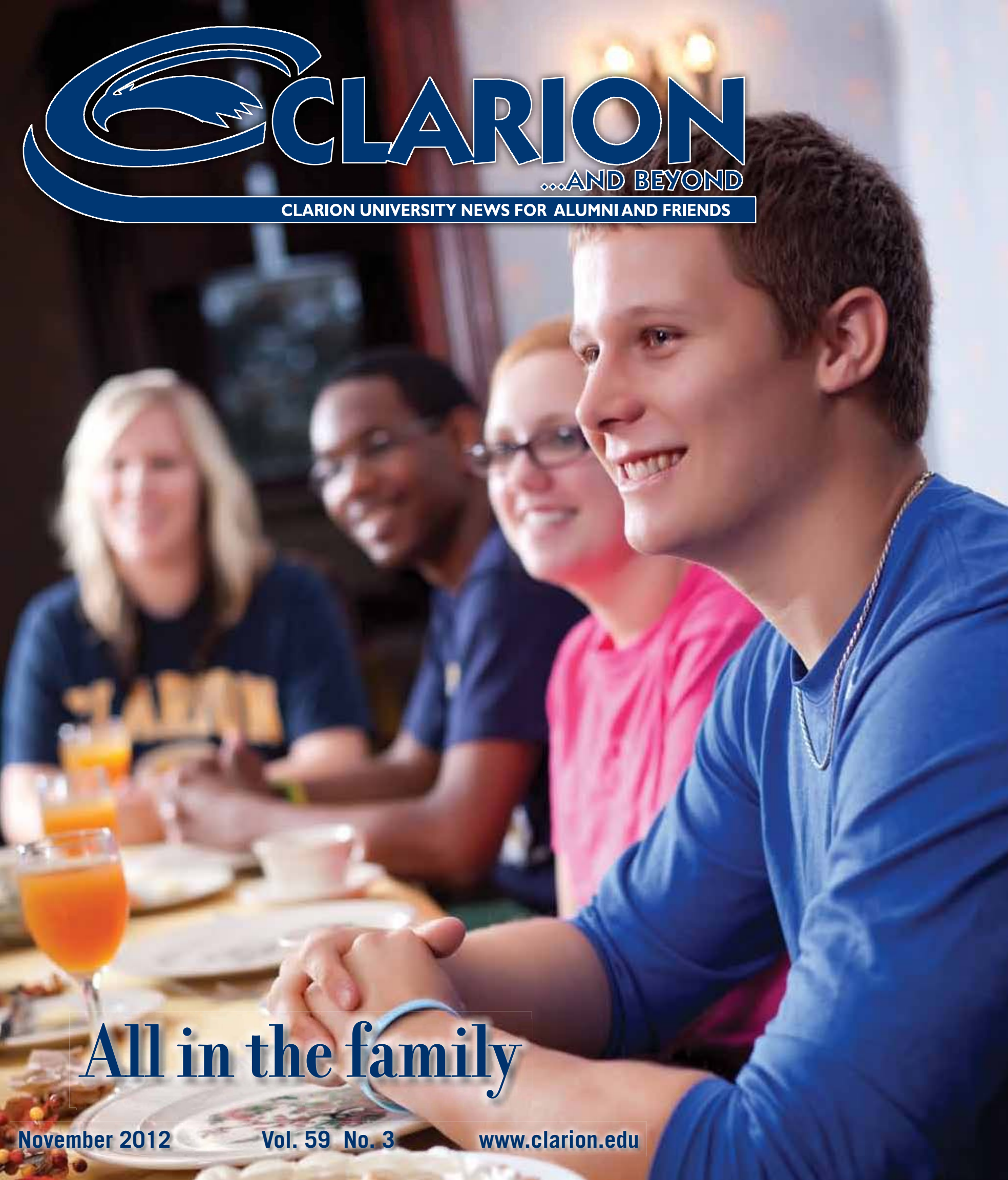




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Our Clarion Family & Beyond

Dear Friends,

It is most fitting that this issue of Clarion and Beyond is about family. I believe we all have families. They may be the family we are born into or a family constructed of individuals we choose. The wonderful thing about the Clarion University family is that it is often a family by birth and by choice. So many of us are connected by "birth" in that we either are alums or are related to Clarion alums. (My great aunt, Daisy Campbell, is a 1916 Clarion alum!) At the same time, many of us have fallen in love with Clarion and have chosen to make the students, alums, faculty and staff of Clarion our family!

This is one of those things that makes Clarion, Clarion – that feeling of welcome and of home, that feeling that you can go away, come back, and we will always have the light on and the door unlocked.

Clarion is about: Love, loyalty, pride.

Fly, Eagle family, Fly!

Karen M. Whitney

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A tale of two statues

These birds of a feather offer two different perspectives of what Clarion is all about.

With the recent avian addition to Eagle Commons, Clarion University now has two Golden Eagles watching over campus. Outside of Tippin Gymnasium stands the classic statue, while a new eagle is seen soaring in the atrium of the dining hall.



These birds of a feather, though, offer two different perspectives of what Clarion is all about. On the Tippin lawn, the fierce golden eagle clutches at its invisible prey, while the Eagle Commons bird glides gracefully above.

President Karen Whitney and her partner, education faculty member Dr. Peggy Apple,

donated the newer statue to the university as a token of pride. “To me it’s about the academic side of the university, with its being majestic and astute,” Apple said. “It symbolizes going where you haven’t gone before. Think about how wonderful it must be to be up there, soaring above everything else, having a view of the full world.”

The first statue “shows agility and aggressiveness. (It’s) very suited for an athletic complex,” Apple said. That sculpture has been intimidating the competition for more than seven years, and continues to do so today.

Clarion’s spirited past

- The disappearance of the Seminary Hall bell remains the greatest mystery at Clarion University to this day. After a century of service to the university, college, normal school and original Carrier Seminary, the building was razed during the institution’s centennial observations. However, as materials were cleared to make room for a new library, the bell – which was to remain – disappeared. Stories of its location abound, including a popular theory that it now lies in the Clarion River. Forty years later, the search continues.
- The infamous “kissing bench” was a popular location for young women and their beaux throughout the days of Clarion State College. According to college folklore, two individuals who kissed while sitting on the bench were fated to be married.



- The legend of the busts which previously adorned Science – now Founders – Hall is one born of scandal. When news broke in 1902 of an alleged misuse of state funds by several Clarion Normal School founders, angry students poured red paint over the busts of seven of the men located above the entrance to Science Hall. As the paint could not be removed from the porous sandstone, all of the busts were removed, chiseled off at the neck. The busts have since disappeared; however, the chisel marks remain on the façade of Founders Hall.

- Legend has it that the spirit of a departed actor, William, has haunted the Hart Chapel Auditorium since the 1930s, and is often heard by students attending class in the chapel, as well as seen among the shadows in the balcony. Auditorium workers often speak of “gremlin activities” attributable to William, including moving equipment and inexplicable light and sound failures. William’s story has since been published in a popular book of ghost stories compiled from universities throughout America.
- The popular “Clarion University Ghost Event” celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2012. From the initial walking tour attended by 250 students and local citizens, the event has now grown to include presentations to nearly 1,500 audience members over multiple nights every October. Stories of alleged hauntings in Becht Hall, Founders Hall, Hart Chapel and several residence halls, among other buildings, both shock and entertain.

VENANGO COLLEGE

Simulation lab gives hands-on experience

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Venango College of Clarion University's School of Nursing and Allied Health Simulation Lab officially opened with the beginning of the fall semester.

The \$1.3 million, state-of-the-art School of Nursing and Allied Health Simulation Lab was funded largely through external gifts and grants. It offers practical, hands-on training for nursing and respiratory care students.

The facility uses mannequins to simulate actual medical emergencies and prepare nurses to handle them.

“It’s much more realistic than having a student just read a case study about what they would do if they were in the situation. But in a simulated experience, they have to actually respond as if a patient is having a heart attack.”

Angela West

“The mannequins are built to resemble real patients as much as possible,” said Mary Terwilliger, nursing faculty member and coordinator of the lab. “The patients can cry, sweat, blink, have difficulty breathing, go into cardiac arrest and even flatline, or cease to breathe. But like real patients, they can also respond to treatments and recover.”

“The mannequins are so high tech that within a few seconds you forget that it’s not a real patient,” Terwilliger said. “The benefit is that it allows our medical students to take care of patients and learn without having to worry that they’re going to harm a real patient.”

“We believe the greatest benefit of having the Simulation Lab is that it is so much closer to real-life experience,” said Angela West, faculty member and chair of the nursing department. “The literature is clear that the best way for direct care providers to really become competent is in simulated experiences. It’s much more realistic than having a student just read a case study about what they would do if they were in the situation. But in a simulated experience, they have to actually respond as if a patient is having a heart attack.”

The facility will also be made available to community organizations.



Nursing students check vital signs on a mannequin in Venango College’s new \$1.3 million School of Nursing and Allied Health Simulation Lab.

All-class reunion



Nearly 100 guests rekindled old friendships, reminisced and enjoyed each other’s company at the Venango College 50th Anniversary All-Class Reunion Sept. 8. Many remembered the first days of the campus with only one building, a dirt parking lot used for gym class and the need for students to create their own entertainment and fun.

“I love Venango Campus,” said **Priscilla Rexford** (’63). “The memories that I have and the friends that I made, I will have with me for a lifetime. It was — and is — a blessing in our lives.”

Alumni, students, faculty and staff enjoyed a tour of the campus’ five classroom and administrative buildings, new nursing simulation lab and five student apartment buildings. The reunion was the culminating event in a year-long celebration of the campus’ anniversary.

Extravaganza2013

The Clarion University Alumni Association will present Distinguished Awards to four alumni at Extravaganza 2013, set for April 13 at Phipps Conservatory Special Events Hall, Pittsburgh. For more information or to request an invitation, please contact Jessica Zacherl at 814-393-1776 or jjzacherl@cuf-inc.org.

Distinguished Alumni



Mark Demich '79

- Travels abroad as Price Waterhouse Coopers senior partner, allowing him to be an international Clarion ambassador
- Generous contributor to university and College of Business Administration (COBA) Scholarship Fund
- Member of COBA Advisory Council
- Member of Clarion University Foundation, Inc., Board of Directors

Venango Distinguished Alumni



Brenda Carll '85

- Pennsylvania Department of Health public health nurse for 24 years
- Chair of Venango County Diabetes Task Force and Oil City Weed and Seed Prevention/Intervention/Treatment Committee; president of Performing Arts Academy
- Instrumental in formation of Venango County Dental Clinic
- Volunteered in Port Au Prince, Haiti, to work in the country's only pediatric hospital

Distinguished Volunteer



John "Jack" Bertani '61

- Twelve-year organizer of annual alumni event in Florida
- Has brought together more than 2,000 alumni and friends of Clarion University
- Initiated the Alpha Gamma Phi Alumni Scholarship Endowment
- Has raised more than \$170,000 in scholarship funding through Alpha Gamma Phi Alumni Association

Distinguished Faculty



Colleen A. McAleer '75

- Professor of Communication Sciences and Disorders; Speech Pathology Department chair
- Major contributor to the Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology
- Five-time award winner for Continuing Education from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
- Chair of Clarion University's Middle States Steering Committee for Re-Accreditation

News from the campuses

Clarion gets fourth nod as 'Military Friendly' school

For the fourth consecutive year, G.I. Jobs, the premier magazine for military personnel transitioning into civilian life, has awarded Clarion University the designation of Military Friendly School. The 2013 Military Friendly Schools list honors the top 20 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools that are doing the most to embrace America's military service members and veterans as students.

Douglass Scholars Program fosters diversity, inclusion

In keeping with the mission of the Frederick Douglass Scholars Program to foster diversity and inclusion in the professorate, Clarion University of Pennsylvania selected three scholars from Howard University for a summer teaching experience: Martha Gay, Yvette Harris and Camelia Sadler, who taught courses in their respective areas of specialty.



YVETTE HARRIS, MARTHA GAY AND CAMELIA SADLER

President Whitney's contract extended

The Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education has extended the contracts of seven university presidents, including Clarion University President Karen Whitney, through June 30, 2015. "Each of the presidents who received a contract extension has demonstrated his or her strong leadership abilities and commitment to student success," said Board of Governors Chairman Guido M. Pichini. "They have provided both outstanding leadership and the vision necessary to lead an institution of higher education in these difficult times."

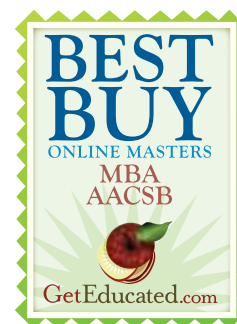
New program awards bachelor's and MBA in five years

Starting in fall 2013, Clarion University students will be able to choose an academic path that will result in two degrees in five years: an undergraduate bachelor's degree and a Master of Business Administration. Students will be able to launch their careers with an undergraduate, non-business degree in chemistry, communication, computer information systems, history, modern languages, psychology, theatre and many more.

