GLOBAL INITIATIVES

GLOBAL INITIATIVES are among several major College emphases on which I reported at my August 22, State of the College address. Increasingly, Bethany graduates will live and work in an interconnected global economy, and it is imperative that first-hand opportunities to understand other cultures and perceptions are an integral part of their years here. Study abroad benefits not just students, but faculty, as well. In the pages of this magazine, we profile Dr. Gary Kappel ’74, professor of History and Perry E. and Aleece C. Gresham Chair in Humanities, who will realize what he terms “the dream of a lifetime” when he joins the resident faculty of Harlaxton College in the United Kingdom, for fall semester 2012. While teaching three courses, Gary will also have the chance to explore the U.K., the Republic of Ireland and continental Europe with students from more than two dozen participating American universities; Bethany joined the program, sponsored by the University of Evansville in Indiana, in 2008.

However, as Gary points out, it is equally important for the College to offer short- as well as long-term study abroad because not all students can afford the time or monetary investment for an entire summer or semester abroad. In her profile, 2012 valedictorian and Oreon E. Scott Award winner Meghan Philp describes the transformative impact of international travel through Bethany Club programs and a summer studying in Spain. This spring, for example, students from several Bethany clubs and other organizations completed spring break trips to domestic and international destinations such as the Florida Everglades, Puerto Rico, Boston, Northern Italy, Germany, Austria and London.

Bethany alumni continue to contribute to their professions and communities, not only in this country, but in nations around the world. Alumnus Howard Weisband ’69, (profiled on page 22), who served as president of his fraternity, Alpha Sigma Phi, while on campus, is today a fellow at the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs. He mentors young professionals and is involved with several organizations on a volunteer basis. He also serves as Israel Liaison for the HUC School of Jewish Nonprofit Management. Howard credits Bethany with giving him “a heightened knowledge, awareness and interest in our Judeo-Christian heritage and values, an appreciation that extends to this day.” On the other side of the world, in Dunedin, New Zealand, Dame Sukhi Turner served as mayor of that South Island community of 125,000, from 1995 until her retirement from the position in 2004, the first member of the Green Party in her nation to serve in a mayoral capacity in that nation. The largest city in New Zealand by area, Dunedin is considered the gateway to the Otago region. Sukhi, who attended Bethany on an exchange scholarship, remembers the College “as a very supportive place with an excellent liberal arts education.”

Bethany’s ongoing tradition of strong scholar-athletes is captured in an interview with Head Volleyball Coach Courtney Kline, winner of the 2012 President’s Award for Excellence in Performance for Staff, whose Bison this year not only won their second consecutive championship, but also placed three players as Academic All-Americans, some with perfect 4.0 averages. These women are among 13 Bethany scholar-athletes in our entire history to be so honored. I am also proud to report that Bethany placed 58 students on the PAC academic honor roll this year.

Although the “New and Noteworthy” section offers a complete round-up of new appointments, programs and successes, I want to highlight a few especially significant milestones:

• On the academic side, we announced that we had recently signed an agreement with Carnegie Mellon University for six dual degrees offering accelerated bachelor’s-master’s programs that will save students both time and money as they progress toward an advanced degree; in addition,
  • The first seven degrees in our new Master of Arts in Teaching program, the first accredited graduate degree in the history of the College, were awarded at the May 2012 Commencement. The demand for this program has led us to consider expanding it and possibly adding other advanced degree programs, consistent with our mission and long-term strategic plan.

These initiatives, in addition to new distance learning opportunities and articulation agreements now in place, offer Bethany College significant potential for future growth and development.

Two additional areas of strength continue to be our alumni loyalty and networking, and the strength of our volunteer leadership. We recently welcomed four new trustees, Thaddeus Allen ’92, Joyce Pollack Jefferson ’77, Gayle Connelly Manchin H’07, and William (Bill) E. Strickland Jr. H’09. In the words of Chairman Greg Jordan ’81, “Bethany is fortunate to have at its helm the leadership and insight of such an exemplary group of distinguished professionals.” In addition, it was especially gratifying to welcome several distinguished alumni back to campus this spring to meet with and mentor current students.

Finally, we welcomed the Class of 2016 in late August, when some 330 strong (280 freshmen, 40 transfer and 10 graduate students) walked through Oglebay Gates for the first time as first-year students. Among the best-prepared in history, the incoming class is the fourth-largest since 1977—only fall of 2002, 2010 and 2011 will have been bigger. Our enrollment team continues to expand its recruiting beyond the Tri-State area into New England, the Mid-Atlantic and Southeastern United States. Nine incoming freshmen have been awarded the prestigious Bethany College Kalon Leadership Scholarships.

Thus, everything is in place for another successful and eventful year at Bethany College. In my State of the College remarks to faculty, staff, volunteer leadership and friends, I highlighted the continued momentum of the College in enrollment, fund raising, and academics as well as student life programs, while discussing challenges and opportunities to best prepare us to prosper in a changing higher education landscape with changing demographics, including many more non-traditional students.

The address is archived online at www.youtube.com/user/BethanyCollege

Scott D. Miller
President of the College

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FOR OVER 170 YEARS, Bethany College has been a highly contemporary institution based in the tradition of the liberal arts. The College offers a wide array of studies, awarding Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees in more than 25 fields of study, many with options for emphasis. Students also have the option of including one or more optional minors as part of their programs.

The College’s program of liberal arts education prepares students for a lifetime of work and a life of significance. Bethany places particular emphasis on leadership and incorporates pre-professional education in dentistry, engineering, law, medicine, physical therapy, public administration, theology and veterinary medicine.

Bethany’s 1,300-acre campus is located in the northern panhandle of West Virginia in the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains. Pittsburgh, America’s Most Livable City, is a 50-minute drive from campus. Wheeling, WVa.; Washington, Pa.; and Steubenville, Ohio are less than a half-hour away.

Founded by Alexander Campbell, who provided the land and funds for the first building and served as the first president, Bethany has been a four-year private liberal arts college affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), since its inception. This religious body, of which Campbell was one of the principal founders, continues to support and encourage the College, but exercises no sectarian control. Students from virtually every religious community attend Bethany.

VALUES
Bethany College is an academic community founded on the close interaction between students and faculty in the educational process. Bethany College values intellectual rigor and freedom, diversity of thought and lifestyle, personal growth within a community context, and responsible engagement with public issues. Its programs are designed to engage the mind through emphasis on discipline in thinking, motivation in the search for knowledge and acquisition of the intellectual resources for a lifetime of learning embolden the spirit through the opportunity for intellectual challenge, collaborative enterprise, athletic competition, artistic expression, personal growth and meaningful work enlarge the world through exposure to the abundant diversity of thought and lifestyle of the human community, support for personal engagement with societies and cultures different from one’s own and commitment to service.
Bethany Welcomes Three New Trustees
Gregory B. Jordan, chair of the Bethany College Board of Trustees, has announced the election of three new members to the Board. They are Joyce Pollack Jefferson ’77, Gayle Connelly Manchin H’07, and William (Bill) E. Strickland Jr. H’09.

“Bethany is fortunate to have at its helm the leadership and insight of such an exemplary group of distinguished professionals,” said Jordan ’81, global managing partner at Reed Smith, LLP.

A life-long resident of Wheeling, WVa., Jefferson is a 1977 graduate of Bethany College. After receiving her bachelor’s degree in English, she earned a degree in early childhood education from West Liberty State College. She has worked for 10 years in commercial banking. After completing her education degree, she worked for the Ohio County School System and taught for 11 years at Mt. de Chantal Visitation Academy.

Jefferson serves on the board of Wheeling Country Day School and Security National Trust Company and was formerly on the board of the Children’s Museum of the Upper Ohio Valley. She is a charter member of the Women’s Giving Circle of the Upper Ohio Valley of West Virginia and Ohio and serves on the Ogletree Institute Museums Committee. She is a trustee of the Driehorst Foundation, a philanthropic entity named for her family.

Manchin grew up in Beckley, WVa. She attended West Virginia University, where she earned her B.A. in language arts and education and a master’s degree in reading. She completed a second master’s specialization in educational technology leadership from Salem International University. She was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Bethany College in 2007 when she gave the address at the academic year’s opening Convocation. Manchin is the wife of United States Senator Joe Manchin.

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Bethany Partners with Carnegie Mellon to Create Accelerated Master’s Program
Officials from Bethany College and Carnegie Mellon University’s H. John Heinz II College officially signed an Accelerated Master’s Program agreement in May 2012 including six new areas of graduate study for Bethany students. The program allows qualified students to graduate with both a bachelor’s degree from Bethany and a master’s degree from CMU in five years.

Trustee Arthur B. Keys, Jr. Wins Emory University Award
Dr. Arthur B. Keys, Jr., founder, president and CEO of International Relief and Development (IRD), based in Arlington, Va., was recognized earlier this year as an Emory University “History Maker” for his leadership, humanitarian service and commitment to the University community.

“I am very humbled by this award,” Dr. Keys said.

“I see it as recognition of the significant impact IRD has had on people’s lives around the world as it has become a major humanitarian development agency. The Emory Award is a motivator for us to continue to expand our influence in the coming years.”

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Watkins Keynotes 2012 Oreon E. Scott Lectures
The Rev. Dr. Sharon E. Watkins was featured speaker for the 57th annual Oreon E. Scott Lectures, hosted by the College March 26-27 at Bethany’s Mountainside Conference Center. Watkins is currently serving as general minister and president of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the United States and Canada, and is considered the Disciples’ primary leader. This year’s event focused on “The Challenge of Being a Church in the 21st Century.”
New Kalon Scholars Named
Nine incoming freshmen for the 2012-2013 academic year have been awarded the prestigious Bethany College Kalon Leadership Scholarships.

The students are Catherine Breault of Moundsville, WV; Dakota Maravelis of Berkeley Springs, WV; Julia Mouch of Toledo, Ohio; Tess Parry of Hillsboro, Ohio; Matthew Sipos of Chesterland, Ohio; Sarah Michelle Smith of Bluefield, WV; Anne Taylor of Lancaster, NY; Anthony Thompson of Wheeling, WV; and Amanda Weber of Inwood, WV.

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Colantoni was formerly an admissions counselor at Lake Erie College in Painesville, Ohio. She has also worked as a graduate assistant in the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at the University of Akron, as a graduate intern at The Ohio State University and as a graduate assistant in the Department of Dining Services at the University of Akron. She holds a B.A. in business organizational communications-public relations and an M.A. in higher education administration, both from The University of Akron in Ohio.

Bethany Announces Amy Colantoni as Director of Student Activities
Amy R. Colantoni has joined the staff at Bethany College as the new director of student activities.

“Her enthusiasm and vast range of higher education experience will benefit the college community as a whole,” said Dr. Darin E. Fields, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty.

“Scott Miller is an important partner in furthering Disciples higher education—where ideas and people come together in a context that values both faith and reason,” stated The Rev. Dr. Sharon E. Watkins, general minister and president of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). “He brings great energy and commitment to this role. Both church and students will benefit from this appointment.”

Dr. Miller has also been elected chair of the Board of Directors of Academic Search, Inc. Founded in 1976 by the presidential and trustee-based associations in Washington, DC, Academic Search is the oldest and among the most prominent executive search firms in the nation. Dr. Miller also serves as vice-chair of The American Academic Leadership Institute (AALI), based in Washington, DC, a non-profit organization which works to strengthen academic leadership in all sectors of public and private higher education.

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Bethany College's Oreon E. Scott Award
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“Meghan Philp truly embodies the spirit and talent of all Bethany students,” Dr. Fields said. “She is a bright, diligent and passionate scholar with a warm wit, charm and energy that affects all those around her.” (see profile, page 21.)

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Bethany President Elected Chair of the Council of Colleges & Universities of the Christian Church
Dr. Scott D. Miller, president of Bethany College, has been elected to a two-year term as chair of The Council of Colleges and Universities of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) after serving on its Executive Committee for the last three years.

Comprised of the presidents and chancellors of the 14 undergraduate institutions related to the Christian Church, the Council explores strategies for forging a strong relationship between its member institutions and the denomination.

The Quadrangle has figured prominently in Bethany’s colorful history; today the site of campus events such as Matriculation and Commencement, the “Quad” area once included a gymnasium, athletic fields and even military barracks during World War II.
"I knew during that match that Bethany was a special place. It was definitely a place where I could see myself working. The attraction for me was the pride that the institution held for its athletic programs; I knew that Bethany was a place where a student athlete could succeed on and off the court," she said. The following year she returned to campus as head volleyball coach.

Kline has been playing volleyball since the sixth-grade, throughout middle school, high school and college and has also played club volleyball at Penn Highlands Volleyball Club for Coach Sandy Smith.

"She was a great mentor to me, even after I returned home after college," said Kline.

She also thanks her high school coaches for encouraging her to push herself to play different positions, including setter and hitter; in college, she played defense. Kline has also played setter in club volleyball.

"I seldom remember a day that I did not pick up a ball from junior high throughout college," she said.

Leading the program since 2007, Kline’s excellence and commitment have paid off in a record-breaking 2011 season, in which nine Bethany College volleyball players were named to the Presidents’ Athletic Conference (PAC) Fall Academic Honor Roll, five players were named to the All-PAC team and one was voted First Team All-Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) South Region.

Following the most successful season on the court in school history, three Bethany College volleyball players were also recognized for their abilities in the classroom by earning Capital One Academic All-American honors. The Bison were the only program to put three players on the Division III Academic All-American teams, which consisted of 18 total players.

