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The College of Liberal Arts

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Arthur Shapiro shared his memories of friend, **June Strelecki C'50**, who passed away in 2013. The Honorable June Strelecki was one of the first women to be accepted to, and graduate from, Harvard Law School. June was also the first woman deputy attorney general in the State of New Jersey and the first woman motor vehicle director in the country. June served as a judge until 2008, when she retired, and continued to work with the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office. June received an Alumni Achievement Award from Drew in 1960. Arthur shares that June gave him the nickname of Sharpy, which lasted through college.

58 The class of 1958 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

Rolf Ahlers shares "Dear Classmates! Some news from me: Last November I was

struck with an upper respiratory virus. I had never before had anything similar. The ambulance brought me one late evening to the hospital with a violent asthma attack. My hypoxia was so extreme that my heart arrested. Apparently I was sedated even in the ambulance so they could intubate me. I woke up ten hours later in my hospital bed. I felt an immense weakness, probably due to the arrest. To make a long story short, this process repeated itself several times: several times I was released from the hospital too soon and had to be readmitted. In total I was hospitalized five times. I have been trying to recover physically ever since. I still have not retained my old vigor although I swim again daily. We had other mishaps here in my house at Lake George. In December, possibly between one of these hospitalizations, our in-ground basement pool crawl space cavity had filled completely with water, ruining all of the expensive electric and electronic equipment. Despite my immense weakness I crawled in there and over hours pumped dry the cavity together with my wife. Now the Swimex pool is up and running again. We both swim daily early in the morning in the pool - during the summer we also swim outside in the lake. Needless to say, these setbacks also set me back on my real work with which I busy myself: I am writing a new book on Friedrich Heinrich Jacobi (1743-1819), the early Romantic and Early Idealist German philosopher. Inspiration for that book, written in English and to be published at the WBG, with whom I have signed contracts, was ultimately triggered by an introductory philosophy class at Drew: our History of Philosophy text, written by Jones, suggested that the goals of the Enlightenment

of a reasonable philosophy and culture could never be reached on the basis of Kant's 'categorical imperative' which abstracts from all feeling and inclination. That was one point of Jacobi's critique of Kant. It made immediate intuitive sense to me. I received another pivotal influence with Helmut Thielicke's Tipple lectures on Giordano and Galileo Galilei at the Graduate School. But that is another long story. The short version is that Bruno centrally influenced Jacobi. This work on my new Jacobi book led to an invitation by the Research Center at Leipzig, Germany, to contribute to an online Friedrich Heinrich Jacobi Lexicon. I am writing those contributions on various lemmata by Jacobi as well. This continuing work in the area of German Idealism has led to other duties: I am asked by professional journals in this field to write an occasional article or a review of a new book in my field. Several of such side-duties occupy me as well—and set me back with the new Jacobi book!! Dear Drew friends, I am often thinking of Drew in the context of this work, because I owe Drew so, so much: really the start of my life-long career in this area of German Idealism started with work at Drew—and, not to be neglected, with my work at Mead Library. A side note here is in order: At Mead Library I found not only excellent English language books, I also found the latest German publications in many areas. And the best of those German language books, hardly anyone besides me ever wanted to look at them, so usually I could borrow them for as long as I wanted."

Llew Pritchard shares "**Jonie (Ashby) Pritchard C'59** and I currently reside in an assisted living facility located in Seattle. We

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have just celebrated our 64th wedding anniversary, having met at Drew 67 years ago. Jonie was a member of the Class of 1959 and I was a member of the Class of 1958. We are the proud parents of four children who work for Microsoft, Amazon, and have their own businesses. We are grandparents and have one great-grandson. We are both 86 years old. Jonie remains active in St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, and I remain an active member of the United Methodist Church having served as Chancellor to seven United Methodist Bishops of the Pacific Northwest Annual conference of the United Methodist Church. I represented Drew alumna **Karen Oliveto** C'80, G'91, G'02 before the Judicial Council of the United Methodist Church in support of her election as the first openly lesbian Bishop by the Western jurisdiction. I also am an Emeritus Trustee of the University of Puget Sound where all of our children attended school. I still chair the board of the Allied Arts Foundation and the Life Trustees of the Seattle Symphony. On October 7th 2023, the Orchestra is celebrating my four decades of service with a special post concert event in my honor. In addition the King County Bar Association recently awarded me its Friend of the Legal Profession Award for Meritorious Service to the Legal Profession and the Justice System. Jonie and I talk often about our days in Drew Forest and we still dine together as we did in the refectory all those years ago, but miss our best friend Tim Graham. We send greetings to our Drew classmates from 3,000 miles away in the real Washington. Smiley 1958."

59 **Ellen deLalla**
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our 65th Reunion!

Thanks to all who answered my plea for your news. No news, no column.

Jack Dempster says "I am happy to report I am still alive and kicking. At age 86 the kicking has certainly slowed down." He also notes that the implanting of a pacemaker

has made him a lot more energetic. He and his wife Ellen celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary in Venice, FL where they've lived since 1992.

Bob Dreyer is confined to an electric wheelchair but is "still sharp enough to handle my own investments online." He also keeps e-mail contact with fourteen of his highschool classmates and confesses to be "about 85."

Another respondent is **Janet (Logan) Florin** who declared that she loves her quiet life in the same two-story house that her husband and she bought 50 years ago on Long Island. Her husband passed away five years ago. She has ten grandchildren, seven who live nearby and three who live in Virginia. She also has "a sweet little one-year-old great-granddaughter." She enjoys playing mahjong with friends and reading many books in a book club. "My work ethic is poor — there's always tomorrow! Someday I'll deal with all my stuff and have all my important papers organized!"

Sandy (Chere) Groom C'65 wrote about an honor given to her husband **George Groom** C'59, T'63 in October, 2023. "In honor of his many years of dedication to Rectory School" in Pomfret, CT, they named their dining hall the George Groom Dining Hall. George taught history and also coached soccer, baseball, hockey, wrestling and basketball between 1969 and 2003. He was head of the dining room for at least 20 years. When he retired, he volunteered in the equipment room at the gym and later served on the Board of Trustees. They live across the street from the school and still enjoy participating in school events and walking through the campus. Sincere congratulations, George!

Carol (Tulenko) Irving says that she, too, is leading a very quiet life at Willow Valley, a retirement community in Pennsylvania. Her two daughters, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren are her greatest source of entertainment. Her large retirement community of over 2,600 people has lots of activities. She plays bridge often and volunteers in their library. "Aside from the usual ravages of old age—sciatica mainly," she still drives locally although she no longer hikes or skis.

"How can you be doing this job for 40 years when we only got out of Drew ten years ago?" queried **Roger Navratil**. He and his wife decided to leave North Carolina and move to St. Augustine, FL in October 2023. As with many of us, medical issues are present, but he "still wakes up every day above the sod." He encourages visitors for a few nights with "a lot of history and good food." Contact the Alumni Office for his phone number.

Winifred "Sue" (Binkley) Rowe was asked at the beginning of the pandemic by her adult grandson to write some short accounts about her life and also family stories. She started slowly and after ideas flowed, she wrote about what it was like to live with an icebox instead of a refrigerator, what World War II seemed like to a seven-year-

old, and lots more. She emailed them to her daughters and grandson who all seemed to appreciate them. She recommends that all our classmates have similar memories that could be shared with the younger generation. She also keeps busy reading, knitting, taking walks, going to all those doctor visits and "trying to smell the flowers."

Admitting that it is more and more difficult to keep up contact with old friends and classmates, **Bev (Bess) Vasquez** was happy to respond. She and her husband John are doing great considering their age. They live in a retirement community in Walnut Creek, CA. Last fall they went on a three-week trip to Portugal, Spain, and Mallorca planned by their two daughters who "accompanied us to make sure we didn't lose our way." They spend a good part of the winter on beautiful Balboa Island in southern California near five of their grandkids who are close enough to visit. "Life is good!"

I lost summer this year. I fell and broke my left femur in mid-July, was hospitalized for a week after seven screws were inserted, then stayed at a rehab facility for a month. I wasn't allowed to put weight on my leg for seven weeks. I told my therapists that when I was through, hopping on one leg with a walker would become an Olympic sport at which I would excel. As of this writing, I've graduated to a cane and out-patient therapy. No garden, no concerts, no trips. However, my church community was exceedingly helpful with cards, visits, calls, rides, and food.

Please continue to send your news. If you did not receive my email requesting news and want to be included, please let the Alumni Office know and I'll add you to our class' email list.

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John Fischer writes that he is now located in Maryland; closer to his roots.

Jerome Wolfson shares "Since 1960 I have served in the USCG (after 1964) and attended University of Miami Law School (LLB 1963). I have been married (Laurel) for almost 53 years; she is a retired admission director at two private schools in Miami. Over the last 40 years I have restricted my practice to the field of personal injury/ plaintiff and continue to serve as a Labor Arbitrator throughout the southeast. About 20 years ago I "sold" my practice to my son, Jonah, who has taken the firm to the next level. I continue to work at least four to five hours per day. His wife, Andrea, is the Chief Administrative Judge in the Criminal Division. My daughter, Julie, is a pediatric oncologist at University of Alabama, Birmingham. Eric, her husband, is a writer (total of four grandchildren). For over 14 years I was honored to serve as a trustee on the Board of Trustees at Drew. I live in Coconut Grove, FL for about seven months and Kennebunk, ME for five months. I see the class is dwindling;

I urge all of us that remain to do all possible to stay healthy and as active as possible.”

Ruth (Epping) Olsson writes “I envy those of you who live in senior living residences—a wonderful idea at this stage of our lives. So far I have not taken that step. In fact, I have two houses, one easy-living house in New Hampshire near my daughter and one in Vermont, I inherited from my parents. I stay in Vermont for at least two months in the summer, mainly reading and doing puzzles, playing board games, and enjoying visits on my large screened porch. I use a cane or rollator for walking but otherwise enjoy fairly good health. I love to think of heartier days of bounding through our beautiful Drew Forest to my next class or to the refectory, etc. The time has flown since then. Hope you are all well and enjoying life.”

Nancy (Marshall) Stroh writes “No distant trips for me this year, although I shared time and space with my family on the eastern shore of Maryland, and the OBX of North Carolina. Daily local trips were made to my garden plot in Pennswood’s community garden. Pennswood is the CCRC where I live and where Drew History professor Dr. Brunhouse and his wife Mildred, lived during retirement - I was unaware of this when I moved in five years ago. My prolific garden has produced enough tomatoes to provide tomato sauce for me through the fall and winter. Other entertaining time is spent on the many educational and cultural programs they offer here. Watching Phillies baseball games during the season is almost a nightly habit; loud cheering when they win. **Norman MacArthur** and **Frances “Elaine” (Price) Berkoff** live nearby so I see them occasionally.”

61 David Cowell
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Pearl (Robertson) Carlin is trying to grow old gracefully, as surely we all are, as her days are filled with gym, doctors, card games with friends and only short trips, no wild parties or foreign excursions.

Marian (Dickinson) Fielder arranged a big reunion in the Poconos with her daughter and son’s families. She also visited New York for a week of Broadway shows, a fall adding a night in the ER to spice up the trip. Marian meets with **Naomi “Lynn” (Chappel)** and **Paul Gaaserud** regularly to discuss their latest book readings and movies, is herself in a book group, and wonders how the rest of us are keeping mentally and intellectually alert.

June (Kamen) Cowell C’61, P’90 and I (**Dave Cowell** C’61, P’90), are keeping busy. June with former clients doing interior design and I lead a book group in Mendham and manage three booths in antiques centers and serve on the board of one of them. I joined the emeriti faculty via Zoom to keep up with Drew news.

63 Ellen (Earp) Baker
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Hello Class of ‘63, About a dozen of us showed up for our 60th Reunion. Attending

were **Diane (Suter) and Ralph Powell, Gail (Nargi) and George Hoag C’64, Anne (Pitkin) and Bill Long, Bob Fenstermacher, Marilyn (Moore) Holt, Lois Jackson, Maryann Zolota, Dan McFadden, Ellen (Earp) Baker** and Alva Baker. We were sorry more of you were unable to come and we hope to see you next time. So, stay alive and well! See photo, page 4.

Congratulations to **Jeff Gillman**. He was recently honored for having served 50 consecutive years as a volunteer for NewBridge Services. This is a non-profit agency that provides counseling, addiction, and youth services to children, adults, and seniors in Morris, Passaic, and Sussex counties in northern New Jersey. He was honored at their golf outing fundraiser at the Knoll West Country Club and has been the chair of their golf outing fundraiser for the last 25 years. He wrote that all is well at the Gillman home front. He is having the second knee (right) done and hopes that will put an end to replacement body parts. The left was done about two years ago, and the only change is that the surgeon will be assisted with a Stryker robot to enable more precise cuts and quicker recovery. He and Marie have been sticking close to home as overseas trips were too taxing. With two grandchildren within a 30-minute drive, and with their sports and band activities, Jeff and Marie get to make the short trips for band contests, as well as sporting events. One is fencing and track, the other is jv football and varsity track, as well as the bass drummer in the marching band—and yes at halftime he is in his football uniform banging away. The other two older grandkids are in college with one pursuing a robotics major at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, MA. Jeff and Marie have slowly begun looking at senior residential facilities but are not moved by any need to proceed. Jeff is still playing golf once a week with a senior group of close friends. Marie is very mobile and shops, cooks, and gardens (he also gardens, but not as much) and has learned that the landscaper is very willing to trim and weed whack where necessary.

