



# CLASSNOTES

## The College of Liberal Arts

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#### 70th Reunion

We have reached a milestone—our 70th anniversary! **Frank Auld** C'46, P'70, **Jeanne Larned** and **Reid Isaac** have graciously volunteered to lead the class. It will be great to welcome classmates back to campus. We hope you will support the annual fund in recognition of this class anniversary milestone.

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#### 65th Reunion

**Shep Shapero** C'51, P'84 has volunteered to help with the class outreach for our 65th Reunion. Join one and all back on campus for this very special gathering June 3–4. An anonymous classmate has offered a challenge gift of \$1,000 if the class can increase giving this year and reach the goal of endowing our fund. Please support the Class of 1951 Scholarship fund in recognition of this class milestone anniversary year.

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After years of faithful service as the Class of '54 secretary, **Mary (Zoghby) Hepburn** is taking a well deserved break. Mary, we thank you for your years of service and hope one of your classmates will step up to keep the news coming. Read about Mary's ongoing support of Drew students on page 10.

Interested in serving as the class secretary for your class? Please email [alumni@drew.edu](mailto:alumni@drew.edu). Thanks!

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At the 60th reunion of the Class of '55 last spring, **Dick Semeraro**, **Peter Riesz** and **Nish Najarian** C'55, T'59, G'82 and their wives caught up on new

events and enjoyed fond memories of years past. Nish still teaches one class a year in the graduate clinical mental program at the C.W. Post campus of Long Island University, where he is dean emeritus of the School of Continuing Studies.

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#### 60th Reunion

**Ronald Vander Schaaf** [van5256@yahoo.com](mailto:van5256@yahoo.com) WHAT A CLASS! Once more we are the proud recipient of the "Forest Award" given to the class with 50+ alumni with the highest rate of participation. We hit the almost-unbelievable level of 74 percent. Thirty-nine names grace the list on page 42 of the fall 2015 issue of *Drew Magazine*. It is truly an Honor Roll of Donors. Thank you, each and every one.

The two recipients of our scholarship this year are **Ashley Alicea** C'18 of Elizabeth, New Jersey, and **Walline Alphonse** C'17 of Orange, New Jersey. Ashley is majoring in biochemistry and molecular biology. Walline is digging into anthropology. On June 30, 2015, the book value of the scholarship totaled \$254,657. The income available for scholarships was \$12,605.

We celebrate our 60th Reunion on campus June 3–4. **Jim Bloom**, **Mimi Hollister**, **Roy Haynes**, **Suzanne Hampton** and I are hoping many classmates can return to campus for the celebration.

Nate, the grandson of **Carole Horncastle James** C'59 and **Dick James** C'56, T'59, graduated from RPI and is working on his PhD. Dick and Carole had a great cruise to the Caribbean in February 2015, followed by a month in Sarasota. They have completed their sixth year at Good Shepherd Village

in Endwell, New York, and keep busy with many activities there.

**Dottie Simpfendorfer Noyce** and her travel partner, Rich, went to Belize for 32 days, 10 of them spent birding. Two of her grandchildren married. Points of interest on Dottie's 2015 travelogue include New York, Washington, D.C., Vermont, Nova Scotia and Drew. She was there for the retrospective on Mrs. Korn at Reunion 2015.

**Ruth Schubert Haynes** and **Roy Haynes** stayed in several locations in Florida and biked trails in most of them. They also biked a trail in northeast Ohio, where Roy hit the 1,000-mile mark again. Could Roy start an Uber bike business with a tandem and take you wherever you wanted to go? Likely.

**Flora Robinson Hullstrung** and **Bob Hullstrung** C'56, T'60 tried to make medical history. Bob is recovering nicely from a medical threat. Flora tripped over an open dishwasher door, which led to a partial hip replacement. Apparently desiring more attention, she fell again and broke two bones in her right ankle. All of that did not in the least dim the celebration of their 56th anniversary in August. For Christmas they were with their son, Greg, who decided to broil steaks for dinner. He opened the oven door to check on them and smoke came billowing out. He turned off the smoke detectors and house alarm but forgot that it was tied to the firehouse. So for pre-dinner excitement what could be better than having three fire trucks with flashing lights in front of your house?

In her Christmas card **Pat Brown McQueen** asked the question that's probably been asked by most of our class: "How did we get so old?" Maybe we should change our street

addresses to Wrinkle Way, Lumbago Lane or Cataract Court. She and **Bob McQueen** C'54 are planning to attend our 60th. We may be old, but we still know how to have fun!

**Prunella Read Williams'** personal odometer has undoubtedly passed the multimillion-mile mark. First to upstate New York, where family helped her celebrate her 80th. (She put the question another way: "Where did all of those years go?") In August she headed west to the national parks. September found her birding in France and taking a short walk to Spain! November was a good month to go to Tanzania, with its "spectacular animals and birds."

It just came to my attention that **Edwin B. Allaire** died on September 27, 2013. He was a professor of philosophy at the University of Texas from 1969 until his retirement in 2006. Prior to that he taught at the University of Iowa (where he received his PhD in 1960) and was a visiting professor at the University of Michigan and Swarthmore. He is survived by his son, Christopher, and his daughter, Valerie.

**Jean Barbour Peterson**'s nephew is a first-year student at Drew. Her Swedish

family has a tradition of creating a crown of candles for one family member to wear as Santa Lucia at the family Christmas gathering. She included a picture in her Christmas letter, and there are four tall candles balanced carefully on the wearer's head. Jean is also planning to come to Reunion in June.

**Bill Onderdonk** left Drew before graduation to join the Naval Air Force. He trained in Pensacola and wrote an interesting account of his "check" flight, which is like a final exam. He succeeded eventually. He also had the experience while in training of having an engine quit on him, so he had to crash land the plane. He had 2,000+ flying hours, including carrier qualified. Bill married **Mary Lee Forrest** in Stone Harbor, New Jersey, on June 18, 1960. They had two children, Jeffrey and Susan. They lived in Houston and moved to California in 1978. In the mid-80s Mary Lee required the amputation of her left leg below the knee. But in the indomitable spirit that Mary Lee was known for, they traveled to England, Hawaii, New Jersey and several times to Northern California. Then in March 1987, Mary Lee

died. A Mary Lee story: The night before the amputation surgery her two doctors came to her room. She asked them to raise their right hands. They asked if she wanted them to take an oath. "No," she said, "I just wanted to make sure that you knew right from left. Good evening, doctors."

### 57 Eleanor (Sheldon) Stearns [ebstearns@rochester.rr.com](mailto:ebstearns@rochester.rr.com)

**Warner Johnson** plays in the alumni baseball game every year. Last year it was rained out, but this just inspired him to up his training during the off season. On October 17, 2015, Warner played again at age 79. He was up to bat three times and was walked the first time, grounded out the second and hit a ball hard up the middle the third time—but the shortstop got it and threw him out. He played at first base for three innings. Channel 12 was at the game taking videos and interviewed Warner and varsity coach Brian Hirschberg for the evening sports news.

**Sam Olshner** congratulated him and said that he played tennis for 60 years until he stopped for health reasons.

My beloved husband, Brent, died on October 16, 2015. At the same time our seventh great-granddaughter was born, and my son saw a double rainbow. The circle of life goes on. During one of his last days he struggled to give me a message: "Keep on ... doing ... helping others." So I continue to sing in the church choir, work on the Geneva Theatre Guild board of directors and present my Women of Vision.

If you want to join our class email list, please send me a message at the email above. We're scattered far and wide, but we can still keep in touch.

### 58 John Bordon [jfbcalifornia@comcast.net](mailto:jfbcalifornia@comcast.net)

Thanks to **Ellie Long Hazarian**, we have more details about our Class of 1958 Scholarship recipient, **Christiana Tenuto** C'17. Christiana is majoring in neuroscience and minoring in classics. She likes Drew for its mentorship and how she's treated as a student with potential. She is an inductee of Drew's Tri-Beta Honor Society and is a member of MIND, a Drew club specializing in the neurosciences. Christiana hopes to become a board member of the clubs she is a member of, and looks forward to publishing her honor's thesis and to qualifying for the dean's list every semester. Christiana thanks the entire Class of 1958 for making her education possible and for advocating for her right to an education.

**Helen Williams** was recently entertained by a newborn goat when she visited her son Mark in Boston. The goat can already butt heads with other goats as well as climb a ramp!

**Larry Story** celebrated Thanksgiving at his daughter's house in Readington, New Jersey.

**Nancy (Baier)** and **Walt Adams** wintered in Florida.

**Rolf Ahlers** is boning up on his Greek and Latin skills and 16th-century Italian to

read the giants in his field, Plato, Plotinus, Philip of Alexandria, Nicolas of Kues, Giordano Bruno, Spinoza, Jacobi and Hegel. Rolf studies Greek intensively for 20 minutes every morning. His wife, Luise, retired from a teaching and practicing career in pediatrics in Germany and New York state, has been writing the family biography, which now spans four volumes. His older son, Christopher, is a leading-edge cancer researcher in Philadelphia, and his younger son, Marcus, is finishing his second degree in engineering at the Technical University of Berlin. Marcus is also a working artist and displays his art in Berlin and Riga.

**Llew Pritchard** was awarded a citation from the ABA in Chicago, accompanied by his youngest son, Bill. Llew continues to travel: next on the timetable are Chicago again and then D.C. Llew continues to be actively involved in the practice of law. As the former president and chair of trustees of the Seattle Symphony, he is helping the band play on. Llew helped his lifelong pal Bill Gates, Sr. celebrate his 90th by assisting in the publishing of a book of life lessons learned from Gates. Llew received the 2016 Fellows Outstanding Service Award in San Diego. Llew's wife, **Jonie (Ashby)** C'59, continues to be actively involved in the life of St. Mark's Cathedral in Seattle.

**Barbara Herber Jordan**, winner of Drew's Alumni Achievement Award for volunteerism at our 50th Reunion in 2008, continues her volunteer activities. Last year she received a citation from the New York State Assembly, proclamations from the Suffolk County legislature and the Town of East Hampton and an award of merit from the Peconic Community Council for her work on behalf of the homeless and for affordable workforce housing via the East Hampton Housing Authority, of which she is vice chair. Barbara's first love is coordinating Maureen's Haven homeless program at her church.

**Mac Hubbard**, who recently celebrated his 80th birthday, and his wife, Holly, had a wonderful trip to Venice and London. At Mac's 80th birthday party, he was presented with a certificate stating that a scholarship had been established in his name at Lander University, where he worked for 20 years.

**Joyce and Peter Rushbrook** spent Christmas in Nevada! Snow? (But Peter hates to put on chains.)

**Casey (Smith) Mollach**'s C'58, P'81 new shed is the centerpiece of her farming. In November she traveled to Peru, then spent Christmas on the farm. She started the new year with a trip to Tulsa, followed by Florida and the river. Casey reports a fully engaged life, happy with a positive attitude, lived with great enthusiasm—cushioned by transcendental meditation often twice a day. Casey says she tries "to give it all I got!"