In five seasons under Kline’s leadership, the Bison improved from an 8-22 season in 2007, to 31-6 in 2011, including the first-ever ECAC championship titles in 2010 and 2011.

"This team was dedicated to creating a winning tradition, working diligently to meet its goals," said Kline, who was honored with the President’s Award for Excellence in Performance for Staff in spring 2012.

"Receiving the award came as huge surprise. I am extremely grateful to..."
receive such an honor and truly appreciate the recognition from President Miller and the College,” Kline said.

Kline has been on the road recruiting during much of the spring and summer. With 14 members returning, the squad looks promising for the Summer/Fall 2012 season, Kline said. More importantly, 2012 program graduates are moving on to new opportunities. Twins and 2012 graduates Megan and Tiffany Hoffman have been accepted into the optometry program at Ohio State University. Seniors Carrie Talkington and Jessica Cole have a bright future ahead of them, as well.

### Career Highlights:

- **2012** Earned President’s Award for Excellence in Performance for Staff, Bethany College
- **2010, 2011** Bison win ECAC South Region Championships
- **2009** PAC Coach of the Year
- **2008** PAC Sportsmanship Award
- **2007** Joined staff of Bethany College as Head Volleyball Coach and Assistant Professor of Physical Education and Sports Studies
- **2007** Tri-County Athletic Director
- **2006** Women’s College Coach of the Year
- **2006** Earned M.S. in Sport Management, California University of Pennsylvania
- **2005-2007** Head Volleyball Coach, Penn State Fayette, the Eberly Campus, Uniontown, Pa.
- **2005, 2006** PSUAC Conference Champions-Coach of the Year
- **2003** Earned B.A. in Physical Education, sport management concentration, Cedarville University, Cedarville, Ohio

“The success of the women’s volleyball team adds another chapter to the growing reputation of Bethany’s excellent varsity, junior varsity, club sports and intramural programs,” said Bethany College President Scott D. Miller. “We are justifiably proud of all our scholar-athletes, who continue to excel both on the fields and courts, and in the classroom.”

Q. What do you look for in prospective players during recruiting?

A. I look first for dedication to the sport — I look for players who compete in both the high school and club volleyball programs. Players who play year-round are not only usually more skilled than those who don’t, but also, they are more knowledgeable about the game. They also are usually dedicated to their programs and have a good understanding of what playing in college would be like. Players must love the game to continue their career into college and to succeed at this level; it represents a big commitment. Time management is critical, and volleyball must be one of their top priorities.

Secondly, I seek players who have been successful academically in high school. Ultimately, academics come first at Bethany, and thus, it is important for student athletes to have a good foundation to build on in college.

Finally, there is no substitute for a positive attitude — I look for players who have an attitude that reflects hard work, dedication, and team work. Players must work hard on and off the court, and be dedicated to meet the overall goals of the team. I also look for players who have individual goals and a commitment to achieve personal success, as well.

Q. What do you do to motivate players? How do you hone and recognize the skills and attitudes of your players?

A. The motivation of our players is a result of inspiration from many sources. One main source is the older players and team leaders, who have done an excellent job of inspiring the younger athletes, not only by vocal communication and encouragement, but also through leadership by example. When a junior or senior goes out every day and gives it her all, the younger players follow. The younger players then develop into leaders by example, as well, beginning a cycle of tradition and success. As a coach, I attempt to help instill a passion for the game in each player. Each player must be committed to her team, teammates, and the goals of the program. Players must also be happy and comfortable in their relationships within the program. Communication is key to achieving this successful player development. Meeting with players regularly, discussing and setting both individual and team goals aids in this progression. It is important that each player understands her roles, responsibilities and goals for the future. Players need to always have something specifically in mind that they are working toward every day, whether in-season or off-season.

As a coach, I also feel that it is critical to allow players to be comfortable enough to make mistakes and also approach me about anything they may need to discuss. One quote that always stood out to me was, “No one goes out there to screw up.” In my coaching style, I always try to keep this in mind. None of our players go out on the volleyball court to purposely make mistakes and play poorly. I remind myself this daily and understand that players are feeling huge pressure on the court without me adding more. I try to give them instruction and support when needed. One last thing that I feel is important to our team is setting clear guidelines, responsibilities, and boundaries that apply to every player on the team at all times. I feel that this has contributed to our success as well, minimizing drama and conflict among team members and thus helping to develop the commitment to the team as a whole. Overall, I have been extremely fortunate to have the opportunity to coach such amazing young women who truly desire to work hard and have chosen to trust in our program and what we are trying to do.

Q. What attracted you to Bethany’s program and what do you see for the future?

A. My first time visiting Bethany College was an opponent on the other side of the net. I was currently the coach at Penn State Fayette campus, and we competed against Bethany in 2006. I knew during that match, that Bethany was a place that was special. Bethany was definitely a place where I could see myself working. The attraction for me was the pride that the institution had for its athletic programs. Not only did I appreciate that athletics side, the small campus size and relationships that students have with their professors as equally as appealing. I knew that Bethany was a place that a student athlete could succeed on and off the court.

The future of the program is bright. With our excellent coaching staff including two knowledgeable and passionate assistant coaches - Jordan Barton and my husband, Will Kline, I feel that the years coming up will be exciting and full of new successes. Jordan recently graduated from Waynesburg University as a four-year volleyball player. Will Kline, also my husband, brings a great deal of enthusiasm to our program, and also knowledge and challenge to our blocking skills, which were ranked 10th in the nation last fall. With this excellent staff, and new tradition of dedication that our past players have established, I look for great things to continue in the Bethany volleyball program.
Shephard Appointed Director of Master of Arts in Teaching Program

Edward Shephard, assistant professor of education, has been appointed the new director of the Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) program. Endorsed by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, the College’s first master’s degree program builds upon the College’s existing high-impact education curriculum. It is a progressive program created to serve individuals who have earned their baccalaureate degree in education and teaching certification and wish to further their professional development through graduate work in pedagogy.

“I am delighted that Dr. Shephard has assumed leadership of the MAT program,” Dr. Darin E. Fields, vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty, said. “His experience at East Tennessee State with cohort programs and alternative delivery will be an important benefit to our students in the program.”

Shephard came to Bethany from East Tennessee State University, where he also served as assistant professor. He received his Doctor of Education in curriculum and instruction from Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) in 2007, his B.A. in history from California University of Pennsylvania in 1993 and a master’s in history from IUP in social science secondary education.

Barnett Speaks at Kalon Leadership Academy

Bethany alumnus Chad Barnett ’06, headmaster of the Linsly School, was keynote speaker at the Kalon Scholar Service Leaders Leadership Academy Feb. 11, with his presentation on “Using the College Experience to Maximize Your Leadership Potential.” Other session topics included “Personality Types and Leadership,” “Managing vs. Leading,” “Conflict Resolution” and “Team Building.”

Barnett is a recipient of the NAIS Edward E. Ford Fellowship Award for Emerging Leaders and is a published scholar with another forthcoming article in Philosophical Studies in Education. He has served as headmaster of the Linsly School since 2008 and is currently pursuing his Ph.D. in educational leadership through the University of Pittsburgh, where he serves as a teaching fellow in the School of Education.

Emmy Award-Winning Producer Addresses Kalon Scholarship Candidates

Emmy Award-winning producer Jhamal K. Robinson, a 1998 Bethany alumnus who serves as Head of Production at Yahoo! Studios in Los Angeles, delivered the Keynote Address for the 28th annual Kalon Scholarship Luncheon March 24 at Bethany College. The luncheon was part of the Kalon Leadership Scholarship Competition, which recognizes incoming students who possess special leadership potential.

Candidates for the Scholarship are chosen from high school seniors across the nation based on demonstrated achievement in leadership, a superior academic record and a required essay on an assigned topic. Bethany College hosts potential scholarship recipients during Kalon Weekend, giving them the opportunity to tour the campus and participate in events such as the luncheon and a variety of leadership seminars. Following the luncheon and Keynote Address, three-person teams composed of a Bethany faculty or staff member, a current Bethany student and an alumnus conduct in-depth interviews of each candidate to complete the evaluation process.

Robinson began his television career as a nightly news anchor for BethCom TV-14, Bethany’s campus-based station. Since then, he has worked with some of the nation’s most prominent television studios, including Paramount, Disney, Warner Brothers, and Fox. He became one of the youngest executives in the industry at age 25 with a position at E! Entertainment Networks and has received four Emmy nominations, winning the award for Daytime Entertainment Creative Arts for his work on “Clean House: Messiest Home in the Country.”

Bethany Wins National Educational Award

Higher Education Marketing Report has announced that Bethany College has won a Gold Award in the group’s 27th annual educational advertising awards recognizing enrollment advertising. The 2012 award marks the fifth that Bethany and branding firm BD & E have received in recent years from the report honoring the College’s publications.

Bethany Kicks Off Homefront COMFORT Program for Veterans and Families

Bethany College and the Wheeling Vet Center have announced a new initiative to support area veterans and their family members—Homefront COMFORT (Counseling Our Military Families on Retraining and Transition.) The program will feature a series of workshops and events designed to provide free career service counseling and support.

Award-Winning Author, Bethany Alumnus Marc Harshman Named West Virginia Poet Laureate

Bethany College alumnus Marc Harshman ’73 has been selected as West Virginia’s poet laureate, an honor recently announced by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin, who cited Harshman’s creativity and contributions to the “immeasurable talent of West Virginia’s authors.”
A Lifetime of Achievement
The Importance of Legacy and Appreciation
SY HOLZER, president of PNC Bank in Pittsburgh, spoke to Bethany College’s 2012 graduating class as part of the institution’s 172nd Anniversary Commencement Weekend. Holzer delivered his remarks, “Prepared for a Lifetime of Achievement and the Importance of Legacy and Appreciation,” to Bethany’s 135 graduates on May 12 outdoors at the Tilock Amphitheatre in the Pennington Quadrangle.

He continued, “You’re leaving this campus and all the daily opportunities to learn and grow that it offers; but at a curious time. A time when our economy is struggling, our nation is facing tough problems, and a time when jobs are harder to come by than perhaps many of you had hoped for or expected just four years ago. But it is also a time of so much upside.”

Looking toward the future and its many possibilities, Holzer said, “It is at moments like these in the rich history of our great country, when we need a new generation to offer new ideas and new energy to meet the challenges we face as a country. It is moments like these when we prove what we as well-educated graduates are really worth. I am excited for you because I know that you are ready to add creativity and imagination to the background and training that you have received at our great Bethany College.”

Holzer, who was presented with an honorary Doctor of Humanities by Bethany College President Scott D. Miller, has overall client, community and employee responsibilities, which include Corporate & Institutional Banking, Commercial Banking and Wealth Management in Western Pennsylvania. He also oversees financial services relationships with all large government entities, higher education institutions, health care organizations and labor unions throughout the ten-county Southwestern Pennsylvania market. He has corporate-wide responsibility for all international labor unions.

Holzer joined the bank in 1971 and has held various executive positions in corporate and retail banking. He was named president of PNC Bank - Pittsburgh in May 1997 and is co-chair of the PNC Management Committee.

Active in the community, Holzer is Chairman of the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute, as well as a member of
the Board of Directors of the UPMC Cancer Centers. He was appointed by Pennsylvania’s governor to serve on the Board of Trustees of the University of Pittsburgh. He serves on the Board of Visitors for the Katz Graduate School of Business and the School of Pharmacy, and Board of Visitors for Health Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh. He also serves on the Board of the Children’s Hospital Foundation and is a member of the Executive Committee.

Additionally, he serves on the Boards of Directors of the Bethany Board of Trustees, The Pittsburgh Opera, Fred Rogers Foundation, and the Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation. He is also chairman of the Strategic Investment Fund. He was appointed to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Judiciary Advisory Council by the Chief Justice and was named Vectors/Pittsburgh Man of the Year in Finance. In addition to Holzer’s many awards and recognitions, he recently was honored with the Art Rooney Humanitarian Award for public service.

Holzer is a graduate of Duquesne University, where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics. He is a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University and the University of Pittsburgh Katz Graduate School of Business - Management Program for Executives. Since 2002, Holzer has hosted a monthly radio show, The PNC Business Journal, which features key executives and community leaders throughout the region.

Dr. Miller also addressed the graduates. “Tomorrow, you will enter the so-called ‘real world,’ pursuing employment or graduate studies. But today marks a time for you to indulge your dreams.”

He continued, “It’s often been said that we live at the intersection of expectation and experience. Those of us who are older adults tend to rely more on experience; you who are younger, on expectation. But experience without expectation often leads to a mundane predictability, whereas expectation without experience can lead to reckless risk-taking. You will need both to succeed, and your Bethany experience has prepared you well to do so.”

“Be continuously alert,” he urged, “for new opportunities; actively seek possibilities to grow, both professionally and personally. If you do that, you will have fulfilled Bethany’s expectation that our alumni will be intellectually curious, life-long learners.”

journey’s of success and future growth, know always that this tree, too, will be growing, anchored here at alma mater as a symbol of your enduring connection to Bethany College, a connection that will grow and develop as the years go by.”

James P. Johnson, President Emeritus of the Christian Church Foundation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), delivered remarks to the graduating seniors during the College’s Baccalaureate service on May 11. Johnson was presented with an honorary Doctor of Divinity during the Commencement Ceremony.

Johnson served from 1992 to 2003 as president of the Christian Church Foundation, which seeks to ensure the continuing ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) through educational residential model to a dynamic model incorporating the use of online courses, intensive short-term residential courses, experienced mentors, and required congregational responsibilities.