Two online master's degrees heralded as 'Best Buy'



GetEducated.com has named two Clarion University online programs a "Best Buy" in their respective fields. Clarion's part-time Master of Business Administration program earned the ranking through GetEducated.com's cost comparison of 69 business schools at universities in the United States that offer distance MBA programs accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International. Clarion's Master of Science in Library Science program earned a spot through GetEducated.com's cost comparison of 16 MSLS programs. The ranking indicates that the degree program has been independently reviewed and found to offer a high-quality, online degree at a cost well below the national average.



University receives grant to purchase scanning electron microscope

Clarion University has received a \$353,530 grant from National Science Foundation for a scanning electron microscope. The microscope, which magnifies at two million times what the naked eye can see, will enable research that was impossible with standard microscopes, which magnify at 2,000 times what the eye can see. The microscope is expected to arrive on campus in spring 2013.

Mary L. Seifert Cultural Series brings author to campus



WILLIAMS

Gregory Williams, author of the memoir "Life on the Color Line," visited Clarion University Sept. 18. Recounting his life as a Caucasian-looking African-American, Williams addressed issues of race and identity from his own experience. His visit was part of the Mary L. Seifert Cultural Series, "The Realities of Race," and supplemented the freshman "common read" program. The Mary L. Seifert Cultural Series Endowment of the Clarion University Foundation, Inc.,

was established to provide the Clarion University community with cultural experiences that inspire learning through thoughtful discussions.



Student news



SCROFANO

Scrofano interns with state government

Gabrielle Scrofano of Erie is working for the state Senate Minority Research Office as part of a 15-week internship sponsored by Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

Scrofano is a junior marketing major and women and gender studies minor at Clarion University of Pennsylvania. She is one of 15 students participating in The Harrisburg Internship Semester program, which provides students the opportunity to work in all areas

of state government while earning a full semester's worth of credits. THIS invites students from each of the 14 PASSHE universities to participate.

Students watch history unfold at political conventions

Thanks to a partnership between Clarion University and The Washington Center, 16 Clarion students witnessed the political process in action as participants of 2012 political conventions. Nine students participated in the Republican National Convention in Tampa, Fla.: Thomas McConnell, Volant; Samuel Curtis, Punxsutawney; Matthew Knoedler, Saegertown; John Owens, Nesquehoning; Michael Friend, Union Township; Emily Miller, State College; Amber Smith, Petrolia; Erin Krotoszynski, Erie; and Dylan Kristufek, Butler. Seven students participated in the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, N.C.: Cassandra Hartman, Silver Gate, Mont.; Sharon Moser, Millville; Chantel Peterson, Lauren Sigmund and Prince Matthews, all of Pittsburgh; Darren Young, Duncannon; and Erika Minster, Lehigh. In addition, to fieldwork assignments, the 16 students used Twitter to share their experiences.

Faculty and staff news

Students co-author poster with physics professor Aravind

Dr. Vasudeva Rao Aravind, assistant professor, Clarion University Department of Physics, presented a poster, "Nanoscale Properties of Diamond Studied Using Atomic Force Microscopy," at the Gordon Research Conference on Tribology in July in Waterville, Maine. Co-authors of the poster were Clarion students Jacob Cvetich, Ellwood City, and Luke Lutkus, Imperial; Clarion assistant professor Benjamin Legum; and Dr. Sanjiv Shrivastava from University of Witwatersrand, South Africa. The work described in this poster is an effort to understand the mechanisms of friction and lubrication at the nanoscale.



Clarion University Provost **Dr. Ron Nowaczyk** (left), President **Dr. Karen M. Whitney** (center) and APSCUF faculty representative **Dr. Jamie Phillips** (right) stand with four of the 10 faculty members who retired in 2012: (from left) **Dr. Deborah Burghardt**, women and gender studies; **Dr. Sonja Heeter**, education; **Dr. Lawrence Wells**, music; and **Dr. James E. Pesek**, dean, College of Business Administration. Faculty who retired but are not pictured are: **Jack Davis**, health and physical education; **Dr. Kate Eggleton**, biology; **Dr. Darlynn Fink**, English; **Judith Janes**, communication sciences and disorders; **Dr. William Sanders**, economics; and **Dr. Stephen Shulik**, anthropology, geography and earth science.

Ashcraft publishes fifth edition of psychology workbook

Dr. Donna Ashcraft, professor of psychology at Clarion University, recently published the fifth edition of her "Personality Theories Workbook." Published by Wadsworth, a branch of Cengage Learning, it is used at many universities throughout the world to assist students in the learning of personality theories. Ashcraft earned her bachelor's degree from Buffalo State College and her master's and doctorate in personality and social psychology from The State University of New York at Albany. She has been teaching at Clarion University since 1988.



SAVAGE

Savage lends expertise at NCHC Summer Institute

Dr. Hallie Savage, director of Clarion University Honors Program, was a course instructor for the National Collegiate Honors Council's Summer Institute for Assessment and Evaluation at University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

She is past president of the NCHC and co-chair of its Assessment and Evaluation Committee. Savage co-instructed "Assessment: A Foundation for Program Review and the Self-Study Process," which provided in-depth training in the areas of creating an honors program/college assessment plan, including the development of student learning outcomes (for honors), writing a self-study, preparing for a program review and developing a strategic plan.

Special education faculty members present paper in Ireland

Drs. Sally Sentner and Greg Clary, faculty members in the department of special education and rehabilitation sciences, presented at Council for Exceptional Children's Division of International Special Education and Services International Round Table in July in Sligo, Ireland. Their paper and presentation focused on how global policies impact students with disabilities at the local level, with a particular emphasis on transition.



MY CLARION FAMILY TREE

A good mother nurtures her children. She guides them, supports them, celebrates their successes and supports them through difficulties. She helps them become responsible, caring, self-sufficient adults and gently nudges them out of the nest and into the world.

“Alma mater” is Latin for “fostering mother,” and for the Grejda family, Clarion University – alma mater to five generations – might as well have her own place at their holiday table.

The lineage began in 1902, when **Inez Finnefrock Fulton** earned her teaching certification from what was then Clarion Normal School, and it carries on to this day with her great-great-grandchildren, graduate student **Erin** (**2011**); **Eric**, **2012**; and undergraduate student, **Kevin Grejda**.

In the years between, Clarion graduated Fulton’s sons, a daughter-in-law, grandchildren, a granddaughter-in-law and great-grandchildren.

Gail (Fulton ’66) Grejda is one of those grandchildren. She grew up in Clarion, often visiting the campus. She experienced Clarion University as the daughter of alumnus **Ralph J. Fulton** (**’35**); as a student, when she met and married her husband, **Ed Grejda** (**’57**); as a professor of education; and as dean of the College of Education and Human Services. Ed, who passed away in 2006, was a professor of English at Clarion, as well as chair of the English department twice and interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. She was a 2008 recipient of Clarion University Alumni Association’s Distinguished Faculty award. Gail has also experienced Clarion University as a mother and as a grandmother.

Ed and Gail Grejda raised their sons, **Rick (MBA ’85)** and Steven, in Clarion. Rick and his wife, **Lynn (Ordiway ’83)**, in turn, raised their children, Erin, Eric and Kevin, in Clarion.

As a child, Rick learned to swim through lessons taught by Clarion students. He became friends with many

of the swimmers. His elementary school classes were held in Stevens Hall, where the teachers were part of the university staff.

“I remember Dad taking me up to campus. I went to his office to eat lunch,” Rick said.

He and Lynn, in turn, integrated Clarion University into their children’s upbringing. They, too, learned to swim at Clarion University, where Erin met Quinn Luke, daughter of then-football coach Malen Luke.

“My first memory (of Clarion University) is meeting, still, to this day, my best friend,” Erin said.

Autumn Saturdays for the Grejdas meant Golden Eagles football games at Memorial Stadium, where the kids indulged in their own gridiron games in the end zone.

“We always had random Clarion clothes, lots of old apparel,” Kevin said. “I remember wearing Steelers jerseys – whatever made us feel like we were really playing.”

“I don’t think we ever missed a college football game,” Gail said. As children, Rick sold programs at the games, and Eric and Kevin worked as ball boys.

“Clarion University has been a central part of all of our lives, growing up and as adults,” Gail said.

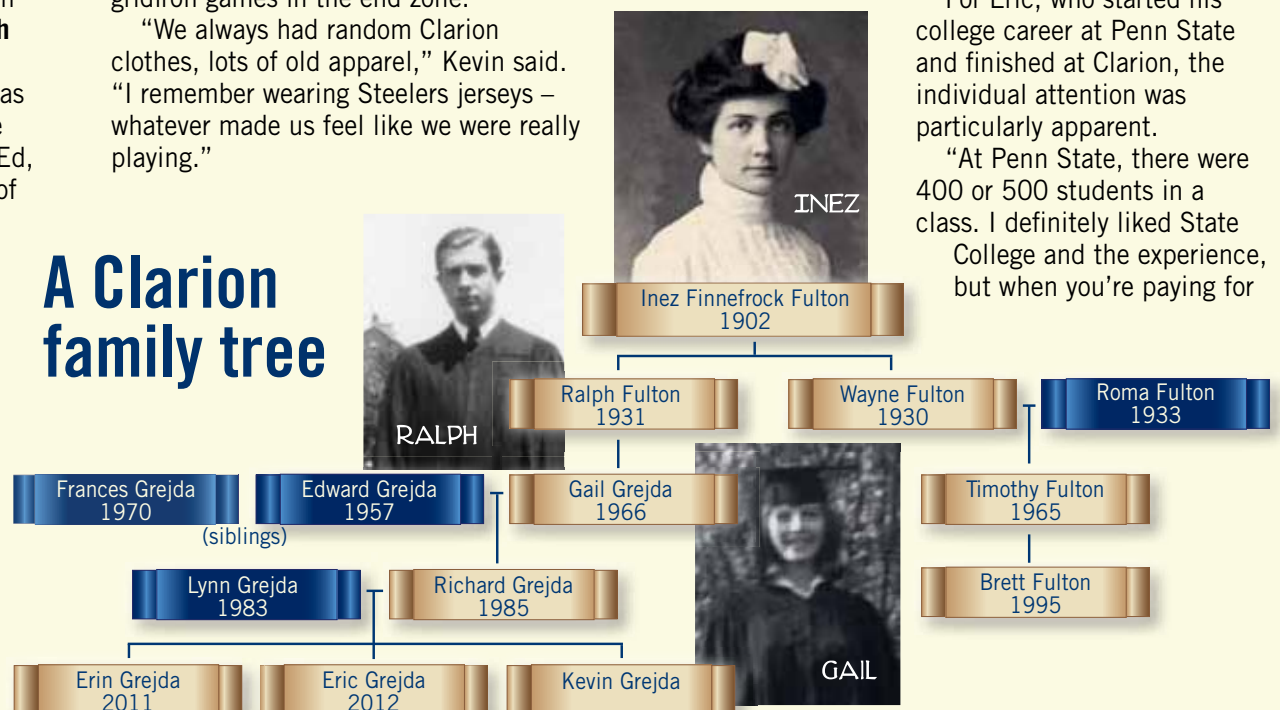
While extracurricular activities provide some of the Grejdas’ favorite family memories, each family member appreciates the quality of a Clarion education.

The Grejdas agree that the smaller class sizes at Clarion and the fact that the professors really do know their students by name, contribute to the solid education and overall great experience that Clarion University provides.

For Eric, who started his college career at Penn State and finished at Clarion, the individual attention was particularly apparent.

“At Penn State, there were 400 or 500 students in a class. I definitely liked State College and the experience, but when you’re paying for

A Clarion family tree



classes, Clarion is a much better value,” he said. “I enjoyed being able to talk to the Clarion professors and getting to know them.”

While Rick, Eric and Kevin veered from the teaching tradition that also is part of the family legacy, Gail, now retired, Lynn, who teaches fourth grade science at Clarion Elementary School, and Erin, a teacher at Clarion-Limestone, found their niche in education.

“My decision to go to Clarion was based on going into education; my older sister had gone to Clarion as well,” Lynn said. “I had a great experience in the education department with my professors.”

“I enjoyed the education classes. They were worth waking up at 7 a.m. for an 8 a.m. class. I wanted to go,” Erin said. “I think having the opportunity of field experience, block and student teaching prepared me so well, and that was one of the greatest experiences of my life.”

She currently is pursuing her master’s degree online, through Clarion’s virtual campus.

Gail added that there’s a personal touch, a true level of caring that simply doesn’t happen at other schools.

“Erin was on the rugby team, and she suffered a concussion. The professors were very accommodating with the after-effects of the concussion,” Gail said.