**Dave Ossenkop** continues working on his book and writing program notes for the Anna Maria Island concert series. Dave and Jan have been visiting family as well as attending the 45th anniversary of the church at which they used to worship. In October

he visited Peter Rushbrook and his family in a cabin in a state park east of Cooperstown, New York.

### 59 Ellen M. deLalla [edelalla@verizon.net](mailto:edelalla@verizon.net)

It's been a long time between Class of '59 Classnotes due to the sparsity of news from all of you. **John Norton Moore** wrote in September 2015 that he still teaches full time at the University of Virginia School of Law and at Georgetown Law Center in Washington. He was awarded the Morris Liebman Award, the highest award by the American Bar Association, in the field of national security law, for his work in founding this new field of law. He also is a three-time member of the U.S. Masters Bench Press team that competes in the World Championships and the Pan-American Championships; he won bronze in the World and gold in the Pan-Am and set three new American records. He was married last year and welcomes former classmates who happen through Charlottesville. His daughter, Elizabeth, recently graduated from the Berkeley honors business administration program and works as a financial analyst in San Francisco.

**Pete Headley** was saddened by the death of **Clyde Linsley** on November 11, 2014, in Olney, Maryland. Clyde was one of the six of us poli sci majors who sat in Prof. Smith's living room for our weekly senior seminars (Barbara Jahreis, Walt Lidman, Dick Madigan, Carol Tulenko Irving, Clyde and me). Clyde always had cogent answers—and questions—during our discussions. He served as executive director of the Strand-Capitol Theater in York, Pennsylvania, from 1984 to 1999 and was highly praised by his peers. He is survived by his wife, Sara, his children Christopher and Kelly, and grandchildren Graham, Olivia, Gail and Schroeder.

**Pete and Jodi (Della-Cerra)** C'60 spent Christmas with their son, Todd, and his family in Vienna, Virginia, with warm weather and no snow; shortly thereafter they visited Charleston, South Carolina, for four days where they enjoyed its "great walk-about" cityscape and its outstanding restaurants.

**Joan (Patchen) Naab** and her husband, Geoff, traveled last spring to the Drew Forum for the first time to hear Leon Panetta.

Her annual Christmas letter told of trips to Montreal—"It was fun to use our passports and get used to other money and signs in French"—to their family cottage in Maine and to Charleston, South Carolina, for the 50th anniversary of the commissioning of the USS *Lewis and Clark* because Geoff was a member of the commissioning crew. It was "a reunion to remember," in part due to torrential rains and floods. Christmas was spent in Maryland with their son, Richard, and his family. Granddaughter Sofia is a sophomore at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, Elizabeth is a freshman in engineering at Catholic University, Maria is in high school

and Ben is in eighth grade.

Our classmate **Jim Riordan** died on November 24, 2014. Pete Headley reported that he and Jodi had dinner with him in August 2014. Our deep sympathy is extended to his family.

**Enid (Smith) Tate**'s husband **Sidney** T'60 died in October following several health challenges. She graciously sent me printed copies of the remarks made by their two sons, Paul and Philip, and Sidney's brother, telling wonderful and funny stories about Sidney's love of his family, his incredible memory for people, his love of basketball and of baseball, especially the Atlanta Braves, and of his "great tenor voice." I was privileged to be a bridesmaid at the Tates' wedding in November 1959 in Elizabeth, New Jersey, where Sidney was then serving as pastor.

**Jack Dempster** and his wife, Ellen, hosted a dinner in their Florida home with Jodi (Della-Cerra) and Pete Headley in mid-January. They hadn't seen each other in probably 56 years! "We had a fantastic walk down memory lane. Reminiscences filled the air as classmates, professors, sports and assorted hijinks were discussed. As they say, a good time was had by all."

**Walt Lidman** recounted a tale concerning Dean Raymond A. Withey, Jr., after he left Drew in 1958 to become president of Green Mountain College in Poultney, Vermont. Walt and his late first wife, Nancy Tabor, were vacationing in Vermont when they came upon a sign for Green Mountain College toward 5:30 or so. Walt and Nancy agreed they simply had to visit, but since it was close to suppertime, they were concerned they would be invited to stay for a meal. Not wanting to impose, the two planned to refuse any polite invitation. Absolutely refuse. They would make up any old excuse.

When they rang, Mrs. Withey opened the door and greeted them with immense élan and widespread arms, followed by now-President Withey. Nancy had been in his religion class, and professors are always delighted to meet and greet former students. Mrs. Withey informed them—and informed them—that they were staying for dinner. Over their protests (she would hear none of

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them) she proclaimed, "I've already set out two extra plates, so you can't leave without eating."

Over sumptuous roast beef and gravy the Witheys said, "You are our first visitors and we have been here three months. This is New England—and New Englanders do not welcome newcomers and especially not a college president." Animated dinner conversation followed about Drew and about the new president's forthcoming challenges.

Said Mrs. Withey, "Now you see why we would not allow you to leave without eating with us." They certainly did, and they thoroughly enjoyed their visit.

Please send your news.

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55th Reunion

**Barbara Fern**  
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**Anthony Shipley** happily announced that he was married to Miss Gwendolyn Franklin on Christmas Eve 2015. They are now living in Southfield, Michigan. Congratulations, Tony!

**Marvel Kay (Richards) Mansfield** moved to Kittery, Maine, early this summer to be close to her grandchildren, who are now only a 20-minute drive away. She bought the condo she'd been renting for six months. Selling and buying are not for the faint of heart, she reports. She also claims she will never move again. She had lived in or near New Haven, Connecticut, for more than 40 years and is now a "Maine-iac."

**Marian (Dickinson) Fielder** spends a lot of time in New York City with her son and grandson, who moved there in August 2014. Her son, Daniel, has opened his own acupuncture practice, Magnus Wellness. She loves being able to get to NYC by bus in four hours and taking her 5-year-old grandson to shows like *Wicked* and *The Grinch*. She still loves being back east.

**Ed Daniels** reported that **Mac Hulslander** made his being housebound more enjoyable in that he is able to listen to the CD Mac made of a recording of the Drew Choir during his time with the group. He loves singing along and still remembers the lyrics. Other choir members will remember "Ride the Chariot."

Florida alum **Verta (Rudolph) Sorensen** is also recovering from downsizing to a condo. The process wasn't fun, she noted, but the result was good. She still has room for grandchildren and friends. She has a new knee and took it to Peru in January 2016.

**Carol (Magee) Davis** had her first vacation in some time the first week of May 2015 when she visited her longtime friend Joann in her hometown of Bath, New York. Joann and her family treated Carol royally, and she also had a mini-reunion with some of her Class of '57 high school friends. It flew by way too fast. She still keeps in touch with **MaryAnn (Kennerly) Clinton**.

**Sandy (Wilbur) Fleischer** noted that much of her traveling with her husband is visiting grandchildren in Ohio, Colorado and California. They must be accumulating lots of frequent flyer points!

**June (Kamen) Cowell** P'90 and David



Jackie (Buckman) Shahzadi C'64 and her guide, Vivian, on her recent trip to Vietnam with the Global Engagement Institute, where she also visited Angkor Wat in Cambodia, the streets of Hanoi and Halong Bay.

**Cowell** P'90 were in England in 2015; June met up with David in London after he traveled to Northern Ireland with their daughter, Kimberly, who teaches poli sci at American University. He helped her "wrangle" freshmen honor students. They then had 10 more days to explore the country.

**Virginia M. Hagler** has become very active in supporting a nonprofit horse rescue organization about 60 miles from her in the Mojave Desert. She helps with the website and other communication functions. You can access four live camera feeds at their website, [meola.org](http://meola.org).

**Mac Hulslander** and his wife, Peg, spent a month in Japan in fall 2015 for a wonderful reunion with former students and colleagues. Special among the experiences was a week spent with Osamu Takagi and his wife, Chieko, in the heart of Wasabi country in northern Japan, and a visit to the gravesite of Les Banks in the Foreign Cemetery in Kobe. Mac and Les traveled together in 1961 as short-term missionaries after graduation.

**Mary (Peck) Davidson** C'62 and **Bob Davidson** are traveling these days primarily to Pennsylvania and Florida to visit children and grands. Mary survived a car accident in October 2015. She fainted about an hour after giving blood. She'll give in the future if she has a designated driver.

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**Ellen Earp Baker**, [eebaker@aol.com](mailto:eebaker@aol.com)

We were saddened to learn that one of our classmates, Cindy Nylen Kershaw, who was with us for our first two years at Drew, died on January 8. You all may remember Cindy as a talented writer and seamstress who brought much joy and enthusiasm to us in our early years at Drew.

Other than that, there is no news to report. Please send some news for our column.

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**Jackie (Buckman) Shahzadi**  
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**Don Scott** reports becoming a "mere shadow" of his former self as a result of losing 65 pounds. Don spent three weeks in Cancun at his timesharing unit. He is doing well and looking forward to getting back to work as minister of visitation at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Palm Coast, Florida.

**Gale (Spates) Stevenson** and her husband, Drew, headed to Palm Springs, California, for a winter vacation. Once home they look forward to baseball, fully expecting the Pittsburgh Pirates to have another winning season. Come late September they will head to Scotland and England for a month. Gale loves living in downtown Pittsburgh, where she can walk to restaurants, theater, opera and symphony. It's a great "no car" lifestyle.

**Shirley (Kot) Brand** enjoyed recent trips to Costa Rica and Holland and was headed to Cuba in March.

**Peggy (Kunzle) Everett** describes a mini-reunion last summer at the Jersey Shore with Jane (Emery) Awalt, Donna (Mundwiler) Bradley, Shirley (Kot) Brand, Winnie (Garren) Gleason, Judy (Morgan) Hults, Maryarden (Foline) Ludaway and Peggy: "Although we all keep in touch and see each other individually, it was wonderful to all be together and reminisce about Drew and our lives in general. It is hard to believe how many years we have known each other!"

In late October 2015, **Linda Connors** began her second retirement by hopping on a plane for a river cruise on the Rhine and Moselle from Basel to Amsterdam. She reports, "A great trip! Being interim dean of the libraries at Drew was very rewarding, but it was still work. I'm glad to be retired again."

**Vivian (Bruce) Kessler** still lives in South Carolina. She drove down to Fort Lauderdale to visit **Judith (Kessler) C'65** and **Rodney Grunes** C'63 in October 2015.

**Karen (Merola) Krueger** and husband have been B&B owners for 11 years and really enjoy the guests from everywhere who come to stay, including some who are Drew related. Check it out at [orchardinnbb.com](http://orchardinnbb.com). Karen is still an active choral singer with the Yakima Symphony Orchestra, and still teaches beginning piano at the community college. She is in touch with **Margolyn Young** C'63, **Martha (Creager) Gilfix** C'65 and **Jerry Borschard** C'66. A treasured lifelong friend in frequent touch is **Marion (Ulmer) McCarthy** C'64, who was Karen's sophomore-year roommate.

Your secretary continued the travel theme that our classmates have enjoyed this past year. In December, I led a delegation of university women to Vietnam to study women and leadership sponsored by the Global Engagement Institute. In addition to Ho Chi Minh City, we were able to visit the ancient site of Hué in central Vietnam and cruise overnight on the beautiful Halong Bay in northern Vietnam. We also visited Hanoi, a lively and vibrant city. While in Southeast Asia, I saw the incredible temple city of Angkor Wat in Cambodia. See photos, page 50.

