, published (Beach Lane Books, Simon & Schuster).

Jessica McGuire, HS’01, GHS’02, is currently an occupational therapist with District of Columbia Public School System. She has earned her sensory integration and praxis test (SIPT) and sensory integration certification.

Daniel W. Kunz, L’02, GB’05, is the board president of Foundation of HOPE, which provides a continuum of care for inmates and ex-offenders in Allegheny County. He has served on the board for six years and practices law at his private practice in Pittsburgh.

Maria Osborne, P’03, BCACP, CDE, was recently elected vice president of the Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association Educational Foundation board of directors. She is a clinical pharmacist within UPMC St. Margaret Family Practice offices involved in the SCRIPT Project, a medical home research study being conducted in Pittsburgh.

Luke Gilmore, P’04, has been promoted to director, field clinical services of Rite Aid covering Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Jade Leung, S’05, GE’06, GA’15, science teacher at Shaler Area High School, was named one of 12 finalists for the state Teacher of the Year Contest. Along with being a teacher, she has done extensive research in bone-tissue engineering, including work with the Pittsburgh Tissue Engineering Initiative. She has remained involved at Duquesne as a volunteer speaker, Spiritan Campus Ministry volunteer and a member of the Alumni Board of Governors.

Mark Proch, S’07, received three land management grants from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission totaling $88,490 through his work for the Natural Resources Department of Manatee County Government in Florida.

Shawn O’Mara, GA’08, has been named Tourism Partner of the Year by VisitPittsburgh.com “for demonstrating the utmost in creativity and for consistently going above and beyond when designing the Official Visitors Guide to Pittsburgh and retail merchandise.” He is the founder and president of ocreations, a graphic design and marketing firm, and is also an adjunct professor in the Department of Journalism and Multimedia Arts at Duquesne.

Debra Whittam, GE’08, is the author of Am I Going to Be Okay? Weathering the Storms of Mental Illness, Addiction, and Grief (Amazon, Barnes & Noble and DebraWhittam.com). In the memoir, she sheds “light on family issues that impact its members and uses her own story as a way to reduce the stigma and shame surrounding family dysfunction.” She is a licensed practicing mental health therapist in Pittsburgh who specializes in addiction, anxiety and depression, grief and loss.

Joseph R. Williams, L’09, partner at Pollock Begg Komar Glasser & Vertz LLC, was included in the 2016 Pennsylvania Rising Stars list.

Michele Wisnesek, B’09, has been named by Destination Marketing Association International as one of 30 Under 30 future leaders in the destination marketing industry. She is director of interactive marketing for the Laurel Highlands Visitors Bureau.

2010s

Sarah J. Giliberto, GM’10, received her National Board of Professional Teaching Standards certification. She teaches all of the courses in the music department at Carrick High School, directs the marching/pep band, and serves as the Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers (PFT) union representative and as a member-at-large on the PFT executive board.

Jonathan Flickinger, L’11, was recently named an HR Rising Star by Human Resource Executive magazine. The national award, only given to five recipients annually, recognizes extraordinary leadership in the field of human resources.

Christina Marsico, B’11, is part of the nonprofit organization Team Tassy, which created “The Run Across Haiti.” The 230-mile run in Haiti took place during February. The run is a fundraiser to provide job training and placement opportunities for people in Haiti.

Marissa Coccioletto, L’12, is an associate with Burke Cromer Cremonese, LLC. She represents oil and gas companies, as well as energy business owners, in all aspects of litigation and transactional matters in state
and federal courts, arbitrations and negotiations. She also has experience in litigating landlord tenant disputes and personal injury claims, represented property owners in both residential and commercial tax appeals and handled immigration matters for individuals and businesses.

Robert D. Raver, L’12, associate attorney at Pollock Begg Komar Glasser & Vertz LLC, was elected to a three-year term as a council member to the Allegheny County Bar Association family law section. He was also included in the 2016 Pennsylvania Rising Stars list.

Brandon Smith, P’12, graduated from Marshall University School of Medicine with his M.D. and will complete his internal medicine residency at UPMC Mercy Hospital.

Marriages
Katie Bloor, S’07, married Jonathan Boswell, B’07, GLPA’09.

Caitlin Theobald, P’11, married Matthew Eybs.

Ryan Walkovich, P’11, married Bobbie Patterson.

Caitlin Ann Thompson, P’12, married Jake Martinez.