For Kevin, his family appreciates the personal attention his academic advisor gave.

“I was undecided my first year,” Kevin said. “I knew I wanted to do something helping people, but I wasn’t sure what that was. I took a speech pathology class with Kathy Linnan to see if I’d like it.”

The class resonated with Kevin, and he decided to pursue speech pathology as a career.

“(Kathy Linnan) went in on a Saturday morning to talk to him and help him get started,” Lynn Grejda said. “That doesn’t happen at other universities.”

“I think that’s fairly common at Clarion University,” Gail said. “I experienced similar incidents, in which faculty would work with students to help them choose their major.”

The joy of the Grejda family legacy can, perhaps, be best illustrated by one of Rick’s most cherished memories.

At the commencement ceremony when Rick, now a commercial loan officer for Farmers National Bank, was awarded his MBA, his degree was presented with love and pride by his father.



The Grejda family (from left): Kevin, Erin, Lynn, Gail, Rick, Eric

“When I got my master’s, Dad hooded me,” Rick said. “He was a faculty member at that point in time.”

Gail said that moment was a surprise to both Rick and to her husband, as well as to the entire family.

“None of us knew until he was called up,” she said.

For her, it’s difficult to think of life experiences that haven’t involved Clarion University.

“I think my education at Clarion University absolutely laid the foundation for my career and my life. I’ve lived and traveled all over the world – China, Barbados – all of that is related to my career, which began at Clarion,” Gail said. “My Clarion University family was part of my everyday experience.”

Continuing education

Gail Grejda’s father, Ralph J. Fulton, wanted to keep alive his parents’ names, so he established with Clarion University Foundation, Inc., the Inez and B.H. Fulton Leadership Scholarship for an outstanding Clarion University student. Gail and her family followed the example when her husband, Ed, passed away. They established the Grejda Education Scholarship, which is awarded to an education major.

“Both (scholarships) are very rewarding to me, because the foundation sends letters to me every year from students who receive the scholarships,” Gail said. “Almost without exception, the students speak to their need for the scholarship money.”

THE CLARION UNIVERSITY FAMILY is proud to include students for whom a Clarion education is a tradition dating back more than a century, as well as those who are their family’s first generation to pursue a college degree. The students below continue what began with other family members – an education of which they are Clarion proud.

Nichole



Maggie



Emily



Trisha

Ginny



Damian

Maggie Abrams is a sophomore communication major. She follows in the Golden Eagle tracks of her parents, Keith ('82) and Elizabeth (Sandvik '85) Abrams, and her uncle, Kristopher Abrams '89. Maggie’s younger sister, Allie, will join the Clarion University family in fall 2013.

Nicole McCullough is a sophomore speech pathology major, the second generation of her family to pursue a Clarion degree. Her father, Kevin McCullough, is a 1985 graduate.

Junior economics major **Emily Schierberl**’s family affiliation with Clarion University began in 1909 when her great-grandmother, Mary C. Murphy Schierberl graduated from Clarion Normal School. Since then, Mary Schierberl’s children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, including current students Emily and great-granddaughter **Trisha Wolf**, senior speech pathology major, have turned to Clarion for their post-secondary education.

Damian Owen is a sophomore computer science major whose Clarion family legacy began with his mom, Sophia.

Ginny Eck’s father, Timothy Eck, was the first generation of the Eck family to attend Clarion University.

FINAL CURTAIN CALL TO SUPPORT THEA

If we had known

Clarion University Foundation, Inc., receives surprise bequests from time to time. Of course, we appreciate those gifts immensely. They reveal gracious and generous people who love Clarion. In addition, those gifts certainly help us accomplish our mission of supporting the university.

Unfortunately, we are never able to express our gratitude for such kindness. We are unable to let those people know how much their gift would mean. If we had only known, we could have said, "Thank you."

So we encourage our friends to let us know when they include Clarion University Foundation, Inc., in their estate plans. Not only can we express our appreciation, we can make sure they are kept up to date with all the developments occurring here at the university.

Have you named Clarion in your estate plans? If so, like Connie Alexis-Laona please let us know, so we can say thank you! If not, and if you would like to talk with someone personally about gift planning possibilities, please let us know that as well. All inquiries are considered confidential unless you decide otherwise. Inquiries can be made by calling 814-393-2572 or by emailing giving@clarion.edu.

Connie Alexis-Laona ('71) believes that theatre nourishes the soul. To support what has been so important to her in her lifetime, Alexis-Laona has established the Dr. Adam Weiss Theatre Endowment at Clarion University in honor of her theatre professor, advisor and mentor.

"I am who I am today because of Clarion and the people who taught at Clarion," Alexis-Laona said. "Dr. Weiss taught theatre history and design and technical theatre. He instilled in his students an appreciation of theatrical tradition and the skills and knowledge necessary to excel as a theatrical producer."



Alexis-Laona was active in theatre in high school. The memories are so precious to her that she has held onto a broken glass horse from her school's production of "The Glass Menagerie." She decided to further pursue theatre at Clarion University, taking a cue from her high school drama teacher, a Clarion alumnus. At Clarion, she majored in speech communication and theatre, and she continued her involvement in productions.

"From the excellent theatre training and leadership skills I obtained at Clarion, I learned to work hard and benefit from every work experience," Alexis-Laona said. "During the time I was at Clarion, students produced many shows. I started my producing career with our Alpha Psi Omega productions."

After completing her master's degree at Penn State, Alexis-Laona headed to New York City, arriving in the mid 70s. She worked steadily, finding rewarding work at great theatres, including Manhattan Theatre Club and Circle Repertory Theatre. She continued working in theatre for most of her adult life, until 1998 when she moved to university advancement. She found the skills she learned in theatre transferred well to her new career.

"On the stage-management end, it made me organized and able to work as team member/leader," Alexis-Laona said. "It absolutely gave me the ability to look at a goal and achieve it."

She had frequently found herself in the role of fundraiser.

"(In theatre), I was always in non-profit organizations. We depended on box office income to support the programs, so we were always looking for philanthropic gifts," Alexis-Laona said.

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Alexis-Laona now serves as director of development for the School of Arts and Sciences at Rutgers University, a position she has held since fall 2011. For 15 years prior, she worked at Kean University, after having begun her university advancement career at William Paterson University.

Because of her work in advancement, she knew just how to say thank you to her alma mater – through an estate gift. Alexis-Laona has designated a portion of her retirement fund, at her death, to the endowment, which will provide financial support for both theatre production and theatre academic programs. Annual earnings will be used to best serve the immediate needs of the department/program, as recommended by the department

chair and/or director of the theatre program.

“Hopefully there will be money for the theatre department to secure resources they might not be able to secure any other way,” Alexis-Laona said.

Dr. Bob Levy, chairman of Clarion University Department of Theatre, said he profusely thanks Alexis-Laona for her gift to Clarion’s theatre students.

“Always, our biggest struggle is keeping up with changes in theatrical technology so we can train our students to jump right into the industry,” he said. “Especially our technical students are finding jobs – they’re working immediately following graduation, and the more up to date we can keep them, the more prepared they will be.”

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Rich Vidunas

Clarion athletics



Like grandfather, like granddaughter.

When **Hannah Heeter** decided to play basketball last year after playing only volleyball as a freshman, she became the second member of her family to suit up in two sports for the Golden Eagles.

Hannah's grandfather, the late **Rich Vidunas ('54)**, played both football and basketball for Clarion State College from the fall of 1952 to the spring of 1954.

"I knew he had gone to Clarion, but I didn't really know what he had done here," Heeter said when asked about her late grandfather's playing days for the Golden Eagles. "It never really came up, or I didn't think it was a big deal. Now I realize it was."

The similarities between Vidunas and Heeter don't end with both of them playing two sports. The duo share in common being members of teams considered among the best in school history.

Vidunas was a defensive starter – halfback, which is present day defensive back – on Clarion's undefeated, 9-0, 1952 football squad that beat East Carolina, 13-6, in the Lions Bowl. He was also a key player on both sides of the football on the Golden Eagles' 6-2 1953 team.

"(Vidunas) played end, tackle and defensive halfback during his career and did a fine job at all three positions," the May 15, 1954, edition of the Clarion Call stated.

Heeter, meanwhile, has been a key player on a pair of NCAA Division II qualifying volleyball teams for the Golden Eagles, including the 2010 team that won PSAC, PSAC West and NCAA Division II Atlantic Region titles while becoming the first team in school history to make it to the Division II Elite Eight in volleyball.

"It's a proud feeling following in his footsteps," Heeter said. "He died when I was in seventh or eighth grade, so I didn't know him that well. I realize we have a lot more in common than I thought we did."

Both Vidunas, who went on to an outstanding career as a teacher and head football coach at nearby Union High School, and Heeter, from nearby Cranberry High, have been considered to be among the best athletes on campus.

Heeter is the reigning PSAC West Freshman of the Year in basketball and was the only freshman in either NCAA Division I or NCAA Division II to average a double-double last season (13.4 ppg, 11.8 rpg). She also has been a key member of the volleyball team for three straight seasons and has topped 200 kills in each of the last two seasons.

"She pretty much has it all," Clarion's 24th year women's basketball coach Gie Parsons said. "She can handle the ball, she can go rim-to-rim with ease, and she is a great rebounder."

In basketball, Vidunas might not have scored as much as his granddaughter (4.1 ppg in 1953 and 9.8 ppg in 1954), but he was a

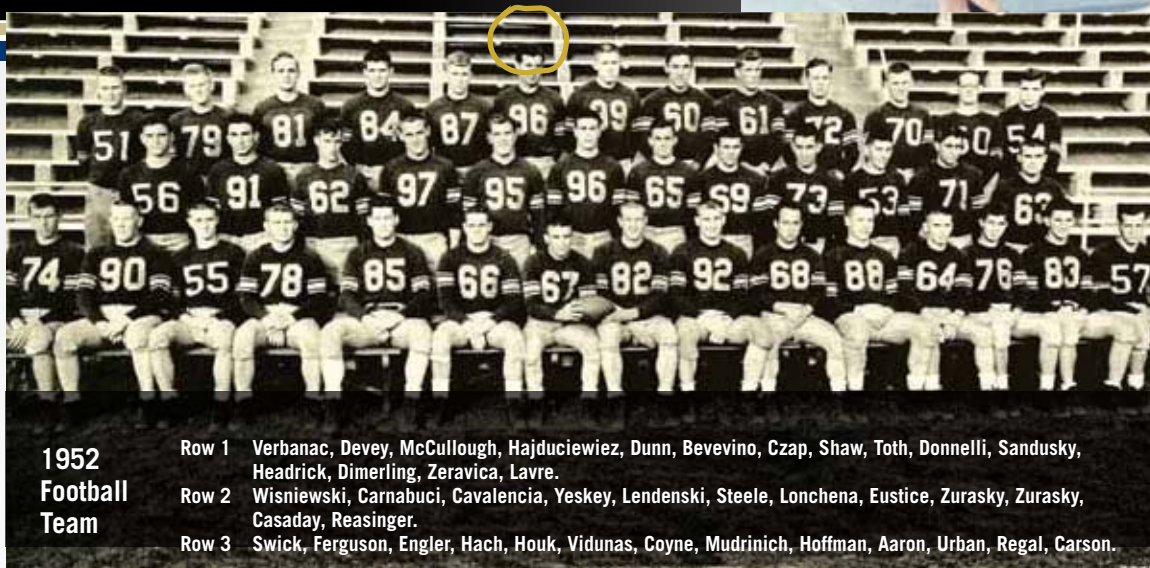


Hannah & Heeter

ties family together



Former Clarion University President Diane Reinhard greets Rich Vidunas at the Sept. 21, 2002, 50th anniversary celebration of the 1952 team's undefeated season. In the foreground are former athletic director Bob Carlson, #82 Robert Shaw and #70 Ed Urban.



1952 Football Team

Row 1	Verbanac, Devey, McCullough, Hajduciewicz, Dunn, Bevevino, Czap, Shaw, Toth, Donnelly, Sandusky, Headrick, Dimerling, Zeravica, Lavre.
Row 2	Wisniewski, Carnabuci, Cavalencia, Yeskey, Lendenski, Steele, Lonchena, Eustice, Zurasky, Zurasky, Casaday, Reasinger.
Row 3	Swick, Ferguson, Engler, Hach, Houk, Vidunas, Coyne, Mudrinich, Hoffman, Aaron, Urban, Regal, Carson.

key member of Clarion's 1953 and 1954 basketball teams, including the 1953 squad that qualified for the NAIB District playoffs and went 13-8. He scored 244 career points in two seasons with the Golden Eagles after transferring from Villanova prior to the 1952 campaign and sitting out a year. That included seven double-digit games during the 16-game 1954 season, with a career-high 20 points vs. Slippery Rock.