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**Allen Hood**, [allenhood2@gmail.com](mailto:allenhood2@gmail.com)

**Joel Merchant** recently completed a goal he's held since college: circumnavigation of the globe on its surface. In his words: "The beginning of my travel was the year I spent at college in Japan, following which I took a small freighter between Japan and San Francisco, then crossed the country. That gave me a respectable start on circling the globe on its surface. The completion didn't happen until 45 years later, when I took the train from Beijing across Mongolia and Siberia. Reaching the seven continents was haphazard: I would travel here and there, picking up 92 countries along the way, when I finally came across a really good expedition cruise to Antarctica." He was accompanied by a longtime friend who had been a classmate at the college he attended in Japan when his exploration began.

**Naomi Shapiro** and partner, Stan, visited five cities in Spain in September—Toledo, Madrid, Seville, Granada and Barcelona—and had a wonderful time seeing wonderful sights, talking to interesting people and enjoying the lovely midday dinners for half the price of the late-night ones. Next year they hope to walk the Scottish Highlands.

**Roger Martin** recently published *Off to College: A Guide for Parents*. Roger is the former president of Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Virginia. Today he serves on the Board of Education in Mamaroneck, New York, and is president of Academic Collaborations, Inc., a higher education consulting firm. In 2008, Roger spent a year experiencing life as a first-year student at St. John's College in Annapolis, Maryland, which serves as the basis of his book *Racing Odysseus: A College President Becomes a Freshman Again*.

**I, Allen Hood** C'65, P'92, had a knee replacement at the beginning of November. My wife, Kit, and I traveled to the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City with a dear friend from Massachusetts who also needed a knee replacement. We scheduled our surgery dates on the same day by

the same surgeon. Perhaps they'd give a "twofer" discount! I had a very fast and painless recovery and am now hiking the wooded hills of Vermont, pain free.

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**50th Reunion**

**Bruce Bristol** C'66, P'99, **Anne (Batastini)** and **Joe Clayton**, **Esther Cid Feigenbaum**, **Len Fisher**, **Linda Wolfe Keister** C'66, P'92, A'17, **David Lindroth** C'66, P'08 and **Stuart Nordheimer** are leading the charge to contact classmates for this once-in-a-lifetime 50th Reunion celebration. Excitement is building! Other class volunteers are needed to join this team to help plan a successful class gathering. You won't want to miss this chance to gather with former classmates after 50 years! Let's try and reach each member of the class and encourage them to attend, and also support our class goal of 50 percent giving participation, with the goal of endowing our C'66 Internship Fund, which we initiated back in 2011 with the goal of reaching endowment for our 50th.

# 68

**Dale T. Read**  
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Hello from Dale T. Read to my fellow Class of '68 alumni. It is my honor to inform you that I've agreed to serve as your new class secretary for our Class of '68 Classnotes column in *Drew Magazine* for the next three years. Serving in this role, I shall be reaching out to every class member I can locate. I hope to receive from you a brief history, current news and contact information. I also hope to network among various groups and leverage off of long-established friendships and contacts to reach as many of our classmates as possible before our 50th Reunion in 2018. It is my goal to create a Facebook page and an interactive database, and to pull us together for a most enjoyable and rewarding class reunion in 2018. You may reach me at 1148 Saint Catherine Drive, Annapolis, MD 21409, at 443.221.7534 or at [daler@marketingarmgrp.com](mailto:daler@marketingarmgrp.com).

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## 70 Charleen Caulk charleen8@gmail.com

Greetings everyone! I am just getting familiarized with being class secretary again. Please send your news to my email address (above), call me at 845.623.8298 or mail to 54 Newport Drive, Nanuet, NY 10594.

I have been fortunate enough to stay in touch with **Karen (Nelson) Lawrence** and her husband **David** C'69. My husband, Douglas (art semester, spring 1969), and I attended their daughter Kristin's wedding and enjoyed seeing Marjorie Nishan, who was Karen's roommate freshman year. We have met on campus several times for lunch and just enjoying walking around under the beautiful forest.

**Susan Staples** has also been in touch, and I am looking forward to getting together with her this year.

Doug and I have two children, both married, and one grandson, who is the light of our life, as I am sure other grandparents can attest.

Please get in touch with me for the next issue—or you will have to hear more about me!

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You may be hearing from **Chris Kersey, David Little, Harry Litwack, Janet Schotta Murphy** and **Kathy Vandiver**, who have all volunteered to reconnect classmates for our 45th reunion gathering the weekend of June 3–4. Others are welcome to join the committee to help in planning. We also hope to increase our class giving participation and increase the principal of our Class of 1971 Scholarship. When you return to campus, be sure to visit the new ACORN office to see our class naming plaque.

## 73 Anne Woodbury annewoodbury1@gmail.com

Hello Class of '73! We are back!

**Frank Carnabuci** is in his 25th year as headmaster of the Birch Walther Lenox School, an independent college preparatory school on the Upper East Side of Manhattan. He also served on the Drew Board of Trustees and as a trustee of the Prep Lacrosse Association. Frank feels that Drew prepared him well for all of these roles!

After working 30+ years for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a music therapist/teacher, **Don Hodgkins** P'06 recently retired. He is keeping active, however, by holding down three part-time jobs. Don's son **Thomas Hodgkins** C'06 married **Kaitlyn Ryan** C'06 in 2014. The wedding would not have happened, claims Don, if he had not gone to Drew. His son applied to Drew only because of Don. Don keeps in touch with good friend **Lawrence Wilson**. Don has also recently seen **Al Gilbert** and **Jim Brazell** C'75.

**Martha (Orlando) Millard** recently joined Sterling Lord Literistic. After 35 years as an independent agent, she enjoys having both colleagues and office support. Martha

completed the New York City Marathon in 2011 (at age 60) with a time of 4:43:26. She travels to Berlin several times a year to visit her daughter, who is a professional ballet dancer based in that city. Her older daughter is the founder and creative force behind the New York-based Hazel Village.

**Gary Stanton** just spent two weeks in Japan with **Jon Opper**. Gary, married and living in Cambridge, is still practicing neurology in Concord, Massachusetts.

It was great to get a shout-out from **Andy Keeney** and his wife, **Marcia (Bullard) Keeney**. They married a week after our graduation and are still going strong!

I also heard from **Dale Miller** and his wife **Sharon (Pulver) Miller**. And I got a nice hello from **Cindy Howe** and also from **Fritz Schmidt**.

I often see **Kaetra (Horton) Pletenik** C'73, T'85. The two of us recently enjoyed a day with **Phoebe Pollinger** C'71 in Princeton, where there is another New Jersey university.

A note from **Bruce J. Mac Donald**: After 40 years, I thought it might be good to check in, especially with a big reunion coming up. But where to start? After

Drew, I pursued a career in journalism and, subsequently, in corporate communications. By far, the highlights of the journey were the years in London and Paris. Somewhere in there I did a master's degree in international relations at Johns Hopkins, which ultimately led me, 10 years ago, to Accion, a Boston-based international nonprofit dedicated to financial inclusion. That's where you'll find me today, living outside Boston with my wife, Brigid. Only our youngest son, Alex, is still at home; brothers Charlie and Bennett attend the University of Rochester and University of Delaware, respectively. I'm in occasional touch with classmates **Claire Appelmanns, Jeremy Brenner** C'76, P'14 and **Nancy Greer**; haven't heard from **Geoff Livingston** since France; and sorely miss **John Green**, too long gone. What of **Shelley Zipper, Lynne (Ehrlich) McAuley, Dawn (McInerney) Pietropaoli, John Hagerty, Henry Twombly** and **Kathy Stoner-Lasala** C'77, T'07, to name just a few? I hope to see everyone at our 40th, which I definitely plan to attend. In the meantime, please feel free to drop me a line at [bmacdonald@accion.org](mailto:bmacdonald@accion.org).

**Annie (Keiper) Bisset, Richard "Quates" Quateman** and **Martha Mitchell** C'76, P'08 have volunteered to help encourage attendance and build enthusiasm for our 40th Reunion. Join with Annie, Richard, Martha—and Bruce—to renew friendships and make new memories. And please consider making a gift to the Class of 1976 Scholarship Fund, and join in raising our class giving participation this year.

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**Debra (Moody) Bass**'s G'90, '02 third book, *Journeying Through the Year with God: A Believer's Daily Conversations with God*, is set to be published this spring. She was also appointed the new pastor of Mt. Herman A.M.E. Zion church in Birmingham, Alabama, last September.

**Martha Herrmann** still does hiking, biking and kayaking as weather allows in the D.C. area. Her three sons are in different stages of their college careers: Her eldest finished grad school, her second finished college and the youngest is starting college.

Martha visited **Carol Marshall Allen** in Arizona this past spring break (Carol has a place outside Phoenix). She also passed on the news that **Marla (Friedman)** and **Paul Boren** have both retired and are in the process of moving to Williamsburg, Virginia. The Borens' son, Michael, got married at the Jersey Shore this past October.

Martha attended the wedding and got to see **Nikki Shomer** and her husband, John, and had a fantastic time.

**Michael Hoard** launched a new academic journal/magazine, *Healthcare Transformation*, as executive editor, which he says, "sounds like the title for the person who does all the work."

**Ann (Patrick) and Richard Degener** checked in from their Cape May, New Jersey, farm (well, actually Ann wrote on behalf of both). Richard is retiring soon from the *Press of Atlantic City*, and Ann is still with Jersey Cape Realty doing summer and year-round rentals. Their youngest, Elizabeth, 29, is known as the "Cape May Bread Lady" (Google it!). Son Geoff is 34 with three children, so as Ann says, "Richard and I are grandparents times three!" Their eldest, Rick, is flipping houses and head of the Ocean Club Bar in the summers in Cape May. Ann says she and the family love it at the shore and couldn't imagine living away from the ocean. On the farm they have lots of room for guests. Classmates are welcome to visit!

**Rob Evans** retired from the Port Authority of NY/NJ last November after 34 years of service, most recently as manager of the leasing and property development division in the port commerce department.

There he was responsible for negotiating all the lease agreements for the Port Authority's marine terminal and related properties. Now Rob is participating in a Mountain View, California (aka Silicon Valley), startup venture, Synapse MX, which develops modern aircraft maintenance software. He looks forward to returning to New Jersey this spring.

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exploring the temples at Angkor Wat.

**Dawn Thomas** attended one C'78 reunion ages ago and had a blast, but has not been in the country for subsequent ones. After Drew, she worked for the Peace Corps in Africa, earned a master of science in agricultural economics and worked as an international commodities analyst ("Yep, a fruit and nut analyst!"). She joined the foreign service at USAID and spent the past 30 years working in international agricultural development.

Dawn retired after her last overseas assignment in Afghanistan, having attained counselor rank in the Senior Foreign Service. She has lived and worked in roughly 30 countries from Ecuador to Egypt, Botswana and Côte D'Ivoire. She also spent about three years back and forth in London as part of the USG delegation negotiating a new international coffee agreement. She's now comfortably settled in Falls Church, Virginia, learning to play piano, assisting teens aging out of the foster care system and going to lots of concerts. She sends a shout-out to **Marla (Friedman)** and **Paul Boren** and would love to get together with them and any other Drew folk in the D.C. area!