Megan Walkovich, HS’12, GS’13, married David DeSalle, B’09.

New Arrivals
Joshua James, son of Kelly (Burkhart) Stratton, HS’01, GHS’02, and Matthew Stratton, S’01.

Evelyn Agnes, daughter of Lucy (McClure) Kelly, B’02, GHS’07, and Erik Kelly.

Farrell Elizabeth, daughter of Susie (Frank) Conley, B’03, and Ryan Conley.

Emma Mary, daughter of Kathleen (Ward) Sundquist, S’06, and Matthew Sundquist.

John Frederick, son of Roxanne (Avila) Packer, GM’07, and Andrew Packer.

Nathaniel Joseph, son of Elizabeth (Gessner) Davis, M’08, and Gregory Davis, M’08.

Lydia Grace, daughter of Lauren (Janosco) Donato, M’08, GM’15, and Christopher Donato, M’08.

Kathryn Elise, daughter of Molly Degenkolb Weiss, P’10, and Robert Weiss, E’08, GE’10.

In Memoriam
It is with deep sadness that we list the following alumni and friends who recently passed away.

Irene Alexander, E’67
Wayne Allridge, L’74
Radoslav Angelov, B’96
Angelo Anile, P’58
William Armocida, M’64
Thomas Askin, S’47
William Augustine, A’63
Jacqueline Baguet, E’51, GE’56
Elizabeth Bailey, E’47, L’74
Judith Baldwin, B’52
Thomas Ballestreire, B’60
Rebecca Barbush, A’04
Emerick Barbustiak, B’63
Lance Barclay, A’60
Pamela Barlak, B’66
John Bartley, B’81
John Bauer, B’80
James Baumbach, L’77
Hiram Bazzoli, A’40
Michael Benedict, E’67, GE’71
Francis Bernarding, B’62
M. Bernott, E’55
Margaret Bice, A’46
John Binotto, E’42
William H. Bond, P’57
Gail Booker, L’81
Louise (Shugarte) Brentin, N’72
John Britz
Joseph Brochetti, A’52
Kathleen Brodie, E’57
Joseph Brom, A’98
Mary Bubness, E’52, GE’64
Phillip Buzzelli, S’64
M. Bzura, E’60, GE’63
Amelia Caddy, E’73
James Caffrey, B’51
Barry Cagnon
Janet Caiazzo
William Campbell
Ralph Cappy
Richard Caputo, E’67
Joseph Carazola, B’69
Charles Carlton
Kenneth Carroll, B’73
Lucy Casagram, E’63
Catherine Casile
John Cebula, B’68
Aurelia M. Cerny, E’67
Teresa Cheslock, A’47, A’50
Harvey Childs, A’87
Patricia Ciocca, N’80, E’82
Thomas Clayton, B’77
Donna Clements, E’37
Aldo Colautti, A’50

James Collins
Jeanne Cooper
Chris Copetas, L’69
Morton Cox
Mark Craig, A’01, GA’14
Constantin Cretekos
Andrew Croftcheck, B’49
Leo Curto, M’59
Rose Dabalo, E’40
Raymond Darr, A’74
Robert H. Davis
Leonard DeMino
Maryanne Dedekind
Kathleen Del Guercio, E’69
Ronald DelCotto, L’71
Joseph Deniger, E’60
Eva Derana
Judith Diperna, E’93
Edward Dixon, A’55
Michael Doherty
Linda Dombrosky, E’71
Miriam Donnellon, E’68
Marguerite Dougherty Estate
Kevin Drake, A’85
Francis Dutkovich
M. Dzura, E’61
Regis Ebner, A’58
Harvey Eger, L’70
JoAnn Ellison, E’64
Frank Elsner
IN MEMORIAM

Regis J. Ebner, Sr., A'58, of Pittsburgh, passed away April 25, 2016 at the age of 78. Ebner’s career in public relations and fundraising included private consulting and positions at Carnegie Mellon University, the State University of New York and Fairleigh Dickinson University, as well as his alma mater. As vice president for University Relations, Ebner founded the Century Club of Distinguished Duquesne Alumni in 1978; he was inducted as a member in 1982.