"Both Vidunas and (Jim) McCullough proved to be outstanding leaders and deserve a lot of credit for being a steadying influence on the younger members of the team," teammate Don Reno wrote in the May 15, 1954, Clarion Call. "Both will be sorely missed."

Don Stemmerich ('53), a long-time friend, fellow teacher and coach of Vidunas at Union, who also played basketball with him at Clarion, recalls him being a good athlete who was also an unselfish teammate.

"We knew when he came to Clarion he was a good athlete," Stemmerich said. "He was an unselfish team player in both sports. In basketball, he could shoot the ball, but he was also willing to be a play maker. He was a tremendous team player."

An interesting similarity is that neither athlete played basketball the first season they were on campus.

Vidunas was forced to sit out the 1951-52 school year after transferring from Villanova and missed out on being a part of Clarion's undefeated regular-season team that

became the first squad to qualify for the NAIB national tournament in Kansas City.

Heeter, meanwhile, had been an exceptional high-school basketball player but had decided she only wanted to play volleyball in college.

But while neither played varsity basketball that first season, both made a name for themselves on the intramural courts at the college on the hill.

According to the Clarion Call from the winter of 1952, Vidunas was one of the leading intramural scorers at the time.

"We were excited that he was joining the basketball team," Stemmerich said. "He was built like an athlete. He had a sturdy build to him."

Nearly 60 years later, Heeter also impressed on the intramural courts at Clarion.

"I think that's why I ended up playing (varsity) basketball," Heeter said. "I think the coaches saw me playing intramurals and wanted me to be on the team."

While all the coincidences and connections between this grandfather and granddaughter are fascinating on their own, maybe the most important connection of all is how it brought a granddaughter closer to her grandfather – almost a decade after he passed away.

"In a lot of ways it's really nice," Heeter said. "I've gotten to know a lot more about my grandfather than I did. At the same time, it makes me sad because while he did it, he never got a chance to watch me play."



All-American Fleming leads 2013 Clarion wrestlers



CRESSLEY

Returning 157-pound NCAA Division I All-American **James Fleming** (West Mifflin) and national qualifier **Steven Cressley** (Punxsutawney) are back to lead the 2013 Golden Eagles wrestling team to an exciting season in PSAC, EWL and NCAA action.

Interim head wrestling coach Troy Letters, who was the top assistant at Clarion in 2012 and helped the Golden Eagles to an 18th place finish at the Division I Nationals, is looking forward to the start of the 2013 season.

"If we can stay healthy, we are expecting an exciting wrestling season at Tippin Gym, and our fans will have plenty to cheer about," Letters said.

The 2013 squad will feature the return of nine letter-winners, seven starters and a select number of newcomers and transfers who expect to make contributions to this year's team.

A program with a storied tradition in NCAA Division I wrestling, the Golden Eagles hope to battle for the PSAC title, challenge the top teams of the EWL and have a strong showing the NCAA D-I Nationals in March in Des Moines, Iowa.

Last year's Golden Eagles were 6-7 in dual meet action, third at PSACs, 11th at Midlands, fourth at EWLs and a strong 18th at the NCAA Division I Championships.

Leading the 2013 Eagles will be All-American **James Fleming** at 157 and NCAA qualifier **Steven Cressley** (184).

Fleming finished fifth at NCAA last year and had a 33-4 overall record while winning the EWL title and placing second at Midlands. He is already a three-time NCAA qualifier, a two-time EWL champion and has a career record of 92-16.

Cressley qualified for nationals with a third place finish at the EWL tournament at 184. Although going 0-2 at nationals, he finished the season with a 17-16 record and valuable experience. He was also second at PSAC in 2012 and has a career record of 46-61.



FLEMING



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Starters returning to the 2013 lineup include **Joe Waltko** (Sr. Allison Park) at 133, **Tyler Bedelyon** (Jr. Lewistown) at 149, **Nick Milano** (Jr. Erie/Prep) at 165, **Ryan Darch** (So. Batavia, N.Y.) at 174 and **Trey Hicks** (Sr. Amityville, N.Y.) at 125.

Waltko, a three-year starter, was 17-16 last year, placing fifth at EWLs and third at PSACs. He has a career record of 50-36.

Bedelyon will move up to 149 from 141 a year ago, where he was 18-17, notched eight falls and defeated some nationally ranked wrestlers.

Milano will move back to his familiar 165-pound spot after moving up to 174 and 184 in 2012. He was 8-15 last year, after placing fourth at EWLs at 165 in 2010 and being red-shirted in 2011.

Darch, a part-time starter at 174 last year, was 8-12 at 174. Hicks, a starter for three years at 125, will battle to stay in the lineup in 2013.

Looking to break into the starting lineup immediately will be Penn State transfers **Sam Sherlock** (So. West Mifflin) at 141, **Justin Ortega** (Sr. Oxford) at 197, heavyweight **Brandon Contreras** (Jr. Rochester, N.Y.), along with freshmen **Tyler Fraley** (Freehold, N.J.) at 125 and **John Maticik** (Fr. N. Jackson, Ohio) at 141.

CLARION NOTES: Since 1959-60 Clarion has a dual meet record of 516-323-13 and had wrestlers win 112 PSAC and 54 EWL individual titles. Clarion also has had eight individual NCAA Division I Champions and 45 D-I All-Americans.

Ferraro named wrestling assistant

Keith Ferraro, 31, a native of Brookville, Pa., and an assistant coach at Brookville High School since 2006, was named assistant wrestling coach at Clarion July 31 by athletic director Dave Katis.

Ferraro filled the open position created when Troy Letters was elevated to interim head coach at Clarion May 15.

Ferraro, son of legendary Brookville head wrestling coach Lenny Ferraro, is a 1999 Brookville High grad. He wrestled two-and-a-half years for his father, before his passing, then finished his junior and senior years under head coach Thad Turner. At Brookville, Ferraro was a three-time district champion (112-Fr.; 125-So.; 135-Sr.) and was part of the 1999 Brookville High School dual meet state championship team.

Ferraro attended Lock Haven University, where he was part of the wrestling program for four seasons (2000-03), and graduated in December 2003 with a degree in health and physical education. A volunteer coach at Central Mountain in the seasons of 2003 and 2004, Ferraro was the head coach at Brockway in the 2005 season, then took a position to teach at Brookville High School and became the assistant coach under Dave Klepfer in 2006. In the 2011-12 season, Brookville advanced 13 wrestlers to regionals, five to the PIAA championships, and, as a team, placed fourth in the state dual meet championships.

"I am thrilled to have Keith Ferraro as my assistant coach," Clarion mentor Troy Letters said. "He is fully committed to building Clarion wrestling back to national prominence. I believe Keith will be a strong recruiter and an outstanding assistant."

Why Clarion?

"This is a great opportunity," Ferraro said. "I have a lot of faith and respect for coach Letters – I have such great memories growing up and watching some of the wrestling greats come through Tippin Gym – guys like Kurt Angle, Sheldon Thomas, Bryan Stout and Mark Angle, just to name a few. And, of course, what coach Bob Bubbs did for wrestling here – I want to be part of building that tradition back."

Ferraro and wife Meghan reside in Brookville with sons Lenny, 3, and Vincent, 7 months.



Clarion women's basketball rebounding in 2013

The Golden Eagles women's basketball team is hoping a mix of youth and experience will carry it back to the PSAC playoffs for the first time since 2009. The Golden Eagles were 7-19 last year, but look to rebound in 2013.

Clarion returns five of its six starters from last season, and 11 of its top 12 scorers, while adding to the mix eight freshmen, some of whom are expected to make an immediate impact.

"Practices are very competitive and very up-tempo right now," said Clarion's 24th-year head coach Gie Parsons, the winningest coach in school history with 328 wins. "The young players are definitely pushing the veteran players. We could definitely see some of the young players playing key roles for us."

Clarion will be led by red-shirt sophomore forward **Hannah Heeter** (Seneca). Heeter, who will join the Golden Eagles at the conclusion of volleyball season, is coming off one of the best seasons ever



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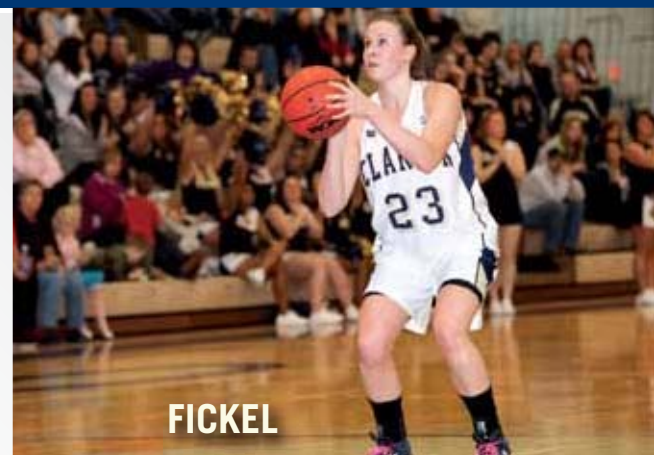
by a Clarion freshman. She was named the PSAC West Freshman of the Year and second team All-PSAC West in 2012. A preseason All-PSAC West choice in 2013, she was the only freshman in either NCAA Division I or II to average a double-double (13.4 ppg, 11.7 rpg). She led the PSAC in both rebounding and shooting (59.3 percent) and ranked second in Division II in shooting and eighth in rebounding. Heeter was even stronger down the stretch, averaging 16.8 points and 14.3 rebounds per game in her final 14 games while recording 12 double-doubles. She also tied the school single-season and career records for 20-20 games.

Joining Heeter are five juniors who have seen significant playing time the last two years, including guards **Emma Fickel** (Carlisle), **Raven Jones** (Philadelphia) and **Mackenzie Clark** (Mentor, Ohio), swing person **Lauren Savulchak** (Pittsburgh) and forward **Ann Deibert** (York).

Fickel was Clarion's second-leading scorer last season (11.7 ppg), while hitting a team-leading 65 three-pointers. She ranks sixth in school history with 154 made threes.

Jones was the starting point guard a year ago and had 139 assists, the fifth most in a season in school history while averaging 9.1 ppg. Her 5.3 apg was second in the PSAC and 15th in the nation. Jones, though, who also shot 42 percent from the field, will be moving to the two-guard this season with hopes of cutting down on her 168 turnovers.

Clark averaged 5.1 points and 3.8 rebounds per game, while Savulchak, coming off an injury, averaged 3.2 points and 2.3 rebounds per contest. Deibert was Clarion's



FICKEL

second-leading rebounder (5.7 rpg) and fourth-leading scorer (9.0 ppg).

Freshmen who could make immediate impacts are point guards **Mariah Gador** (Cincinnati, Ohio) and **Tania Holmes** (Dorchester, Mass.) and swing person **Jasmine Boyd** (Ft. Washington, Md.).

Holmes scored more than 1,000 career points and was a Greater Boston League All-Star as a senior, while Gador tallied an average 11.9 points and 6.8 rebounds per game as a senior while being named Honorable Mention Ohio District 16. Boyd was an Honorable Mention Washington Catholic Athletic Association performer a year ago and had 771 points and 337 rebounds in her career.

CLARION NOTES: Parsons begins her 24th year at Clarion with a record of 328-305, and with her eight years at Thiel, has a collegiate record of 438-378... She led Clarion to PSAC titles in 1991, '92, '93, '94 and '95 ... Clarion reached the "Elite 8" in 1991 and '94, and "Sweet 16" in '92 and '93.

Eagles men's basketball team up-tempo for 2013

It will be a new look for Golden Eagles men's basketball in 2012-13, as the team will feature a guard-oriented lineup that will rely on quickness and speed, both offensively and defensively.

"We want to dictate the tempo," said Clarion's 25th-year head coach Ron Righter, the winningest coach in school history with 390 wins. "We want to force what the other team is doing, and we need to create more possessions."



KROMKA

After being an inside-out team the last couple of seasons with bruising inside players like Bud Teer and Paul McQueen, the Golden Eagles will be a smaller, more athletic team, even on the inside, where the athletic 6-foot-6-inch **Mike Kromka** (Monroeville) will be the primary post player.

Kromka, a junior who averaged 7.2 ppg and 5.7 rpg, is one of three returning players who saw

significant playing time for a Clarion team that went 15-13 overall and 11-11 in the PSAC West last year. He is joined by senior guards **Calvin Edwards** (Delaware, Ohio) and **Leonard Patterson** (Cleveland, Ohio).

Edwards, who transferred into Clarion last year, is the returning leading scorer for the Golden Eagles. He averaged 13.1 ppg last year, which ranked third on the team and 20th in the PSAC, while hitting a team-best 59 three-



EDWARDS



PATTERSON

Anthony Baker (Bushkill), a transfer from PSAC West rival Lock Haven. Baker was Lock Haven's leading scorer the last two seasons, averaging 11.6 ppg last year and 9.8 ppg as a freshman. He also averaged 4.1 rpg in 2012 for the Bald Eagles, and in two seasons at Lock Haven scored 492 points with 164 rebounds, 41 assists and 40 steals.