My last update is from a first-time correspondent. **John Doyle** touched base about what Drew meant to him, and I hope to do it justice here. John was going through his late father's personal effects and found a June 1990 issue of *Drew Magazine* with a C'78 Classnotes column written by **Kathryn Nason-Burchenal**, which included a paragraph submitted by his dad, announcing that John and his wife, Caroline, had two sons, Christopher and Daniel. John said it "brought back a flood of memories of the pride shining on my parents' faces when I received my Drew diploma."

John is the oldest of nine children and the first on his father's side to graduate from college at a time when a four-year degree from a private college seemed beyond reach. He applied to Drew at the urging of a friend of his mother, the sister of sociology professor James O'Kane. John was accepted; the scholarship he received, plus the encourage-

ment of his parents, was invaluable in making his degree possible.

John is still happily married to his high school sweetheart, Caroline. Christopher, 27, Daniel, 25, and Matthew, 23, have filled his and Caroline's lives—and his father's as well—with overwhelming joy and pride. All three graduated from college near the top of their classes. Christopher is a shift supervisor for NJ Transit, keeping more than 250 buses on the road at one of the largest facilities in the state. Daniel works for the Department of Justice in D.C. and is pursuing his master's in international relations at Georgetown. Matthew just earned his master's degree in homeland security at Monmouth University and is working at an original equipment manufacturer specializing in computer networking.

John and Caroline have a beautiful home and satisfying careers. John finished an MEd in learning and technology from Western Governors University in 2010 and continued to work in information technology.

He's now with the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. Caroline, a registered nurse, continues to work as a liaison for CareOne.

John concluded: "Drew opened many doors for me, and though I haven't managed to stay in touch, I look back with fondness on many good times!"

And if that isn't a wonderful testimonial to what Drew means to John—and to a lot of us in the Class of '78—I don't know what is!

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Have you marked the weekend of June 3–4 to celebrate our 35th Reunion? **Andy Baron, Nanci Carney** C'81, P'08,

**Tom Collamore, Mindy Gikas, Rich Onorato, David**

**Rice and Don Vigliotti** have volunteered to help build momentum and encourage attendance for a celebration you won't want to miss! Don't forget to support our C'81 Scholarship Fund. Let's do this! The more of us who come back, the merrier it will be.

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**Tony Serra** started the Serra Law Group, a general law firm helping people in a variety of areas including family law, elder law, estate planning and administration and disability/personal injury. The group also supports entrepreneurs and those starting and operating small businesses as well as those involved in nonprofit work.

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**Sue Clark and Monique (Weggeland) Flynn** met up in Rome last July. Sue had been touring Italy, and Monique, who lives in the United Kingdom, was able to meet her in "the eternal city." See photo, this page.



Sue Clark C'84 and Monique (Weggeland) Flynn C'84 met up in Rome last July.

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**Sandi Miller** samiller1029@gmail.com

In April of 2013, Mike Scarola was informed that after 26 years at the same investment bank, they

were letting him go. It was a terrible blow made worse by the fact that he and his wife, Mary, knew they also had to move out of New York City. Fortunately they found their dream house in Port Jefferson, Long Island, and moved in a year ago. Mary got a new job right away. After some soul (and real estate) searching, Mike, who has collected rare books for 30 years, rented a vacant store in St. James, and on October 8, 2015, he opened Michael Scarola Rare and Used Books. Mike writes, "I always wanted to open a bookstore but somehow life got in the way." He now loves going to work each day and, even when he's not there, is working at home to promote the business and keep it relevant.

**Bob Duffy** is on the board of Drew's Alumni Club of Boston and would like to hear from classmates in the area who would like to come to any of the events.

**Susan Curtin** and her husband, Bruce Weaver, a chemical engineer, have lived in Highland Park, New Jersey, for 16 years. This year Sue finally landed her perfect job teaching kindergarten in the school that her own children attended. She has a one-mile commute and is treated like a movie star when students spot her at the grocery store. Sue and Bruce have three girls: Hannah is a junior at Lafayette College, studying theater, psychology and Spanish; Emma is a high school senior who plans to study engineering next year; and Olivia is a freshman in high school. Sue, who is looking forward to Reunion, writes, "I can't believe it's been 30 years. Seems like just yesterday we were moving into Welch 1st!"

Congratulations to **Amy (Rosta) Boris**, her husband, David, and their children, Isaac and Mia, who welcomed a new member to the family. Four-year-old Alyssa came to live with them in September 2014 as an emergency foster care placement. After 14 months of working through the child welfare and legal systems, Alyssa officially became a Boris on November 10, 2015. They are thrilled to have her in their lives.

**Marc Scarduffa, Andy Wahl, Sonnie (Hirsch) Carpenter, Brenda Rhodes, David McIntyre** and I (**Sandi Miller**) are on the planning committee for our 30th Reunion. We can't wait to see all of you on June 3–4. Please also consider making a memorial gift in honor of **Ken Rich**, whom we lost October 9, 2015.

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**Gina (Ross) Murdoch** joined the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America as president and CEO. Gina will lead in all areas, including strategic growth, programmatic expansion and corporate development efforts.

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**Emilio Cordova** DREWCO90@cordovacorp.com

Greetings, Class of '90! Last May, we celebrated our 25th Reunion at Drew. It was great to see many of you to recall old times, spend time at The Pub and walk in The Forest. Here are a couple of updates from our classmates. I hope I will receive

more information from each of you for the next issue.

**David Sizemore** has been a secondary educator for the past 24 years, now serving as the academic dean for grades 9 through 11 at his high school alma mater, Xavier High School in Middletown, Connecticut. David and his wife, Nada, live in Cromwell, Connecticut, with their three feline children, Ellie, Sydney and Lincoln.

In 2013, **Khürt Williams** C'91 ended a 10-year stint in the pharmaceutical industry to start his own consulting firm, Monkey Hill. Khürt's consultancy provides comprehensive information-security guidance to organizations to protect their high-profile systems in high-risk environments. **Bhavna (Raval) Williams** is an office administrator at Votion Wellness in Montgomery Township, New Jersey, battling the demons of health insurance. Her entire family recently relocated to the town. Khürt and Bhavna's son, Shaan, is a junior at Montgomery High School, and their daughter, Kiran, is a freshman.

Finally, let me reintroduce myself. I have

been married for 20 years to my beautiful wife, Ileana. We have two children, Antonio, a senior, and Adriana, a sophomore, both in high school. I am currently the CEO of a drug discovery CRO in Chicago called SAMDI Tech, Inc. I commute to work from Austin, Texas. I am looking forward to catching up with each of you. Please feel free to reach out to me and let me know what is happening in your life and of any event you have participated in with other Drew alumni. You can reach me at the email above or at 765.404.1392.

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### 25th Reunion

Is it really time to celebrate our 25th Reunion? Excitement is building for our silver anniversary celebration. **Paul Coen, Emilia (Nunes) Gale, Andy Hershey, Phil Morin, Mike Richichi and Suzanne (Mertz) Spero** are helping to reconnect classmates for our class gathering on June 3–4. Can you help? Let's see if we can top the Class of 1990, who had over 40 attendees last year.



### Leadership. Enrichment. Commitment.

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Learn more at [drew.edu/drewsociety](http://drew.edu/drewsociety).

And please join us in support of our Class of 1991 Scholarship Fund this year to increase our class giving participation, with the goal of endowing our legacy fund.

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**Vanessa Allen Sutherland** was nominated by President Barack Obama to the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation in March 2015 and confirmed by the Senate in August 2015.

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**Katherine Parisky**'s essay about transitioning from university research to the elementary school classroom was published in *Independent School Magazine* last winter. Birches, her K through 5, nature-based STEAM elementary school, was featured on the cover.

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**Peter Bruckmann** [jr.drewclassof1995@gmail.com](mailto:jr.drewclassof1995@gmail.com) Ed. Note: *Drew Magazine* regrets that the C'95 column was erroneously missing from our last issue. Please enjoy a year's worth of news from your diligent C'95 secretary, **Peter Bruckmann**.

Thank you to all of you who contributed to our long-overdue Classnotes submission! It was awesome to hear about our 20th Reunion in May 2015 as well as all of your exciting exploits both personally and professionally. Wishing all of the '95 Drewids a momentous 2016! Please keep them coming! If you feel that I have mistakenly left something or someone out, I apologize, and please drop me an email.

**Liz (Knee) Vizard** is happy to say that after years of thought and planning, in March 2013, she and her husband bought a café/catering company called AllSpice Cafe & Catering in Arlington, Virginia. The first two years have been a bit of a blur, but things are going great. Her husband runs the day-to-day operations and her two kids can often be found hanging around learning the ropes. Liz celebrated her 15th year at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. She has held several positions in a few different departments, but presently she's a manager in the Office of Enforcement and Compliance. Her team provides policy, guidance, and training to federal, state and tribal inspectors involving pesticide, chemical and hazardous waste facilities. In December, Liz gathered in downtown Washington, D.C., with many Drew alumni, including **Steph Komsa** C'96.

**Victor Afanador** is an equity partner at the law firm of Lite DePalma Greenberg, LLC with offices in Newark, Chicago and Philadelphia. Victor handles federal and state civil and criminal litigation and argued before the Supreme Court of New Jersey last year. He keeps in contact with **Jason Wilson**, who is living in Bloomfield, New Jersey, and **Jeffrey Mayerczak**, who lives in Maryland.

**Kathleen Minogue** ran her own successful Kickstarter campaign in 2012 and then founded CrowdFund Better, a company dedicated to helping small-business owners,

creatives and entrepreneurs find the funding they need to make their ideas a reality using crowdfunding. Over the last three years, she has helped numerous clients to run successful campaigns, including fellow Drew alums **Jen (Crank) Potts** C'92, **Damon DiMarco** C'93 and **Lizzie Rose Reiss** C'08. Kathleen has become a leading educator and expert in the industry, speaking on crowdfunding for community economic development centers, university entrepreneurship programs and small business groups, including the Small Business Administration. In partnership with a leading U.K. crowdfunding data company, the Crowdfunding Centre, Kathleen is developing online crowdfunding assessment and education tools to help more aspiring entrepreneurs, especially women and minorities, access capital through crowdfunding.

**Gina (Santorelli) Johns** celebrated her 20th anniversary at Merck this past year. Her career at Merck has morphed over time, and now she is working in the project management organization and supporting early and late-stage clinical drug development. Gina was married in summer 2013 and welcomed a baby in December 2014. She also has a 10-year-old stepdaughter. She says it's a really nice change in her life but certainly has been an adjustment. Gina does fitness training on the side—a fun job that also offers her a lot of stress relief.