Diane (Suter) Powell also sent a long letter. She and **Ralph Powell** had a whirlwind month driving from the reunion to Los Angeles for their granddaughter’s highschool graduation. They did a lot of sightseeing at Disney, Legoland, and the San Diego Safari Park. Then they took their granddaughter to the Monterey Bay Aquarium and spent four nights in San Francisco. They walked halfway across the Golden Gate and back, had lunches at the Japanese Tea Garden and Sammy Wo’s in Chinatown, and rode cable cars. Unfortunately, they had to climb the thirteen story Coit Tower as the elevator was not working, and then walked down and up Lombard Street. Ralph had been feeling increasingly unwell while they were there, and by the time they left San Francisco, he was ill. They started back east, and stopped in Albuquerque to visit an ex daughter-in-law, and she said he should be in a hospital. He was diagnosed with congestive heart

failure, and stabilized enough to fly home, while their oldest and their grandson brought the car back to Virginia. Ralph had a triple bypass and aortic valve replacement on July 7 and came home for good on August 6. All is going pretty well now.

Bill Long had lots of news to report: He and **Anne (Pitkin) Long** thoroughly enjoyed seeing Drew classmates and others at our recent reunion. Afterwards they enjoyed **Ralph “Art” Binz’s** [C’60] visit at their Friends Lake cabin which they have enjoyed in New York’s southern Adirondack Mountains for 40+ years. Their “kids” Brian, Jeff, and Karen and their wives and husband and six of seven grandkids, and a few of their friends, also got to Friends Lake for a welcome visit (from NH, MA, TX, WY, SC, NC, CO, and NY!). Bill continues a part-time psychology practice. They both continue volunteering in community programs, Anne with Double H camp and ski programs for seriously ill children and with STEP equestrian treatment program, and both with their CAPTAIN teen homelessness shelter. Bill was honored to receive three separate community service awards this summer. Most importantly they are blessed with adequate health for being in their 80s (he is still able to run shorter races and fly his Cessna Skyhawk). They wish all of our Drew classmates a healthy next year.

Dave Pingree writes from Philly where all is well with the Pingree family: wife, three children, four grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He continues working full-time for Gainwell Technologies, a healthcare technology company, and would love to hear from classmates, especially those from the 1963 Ranger baseball team and the London and UN semesters, including **Alan “Pete” Petty**. A double request to classmates: register/vote and be fully vaccinated.

Neil Greenberg shares, “Although having retired from The University of Tennessee as a Professor Emeritus, little has changed in my routines except Kathy and I take more extended road trips each year: east coast (Florida to New York) and out west (Tennessee’s Great Smoky Mountains to Colorado’s Rockies and Santa Fe). Kathy and I will again be visiting family and friends and former students along the way. We love the Southwest, but also our community in Knoxville and my long-time anchor here: my favorite seminar (I’ll be grading presentations this weekend),

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a joy each of the over 40 times I've taught this. It is about the biology of art and aesthetic experience, a remnant of the University's interdisciplinary program that I chaired until retirement. It draws on a few Drew experiences (Benjamin Kimpel, Elizabeth Korn, Stanley Baker). I'm almost persuaded that the website I've developed for my seminar should be a book—we'll see. Right now I'm headed outside to clear debris from the last storm in the woods around our house, my token effort at staying fit. Thinking about next of our annual check-ins at campus, a browse at the bookstore on Green Village Rd., and lunch at the Nautilus."

Gerie (Snell) Schumann has had a busy summer and was disappointed to miss our reunion. She was to have dinner with **Bob Fenstermacher** and **Anne (Clark) Jacobson** C'75 before they left the Cape to head back to Jersey.

Candy Ridington and **Bill Dickinson** both reported they are doing well, and I am too. It does not seem possible that 60 years have passed and that we are now in our 80's and able to have wonderful memories from our shared time together long ago in The Forest at the place called Drew.

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65 Nancy (Schnaars) Hall
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 Greetings again, classmates. Unfortunately our news this time is somewhat slim, so I want to encourage you all to jot down right now (while you're thinking of it) any news you care to share with others in our class and send it off to me. Many thanks in advance.

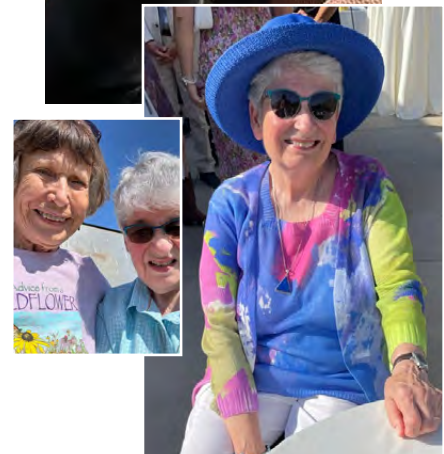
I really enjoyed hearing from **Kathleen "Kathy" (Murray) Henry** and appreciated the photos she included (see photos, page 4).

Seeing how well we've aged is a joy to behold! Kathy reports that in recent months she visited **Peggy (Leichthammer) Domber** at her home in Morristown, NJ, and also enjoyed having **Dianne (Mabb) Peeling** visit her on Cape Cod from Pennsylvania. But Kathy's biggest news was that her family threw a memorable 80th birthday celebration for her using all their fishing and culinary skills. The menu included lobster rolls, fish chowder, and stuffed quahogs, topped off with strawberry shortcake. She adds that family members personally caught all the seafood they enjoyed. During the summer, Kathy flew to California to officiate at her niece's wedding. See photo, right.

John Allen writes that he and his wife Gloria made their annual pilgrimage to New Orleans in April to enjoy great music and food during the French Quarter Festival. The next month they traveled to London where their son, Jeff, works for the Ministry of Justice. He reports that Jeff has become adept at driving on the "wrong" side of the road. Jeff and his wife took John and Gloria on a tour of Hastings, Dover, and Brighton, followed by a train trip to Paris. John says that this trip was very different from the boat/train trip he made during his London semester in 1964. In Paris, they introduced their 19-year-old twin grandchildren to the city and to Versailles. The peripatetic family spent 10 days visiting their daughter Rebekah and family in Seattle at the end of September. John says they also spend a lot of time with their son John and family near their home in Westchester County, NY, and with their daughter Alicia and family in Medford, MA. John notes that in keeping with the strong family tradition of commitment to public service, both Alicia and her husband work in local government. John and Gloria will both turn 80 in 2024 and plan to celebrate with their extended family at the Jersey shore next summer.

A letter from **Bob Smart** says that he celebrated his 80th birthday by going to

lunch with his three sisters, noting that he considers it a blessing that he and all his siblings are in fairly good health and can celebrate birthdays together. After Bob got his master's degree in public administration from the University of Pennsylvania, he took a job in Philadelphia city government, where he worked for more than 32 years. After retiring, he continued to live in Philadelphia for another 20 plus years before moving to Massachusetts to be closer to family. He and his sisters all live in adjoining towns, with Bob enjoying his brand-new apartment in Nichols Village, an active senior retirement community where he moved in January 2020. He describes his fellow residents as "active and spunky," while sharing that he is one of the youngest people living there. Not one to stay idle, Bob taught himself how to use Powerpoint, Zoom and other editing apps, and now produces a monthly travel program presented in the Village auditorium, as well as streamed to residents in their apartments. When he was thinking about what to call it, he recalled Professor Robert Smith telling him that he and his wife, Lois, liked his travel letters so much they felt they were traveling on armchair adventures with him. And so the name for the series was born:



Top: Peggy (Leichthammer) Domber C'65 with Pepper, Kathy (Murray) Henry's [C'65] dog.

Left: Dianne (Mabb) Peeling C'65 and Kathy (Murray) Henry C'65 at Seagull Beach in Yarmouth, MA.

Right: Kathy (Murray) Henry C'65 in Newport Beach, CA

Bob Smart's *Armchair Adventures* (with thanks to Professor Smith). Earlier this year, Bob traveled south to visit classmates **Keir Hoeltzel** and **Dave Schlansker** in New Jersey as well as stopping by to visit friends and his church in Philadelphia, and the Drew campus. Bob thinks perhaps we should consider having a Zoom class reunion since many of us may not be able to travel to campus easily in the future.

Harry Brand sent along a brief note, mentioning that he was distressed to read that many of our classmates had passed away as of our 25th anniversary reunion. He also mentioned how much he appreciated the new basketball coach using newsletters to keep everyone informed about the team.

Your secretary spent two weeks in California this summer visiting friends, followed by two weeks in my beloved Maine, where we brought the sun and warm weather from North Carolina. Although my 80th is in November, I plan to honor it with a trip to Hawaii next April, a destination to which I have never traveled. Please do remember to send me your news as soon as you can.

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Michael D. McGehee shares "After retiring from a 40-year career in San Francisco, my wife and I eagerly moved back to Oklahoma five years ago to help care for our grandchildren, the only rational reason for such a retrogressive move."

Reid Fraser writes "I continue to live in Burlington, CT and continue as a loan officer at Capital for Change, a non-profit in Wallingford, CT, where we specialize in affordable housing in the state. I fondly recall my Drew years and friends including the soccer team and the three semesters of London, Washington, and UN. Regards to all."

67 Bruce Woolley fappian@hotmail.com
Because 1967 is a great class and should be heard from, I have accepted the role of Class Secretary. As we age it's reportable news that we're breathing in and out so let's have confirmation from you even if you think your lives are mundane. Here in Rochester, NY, which has turned out to be a garden spot of the nation with remarkably pleasant weather, I'm busy with various volunteering and have recently begun serving as a deacon at Third Presbyterian Church. Since we've reopened to congregational worship, I do see **Eleanor (Fritz) Hopke C'68** at church.

I no longer travel but some of us do. **Paul "Alan" Barthel** and **Rod Brandt** visited family in Virginia this summer. On the way home to Toronto, they stopped to see **Vicki (Carlson) and Gary Aspenberg C'67, G'72** at their second home in Dubois, PA.

Kenneth L. Euerle C'67, P'93 shares "I had a delightful time at my house (Cheshire,

CT) this summer with **Bill Kortum (NYC), Greg Rood (Cape Cod), Harry Arnold (PA), and Fritz Wagner (FL)**. Unfortunately, **Phil Rider (MA)** and **Herb Sauer (FL)** were not able to attend. Everyone was doing well and was full of stories from our days at Drew!

Mary Ellen (Chase) C'68 and Roy Jacobsen are living in Charlestown, RI on the coast in a place called Quonochontaug, a lovely neck that offers ocean frontage, seven-mile beach, and salt water ponds great for kayaking and quahogs, bluefish, lobsters and oysters. Yum! "We keep in touch with former roommate Paul "Alan" Barthel and partner Rod, **Bob Short, Margaret (Kelly) Brokaw C'68, and Susan (Strandberg) Burhouse C'68, P'00**. I would love to hear from 1967 classmates. Sadly, many of us have lost touch with one another. Now is the time to make future plans to be at Drew for the 60th Anniversary of our graduation in 2027. It's just three years away."

Len Altamura writes "**Alice (Cording) Altamura C'68** and I are doing well here in lower, slower Delaware. Now in our 55th year of marriage. Both retired after careers in business (Alice), and running non-profit organizations (me). We have one son and three grandkids living in North Jersey. Life has been very good to us and we often think of Drew, where our lives came together. Hope to hear from **Ron Rossi, Edwin Glenn, Frank Spina, Rich Semple C'68**, and the rest of the crazies from Embury Hall.

Merle (Kley) Gatewood writes "It was so good to hear from Bruce, since my only ties with the class of 1967 have passed away: **Genie Bowen** in 2012 and **Marion Francisco** in 2022. Doing well overall thanks to a pacemaker and a husband younger than myself. Went to Greece rather painfully last year, but got a new hip this year, so travel is still in the cards. Feeling blessed. Close to our family and our church family. During the pandemic I watched every free MET opera I had ever wished to see. I've been studying Italian online, corresponding with a French writer, and reading ever deeper into the Shakespeare authorship question. Hope to keep on learning."