IN MEMORIAM

Joseph R. Tito, B'49, passed away May 13, 2016 in Windermere, Fla., at age 89. A longtime member of the Duquesne Society and the Father McAnulty Society, Tito served in the U.S. Navy during World War II before attending Duquesne. After graduation, he joined his family’s business, Latrobe Brewing Co. Under Tito’s leadership, the firm’s flagship Rolling Rock brand became a regional and national cultural icon. Tito and his family sold the brewery in 1986.

Kathleen Fantazzi, L'95
James Ferrigan, A'39
Paul Fidel, B'55
Edward Filipovitz, B'70
Jean Fineman, GE'65
John Finke, B'52
M. Fox, E'61
M. Frantz, E'72
Edward Frenock, B'51
Richard Gaffney, L'60
Patricia Garrigan, S'57
George Gedid, A'71
Anthony Geldens
Ronald Gallionardo, E'59
Adam Giandomenico, E'63
James Giannuzzi, B'83
Martin Giglio, A'78, GA'85
Thomas Gill, A'57
Marilyn Gilman, L'91
Robert Goessler, A'63
Matthew Gordon, B'12
Henry Grandpre, B'56
Lon Haack, A'85
Richard Haire, P'72
John Haller, P'54
Sharill Halstead, A'87
Charles Harmon
William Harper, B'69
John Harrison
Andrew Hartnett, N'80
Patricia Hatch, E'63, GE'66
Jack Hausser
George Hester, B'51
Helen Hillman
Mary Hodge, A'74
Donald Hoffman, B'63
Raymond Hogan, B'49
T. Holladay
Martha Horvath
Carl Hubacher, A'58
Harold Huckesttein, E'49, GE'52
Kristen Humphrey, L'95
John Hunt, B'67
Patricia Hurley, A'84
Edward Irvin
Frances Irwin, M'54
Jacqueline Jablonski, A'55
Mary Ruth Jackson, N'44
Michael Janflone, P'96
Danielle Jankowiak, E'64
John Jefferson, B'53
Brenda Jenkins, E'74
Margaret Johns, S'44
Helen Kane, B'42
Sid Kaplan
M. Kasper, E'60
Douglas Kay
Joseph Kebitsch, M'70, GM'77
Arthur Kelly, B'60
Marcy Kelsey, HS'97
Karen Kennedy, A'64, GA'71
Floyd Kent, B'50
Margaret King
Esther Kish, A'74
James Kleye, E'90
Mariah Klinefelter, A'03, L'06
Ernest Knapp, M'53, GM'69
Walter Kolar, E'50, GE'60
Christina Kollar, A'99
Thomas Kolodychak, M'53
Wendy Koops
William Kopacka, A'63
Kenneth Koprivnikar, S'71
Linda Kostak, HS'95, GHS'96
Bruno Kotarski, B'50
Ronald Kotwica, B'66
Mary Krasowski, E'71
M. Kubilus, E'62, GE'70
Ann Kunkle, E'69
Kenneth Kutzer, L'74
Eugene Kyslinger, B'66
Charlotte Lally
Ronald Lapinski, A'52, GS'54
Mary Lasko, M'71
Marsha Lastoka, B'63
G. Laszlo, B'48
Virginia Laverty, E'66, GE'68
Thomasina Leafgren, E'66
John Leftwich, E'70
James Legnard, B'51, L'57
William Lentz, A'42, GE'48
Francis John Liberto, A'73
Ronald Lichtinger, B'55
Nancy Lisanti
James Lochner, B'58, L'61
Helen Locke, N'62
Robert Long
Paul Lonigro, A'54, GB'65
Sr. Maria Regin Loures, IHM, E'70
Michael Timothy Loya, A'68
Diane Lucas, E'71, GLPA'08
Bernard Luketic
Helen Lynch, L'79
Ryan Magniorni, B'07
James Magill, B'49
Daniel Maglocco, P'57
Judith Malakoff, E'74
Patrick Malley, E'64
William Maloney, A'45
Margaret Mangan, A'72
Joseph Manion, B'52
Margaret Mann, M'69
Marie Manning, B'51
David Markie, A'77, P'78
IN MEMORIAM

William V. Campbell died April 18, 2016 at age 75 in Palo Alto, Calif. A native of Homestead, Pa., he served as CEO of the software company Intuit (maker of such popular applications as Quicken and TurboTax) from 1994-1998, and remained the chairman of the company’s board until earlier this year. Campbell played football at Columbia University under former Duquesne coach Aldo “Buff” Donelli. Campbell’s father, a Duquesne graduate, coached the Dukes men’s basketball team in 1923-24 and recommended the hiring of the legendary Chick Davies as his successor. Campbell was the benefactor of an endowed scholarship at Duquesne.