Point guard **Marques Jones** (Milford, Del.), who joins the Golden Eagles from NCAA Division I New Jersey Institute of Technology, is another newcomer Righter is excited about.

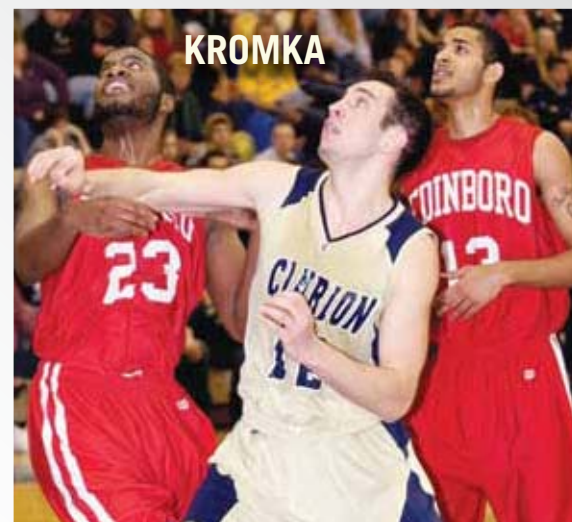
Jones played in 22 games for the Highlanders last season and scored 41 points to go with 23 rebounds, 12 assists and eight steals. He was a third-team All-Prep New Jersey in 2011 at Blair Academy and was a second-team All-Delaware performer while helping Milford High School to a state championship in 2010.

Forward **Aaron Johnson** (Moon Twp.) from Moon High School is another new player who could make an impact. Johnson may not be eligible until the second semester after attending Princeton last year – he didn't play varsity basketball. At Moon, Johnson was the all-time leading

pointer. His 2.1 threes per game was sixth in the conference.

Patterson, in his third year at Clarion, was the starting point guard last year and averaged 8.2 points and 3.1 rebounds per game, while handing out a team-high 87 assists. He will be asked to play more at the two-guard spot this season.

Another player with a lot of PSAC experience, just not at Clarion, who is expected to contribute significantly is junior



KROMKA

scorer (1,626) while adding 940 career rebounds. He averaged 25 ppg, 12 rpg as a senior.

CLARION NOTES: Coach Righter has a Clarion record of 390-260 ... He has a home record at Tiffin Gym of 243-101, a 70.6 percent over 24 seasons... The last 15 years, Clarion is 171-62 at home (73.4 percent) ... Dating back to 1971 (41 years), Clarion has an overall men's record of 692-438, a 61.2 winning percentage ... The Golden Eagles have won the PSAC-West 12 times, including 1971, '73, '77, '79, '80, '81, '83, '84, '85, '97, 2000 and 2005 ... 1971 and '73 under Ron Galbreath, '77, '79, '80 and '81 under Joe DeGregorio, '83, '84 and '85 under Dr. Richard Taylor, and the last three under coach Righter.

Clarion men return six All-Americans in 2012

Clarion men's swimming and diving is expected to have another strong, balanced team in 2013 under 13th-year head coach Mark VanDyke.

Last year's Golden Eagles were fourth at PSACs and 15th at the NCAA Division II National Championships, after swimming a tough dual meet schedule.

Back to lead the way for the 2012 Golden Eagles are five returning All-Americans including **Joseph Ward** (Sr. Johnstown, Richland), **Ben Appleby** (Sr. York Suburban) and **Matt Bojalad** (Sr. Dubois) in the pool and **Heath Calhoun** (Jr. Butler), **Seth Brandenburg** (Jr. Canton, Ohio) and **Justin Duncan** (Sr. South Park) on the diving boards.

Ward had an outstanding showing at D-II Nationals in 2011, placing fifth in the 100 and 11th in the 50 freestyles. He is a four-time All-American. Ward also won the 100 free at PSACs last year and the 50 and 100 at PSACs in 2010.

Appleby, a relay All-American in 2011, was a PSAC champ in the 200 free in 2010.



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Brandenburg was sixth on three-meter and 10th on one-meter in 2012 and 12th on one-meter and 16th on three-meter in 2011. Duncan, who was fifth on three-meter and sixth on one-meter in 2012, was 10th on three-meter and 16th on one-meter in 2011.

Other returnees in the pool include **Casey Dunleavy** (Sr. McMurray), **Brendan Farren** (So. Monroeville), **Grant Fetzer** (Sr. Allison Park), **Scott Harvey** (Jr. Macungie, Emmaus), **Joey Hufnagel** (So. Irwin), **Derek Nelson** (Jr.

Bojalad, a relay All-American in 2009, was third in the 50 free at PSACs in 2012.

Diving coach Dave Hrovat returns All-Americans Calhoun, Brandenburg and Duncan. Calhoun, in his first trip to nationals, placed third on three-meter and 11th on one-meter in 2012.



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Mt. Joy), **James Robichaud** (So. Annapolis, Md.), **Dylan Snyder** (Jr. Erie/Strong Vincent), **Royce Tipper** (Jr. Coraopolis) and **Joe Welch** (Sr. Erie/Strong Vincent).

CLARION NOTES: The Golden Eagles have won 24 PSAC titles in the past 41 years ... Coach VanDyke has a 12-year dual meet record of 65-45-2 ... Diving Coach Dave Hrovat begins his 23rd season ... A 21-time NCAA Coach of the Year, he has crowned a total of 38 national champions and 227 All-Americans in men's and women's diving.



WARD

Shull, Oberlander and Day lead swimmers and divers in 2013

The Golden Eagle women's swimming and diving tradition will continue in 2013, led by swimmers **Kayla Shull** (Sr. Franklin, Rocky Grove) and **Morgan Oberlander** (Sr. York), and diver **Kristin Day** (So. Reynoldsville/Dubois).

Thirteenth-year head coach Mark VanDyke ('80) will look to a total of five returning All-Americans to lead the way, with returning veterans and a bevy of newcomers to keep the Eagles on top.

Clarion posted a quality 6-5 dual meet record, a second place finish at PSACs and a 22nd place showing at the NCAA D-II Nationals. The Golden Eagles have won 26 PSAC titles, most recently in 2006.

Shull, a two-time All-American last year, placed fifth in the 100 backstroke with a school record time of 55.45, and 14th in the 200 free. She was fifth in the 100 back at nationals in 2011 and third in the 100 back in 2010. She is a 12-time All-American.

Oberlander placed 14th in the 200 fly in the 2012 nationals, and seventh in the 200 fly at nationals in 2011. She is a five-time career All-American.

Day, a talented diver, posted a second-place finish on three-meter and a fourth place ending on one-meter at nationals in 2012.

Also returning with All-American honors for the blue and gold are **Rachel Tano** (Sr. Butler, Knoch) and **Samantha VanDyke** (Sr. Maineville, Ohio).

Tano earned 2 A-A honors in 2011 including a 16th place finish in the 200 breaststroke, while VanDyke was a relay All-American.



SHULL

Also back in the pool for the Eagles will be **Emilee Gysegem** (So. Warren, Ohio), **Anna McNurlen** (So. Washington), **Holly Nedley** (Jr. Uniontown), **Tyler Ness** (So. Reading), **Madi Sewell** (Sr. Walled Lake, Mich.), **Kelsey Slayton** (So. White Lake, Mich.), **Sheryl Symosko** (Jr. Clinton, Hopewell) and **Lauren Szoszorek** (So. Erie).

Diving coach Dave Hrovat, in his 23rd season, returns All-American Kristin Day with a host of newcomers.

CLARION NOTES: Clarion has won 26 PSAC of the 37 PSAC titles decided since 1976... The Golden Eagles have won eight D-II titles, including 1977, '78, '80, '81, '82, '83, '84 and '86... VanDyke's 12-year dual record is 88-35... A 1980 Clarion grad, VanDyke was a 12-time D-II All-American... He was an assistant coach for 12 years prior to taking the head coaching reigns.



SHULL



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1961

James Williams was recently awarded an honorary Ph.D. by Siam University in Bangkok, Thailand. He helped Siam University start a Ph.D. program in information technology and business. He is an adjunct professor of information technology at Siam University and is president and software engineer for ASRD, Inc. He resides in Sunset Beach, N.C., with his wife Jacquelyne. He has three children: Mike, Mark and Marci.

1964

Lawrence Kuzma is a retired lieutenant colonel with the United States Air Force. He resides in Beavercreek, Ohio, with his wife, Kathleen. He has two children, Matthew and Sarah.

1966

Judy Berasi is a part-time instructor for Penn State Beaver Campus, Monaca, Pa. She resides in Pittsburgh.

1969

Robert and **Betty (Ashcroft) Walko** both recently retired. They reside in Joppatowne, Md., and have a son, Robert Jr.

1970

Mark and **Sandra (Artac) Slotta** reside in Cary, N.C. They have a son, Chad. Mark is president of SoftProducts, Inc., Livonia, Mich. Sandra is CEO of SoftPoint, LLC, Livonia.

1971

Rita (Sabol) Clough is retired from the South Western School District. She resides in Glenville, Pa. She has two sons, Matthew and Mark.

Renee Bourg-Giarusso is a self-employed licensed professional counselor in Carnegie, Pa. She resides in Bridgeville with her husband, Don.

1972

Stephen Tweed received the 2012 Cavett Award at the National Speakers Association Convention in Indianapolis. He is CEO of Leading Home Care, Louisville, Ky.

1973

Victor (Gene) Samanka is a retired lieutenant colonel with the United

States Army. He is a director of guidance for the DuBois Area Catholic School, DuBois, Pa., and is also a part-time adjunct professor in psychology and sociology for Butler County Community College. He resides in DuBois with his wife, Dori. He has two daughters, Tracy and Kelley.

1974

Karen Whitehill was honored by the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh in receiving the 2012 Council's Award. Her receipt of the award follows 37 years of banking and community service. She retired in May as senior vice president of Keystone Nazareth Bank & Trust. She resides in Bath, Pa., with her husband, Terry Murphy.

Kathi (Campbell) Cowher recently retired after 36 years as high school librarian at Moshannon Valley Junior-Senior High School. She resides in Sandy Ridge, Pa., with her husband, Gregory. She has two children, Ashlea '12 and Joshua, currently a student at Clarion University.

1975

Margaret (Burkhouse) Gerhart is a retired elementary teacher. She resides in Shinglehouse, Pa., with her husband, Michael, and daughter, Patricia.

James Thieret is a special investigator for Unified Investigations and Sciences, Columbus, Ohio. He resides in Massillon, Ohio, with his wife, Sharon. He has six children: Lynae, Tonia, David, Suzanne, Christian and Jimmy.

1976

Bill Nesbitt is a pastor for Community Bible Church, Stafford, Wis. He and members of his congregation traveled to Tegucigalpa, Honduras, on a mission trip. He resides in Strafford with his wife, Lisa, and children: Mason, Mark and Kathryn.

1978

John Hulburt is a high school band director for Pymatuning Valley Local Schools, Andover, Ohio. He resides in Andover.

Colleen (Crosson) Smith recently retired after 34 years as a school librarian in North Myrtle Beach,

S.C. She is currently working part time for both Horry County Memorial Library and Treehouse Book Fairs. She has three children: Alysa, Wayne and Melanie. Colleen resides in Longs, S.C.

Pamela (Shearer) Walters is an executive vice president for The Devine Group, Cincinnati. She resides in Colleyville, Texas, with her son, Matthew.

1979

Michael Dayton is a manager for Dyno Nobel. He resides in Marquette, Mich.

Corinne (Hosford) Smith recently published her first novel, "Westward I Go Free: Tracing Thoreau's Last Journey," published by Green Frigate Books. It is the story of two 19th-century men and the 21st-century woman who was determined to follow their 4,000-plus-mile route. The details of this last, longest and least-known of Thoreau's excursions had been veiled in mystery, until now. She resides in Athol, Mass.

Kurt Zimmerman is a senior database administrator for Spraylat Corporation, Pelham, N.Y. He resides in Montrose, N.Y., with his children: Ashlee, Jessica-Rae and Alexis.

Kathleen (Berfield) Renne is an intake and assessment coordinator for Punxsutawney Hospital Counseling Center, Punxsutawney, Pa. She resides in Punxsutawney. Kathleen has a daughter, Lisa.

1980

Doug Hallock is self-employed. He resides in Kingsport, Tenn., with his wife, Teri, and daughter, Ashley.

William Palamara Jr. is administrator of St. Athanasius Parish, Pittsburgh. He resides in Pittsburgh with his wife, Donna. William has two children, Christa and Blair.

1981

Nadine (Manilla) Babington is a third grade teacher at the Immaculate Conception School, Clarion. She resides in Clarion with her sons, Gus and Ben.