**Heather (Tyndall) and James Orefice** live in Cherry Hill, New Jersey, with their three children, ages 14, 12 and 9. James recently celebrated his 20th anniversary at his company, Wolters Kluwer Law & Business, a legal publisher in New York City, where he leads an editorial group. Heather works for Adoptions from the Heart, an adoption placement agency in Cherry Hill. James attended our C'95 20th Reunion and had fun catching up with **Taylor Huttner, Vanessa (Lattanzio) and Stephen Petrucci, Amy (Cardone) Bellamente, Kiersten (Crowley) Cole, Andrew Gerber** and many others. He remarked that it felt strange to have more than a few beers on campus again. James was also on campus in April for the dedication of the new baseball backstop and plaque in memory of his close friend, **Ron Moss**, whom he misses terribly.

**David Rosciszewski** is an attorney practicing in Jersey City for the past 10 years. He and his wife live close to Drew in New Providence with their two sons, ages 6 and 3.

My wife, **Shannon (Laudermilch)** C'96 and I have been enjoying watching our two children, Lucas, 15, and Olivia, 12, grow up way too fast. We still live in Freehold, New Jersey. It has been great coaching softball with **Eric Bossdorf** for our daughters (Liv, Abby and Tess), as Shannon and **Kate (Feeley) Bossdorf** C'93 cheer them on.

I also visited Drew Lochli and his wife and two boys down in South Jersey at his parents' house. He and his wife continue to work for the NCIS in the Washington, D.C. area.



Larry Barisciano C'96 tied the knot with longtime partner Ron Dix on September 19, 2015. Many Drewids attended, including (back row) Greg Mattson C'96, Jamie Runkle C'96, Christopher Shorr C'96, Erin Elwell Rich C'96, Eric Rich C'96, and (front row) Lauren Orsini Mattson C'95, Kristin Twidle Booth C'96, Stephanie Palazola O'Neill C'96, Christine Madajewski Shorr C'96, Michelle Moyer Fontaine C'96, Larry and Ron.

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### 20th Reunion

#### Shannon Tilton Travis

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Greetings my C'96 classmates! It was great to hear from you after my first column in *Drew Magazine*.

I am glad to know that many of you are doing well—I expected nothing less. Our 20th Reunion is coming up, and I hope you will save the date and plan to attend.

A hearty congratulations to **Larry Barisciano** and his longtime partner, Ron Dix. After 14 years together they tied the knot on September 19, 2015, in Stevenson, Maryland. The ceremony was officiated by **Michelle Moyer Fontaine**, and attended by several of our Drew classmates, including **Eric Rich**, best man, and **Christine Madajewski Shorr**, who performed a special reading. Many other Drew classmates attended. See the photo, above.

I look forward to catching up with each and every one of you and hearing from many more of you. Please share your joys and updates with me and the rest of your classmates. You can reach me at the email above or at 804.397.5195. Happy spring!

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#### Dan Ilaria, [dilariaj@msn.com](mailto:dilariaj@msn.com)

In September, **Sarah Ehasz** started a new position as a federal administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration. She recently came back from a month of training in Virginia. During training at the end of October, she was able to visit with **Heather Wright** and her family. They did some sightseeing in D.C. together. Sarah continues to live in Pittsburgh with her partner and two children.

**Brandi D. (Gestri) Russano** is now living in Brewster, New York, with her daughter. She continues to practice internal medicine in the area.

**Jessica (Hrabosky) Adler** is now a

homeowner in Maplewood, New Jersey. She had **Marti Winer** over for dinner to celebrate her new place.

**Kat O'Connor**'s C'93 company, Burning Brigid Media, is launching an audio drama podcast in early 2016, *Synesthesia Theatre*. It's an anthology serial, and the first story is a steampunk Western mystery-adventure, *Iron Horses Can't Be Broken*.

**Emily (Danforth) Trudeau** adopted a second son, Will, from the Marshall Islands last summer. He is nearly a year old and is a good playmate to Alex, their older son, who is 5.

**Alison Kinney**'s nonfiction book, *Hood*, was published by Bloomsbury in January. Sister Helen Prejean, author of *Dead Man Walking*, has written about it—"Provocative and highly informative, Alison Kinney's *Hood* considers this seemingly neutral garment accessory and reveals it to be vexed by a long history of violence, from the Grim Reaper to the KKK and beyond—a history we would do well to address, and redress. Readers will never see hoods the same way again"—which was pretty rad. She's doing a couple events around NYC, LA and London and will be happy to see folks from Drew.

Finally, I got to visit with **Josh McKee** and **Brian Nell** over the holiday season. Josh is now the full-time photographer for the Hamilton College athletic department. Brian is working and living in Norwalk, Connecticut.

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#### Kristen Daily Williams

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Hello, classmates, from the campus of dear ol' Drew, where I continue to work in the Department of Communications. I so enjoy hearing from you—please keep the news coming. And if anyone finds himself or herself in The Forest, please drop me a line so I can get an in-person update.



Drew classmates, alumni and friends in attendance at the wedding of David Lee C'02 and Reggie Saldivar on October 17, 2015: Zarinah Smith from Drew's Office of Financial Assistance, Arlene Ovalle-Child C'04, Christopher Child C'03, Steph Mazzarella C'02, Sarah Marchitto C'02, Cathy Lomauro C'02, David Lee C'02, Reggie Saldivar, Brooke Johnson) Campbell C'02, Norm Johnson C'03, Elizabeth Lee C'03, Justin Hotchkiss C'02, Antonia (Altomare) Meccella C'03, Kerri Small Beekman C'99, G'05 and Phil Beekman C'00. Not pictured: Michael Smullen C'03, Associate Professor of Church Music Mark Miller, Armen Hanjian T'61 and Vicky Hanjian T'90.

**Casey O'Donnell** has been living in Tampa for the past four years with his wife, Julie, and their two daughters, Marin and Aurora or "Rory." Casey is working at an orthopedic practice and specializes in spine, sports and musculoskeletal medicine and is also taking classes toward a certificate of training in medical informatics. He's a certified advanced rescue SCUBA diver and has been volunteering as a medical adviser and chaperone for Stay-Focused, a nonprofit that certifies disabled teenagers to SCUBA dive. Living in Florida has been nice, but there are times when the O'Donnells definitely miss living up north!

**Kathy Forrestal** says it was great to see **Rob Benacchio** at the Drew Club of New York holiday party in December. After 13 years, Kathy just left her position as director of education for a semester of student teaching and to finish her MSEd. Once the semester ends and she graduates, a new chapter of her professional life will begin. Cheers, Kathy! Anyone who's Facebook friends with Kathy knows she spends an awful lot of time hiking in the mountains. In the fall she completed a list of the 115 highest peaks in the northeast United States, and now the hard work of climbing begins. She's focusing first on New York and New Hampshire.

Like many of us C'98ers, **Mary Pasqualino Colwell** celebrated her big 4-0. Mary's was in November, surrounded by family and friends, followed by a family trip to Disney World. She says it was a great way to spend Thanksgiving! She's expecting her third son in May of this year and is still practicing divorce and family law in Albany, New York, with her husband, Kevin, at the Colwell Law Group, LLC.

In her job at the International Rescue Committee, **Suzanne Longley** is managing a portfolio of celebrity donors who want to make a difference in the lives of refugees—she can't name names, but it's people we'd know. She headed to sunnier climes for

season. Congratulations, Chiara!

In April, my old pal from Brown 1st in 1994 (you, too, right Casey O'Donnell?) **Chris Grygo** became the Ford Foundation's first director of talent development. He leads all professional and organizational development efforts at Ford, from new employee onboarding and individual coaching to team effectiveness and culture change initiatives. He was also accepted into the Facilitator Preparation Program at the Center for Courage and Renewal. Chris is looking forward to leading personal growth retreats in the coming year.

**00** **Kate (Harvey) Gratto**, [kate.gratto@gmail.com](mailto:kate.gratto@gmail.com); **Jen (Hicks) Tocco**, [jenhicks78@gmail.com](mailto:jenhicks78@gmail.com); **Janet Wong**, [janetpwong@gmail.com](mailto:janetpwong@gmail.com)

**Austin Perilli** is in his 12th year working as a math specialist for the New York City Department of Education, and also serves as a field editor for *The Fisherman Magazine*. Still living in Brooklyn, he is married to Kathy and has two children, James, 6, and Gia, 4.

**David Faris** is now chair of the political science department at Roosevelt University in Chicago. In late 2015, David published *Social Media and Iran: Politics and Society After 2009* with Babak Rahimi (SUNY Press). David also reports he frequently attends Cubs games with **Derick Loafmann** C'01, and recently saw *Methtacular!*, a musical written and performed by **Steven Strafford** C'99. Living in Chicago, he also spends time praying for winter to end.

Several of our other classmates are educators. **Jameel Haque** is an assistant professor of history at Minnesota State University, Mankato. Jameel also plays in the town's official "roller derby band."

**Emily Musil Church** lives in Los Angeles with husband Josh, who is a comedy producer,



Future Rangers Juliana and Paulo Armando celebrated their first birthday on December 22, 2015! Proud parents are Jessica (Bowler) C'04 and Ricardo Ovani.



Many Drewids gathered for the wedding of Elizabeth Karnash C'09 and Brad Greenman C'05 on September 25, 2015: Dorothy Haremza C'03, Matt Novak C'03, Dave Cimino C'08, Bettina Mangiola C'08, Remy Onstad C'07, baseball coach Brian Hirschberg, Elizabeth, Brad, Nick Elmo C'04, Grace Trull C'07 and Dan Udell C'08

and daughter Nora, who turned 3 in September. She is the director of education and impact for XPRIZE Learning at the XPRIZE Foundation. Last summer Emily took a group of students from the University of Southern California to Rwanda, where they interviewed genocide survivors and researched reconstruction and reconciliation initiatives. Emily and her students also hiked up the Virunga Mountains to go gorilla trekking.

**Chris Chillseyzn** has worked for the Nassau County Medical Examiner's Office in the forensic genetics lab since 2007. He got married in 2008 and moved to Malverne, New York, on Long Island, in 2011. Chris's wife, Juri, is a registered nurse in the emergency room of Mercy Medical Center. They welcomed their first son, Tobias Joseph, on July 1, 2015. Congrats, Chris!

**Courtney (Riordan) Conway** and her husband, Chris, welcomed daughter Elise Riordan Conway on October 19, 2015. Congrats, Courtney!

As for us, Kate recently bumped into Professor Bill Messmer in downtown Jersey City, only to discover they live six blocks away from each other! Keep those updates coming!

**01**  
**15th Reunion**  
Are you planning to attend our 15th Reunion celebration the weekend of June 3-4? **Maren Watkins Calzia**, **Colin Lynch**, **Kristen Santaromita**, **Justin Serpone** and **D.J. Wright** are leading

Stevens Institute of Technology. Cheers, Melissa and Ken!

Lastly, I married Reggie Saldivar at our lovely alma mater on October 17, 2015. The Rev. **Vicky Hanjian** T'90 officiated the wedding service in Great Hall. Many Drewids celebrated fabulously with a dinner reception and dancing in beautiful Mead Hall. See photo, facing page.

**03** **Kristen DeMarco** C'03 and **Michael Fedorak** C'04 welcomed a second daughter, Annabelle, in February 2015. She joins older sister, Amelia Maria, who just turned 4. Michael works as a consumer relations supervisor and Kristen teaches English at an area middle school.