IN MEMORIAM

Jack W. Hauser, age 81, died April 17, 2016 in New Wilmington, Pa. A graduate of Case Western Reserve University and the University of Illinois, Hauser taught in Duquesne’s chemistry department for more than 40 years, retiring with the title professor emeritus. During his long tenure on the Bluff, Hauser also served as president of the Faculty Senate, chair of the chemistry department and acting dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.
IN MEMORIAM

Walter W. Kolar, E'50, GE'60, passed away June 9 at age 93. Introduced to the newly-formed Tamburitzans as a student at Duquesne Prep in 1937, Kolar went on to serve as managing director of the ensemble for more than 40 years, leading the troupe on 11 foreign tours. Following his retirement from Duquesne, he spent nearly 20 years as executive director of the Bulgarian-Macedonian Educational and Cultural Center. Kolar was inducted into the Century Club of Distinguished Duquesne Alumni in 1983.

IN MEMORIAM

Francis M. Dutkovich, age 74, passed away Dec. 24, 2015 in Hopewell Township, Pa. A graduate of Point Park College and the University of Pittsburgh, he was the longtime director of Duquesne's Office of Financial Aid until his retirement in 2004.

Paul Walsh, L'93
M. Walters, E'52
Thomas Walters, E'65
Cheyenne Warner, S'15, A'15
Fred Webb, E'06
Donald Wegemer, A'50
Edward Weimer, E'73
Kathleen Welsh Estate
Daniel Werthman, P'73
Charles Weyandt, L'67
Karen Wheeler, E'87
Regina White

Mary Wilsher, E'71
Conrad Wojciechowski
Steven Wolfe, A'76
Suzanne Wolff, N'82
Henry Yorgey, B'98
Sr. Muriel Young, E'55
Ralph Young, B'50
Rickey Younkin, E'74
John Zapp, A'54
Ronald Zimmer, P'50
David Zywan

The Jacksons are proud members of the Duquesne University family! Dad/Tim and Mom/Fran are both School of Pharmacy grads, and twin daughters Kristen (Physician Assistant Studies) and Brittany (Occupational Therapy) and twin daughters Nicole (Physical Therapy) and Megan (Pharmacy) are currently working on their Duquesne degrees. Son Ryan is a high school freshman—we'll be waiting for you when you graduate, Ryan!
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**Mark your calendars for these upcoming Dukes men’s basketball games.**

**Friday, December 2:** City Game at 7:30 p.m. at Consol Energy Center.

**Saturday, January 14:** Duquesne vs. Dayton (CONSOL) at 2 p.m. at Consol Energy Center.

**March 8-12:** A-10 Men’s Basketball Championship at Consol Energy Center.

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**Dec. 3, 2016**

**Advent Alumni Retreat**

Spend an afternoon on campus with Spiritan Campus Ministry during Advent as we prepare for Christmas. More details available soon: www.myduquesne.duq.edu. RSVP by Nov. 18.

Contact: 412.396.6209 or alumnionline@duq.edu

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**Nov. 7, 2016**

**Film Favorites: A Concert Benefiting the Fight Against Pancreatic Cancer**

Pittsburgh Jazz Orchestra
Mike Tomaro, artistic director
7:30 p.m.
Power Center, Dougherty Ballroom
$15 adults/$10 seniors & students
(with ID)
Contact: Steve Groves at 412.396.6083 or groves108@duq.edu

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**Nov. 9, 2016**

**Law Alumni Harrisburg Reception**

Hilton Harrisburg
Details: www.duq.edu/law/alumni

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**Nov. 10, 2016**

**Law Alumni Philadelphia Reception**

The Union League of Philadelphia
Details: www.duq.edu/law/alumni

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**Nov. 20, 2016**

**Duquesne Dukes vs. Kentucky Wildcats Men’s Basketball Game**

Details coming soon at www.goduquesne.duq.edu

Time: TBA

Location: TBA

Contact/RSVP: Bryan Colonna at 412.396.5627 or colonna770@duq.edu

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**Dec. 1, 2016**

**Duquesne Law Alumni Association Holiday Reception**

For DLAA members and 1911 Society only.
5:30-7:30 p.m.
Power Center, Shepperson Suite
Details: www.duq.edu/law/alumni