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Fredrick "Rick" Fuest C'68, P'02, P'08 and his wife **Heather P'02, P'08** continue to enjoy retirement and spending their summers on Lake Cayuga in upstate NY and winters in Venice, FL. This past spring Rick traveled to Germany to work on family genealogy and to visit friends from when he and Heather lived in Düsseldorf. In October 2023 they spent several weeks cruising the Mediterranean. When not traveling Rick and Heather live in New Jersey not too far from the Drew campus. Rick continues to serve as Vice Chair of the Drew Board of Trustees and last year was honored to serve as the Chair of the Presidential Search Committee that ultimately selected Hilary Link as the



C'68 Zoom Group

Top: **Bettie Rose, Wendy (Bagnal) Boer, Betsey (Allyn) VonDreele, Jeanne (Taylor) Springmann, Lynn Silivious**
Bottom: **Bonnie (Pettigrew) Du Bois, Peggy (Holder) Staarman** (all C'68)

Missing: **Eleanor (Fritz) Hopke C'68, Jean Thompson C'68, Roselyn (Warner) Faulkner C'68, Sue (Dodge) Dula C'68, and Maxine (Mitchell) Jones C'66**

15th President of Drew. The Fuests truly are a "Drew Family." Their son **Evan Fuest C'08** and his wife **Jessica (Yanefski) Fuest C'08** have a seven-year-old son **Corbin**. Their daughter **Melissa (Fuest) Alexo C'02** and son-in-law **Ken Alexo**, former VP of Advancement for Drew, have a son **Mikah (five)**, and daughter **Ekaterina (two)**. Their son **Drew** and his wife **Robyn** have a daughter **Lena (ten)**. See photo, page 5.

Byron Wall shares "I started as a freshman in 1960, but drifted away after my first year and returned later to graduate in 1968. My intention was to go on and get a PhD in mathematics, but I ended up doing the Doctorate in history of science at the University of Toronto. I moved from career to career: stock broker, book publisher, and finally professor at York University in Toronto teaching history of science and mathematics." See photo, page 5.



Byron Wall C'68

Rick Fuest C'68, P'02, P'08, Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees



Carole (Cummings) Keyko Webb shares “Unfortunately, in my later years I have fallen several times. The most recent was a doozer! I broke my neck while walking my dog outside of our condo in Jonesborough, TN. That was August 8, and I still have on the neck brace that keeps my neck from breaking completely. I get it off on October 5 (hopefully). I was rushing to get back to an online client, and hit the deck! **Donna (Pethybridge) Katsionis** and **Dale Read** have been helpful keeping me cheered up by telephone!”

Eleanor (Fritz) Hopke writes “Since the pandemic lockdown started, a group of us from 1968 began and continues meeting monthly on 4th Thursdays via Zoom. A 1966 alum has since joined in, too. We share about families, travels, health, photos, what we’re doing in our communities, all sorts of topics. Those who were able to gather for a “mini-reunion” this past June in PA (See photo, page 5).”

69 Jane (Dugdale) Bussard
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 Join us back on campus Friday,
 June 7–Saturday, June 8, 2024 to celebrate
 our 55th Reunion!

First to respond to my latest appeal for news, **Gloria (Clauser) Van Bree** wrote: You said you liked pictures—here is one of my husband, Ken, me, and our goddaughter Lauryl, plus the four-legged member of our family, Dena. It was taken with a backdrop of our yard this spring (see photo, page 11). Lauryl came to visit us because our Mercedes Sprinter van road trip to visit her and see her new glass-blowing and metal-design workshop in Friday Harbor on San Juan island was aborted by my trip to the ER followed by a four-day hospital stay. I am grateful that it was nothing life-threatening and something that could be treated with IV antibiotics. I am well and back to normal life, albeit closer to home this summer with weekend trips to Shakespeare and local theatre events. I am happily still working as a clinical psychologist as many hours a week as fits with my personal needs for exercise and general enjoyment of life. It has been a lovely, mild summer here in California—at least where I live in Silicon Valley. I hope we will continue to be lucky through the fall months as September and October can be hot and increase fire dangers. My best to all.

Betty (Hazard) Nolte asks how many states you have visited. “This summer/fall Jerry and I went to North Dakota and to Oregon (Road Scholar program). We have now visited 49 states with only Oklahoma to go. Hopefully, that will happen in 2024. Meanwhile, we continue to enjoy life in a CCRC (Continuing Care Retirement Community) in Cary, NC. Our two single children live nearby. I got active on the Residents’ Council during Covid (Zoom meetings and no travel, so plenty of time). I am now finishing up my second term as President of the Seastone Residents’ Association. I have had fun planning monthly programs, working with management,



and getting to know the residents. However, I am looking forward to turning over the responsibilities at the end of the year. Looking forward to more bridge and travel.”

Ruth (Clark) Matte wrote, “Checking in as requested! All is great here in Ottawa and we are enjoying an outstanding autumn of colors. For some reason, it is still in the 70s during the day and will be for another couple of weeks. Friends and family are also—for the most part—healthy and surviving the aging process thus far. I use my bridge team as role models—all closer to 90 than 80, and I cannot keep up with many of them. I still have my wonderful dog, and my son lives two blocks away. I am actually getting together with one of my closest friends in the near future—we met in 6th grade!”

Thank you to **Linda (Calleo) and Charles Putney**, who checked in too, even updating their email address. They wrote: “We are still in Vermont. We have not had to move south for warmer weather; warmer weather is moving north to us. We spend a fair amount of time keeping track of two foster daughters and six women who were international exchange students with us over the years. We have had our share of health issues and try to coordinate doctor visits. But we are still singing, and active in our U.U. church, a local conservation organization, a history book club, and more. Thinking about a cruise one of these days!”

Pat (Sanislo) and Cary Campbell responded from a cruise ship first. Upon their return home, Cary wrote: “We have been in Charlotte, NC for the past 41 years. I guess our news is that we are moving from the house that we have lived in for 41 years to a retirement community in Matthews, NC, which is just outside of Charlotte. We expected to move in the spring of 2023 but, as of now, construction of our new home is still not complete. We moved out of our home in August and, in the interim, we’re staying in a small apartment in Matthews and living at our beach home and our daughter’s cabin in the mountains. Right now we don’t even have an address, which is a very strange feeling. Pat and I remain active in the Charlotte community. Pat spends most of her time with our two granddaughters, teaching the Bible and leading a small group ministry. I still spend my time on the tennis court or fishing on the North Carolina coast. I did not make my annual fishing trip to Alaska this year. I have been

to Alaska 23 of the last 25 years, but my Alaska fishing days are probably over. The only classmate that we have seen is **J. David Neylon**. David is well; he recently relocated from Vermont to Maine. It is really nice to hear what our Drew classmates are up to.” See photo, page 6.

It was good to hear from **Leslie (Whinnem) Ravenell**. She wrote: “Nothing is really new in my life since I attended the 50th reunion. My husband, Rich, and I still live in Virginia. We have done some traveling this year: St Kitts, Florida, Philadelphia, Charleston, and the Poconos.

I feel a bit sad and a bit frustrated when my emails bounce back to report a dead address. **John Lanman**’s email was one that bounced this year. Through a Google search and a newspaper article about his hiking adventures, I was able to find John after his move from North Carolina to Virginia. I was thrilled to read about his work and travels when John responded quickly and filled in the missing years. He wrote: “After Drew (and a few temporary jobs) I was hired as a tax auditor by the IRS in Stamford, CT. In 1972, I transferred to the IRS Office of International Operation, where I audited U.S. individuals living overseas and U.S. subsidiaries of non-U.S. companies. During that time I served as an auditor, supervisor, revenue agent and reviewer. I was based in DC, but spent six-month tours in Sao Paulo, Brazil and Bonn, Germany (actually Bad Godesberg, where the U.S. Embassy was located). In 1975, I resigned from the IRS to attend the University of Virginia Law School in Charlottesville. After graduating in 1978, I joined the Cleveland-based law firm Baker & Hostetler in their DC office, practicing tax law. In 1981, I joined the New York-based law firm Coudert Brothers in their Hong Kong office, representing non-US citizen families with trust, estate, and corporate organization advice. In 1984, I transferred to Coudert’s New York office to focus on corporate international tax law. In 1987 I became a partner in Arthur Young, one of the Big 8 accounting firms, specializing in Asian corporate taxation. AY merged with Ernst & Whinney, becoming Ernst and Young (now EY). I was the U.S. Asian tax-practice leader in the U.S. In 1991 I transferred to the Tokyo, Japan, office of EY as the U.S. tax desk to liaise with our Japanese tax practice. In 1996 I briefly served in EY’s St. Louis office, then back to New York. I retired in 2001. I was married in 1981 to Margaret and we have one son, two grandsons, one daughter-in-law and two granddaughters-in-law. Our son lives in Connecticut, one grandson in New York City, and one grandson in Irvine, CA. All are involved in IT-related jobs, so I have plenty of help reminding me where the computer’s on/off button is. Upon retirement, Margaret and I moved to Boone/Blowing Rock, into a golf course community. Over the next 20+ years, my golf game improved from awful to so-so. I was active in the local United Way and in a local trails organization. I eventually focused on the Friends of the North Carolina

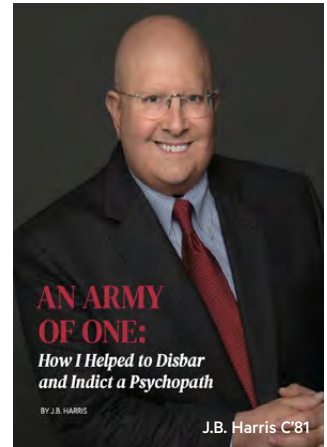
Family Album



Carla (Dabrowski) Kramer C'71 and Family



Gail Harris C'71



J.B. Harris C'81



Gary Stanton C'73



Ray Walters C'73



Anna-Beth Winograd C'85 and Donna O'Meally C'85 at Anna-Beth's son's wedding



Liz (Gombach) Junod, Sue Curtin, Sandi Miller, and Kathy Hallissey (all C'86) at Sandi's book promotion in NJ



Tom Mahoney with Steve Prentiss, Rob LeMoine, and Michael Veloric (all C'78) at Tom's daughter's wedding.



Darrell Parker C'86, Gary Friars C'85, Cliff Mix C'86, and Ed Campo C'85 at Dead & Co. show

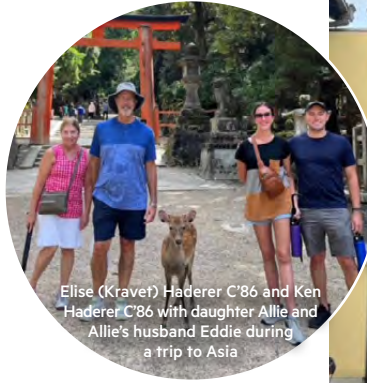


Greg Crawford, Mary Ellen (Porcelli) Landolfi, Sandi Miller, Cathy (Zbyszynski) Brennan (all C'86) at Sandi's book promotion in NJ

Family Album



Alison Cunningham-Goldberg, Forrest Shue, and Naomi Kooker (all C'87) at Reunion 2023



Elise (Kravet) Haderer C'86 and Ken Haderer C'86 with daughter Allie and Allie's husband Eddie during a trip to Asia



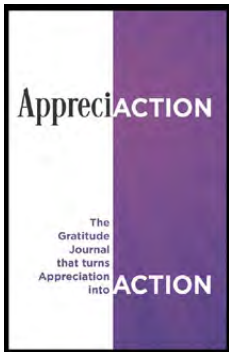
Elise (Kravet) Haderer C'86 and Ken Haderer C'86 with daughter Allie and Allie's husband Eddie during a trip to Asia



Naomi Kooker C'87 and Christina (Todaro) Reynolds C'87 at a high school reunion



Rich Swift C'87 and wife, Mary, on the Great Smoky Mountain Railroad



Paul Oberman C'88

AppreciACTION: The Gratitude Journal that turns Appreciation into ACTION co-authored by Patrick Foye C'88



David Briggs C'94, Nicole (Mauro) Briggs C'95, Shafia (Rashid) Butt C'95, Adrienne Vincenzino C'95, Rich Munson (Drew Head Swimming & Diving Coach), Carrie McCracken C'95, Vincent Giovacchini C'99, Paul Bonfanti C'94, Heidi Smith C'95, Samantha Munson C'95, Nikhat Contractor C'95, Eric Souza C'95, Susann Rutledge C'95, Scott Megill C'95, Rich Marcus C'95, and Caroline (Morrissey) Megill C'95 at Samantha Munson's 50th birthday



Paul Cocja C'88, Ken Krasnow C'88, Dan Coleman C'89, and Stewart Hollingshead C'88

Family Album



Emily (Knox) Blitz C'96 with her daughter Sophia Blitz C'27 during move in weekend



Rebecca (Morris) Kuhar, Kim Harris, Emily (Riggs) Fennessey, Devyani (Gupta) Morris, Dana Lee Evans, Vita (Martino) Larkin, and Kris (Seeley) Zaveri (all C'96)



Jayme (Alfano) Gehring C'10 welcomed Parker Lynn in August



Erin (Walker) Basaug C'01



Jen Jones C'97, Sara (Hall) Phillips C'97, J.D. Urbach C'97, Father Joe Farias (Chaplain in 1997), Dan Ilaria C'97, Kristine (Papachristos) Ilaria C'00, Brian Nell C'97, and Patrick Aylward C'97 at Dan Ilaria's annual Drew reunion summer gathering



Maggie (Foster) Lerner C'99 finds that her 99 Nights mug makes an excellent ice scoop!