Philip McGaughey was recently elected to a second three-year term to the board of directors for MCT credit union. He is employed with

the Montgomery County Public Schools. He resides in Damascus, Md., with his wife Trisha. He has two daughters, Katie and Rachel.

1983

Lisa (Piccoli) Beckett is a manager of customs compliance for Bed Bath & Beyond, Inc., Union, N.J. She resides in Suffern, N.Y., with her husband, Thomas, and children: Ryan, Jami and Dylan.

Dr. Jeffrey Cappuccio is a self-employed doctor of chiropractic. He resides in Moon Township, Pa., with his wife, Debbi, and son, CJ.

David Gross is a senior construction project cost accountant for Swire Properties, Inc., Miami, Fla. He resides in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

1984

John McIntyre is a director of human resources for Sodexo, Gaithersburg, Md. He resides in Cleveland, Ohio.

Keith Izydore is a general manager for Farmlinks at Pursell Farms. He resides in Marietta, Ga., with his wife, Ginny, and children, Ashley and Alexander.

1985

David Edwards is a controller for Amazon Fulfillment, Hazleton, Pa. He resides in Mountain Top, Pa., with his wife, Dawn, and sons: Daryn, Ryan, Seth and Trent.

Col. Jeffrey Carr recently retired after serving 30 years in the United States Army. He is a program manager for ManTech, Rock Island, Ill. He resides in Bettendorf, Iowa, with his wife, Barbara, and sons: Jeffrey Jr., David and Sam.

1987

Doris Dick is an assistant director of administrative operations at the University of Pittsburgh Office of Child Development. She resides in Pittsburgh with her spouse, Sharon Geibel, and son, Dylan.

Michael Sherk is an ICU nurse at Good Samaritan Hospital, Lebanon, Pa. He resides in Lebanon.

1988

Scott Daum is the chief executive officer at First United National Bank, Fryburg, Pa. He resides in Tionesta with his wife, Nancy, and children, Joshua and Julia.

Secret agent man



JAMES

“I always loved the blue-collar atmosphere at Clarion and I believe, even in the professors, it really shined through. I was never allowed to take a shortcut, never allowed to make an excuse. I think that it was comforting, because that was the way I was brought up.”

When **Jeffrey James ('90)** became a special agent for the U.S. Secret Service in 1996, he didn't have to relinquish his name and take on a numerical identity, as the Johnny Rivers song suggests. Nor was he presented with a “top secret” rubber stamp, dark glasses fitted with a recording device, or shoes with a heel concealing everything needed to implode a bridge and rappel down the side of a skyscraper.

What James has gained is an exciting career, including working in Secret Service field offices in Pittsburgh and Washington, D.C., the Intelligence Division, The Presidential Detail, and his current assignment as the Secret Service liaison to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

“The Secret Service lends its forensic capabilities to any law enforcement agency that is dealing with a missing or exploited child case,” James said. That could be anything from enhancing grainy video, latent fingerprint examinations, providing handwriting analysis for a ransom note, or providing polygraph services. “In my position, I'm the conduit that all of the evidence comes through to get to our forensic scientists for processing.”

Originally from North Versailles, James grew up hearing stories about Clarion University through his godfather, **Robert Gevaudan ('69)**. When it came time for college, James visited the campus.

“I really enjoyed the campus. I enjoyed the idea of the small college atmosphere,” he said. “There were plenty of activities and extracurriculars, but it still always had the small college atmosphere.”

At Clarion, James majored in secondary education with a concentration in communication arts, and was involved in the theatre department and intramural sports. When he graduated in 1990, he took a job teaching English and theatre arts at Franklin Regional School District in Murrysburg, Pa. The Secret Service position came out of left field when an acquaintance who was with the Secret Service encouraged him to apply to be a special agent.

“I applied, never dreaming I'd be hired because I had no military or law enforcement background,” James said. “I went through a year-and-a-half-long application process. Eventually, I was called in August 1996 and asked if I still wanted the position. I reported for training the next month.”

He's been in his current assignment with the agency for two years. The longest he served in one capacity with the Secret Service was five years, when he worked on the President's Detail for George W. Bush.

“I'm a history lover, and it's literally a thrill every time you walk into the White House. You're watching history happen every day,” James said. “I was working the morning we caught Saddam Hussein. To be right there to see everything unfold, right through the president announcing the capture to the nation, that was just a great thrill.”

James said his time at Clarion University helped to shape him into the person he is today.

“I always loved the blue-collar atmosphere at Clarion and I believe, even in the professors, it really shined through. I was never allowed to take a shortcut, never allowed to make an excuse. I think that it was comforting, because that was the way I was brought up,” James said. “To see that attitude reflected in higher education – that you're responsible for your actions and your work – that attitude of accountability and responsibility stuck with me.”

James said he can separate from the government in about four-and-a-half years, if he so chooses.

“There's a part of me that looks forward to seeing what may be next when my time with Secret Service ends, but part of me knows it will break my heart to leave. This is a great career – the people and experiences have been tremendous.”

James and his wife, Julie, are kept busy with their three young children: Dalaney, 6; Jack, 3; and Madelyn, 1. The family lives in Centreville, Va.

1989

Joseph Turner is a field support engineer for SAIC, Afghanistan. He resides in Las Vegas with his wife, Melissa, and daughter, Savannah.

Kathleen “Kelly” (McCarthy)

Boose recently completed her second master's degree. She resides in Johnstown, Pa., with her husband, Roger, and son, Mycroft.

1990

James Hornidge is a senior manager for Sony Electronics, Park Ridge, N.J. He resides in Westwood, N.J., with his wife, Jennifer, and daughters, Morgan and Brooke.

Keith ('95) McCauley recently retired from Reynold's Food Packaging, Grove City, Pa. He resides in Butler, with his wife, Shirley.

1991

Arlene (Griffiths) Constant is an assisted living nursing supervisor for Westminster Canterbury, Virginia Beach, Va. She resides in Virginia Beach with her husband, Randy, and children: Arran, Samantha, and Cody.

1992

Jeff Bruggeman is medical sales device representative for Boston Scientific. He resides in Cranberry Township, Pa., with his wife, Lisa, and daughter, Braylee.

Kevin Boyles is a Medicare quality coordinator for Geisinger Health Plan, Danville, Pa. He resides in Bloomsburg with his daughters, Kristin and Megan.

Rev. Thomas Burke was recently appointed pastor at St. James Parish, Sewickley, Pa.

1993

Susan (Carley) Peebles is a ninth grade English and AP language and comprehension teacher at the Iroquois Junior/Senior High School, Erie, Pa. She resides in Erie with her husband, Sean; children, Connor and Delaney; and stepdaughters, Kayla and Alexa.

1994

Brian Bazala is the owner of Bazala Entertainment. He is currently directing the Web series *The Fireball Run*. He resides in Sanford, Fla.



1995

Carol (Valore) Bernat is employed with the Punxsutawney Area School District. She resides in Punxsutawney, Pa.

Shawn and Rayna (Liegey '97) Hoke reside in Shippensburg, Pa., with their children: Kaylee, Gabrielle, Collin and Ian. Shawn is director of the Center for Leadership and Involvement at Clarion University. He was recently inducted in Kappa Delta Rho's Ordo Honoris, created in 1982 to formally recognize the impressive achievements of alumni members. Shawn's induction reflects his service to the fraternity, which most recently included a five-year term as Kappa Delta Rho's national president.

1996

April Gallagher is a world language coordinator and Spanish teacher at Baden Academy Charter School. She resides in Monaca, Pa., with her children, Tyler and Amber.

1997

Shawn Kaciubij is a principal for S.R. Snodgrass, A.C., Wexford, Pa. He resides in Murrysville, Pa., with his wife, Elizabeth, and sons, Trevor and Jeremy.

Matthew and Elizabeth (Saglio) Morris reside in Portersville, Pa. Elizabeth is a director of human resources for Werner Co., Greenville, Pa.

Dr. Richard Ruperto is the founder and CEO of TC-4 Counseling Services and academic clinical supervisor for Alive at the Center Ministries (a newly acquired sister company), the counseling and training arm of TC-4, Stuart, Fla.

1998

Dr. Kari Siko was recently appointed interim dean of the School of Education at Charleston Southern University. She resides in Charleston, S.C.

Tim and Cathy (Horniak '99) Yenca reside in Austin, Texas, with their son, Isaac. Tim is an educational technologist for mobile devices at Westlake High School in the Eanes Independent School District, Austin. Cathy is an eighth grade mathematics teacher at Hill Country Middle School, in the Eanes Independent School District. Cathy recently received a master's degree in classroom technology from Wilkes University.

Amanda List Samuels is a wholesale credit manager for Direct Energy, Houston, Texas. She resides in Highland Village, with her husband, Conner, and daughter Kaetie.

Wayne Fletcher is a head varsity basketball coach for Camp Hill High School, Camp Hill, Pa. He resides in Mechanicsburg with his wife, Tricia, and children, Wayne II and Kayla.

1999

Maureen (Beuchert) O'Brien is a speech language pathologist for Therapeutic Early Intervention Services, Pittsburgh, Pa. She resides in Moon Township, Pa., with her husband, Michael, and son, Alexander.

Kami (Tharan) Coursen is an 11th grade English teacher and varsity cheerleading coach in the Keystone School District, Knox, Pa. She resides in Knox, with her husband, Joshua, and sons, Carter and Cooper.

2000

Brett Wiley is a regional marketing director for Fox Rehabilitation Services. He resides in Fort Washington, Pa., with his wife, Shelly, and daughter, Brielle.

Jill Schmidt is the Pennsylvania director of adoption and permanency services for the Bair Foundation, New Wilmington, Pa. She resides in Hermitage, Pa.

Amy (Gaudi) Schultheis is a second grade teacher in the Jeannette City School District. She resides in North Huntingdon, Pa., with her husband, Chris, and sons: Dominic, Tyler and Jordan.

Natalie (Smith) Kidwell is a fifth grade teacher for Morgan County Schools. She resides in Berkeley Springs, W.Va., with her husband, Vince.

Heather Tippet-Wertz is an English teacher in the Altoona Area School District. She resides in Altoona with her husband, Brad, and daughters, Samarra and Nadia.

Dr. Christopher and Jennifer (Kibler) Davis reside in Plum, Pa. Christopher is director of educational technology for Plum Borough School District.

2001

Carrie (M.S. '07) Harvey is an early childhood mental health consultant/instructor for Northwest Regional Key, Erie, Pa. She resides in Clarion

with her husband, Stuart McHenry and children: Devin, Kyle and Ella.

Amy Snyder is a 911 telecommunicator for Lawrence County Department of Public Safety, LEOC, New Castle, Pa. She resides in New Castle with her husband, Gregory Martello, and daughter, Marley.

Dr. Dennis Slagle is a recent graduate of the neonatology fellowship program of Childrens Hospital of Pittsburgh and Magee Womens Hospital, both of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. He is a recipient of the first-place basic science research award from American College of Osteopathic

Pediatricians and Jack Metcalf Award for outstanding research presentation by a fellow, both for the project "Role of bone marrow derived progenitor cells in neonatal intestinal mucosal repair and regeneration." He is a neonatologist for University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Erie, Pa. He resides in Fairmount City, Pa., with his wife, Stacey, and son, Noah.

2002

Henry Crawford is a financial aid counselor for Robert Morris University, Moon Township, Pa. He resides in Pittsburgh.

A bite of the Big Apple



THOMPSON

When **Elizabeth Thompson's ('07)** high school didn't have a theatre program, the aspiring actor knew her college selection was particularly meaningful.

"Clarion taught me everything I know about theatre," Thompson said.

Thompson enrolled at Clarion as a musical theatre major, but she fell in love with stage managing and changed to technical theatre.

She worked in the theatre department while she completed her bachelor's degree and was involved in various productions.

"My senior project was 'Macbeth.' I worked with a great team of designers and faculty, as

well as incredibly talented actors and actresses," Thompson said.

After graduating, Thompson took a stage and production management position in Pittsburgh. There, she completed her master's degree in sports arts and entertainment management and began to look for work.

Her search took her to a producing conference in New York City in summer 2011. She made contacts that ultimately led her to Asparagus Entertainment. She applied for a senior associate position, was hired and made the move to the Big Apple in June 2012.

Her key responsibilities are administrative, networking and attending readings and workshops of new shows.

"Theatre is such a crazy business. I can't really narrow it down to 'I do this and this and this.' It's a little bit of everything," Thompson said.

She's grateful that the road to New York City went through Clarion.

"Clarion is pretty much everything to me."



Information vocation

Shhhh! It could be the best kept secret out there: Library science is an exciting field! It's so exciting, in fact, that after serving for six years in the United States Navy nuclear power program, **Matthew Marsteller (M.S. '88)** found library science to provide the mental stimulation to which he had grown accustomed.