The Rev. William Burwell Allen, former regional minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, also received an honorary Doctor of Divinity. Allen has previously served as pastor and college chaplain at Bethany Memorial Church and Bethany College.

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GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE
Bethany students on the London Eye
A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE: FACULTY

“Once students get bitten by the travel bug, they want to repeat the experience again and again and for increasingly longer periods,” says Dr. Gary Kappel ’74, professor of History at Bethany College.

Realizing what he calls “the dream of a lifetime,” Dr. Kappel departed Bethany August 21 for Harlaxton College in the United Kingdom, where he will teach three Bethany courses, World Civilizations I, Europe in the 19th Century and Origins of the Western World: The Modern World to students from more than two dozen participating American partner institutions.

BETHANY COLLEGE JOINED the consortium, which includes both public and private universities, in 2008. He will live on campus, located on an English estate 1 1/2 hours north of London between the cities of Nottingham and Grantham, birthplace of both Baroness Margaret Thatcher and Sir Isaac Newton, in Lincolnshire. Set amidst rolling hills in the English Midlands, the self-contained campus is housed in a 100-room Grade I listed Victorian manor house featuring a Great Hall, a Long Gallery, a Conservatory and a Cedar Staircase, among other significant architectural features.

While in the U.K., Dr. Kappel will share vignettes of his experiences with the Bethany community via Facebook and blogs. On his return to Bethany in December 2012, he will speak to campus and community groups.

Bethany’s agreement with Harlaxton College expands international study opportunities for Bethany students and faculty. Managed by the University of Evansville in southern Indiana, the College has offered a unique study abroad experience to Evansville students and those from partner institutions for 35 years. The intense semester-long experience emphasizes the study of British and European cultures; the College offers a resident faculty, with additional American professors also teaching.

Along with a rigorous academic component, the program includes formal and informal travel opportunities. Classes are small, with about 175 sophomores-seniors living and studying on campus with an international faculty. Participation in community activities is facilitated by a “Meet a Family” program linking students with area families. Student athletes also engage area teams in soccer, volleyball and basketball. Many result in lifelong friendships, Dr. Kappel notes.

Participating students take regular U.S. academic degree courses while on the Harlaxton campus three days a week; the fourth, Wednesday, is devoted to studies of British culture and history by faculty from the U.K. Travel opportunities throughout the U.K. are offered on three-day weekends. The program also includes two four-day weekends during the term, with travel opportunities extending to the European continent and Ireland.

“International travel was transformative to me as a Bethany undergraduate, and it still is for our Bethany students when they experience different cultures at first-hand,” Dr. Kappel notes.

Since his first trip abroad as a Bethany senior, he has returned to the U.K. several times, doing research for his doctoral dissertation in London and even returning with his wife, Stephanie, director of student records and retention and registrar at Bethany, to honeymoon in England and Scotland. He has also led Bethany
student trips to continental Europe, Vietnam and West Africa.

This time around, although “Not planning on any specific research agenda,” Dr. Kappel will visit various military sites from the English Civil War, Hastings, naval yards and regimental museums for his British History and Weapons and Warfare classes.

With many Bethany undergraduates from the Tri-State area and a sizeable number with limited travel experience, overseas study is key to enlarging their global perspectives, he notes. “Many have not traveled abroad before coming to college, and some do not even have passports,” he says.

Short-term travel opportunities offered by Bethany College during J-Term, spring break, at Thanksgiving and at other times often serve as a gateway to longer-term international study, he adds. Some 10 percent of Bethany undergraduates participate in such programs before their graduation.

The Harlaxton College program affords Bethany undergraduates the opportunity to continue their work toward a degree without loss of time while abroad, he adds. “This represents an advantage to students in some majors, such as science, with tightly-struc-
tured curricula which sometimes make it difficult for them to participate in semester-long overseas programs.”

Bethany also offers other long-term overseas study programs in several nations through consortia such as the InterAmerican Consortium, Heidelberg exchange program and others. (see sidebar on opposite page)

International study is closely congruent with Bethany’s mission, Dr. Kappel points out. “As Mark Twain notes, ‘Travel is fatal to bigotry.’”

Dr. Gary Kappel ’74, professor of History holds the Perry and Aleece Gresham Chair in Humanities. He chaired the Bethany College Reaffirmation of Accreditation Team in 2008-2009.

A Bethany alumnus, Dr. Kappel joined the Bethany faculty in 1983 after earning master’s and doctorate degrees from West Virginia University. He has served as chair of the Department of History and Political Science and as interim dean of faculty.

>>> To follow Dr. Kappel’s experience in the U.K. visit his blog: http://bethanyglobal.blogspot.com/
Bethany College students enhanced their knowledge of global and domestic cultures through spring break trips in March 2012 to destinations such as the Florida Everglades, Puerto Rico, Boston, Italy and London. These travel experiences were designed to provide service-oriented and educational opportunities complementing traditional classroom learning.

In addition to full-semester study abroad programs such as that offered at Harlaxton College in the U.K. (see feature, page 14) and consortia including the InterAmerican Consortium, Heidelberg exchange programs and other, such short-term “club” trips also broaden students’ knowledge of different cultures and regions of the country at minimal expense.
Alternative Spring Break Trip to Everglades

Stebbins and Director of Student Activities Amy Colantoni participated in Bethany’s second annual Alternative Spring Break in Florida this spring, where they and six students worked at Biscayne National Park and The Everglades National Park. The trip was sponsored by Bethany’s Student Activities Council.

Participants met other student volunteers from across the globe as they completed projects to strengthen the local ecosystems. Workers removed marine debris from the shorelines of Elliott Key, providing sea turtle nesting beach restoration; collected garbage across Biscayne Bay; and removed an exotic plant from around the Flamingo District, helping to restore the diversity and health of the world-renowned Everglades National Park, a showcase for immense biodiversity, which includes alligators, wading birds, mangroves and sawgrass.

“The students bonded in a fantastic way,” Dean Stebbins noted. “This trip reminds us all that there is so much good work to be done. The students cleaned about a half mile of beach in one morning. Garbage was separated during pick up into recyclables and garbage. They filled a 45-foot barge in one day; that beach had been cleaned just three days before we got there. We need to take better care of the world we live in.”

“Alternative Spring Break was an eye opening experience that made me learn and appreciate the value of our environment more. Participating in this trip encourages me to be more aware of how I dispose of waste. The friendships and fears I confronted and conquered are the parts of the trip I will hold dearest. They made the trip amazing and worthwhile,” said participant Katherine Warren, ’14.
A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE: STUDENTS

Boston
Also during spring break, Bethany students and members of the College’s Alpha Phi Chapter of the Tri-Beta Biological Honorary Society, led by Club Advisor Dr. John T. Burns, visited sites in Boston, Mass. Destinations included the Harvard Museum of Natural History, Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, New England Aquarium, and Boston Museum of Science. Participants examined the skeleton of an extinct Dodo bird, saw a preserved ancient coelacanth fish, watched a demonstration of static electricity, saw living penguins and sea lions, and watched a 3-D IMAX video of undersea life.

Taking a ferry ride across Boston Harbor, shopping in the historic Faneuil Hall Marketplace and riding the “T” (subway) were other memorable activities noted by the group. Students also met with Bethany College alumnus Frank Gomez ’10, now in his second year of veterinary medical school at Tufts University.

Siobahn McDonagh, president of Tri-Beta, and her parents treated the travelers to a dinner of fresh lobsters at their home in Hull, Mass.

Europe
The Business and Economics Clubs visited a variety of locations throughout Europe, with destinations including London; Brussels, Belgium, the headquarters for the European Central Bank; Frankfort and Rothenberg, Germany; Innsbruck, Austria; Venice, Italy; Verona, Italy; Lucerne, Switzerland; Dijon and Paris in France. Student participants were accompanied by Business Club Advisor Dr. Anju Ramjee and her daughter Divya Ramjee, who assisted her on the trip.

Highlights included a visit to the “Eye,” the Tower of London and Buckingham Palace, and a cruise down the Thames River in the U.K. In Germany, the group cruised the Rhine River and visited the Christmas shops in Rothenberg. In Venice, members visited St. Mark’s Square and the famous Rialto Bridge and enjoyed a gondola ride. They also visited Juliet’s veranda and the Roman arena in Verona. In Lucerne, they walked alongside the Lake and visited Mt. Piatus, 7000 feet above sea level. In Paris, students had the opportunity to visit Notre Dame, the Eiffel Tower, the Champs Elysees and the Louvre to see the famous Mona Lisa, Venus De Milo, the statue of Nike and the ancient Egyptian collections. They concluded the trip with a cruise down the River Seine.

Northern Italy
Bethany’s German Club explored the northernmost section of Italy during its spring break study trip. While spending the majority of its time in the bilingual Alto Adige/Südtirol region around the towns of Bolzano/Bozen and Bressanone/Brixen, the group also found time for day trips to Venice, Milan and Verona.
Among the group’s many activities, were visits to the Archeological Museum in Bozen, where “Ötzi” the iceman (the 5,000- year-old mummy discovered in 1991 in the Ötztal Alps) found his permanent home. Other highlights were visits to the Peggy Guggenheim Collection in Venice, the Roman Arena and Juliet’s House with its legendary balcony in Verona, and the Neustift Monastery and winery in Vahrn, near Brixen. Another highlight included a day of skiing in the Dolomite Mountains.

Led by Club Advisor Dr. Harald Menz, the trip offered participants the opportunity to observe and participate in a functioning bilingual and bi-cultural society while experiencing both affordable and sustainable ways of traveling.

Puerto Rico

Led by Club Advisor Dr. Joseph Lovano, the Spanish Club experienced an eight-day cultural and educational excursion to Puerto Rico. Members visited the historic center of Old San Juan, the Bacardi Factory, the Old Town Market, San Sebastián, The El Yunque National Rainforest, Luquillo Beach, the Bioluminescent Bay of Fajardo, and the city and surroundings of Ponce on the Caribbean Sea. They enjoyed honing their Spanish-language skills, learning “on-the-ground” about Puerto Rican history and culture, and experiencing first-hand the natural beauty and hospitality of Puerto Rico.

“The friendships and fears I confronted and conquered are the parts of the trip I will hold dearest. They made the trip amazing and worthwhile.”  — KATHERINE WARREN ’14
TOP LEFT: Allison Snyder and Amber Ridings enjoying Verona’s outdoor market.
TOP RIGHT: The historic Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, France.
CENTER: The Champ de Mars park in central Paris lies between the Louvre and Eiffel Tower.
BOTTOM: Students visited the market in St. Mark’s Square in Venice, Italy and had the opportunity to tour St. Mark’s Basilica as well.
By combining these short- and long-term options, some Bethany students may visit and/or study in as many as a dozen foreign nations during their undergraduate enrollment, according to Marc Sable, director of international programs. Shorter-term domestic service learning opportunities also exist.

For those able to spend a year or semester overseas, a plethora of formal study opportunities are available and qualified students may also earn academic credit. Several programs for study abroad are part of the Bethany curriculum, and a student enrolled in one remains registered at Bethany. An example is Harlaxton College in England (see feature on this opportunity; Dr. Gary Kappel is teaching there as a visiting faculty member in Fall Semester 2012.)

To be eligible for study abroad, a student should normally have junior standing. Approval by the faculty International Education Committee is also required.

Another program in the United Kingdom is the Oxford Study Abroad Program, which allows qualified Bethany juniors and seniors to enroll as affiliate students at an Oxford College. Students attend tutorials with Oxford staff, have library, dining and social privileges at their respective affiliate colleges and enjoy other university privileges. Student housing is provided through apartments located in the heart of old Oxford.

Sophomores, juniors, and seniors may also enroll at Regent’s College in London, where many courses meet regular Bethany graduation requirements. Internships in the London area also may be available. Housing is within student residences.

Other long-term study abroad programs include:

**HEIDELBERG PROGRAM** Qualified Bethany students may enroll for a semester or a full year in such courses as German language, literature, history, and civilization at the Pedagogische Hochschule in Heidelberg, Germany. The first four weeks are spent in an intensive language course at a Goethe Institute. The Bethany representative and former Bethany exchange students from Heidelberg serve as counselors to Bethany students while they are at Heidelberg.

**PARIS SORBONNE PROGRAM** By special arrangement with the Sorbonne, qualified Bethany students may enroll for a semester or a full year in its Cours de Langue et de Civilisation Francaise (Language and French Civilization) program. A Bethany representative in Paris serves as counselor to Bethany students during their stay at the Sorbonne.

**SEIGAKUIN PROGRAM** By special arrangement with the Seigakuin University of Saitamaken, Japan, qualified students may enroll for a semester or full year for studies in a variety of subjects, or arrange for independent studies. Courses in Japanese language and culture are offered. A Bethany representative at Seigakuin University serves as counselor to Bethany students during their stay.

**SPAIN STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM** By special arrangement with the University of Navarra in Pamplona, qualified Bethany students may enroll for a semester or full year. A Bethany representative at the University of Navarra serves as counselor to Bethany students during their stay.

**KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS** Through an agreement through the Appalachian College Association, qualified Bethany students may remain registered at Bethany while living and studying at over a dozen sites managed by Knowledge Exchange International. KEI programs include opportunities to take courses in the student’s major (in English), participate in internships and community service, as well as learn a language and explore world cultures. Options include short-term, semester and full year programs. KEI sites include:

- **Africa**
  - Kenya (Nairobi)
  - Tanzania (Dar es Salaam)

- **Asia**
  - China (Beijing)
  - India (Pune)
  - Thailand (Bangkok)

- **Eastern Europe**
  - Bulgaria (Varna)
  - Russia (Moscow and Pushchino)

- **Latin America**
  - Ecuador (Guayaquil)

- **Western Europe**
  - United Kingdom (London)
  - France (Paris)
  - Ireland (Dublin)
  - Italy (Milan)
  - Spain (Barcelona)

**INTERAMERICAN CONSORTIUM EXCHANGE PROGRAMS** Through the InterAmerican Consortium, qualified Bethany students may remain registered at Bethany while living and studying for a semester or full year at one of the following institutions:

- Universidad InterAmericana of Costa Rica (Heredia, Costa Rica)
- Universidad InterAmerican of Panama (Panama City, Panama)
- John Cabot University (Rome, Italy)
- Forman Christian College (Karachi, Pakistan)
- American University (Sofia, Bulgaria)
- American University (Paris, France)

**STATE DEPARTMENT INTENSIVE SUMMER LANGUAGE INSTITUTES IN CRITICAL LANGUAGES** Under auspices of the Office of International Studies, Bethany students may apply for overseas scholarships for intensive summer language institutes in 11 foreign languages. These scholarships are provided by the United States Department of State and Council of American Overseas Research Centers. Overseas scholarships are available for the study of:

- Arabic
- Azerbaijani
- Bengali
- Chinese
- Hindi
- Korean
- Persian
- Punjabi
- Russian
- Turkish
- Urdu

**Countries may include:**
- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- China, Egypt, India, Jordan, Morocco, Oman

**Other countries where target languages are spoken:**
- Russia
- South Korea
- Tajikistan
- Tunisia
- Turkey

Critical Language Scholarships provide seven to ten week group-based intensive language instruction and extensive cultural enrichment experiences at the beginning, intermediate and advanced levels.
WITH SUPPORT FROM Dean Robert Sandercox, Professors Hiram Lester, Robert Preston and Richard Kenney and his Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity brothers, Weisband, from New Kensington, Pa., returned to graduate with his class in 1969.

Elected president of his fraternity in 1968, Weisband was also active in intramural athletics and served as president of the Jewish Fellowship, helping to revitalize the club and assist in organizing the College’s first Seder for students who could not travel home for Passover.

Weisband describes Bethany College as instrumental in his decision to devote his career to an active professional role in Jewish life. Today, he is still in touch with many friends and fraternity brothers directly and via Facebook from Israel, where he currently chairs the Global Networking Committee.

Howard, his wife Kayla, and their family immigrated to Israel in 1986. They live in Jerusalem and have four children, two of whom are married, and five grandchildren.

Q. What are your favorite memories of Bethany College?
A. My warmest memory of my Bethany experience relates to the greatest trauma in my life, the sudden and early death of my father in July 1967, following the completion of my sophomore year. I was studying in New York for the summer at the Jewish Theological Seminary when my family and I were confronted with this devastating reality.

Returning to Pittsburgh and my home town of New Kensington, Pa., we were supported and comforted by extended family and many friends, including those from Bethany.

I am the oldest of four siblings, and during the course of the succeeding weeks, I made the decision with my mother, today 95 years young, to suspend my studies for the first semester of my junior year and temporarily run the family business, ferrous and non-ferrous metals and auto wrecking and repair, which had been started on a very small scale by my grandfather as a new immigrant some 50 years earlier. My initial, official call to Bethany was to Dean Robert Sandercox, who could not have been more sensitive, understanding and helpful in easing my pain and paving the way to suspend my studies and then return. My follow-up discussions within the religion department, my major, were similarly most loving, caring, and helpful. Fraternity brothers, in large measure, proved to be just that, brothers.

During the course of the following months, my family succeeded in stabilizing the management of the business, leading toward its eventual sale, so that I was able to return to campus in January for the second semester. I take some pride in that within a few weeks, though I had missed the previous months, I was elected to serve as president of my fraternity, Alpha Sigma Phi. However, my greatest pride, shared by my family, was that I was able to earn sufficient credits to graduate on time with my class in 1969.

Q. Do you recall memorable classes and/or professors?
A. Two classes that served me well throughout my graduate studies and professional career were freshman composition and public speaking. I gained invaluable, practical skills that became...
sharpened over time, based upon the foundation learning in these courses.

During the course of my sophomore year, enrolled as a history and political science major, I came to the conclusion that I wanted to switch my major to religion. Although I had seen myself going into law and was enjoying my course work, my campus experience and career goals were shifting toward an active professional role in Jewish life. My own personal background prior to Bethany, then a freshman religion course, getting to know the professors in the department, and especially developing friendships with students in religious studies, were all key variables in the formation of this critical, personal life decision.

I soon became a religion major, and my understanding was that I was the first Jewish religion major in the history of Bethany. That fact, if so, was secondary to what I personally gained through my religion courses, and to the perspectives that I believe I was able to share with others from my own Jewish background and education. I truly gained a heightened knowledge, awareness, and interest in our Judeo-Christian heritage and values, an appreciation that extends to this day.

Without doubt, my most appreciated professors, were those in the religion department: Robert Preston, Richard Kenney, and Hiram Lester. In addition to the knowledge and guidance they provided, I found that I was able to openly approach any of them at any time on any point, philosophical or personal. I was closest to Hiram Lester, with whom a friendship eventually evolved. An advantage was that he was an active advisor, officially, to Alpha Sigma Phi, and we were able to share ideas and work together in that context as well. His untimely death caused me significant personal grief.

Q. Please describe organizations and activities in which you were active?
A. In addition to Alpha Sigma Phi, which I served as president from January – December, 1968 — I participated heavily in intramural sports. Bethany Executive Vice President and General Counsel Bill Kiefer, is a fraternity brother. I still have contact, sometimes through Facebook, with several Alpha Sigs and others from my Bethany days.

During my sophomore through senior years, I served as president of the Jewish Fellowship. There were then some 70 Jewish students on campus. I had a Jewish organizational background through high school, but found the activity level of the campus fellowship to be somewhat lacking. With the support of the college administration and a rabbi in Steubenville who agreed to be the advisor to the fellowship, we significantly increased the opportunities for involvement and holiday activities for Jewish students. For instance, we sponsored for the first time Passover Seders on campus for students who did not travel home for the holiday.

Q. How did Bethany College shape your life and career?
A. Essentially, my purpose in selecting a quality, small liberal arts college was fulfilled. I was able to enjoy special, warm one-on-one educational relationships...
with faculty, come to know and appreciate key figures in the administration, and become quite involved in formal and informal campus activities.

My chosen career in Jewish communal service was shaped with a unique foundation, enhanced with experiences and role models that provided invaluable and cherished learning moments, some easy, some difficult. I’m pleased to say that these remain memorable as important contributions to my graduate school studies and subsequent professional settings in both the United States and Israel.

Q. How did Bethany prepare you to enter the global marketplace?

A. “Global marketplace” indicates that this question was prepared with the 21st Century in mind. Doubtless, a student in 2012 would speak of the value of courses relating to the global village, technology and real-time communications, and new trends in social media. Such offerings are probably explored and registered for online via a personal computer.

On the other hand, looking back as a 1969 graduate, we registered for our course load that year for the first time with punch cards, moving from table to table in a large hall. I don’t remember if the term “global” as an adjective was then in use, but I had benefited already at Bethany from earlier foundation courses in economics and political science, including international relations. The principles learned therein were later incorporated into my ensuing professional life as I turned toward involvement in public policy, specifically Jewish public policy and its implementation. Whether I was focused in my work upon ongoing issues in Jewish identity and education, or historical efforts in seeking the freedom and eventual immigration of Russian and Ethiopian Jews, I found that basic ideas and principles in economics and political realities, “realpolitik”, would significantly aid my professional outlook, actions, and career.

Moreover, Bethany itself embodied community, while at the same time teaching us to think openly and interact with one another with integrity, i.e., the very opposite of what is called “group-think”. My professional commitment to building and strengthening the concept of Jewish community on all levels — local, national, and international — stems in large measure from my Bethany experience. The campus functioned philosophically and practically as a community, through its academics to its athletics, from its social events to its intellectual convocations. The idea and value of community was especially inherent within the Religion Department, which served truly served as an inspiration in my future endeavors.

Q. Why is it important for students have a world perspective?

A. I am reminded of the final exam in Philosophy 101 that was comprised of one question: “Why?” While students struggled with long, winding answers, one student simply responded, “Why not?”, immediately turned in the paper, and ultimately received an “A,” the highest mark in the class.

It might be wise for me to stop there. But at the risk of plunging forward, I must add that a world perspective, awareness and an involvement with global issues and with people worldwide, is critical to both the wellbeing of the individual and the betterment of the world. Looking back at the 1960’s, I remember that we were primarily driven by America’s engagement in the Vietnam War. In 2012, only the locations have changed in that respect. At the same time, however, some two generations later, fundamental global changes abound. The appearance and development of the Internet, instantaneous and real-time reporting, social media networking, and incredible communications systems, have all contributed to creating a revolution as to how we see, understand, and interact within the world, or better, within the proverbial global village.

The tools gained through a Bethany education in the 1960’s, as certainly would be the case more so today, prepared me personally and professionally to engage with a global community and seek to help repair the contemporary world in my own some small way.”
On the Move

Four countries in four years wasn’t bad for **MEGHAN PHILP** who also managed to earn a 4.1 grade point average and graduate as winner of the “Oreon E. Scott Award” for the highest academic average among seniors while serving as president of the Spanish Club, vice-president of the Student Government Association, secretary of the German and Spanish Clubs and Senior Class Council and historian for Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

“EVERY TIME a trip was planned, my hand was the first one to go up,” says 2012 Bethany valedictorian Meghan Philp, a summa cum laude graduate in Spanish and cultural studies who traveled to Germany, Italy, Spain and Chile on Bethany-sponsored club trips as a student, capping her college experience with summer study in Spain in 2011.

“Bethany offers a vast array of affordable club trips for a week or two during spring break and at other times, in addition to classes abroad during J-Term,” she notes. Cost is defrayed by the club budgets, allowing students such as Meghan to travel without missing classes or incurring large expense.

“I was able to become much more proficient in Spanish, and also added a working knowledge of German and Italian,” as a result of her Bethany travels, Meghan adds. She passed both of her senior comprehensive exams with distinction.

She credits Dr. Joseph B. Lovano, and Dr. Harald J.A. Menz, professors of world languages and cultures, with promoting club international trips. “They are amazing people,” she says.

While these experiences, as well as a high school trip to France, Italy and Greece as a “People to People” ambassador, whetted her appetite for international travel, her semester at the Universidad Sampere in Salamanca confirmed her affinity for the Spanish language and culture. After spending a day in class in an intensive language program, Meghan noted that some of her most memorable times occurred while “wondering around the city” as a way to meet natives “from their own perspective.” Spending a month with a host family, Meghan earned a scholarship for the study abroad program through the Spanish Honor Society, Sigma Delta Pi.

“The Spanish presidential elections were pending while I was there, and since many of the issues were similar to those in our own national elections, I was able to compare and contrast,” she notes. She also enjoyed viewing the U.S. culture from the standpoint of Europeans.

“I was pleasantly surprised that Spaniards as a whole do not dislike Americans, though they do tend to think that we are noisy when in groups,” she observes.

“When I first went abroad, it was a bit difficult,” she admits. However, after the initial adjustment period had passed, she enjoyed the independence of “making my own decisions.”

Study and travel abroad not only build confidence, but also, create life-time friendships, she says.

Best of all, Bethany allowed her to expand her horizons without breaking the bank and while maintaining progress toward a degree.
BORN INTO THE Indian Sikh community and religion, Turner was educated at All Saints’ College and the University of Bombay.

She attended Bethany College on an exchange scholarship from 1970-73, where she graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of arts in history and political science. Sukhi went on to marry former New Zealand cricket captain Glenn Turner, who she traveled with extensively throughout the world. After she gave birth to daughter, Natasha, and son, Shaan, the couple settled in Dunedin in 1982. Both of her children and a granddaughter, Maia, 6, still reside in New Zealand.

There, she quickly became involved in local primary and secondary education, environmental initiatives, human rights and other issues, and won election to the Dunedin City Council on her first try in 1992. Turner ousted an incumbent on her first attempt in the 1995 mayoral race, which was the first defeat of an incumbent in 27 years. She went on to win by even larger majorities during her second and third term elections.

The Indian News Service reported, “Of all the 74 mayoral elections held in New Zealand last week, Punjab-bred Sukhi Turner’s win over her rival Richard Walls is being considered one of the most convincing. Expectations of the re-election of Sukhi, married to legendary, former New Zealand cricket captain Glenn Turner, were so high that a number of her potential opponents withdrew their election papers as soon as she announced her intention to seek a third term.”

Along the way, she has also founded an Indian cooking school and a bed-and-breakfast with her husband, and earned her native India’s highest award for a non-resident national.

Today, the couple lives in Wanaka, a ski-and-summer resort town in the mountainous Central Region of the South Island, where they actively participate in the eco-sustainable causes they support — raising their own fruit trees and chickens and starting a garden from scratch. Turner was heavily involved in the Enviroschools Foundation, which she chaired from 2003-07. The foundation aims to bring an eco-friendly curriculum into New Zealand primary and secondary schools. She also chairs the Wanaka Community House Charitable Trust, a local organization that sponsors community houses offering resources to families and organizations in need.