Tamera (Ranney) Armelin C'01 and Jill (Rojek) Maginnis C'01 at Tamera's wedding in August 2022



Jane (Sonoski) Cowles C'99



Emily (Riggs) Fennessey C'96 with Coach Evin Lederman C'91 at the 2023 Rugby Hall of Fame

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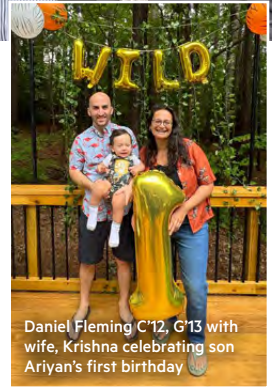
Jay Francisco C'97, Carmen Devanira Cabrera C'99, Iris (Diaz) Goicochea C'99, her husband Shane, Jill Marie Merced Rivera C'99, her husband Sam, Maricela Rodriguez C'99, and Alejandro Echevarria C'98 during the holidays



Leonard Mitchell C'86, George Discher C'87, Forrest Shue C'87, and Gavin Maguire C'87 at the 2023 Hall of Fame Ceremony



Julie (Liss) Suppes C'12 welcomed Madison Jayne Suppes in April



Daniel Fleming C'12, G'13 with wife, Krishna celebrating son Ariyan's first birthday



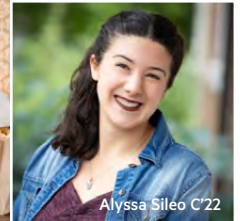
Becky (Steinhilber) Iswara C'07 and San Iswara C'06 celebrated their ten year wedding anniversary this past July and traveled to Kenya, Africa to celebrate with their two sons



Kathleen Vazzana C'10 married David Endicott in September 2023



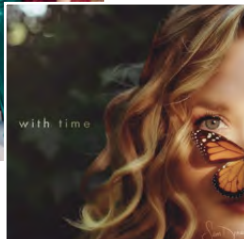
Janelle Hoffman C'13, Political Science Professor Phil Mundo, Psychology Professor Emeritus Janet Davis, Ilana McGuinn, Political Science Professor Patrick McGuinn, Franklin Barbosa, Jr. C'12 at Janelle and Franklin's wedding



Alyssa Sileo C'22



Ashley DeBenedetto, Amy Crossman C'13, Zack Mower C'13, Christine (Felix) Mower C'13, Jon Squicciarini C'11, Political Science Professor Patrick McGuinn, Franklin Barbosa, Jr. C'12, Ilana McGuinn, Janelle Hoffman C'13, Psychology Professor Emeritus Janet Davis, Ashley Bonilla C'13, Political Science Professor Phil Mundo, Tess (Rouf) Hoggle C'12, Shara Katz C'13, Angela Vitellaro C'11, Stacey Ceron C'12, Briana Canalini C'13 at Janelle and Franklin's wedding



Samantha Dedian C'14 celebrated the one year anniversary of the release of her EP



Eric Ando C'14 and his wife Anna, married this summer with several Drew alumni in attendance



Gloria (Clauser) Van Bree C'69 with her husband and god-daughter

Mountains-to-Sea Trail, which promoted and assisted in the development of a more than 1200-mile trail across the state from the Smoky Mountains to the Outer Banks. I was the trail crew leader over a 16-mile section carved out of the woods and mountains in the Boone area, served on the Friends' board of directors, and as treasurer and vice-president. In 2022, we moved to Virginia Beach to be near Margaret's two brothers and sisters. We currently live in a condo looking out on the Chesapeake Bay, but plan to move into a retirement community down the road when their new high-rise units are completed (estimated to be in 5 years)."

Heard from **Bruce Van Deussen**, who has been living in Palm Coast, FL, for the last 18 years. Bruce is now in his 51st year working in life insurance and financial services, having been with The Equitable for 33 years, and an independent broker since he moved south. He has been active in the community, and this year finished a nine-year term on the Board of the local AdventHealth Palm Coast Foundation.

Greetings from **Kent Jaffe and Frannie Edwards** C'69, G'71, who both checked in.

And I, Jane, say thank you to all who wrote. It is great to hear from each of you!

70 The class of 1971 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

Kathleen (Sexton) Hall finally got her Italian citizenship this summer. Her maternal great-grandfather always insisted he was French but in her genealogical research she learned that he was born in Genoa so she was able to apply *Jure Sanguinis*. She and **Richard Hall** C'68 are hoping to travel to Italy eventually. They are still enjoying retirement in Red Bank and would be happy to see any classmates who happen to be visiting the Jersey Shore.

71 **David Little**
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Gail Harris shares "I am in my fifth year of studying music at Juilliard. This past summer, I was one of five people selected to participate in the Emerging Composer's Program at the Narnia Vocal Arts Festival held in Italy." See photo, page 7.

Carla (Dabrowski) Kramer shares "Celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary was a summer-long event! We started with a week in Massanutten with our four children and their families, which included all ten of our grands! I loved being able to walk next door to hug them whenever I liked. A truly special time together! Greetings to all my Drew classmates. I love reading your stories and look forward to seeing more of them." See photo, page 7.

David Bell has retired from Kaiser Permanente and is living the good life in Moraga, CA, with his wife Monica.

Dennis Ingoglia and wife Mary are in the process of moving to Savannah, GA.

Jane (Spaeth) C'70, P'00 and **Peter Eyes** C'71, P'00 recently visited **Janet Dewar** at her summer home in Maine.

Chris Kersey was recently inducted in the Drew Athletics Hall of Fame (tennis & basketball), and actively supports Drew athletic programs. He and his wife Helen reside near Drew, in Bernardsville.

Keith Halperin recently retired but still does consulting for his firm, Korn Ferry, and recently endowed an industrial psychology program at Drew. He lives in the Minneapolis area with his wife, Karen.

Mary "Polly" (Davis) Stetler was recently recognized by the Governor of Pennsylvania for her artistic quilt work.

Barry Lenson has been supervising the restoration of murals painted by his father, Michael Lenson. He resides in Millburn, NJ with his wife Fran.

Doug Stephens lives with wife Jan in Exeter, NH where he has a private psychotherapy practice. Doug has four grandchildren. As with so many of us, Doug reports that life for him has been good, albeit with many joys and sorrows.

Rhonda Rush reports that she is well, retired, and happy. She enjoys birdwatching!

I am sad to report the death of **Gwen Ivy**. She died December 2016 in Toronto, Canada after having served as a professor of neuroembryology at the University of Toronto.

72 **David Green**
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Jim Schmidt and **Rick Doran** were the only other classmates I saw on campus at the Reunion in June.

Having retired from active ministry in Coopersburg, PA, **Rick Guhl** is currently on the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Council of Churches. He is leading an effort on environmental justice and serves on the Finance and Facilities Committee of St. John's United Church of Christ, Allentown, PA.

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Ray Walters shares "While not working in any field related to my Political Science degree, I did start out working in County Government—it was a great foundation to build on. But I moved into the financial

private sector, banking and finance, where I transitioned into Information Technology and spent some time consulting, working for Investment and pharmaceutical verticals. A stint at Microsoft, CitiBank, and now back to contracting as a W2 SharePoint Architect and Engineer—a long way from where I started out after leaving Drew. While no longer married, I have two grown children, Jacquie and Matt, and three grandchildren, two of which have started high school this year. While I haven't been able to attend any of the on-campus reunions, I'd still like to stay in touch and will always return a call or an email. For those of us who are left from the great Class of '73, here's to us all." See photo, page 7.

Gary Stanton shares "Still practicing medicine full time at Emerson Hospital in Concord, MA. My specialty is neurology. I am involved in acupuncture, and just came back from Copenhagen, for the 11th International Symposium in Auriculotherapy (which is ear acupuncture). Retirement is not yet on my radar." See photo, page 7.

74 **Mark Lang**
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77 **Deborah Beth Yingling**
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Greg Leuser wrote to me after reading my last class notes that he and a few others in our class had also attended the June 2022 reunion. I regret that **Christine (Stack) Bell** and I missed seeing them! Greg has lived in Madison, NJ many years and owns a local contracting business. He made the trails in the now Hepburn Woods in the Drew Forest. He has had four Samoyed dogs and walks daily in the Forest. He said 40 years of dog walking keeps him centered and makes it easy to keep track of the Forest.

After living in the same home in Walnut Creek, CA for 16 years, **Doug Goodman** C'76 and his wife Patty bought a larger one-level home with a pool in Concord, CA and are currently undergoing a six-month renovation.

Eugene Lisansky emailed me that he keeps busy with volunteer roles with the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation (CCF) and the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI). As a patient-member of the CCF's 2024 IBD Research Priorities Review Committee, Eugene was a panelist at a two-day symposium in Manhattan this September. A week later he was a panelist at an IBD Patient Education Day in Orlando. Subsequently he led the inaugural meeting of a new IBD patient support group at the University of South Florida Health Systems. He has dreamed of starting a group there for nearly seven years, so he was elated for it to come to fruition. He currently facilitates three separate IBD support groups in Tampa Bay. At OLLI at Eckerd College Eugene is the former Chairman of the Marketing Committee and current member of their Advisory Council and

Curriculum Committee. They are re-imagining the program and adding new activities as they continue to recover membership losses from the pandemic. He plans to lead courses on *Film - Movies About Movies* and *12 Actors in Search of A Character*. Eugene's wife Daisy continues performing in both Fleetwood MAX and Wall of Echoes, a Pink Floyd tribute band. They closed the summer concert series at the historic bandshell on Daytona Beach before a few thousand damp but enthusiastic fans. She is planning to retire from her 35-year radio traffic career in about 15 months. They anticipate more music, more travel, and more cats...

In a brief email response after reading my last class notes, **Mark Schultz** C'77, P'09 mentioned that his daughter attended Drew in the class of 2009!

Brenda Gianni and **Caren (Siebert) Breen** also briefly connected with me via email after I forwarded the Spring Class Notes. I was pleased to hear around the same time from **Gerry Lian** and **Myriam "Mimi" (Cordoba) De La Pena** that they plan to attend our 50th reunion in 2027. The countdown has begun!

The April 2023 Holloway dorm quad/Foster 22 suiteate reunion with husbands on Isle of Palm, SC near Charleston that I referenced in my last notes was wonderful! It included **Laura (Papa)** and **Larry Babbini** C'79, **Jennifer Beaver** and Alan Tolkoff, **Christine (Stack)** and **Paul Bell** C'76, **Robin Stern** and Potter Stewart, and Chas Edwards and me. We stayed in a large condo facing the ocean and toured many local sights. It was very reminiscent of college days in Foster 22, with maybe not as much studying and partying! We celebrated our 50 year friendships!

I spent a memorable week with **Kathy (Hyman) Floyd** C'78, P'13 in Seattle in May. Kathy knew the area well and was an amazing guide. Contrary to my expected rainy weather, we had seven days of warm sun. Having never been to the Pacific Northwest, I did some heavy sightseeing on my own while she ran an educational program for her employer the Church Pension Group. I celebrated my birthday listening to the Bill Charlap Trio at Dimitriou's Jazz Alley - amazing! We took a weekend trip to scenic San Juan Island where we saw Orcas, Humpbacks and other wildlife whale watching. I was able to see Kathy several other times on her trips to DC.

For ten days in June, Chas and I visited our daughter Kate, her husband Joey, and our grandson Wolf in Los Angeles. During that time I was able to have lunch with Jennifer Beaver and visit her beautiful home and garden in Long Beach, CA.

I've enjoyed having lunch with **Oona Stieglitz** C'79 several times over the past few months. Her twin daughters Amy and Gwen will graduate from their respective universities next May 2024.

The Drew Alumni Office is always happy to be of assistance! If anyone needs to update any contact information, they can do so here. If anyone is not receiving Drew emails, and would like to, they can sign up here. Questions

on any of these topics can be directed to alumni@drew.edu.

78 **Thomas Tani** ctsquared@optonline.net

Hello again! This summer Reunion was the CLA 78's 45th Anniversary! We had a very good turnout! I went to the festivities Friday evening. There was not much going on at the Ehinger Center (aka the UC), but I saw a lot of familiar faces when I headed to the tent behind Mead Hall! CLA78 was well represented at the Saturday activities and at the dinner dance at the Mead Hall tent Saturday evening. I kept track as best I could, so here is the list of the CLA78-ers that I saw (apologies to anyone I missed): **Marla (Friedman)** and **Paul Boren**, **Nicky (Freundlich) Rinklin**, **Nikki Shomer** and **John Buchbinder**, **Gerry Barker**, **Paul Feuer**, **Cathy Ulozas**, **Gary Freed**, **Carol (Marshall) Allen** and **Chris Allen**, **Sharlene (Fabrizio) Langner** C'78, P'08, **Ken Hyne**, **Michael Hoad** and **Carolyn Young**, **Sam (Mayer) Rafter**, **Carole (Torchia) Clinton** and **Joe Reina**, **Martha Herrmann**, and **Tom Tani**. Also saw the following friends of CLA78, as well: **Barb (Guage) Gertzog** C'77, **JoAnn Keatz** C'79 (honorary CLA 78er), **R. Michael Johnson** C'83, **Luis Almeida** C'84, P'22, **Chris Walsh** C'80, and **Jim Nicolson** C'83.