**06** Did you know our 10th Reunion is coming up soon? Please contact **Adam Alonso** and **Jenn Wozniakewicz Alonso**, **Jamie Baker**, **Jon Connelly**, **Julie Agia Hafeez**,

**10th Reunion** **Matt McGovern**, **Sigourney (Giblin) Rodriguez**, **Amanda Troha** and **Ben Weisman** via [alumni@drew.edu](mailto:alumni@drew.edu) to volunteer for the class committee and be involved in the plans. We are encouraging gifts to support the Emmeline Brancato Scholarship Fund in memory of Emmy. Please join us!

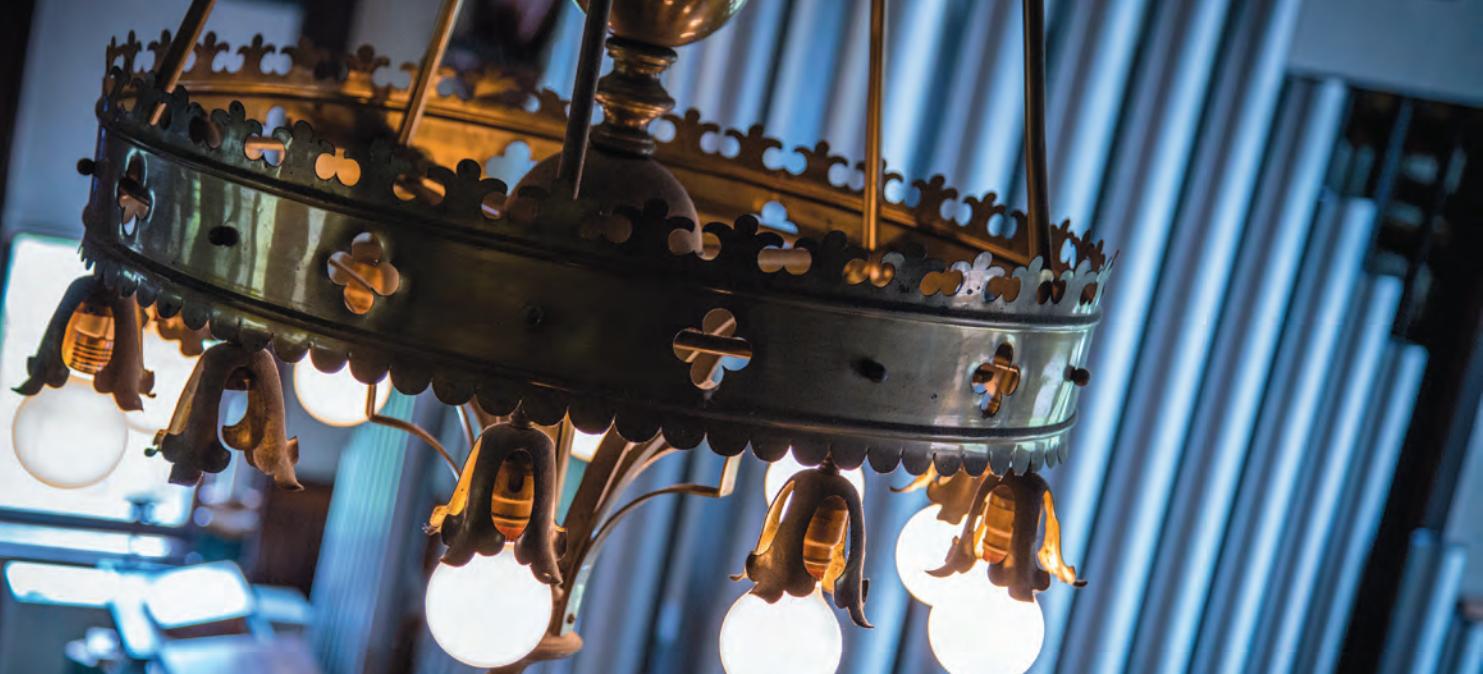
**07** **Cayley (Barlowe) C'10** and **Gil Arbitzman** joyfully welcomed baby Ayla on May 29, 2015!

**08** **Lara Portnoy** was featured in *The Kansas City Jewish Chronicle* for her work promoting a better society with the external relations and development department of the Peres Center for Peace in Israel. She received her AB in religion and political science, then earned two master's degrees. Her proud mother, **Ellen (Rosenberg) Portnoy**, is a C'77 alumna!

**09** **Elizabeth Karnash** C'09 and **Brad Greenman** C'05 were married on September 25, 2015, surrounded by many Drewids. See photo, above. Two months later Brad was celebrated at the 1,000 Point Club at the Rose City Classic game. He scored 1,103 points in Drew basketball from 2001 to 2004.

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**5th Reunion**  
Matt Altman, David Robinson and Nicole Spiotta are looking for more class volunteers to join in helping coordinate our 5th Reunion. We have set a goal to designate gifts this year to the annual fund. So, please spread the word. See you back in The Forest!

**15** VIP Ink Publishing recently published **Morissa Schwartz**'s book *Notes Never Sent*. Morissa thanks Drew for the incredible education, experience and opportunities she had: "I couldn't have penned this book without it." Read more about Morissa at [morissaschwartz.com](http://morissaschwartz.com) and on page 13.



## The Theological School

**50s** John G. McEllhenney T'59 was one of the principal speakers at the Second R.S. Thomas Literary Festival held in Aberdaron, Wales, in July 2015. Also, he preached in Saint Hywyn's Church, Aberdaron, Thomas' last parish, and went to Wrexham, Wales, to study the mural *The Dance of Life*, which Thomas' wife, Elsi, painted in the 1950s. Now he is part of the planning team and one of the speakers for the 2016 Thomas Festival.

**70s** Edna Runnels Ranck T'71 spent the past two years co-chairing the 67th World Organization for Early Childhood Education World Assembly and International Conference held in Washington, D.C., July 27–August 1. Attended by over 550 people from 42 countries under the theme of "Early Childhood Pathways to Sustainability," the conference offered 346 workshops, posters, papers and plenary sessions. This summer the conference will convene at Ewha Women's University, Seoul, South Korea. Ranck published a book chapter in *The Hidden History of Early Childhood Education* (2013) that highlighted the status of early care and education in the United States during the 1950s, a decade often ignored in the historical record for early childhood. In 2014, a chapter titled "Past as Prologue: Doing Historical Research in Early Childhood

Education" was published in the *Handbook of Research Methods in Early Childhood Education*. A co-authored article on stonework play appeared earlier this year in the journal *Exchange*. Ranck serves as an adviser to the District of Columbia Early Learning Collaborative, and as a member of the World Forum Foundation's Children's Rights working group.

Suzanne Geissler Bowles T'79 was promoted to professor of history at William Paterson University in Wayne, New Jersey. She also directs the American studies minor. Her new book, *God and Sea Power*, a biography of naval historian and Episcopal layman Alfred Thayer Mahan, was published last October by the Naval Institute Press.

**90s** Timothy M. Smith T'92 was installed as bishop of the North Carolina Synod–Evangelical Lutheran Church in America on September 12, 2015, at Christ Lutheran Church, Charlotte, for a six-year term.

Thomas D. Johnson, Sr. T'99, the senior pastor of Harlem's historic Canaan Baptist Church of Christ, has been elected to a four-year term as president of the New York Progressive Baptist State Convention, a denominational body with a 53-year commitment to promoting the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Before coming to Canaan Baptist Church in 2006, he served as senior

pastor of Bethel Baptist Church in Danville, Virginia, for 20 years. This was preceded by a pastorate of five years at the West End Baptist Church in Reidsville, North Carolina.

**10s** Last August, Mark Karris T'10 published his first peer-reviewed theoretical research article, "Integrating Emotionally Focused Therapy, Self-Compassion and Compassion-Focused Therapy to Assist Shame-Prone Couples Who Have Experienced Trauma."

Liz Testa T'11 was ordained a minister of word and sacrament in the Reformed Church in America in September 2013, and served as an associate minister at the Marble Collegiate Church in NYC (where she had been on staff since 2002) until she was called to serve the denomination as the national executive coordinator for women's transformation and leadership in June 2014. From her office at New Brunswick Theological Seminary, she ensures that women's gifts and influence are fully included in all areas of church life across the denomination. Having entered Drew at a time when the Theo School had women in all three dean positions, Liz says she is not surprised God called her to serve the greater church in this way: "I learned well from my years at Drew, from many wise faculty and peers whose insights and teachings are with me daily."

Lynne DeLade C'12

## The Caspersen School

**PhD** John Mood G'69 provided an update on his publications. His book *Joyce's Ulysses for Everyone, Or How to Skip Reading It the First Time* (AuthorHouse, 2004) was revised and released as *Joyce's Ulysses for Everyone: Plotting the Narratives* (Mausel & Co., 2013). His book *Rilke on Death and Other Oddities* (Xlibris, 2007) was revised and released as *A New Reading of Rilke's "Elegies"* (Edwin Mellen Press, 2009). Lastly, his book *Rilke on Love and Other Difficulties*, originally published by W.W. Norton in 1975 and reissued twice since, has been in print for 40 consecutive years now and has sold more than 100,000 copies.

Jeff Richards G'83, '85 was the subject of a Q&A op-ed in *The Salisbury Post* regarding how his book, *The Great Journey*, dealt with racism. Search for the article at [salisburypost.com](http://salisburypost.com).

Last summer Charles Selengut G'83 published his latest book, *Our Promised Land: Faith and Militant Zionism in Israeli Settlements* (Rowman & Littlefield), which analyzes the emergence of the radical Israeli Messianic Zionist movement. The book is available at [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) and other booksellers.

Lisa Wujinovich G'10 took part in a poetry reading last July at Poets House in New York City. Yesenia Montilla G'12 is among the long-listed authors for the 2015 PEN Open Book Award for her work *The Pink Box: Poems* (Aquarius Press/Willow Books).

**MA** Congratulations to Rebecca Rego Barry G'01, whose book *Rare Books Uncovered: True Tales of Fantastic Finds in Unlikely Places*, was published by Voyageur Press last December. Rebecca says the book is a bit like *Antiques Roadshow* but focused entirely on rare books and manuscripts. She interviewed more than 50 book collectors, booksellers and librarians about treasures found in attics, barns, flea markets and more. For example, a copy of the *Nuremberg Chronicle*, a beautiful illustrated book published in 1493, surfaced in Utah, where the owner had been storing it under his bed for decades! Rebecca, who worked in the library and University Archives at Drew for a few years, reminds us that Drew owns a *Nuremberg Chronicle* too.

Paul Kahan G'04 just published his fourth book, *The Bank War* (Westholme Publishing, 2015), which is available at [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) and everywhere. The book chronicles the bitter battle over the charter of the second bank of the United States and its lasting impact on the American economy. Paul teaches history at Ohlone College in Fremont, California.

Jude M. Pfister G'07 represented Drew University at the inauguration of Sheila Bair as president of Washington College on September 26, 2015.