“I don’t like to lead projects for too long, though,” she noted. “I think after about four years, it’s time for new leadership.”

Having traveled extensively throughout her life, she now leads frequent trips of New Zealanders to her native India. Turner is also planning a return trip to the United States to reunite with Bonnie Kittle, friend and former classmate, and Dr. Art Barbeau, her guardian as an international student at Bethany College.

Sukhi remembers Bethany as “a very supportive place with an excellent liberal arts education.”
Indian by birth, a long-time New Zealand resident and frequent international traveler, Dame Sukhi Turner ’73 offers her thoughts on globalization:

Q. How did Bethany prepare you to enter the global marketplace?
A. When I was a student at Bethany in the early 1970s, “the marketplace” was not a word used in the same sense as it is today. There were plenty of jobs, and Milton Friedman’s free market economic theories were not so evident. During those days, the western economic nations were only just beginning to feel the effects of the oil price shocks. Being a female and choosing a career was secondary to getting married, even though many educated women did not want to suffer from suburban neurosis!

Certainly, having studied in a liberal minded institution which believed in diversity of knowledge and plurality made me look outwards and upwards.

Q. Why is it important for students to have a world perspective?
A. We now live in a globalized world that is shrinking in the minds of most people, mainly due to growth of travel and communication technologies of the 21st century. It is important for the young generations to have a wider world perspective, and an understanding of diversity as the world is increasingly coming to greet us at our doorstep!

Career Highlights
2004 Chairperson of the local government, New Zealand’s Tourism Project Team.
1992 Elected to Dunedin City Council as councilor in her first attempt in 1992.

Community Involvement
Highest-polling candidate on the Arthur Street School Board of Trustees.
Active in Otago Girls High School Parents, Teachers and Students Association.
Member, Women’s Environmental Network.
Vice-president of the Federation of University Women - Otago Branch, 1993-95.
President of Dunedin Multi-Ethnic Council, 1992-94 and was the vice-president of the New Zealand Federation of Ethnic Councils, Inc., in 1995.
Member, the University of Otago Council, 1995 – 2004.
Chairperson, Social Innovation and Investment Group, 2007- 11.

Awards
2004 Pravasi Bharatiya Samman. India’s highest honor for non-resident Indians abroad.
2002 Distinguished Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit.
1993 New Zealand Women’s Centennial Suffrage Medal.
MEN’S BASKETBALL PAC CHAMPIONSHIP RECAP

BY CANDACE PACHECO ’14

After capturing the program’s 13th PAC Championship and making an appearance in the NCAA Tournament the season before, the 2011-12 Bison men’s basketball team was ready to work in hopes of surpassing their previous achievements.

THIS YEAR’S TEAM consisted of seven returning letterman, including four starters from that 21-8 team, that provided them with an arsenal of talent and solid depth. With this key experience, the Bison accumulated the program’s best record in school history within the last 12 years and brought home their 14th Presidents’ Athletic Conference (PAC) Championship title.

Starting their third season under head coach Andrew Sachs, Bethany began the season on fire with a month-long winning streak from November to December. The Green & White opened their season on the road at Allegheny and, despite close scores in the first half, shot 50 percent from the floor in the latter and committed only six turnovers, as they went on to win 82-60. Senior British Alexander had his first double-double of the season, scoring 19 points and grabbing 12 boards, while denying five shots. Junior James Barton followed with 18 points and junior Reece Mabery contributed with 16 points and four assists.

The team returned home for a three-game stretch that included victories over Baldwin-Wallace, Muskingum and Pitt-Greensburg. In the home opener, Brady Pacific came off the bench to lead the Bethany scorers with 18 points and Alexander, who would earn PAC Player of the Week honors, had his second consecutive double-double (10 points, 13 boards) to aide Bethany in the 72-65 decision over B-W. The Bison staved off a late Muskingum run in the second half of the following game to solidify a 71-67 victory, led by Barton (19 points) and Mabery (18). The team’s record increased to 4-0 with a solid 86-61 win versus Pitt-Greensburg, as five different players scored in double digits, led by Barton with 23 points, and a defensive effort that forced UPG to shoot 22.7 percent from the floor and commit 23 turnovers.

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The winning continued as the Bison returned home for another three-game stretch. Bethany had the hot hand from behind the arc, netting 12 three pointers, including a 6-for-6 effort from Pacific, to post a strong 82-51 victory over visiting PAC rival Geneva. Pacific’s perfect performance from behind the three-point line was the second-best in school history, as he went on to lead all scorers with 26 points.

The team then had a break from PAC play, as they hosted Carnegie Mellon and shot 53 percent in the second half to rally for an 88-75 win over the Tartans. Wilcox continued his all-around efforts, as he posted 24 points, six steals, five boards, and four assists. Mabery chipped in with an 18-point effort.

The Bison followed by hosting a tough PAC opponent, Thomas More, in the final game of the home stretch. Five Bethany players finished in double digits and the team posted an 86 percent effort from the charity stripe to outscore the Saints for the triumphant 89-74 outcome. Leading the scorers were Wilcox and Alexander, who each recorded a double-double, as Wilcox poured in 19 markers and 11 rebounds, while Alexander totaled 18 points and 15 boards. Mabery tied Wilcox for game-high honors with 19 points. Wilcox’s efforts led him to be named PAC Player of the Week.

Bethany would improve their undefeated record, as they went on the road to face Frostburg State and Olivet. The men held on for a nail-biting 74-73 win at Frostburg, thanks to Wilcox’s team-high 20 points and Barton’s 19 points, which included four triples. The 68-46 victory at Olivet stretched the Bison to 10-0 and made history, as it became the program’s best start since going 18-0 in...
1963-64 and the program’s longest winning streak since taking 18 in a row in the 2005-06 campaign. Also, after leading the team to these two road victories, Wilcox received D3Hoops.com National Team of the Week honors.

Following the holiday break, the Bison men went on the road to the Staten Island Tournament to face eventual Final Four participant Illinois Wesleyan and Vaughn College. In the first round, Bethany couldn’t hold on to their three-point lead at halftime and suffered their first loss of the season 63-60, despite a career-high effort from Mabery with 31 points. However, the Green & White bounced right back in the consolation game, led by freshman forward Ray Neal, who had his first career double-double (14 points, 12 boards), to earn a convincing 84-38 win over Vaughn to bring their record to 11-1.

The new calendar year saw two more wins against PAC opponents Washington & Jefferson and Waynesburg. Wilcox and Barton led the Bison to a 4-0 start in the PAC, as they scored 18 apiece for the 79-60 road victory at Washington & Jefferson. The Bethany defense held the Yellow Jackets to just 14 first-half points and coasted to a 73-45 victory to stretch to 5-0 in the PAC, their best start since 2005-06. Wilcox led all scorers, as he registered his fifth double-double of the year and second in a row by netting 18 points and grabbing 11 boards.

The Bison suffered a setback in the following game as they returned home to host Thiel with the PAC lead at stake. Despite Wilcox’s 20 points and five steals, the team couldn’t put together the offense and lost 69-57.

With only conference play remaining on the schedule, BC recovered quickly to go on a four-game winning streak. Led by Wilcox with 21 points and Barton with 20, Bethany had their first win over Westminster 76-66. They returned home to defeat Saint Vincent 77-63, as Mabery fired in 27 points to lead all scorers. The Green & White coasted to a 78-57 victory over visiting Grove City in their second showing, as Mabery, who had 14 in the Grove City win, earned PAC Player of the Week.

By creating 26 Geneva turnovers and shooting 55 percent in the second half, the Bison went on to beat the Golden Tornadoes 71-54. The fourth straight win brought Bethany to 17-2 and 9-1 in the PAC, a milestone for the program, as they reached 17 wins for the ninth consecutive season.

Up next for BC was a road game versus the Thomas More Saints, who were high in the league standings at the time. Although the Bison led by two at halftime, the Saints had the hot hand in the second half and shot 57 percent from the floor to capture the 68-57 victory over Bethany.

With just five games remaining on the schedule, the team traveled home to host Washington & Jefferson. It was a clean sweep over the Presidents, as Bethany picked up the easy 81-49 win to return back to the winning side. Wilcox broke career milestones this game, as he scored his 1,000th career point and broke the program’s all-time steals record. Pacific picked up the game-high honors, as he tallied a career-high 28 points.

The winning continued as the Bison turned the last four regular season games into notches in the win column. BC pulled away for the 75-44 road victory at Waynesburg, as Barton scored 13 of his team-leading 18 points in the second half. With Wilcox notching his sixth double-double of the year (18 points, 12 boards), Bethany rallied back in the second half to pull away with the 70-67 road win over Thiel to take sole possession of first place in the PAC. Conference Player of the Week honors was also rewarded to Wilcox for his performances. Bethany maintained first place after they beat Westminster 91-65 on Senior Night, as the team shot a remarkable season-best 56.3 percent led by Pacific (19 points), Wilcox (18 points) and Alexander’s 7th double-double of the season (12 points, 11 boards).

Saint Vincent hosted BC’s regular season finale with the PAC regular season crown and home court advantage throughout the conference tournament at stake. Dominant shooting from the Bison put the game in the books, as Mabery led the team with 19 points, followed by Pacific’s 15 points and five
steals, to give Bethany the 76-64 victory. Along with clinching the #1 seed and home court advantage, BC’s win improved their record to 22-3 overall, tying the school record for regular season wins, and 14-2 in the PAC.

The upset-minded Waynesburg Yellow Jackets entered Hummel Field House coming off a 63-57 victory over Westminster in the play-in game to face Bethany in the PAC Quarterfinal game. BC was able to overcome six ties and five lead changes in the opening stanza to have the 36-30 advantage at the half. Fighting off Yellow Jacket rallies in the second half, Bethany sealed the game, as they went 6-for-6 from the free throw line in the final 1:26 and earned the 82-69 outcome. Wilcox finished with 21 points, 10 boards and four blocks and Alexander recorded 15 points and 10 rebounds. Pacific also came off the bench to net 17 points to aid in the win.

Bethany hosted seventh-seeded Washington & Jefferson in the semifinal, who were coming off a 91-89 upset victory over second-seeded Thiel to reach the stage. Seesawing scores kept the Presidents in the contest until Mabery’s back-to-back layups with nearly 12 minutes remaining gave BC the lead for good. A following 19-4 spurt by Bethany propelled them to an 82-69 win and the Bison moved on to their eighth PAC title game in 11 years. Wilcox led all scorers in the game by amassing a career-high 29 points, while Barton tallied 21.

The Green & White were pitted against PAC rival Thomas More in the final game for the conference crown. Bethany turned on the defense in the first half, limiting the Saints to 19 percent shooting (5-26) and held TMC to just 17 points. Sophomore Leslie Addy scored 10 of his key 15 points in the first half to spark the Bison and lead them to their 30-17 halftime advantage. Thomas More would chop at the lead in the second half and brought the score to 52-51 (Bethany) with just 38 seconds remaining. Foul shots became the deciding factor and Bethany shot 77 percent from the line to seal the 58-53 victory and earn their 14th PAC Championship, the most in conference history. Mabery was the top scorer with 16 points, including a 12-for-14 performance from the foul line. Addy's 15 points were a personal-best and Barton rounded out the double-figure scorers with 10. With the win, Bethany’s 25-3 overall record broke the school’s single season record for victories previously set in 2004-05.

Following the tournament, Wilcox was named the PAC’s Player of the Year. In addition to this honor, Alexander was selected First Team All-PAC and Mabery received Second Team honors.

After capturing the title, Bethany received the PAC’s automatic bid into the NCAA Tournament, the program’s second trip in a row and eighth overall. Bethany entered the first round of the Tournament ranked 20th in the nation by D3Hoops.com, and were pitted against St. Mary’s (Md). University. The Green & White battled and sliced a 20-point deficit down to five late in the second half, but just fell short, as St. Mary’s held on for a 69-57 victory.

The Bison men ended the season with a 25-4 overall record. Along with the PAC distinctions, Nick Wilcox and British Alexander each earned All-Region honors. Wilcox was named First Team All-Great Lakes Region by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) and Second Team All-Region by D3Hoops.com. Alexander was rewarded with Second Team recognition from the NABC.
BETHANY WINTER SPORTS 2012 RECAP

The 2011-12 season was one of firsts for the Bethany women’s basketball and men’s and women’s swimming and diving programs. The biggest of those were the first postseason trip in nearly 10 years for the women’s basketball team and the first season under a new head coach for the swimming program.

THE HOOPS SEASON had a slow start for the Bison with three straight losses to open the campaign. But the Green and White bounced back to close out the first half of the season with wins in seven of their next eight games. Included in that run were three straight victories to open PAC play and then a trip to the Bahamas Sunshine Shootout, where Bethany slipped past Milwaukee School of Engineering and blasted Immaculata to stand at 7-4 at the holiday break.

After the New Year, the Bison dropped two straight, but it would the last time they suffered consecutive losses for the rest of the season. Late in the year, a pair of big conference wins clinched a first round home game in the PAC Tournament for Bethany. First was a 91-87 overtime triumph at Thiel, which was highlighted by a career-high 23 points from senior Anne Wilson, including her 1,000th career point. That was followed by a hard-fought 63-56 win over Westminster on Senior Night and the Bison were guaranteed a game at Hummel Field House to open the PAC playoffs.

