DREW CLASSNOTES
The College of Liberal Arts

ALL ARE WELCOME at this year’s Alumni Weekend—a more inclusive version of Reunion, with events for everyone, from all classes, including gatherings for Caspersen and Theograd. The Forest will welcome all Drewids back in person, as we are able, from Thursday, June 2 to Sunday, June 5, 2022. There will also be some virtual and hybrid events. Alumni College will be back on Friday, with faculty and alum panels.

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Hopefully you have all survived the COVID epidemic, are fully vaccinated, and safe from the next variant. Unfortunately my email inbox has not received any notes from any of you dear classmates! If you are still well and able to function, our 65th Reunion will be held on June 3-5, 2022. This Reunion may be rebranded as Alumni Weekend to be inclusive, but let’s try to attend this one while we are still able. We’re not old geezers yet, I hope! I’m still doing my Women of Vision performances, but my daughters won’t let me drive distances any more so I have to hire a driver each time. I bought a bright aqua Prius Prime in June with all the safety features and hybrid/electric drive but they won’t let me drive more than 20 miles out of town, and not at night. Sad to reach the age where we no longer tell our children what to do but they tell us! However I still stay busy with the Geneva Theatre Guild, church, family—and am never bored. Please send me some news for the next Drew magazine which may be in the spring.

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A handwritten note from Jack Dempster revealed that he and his wife, Ellen, are coping with COVID restrictions by adopting Duke Ellington’s “Don’t Get Around Much Anymore” as their personal theme song. Jack says that a two-mile trip to Walmart “just ain’t the same as a journey to London or Paris.” Their granddaughter Katie is receiving her doctorate in child psychiatry from Virginia Commonwealth University.

George Groom says that 2021 has been a challenging year for him and his wife Sandy (Chere) C’65. Fortunately, this summer they attended a concert at Tanglewood in the Berkshires to hear the Boston Symphony, then spent a week in New Harbor, Maine. They are being very careful about COVID even though they are vaccinated. George sends their best wishes to classmates, hoping for a better 2022.

Pete Headley and Joan “Jodi” (Della-Cerra) C’60 traveled to northern New Jersey to attend both their families’ reunions plus Pete’s Sussex High School 66th reunion, for which he was co-chair. They all had good times. Pete wonders, “Where did all these ‘older people’ come from…oh, that includes ME!”

Carole (Horncastle) James and her husband, Dick C’56 T’59, have lived in their continuing care community for 12 years and are thankful for the safety and care provided during the pandemic. Even though things are opening up, they still wear masks whenever they go out. This summer they saw all four of their grandchildren who live in four different states. They see their sons regularly. They keep busy with the community’s activities, play bridge, and read. They take road trips each week—enjoying the beautiful hills and countryside, and ending with a stop for ice cream.

Walt Lidman was distressed to learn of the deaths of several of our classmates. He remembered how Richard “Dick” Madigan once wrote a parody in the ACORN of Professor Ralph “Papa” Johnson. Walt still swims 300 meters four times a week even though it’s more difficult than it used to be. “It’s keeping me healthy,” he reports. He subbed for a while in his hometown of Hazlet, New Jersey, and also Union Beach. Some of his former students said they missed him and wanted him back.

Roger Navratil and his wife, Marge, are both healthy and plan on staying that way for many years to come. They have a home in St. Augustine, Florida, but still travel between it and New Bern, North Carolina, several times a year, intending to move there full-time in a couple of years. Marge has traveled to all seven continents. Roger claims that he has “no interest in being cold for days on end and only watching a bunch of flightless birds for nightly entertainment.”

Adma (Schneller) Ross T’01 still serves as chaplain in Civil Air Patrol, having started there at a little airfield close to the Everittstown, New Jersey, church where she was serving as pastor at the time. She still lives in the Suffern, New York, home she and her late husband, Ernie, purchased when they married in 1963.
60th Reunion ALUMNI WEEKEND

Elaine and I have not changed our lifestyle, you can call it that, at all. We ping-pong back and forth when a storm brings a huge storm to Long Beach Island. We are both vaccinated (Elaine willingness to stay home and do not leave) but Grace is most likely masked (Elaine faithfully in public when she remembers to do so), and we are not in the same community near their daughters in Maryland. Peter Cain emailed that he, too, is unapologetic wallowing in nostalgic reverie about our time Drew. “When I read your email, I thought immediately of the last time we met at the campus. All three of my rooms at the Nook for the Class of ’58 are now house were done. I moved into a lot. Your words have let me cry again, and that to write. Somebody do something!”

We were thankfully spared any damage or consequences.

Bill Haye had arranged to take an annual vacation on Long Beach Island in September, but canceled because he didn’t feel safe traveling. He has been living in lockdown since very much March 2020, and that’s probably good for him. He has stayed healthy with even more safe. The younger one is currently looking at furthering their education, I ginage running around the house trying to get to enjoy boot camp with him. Last summer and her husband, John, in their mountain retreat in Pennsylvania.

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Elaine and I leave you in the era of COVID with this thought: we are the only downside to lockdown has been that we had to continue to enjoy the blessings of good health have never had the time to do things that we had limited their activities and thus COVID experience that many of us have over the last few years. They have been able to see their two sons, their daughter, and their families in various locations, including moving from their home of 43 years in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, South Carolina, and New Jersey. They continue to try to stay active. Anne continues to work part-time as a clinical psychologist, still practicing clinical psychology about half time, still active. Connie from New York; and Jodi from California, in Montclair, and the cat on the computer screen—how the summer has changed.” Last summer, Julie spent two weeks at Yosemite Park with Road Scholar, “a bucket list trip, very well.”