"Toward the end of my stay in the Navy, a job opened to work in technical publications on board the USS Mississippi," Marsteller said. "I thought it was fascinating how information was stored and retrieved – and lost."

After he was discharged from the Navy, Marsteller enrolled at Clarion University. He graduated from Clarion University in 1987 with a bachelor's degree in physics and in 1988 with a master's degree in library science.

"I've tried to emulate the good things in the people I've met," he said. Through working with Clarion's library science faculty, he learned patience, and he learned various approaches to research.

Clarion University is also where Marsteller met his wife, **Jackie (Schmitt, '87, M.S. '89)**, through a library science student group of which she was president.

For 10 years Marsteller managed the library at what is now the National Energy Technology Laboratory, a government research facility devoted to fossil fuel research. In 1999 he became physics and math librarian for Carnegie Mellon University, where he later applied to be head of science libraries, a position he has held since 2006.

"I had a great-grandfather who was an auto mechanic at the advent of automobiles. I'm a librarian at the advent of internet," Marsteller said. "It's been amazing to witness this emergence of how



MARSTELLER

information is generated, shared and utilized. That's what library science is all about."

"Human beings are incredibly talented at losing information. That's our bread and butter."

"(Without libraries) I think the world would be an incredibly inefficient place. We'd be re-creating the wheel an awful lot," he said. "Human beings are incredibly talented at losing information. That's our bread and butter."

Marsteller said libraries are the great equalizer.

"No matter how modest your means are, if you make good use of the libraries around you, you can get ahead," he said.

It's important to Marsteller to give back, and he does that through service to the Association of College & Research Libraries Science and Technology Section, for which he was elected to a three-year term as vice chair, chair, and past chair, as well as serving as judge of elections for South Strabane second precinct, and teaching online library science courses as an adjunct professor at Clarion University.

Laura (Zelltemoyer) Bower is a second grade teacher for the West Perry School District. She resides in Landisburg, Pa., with her husband, Adam, and sons, Jaxson and Case.

Ryan and Dr. Heather (Bennett '03) Miller reside in Whitsett, N.C., with their son, Carson. Ryan is the technology facilitator at Southwest Elementary School, Durham, N.C. Heather is an assistant professor of biochemistry at High Point University, High Point, N.C.

Donald Hosford is a senior vice president at Hosford International, Inc., Erie, Pa. He resides in Erie with his wife, Michelle, and children: Aidan, Soraya and Landon.

April (Sheatz) Bibars is a human resource generalist for Clarion Industries, Shippensburg, Pa. She resides in Clarion with her husband, Omran.

2003

Michele (Smith M.S. '05) Ellis is a special education teacher for the Baltimore County Public Schools, Towson, Md. She resides in Baltimore with her husband, Christopher.

John Gides is a professor at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles. He resides in North Hollywood.

Melanie (Deater) Moore is a marketing consultant for the Tribune-Democrat, Johnstown, Pa. She resides in Johnstown with her husband, Jason, and daughters, Kennedy and Chelsea.

Karla (Kinsinger) Myers is a campus staff member–international student ministry for InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. She resides in Morgantown, W.Va., with her husband, Jeremy, and children, Hunter and Harper.

2004

DonnaMarie (DeStasio) Wagner is a library director for North Logan City Library, North Logan, Utah. She resides in Logan, with her husband, Cris. She has four children: Adam, Joshua, Hannah and Elizabeth.

Neal Porter is an audio/visual specialist for Hogan Lovells, LLP, Washington, D.C. He resides in Manassas, Va., with his wife, Christina.

Amanda (Kearns) Rich is a reading teacher for the North Hills School

District. She resides in Wexford, Pa., with her husband, Matthew, and daughter, Adalyn.

2005

Alexis Zippay is a library media specialist K-12 for the Ayersville Local Schools, Defiance, Ohio, where she is also the high school student council advisor, girls cross country coach, and junior high girls track coach. She resides in Defiance.

Michael and Tonya (Miller) Bordonaro reside in Pittsburgh with their daughter, Giuliana. Tonya is a research administrator for Carnegie Mellon University.

Amy (Yanak) Thorwart is a human resource representative for GKN Sinter Metals. She resides in Saint Marys, Pa., with her husband, Brian.

Chelsey (Donegan) Pendock is a partner/strategic marketing director for Innovision Advertising, LLC, New York City. She resides in New York City with her husband, Charles.

Stephanie Friend is a human resources representative for FirstEnergy Corporation, Shippingport, Pa. She resides in Eighty Four, Pa.

2006

Laurie Gamble is an assistant stage manager/company manager for The Magic of David Copperfield, Las Vegas. She resides in Las Vegas.

Jessica (Bayer) Crissman is an associate director of public programs at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. She resides in Brunswick, Ohio, with her husband, Joshua.

2007

Ashley (Hudelson M.S. '11) Deuerlein is behavior support staff for New Story, Berwick, Pa. She resides in Nanticoke, Pa., with her husband Matthew.

Evan Carr is a photojournalist/editor for WJLA/Newschannel 8, Washington, D.C. He resides in Arlington, Va.

Melissa (Alonzo) Moore is a coordinator of student center services for Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, Texas. She resides in Wichita Falls with her husband, Brady, and son, Collin.



Justin Dandoy is a director of volunteer programs at Washington & Jefferson College, Washington, Pa. He resides in Washington.

Melissa (Montgomery) Moore is a teacher at the Westminster College Psychology Preschool Lab, New Wilmington, Pa.

2008

Lindsay (Sullivan) Perry is a retail manager for Walgreens. She resides in West Mifflin, Pa., with her husband, Jason, and daughter, Allyson.

Michael and **Cristina (SanAgustin '09) Dascoli** reside in Jefferson Hills, Pa. Cristina is a band teacher for Madonna Catholic Regional School, Monongahela, Pa.

Christina Ferreira is a scientist for the Food and Drug Administration Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, College Park, Md. She resides in Silver Spring, Md.

John and **Stephanie (Clayton '09) Doane** reside in Summerville, S.C. John and Stephanie are technical writers for ARINC Engineering Services, LLC.

Corey (M.S. '10) Santoriello is a public relations coordinator for Laurel Eye Clinic, Brookville, Pa. He resides in Brookville, with his wife, Nicole, and children, Adrian and Sophia.

2009

Timothy and **Vanessa (Vest) Shellman** reside in Summerville, S.C., with their daughter, Aviana. Timothy is an eighth grade social studies teacher at Berkeley Middle School, Moncks Corner, S.C.

Vincent and **Deanna (Fleming) Scotto** reside in Port St. Lucie, Fla. Vincent

is a fifth grade teacher at Manatee Academy.

Lindsey (Knight) Blocki is a social worker for Family Services of Western Pa., Pittsburgh. She resides in Pittsburgh with her husband, Matthew.

Karrie Torres is a senior librarian at Otisville State Correctional Facility, Otisville, N.Y. She resides in New York.

Joseph Anderson is adult nonfiction and reference services division head for the Logan Library, Logan, Utah. He resides in Logan with his wife, Amy, and children: Diana, Sarah, Emma, Winston and Ivy.

2010

Kelly Mullen is an English teacher for the Peace Corps. She resides in Mtama, Lindi, Tanzania.

2012

Joseph Fornataro is a financial representative for Northwestern Mutual Financial Network, Monroeville, Pa. He resides in Delmont, Pa.

Emily Brentzel is a human resource assistant for Paul C. Rizzo Associates, Inc., Pittsburgh. She resides in North Huntingdon.

Marriages

John ('08) Doane and **Stephanie ('09) Clayton**, Sept. 17, 2011

Matthew Deuerlein and **Ashley ('07, M.S. '11) Hudelson**, Nov. 5, 2011

Michael ('08) Dascoli and **Cristina ('09) SanAgustin**, July 7, 2012

Vince Kidwell and **Natalie ('00) Smith**, July 21, 2012

Births

Jason and **Lindsay (Sullivan '08) Perry**, a daughter, Allyson, Jan. 29, 2011

Michael and **Maureen (Beuchert '99) O'Brien**, a son, Alexander, May 14, 2011

Brad and **Heather ('00) Tippet-Wertz**, a daughter, Nadia Ruth, Aug. 1, 2011

Stuart McHenry and **Carrie ('01, M.S. '07) Harvey**, a daughter, Ella, Aug. 5, 2011

Timothy ('09) and Vanessa (Vest '09) Shellman, a daughter, Aviana Marie, Sept. 13, 2011.

Jeff ('92) and Lisa Bruggeman, a daughter, Braylee, Oct. 10, 2011

Jeffrey ('90) and Julie James, a daughter, Madelyn, Nov. 18, 2011

Adam and **Laura (Zettlemoyer '02) Bower**, a son, Case, Jan. 7, 2012

Michael ('05) and Tonya (Miller '05) Bordonaro, a daughter, Giuliana Grace, Feb. 2, 2012

Jason ('04) and Erica (Warriner '06) Conglose, a daughter, Gia, Feb. 3, 2012

Jason and **Melanie (Deater '03) Moore**, a daughter, Chelsea, Feb. 3, 2012

Jason and **Joanna (Gay '03) Cochran**, a daughter, Cecilia Rose, March 2, 2012

Brad and **Heather (Dehaas '05) Larson**, a son, Braden Lloyd, March 31, 2012

Donald ('02) and Michelle Hosford, a son, Landon Mason, April 2, 2012

James and **Christine ('11) Preston**, a son, James Paul Preston III, April 4, 2012

Shawn ('97) and Elizabeth Kaciubij, a son, Jeremy Andrew, April 21, 2012

Chris and **Amy (Gaudi '00) Schultheis**, a son, Jordan, April 23, 2012

Scott ('04) and Kristin (Hayes '05) McCunn, a daughter, Alexandra Blair, May 20, 2012

Brett ('00) and Shelly Wiley, a daughter, Brielle Mary, May 23, 2012

Joshua and **Kami (Tharan '99) Coursen**, a son, Cooper Randall, June 7, 2012

Matthew and **Amanda (Kearns '04) Rich**, a daughter, Adalyn Ann, June 8, 2012

Danial and **Kirsti (Brosius '08) Lindemuth**, a daughter, Hallie, June 12, 2012

Ryan ('02) and Dr. Heather (Bennett '03) Miller, a son, Carson John, June 16, 2012

Jeff ('01) and Jolene (Elliott '00) Menold, a daughter, Elliott Josephine, July 2, 2012

Jeremy and **Karla (Kinsinger '03) Myers**, a daughter, Harper, July 23, 2012.

Stephen (Bud) and **Jessica (Tenfelde '04) Zacherl**, a son, Joseph David, Aug. 1, 2012.

Corey ('08 M.S. '10) and Nicole Santoriello, a daughter, Sophia LuAnn, Aug. 28, 2012.

In Memoriam

Sylvia (Schill) Schettler '34, Jan. 10, 2012

Laura R. Grabman '30, Feb. 9, 2012

Elsie (Dinger) Hartman '45, May 6, 2012

Cynthia M. Lubert '93, May 8, 2012

Eleanor (Rock) Scheafnocker '51, May 9, 2012

Carol A. Reigard '68, May 9, 2012

Pearl (Terwilliger) Ellenberger '34, May 10, 2012

Mark E. Weir '77, May 10, 2012

Robert E. Garbart '51, May 14, 2012

Fred W. Wise Jr. '53, May 19, 2012

Robert Gary O'Brien '62, May 20, 2012

Marlys (Barto) Devey '53, May 26, 2012

David A. Stephans Jr. '90, May 31, 2012

Carol J. Kearney '89, June 3, 2012

Thomas W. Barnes '79, June 5, 2012

William M. Kapalka '88, June 7, 2012

Phyllis (Calvert) Miller '49, June 10, 2012

Ned J. Salerno '53, June 15, 2012

Thelma F. Crick '30, June 15, 2012

Estella Beatrice (Wilson) Marshall McDonald '31, June 17, 2012

Kathryn (Kontes) Martin '77, June 21, 2012

Gary L. Johnson '76, June 22, 2012

Charles F. Koos '53, June 28, 2012

Thomas R. Dawson '87, July 2012

Larry W. Phillips '74, July 1, 2012

Donald L. Ehrhart '58, July 10, 2012

Carl Bean '36, July 14, 2012

Jeffrey Proietti '76, July 20, 2012

Jerry Karpinski '69, July 24, 2012

Nancy A. (Hodge) Rogers '73, July 28, 2012

Keith Valecko '78, July 29, 2012

Arthur V. Salemme '51, Aug. 10, 2012

Jack L. "Lindy" Eakin '51, Aug. 21, 2012

Wilma 'Wid' Logue ('32)

Wilma "Wid" Logue passed away Sept. 15, 2012, at UPMC Northwest, Seneca. She was 99.