In the PAC Quarterfinals, the Bison received a big game from senior Katelynn Hackathorn (12 points, 16 rebounds) and outscored Westminster 40-25 in the second half to pull away for a 71-52 decision and advance to the semifinals for the first time since the 08-09 season. Bethany’s hopes for a conference title were ended by eventual league champion Thomas More, but the 16-11 record posted by BC was good enough to earn the team a bid to the ECAC South Region Tournament.

In the program’s first postseason bid since 2004, the Bison traveled to Marywood (Pa.) University. The see-saw game had nine ties and eight lead changes, with the last coming in the final seconds. Hackathorn, who turned in 17 points and 16 rebounds, converted a three-point play with three seconds to play to lift Bethany to a 61-60 victory and advance them to the next round. In the semifinals, BC lost a shootout with eventual ECAC champion Medaille 84-72, but the Green and White still finished the year with a 17-12 record, the best mark in head coach Rebecca Upton’s eight-year tenure.

A pair of Bison were honored following the season with Honorable Mention All-PAC status. Wilson earned the second all-conference award of her career after averaging a career-high 11.1 points per game and leading the PAC in free throw percentage (81.4 percent). Junior Kayla Taormina notched her second consecutive Honorable Mention award after leading the team with 11.3 points per game.

In the pool, head coach David Dow took the reins to the Bison program for his first season. He would collect his first win as a coach on the women’s side, when the Bison defeated Ursuline 77-25 in the team’s final meet before the holiday break. Freshman Marina Baker had a pivotal role in the victory, taking first place in three individual events.

Bethany’s women grabbed its second victory in January with a win over Frostburg State. Baker played a key role again, as did senior Sara Reass, as both won a trio of individual events and teamed up in a relay triumph as well. The Bison nearly followed that with a PAC win, but came up just one point short in a 90-89 loss to Chatham.

The end of the season saw strong efforts from the Bison at PAC Championships. Baker and Reass both scored in a total of six events during the weekend and were part of two record-breaking performances. On the second day of the meet, the foursome of Baker, junior Melissa Davis, freshman Becky Martin and Reass broke the Bethany record in the 800 Free Relay with a time of 8:30.34. That time shattered the previous mark that was set in 2008 by more than 11 seconds.

On the final day of the PAC Championships, Reass, Baker, Davis and Martin were at it again, this time in the 400 Free Relay. By posting a time of 3:53.36, the relay broke the old school standard by more than two seconds and placed sixth overall in the event. As a team, Bethany’s women scored 105 points, while a short-handed BC men’s team did not score at the meet.
The spring season for the Bison athletic programs were filled with superlative individual efforts, ranging from All-American honors on the softball field, All-Region performances on the baseball diamond, record-breaking efforts on the track and the best season on the tennis court in a dozen years.

HEADLINING THE SPRING The spring team accomplishments was the men’s and women’s track programs, which continued to send multiple qualifiers to ECAC Championships. The regular season featured a trio of Bison receiving PAC Runner of the Week accolades, including Arkangelo James, who won the 400 and led the 4x400 relay to a second place finish at the Marietta Invitational. The women’s awards were swept by BC competitors after the PAC Quad South Meet, as Paige Prato set a new school record while winning the 100 and led the 4x100 relay to a first place finish, while Cassie Allen won the long jump and triple jump events.

Prato was a top performer at the PAC Championships, as she won the title in the 100 after breaking her school record again with a time of 12.76 seconds. Also racing to All-PAC distinction was Kaitlyn Black, who received Honorable Mention All-PAC honors after placing third in the 400 (1:00.72). That duo also teamed with Hayley Acree and Megan Butler to place fourth in the 4x100 relay, while Allen grabbed fourth overall in the high jump.

On the men’s side, three individuals and one relay brought home All-PAC recognition. The highest awards were earned by Zac Everhart in the 110 hurdles, as he was Second Team All-PAC by finishing in 16.30 seconds, and Ben Gregg, who also claimed Second Team All-PAC in the javelin (177-9). Taking Honorable Mention status was James in the 800 with a time of 1:57.65 and the 4x400 relay of Lamine Balde, Joe Douglas, Derrick Tolliver and James, which finished in 3:28.15.

Following PACs, a total of 10 Bison competed at ECAC Championships. Gregg posted the highest finish, as he earned fifth place in the javelin. The women’s 4x100 relay team was the other highlight, as they set a new school record with a time of 50.20 seconds. Also competing at ECACs was Prato in the 100 and 200, James in the 800 and the 4x100 relay of Balde, Raymear Pinchom, Tolliver and Anthony Thompson.

The top record of the spring was turned in by the men’s tennis team. After getting off to a 2-4 start to the year, a three-match winning streak over Mount Aloysius, Waynesburg and Thomas More and four wins in five matches helped boost Bethany to a 6-6 finish overall. It was the program’s top record since 2000.

Two international students sparked the solid season for the Bison. Sophomore Dustin Maiolo, who hails from Canada and also plays for the men’s soccer program, had the top record in singles with an 8-4 mark, including 5-2 against PAC competition. Maiolo also teamed with senior Richard Strassguetl from Germany at third doubles to post an 8-4 record during the season. Sophomore James Peterson continued to improve in his second season, going 6-6 at #2 singles during the regular season.

The Bethany baseball team battled consistency issues at the start of the year, but made a strong push at the end of the campaign that saw BC fall just short of qualifying for the conference tournament. With nine games to go in the season, the Bison’s postseason hopes looked bleak. But a doubleheader sweep at Saint Vincent helped ignite the late season surge.

Bethany would celebrate Senior Day by taking two games from eventual PAC champion Westminster behind stellar pitching, including a one-hit shutout by Ryan Meier in a 3-0 victory, which helped the first-year hurler earn PAC Pitcher of the Week honors. The Bison would go on to win the opening game of the conference series against Thiel, but needing help to get into the PAC Tournament on the final day of the regular season, the chips did not fall BC’s way and they were denied the chance to play for a league crown.

A trio of Bison would be recognized following the season. Junior Brad Kubis, who hit .372 with 27 RBI and also posted seven saves on the mound, picked up Second Team All-PAC honors. Earning Honorable Mention was sophomore Juls Leto, who hit .366 and stole a team-best 12 bases, and Meier, who posted a 5-2 record and 3.71 ERA in his first season on the hill for the Bison. Kubis would pile on two more awards later on, as he was named Third Team All-Region by both the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) and D3Baseball.com.
A slow start at the beginning of the season also proved to be harmful to Bethany’s softball postseason hopes. A 3-6 start down in Florida was followed by a tough stretch when the team returned home. Bethany would right the ship towards the end of the year, reeling off six straight wins and victories in seven of their last 10 games, but it still left BC just short of qualifying for the conference tournament.

There were still plenty of postseason awards for Bethany players. Junior Maria Vallone was the lone Bison on First Team All-PAC after she led the conference in three different categories and set a new single-season school record for on-base percentage (.540). Second Team accolades went to junior Emily Jump, who hit .356 and drove in 15, and junior Alison Powell, who batted .313 and scored 17 runs.

That was just the start of the awards for Vallone, who put up astronomical numbers during the season. She hit .470 with 16 doubles, four home runs, 26 RBI, 30 runs scored and was a perfect 10-for-10 in stolen bases. In addition to her third All-PAC award, Vallone would also be named First Team All-ECAC South Region, First Team All-Central Region by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) and Third Team All-American. She became the fourth player in Bethany softball history to earn All-American status and first since Rachael Schafer in 2003.

Bethany’s second varsity lacrosse season saw signs of improvement from the program. Early season close setbacks to schools like Hanover (8-7), Alvernia (7-4) and Ohio Valley (8-6) showed the Bison were closing the gap on other teams. The Green and White would record its only win of the season by scoring a 9-4 triumph over Alma. Sophomore Branden Wessells carried the offense with five goals and junior Zach Gordon added one goal and three assists. A rash of injuries and illness damaged the team’s hopes down the stretch and Bethany finished with a 1-12 record.

Top point honors for the program went to Gordon, who totaled 16 points off eight goals and a single-season record eight assists. Freshman Trey Moore had an immediate impact for the Bison with a BC-high 12 goals and 15 points, while Wessells was right behind him with 11 goals. Sophomore C.J. Studnicky started all 13 games in net for Bethany and made 175 saves.

The Bison golf team had a disappointing finish to the season, but that was due to the weather more than their play. Because of poor weather, the spring portion of the PAC Championships, consisting of 36 holes, was canceled. That meant the results were the 36 holes in the fall determined the final standings and the Bison finished in seventh place overall. It was also disappointing for sophomore Nolan Wilson. He would have played for a chance to move up into All-PAC accolades in the spring, but instead his fall score of 155 left him one stroke short of all-conference recognition.
Stephanie Bernthal Named Head Field Hockey Coach

CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT UNIVERSITY assistant Stephanie Bernthal has been named the new head field hockey coach at Bethany College, as announced by director of athletics and recreation Tim Weaver.

Bernthal will lead the Bison into their first varsity season since 1989-90. According to Weaver, the department is thrilled to have someone with Bernthal’s coaching and playing experience to guide the program into its first season back on campus.

“Stephanie is a great fit as our first Field Hockey coach,” said Weaver. “She has experience as a Division I player, as a coach at a very successful Division III program and ties to the region, which will help a great deal in our recruiting efforts. Her communication skills and attention to detail are keys to being successful with a new program. Stephanie has a clear vision of how she wants to implement her plan, and we will support her and the program in those efforts. She impressed everyone involved in the interview process and we are very happy to welcome her to the Bethany College community.”

A member of the United States Field Hockey Association with Level I Coaching Accreditation, Bernthal was a full time assistant at Christopher Newport for one season and helped the Captains finish 12-6 last year. The program, which was ranked as high as 17th in the country and had five one-goal losses during the year, earned its sixth consecutive bid to the NCAA Tournament where CNU fell by a narrow 3-1 margin at Ursinus (Pa.) College. As part of the Captains’ staff, Bernthal was the recruiting coordinator, as well as the fundraising coordinator for foreign tours, and aided in planning practices and individual sessions and breaking down game tape.

In addition to her work at Christopher Newport, Bernthal was the Director of Club Events for the StickPower Field Hockey Club in Newport News, Va. She has also served as a coach with the United States Field Hockey Association Futures Program, including the Futures Elite Level I Site in Virginia Beach, the Regional Futures Tournament and National Training Center Red Site in 2012. Prior to her appointment at Christopher Newport, she was the junior varsity coach at Stow-Monroe Falls High School in Stow, Ohio.

Bernthal began coaching after a decorated playing career at Kent State University, where she was a four-year starter on defense. During her career, she helped lead the Golden Flashes to two MAC regular season championships and the MAC Tournament Championship and an NCAA Play-in game appearance in 2008. Bernthal was a two-time All-MAC selection, including First Team honors in 2008 when she posted six assists and one defensive save while also heading up a defense that allowed just 1.18 goals per game. She was selected to the All-West Region Second Team for her performance in ‘08.

Bernthal was just as accomplished in the classroom at Kent State as she was on the field. She was named to the National Field Hockey Coaches’ Association All-Academic Team all four years of her career and was voted to the ESPN the Magazine/CoSIDA Academic All-District Team in 2008. Bernthal earned both her bachelor’s and master’s degree from Kent State, graduating Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology in 2008 and earning a Masters of Education in Clinical Mental Health Counseling in 2011.

Bernthal is looking forward to leading the first-year program at Bethany.

“I am really thankful for this opportunity that Tim Weaver and (Bethany President Dr. (Scott) Miller have provided me,” said Bernthal. “I am looking forward to building a program from the ground up and start a tradition that fits with the profile of a small school of national distinction like Bethany.

“Geographically, Bethany is in a good place, being close to hot beds for field hockey in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland and northern Virginia,” said Bernthal. “The school has a strong academic profile and the campus is obviously very beautiful. All the things are in place to create a successful program and I’m really excited to get started.”

Bernthal’s early goals include building the roster size with players who embrace what Bethany has to offer and then bring the program along to become a contender nationally.

“My short-term goals include establishing a tone for the program, which means bringing in people who are excited to meet the mission we set,” said Bernthal. “We need to build the roster size and move forward at a more competitive level. Once we reach those, then we can look to be competitive on the national level.”
SENIOR ATHLETES

The Bethany College athletic department announced its top seniors for the 2011-12 season. The William B. Hanna Award winner for top Male Athlete is football player Eric Walker (New Brighton, Pa.) and the Susan B. Hanna Award recipient is volleyball player Carrie Talkington (Moundsville, W.Va./John Marshall) and the Senior Scholar-Athlete Award winner is volleyball player Megan Hoffman (Cambridge, Ohio/John Glenn).

THE THREE AWARD WINNERS will be recognized during Homecoming at Bethany. On Friday, Oct. 5th, they will be honored as part of the Hall of Fame dinner on campus and the next day at halftime of the BC football game against Geneva, the trio will be recognized again as part of the Homecoming festivities.

Due in large part to Walker’s contributions, the Bethany football program looks like it is turning the corner. Aided by consecutive 5-5 records his final two seasons, the Bison won 16 games during his career, the most wins over a four-year span when the 2002 senior class claimed a total of 18 victories.

A communications major, Eric is the son of Lorraine Walker of New Brighton, Pa.

Talkington also led a major turnaround in the Bethany volleyball program. During her freshman season in 2008, BC went 5-24 overall and 2-12 in the PAC. A short four years later, the 5-10 middle blocker had developed into one of the dominating players in the conference and the Bison were transformed into a conference power. As a junior, Talkington helped guide the Bison to a 24-13 record and an ECAC South Region Championship in the program’s first postseason appearance. In addition to earning Second Team All-PAC, she was also named the ECAC Tournament’s Most Outstanding Player.