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—DEAN JAVIER VIERA

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## In Memoriam

The Drew community and its alumni associations extend our heartfelt sympathy 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

**Mary R. Alvey** C'45, P'77 graduated with a degree in psychology, but her passion was music. As a Drew student, the lifelong Madisonian began directing the children's choir at the Madison UMC, and continued with it for decades. She taught piano for 31 years as an adjunct faculty member at the College of St. Elizabeth in Convent Station, New Jersey, and continued teaching in her own studio until recently. She died at age 92, on November 8, 2015. She is survived by George, her husband of 65 years, two children, including son David Alvey C'77, and their families, including four grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

**Robert Drew Simpson** C'45, T'48,'54, a resident of Chatham, New Jersey, passed away peacefully on August 6, 2015, at age 90. A great-great-nephew of founder Daniel Drew, Bob pursued a long career in Methodist ministry, including 25 years at the Chatham (New Jersey) UMC. He also taught at Drew. He served as a Drew trustee from 1977 to 1997, and on many other Drew boards and committees. Bob volunteered at the Methodist Archives on campus for 14 years after his retirement. At Reunion 2010, he was given a Drew Lifetime Achievement Award. Bob was predeceased by wife Megan Demarest Simpson C'46, G'80, with whom he enjoyed over 65 years of marriage, after meeting her at Drew. Bob and Megan are survived by their three children.

**Joel Hemmendinger** C'46, longtime New Jersey resident, died on August 2, 2015, at the age of 90. After serving as an officer in the Navy during World War II and the Korean War, he spent his career in life

insurance. Joel served as president of the Livingston Kiwanis Club and president of Drew's College Alumni Association, the Livingston Adult School and the Livingston Welfare Board. He was elected to three terms as a fire commissioner of Monroe Township. He was predeceased by his first wife of 57 years, Helene Hemmendinger. He is survived by his wife, Adrienne Ament, three sons, three daughters-in-law, two stepchildren and seven grandchildren.

**Ralph Robert Pfeiffer** C'48, a chemist, died on June 21, 2015, at age 89. He leaves his wife, Fay, six children, two stepchildren and three grandchildren. Born in Germany, he relocated to the United States as a baby. He served in Europe with the U.S. Army in 1944–46. He earned a doctoral degree in chemistry at Syracuse University, and became a scientist with Eli Lilly & Co. He contributed to scientific patents and publications. He was a long-standing member of All Souls Unitarian Church in Indianapolis. He enjoyed using his carpentry and design ideas to support his wife Fay's endeavors as a choir conductor.

**Reeve Stone** C'49 had a long career in communications with IBM in the Poughkeepsie, New York, region. He returned to his native New Jersey for retirement, and was active in a theater group in his original hometown of Maplewood. In 2014, he relocated to Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where his son resides. In 2013, Reeve was preceded in death by Anne, his wife of over 50 years. He died at age 91, on November 2, 2015, and leaves his son, along with a niece and nephew and their families.

**Elizabeth Dinsmore Follansbee** C'53 passed away on September 17, 2015, as a

resident of East Greenwich, Rhode Island. While still an undergraduate, Betty married fellow Drew student David Follansbee C'50, T'53. They went on to have three children, six grandchildren and a great-grandson—all of whom survive her today, along with husband David. Betty and David served churches in New York and New Jersey, and Betty taught professionally. She retired in 1992 to sail on Narragansett Bay, and enjoyed active membership in St. Luke's Church of East Greenwich.

**Laurence A. Loftus** C'53, T'56 spent his childhood in Mexico City, where his father served with the American Embassy. After undergraduate and theological studies at Drew, he lost his heart to the Northwest, spending 55 years serving Methodist and Presbyterian churches there. He avidly enjoyed the outdoors, once performing a wedding on the summit of Mt. Hood. He died with wife Kate by his side on December 30, 2015, at age 84, a resident of Enterprise, Oregon. He leaves many loved ones, including Kate, six children and their families.

**Alice Ann Burgess** C'54, a resident of Saranac, Michigan, passed away on November 12, 2015. She was 82. A native of New Jersey, Alice is survived by her six Michigan-based children and their families, including 16 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

**Marion K. Pinsdorf** C'54 died on November 12, 2015, as a resident of her beloved Bergen County, New Jersey. She was 83. Marion began her career as a reporter for the *Bergen Evening Record*. After Drew, she earned a doctoral degree and enjoyed a long career in corporate communications. She

was published in her field, and also taught at Drew and other universities, including Brown and Fordham. She traveled the world. She is survived by her cousin and godson.

**Elsa Milby Singh** C'55 of San Marcos, California, passed away on October 2, 2015, surrounded by her children and grandchildren. She was 82. After graduating from Drew, the Baltimore native earned a master's degree in social work at the University of Southern California, where she also met her husband, Inder. She was an active member of the Methodist church, and taught adult education at Palomar College. Elsa was preceded in death by her husband. She is survived by their three children and their families, which include five grandchildren.

**Leon George Harbeson** C'57 served in the U.S. Coast Guard upon high school graduation, before matriculating at Drew. After graduating from Drew, Lee pursued a career as a personnel manager for the federal government. A resident of Annapolis, Maryland, he also worked as a substitute teacher in the Annapolis public schools after retiring from the U.S. Department of Energy. Lee died at age 83 on October 22, 2015. He is survived by Pat, his wife of 60 years, their three sons and their sons' families, including five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Anne Baker Siegel** C'58 died on September 19, 2015, at age 79, as a 40-year resident of Unadilla, New York. A political science major, Anne became a lifelong advocate for environmental, social justice and animal welfare causes. She suspended her professional life to raise her children, but then resumed employment, serving as a database manager and consultant to nonprofit organizations. Anne leaves Michael, her husband of 57 years, who is professor emeritus of psychology at SUNY Oneonta, along with their three children and Anne's two brothers.

**Janet A. Flood Scott** C'60 passed away at age 77 on December 24, 2015, at her home in California. Janet worked at Mattel, Inc. before becoming a counselor, eventually opening her own counseling practice. Janet taught personal growth, parenting and psychology classes at several California learning communities. Janet loved reading, relaxing with her cats and socializing with her large group of friends. She is survived by her brother, Lawrence Flood C'62; sister-in-law Carolyn Morell C'64; sister, Joyce Flood C'67; and son, Kevin. She was preceded in passing by her daughter, Karen.

**Amy Margaret Anderson Beveridge** C'65, of Bloomfield, Connecticut, died unexpectedly at home on September 9, 2015. She was 72. After graduating from Drew, Amy earned a master's degree at Norwich University, and worked for 23 years at the Connecticut Conference of the UCC. Amy and her husband, Tom, were dedicated members of Christ Church Cathedral (Episcopal) in Hartford, Connecticut. Predeceased by Tom and by three of her siblings, Amy is survived by her son, her remaining sister and other relatives.

**Jeffrey Ludwig Loeb** C'74 passed away on April 14, 2015. A proud alumnus of Drew,

Jeff majored in math and went on to earn a master's degree in computer science at the University of South Alabama. He pursued a career with companies including Kimberly-Clark. A sports fan, he enjoyed a season as manager of Drew's JV basketball team. He was an active member of Congregation Beth Israel in San Diego.

**Edward M. Small** C'76, a resident of Boomer, North Carolina, passed away at age 60, on September 2, 2015.

**Kathleen M. Agnelli** C'78 died on January 31, 2016, at the age of 59 after a courageous battle with cancer, surrounded by her family and friends. She lived in Vernon Township, New Jersey, for the last 30 years. After Drew, Kathleen received her JD from Gonzaga School of Law in Spokane, Washington. She had her own law practice for many years. She was an animal lover and enjoyed the outdoors, hiking and kayaking. Kathleen is survived by her mother, aunts and uncles.

**Betty Ruth Moore McKernan** C'79, a resident of Hamden, Connecticut, passed away peacefully on December 5, 2015, just three weeks short of her 90th birthday. Betty initially attended Bucknell University, but interrupted her studies to marry and raise three sons. Years later, she finished her degree at Drew. She worked in radio copywriting and delivered the weather on television in the New Haven market. She leaves three sons and their families, including three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

**Nancy Ann Nixon Mooney** C'79 pursued her own higher education at Drew, after raising her three children and seeing them receive undergraduate degrees. Shortly thereafter, she retired to her native New England with husband Dick, with whom she enjoyed 70 years of marriage. She died on December 5, 2015, at the age of 91, a resident of North Andover, Massachusetts. She leaves three children and their families, including five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Arthur David "Soc" Deacon III** C'82, an avid outdoorsman and athlete, died on January 24, 2016. He was 56. He had met his wife, Karen Locke-Deacon C'85, at Drew, where he majored in English and played lacrosse and rugby. Karen and Soc enjoyed 27 years of marriage. A resident of Simsbury, Connecticut, Soc was assistant vice president of Investment Communications at MassMutual. He is survived by Karen, their daughter Ana, his mother, his siblings and many friends and relatives. He was preceded in death by his father.

**Kenneth Rich** C'86, a 51-year-old physician, perished at the scene of a tragic accident on October 9, 2015. After graduating from Drew, Kenneth completed a medical degree at the Medical College of Wisconsin, in Milwaukee. For three years immediately preceding his death, he had practiced medicine in Smithtown, New York (Long Island), where he was known for his compassion and generosity, and for devoting extra time to his patients.

**Thomas D. Higgins** C'92, a resident of Cohasset, Massachusetts, died on September 12, 2015. After growing up in New Jersey and majoring in economics at Drew, he earned master's and doctoral degrees at Fordham, and became chief economist and global macro strategist for Standish Asset Management/ Bank of New York Mellon in Boston. He was also known for his love of ocean sports, and for sharing the outdoors with his family. Tom is survived by wife Lori, their four children, his mother, his seven siblings and their families. He was preceded in death by his father.

**Janna Noreen Sears** C'00 passed away peacefully at the age of 36 on August 2, 2015, following a heroic battle with cancer. Celebrations of Janna's life were held at Monadnock Covenant Church in Keene, New Hampshire, and at the Humane Society International in Gaithersburg, Maryland, where Janna worked for 12 years. Many members of the Drew community attended both services. In addition to her devoted work for animals, Janna created her own business, Awesomecakes, selling vegan and gluten-free cupcakes, cakes and pies. She is survived by her parents, her brother and his family, two grandmothers and a large extended family.

**Jaime Lazcano** C'09 passed away unexpectedly on December 16, 2015, at age 28, a resident of Little Falls, New Jersey. Born in Colombia, Jaime attended high school in the United States, and then studied biology and chemistry at Drew. He was also passionate about world history. He is survived by his parents, three siblings, a grandmother and many other relatives.

### Theological School

**Paul E. Brown, Sr.** T'50 reached age 99, a resident of Johnson City, Tennessee. Paul served seven Methodist churches as pastor, and was a chaplain and professor at three universities, including his own undergraduate alma mater. Paul is survived by four children and their families, including nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by Pauline, his wife of 60 years (with whom he traveled the world) and two grandchildren.