Robert Strupp checked in to wish the class a happy Fall. He and his wife Julie are looking forward to spending the winter with family and friends in Florida. He is also "slowly writing a book about housing history, something I worked on before retiring" and says "keep in touch!"

Ken Hyne and **Lynne** welcomed their second granddaughter, **Charlotte Ava**, daughter of **Mandy Hyne Hambley** in May 2023. She joins her sister **Alex**. "All are doing great!" (as is **Poppa** and **Mema**).

Tom Menke is still practicing anesthesia at an Ambulatory Surgical Center in Stratham, NH. He has five grandkids who live near him. He and his family spend most of their time at their home on Sebago Lake in Maine, where they will retire eventually.

Tom Mahoney had an eventful year. His family spent two weeks on safari in Africa to begin the year. After 15 years, Tom retired in March from my position as Vice President and General Counsel at The College of New Jersey. He then went skiing in Zermatt, Switzerland and visited with **Nancy (Specht) LeMoine** C'79 and **Rob LeMoine**, and **Mike McKean** and **Lori Danuff** in Florida. His daughter, **Claire**, moved back from Amsterdam and got married in April. His son, **Sean** got married in June, and other son, **Brendan**, moved back from Switzerland in July. Thankfully, all three kids are now an easy ride away in NYC. At **Claire's** wedding, Tom was joined by classmates **Stephen Prentiss**, **Rob LeMoine**, and **Michael Veloric** (see photo, page 7). Tom and his wife **Kathleen** have made plans to start 2024 with a trip to Patagonia with **Michael** and his wife, **Cindy**. After that, he hopes to visit **Rob** and **Nancy** at their new home in Vermont for some skiing and reminiscing.

And to wrap things up, the alumni office sent me the following news from **Gary Freed's** law firm's Public Relations Department: **Freed Grant Founder & Drew Grad Named to Best Lawyers—Gary Freed** listed among nation's elite attorneys.

Freed Grant LLC Founding Partner **Gary S. Freed** has been named to the 2024 edition of **Best Lawyers in America®** for the second year in a row, and **Freed Grant LLC** has been named to the 2024 **Best Law Firms®** by **Best Lawyers®**. **Gary** received his law degree from **Emory University School of Law** and earned a BA from **Drew University**.

Freed focuses his practice on business legal matters which include "business divorce," restrictive covenants, real estate, employment, and probate issues. He has successfully represented businesses that range from large corporations to startups. Freed also is one of the limited number of Atlanta attorneys with a practice in Asian business matters.

"I appreciate the faith clients and peers place in me. It is an honor to again be listed in **Best Lawyers**. It is an august group to be associated with," said **Freed**. "My deepest gratification is in knowing that I help clients achieve their goals in an efficient and timely manner."

Freed is known for his creative "out of the box" legal thinking. Larger firms often turn to him for complex litigation matters. **Freed** also believes strongly in giving back to his profession and community. He has been an active member and leader of a wide array of legal, business and community organizations. Congratulations, **Gary!**

And that's it from CLA 78. Have a great rest of 2023!

79 **Sandra (Ruth) Craig** craigpenders@gmail.com

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81 **Michael Lampert** mlampert@aicinvest.com

Miami attorney **J.B. Harris** (See photo, page 7) was featured in *Attorney at Law Magazine* and *Law.com*, national online legal publications, in a story titled *An Army of One: How I Helped to Disbar and Indict a Psychopath*. <https://www.law.com/legalnewswire/post-detail/j-b-harris-esq-an-army-of-one-how-i-helped-disbar-and-indict-a-psychopath/>

83 **Susan (Kessler) Apter** apter4@gmail.com

It was great to catch up with several of you at our 40th Class Reunion held June 2-3, 2023! Arriving on campus Saturday morning for brunch and the Alumni Achievement Awards, my husband **Alan Apter** C'80 and I briefly sat with **Lisa (Gennarelli) Eisenhardt** and **Cynthia "Cindy" Waneck** (retired) who were waiting to meet up with **Kathy (Scott) Notine** C'83, P'22 (Executive Assistant to the Mayor of the Borough of Madison) and daughter **Kelly**

Notine C'22. Other classmates that joined our table were **Tricia (Roettger)** and **Tom Rosenkilde.** Tom is an architect for Rutgers and Tricia is a photography teacher in NYC at the International Center of Photography. At the next table were **Rebecca (Emmons) Wisser** and husband Robert, both retired from the Dept. of the Army. We also caught up with **Larry Levine, Steve Steinberg,** and **Laurie (Howard) Dubin** (Occupational Therapist in Southern CT).

Wandering over to the UC (now called the "EC") we spoke with **Brad Cox** (school-based Occupational Therapist) and wife Patty. Brad's two daughters are married, and he and Patty are grandparents. Brad's roommate **James Dobbins** (retired from his corporate law position but continues to consult with the company, practice in anti-counterfeiting, conduct mediations in the North Carolina courts, and serve on for-profit and not-for-profit organizations) and his lovely wife Debbie. **Carol (Leader) Smith** is the Founder, Executive Director, and Job Counselor for the non-profit Crossroads Jobs, which provides free, individualized job placement and career development services to Loudoun County, VA area residents.

It was time for both our Class Picture as well as one for "80s classes". As the group broke apart I greeted **Lynn (Bannon) Cummings**, a school counselor as well as **Marilena (Lorenzato) Greig** (in sales for AFLAC but has chaired galas for charitable causes) and **David Sean Hinchin**, an artist in Albany, NY.

A few people mentioned seeing **Kelly Kavanagh** and **Andy Polovoy** walking around campus. The lobby of the Rose Memorial Library had an exhibit on yearbooks in a couple of glass display cases—and there was our class—with the page open to "Commencement May 21, 1983"—with a prominent picture of **Bob Gittler.** Chatting with Bob at the rugby game, he and his wife are empty nesters and he works in economic development. Several other classmates were at the rugby game including **Diana "Dee" Bowen, Jim Nicolson** (has a painting business in Northern VA and is also a grandfather), **Jeremy Smith** (of Suffield, CT and involved with Urgent Care), **Steve "Loader" Thompson** C'83, P'20, and **R. Michael Johnson.**

Following a buffet dinner and dancing in the tent behind Mead Hall with some of the previously mentioned alums, we made our way over to the Pub and greeted **Greg Aikman, Bob Muir,** and **Tom Lo Presti.**

Hope those who attended our reunion enjoyed it and apologize if I missed listing your name.

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85 **Bill Pezzuti**
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Anna-Beth Winograd shares "Donna

O'Meally made the Herculean effort (including an overnight stay in the Dallas airport after a canceled flight and a scary Uber ride from SLC) to attend my son, Ian's, wedding in Peoa, Utah last summer! My son was so touched by her effort, he publicly acknowledged and thanked her at the reception. We were so grateful she was able to be there. Donna and her family have been part of Ian's life since he was born. See photo, page 7.

86 **Sandra "Sandi" Miller**
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This summer, **Darrell Parker** had an amazing reunion at a Dead & Company show at MetLife Stadium with Drew alums: **Cliff Mix, Gary Friars C'85,** and **Ed Campo C'85.** (See photo, page 7). Some of the guys hadn't seen each other in over thirty-five years. Darrell's family also spent a week on a rented houseboat on Lake Shasta in Northern California. Because the water levels are so high from last winter's snow and rain, they were able to enjoy water skiing, floating, wakeboarding and jet skiing. In September, Darrell was appointed by the Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court to serve on the California State Judicial Council, a twenty-six-member body that oversees the judiciary for the State of California. He was sworn in by the Chief Justice on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 for a three-year term and says it's an honor to serve the state in these capacities. Simultaneously, he became the vice-chair of the fifty-eight-member Court Executive Advisory Committee. He is also the Executive Officer, Clerk of the Court, and Jury Commissioner for Santa Barbara County. Darrell writes, "If you're visiting Santa Barbara, look me up and I'll give you a tour of one of the most beautiful courthouses in the country."

Elise (Kravet) and **Ken Haderer** traveled to visit their daughter, Allie, and her husband, Eddie, who is stationed at the Guam Naval base. After touring around Guam, the four of them had a wonderful vacation in Japan and Korea. In Japan, they visited Tokyo, Hakone, Kyoto, and Nara and saw many temples, shrines, and gardens. In Seoul, Korea, they saw beautifully preserved palaces and went on an amazing tour of the Korean Demilitarized Zone (See photos, page 8). After returning home to Seabrook Island, SC, Ken and Elise have shifted into wedding planning mode. Their son, Steven, and his fiancé, Brandy, are getting married at the Grand Floridian Hotel in Disney World in April 2024. Allie and Eddie are going to celebrate their 2021 civil ceremony with a wedding reception in October 2024 at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville, NC.

Doug McKernan writes that his wife is on her second expat assignment. They moved to Düsseldorf, Germany a year and a half ago, after six years of living just outside Basel, Switzerland. Doug was semi-retired when they first moved, although getting his boys through the International Baccalaureate program was like a job. They have been taking advantage of their central locations to travel throughout Europe, and this month, he finished Sandra Miller's new book ("very enjoyable") on the Peloponnesian beaches. With their youngest son now at university in Scotland, they are newly empty nesters. He would be happy to share any travel recommendations through the class Facebook page. See photo, page 13.

I (**Sandi Miller**) had a wonderful summer traveling down the East Coast, promoting my debut novel, *WEDNESDAYS AT ONE*. At Book Towne bookstore in Manasquan, NJ, fellow Drewids and Acorn editors, **Mary**



Doug McKernan C'86 with his wife and son in Greece

Ellen (Porcelli) Landolfi and **Greg Crawford** attended. **Cathy (Zbyszynski) Brennan** joined us later for dinner. The following evening at Thunder Road Books in Spring Lake, NJ: **Kathy Hallissey**, **Liz (Gombach) Junod**, and **Sue Curtin** came out to support me. See photos, page 7.

It is with a heavy heart that I share the following news. We lost two dear classmates this summer: **Nicholas Angle**, who died in August, and **Ann (Bready) King** who, after a long battle with cancer, died in September. See *In Memoriam*, page 19.

87 **Forrest Shue** forrest@forrestshue.com

This spring at a networking event for juniors and seniors, I met the daughters of a few fellow C'87 grads, who happened to be friends wrapping up their senior years. I knew that **Rich Palazzo's** [C'87, P'23] daughter **Emily Palazzo** C'23 was at Drew, but I didn't know that **Gina (Rosen) Orent's** (who we lost in 2003) daughter was too. It was great to catch up with both **Emily and Carly Orent C'23** and hear what their Drew experience had been like. I may have also told them a few stories about what I remembered about their parents while we were at Drew together in the '80s.

A few months later, I went to the graduation ceremony to celebrate with Rich and his family. I was also able to connect with **Kathy Hallissey** C'86 who was there with her family celebrating her daughter **Lydia Horner** C'23, who was also graduating.

At the end of the graduation, trustee **Jen Velez** gave the welcoming address to the newest alumni group. When she was announced as a trustee and member of the class of 1987, Rich Palazzo and I gave out a (perhaps too) loud cheer from several rows back in the crowd.

Gary Powell, **Patrick Ciriello**, **Alison Cunningham-Goldberg**, **Naomi Kooker**, and **Forrest Shue** all reconnected at the Alumni Reunion weekend in early June. I had probably not seen either Alison or Naomi in several decades, so it was great to catch up with them in the Pub and reconnect. See photo, page 8.

Turns out that Naomi also went to high school for a few years with **Christina "Tina" (Todaro) Reynolds** until Tina moved to New Hampshire for her senior year, and late this summer Tina sent me a picture and let me know that she and Naomi had caught up at a high school reunion! See photo, page 8.

Rich Swift shares "Recently, I sold my two businesses and retired for at least the moment. My wife Mary and I have built a new home in Murphy, NC and will be moving there this Labor Day weekend." See photo, page 8.

Finally, in October at Ranger Weekend, **George Discher** was inducted into the Hall of Fame. It was a well-deserved honor (even if I am a little biased as a teammate of his) as George is not only the fastest runner in Drew Men's Cross Country history, but he

was the leader of our historic run where we established the best record (22-5) over a two-year stretch in school history while winning back-to-back Independent Athletic Conference championships. It was a lot of fun to see George as well as **Gavin Maguire** and **Leonard Mitchell** C'86 who both also came up to Drew for the ceremony. See photo, page 10.