She was born Jan. 23, 1913, at Triangle-Knox Road, to Twila Wesner Best and Warren Reuben Best.

She married Joseph Warren Logue April 2, 1943. He died in April 1973.

Mrs. Logue graduated from Edenburg High School in 1930 and received her teaching degree from Clarion State College, now Clarion University. She also attended Duke University, Durham, N.C.

She began her teaching career in Criswell School, a one-room school in Richland Township. In 1937 she began teaching sixth graders, whom she loved very much, at White Memorial School in Knox.

At the end of 1942 she left teaching to work as an interviewer for the War Manpower Commission in Meadville. In 1945, due to the illness of a family member, Mrs. Logue transferred to the office of the Bureau of Employment Security, Clarion, from which she retired in 1962.

Together Mrs. Logue and her husband owned and operated Knox Appliance and Gift Shop from 1945 to 1970.

Mrs. Logue was a longtime member of Clarion County Garden Club, a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution since 1942, Clarion County Historical Society and American Legion Auxiliary in Knox.

She was a member of Knox Civic Club for more than 55 years. As a member of the Junior Civic Club she was part of a group of members who helped establish Knox Public Library. In her lifetime, Mrs. Logue gave generously to the Knox Public Library Fund.

She also was generous in her support of Clarion University. She



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gave to the Diane L. Reinhard Housing Scholarship and the Clarion Fund, and she established the Wilma Best Logue Scholarship Endowment, which funds the Wilma Best Logue Education Scholarship for prospective teachers. She has also supported various university funds and campaigns, and she has donated artwork that hangs at the official university residence. For her level of generosity, she was recognized in Clarion's 1867 Circle, the university's most prestigious of annual giving recognition.

She was a member for 75 years of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Knox. After the closing of the church in 2003, she became a member Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Shippenville.

Mrs. Logue was recognized with Clarion University Alumni Association's 2011 Distinguished Service Award, presented April 16 at the Duquesne Club, Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Logue was the last surviving member of her immediate family.

Memorial donations may be made to Knox Public Library, Clarion University Foundation, Inc., or the charity of one's choice.

Robert E. Crawford

Robert E. Crawford, 81, Clarion, passed away July 14, 2012. He was born May 16, 1931, in Punxsutawney.

He received his bachelor's degree in geography at Slippery Rock University and his master's degree at University of Pittsburgh. He also studied at University of Washington. He was married to Dorothy Simms, who survives, along with daughters, Deborah Crawford Poyner and Beth Crawford Smith.

Mr. Crawford joined Clarion University as professor of geography; he developed the university's cartography program. He retired in 1991 as vice president of administration.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Robert E. Crawford Scholarship, Clarion University Foundation, Inc., 840 Wood St., Clarion, PA 16214.

Edgar L. Lawton

Edgar L. Lawton, age 86, of Mansfield, died Aug. 16, 2012. He had served as chairman of Clarion University Council of Trustees from 1988 to 1991.

He was born Oct. 1, 1925, in Stony Fork and was married to Linda Clark Lawton, who survives.

He earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics in 1948 from Mansfield State College, a master's degree in education degree from Bucknell University in 1954, and had 60 semester hours in education and psychology from Pennsylvania State University. He served in numerous capacities in the education field, including teaching at the elementary, secondary and post-secondary levels and serving as executive director of Clarion Area Intermediate Unit 6.

Mr. Lawton served his country for five years in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Missouri during World War II and Korean War.

Frederick LaMoigne Marshall ('38)

Frederick LaMoigne Marshall, 95, formerly of Collegeville/Trappe, died Sept. 19, 2012.

Born Feb. 6, 1917, he grew up in Clarion and graduated from Clarion High School. He earned a bachelor's degree from Clarion State Teachers College, now Clarion University, and a master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Marshall taught mathematics and served as assistant principal and principal. In retirement, he visited Europe, the Caribbean and Alaska, where, for 20 years, he summered in one or another of several Alaskan wilderness lodges.

Mr. Marshall is survived by his wife, Pat Gillespie, and daughters Sarah Larimer of Tempe, Ariz., and Deborah Mueller of Pottstown, from his previous marriage to June Rhea Marshall. Memorial contributions may be made to the Sierra Club or to the Chester County SPCA.

James Duray Knowles

James (Jim) Duray Knowles, 68, of Jensen Beach, Fla., a longtime friend and supporter of Clarion University, passed away Aug. 5, 2012. He was born June 6, 1944, in Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. Knowles attended Clarion University and was a graduate of Youngstown State University. He was the owner of James D. Knowles, Inc., an advertising agency. He was married to Maxine Bradish Knowles, who survives, along with son, Jimmy Bradish Knowles, and daughters, Marley Bradish Knowles and Meredith Duray Knowles Abramson.

Memorial contributions may be made online by visiting www.clarion.edu/givenow, or by mail to Clarion University Foundation, Inc., 840 Wood St., Clarion, PA 16214, Attn: Shawn Wood.



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 Mr. Bruce A. Sukaly '79 and
 Mrs. Leslie Sukaly
 Mr. Robert V. Taglieri '76
 Mr. David D. Todd '76
 Mr. Jeff Tomeo and
 Mrs. Barbara A. (Pusty) Tomeo '81
 Mr. John Truscott and
 Mrs. Carol A. (Neuberger) Truscott '79
 Dr. Dirk Vandermeer and
 Mrs. Karen Vandermeer
 Dirk Vandermeer, O.D.
 Mr. David C. Veden and
 Mrs. Michaeline J. (Pinksaw) Veden '76
 Dr. Joanne A. Washington
 Mr. Louis J. Weiers '89
 Mr. James L. Weisenberger '71 and
 Mrs. Catherine A. Weisenberger '70
 Wells Fargo Foundation
 Dr. Richard A. Wiesen '59 and
 Mrs. Sandra L. (Hepler) Wiesen '59
 Dr. James C. Wilson '53
 Mr. Joseph J. Wolf '88 and
 Mrs. Mary L. Wolf '88
 Mr. Richard P. Wolfgang '65 and
 Mrs. Sherry D. Wolfgang
 Mr. Joseph Wyatt and Mrs. Nancy Wyatt
 Mr. James L. Wynkoop '68 and
 Ms. Shari A. (Horvath) Wynkoop '70
 Ms. Alice L. Young '73
 Mr. Matthew K. Zents '87
 Zonta Club of Oil City-Franklin
 Mr. Samuel R. Zuck, J.D. '74

Fly, Eagles, Fly campaign soars to victory

Clarion University Foundation, Inc., wrapped up its three-year “Fly, Eagles, Fly” campaign June 30. The campaign brought in \$4.73 million, which will enhance student scholarships at Clarion University.

Michael Keefer, foundation CEO, said raising money for scholarships is always one of the foundation's top fundraising goals. Proceeds from the Fly, Eagles, Fly campaign, in addition to providing scholarships directly to students, supported scholarship endowments by:

- Creating new endowments;
- Increasing scholarship funds that hadn't reach endowment level;
- Increasing endowed scholarship funds, enabling the foundation to distribute more dollars to students.

Clarion University Foundation, Inc., annually distributes about \$900,000 through 286 scholarships to approximately 750 students, and provides approximately \$5.5 million of overall support to the university.

Keefer calls the campaign results a victory, and he thanks the donors who made the Fly, Eagles, Fly campaign soar.

Thank You, Clarion!

Danielle Pugliese ('82)

Education: B.S. in liberal studies

Career: Training and development coordinator, CBCInnovis in Pittsburgh

Home: Pittsburgh



Danielle Pugliese made the most of her undergraduate years at Clarion University. She was a member of the Student Honors Association, was involved in campus productions of "The Vagina Monologues," spent a semester studying in Egypt and received several scholarships. As an Honors Program student, Pugliese produced a research project that ultimately was published in an international educational journal.

Scholarships

"I was lucky enough to be the recipient of a few scholarships in my time at Clarion," said Pugliese. She received the Board of Governors Scholarship, the Foundation Honors Scholarship, and the France-Allison Honors Scholarship.

Summer in Egypt

"Nothing can compare to learning something new in a new place with new people. You will grow in ways that can't be measured, but are worth every

penny," Pugliese said. During her 18-day stay in Egypt in May 2012, she crawled inside a Great Pyramid, embraced new foods, climbed Mt. Sinai, snorkeled in the Red Sea, danced with locals around a fire, under the stars in the middle of the desert on the Sinai Peninsula and learned from local girls how to properly wear a hijab.

Pugliese's trip was part of the PASSHE Summer Honors Program. "I could not have had this experience if it weren't for Clarion and especially the Summer Honors Program."

Heard 'round the world

Pugliese's Honors Program research article, "Teacher Self-Efficacy and Student Success in Mathematics at Kiski Area High School," was written with her academic advisor, Dr. Greg Goodman. Pugliese, lead author, and Goodman submitted the article to the international education journal, *Studies in Educational Leadership*, based in Hong Kong. After an extensive peer review process, the journal accepted Goodman and Pugliese's piece in its international section, "Overseas Perspective in Educational Leadership." "I was floored when I first found out, and I'm still trying to wrap my head around it," Pugliese said.

Putting it all together

"I know, without a doubt, that I could not have attained this position that I love so much were it not for the education Clarion provided me," she said. "My academic background in education has been invaluable in my current role. I can bring the theories and strategies of secondary education to a whole new environment."

Continued support

"I quite literally would not hold my current position were it not for the continued assistance and support of the Career Services Center. The folks in that office were not only a fantastic resource as an undergrad, but they truly kept my career goals and interests in mind, even after graduation."

Members of Clarion University Class of 1962 celebrated their 50-year reunion at Homecoming 2012: (seated, from left) Barbara (Harchuck) Reese, Jeanie Rodgers, Nancy (Lichko) Muse, Martha Dunn, Judith (Walton) Stahlman, Joan (Reed) Luxon and Mary (Hamrock) Ulmer; and (standing) Richard Greco, Bruce Murphy, Paul Chantrey, David Adelman, Lee Grosch, Samuel Condeluci, Robert Hess and Neil Shively.

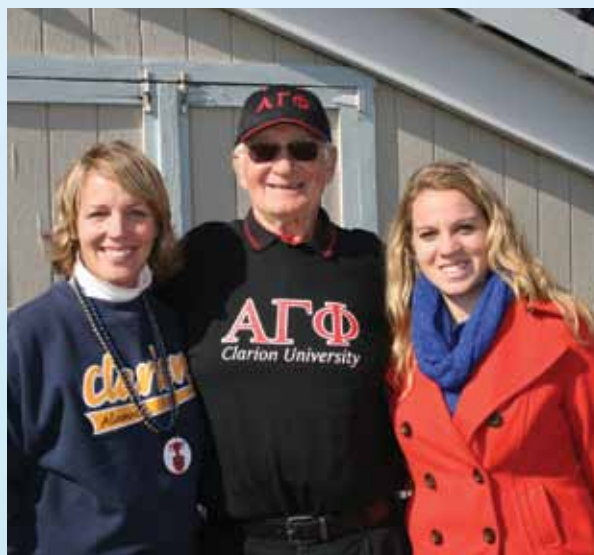




Clarion University Homecoming and Reunion Weekend Oct. 5-6, 2012



- Reggie Wells Sr. ('08) and wife Diane (Logan '90) Wells (second from left) reconnect with friends (from left) Pauline (Paula) Jones ('00), Angela (Groom '80) Brown, Claudette (Williams '78) Stone and De'Borah (Spicer '76) Sanders.
- Phi Sigma Sigma sisters gather on Main Street to watch the parade: (back row, from left) Gina (Guy '90) Miller, Tracy Rutter ('93), Amy (Stewart '95) Shultz, Debbie (Gross '92) Stevens; (middle row) Jean (Schoenbaum '93) Kinthead, Rachel (Mowry '94) Ringler, Jennifer (Koren '96) Feicht, Brandi Lafferty ('11); (front row) Lucy Jackson ('12), Raquel (Brown '92) Kwiatek, Michelle (Davis '91) Cabral.
- Alex Murnyak ('64) (center) celebrates homecoming with his daughter, Merrillyn (Murnyak '93) Dunlap (left), and his granddaughter and Merrillyn's niece, Brittany Simpson, a current graduate student.
- An eagle kite soars above the Autumn Leaf Festival Parade
- 2012 Homecoming King Cody Rapp and Queen Sarah Kasanicky ride in the Autumn Leaf Festival Parade.
- President Karen Whitney waves to Clarion alumni, friends and community members in the Autumn Leaf Festival Parade.
- Members of the Class of 1952 visited during homecoming: (from left) Esther McNeal, A. Jane (Sterrett) Caldwell, Dorothy (Baker) Kuhn, Dorothy (Dornburg) Dull and Dorothy (Stowe) Buchanan.



For more photos from this year's event, visit www.clarion.edu/2012homecoming