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**Dec. 3, 2016**

**Legal Writing Conference**

Continuing Legal Education
9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
School of Law
$50-$250
Details: www.duq.edu/law/legalwritingconference

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**Dec. 5-10, 2016**

**Scholastic Book Sale**

Monday-Thursday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Friday: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
Duquesne Union Atrium
Contact: Sara Gray at 412.396.6136 or Grays2@duq.edu

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**Dec. 10, 2016**

**Alumni Breakfast with Santa**

Duquesne Union Ballroom
Due to overwhelming response in past years, registration will be determined by lottery. Between Oct. 12-19, alumni will be able to enter the lottery for a chance to register. Those selected will be notified by e-mail by Oct. 26. More details available soon: www.myduquesne.duq.edu.

Contact: 412.396.6209 or alumnionline@duq.edu

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**Dec. 14, 2016**

**Christmas at Duquesne**

Dr. Stephen Benham, artistic director
7:30 p.m.
Power Center, Dougherty Ballroom
Free Admission
Contact: Steve Groves at 412.396.6083 or groves108@duq.edu

*For more information and a full schedule of The Mary Pappert School of Music events, visit www.duq.edu/musicevents. Event schedules and locations are subject to change.*

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**Dec. 15, 2016**

**Counselor Education Program's Holiday Party**

Alumni of the Counselor Education Program are welcome to attend. Drinks and hors d’oeuvres will be served. There is no charge for the event and no RSVP required.
7:30-9:30 p.m.
Duquesne Union, Africa Room
Contact: Dr. Jered Kolbert at kolbert@duq.edu

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**Jan. 29, 2017**

**Voices of Spirit, Pappert Chorals with Arsenal Duo**

Dr. Caron Daley, conductor
3 p.m.
East Liberty Presbyterian Church
Tickets: TBD
Contact: Steve Groves at 412.396.6083 or groves108@duq.edu

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**February 2017**

(To be announced)

**20th Annual RHSH Alumni Night at the Men's Basketball Game**

All alumni are invited to attend with their family/guests. A pre-game reception at 6 p.m. will be held in the Auxiliary Gym in the A.J. Palumbo Center. The event is free, but advance reservations are required.
Contact: Deb Durica at 412.396.5551 or durica@duq.edu; or Maria Fischer at 412.396.5637

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**March 17-19, 2017**

**2017 School of Pharmacy Alumni Conference**

Nemacolin Woodlands
Registration will open in December 2016
Contact: Pamela Koerner at 412.396.6372 or koerner@duq.edu

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**March 30, 2017**

**Annual 2nd Century Dinner and Alumni Awards Presentation**

Dinner and award ceremony to celebrate the Class of 2017 and recognize the achievements of distinguished graduates.
5:30 p.m. – reception/6:30 p.m. – dinner
Power Center, Dougherty Ballroom
Contact/RSVP: Tracy Torisky at 412.396.5701 or toriskyt@duq.edu

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**Save the Dates: Homecoming 2017**

**October 6-8**

Celebrating classes ending in 2s and 7s
Stay tuned for more information at www.duq.edu/homecoming!

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**Book of Life**

Each year, the Church dedicates the month of November to the remembrance of our beloved who have passed on. Deceased Duquesne University alumni and family and friends of alumni will be remembered at the annual University Thanksgiving liturgy (Nov. 17 at noon) in the University Chapel. If you wish to have your deceased loved ones included in our Book of Life, please provide their names online at www.myduquesne.duq.edu/bookoflife16 by Oct. 30. The full list will be available online at www.myduquesne.duq.edu.

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**30. The full list will be available online at www.myduquesne.duq.edu.**
Duquesne University Pharmacy—formerly known as the Center for Pharmacy Services—is on the leading edge of helping patients manage their medications and live healthy lifestyles. In addition to filling prescriptions and delivering them locally for free, the pharmacy provides a number of complimentary health and wellness services, including screenings for blood pressure, cholesterol, blood glucose and bone density.

Staffed by licensed pharmacists, the pharmacy is operated by Duquesne’s School of Pharmacy and serves both the public and the University community.

- Free local delivery
- $4 generic drug program
- Online refills and automatic monthly refills
- Free wellness screenings

Order your prescriptions at duqpharmacy.org or call 412.246.0963.