If anyone reading this from the class of 1987 isn't getting my requests for news updates twice a year, please reach out to Drew and/or me (forrest@forrestshue.com) to get me your latest address. We also have a Facebook Group that you can join.

88

The class of 1988 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

Patrick Foye, M.D., recently co-authored a new type of gratitude journal, titled, *AppreciACTION: The Gratitude Journal that turns Appreciation into ACTION*. It is available on Amazon: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/0996453547> (See photo, page 8).

Paul Cocja, **Kenneth Krasnow**, **Dan Coleman** C'89, and **Stewart Hollingshead** got together for a weekend of boating and golf. See photo, page 8.

Paul Oberman has started Oberman Math Tutoring (www.drpauloberman.com) and has begun tutoring for math classes as well as ACT/SAT math prep. He continues to do open-mic stand-up comedy and play Ultimate Frisbee. See photo, page 8.

89 **Sue (Levens) Reardon** sreardon67@gmail.com

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91

The class of 1991 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

After serving as Dean of the Honors College for 15 years, **Raymond Green** moved to the position as Dean of the College of Education and Human Services at Texas A&M University –Commerce.

Kathy (Walling) Demaree shares "My mother, **Joan C. (Bradley) Halle** C'66, P'91 died at her home in the Poconos in May. See *In Memoriam*, page 19. I live in Washington State with my husband Phil but spent most of January to May in the Poconos in Pennsylvania caring for her during her last days. I am eternally grateful to my fellow Drewids **Rebecca (Peoples) Lynn** C'90, **Diane Simpson** C'90, P'27, **Marj (Manter) St. John** C'92, **Lisa (Esposito) Lindner**, and **Jennifer (Cullison) Stanford** for visiting the Poconos and helping me during that time and after as I work to clean out mom's house. Because I've been visiting the east coast so much, I've also been able to spend some quality time with my dad, **William F. Walling** C'65, P'91 in Bordentown, NJ. He's doing well, and enjoying retirement

with his wife, Candy. He just turned 80, and we celebrated his birthday with a lovely dinner at Odette's in New Hope.

92 **Tom Fowler** thomas.dennis.fowler@gmail.com

Jason Kosnoski lives with his wife Dana Levin and two kids, Gabe (12) and Leah (9), in Ann Arbor Michigan. He is a Professor of Political Science at the University of Michigan-Flint, where he says he gets a great amount of satisfaction from teaching, even if the pay is mediocre. His wife is a Professor Social Work at the University of Windsor in Ontario, aka "the Detroit of Canada." He recently published a book entitled *The Political Theory of Salvage* via SUNY Press that has cemented his position in academia as "that guy who writes about trash." Jason was also interviewed recently by local TV about the United Auto Workers union strike and the tactics used in negotiations (UM-Flint professor: Fain's use of social media critical to union success). He'd love to hear from anyone via email (jasonkosnoski@yahoo.com), particularly if you disagree with his wife that his beard has gone "really, really, I mean really gray."

Ann Wallace, a professor of English at New Jersey City University, was named the 2023 – 24 Poet Laureate of Jersey City last winter and was honored to give a reading at Drew in April for National Poetry Month. She reports that she recently began a new project as host and producer of *The WildStory: A Podcast of Poetry and Plants* for the Native Plant Society of New Jersey, introducing listeners to poets whose work reflects on the natural world, as well as to introduce them to leaders in the fields of ecology, botany, and native plants. The WildStory is available on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Amazon, and Google, and at npsnj.org/the-WildStory-podcast/. Ann's second poetry collection, *Days of Grace and Silence: A Chronicle of COVID's Long Haul* is due out in winter 2024 from Kelsay Books. The collection chronicles, in real time, Ann's severe acute infection in spring 2020 and three years of living through Long COVID alongside her daughters, who were also sick. People can follow her work at AnnWallacePhD.com.

94 **Emy (Richter) Kelly** emykelly2002@yahoo.com

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95 **Peter Bruckmann, Jr.** drewclassof1995@gmail.com

Samantha Munson celebrated her 50th birthday at Rat's Restaurant at Grounds for Sculpture in Hamilton, NJ in July with many fellow Drewids in attendance: **David Briggs** C'94, **Nicole (Mauro) Briggs**, **Shafia (Rashid) Butt**, **Adrienne Vincenzino**, **Rich Munson** (current Drew Head Swimming & Diving Coach and Samantha's brother), **Carrie McCracken**, **Vincent Giovacchini** C'99, **Paul Bonfanti** '94, **Heidi Smith**, **Nikhat**

Contractor, **Eric Souza, Susann Rutledge, Scott Megill, Rich Marcus, and Caroline (Morrisey) Megill.** See photo, page 8.

Esther Chung-Kim has been promoted to full professor at Claremont McKenna College. She is currently the president-elect of a national academic organization called the American Society of Church History.

96 Shannon (Tilton) Travis drew@travistale.com

Greetings Fellow C'96 Classmates! Happy Autumn! It is amazing how fast time flies. 2023 is almost done and 2024 will be here before we know it. Our classmates continue to strive, succeed, and receive recognition for their many accomplishments. For example, I heard from **Caroline (Jacobsen) Berdzik.** She was appointed to her second year as a director on the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel's Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting at The Broadmoor in Colorado Springs in July. The FDCC is the professional trade association of vetted and premier defense and corporate counsel and industry executives dedicated to leading the profession by advancing the principles of integrity, professionalism, fair civil justice, intellectual capital, and fostering the trust and value of fellowship and referrals to our FDCC peers.

Did you hear about the recognition of **Emily (Riggs) Fennessey?** She was the first woman inducted into the Drew Rugby Hall of Fame. A few of our classmates joined her on campus for the event. They included **Rebecca (Morris) Kuhar, Kim Harris, Devyani (Gupta) Morris, Dana Evans, Vita (Martino) Larkin, and Kris (Seeley) Zaveri.** Congratulations Emily! See photos, page 9.

Speaking of time flying, we are old enough to have our children attend Drew. **Emily (Knox) Blitz C'96, P'27** was back in The Forest dropping her daughter Sophia Blitz C'27, off to Tolley in late August. She mentioned how great it was to see (and hear) that this next generation of the OC is as enthusiastic as they were in our time. She is now back in Switzerland but feels a whole new level of connectedness to 36 Madison Ave. See photo, page 9.

If you have some updates and pictures to share please reach out. You can contact me at my email noted above. If you have not been receiving my submission request emails, please validate and update your contact information with the Drew Alumni office at Drew.edu. Wishing a wonderful holiday season. Talk to you in 2024!

97 Daniel Ilaria dilariaj@msn.com

Debra (Pierce) Coen wrote to say all three kids are in college. Ilaria is a senior at RWU in Rhode Island. She spent her summer interning at the New England Aquarium and is loving it. The twins started college this fall—Eddie at Centenary University in Hackettstown and Skye at Suffolk University in Boston. Debra is in her 27th year of teaching—this year it is Photography, and she still directs

the fall play and spring musical. **Paul Coen C'91** continues to work at Drew doing IT.

Sue (Burnham) Raven had a wonderful summer and managed to get together with **Alawee "Ali" Racine** during her vacation here in Maine. Amazingly, Sue also managed to connect with her "little sister" **Christina (DiGeronimo) Master** who was on Mount Desert Island with her family this summer. They hadn't seen each other since 1997! What a blast to reconnect! Another summer highlight was a trip to DC with her family and two evenings spent with one of her best buddies at Drew, **Joel Wallace C'98.** "We decided that we're all still just Drew kids around campus, but that our campus has widened into the world. It was like no time went by at all." Sue aspires to connect with more Drews over time, and if anyone is in the Bar Harbor area, do reach out!

John Dennehey started his PhD in Cultural Anthropology (specializing in Archaeology) at SUNY Albany. He is excited to be following his passion while still being a full time bank manager with Key Bank. John is still living in Albany in his historic house that he's restoring.

Dan Ilaria hosted an annual Drew reunion summer gathering. In attendance: **Jen Jones, Sara (Hall) Philips, J.D. Urbach, Father Joe Farias** (Chaplain in 1997), **Dan Ilaria, Kristine (Papachristos) Ilaria C'00, Brian Nell, and Patrick Aylward.** See photo, page 9.

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Iris (Diaz) Goicochea and friends continued an annual tradition of gathering their Drew family around Christmas. The children are getting older and the festivities are so much fun! They've had this special time together each year since 2009. See photo, page 10.

Alamelu Sundaram-Walters received the Teacher of the Year award at Fleetwood Elementary School in Mt. Laurel, NJ, where she teaches ESL. She is in her nineteenth year of teaching.

Jane (Sonoski) Cowles is living in Rockland County and has her own law firm. See photo, page 9.



Dr. Dawn Digrius Smith
C'99, G'05, G'07

Dr. Dawn Digrius Smith C'99, G'05, G'07 was recently interviewed by Tracy Altemus for the Drew University Caspersen School site, about her experiences at Drew! She also recently facilitated two large education grants for clients, \$15 million for the Sacramento County Office of Education and \$7.4 million for California State University, Los Angeles. Dawn was named Dr. United States of America 2022 for the Dr. World Productions Organization, a pageant devoted to women who hold doctoral degrees. Her research corporation, DMDS Partners, Inc. has reached a milestone of over \$500K in revenue. See photo, page 15.

Dr. Peter DeNigris was named the New Jersey Psychological Association's 2023 Psychologist of the Year. Dr. DeNigris served as the 2022 President of the New Jersey Psychological Association and is completing his term as Past President. He is co-owner and managing partner of Somerset Psychological Group, PA, a group private practice in Somerville, NJ.

Steven Strafford is now the head of the Musical Theatre BFA program at Ohio University. His play, *Small Jokes About Monsters*, was published this year and two of his plays received world premieres in Memphis and Cincinnati. He lives in Athens, OH, with his husband and son.

Maggie (Foster) Lerner finds that her 99 Nights mug makes an excellent ice scoop! See photo, page 9.

Andrea Strickland has been living in Key West for 12 years now, working as a financial analyst for a Navy contractor and waiting tables at a dockside restaurant frequently visited by nurse sharks and manatees. She met her love Tony while building a float for the annual Fantasy Fest parade, and all of their free time is currently dedicated to creating a larger-than-life paper-mache unicorn for this year's parade. They also like to meet up with **Sarah Skotnicki C'01** at various events on the island.

Yesenia (Aquino) Ruffin visited Drew in August for the first time since moving to Australia with her family 16 years ago. Her 17-year-old fell in love with the campus... next generation Drewid???

Greetings from me, **Gigi Naglak**, one of your new class secretaries! I'm writing to you from my home in Philadelphia, where I live with my husband, 11-year-old stepdaughter (Magnolia), and 4-year-old daughter (Gilda). We are also a foster family for two kids seeking asylum in the U.S. By day, I serve as Director of Programs for the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, a state affiliate of the NEH. By night, you can occasionally find me on the stage (when not interrupted by a new baby or a pandemic). Please send along your updates and photos to gnaglak@hotmail.com.

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Tamera (Ranney) Armelin** was married in August 2022 to Brian Armelin. **Jill (Rojek) Maginnis** was in attendance.



Elizabeth Young C'10 and Kyle McKnight C'09 at their wedding in November 2022 with their bridal party: Anne Cioffi C'10, G'12, Michael Miller, Mary Richmond-Michael C'09, Jessica Batson, Douglas Michael C'09, G'11, Erin Carroll, Kimberly Law, Matthew Fay C'09, and Anny Gano

See photo, page 9. After 15 years living in Dallas, TX, Tamera relocated in 2020. She's now living with her husband in Stafford Springs, CT.

Harmonia Collaborative Care proudly announced **Erin (Walker) Bascug**, Licensed Master of Social Work has joined as a mental health counselor. Erin specializes in trauma-informed care, is trained in Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT), Seeking Safety, Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, and Koru Mindfulness approaches. Harmonia is a nonprofit "Best Place to Work" 2023 finalist providing mental health and senior care programs fostering individuals' independence. See photo, page 9.

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Dr. Perzavia Prayow currently serves as the Director of Contextual Theology at Howard University School of Divinity and is also the Interim Pastor of Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ both in Washington, DC. She moved back to Washington, DC and is currently training for her 6th half-marathon, which will lead to running the Jersey City marathon in Spring 2024.

Congratulations to **Dr. Denise Vigani** who was granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor in Philosophy at Seton Hall University this past spring.

Brent Englar moved to Rockville, MD this past July with his wife and their 6.5 year old daughter; if any 2002'ers are in the area, Brent would love to catch up sometime!

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07 Julia Vlosky
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Becky (Steinhilber) and Sanjeevan "San" Iswara C'06 celebrated their 10 year

wedding anniversary this past July and traveled to Kenya, Africa this summer to celebrate with their two young sons. San is currently a Managing Director and Head of Acquisition for Rockefeller Capital Management. Becky has her own private practice in speech-language pathology, Midtown Speech NYC. See photo, page 10.