The Bison would go even further in 2011, Talkington’s senior campaign. The program set a new school-record for single-season wins by going 31-6, went 14-4 in the PAC to set a record for most league victories and advanced to the PAC Tournament Championship match. Despite falling just short of the league crown and a bid to the NCAA Tournament, the Bison were rewarded with another bid to the ECAC Tournament, where they would repeat as champions.

Walker finished his career on the gridiron with nearly every rushing record in the Bison record book. He set new career records with 3,043 rushing yards, 41 rushing touchdowns and 47 total touchdowns. In addition, he finished second in career all-purpose yards (3,949) and carries (344) and set single-season records with 12 rushing TDs in 2010 and tied the total touchdown mark with 15 in 2009. Walker also owns one single-game standard with three receiving touchdowns in a win at Kentucky Christian in 2009.

Overall in his time in a Bison uniform, Walker earned four All-PAC awards, including Second Team accolades his sophomore and junior seasons and Honorable Mention status as a freshman and senior. He also received PAC Offensive Player of the Week honors once, which came after he rushed for a career-high 220 yards (fourth-most in Bethany history) and three touchdowns in a victory at King’s (Pa.) College.
Talkington’s individual honors included two all-conference awards, including First Team distinction as a senior. She became just the fourth player in BC history to surpass 1,000 kills and ranks third all-time at the school with 1,161. In setting those numbers, Talkington posted two seasons with 400 or more kills (419 in 2010, 452 in 2011), a mark only two other players have reached in one year at Bethany. Talkington also owns the career mark with 252 assisted blocks and ranks eighth with 187 career solo blocks.

A physical education major, Carrie is the daughter of Bill & Sandy Talkington of Moundsville, W.Va.

Hoffman was also an integral part of the Bison volleyball success. On the court, she became just the 12th player in school history to surpass 1,000 career digs (1,002) and finished her career ranked eighth in all-time aces with 127. She also earned All-Tournament Team status at the Haverford Tournament to open the 2011 season when Bethany went 4-0 to start their record-breaking year.

Off the floor, Hoffman was even more accomplished. She graduated from Bethany with a GPA above 4.0 in biology. She earned Capital One Third Team Academic All-American honors, one of three Bison volleyball players to earn Academic All-American laurels. Hoffman earned a spot on the President’s List for a perfect 4.0 GPA six times and was on Dean’s List her other two semesters. She was a member of the Beta Beta Beta Biology Honor Society and was a Relay for Life team captain for three years.

Megan is the daughter of the Cindy & Greg Hoffman of Cambridge, Ohio.
Family and friends gathered with Marc B. Chernenko ’78 and Judge Joyce Dumbaugh Chernenko ’78 as Bethany College honored them as co-recipients of the 2012 Alumnus of the Year Award on May 5 at the annual Alumni Awards Dinner during Alumni Weekend. The award was established by the office of the president to recognize alumni who demonstrate Bethany loyalty and exceptional achievement. The recipients are chosen by the president of the college.

ACHIEVEMENTS

DR. NICHOLAS BERRY ’58 was Bethany’s representative at the inauguration of Bobby Fong, Ph. D., as he became the fifteenth president of Ursinus College. The inauguration took place on April 21, 2012. Dr. Berry is professor emeritus of politics at Ursinus.

DAVID ROOMY ’61 has released a new book of poetry titled *Spirit and Flesh, Englishman and Greek* that coincides with the 50th anniversary of the death of C.G. Jung. A Jungian psychotherapist, Roomy’s writing spans the same 50 years and expresses what the opposites of spirit and flesh could mean for others without reference to theory, instead relying on the art and beauty of the phrases.

Global Thirst: Water and Society in the 21st Century is a new book by DR. JOHN R. WENNERSTEN ’63 which is now available at Schifferbooks.com. Wennersten has enjoyed a successful academic career at the University of Maryland system in studying the history of estuaries, rivers and water policy. In an age of misinformation and public apprehension about climate change, droughts, floods, and polluted drinking water, *Global Thirst* offers a critical perspective on water, its uses, and access, as a major global issue in the 21st century. For further information contact Wennersten at www.globalthirst.org.

REV. LARRY DEITCH ’67 has retired from the Daytona Beach Drive-In Christian Church after 17 years. The drive-in church, located in Daytona Beach Shores, provided an informal service for beach-goers where attendees could tune into a special FM frequency from their cars to hear the sermon preached from the altar building’s balcony. Deitch was affiliated with the Disciples of Christ Christian churches in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Florida.

The REV. DR. ARTHUR B. KEYS JR. ’67 founder and president of International Relief and Development (IRD) in Arlington, Va., has earned the Emory Honor for International Relief, Development Work.

Serving for 12 months as chairman of the Independent Community Bankers of America, SAL MARRANCA ’68, president and CEO of Cattaraugus County Bank in Little Valley, N.Y., has become the immediate past chairman for the ICBA for 2012-13. He was elected during the ICBA National Convention and Techworld in Nashville, Tenn., in March.

Pastor of the East Aurora Christian Church in New York, REV. AMOS ACREE JR. ’69, has retired after 19-and-a-half years of service. He will continue his part-time position as director of Parish Nurse Ministries/Faith Community Nursing. Acree also works as coordinator of the
Disaster Response Team of the New York Conference United Church of Christ.

Wheeling resident MARC HARSHMAN ’73 has been named as West Virginia’s new poet laureate by Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin. He fills the spot left vacant by former poet laureate Irene McKinney who died in February.

DR. KATHLEEN DOWNEY ’75, an associate professor in the department of family and community medicine, as well as a primary care physician who sees patients at the Wyoming Family Practice, received a 2012 “Caring Hearts and Hands” award from the Visiting Nurse Association of Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky. The award celebrates community impact and recognizes individuals and community partners who make a contribution through innovation and collaboration. Downey received the award at the annual Caring Award Celebration on June 1.

Hip Dog Canine Hydrotherapy and Fitness was opened by BEVERLY (WHITE) MCCARTT ’77 in Winter Park, Fla. and is the first and most experienced canine hydrotherapy facility in Central Florida. The business works with injured, disabled, geriatric, pre- and post-operative dogs facing mobility and neurological issues. McCartt said they also work with canine athletes involved in agility, flyball, dock diving and the show ring.

ANGELA (RYDER) BADO ’77 and MATT BADO ’01 were featured in the Columbia Journalism Review’s profile on the Bados’ hyperlocal news website, TownSquareBuzz.com.

JEFFREY SEGLIN ’78 has been named to Trust Across America’s second annual list of Top Thought Leaders in Trustworthy Business Behavior for 2012. Seglin, a lecturer in Public Policy, writes “The Right Thing,” a weekly column on general ethics that has been syndicated by Tribune Media Services since September 2010. From 2004 through 2010, he wrote an ethics column distributed by The New York Times Syndicate. He is also the author of The Right Thing: Conscience, Profit and Personal Responsibility in Today’s Business.

Old Dominion University has appointed LYNN WALTZ ’78 as interim assistant director of its ODU Tri-Cities Center. Waltz previously served as a student success and outreach specialist at ODU Tri-Cities, and she has also taught English at both Tidewater Community College and Old Dominion University. Waltz previously worked as a reporter for The Virginian-Pilot. Waltz earned a master of fine arts in creative writing from Old Dominion University and a bachelor of arts in English from Bethany College.

ROBERT J. MCCANN ’80, Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees, has been announced as the gold medal recipient by the American Irish Historical Society for 2012.

Youth fitness and sports marketing professional MARGY LANG ’81 has been recognized by the International Youth Conditioning Association as its latest certified youth nutrition specialist. Lang works for Every1Fit, LLC, based out of St. Augustine, Fla. and graduated from Bethany with a B.A. in sports communication.

JEFF FLICK ’82, President and CEO of BD&E, one of the Pittsburgh region’s most nationally recognized branding and marketing communications firms, won eight awards in the 27th Annual Educational Advertising Awards competition. Recognized for excellence in the field of educational marketing and advertising, BD&E received a gold award for Bethany College’s current advertising campaign. In addition, the firm won gold, silver and bronze awards for a variety of advertising and marking communications materials it created for Community College of Allegheny County; Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minnesota; Geneva College in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania; and Cleveland Institute of Music in Cleveland, Ohio.

MARK HORAN ’84 joined former President Bill Clinton and ROBERT J. MCCANN (’80, H ’10), CEO UBS Group Americas for the
Clinton Foundation and UBS Wealth Management Americas as they celebrated the successful conclusion of a small Business advisory program pilot in New York City Metro Area.

CHARLES “NICK” LINN ’84 will serve as the Littler Mendelson, P.C. (Littler) office managing shareholder in the organization’s new Morgantown, WV, office. Littler is the nation’s largest employment and labor law firm representing management. The Morgantown office is the group’s first in West Virginia.

JEFFREY J. WODA ’87 is the Founder and one of the Principals of The Woda Group, LLC. Affordable Housing Finance Magazine, the leading national publication for the affordable housing industry, has released its 2011 rankings and The Woda Group, LLC is ranked #5 among the Top 50 Affordable Housing Developers and #34 among the Top 50 Affordable Housing Owners in the April/May 2012 issue. “Our achievements are possible only with the guidance, support, and trust of the local communities, state housing agencies, state and federal agencies, partners, lenders, and investors with whom we work,” said Woda.

MATTHEW MASTRANGELO ’87, Rolling Stone Publisher, was featured in an article on bergen.com, titled “People in the Arts: Four Bergenites bring out the best in entertainment.”

DAVID McMULLEN ’90 has been promoted to the position of assistant vice president for institutional advancement at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. He will oversee the day-to-day operations of the department including donor communications, marketing for the annual giving program, recruitment of staff and research.

Poems & Photos by JULIE E. (PAYNE) BLOEMEKE ’94 are featured in a recent issue of Deep South Magazine. Her poem Abandoned can be viewed here: deepsouthmag.com/2012/04/abandoned/.

DANIEL VERAKIS ’94, Cramer-Krasselt senior vice president and director of public relations for its Chicago office, participated in a Facebook Studio Live and Feeding America competition to raise awareness of hunger. Feeding America is the nation’s largest domestic hunger-relief charity. Cramer-Krasselt is the second-largest independent marketing and communications agency in the U.S.
JANIS SANFREY ’97 accepted a position on the board of directors at the Raymond John Wean Foundation in Warren, Ohio. Sanfrey previously served on the Foundation’s Neighborhood SUCCESS grant committees.

JASON MISENHELDER ’99, MD, a Fairmont General Hospital physician, has earned the Fellow in Hospital Medicine (FHM) designation from the Society of Hospital Medicine (SHM). This status is indicative of the level of expertise and experience he brings to Fairmont General Hospital’s Hospitalist Program. He was inducted as a Fellow at SHM’s Annual Meeting in San Diego, Calif. on April 3, 2012. Dr. Misenhelder has been employed as a Hospitalist at FGH for over six years. Dr. Misenhelder is also the Medical Director of the Hospitalist Program at Fairmont General. He received his Medical Degree from West Virginia University School of Medicine in 2003.

The Presidents’ Athletic Conference (PAC) has announced the hiring of Bethany Alum, KEVIN FENSTERMACHER ’00 to the newly created full-time position of Assistant Commissioner/Director of Communications, effective July 1. Fenstermacher will report to PAC Commissioner Joe Onderko and will be responsible for all conference communications efforts, including sports information and public/media relations, press releases, statistics and website management and social media development. He will also serve as adviser for the PAC Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and will have additional duties in the areas of championships, rules compliance and conference governance.

JOE FRANCISCO ’01 was named a candidate for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s Man & Woman of the Year national fundraising campaign. There were 73 national campaigns comprised of incredible men and women who were competing for the title of Man & Woman of the Year. This national campaign focuses on raising funds, awareness, and advocacy in the fight against blood cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma.

Hartwick head coach TODD MCGUINNESS ’02 was selected by his peers as the Empire 8 Conference Coach of the Year. McGuinness has led the Hawks to the Empire 8 Tournament for the second straight year. Hartwick finished the regular season with a record of 23-2 which ties the program-high for wins. The Hawks
also set a record for most conference wins with 12.

STEVE RADICK ’03 is the new vice president of public relations with Cramer-Krasselt in Chicago. Before joining C-K, Steve worked at Booz Allen Hamilton for eight years were he founded their Digital Strategy and Social Media practice. Mr. Radick now helps to lead the PR Department for the second largest independent integrated marketing and communications agency in the U.S.

KELLY (MCGREW) HEALY ’04 has graduated from the George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services with a master’s degree in public health. For her academic achievement and international service, including field work in Peru, Guatemala, India and Ecuador, she received the Excellence in Global Health Culminating Experience Award and was inducted into the Delta Omega Honor Society in public health.

JON-ERIK GILOT ’06 has been named Director of Archives and Records at the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Mr. Gilot will oversee the historical and current records of the Catholic Church for the state of West Virginia, as well the policies governing content and records management. Gilot previously worked as a preservation program specialist with Preservation Technologies, L.P, located in Cranberry Township, Pa. and at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

BRUCE CLARK ’06 recently became an associate in Bailey & Wyant, PLLC’s Wheeling office. His practice primarily focuses on civil litigation, construction claims, personal injury claims, property damage claims, premises liability claims, and governmental tort claims. He also serves as the Public Relations Chair on the Executive Board of the Brilliant Water & Sewer Districts and as the Village Solicitor for the Village of Adena, Ohio.