**Willett R. Porter, Jr.** T'52 was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1927, completed undergraduate studies in agriculture at Cornell and then prepared for the ministry at Drew. His 64-year career included many Methodist churches in his home state. He also gave generously of his time to the community, serving as a volunteer fire department chaplain. He died on November 4, 2015, at age 88, a resident of Mahopac, New York. He leaves Shirley, his wife of 62 years, four sons and their families, including six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Richard Pittenger** T'53 served in the U.S. Navy in World War II, and then became a pastor. He served Methodist and UCC congregations in his native South Dakota and in Massachusetts, eventually retiring to Sioux Falls. Dick ended every golf season by saying, "I finally figured out what is wrong with my swing!" He died at age 89 on November 2,

2015. He is survived by wife Dolores, three children and three stepchildren, their children and grandchildren, and many extended family members and friends.

**James W. Barrett** T'54, a U.S. Army veteran, served in the Pacific during World War II. He then became a Methodist pastor, serving churches in rural New York and Pennsylvania, along with hospital chaplaincy. He enjoyed the outdoors. Jim died a resident of Troy, Pennsylvania, on November 12, 2015, at age 89. He was predeceased by wife Betty, with whom he enjoyed 55 years of marriage. Jim and Betty are survived by two children and their families, including a grandson, two great-grandchildren and a niece.

**William A. Speers** T'54 passed away in his native Pennsylvania at age 89, on November 25, 2015. After proudly serving in the U.S. Navy, he entered the ministry, serving Methodist and UCC churches in central Pennsylvania for over 58 years. He was also involved in senior living chaplaincy. A resident of Hanover at the time of his death, William is survived by Patricia, his wife of 62 years, and their family, which includes two daughters, four grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and William's one surviving sister.

**Arthur Jeffery Hopper** T'55 went on from Drew to earn a doctoral degree at Yale University, and became a professor of theology. On Easter Sunday 1964, he was arrested on church steps in Jackson, Mississippi, with an interracial group of Methodist colleagues who were trying to integrate the southern Methodist churches. A resident of Columbus, Ohio, he died at age 85 on July 12, 2015. He is survived by his three children, four grandchildren and two brothers.

**John Calvin Wagner** T'56 was not stopped by polio, which he contracted in 1945, at age 14. Despite significant, permanent paralysis, he studied at Haverford College, the Sorbonne, Drew, the Yale Divinity School and Ohio State University. With Miriam, his wife of 62 years, he had three children, served congregations in Ohio and taught. He advocated full inclusion in the Methodist church, and protested segregation and wars. He died in his home state of Pennsylvania, at 84, on July 28, 2015. He leaves Miriam, their children and many other relatives and friends, including eight grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**Lawrence Andrew Adolph Larson** T'59 of New Fairfield, Connecticut, passed away at age 81, on January 16, 2016. An undergraduate at Indiana University, he was drum major in the "Marching Hundred" and then proceeded to seminary at Drew. Initially serving as a Methodist pastor, Larry became ordained as an Episcopal priest in 1968 and served Episcopal parishes in Connecticut and New York state. Predeceased by his first wife, Dorothy, he married again in 1983 and is survived by wife Patricia. He also leaves two children, four stepchildren and their families, including eight grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and a sister.

**Stephen R. Parr** T'60, a native New Jerseyan, became a Methodist pastor and served churches throughout New York state and Pennsylvania.

His youthful interest in music led to playing violin as an adult with the Corning, New York, Philharmonic. Steve passed away at age 80, on November 25, 2015, a resident of Williamsport, Pennsylvania. He enjoyed 56 years of marriage with wife Nancy, also a minister. She survives him along with the rest of their family, including two daughters and four granddaughters.

**Sidney S. Tate** T'60, a resident of LaGrange, Georgia, passed away on October 16, 2015, at age 80. A Methodist pastor, he served many congregations throughout Georgia, and also worked for 17 years in university admissions and financial aid. He completed additional work in gerontology at Georgia State University in 1991, and was involved in older adult ministries until retiring in 2000. He is survived by wife Enid, two sons and their families, which include four grandchildren, and many other friends and relatives.

**David C. Steinmetz** T'61, a leading scholar of Reformation theology, was also known for his dry wit. After graduating from Drew, the Methodist elder completed a doctoral degree at Harvard and embarked on an academic career. He taught principally at Duke University, with visiting appointments at Harvard, Notre Dame and Emory. A resident of Durham, North Carolina, at the time of his death, David is survived by Patricia, his wife of 62 years, and their family, which includes two daughters, four grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and William's one surviving sister.

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**Stephen R. Parr** T'60, a native New Jerseyan, became a Methodist pastor and served churches throughout New York state and Pennsylvania.

His family, his work, music and the North Carolina mountains. He is survived by his wife, Lurline, and many friends and relatives, including two children and four grandchildren.

**Ralph E. Luker** T'66 passed away peacefully at his Atlanta home on August 8, 2015. He was 75. A Kentucky native, he was ordained a Methodist minister. He taught history and religion at several universities, having earned a doctorate in American history at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. His support for the civil rights movement in the early 1960s shaped his work. He leaves Jean, his wife of 49 years, and several relatives, including two daughters and one granddaughter.

**Alan R. Tulp** T'74, '76 served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He received the President's Volunteer Service Award in 2014. He passed away as a resident of Easton, Pennsylvania, on November 26, 2015, at age 83. He is survived by two children, four brothers, five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

**James E. Maddox** T'76 passed away at age 70, on October 14, 2015, as a resident of Sherrills Ford, North Carolina. A native of Missouri, he became a Methodist minister and served 15 churches in his career, including several in New Jersey and North Carolina. He is survived by wife Betty Jean, two children, two grandchildren and his mother.

**James F. Mitchell** T'93 was a native Texan and lifelong Episcopalian. An Army veteran, he married Margaret in 1957, and served churches in Texas. He passed away on October 6, 2015, at age 83, a resident of San Antonio. Jim is survived by Margaret, two of their daughters, seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a third son.

**Craig A. LeBreton** T'63, a native of Connecticut, passed away at his home in Camarillo, California, on August 6, 2015. He was 82. After serving in the U.S. Navy and then graduating from UCLA, he earned master's degrees at Drew and at the University of Southern California. He served Methodist churches in California. He is survived by Sue, his wife of 57 years, two children and their families, including eight grandchildren.

**Dale Patrick** T'63 was born to a pioneer Oregon family. He and his wife, Mary, lived and worked principally in Missouri and Iowa, but also in Europe, Africa and the Middle East. An Old Testament scholar, Dale taught at the university level and wrote prolifically. He died on July 27, 2015, in Iowa, and is survived by Mary, his wife of 54 years, and many relatives, including a son, a daughter-in-law and grandchildren.

**George C. Schlesinger** T'64, a Marine in the South Pacific during World War II, passed away on August 4, 2015, a resident of Toms River, New Jersey. He was 86. George died exactly nine hours after losing Maxine, his wife of 68 years. George considered Maxine an integral part of his long ministry, as they served many Methodist congregations in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. George and Maxine were predeceased by one grandson. They are survived by two children and their families, including five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

**James W. Fowler III** T'65, a professor of theology at Emory University and an ordained Methodist elder, died peacefully on October 16, 2015. He was 75 and resided in Decatur, Georgia. Jim loved

his family, his work, music and the North Carolina mountains. He is survived by his wife, Lurline, and many friends and relatives, including two children and four grandchildren.

**Jon C. Stenberg** T'82 passed away at age 59, in his Doylestown, Pennsylvania, home, on

October 22, 2015. An ordained Methodist minister, he served congregations for over 20 years, and was also involved in senior living ministry. He leaves his wife of 30 years, Donnetta, one son and many family members, including his siblings, their spouses and many nieces and nephews.

**Robert D. Joiner, Jr.** T'87 was an ordained Methodist minister for 62 years. A native Texan, he served nine churches in his career, and also volunteered as a firefighter. He passed away on August 7, 2015, at age 86. Bob is survived by his wife, Kathryn, four children and their families, including four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, and other friends and relatives.

**James Arthur Johnson** T'91, an Air Force veteran, spent 40 years in parish ministry as an Episcopal priest, and as a licensed marriage and family therapist. Born in Washington, D.C., he served in New Jersey, West Virginia, Georgia and North Carolina, and retired to his wife's hometown of Tennille, Georgia, in 2012. Jim died on August 8, 2015, at 67. He is survived by wife Betty Jean, two children, two grandchildren and his mother.

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**Mack L. Hannah** T'98, a native of Georgia, spent over 40 years in ministry, including time at Belmont University, and as senior pastor of Baptist churches in Tennessee and Georgia. Mack passed away peacefully at home in Georgia on August 20, 2015, at age 67, surrounded by family. He is survived by Patricia, his wife of 44 years; two children

and their families, which include five grandchildren; his mother and brothers.

**Edward K. Furman** T'87, of Pittston, Pennsylvania, spent several decades as a dairy farmer before pursuing higher education. He completed a master's at Drew at age 60, and entered ordained Methodist ministry. Ed enjoyed nearly 68 years of marriage with wife Betty Lou, his partner in farming, on backpacking treks and in agricultural mission work in Zimbabwe. He died on January 5, 2016, at age 89. Predeceased by Betty Lou in 2015, he leaves their three children, nine grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren, his brother and many extended family members. One granddaughter, also a pastor, officiated at Ed's memorial service.

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**Francine Quaglio** G'76 passed away at her Bridgewater, Massachusetts, home on December 11, 2015. A New Jersey native, she earned a doctorate at Drew. She then taught, first at Christian Brothers College in Memphis, Tennessee, and then for 22 years at Bridgewater State University. She is survived by her partner, Lois, and by extended family members in Florida. Her parents and brother preceded her in death.

#### Faculty, Staff & Friends

**Joy Ann Rollka Chavent**, formerly Drew's assistant director of admissions, passed away peacefully on December 12, 2015, as a resident of New Haven, Connecticut. She was 87. The New Jersey native and her husband raised their two children in eight different states. Joy volunteered and performed in community theater, and rode on Mardi Gras floats while living in

New Orleans. She returned to New Jersey and lived in Chatham for over 35 years. Joy leaves her two children and their families, including three grandchildren.

**Jerome C. Eppler**, a former Drew trustee, passed away on December 16, 2015. A resident of Denver, Jerry was 91. A Navy veteran, Jerry went on to the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and then enjoyed an illustrious 60-year career on Wall Street and in corporate America. He spent 50 years of his life as a Morris County resident. Jerry leaves his wife, five children, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Marie L. Garibaldi**, the first woman to serve on the New Jersey Supreme Court, passed away on January 15, 2016, at age 81. A tax lawyer in Morristown at the time of her appointment, Marie was selected for the court in 1982 by Governor Thomas H. Kean, who himself later served as Drew's president. Marie was a member of Drew's Board of Visitors, and as Drew's 1983 Commencement speaker, she received an honorary degree. She became known as a prolific jurist, writing more than 225 opinions, including some notable dissents.

**Ruby Riener**, a poet and philosopher, passed away on January 27, 2016. She was 91. A retired Drew professor, Ruby was also the wife of Neal Riener, a fellow faculty member. Their partnership was both personal and professional, as they raised their three sons and co-taught courses in ethics and politics. After Neal's death in 2002, the Neal Riener Prize was established at Drew in his memory. When contributions were made to the prize, Ruby expressed her gratitude by personally responding with the donors. Ruby and Neal are survived by their three sons, daughters-in-law and five grandchildren.