08 Erica (Palmieri) Stasio
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Genny Cuocci has accepted a new position as Adjunct Professor at the NYU Silver School of Social Work teaching graduating MSW students year round on the topic of Substance Use and Cooccurring Disorders. She will continue as Assistant Director of Clinical Services and Group Programming at NYU's Student Health Center's Counseling and Wellness Services as well.

Clea Mahoney started a new job as a Learning & Development Manager at BDO, an accounting, advisory, and consulting firm. In this next step of her career in corporate education, she oversees the design and development of custom training solutions for all BDO employees. Luckily, her office location hasn't changed - Clea is still working from home with her sweet dog Cheyenne at her feet.

09 The class of 2009 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

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Jonathan Amira was appointed by New Jersey State Bar Association President Timothy McGoughran to the editorial board of New Jersey Lawyer Magazine.

Kathleen Vazzana married David Endicott

in September 2023 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Staten Island, NY. See photo, page 10.

Elizabeth Young and **Kyle McKnight** C'09 were married in November 2022 in Basking Ridge, NJ. The bridal party included **Anne Cioffi** C'10, G'12, **Michael Miller**, **Mary Richmond-Michael** C'09, Jessica Batson, **Douglas Michael** C'09, G'11, **Erin Carroll**, Kimberly Law, **Matthew Fay** C'09, and Anny Gano. See photo, page 16.

Jayne (Alfano) Gehring and her husband, Chad, welcomed their first child, daughter Parker Lynn, in August. See photo, page 9.

12 John Dabrowski
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Caitlin Aase's film, *Revealer*, can be streamed on Shudder and Amazon Prime. Their latest film, *Black Mold*, premiered in Kansas City in April and is now part of the festival circuit. Currently, Caitlin resides in Chicago and works for the award-winning tabletop gaming company, Queen's Court Games.

Daniel Fleming C'12, G'13 and his wife Krishna Kothary celebrated their son Ariyan Fleming's 1st birthday in September. See photo, page 10.

Julie (Liss) Suppes welcomed her baby, Madison Jayne Suppes, in April 2023. Madison had her first trip to Drew this summer and adores her DU outfit. See photo, page 10.



Wedding of Janelle Hoffman C'13 and Franklin Barbosa, Jr. C'12

13 Patricia (Cyrus Moore) Brown
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Janelle Hoffman and **Franklin Barbosa, Jr.** C'12 were married in June 2022 at the Madison Hotel, surrounded by love and support from Drew classmates and professors. See photos, pages 10 and 16.

14 Bridget (McRory) Evankov
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Eric Ando and his wife Anna married



Ryan Jackson C'17, former goalkeeper coach Ante Rogic, Danielle Cowan C'16, Agata Dera C'14, Emma Campbell C'16, Bridget (McRory) Evankow C'14, Shannon (Slowey) Weldon C'16, Melanie Santos C'16, former assistant coach Casey Rogic, and current Women's Soccer Coach Christa Racine P'21, P'24 celebrating their Team of Distinction Award for their historic 2013 season during the 2023 Hall of Fame.

this summer in Lakeville, CT with several Drew Alumni in attendance. See photo, page 10.

Drew Women's Soccer alumni celebrated their ten year anniversary of winning the Landmark Conference Championship. The 2013 team was honored during the Drew Athletics Hall of Fame ceremony, receiving the Team of Distinction Award for their

historic 2013 season. See photo above.

This October, **Samantha Dedian** celebrated the one year anniversary of the release of her EP. Featured on her EP is a number of Drew Alumni including Jake Sachs on electric guitar and **Lucy Schofield** C'15, **Alexa Marino** C'12, and **Christina Kosyla** C'11 singing backup vocals on her EP track called *For the Girls*. Samantha is also

expected to release additional Christmas singles later this fall. Spotify link: <https://open.spotify.com/album/7gleuuhgfrWyp-9GRysf73?si=i2YnvoKRS6GJNb1w-wwQdw> Apple Music link: <https://music.apple.com/us/album/with-time-ep/1648267588> See photo, page 10.

16 The class of 2016 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

17 The class of 2017 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

Hannah Kohn married Jeremy Larkins in July 2023. In September 2023, she was promoted to the position of United Nations Program Officer at Outright International, where she advocates for LGBTI human rights.

Mathew Cassese shares "Miss college. It was a great time. Really allowed me to grow as a person on so many different levels."

18 The class of 2018 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

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20 The class of 2020 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

22 The class of 2022 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

Alyssa Sileo shares "Since Fall 2022, I've had the privilege to work in the office that was a second home to me when I was a student: the Center for Civic Engagement. As a two-time member of AmeriCorps, I've carried out my service term as the CCE's Community Engagement Coordinator. I've loved every moment of helping lead the Drew Food Pantry, the Changemakers Immersive Experience program, and many more community-building endeavors alongside a generous and innovative team." See photo, page 10.

23 The class of 2023 is looking for a new Class Secretary to collect *Classnotes*. If you are interested in taking over, please contact classnotes@drew.edu!

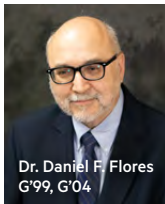


The Theological School

10s Rev. Amy Davis Abdallah T'10 has a new book out—*Meaning in the Moment: How Rituals Help Us Move Through Joy, Pain, and Everything In Between*.

The Caspersen School

90s Rev. Dr. Daniel F. Flores G'99, G'04 is the University Librarian and the Luther W. and Ruth E. Sappenfield Chair of Library Science at Texas Lutheran University. He recently published two books—Author of *Respectable Methodism: Nathan Bangs and Respectability in Nineteenth-Century American Methodism*, Cascade Books, 2023 and General Editor of *Los Profetas: The Prophetic Role of Hispanic Churches in America*, Wesley's Foundry Books, 2022. See photo, left.



Dr. Daniel F. Flores
G'99, G'04

00s Sean Patrick Dineen G'17 shares "I just finished some research on the writings of Allen Drury, and his masterwork about South Africa in the 1960's *A Very Strange Society*. The study took place at the Hoover Institute in California. I aim to expand and publish my dissertation for the DLitt program on disability inclusion during the Cold War." See photo, left.



Sean Patrick Dineen G'17



In Memoriam

The Drew community and its alumni associations extend their heartfelt sympathies to the families and friends of those alumni and members of the Drew community listed below. Our ranks are diminished by their loss.

College of Liberal Arts

Name	Class affiliation	Date of death
Jeanne (Van Camp) Norlander	C'47	August 2023
Dr. Kurt Stern	C'48	August 2023
Diana "Dee" (Lum) Cunningham	C'50	June 2023
Margaret "Peggy" (Law) Osmers	C'50	June 2023
William Bruen	C'50	August 2023
Joan (Cain) Underwood	C'52	June 2023
Alice (Clayton) Friesen	C'52	July 2023
The Reverend Frank Dreisbach	C'52, T'55	April 2023
Helen (D'Alonzo) Malec	C'53	July 2023
Dr. Wendell Tripp	C'53	September 2023
Carole (Smolensky) Dickerson	C'55	May 2023
Dr. Andrea (Witko) Blumenthal	C'55, G'88, G'91	June 2023
Dr. Robert L. Phyliky	C'58	September 2023
Reinhard Loy	C'58	October 2023
Bishop David Joslin	C'58, T'61	October 2023
Carl "Wes" Carson	C'61	August 2023
Dr. Edward Chesnut, Jr.	C'62	June 2023
Gisela (Kluetz) Wemple	C'62	August 2023
Dr. Janet (Smith) Howell	C'62	September 2023
Dr. Raymond Garcia	C'63	July 2023
Marilyn (Healy) Woods	C'64	September 2023
The Reverend Linda Hoffman-Peterson	C'65	April 2023
April (Allen) Ashpes	C'65	September 2023
Joan (Bradley) Halle	C'66, P'91	May 2023
Charleen (Duffie) Caulk	C'70	May 2023
Peter Papallo	C'72	May 2023
Frances (Flynn) Doyle	C'78	June 2023
Julia Lamb	C'78	June 2023
Richard "Chay" Kates	C'80	April 2023
Victoria (Koosherian) Jamjyan	C'80	May 2023
Danny Vnenchak	C'82	April 2023
Lori Krause	C'82	October 2023
Heidi Utz	C'83	October 2023
Nicholas V. V. Angle	C'86	August 2023
Ann (Bready) King	C'86	September 2023
John Giampe	C'88	September 2023

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Remembering Ann (Bready) King C'86



Ann Bready King, age 59, of 47 Mann Blvd, passed away peacefully on Thursday, September 14, 2023, at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston surrounded by her loving family. Ann was born on August 11, 1964, in Springfield, MA and was the daughter of H. Robert Bready (Judy Petrucelli) and the late Judith O'Neill (Pete Sabey).

After high school, Ann earned her bachelor's degree in American studies from Drew University, in 1986. She met her beloved husband, Tracy, and the two were wed on August 12, 2000.

For 37 years, Ann worked as a sports information director (sports publicity), first for six years at Drew, then for 17 years at The College of New Jersey (formerly Trenton State College) and most recently for 14 years at Russell Sage College. Ann was extremely active with the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA), the profession's national organization. She served a term on the executive board and received many awards for her work. She was inducted into the CoSIDA Hall of Fame in 2006 and was also named the first recipient of the organization's Warren Berg Award in 2003. She was also selected as the 2018 recipient of the Mary Jo Haverbeck Award, which is presented annually to a CoSIDA member who is a pioneer in the field of sports information who has mentored and helped improve the level of ethnic and gender diversity within CoSIDA.

For all Ann's professional skills, her innate kindness and unwavering willingness to help others will be her legacy. She would do anything for anyone, without hesitation. Ann was an extremely loving and passionate person, touching the lives of many through work and her personal life. She had a unique ability to connect with others, no matter their background.

In her free time, Ann cherished spending time with her family and friends. In recent years she rediscovered her passion for riding and showing horses. She also greatly enjoyed gardening and traveling, having ventured to forty-seven states in the U.S.

Survivors, in addition to her father, stepmother and stepfather include her husband Tracy A. King; her son Robert King; her sister Ellen Spencer; her mother-in-law Kerry King and her father-in-law Nelson King; her brother-in-law Kevin King and her sister-in-law Michelle King. She is also survived by many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Theological School

Name	Class affiliation	Date of death
Dr. Charles Ketcham	T'53	April 2023
Dr. Roger Stimson, Jr.	T'54	May 2023
Bishop William Boyd Grove	T'54	October 2023
The Reverend Donald Bloomster	T'55	July 2023
The Reverend Dr. Calvin R. Myers	T'55, T'59	August 2023
The Reverend Earle Custer	T'56	April 2023
William Kinzie	T'56	August 2023
The Reverend Robert J. Lewis	T'56	September 2023
The Reverend Robin "Bob" Van Cleef	T'56	October 2023
Dr. Jay House	T'56, P'82, GP'18	March 2023
The Reverend Lloyd E. Brockmeyer	T'57	August 2023
The Reverend M. Kenneth "Ken" Heckman, Jr.	T'57	October 2023
The Reverend Dr. Shirley (Bush) Ranck	T'58	May 2023
The Reverend James Cook	T'59	April 2023
The Reverend James Wert	T'59	July 2023
Bishop Clarence Coleridge	T'60	August 2023
The Reverend Donald S. Stewart, Jr.	T'64	October 2023
The Reverend Robert J. Cave	T'66	September 2023
Dr. William T. Greer, Jr.	T'67	August 2023
Lynne (Henderson) Poole	T'68	May 2023
The Reverend Raymond D. DuBois	T'69	August 2023
Father Simon Gallagher	T'70	October 2023
The Reverend Robert Albrecht, Jr.	T'73	March 2023
Dr. Robert David Oertel	T'76	July 2023
The Reverend Dr. Lawrence Curtis	T'77	May 2023
Dr. David St. George	T'78	July 2023
The Reverend Dr. Haldon Ferris	T'80	October 2023
The Reverend Joan Gelbein	T'81	May 2023
The Reverend Carol Spelman	T'85	March 2023
Dr. Robert Monson	T'87	July 2023
Dr. Robert Langston, Jr.	T'87	September 2023
The Reverend Bernd Weishaupt	T'90	May 2023
Dr. Orval L. E. Willmann	T'90	June 2023
Dr. Aubrey Hay	T'90	July 2023
The Reverend Dr. Joe Peek	T'90	October 2023
Dr. Jim C. Gilland	T'91	July 2023
The Reverend Damaris Juanita Lowe	T'13	July 2023
Eileen Gerety	T'14	May 2023

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Drew University Mourns the Passing of Longtime Professor Hans Morsink



Drew University mourns the loss of **Johannes (Hans) Morsink**, emeritus professor of political science.

Dr. Morsink began his 43-year career at Drew in 1972 teaching in the Department of Philosophy. He taught in the department for 20 years before moving to the Department of Political Science in 1992 where he taught for the next 23 years.