The Educational Council of the Fayette Chamber of Commerce announced NICOLE (MULLEN) DICE ’07 as one of their 2011 “Education Works!” educators of the year. Dice was one of ten educators from the area receiving the award. Recipients were nominated by fellow educators, students, administrators and community members. She was nominated for her
exceptional work as a junior high school special education teacher in the Uniontown Area School District. Dice has worked in Uniontown for five years and resides there with her husband Bill Dice ’05. She was recognized at a reception held at Nemacolin Woodlands Resort and Spa in November 2011.

JESSICA ALLOGGIA ’08 has been the new adult outreach librarian at Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library in Stow, Ohio, since last September and she’s now piloting two new programs that aim to bring books, magazines, CDs, DVDs and other items to residents that can’t physically visit the library. Alloggia, with the help of the staff, will take bins of material to multiple senior living facilities twice a month.

The Weitzman Agency, located in Annapolis, Maryland, has expanded their account services team with the addition of Bethany Alum VICTORIA SALVATORIELLO ’08. As an account executive, Salvatoriello will be responsible for overall account management, including client interaction, scheduling and budgeting.

JAY LYONETT ’10 has been promoted to become one of eight regional managers for Ganz, one of the largest gift companies in North America. He is the youngest individual to ever hold this position in Ganz’ 65 year history. Mr. Lyonn is in charge of maintaining the company’s production in Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, DC, North Carolina, South Carolina, and the northern tip of Georgia.

MARRIAGES

ANN (WOOLERY) GABOR ’52 and Charles C. Hazen were married November 13, 2011 in Livermore, Calif.

KARA MENEGUS ’85 and Thomas Rizzo were married on January 6, 2012 at The Kimberton Inn in Kimberton, Pa.

JENNIFER HOPE KOTTLER ’87 and Gavin Meek were married October 22, 2011 in Butler, Pa. Bethanian GAIL (LANGILLE) FREEDMAN ’86 was in the wedding.

JAYME RAE RUTTER ’97 and Patrick Vincent Matkozich were married April 9, 2011 in Pittsburgh, Pa. Bethanians in the wedding were JESSICA ALLOGGIA ’08, BRANDI (BURCHAM) HOGAN ’02, ELLY Y (WITSIEPE) WELLING ’03, JESSICA ALLOGGIA ’08, JACQUELINE TRAPP ’07, and AMANDA (TOTH) RUPERT ’06. In the wedding were SCOTT JUGAN ’06 and CLAYTON WILLIAMS ’07.

JACQUELINE TRAPP ’07 and ZACHARY MOINET ’07 were married on June 9, 2012 at St. Benedict the Abbot Church in McMurray, Pa. Bethanians in the wedding were CAMERON GERBER ’06 and JAYME RAE RUTTER ’97.

JESSICA SWANN ’00 and MICHAEL SKYWATCHER ’04 were married on December 31, 2011 at Oglebay Park in Wheeling, W.Va. Bethanian PATTY (SKYWATCHER) CAPARESE ’04 served as a bridesmaid and JOYCE (DUMBAUGH) DERNENKO ’76 served as officiant.

SUMAYA HUSAIN ’02 and Mustafa Ulukan were married on April 28, 2012. Bethanians in the wedding were AMANDA (THOMAS) TACHOIR ’02, BRANDI (BURCHAM) HOGAN ’02, ELLY Y (WITSIEPE) WELLING ’03, JESSICA ALLOGGIA ’08, and LISA (WELLING) SOY ’03.

HEATHER WITSIPE ’05 and Brian Ribblett were married on July 2, 2011 at Beargrass Christian Church in Louisville, Ky.

MARRY SETLAK ’05 and Eli Pivac were married on September 17, 2011 at First United Methodist Church in Weirton, W.Va.

NIKKI BABIK ’05 and Mike Slatoff were married on May 26, 2012 at Resurrection Roman Catholic Church in Johnstown, Pa. Bethanians STEFANIE (PANAS) TROUTEN ’05 and KATIE HARRIE ’04 were in the wedding.

BRIANA LYNN LEATHERMAN ’06 and TIMOTHY MICHAEL MEEK ’06 were married on October 9, 2010 in Bethany, W.Va. Bethanians in the wedding were REBECCA REPASKY ’06, EMILY PATTON ’06 and STEPHANIE (HOVATTER) HART ’06.

ANGELA ZIELINSKI ’06 and Thomas McCafferty were married on December 31, 2011 at the Canton Club in Canton, Ohio. Bethanian JODI (EMCH) EYIGOR ’05 was in the wedding.

JILLIAN MOORE ’06 and Kenny McGowan were married on December 4, 2010 at First United Methodist Church in Waynesburg, Pa. Bethanian AMANDA (TOTH) RUPERT ’06 was in the wedding.

Christine Borchick and MICHAEL D’ANTONIO ’06 were married on June 9, 2012 at St. Benedict the Abbot Church in McMurray, Pa. Bethanians in the wedding were SCOTT JUGAN ’06 and CLAYTON WILLIAMS ’07.

KIMBERLY STRANO ’07 and MICHAEL GIOVANETTI ’07 were married July 23, 2011 at St. Bridget of Sweden in Wexford, Pa. Bethanians in the wedding were JOSHUA BEYER ’07, ROBERT GALLAGHER ’07, and KATZLIE JOHANSON ’07.

KATLIN MILLS ’07 and Kyle Cooper were married on April 12, 2011 at St. Mary’s Church in Weirton, W.Va. Bethanians in the wedding were VANESSA MYERS ’07 and Whitney Keadle were married July 14, 2012 at St. John the Baptist Church in Perrysville, Pa. Bethanians in the wedding were SHANNON BROWN ’06, BECKY (CLINE) FOX ’06, MEGAN (COOK) DETWILER ’06, ANA JONES ’06, and RACHEL MACKLIN ’07.

TIFFANY MARIE LATIMER ’07 and THOMAS CIPOLETTI ’05 were married on August 11, 2012 in Bethany, W.Va. Bethanians in the wedding were STEVE RADICK ’03, KENNETH HOPPER ’06, JON-Erik GILOT ’06, LISA (STORY) HOPPER ’06, KATIE (RAYNOVICH) NESBITT ’06, KRISTIN LAING ’06, and JAMIE (HOELZEMANN) RADICK ’04.

GINA MARIE COULISSI ’08 and Johnny Graham were married December 27, 2011 in Washington, Pa. STACY SHIVE ’08 and D'IAN MCEWALY ’09 were married on June 9, 2012 in Bethany, W.Va. Bethanians in the wedding were ERIKA BRETTSCHNEIDER ’08, AMANDA LAW ’09, MARIA POLLING ’10, BRIAN LIPSTOCK ’09, BRIONN EWING ’09, ERIC CORRIGAN ’10 and JOE SHIVE ’10.

RENEE COLEMAN ’08 and Harris Eichler were married on June 30, 2012 at the Columbiana County Archers Club in Lisbon, Ohio. Bethanians in the wedding were TABRIZ BABBICHOK ’08, HEATHER IMMESBERGER ’08 and JENNIFER MANOR ’08.

ANGELA SCHRIVER ’08 and Jesse Marker were married on July 14, 2012 in Hiram, Ohio. Bethanians in the wedding were JENNIFER HUBBELL ’08 and ASHLEY (STEPHENS) HASHMAN ’08.

ELIZABETH O'BLOY ’06 and LUKE HALDEK ’08 were married on July 28, 2012 in Bethany, West Virginia. Bethanians in the wedding were JEN RICKEY ’07, CARLA VANDZURA ’07, JAMIE NEAVIN ’08, AMANDA TURNAY ’08, SHANNON CERONE ’09, BRIAN DICOLA ’10, and COULTER LEWIS ’08. CHASE BULTER ’09 served at the officiant.

MICHELE GLASGOW ’09 and MARK YOCCO ’08 were married on June 24, 2011 at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist Church in Pittsburgh, Pa. Bethanians in the wedding were PATTY (BRUNO) BERGE 06, KRISTA HOLIYAK ’08, DEVIN DUCOYER ’07, BILL, SEELORST ’08, RYAN FALDOSKY ’09, DOUG DEBLASIO ’08, and RYAN TEMPSLAK ’08.
Lena’s great aunt. as well as big brother Brennen.

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A. LION ’04

welcomed their daughter Addison

on December 11, 2011. She joins her big brothers Bobby and Liam.

APRIL (ENGLISH) TWEEDT ’98 and Shawn Tweedt welcomed their daughter Katherine Michaela on June 1, 2012. She joins her big sister Claire Amelia.

Denise Orendi and JOSH ORENDI ’99 welcomed their daughter Autumn Grey on February 13, 2012.

JODY GUBANISH ’02 and her husband Brian Krezvydik welcomed their daughter Mackinsey Rose on May 21, 2012. She joins her big sister Kat as well as big brother Brennen.

AMANDA (THOMAS) TACHOIR ’02 and JOEL TACHOIR ’02 welcomed their son Gavin on May 13, 2012. He joins big brothers Lucca and Matthew.

LAURA (JACOBS) SANDERS ’02 and John Sanders welcomed their daughter Lena Forsty on January 27, 2012. Softball head coach Jan Forsty is Lena’s great aunt.

MARLENA (ROHM) MLODZIK ’04 and JOSEPH MLODZIK ’04 welcomed their daughter Addison Kam on January 24, 2012.

CARA (CICCOLELLA) LION ’05 and NICHOLAS A. LION ’04 welcomed their son Nicco on December 11, 2011.

ASHLEAH (JULIUS) FIRMENT ’05 and Victor Firment welcomed their daughter Lyla Anne on November 13, 2011. She joins her big sister Bella Irene.

Christina Izquierdo and CAMERON VERNON ’05 welcomed their daughter Ava Claire on August 6, 2012. Heather Gilot and JON-ERIK GILOT ’06 welcomed their daughter Lilliana Claire on April 10, 2012.

COLLEEN (KELLY) SMITH ’06 and JEREMY SMITH ’00 welcomed their son Cooper Hoy on July 16, 2012. He joins his big brother Noah.

MERIDITH (VANSANT) SHAH ’06 and RANDY SHAH ’03 welcomed their daughter Emelia Rose on May 20, 2012. She joins her big brother Zavier.

REBEKAH (CYPERT) KREVENS ’07 and FRANK KREVENS ’06 welcomed their daughter Chloé on September 22, 2011.

LINZY (TURNER) ELIAS ’07 and MIKE ELIAS ’08 welcomed their daughter Paisley Kae on May 10, 2012.

DANIELLE MUNAS ’08 welcomed her son Teagan Paul on January 30, 2012.

IN MEMORIAM

REGINA BECK ROSS ’39

July 7, 2012

DORIS THIELE TOZZO ’40

February 8, 2012

JEANNE MATHENY IRVIN ’44

May 17, 2012

JEANNE GOODWIN MAHONEY ’44

March 2, 2012

ROYE LECKEMBY ’46

April 12, 2012

JAMES CAIN ’47

April 26, 2012

THOMAS COMMITTE ’47

July 16, 2012

BEVERLY MIKELS ’47

June 28, 2012

ROBERT JARRETT ’48

February 11, 2012

BETTY-JANE WESTER WALSH ’49

March 12, 2012

G. COTTINGTON ’50

July 1, 2012

WALTER ERTLE ’50

January 21, 2012

ELLEN FULLER ’50

February 9, 2012

JOAN ASHLEY ROTHERMEL ’50

March 17, 2012

RALPH ULMAN ’50

July 14, 2012

NATALIE DANIELL CARBONARO ’51

February 7, 2012

DON LEE ’51

July 19, 2012

PETER ROMANOLO ’52

March 12, 2012

FRANCIS DE GREGORIO ’53

July 22, 2012

MARJORIE SEABRIGHT GRIFFIN ’53

February 11, 2012

MARK BERNHARD ’54

June 24, 2012

THOMAS LINDSLEY ’54

March 18, 2012

ELMER HAUPT ’55

March 18, 2012

Bethany College mourns the passing of Ruth Caine ’64, Dr. G. Malcolm Cottington ’50, both directors emeriti of the alumni council, and R. Timothy Stack ’75, who was a member of the board of trustees.

Caine, who passed away on June 16, 2012, served on the council from 1996-2005, and acted as president of the council from 2002-04. Caine, longtime partner of Stephen Loughran, was from Fairfax, Va. In 1965, she began work with the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, which later became Verizon, in customer service and later public relations. Later in life, Caine worked as a self-employed foundation consultant.

Cottington, who passed away on July 1, 2012, served from 1994-2003 on the council. As the husband of Ilene Cottington, ’51, they lived in Renfrew, Pa. After graduating from the University of Washington School of Medicine, he practiced as an orthopedic surgeon in Butler, Pa., for 26 years, and was a member of the Oak Hills Christian Church. He is survived by his wife Ilene, their four children and a sister.

Stack, who passed away on July 30, 2012, served as a member of the board of trustees from 2006-08 during which time he served on the Bethany College Presidential Search Committee. Stack, husband of Mary Stack ’77, lived in Atlanta, Ga., where he worked as president and CEO of Piedmont Healthcare since 2001. Prior to Piedmont Healthcare, Stack was the president and CEO of Borgess Health from 1987-2000. In 2010, he was the recipient of the 2010 American Hospital Association Grassroots Champion Award.

All three will be greatly missed by the Bethany Community.
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