He retired from Drew in 2015 and was honored with professor emeritus status later that year.

"He was a popular teacher and had a tremendous impact on students and colleagues both within and outside the department," said the Drew University's College of Liberal Arts Dean's Office in a message to the Drew community announcing Morsink's passing.

Dr. Morsink's 1999 book *The Universal Declaration of Human Rights: Origins Drafting and Intent* (University of Pennsylvania Press) was acclaimed as, "the definitive work on the drafting of the twentieth century's most important human rights document."

He published two more books as a member of Drew's faculty, *Inherent Human Rights: Philosophical Roots of the Universal Declaration* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2009) and *The Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Challenge of Religion* (University of Missouri Press, 2015).

Morsink continued to publish works after his retirement from Drew. His fourth and final book, published in 2021, was *Article by Article: The Universal Declaration of Human Rights for a New Generation* (University of Pennsylvania Press).

Colorful anecdotes from faculty colleagues peppered the resolution granting Morsink professor emeritus status in April 2015.

"WHEREAS when Hans taught the First Year Seminars he was a stickler for students showing up on time and was known to purchase loud alarm clocks for them and even go into the dorms and bang on the doors of students who overslept and rouse them from bed," read one entry.

"WHEREAS Hans is likely the only professor in the history of Drew University to appear on the cover of *The Acorn* [student newspaper] wearing only a speedo bathing suit," read another.

Dr. Morsink was lauded as an "excellent teacher" who "brought wit and humor" to classrooms and faculty meetings, and was honored for having "excelled in teaching, scholarship, and service since arriving at the University."

Caspersen School

Name	Class affiliation	Date of death
Dr. Charles Turner	G'72, P'95	August 2023
Sister Ruthann Williams	G'79	September 2023
Russell Ragovin	G'80, P'12	July 2023
Dr. Judith (Priestly) Bookis	G'82	July 2023
Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar	G'84, G'87, Former Trustee	July 2023
Howard Bach	G'95	April 2023
Juan "Joanne" Li	G'96	May 2023
Susan (Cook) Boscia	G'97	August 2023
Paige (Seely) Longstreth	G'99	August 2023

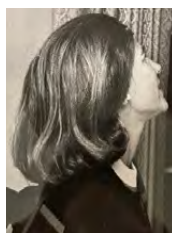
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Faculty, Staff, and Friends

Name	Class affiliation	Date of death
Hedy Brasch	Friend of Drew	September 2023
Carolyn Currey	Friend of Drew	July 2023
Sidney "Skip" Greenblatt	Friend of Drew	March 2023
Dr. Edward Long, Jr.	Emeritus Faculty	July 2023
Dr. Johannes Morsink	Emeritus Faculty	October 2023
Bertha "Bert" Thompson	Friend of Drew	April 2023

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Remembering Bertha Thompson, Friend of Drew University



Bertha T. Thompson, 93, kindhearted and beautiful mother, died on April 7, 2023. Born May 5, 1929, to Harriet Barker Thompson and Pennsylvania State Senator E.J. Thompson and raised in Philipsburg, PA. Bertha attended Phillipsburg High School and Chatham College in Pittsburgh, PA. While attending college Bertha met her husband D. Bard Thompson of Waynesboro, PA, who was finishing his doctoral program at Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary. They married in 1951 and spent many happy years in academic life at Emory University, Vanderbilt University, and Drew University.

Bertha studied art at Drew University and The Visual Arts Center of New Jersey in Summit, as well as with her husband, a sixteenth century historian. After his untimely death in 1987, she spent summers in Italy studying art. Most inspiring were her four summers in Urbino, Italy with the School of Visual Arts in New York. During these years she found a publisher for her husband's almost completed book, and compiled lavish illustrations for the book. Subsequently, she led two tours to Florence and Rome for Drew University.

For over thirty years she participated in a painting group that met every Tuesday and she contributed to local art shows. She also studied the Italian language at Learn Associates.

Her memberships included St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Morristown, the Friends of the Drew Library Committee, the Drew Wives Club, the Drew Liturgical Studies Program, the Board of Managers of the Mount Kemble Home, the Madison Garden Club, the Antietam Historical Association of Waynesboro, the Waynesboro Historical Society and the Shakespeare Festival at Drew University in earlier years.

Bertha leaves behind her daughter, Frances T. Ricciardi, her son-in-law Mark Ricciardi, three grandchildren, Bard Ricciardi (married to Julia), Eliza Leonard (married to William), Lillie Ricciardi and great granddaughter Olivia Ricciardi.

Graveside service and burial will take place in Waynesboro, PA with family members.

The Ricciardi family would like to thank Garden Terrace Nursing Home of Chatham, NJ for their exceptional, unwavering and respectful support of Bertha in her last year of life.

Drew Mourns the Loss of Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar G'84, G'87



Drew Theological School is mourning the loss of **Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar** G'84, G'87, who passed away on July 18, 2023. He was 72 years old.

Devadhar served as bishop of the Greater New Jersey Conference of the United Methodist Church from 2004-2012 and the New England Conference from 2012-2022. He retired on January 1, 2023 after serving 20 years as a bishop.

He served on Drew's Board of Trustees from 2004-2012.

"A deeply spiritual, gentle, and compassionate soul who touched the hearts and lives of many," said Drew University Trustee Bishop John Schol of Devadhar in a statement. "He will be deeply missed."

Devadhar, whose surname means "follower of God," earned his Master of Philosophy and PhD from Drew, and a MTh from Perkins School of Theology of Southern Methodist University. He also held a BD from United Theological College, and an undergraduate degree from Vijaya College, University of Mysore, Mulki, India.

"My prayer and my hope is that Drew continues to produce faithful leaders who are not afraid to speak the truth in love to principalities and powers, and empower the people in their care," said Devadhar as he presented the Statement from the Bishops at the recent Installation of Dean Edwin David Aponte.

He was due to embark on a new journey with Drew this fall, serving as the Bell Bishop-in-Residence.

"Like so many others, I was shocked and saddened at the news of Bishop Devadhar's passing," said Aponte. "Bishop Suda, as he was affectionately known, was widely respected and loved for his pastoral sensitivity, his effective Episcopal leadership, and his caring mentorship that he bestowed on so many."

"Bishop Suda's death is keenly felt in particular since he had agreed to be Drew's next Bishop-in-Residence and personally I was looking forward to benefit from his wisdom and experience," continued Aponte. "We will honor the late Bishop Sudarshana Devadhar if we in the Drew community do all that we can to bring his prayer and hope into reality."

In comments offered at Devadhar's retirement celebration, Associate Dean Tanya Linn Bennett said, "Bishop Suda's commitment to justice for all God's people—a justice that recognizes gifts and graces for ministry and leadership in whatever person embodies them, is demonstrated during his leadership. He has been my spiritual guide, my mentor, my confidante. He is an Episcopal leader who nurtures trust, inspires dedication, invites creativity, mentors, advises, asks deep questions, and listens hard."

Devadhar's impact was far-reaching with a "love everybody" mantra.

"I've been blessed by Bishop Suda's encouragement throughout my ministry," said PhD candidate Beth Quick, who first met Devadhar as a college-aged lay person in the then North Central New York Annual Conference. "I have special memories of Bishop Suda—times when he would call me to talk about a blog post I had made that he wanted to weigh in on, a time when he ask me to give him advice on how he was doing as a bishop, the ways he celebrated my book of sung communion liturgies."

"But what is special about Bishop Suda is that so many people have special moments like this with him, because he was so gifted at really seeing people, at really caring about each individual person, about seeing the gifts and strengths of each one of us, showing us love, respect, and value. Not many people can do that so well, with so many. Bishop Suda was a treasure."

Devadhar is survived by his wife, Prema, and their daughter, Trina, son-in-law Gage, and his grandchildren.

Drew Theological School Mourns the Loss of Bishop William Boyd Grove T'54



Drew Theological School is mourning the loss of **Bishop William Boyd Grove T'54**, who passed away on Friday, October 27, 2023. He was 94 years old.

Grove was a retired bishop in the United Methodist Church and the first Council of Bishops ecumenical officer.

He earned his Master of Divinity from the Theological School and his Doctor of Ministry from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

Grove was the 1997 recipient of the Theological School's Distinguished Alumni Service Award, granted to alums who have exemplified extraordinary service to the University and community.

"The Drew community grieves the passing of our esteemed colleague Bishop William Boyd Grove," said Theological School Dean Edwin David Aponte. "We celebrate Bishop Grove's many accomplishments as an alum of Drew, not only within The United Methodist Church but also through his service to the worldwide church. Bishop Grove's legacy includes the many Drew faculty and graduates whose lives he touched."

He chaired the United Methodist delegations to the National Council of Churches, the Consultation on Church Union, and the Eighth Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Harare, Zimbabwe.

In 1980, Grove was elected to the episcopacy by the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference and was assigned to the West Virginia Episcopal Area until 1992. He was then assigned to the Albany, New York, Episcopal Area until he retired in 1996.

"Bishop Grove sent me to Drew, his alma mater, the University in the Forest," remembered Heather Murray Elkins, Professor Emerita of Worship, Preaching, and the Arts. "He appointed me to ministry beyond the West Virginia hills. The uprooting was hard, but he and Mary Lou [Grove's spouse] kept watch over me and mine."

Grove is survived by his spouse, Mary Lou; his two daughters, Susan and Rebecca; and his four grandchildren.

Drew Mourns the Loss of Dr. Edward LeRoy Long, Jr.



Drew Theological School is mourning the loss of **Dr. Edward LeRoy Long, Jr.**, James W. Pearsall Professor Emeritus of Christian Ethics and Theology of Culture.

Long passed away on July 21, 2023. He was 99 years old.

Long arrived at Drew in 1976 as a Professor of Christian Ethics. In 1984 he was awarded the James W. Pearsall Professor of Christian Ethics and Theology of Culture. He retired

the following year, although he continued to teach as a professor emeritus for several years. He taught a variety of courses, including Christian Ethics, Historical Figures in Christian Ethics, Religion and Law, Theological and Related Diagnoses of Culture, The Reformed Tradition, Personhood, Community and Institutions, and the Church's Role in Peacemaking.

A Christian ethicist and longtime Presbyterian peace advocate, Long received the Will Herberg Distinguished Professor Award for his contributions to Drew in 1981.

"Dr. Edward LeRoy Long, Jr. served Drew University well in many roles, as teacher and scholar of Christian ethics, mentor, and colleague," said Theological School Dean Edwin David Aponte. "I am tremendously grateful for Dr. Long's steadfast commitment to the Theological School, not only during his years of service, but also during his long and active retirement.

"Even in my short time as Dean, I learned that Dr. Long took an active interest in the Theological School, sometimes joining us online for special lectures and chapel, occasionally writing a letter sharing his thoughts and helpful questions," continued Aponte. "His incredible legacy lives on through the many lives he touched and through all the students who continue to pass through Seminary Hall today and into the future. May he rest in peace. His surviving family members continue to be in our hearts and prayers."

Long earned his Bachelor of Divinity from Union Theological Seminary and his PhD from Columbia University.

He published numerous books, including *The Nature and Future of Christianity* and *Facing Terrorism: Responding as Christians*, and authored more than sixty articles.

Remembering Charleen (Duffie) Caulk C'70

On Friday, May 26, 2023, **Charleen Frances (Duffie) Caulk** of Nanuet, loving wife, mother, and grandmother, passed away at the age of 74.

Charleen was born on December 8, 1948 in Chicago, Illinois to John and Bertha (Morris) Duffie. Charleen grew up in Paramus, New Jersey and graduated from Drew University, where she met her husband, E. Douglas Caulk, whom she married on December 16, 1972. The couple recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Together they raised two children, Stacey and Jack, and several beloved pets.

Charleen was a consummate volunteer, who participated in and led many community organizations over the years. Her biggest commitments were to youth - highlighted by her leadership in PTA for 16 years and her long tenure on the Nanuet School Board—and to her church community. Never content to do only what was asked, she looked to see what was needed and worked to fill that need. She created many programs that outlasted her, in both the schools and her church. She was driven by her ability to

see the good in the world and in each person she encountered. To her close friends and family, she will be remembered as the one who never forgot a birthday or an important event.

Charleen was preceded in death by her father, John, and her mother, Bertha. She is survived by her husband, Douglas, her son Jack Caulk and his wife, Jenni Klick, her daughter Stacey Caulk and her husband, Alan Eskandari, her two grandchildren, Van and Kai Eskandari, and her brother, John Duffie. A memorial service to celebrate her life and her service to the community will be held on Saturday, June 10, 2023 at the New City United Methodist Church on Congers Road at two o'clock p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made in Charleen's memory to two organizations she ardently supported: The Trevor Project, an organization that focuses on suicide prevention among LGBTQ+ youth, and the Martin Luther King Multi-Purpose Center in Spring Valley, a local organization that provides support and community-building to youth, families, and elders.