Margaret “Margie” (Morgan) Campbell was living in Johnson City, Tennessee. We can’t wait to hear the tales of her visit to Pakistan. Will Nancy learn to speak Urdu? She is the general of the American Consulate in Karachi, son Mark left in August to serve as consul to Ocean City, Maryland, with son Scott and eastern shore house was quieter, and after Hurricane Ida they spent a lot of time cleaning up dry ice and managing their food supplies. Welcome aboard, David.

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Since COVID began, we socially distance. We have gone to one Singing is very difficult in a mask, and we are retreating to April restrictions in church. Richard reports that the next generation of young people are a mixture of Japanese and English, so he has been forced to make some tough decisions due to the pandemic. They have to be tailored to fit the circumstances.

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Family Album

Orlay Johnson C'69 is at a salmon hatchery with his news: After graduating from Drew, my plans were for grad school and a job in a high school guidance position. But I need a guidance counselor! Talk about the blind leading the blind! All that changed the weekend after graduation at a neighborhood's cookout. I met a man who owned a small general-contracting company, and the following Monday I was beginning a two-year stint building custom homes and condominiums at the Jersey shore. Work got slow, and I then went to work for a psychological testing/employee assessment firm in Princeton. After a couple of years there, I joined a small consulting firm founded by a couple of former Booz Allen VPs to support their executive-search practice. It was a fabulous opportunity to work with top executives of huge clients (General Mills, Mellon Bank, etc.), while at this firm. I got introduced to compensation consulting and discovered the work that would become my career. I went on to join Ernst & Young's Philadelphia office and managed a group serving eighteen mid-Atlantic 401(k) clients' offices. Then to Sibson & Company as a principal and owner for 15 years. Then to manage Mercer's Boston office compensation practice for a few years. Then 9 years on my own and now 15+ years at ROA, still doing compensation consulting—almost 100% executive pay for all types and sizes of organizations. Large non-profits are a big piece of my practice. In 1972, I married my wife. Suzanne. We've been blessed with three great children and five grandchildren. We divide our time between our homes in Wellesley and Belgrade, Maine, mingle with trips to Maryland to visit our children.
Family Album

Eric Gustav Bossdorf, James Orefice, Peter Brockman, Taylor “TJ” Huttner, all C’95

Chris Cramer C’08 and Mariel Brady wedding

Aella Leslie Rutstein, daughter of Rachel Friedman C’08 and Evan Rutstein

Anna Stange C’08 and Oscar on the Appalachian Trail

Jayme Alfano C’10 celebrating engagement with Stacie Brown C’11, Brook Connell C’11 and Cristina Lanzilotta C’10

Jonathan Bronbard C’08 and Rachel Seth Cobly in Ireland

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and grandparents. My "extra-curricular" activities have included helping to organize a volunteer first-aid squad in West Windsor Twp, NJ and 13 years as Borough Council member in Pennington, NJ. We've managed to make each of the 16-year "milestone" reunions at Drew. It is great to see people and amazing how quickly we "reconnect" with one another. I was especially grateful to have been at Drew with everyone...all of you. What a special time it was...how much we, the university, the country, and the world changed in those 4 years. Best wishes for health and happiness to all. See you at the 50th!}

There's something fishy going on with Orley Johnson. He sent a confession and photos to prove it. Orley writes: "Still go into the Aquarium as a volunteer naturalist talking about the animals to tell people from all over the country. I am also walking local streams, looking for spawning sockeye and Chinook salmon, and most important, my wife and I are all vaccinated. We are just hunkered down trying to stay healthy. Nothing more here except the zone definitely fully returned to the NW big time. See photo, page 7."

Bonnie Clarke writes that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortunate that in the last 20 years she has been fortune...
A fervent thank you to the law firm, has been recognized by their support and patient group supports online this summer and hopes to see you all in person in the next few months. Eugene was named an “ambassador” and president and managing partner in the teams group, which runs a social and support website for Chipotle, which featured one thousand members from North America, Europe, and Australia, and the ambassador help create a sense of connection and foster engagement. Eugene’s wife, Daisy, is in a Pink Floyd tribute band, and he and his group have been baking cookies for the Star Spangled Summer Series at the historic handmade Long Beach, California, please were announced that Son Allen Jolkoll became the president of the firm.

The year 2021 was a prolific birth year for your family. Laura Papa, represented by qualiFer 24 simulates. Stern along with her husband, Potter Stewart Jr. reports that their daughter, Sydelle kidnapped, and her husband, Andris Pravenski, became the parents of a son, Jay Elliott, in February 2022. Dan and I became grandparents to Lincoln “Link” Taylor Powell, who was born to our daughter, Anna, and her husband, Ben, in June 2022. Two months later in August, our daughter, Christine (Stack) Bell and her partner, Joey Sernor, had a son Wolf Edward Sernor, in June. Justin and Ashley of Arizona, England meant three trips to California for IMG, and visits with the family.

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Stephan “Pete” Petrucelli reports that he has wife, Vanessa (Lattanzio) Petrucelli. He is currently working for an organization that won the Purple Ribbon Award for outstanding fundraising from DonorsChoose.org. On a more personal note, he played professional baseball for the first time since 1991 and his team, the Victoria Eagles, won the championship for the inaugural season of the Hamptons Adult Baseball League. A good time was had by all.

Met up with James Orefice, Taylor (F) Orefice and Eric Bononi to do some sailing in Tom's River, New Jersey, for some fishing and drinking. See photo, page 8. We scheduled to meet up with Drew Locchi for a Spartan race in October in Virginia. Also ran into Dave Shaw C'91 and Stephanie (Sanborn) Shaw C'90 at a Drumama concert in Easton, New Jersey. I am still in education at Oak Hall Academy (Lincroft, New Jersey). Drew and I are more focused on our master’s degree in English as online students.

Kathleen (Minogue) Reagy reports that she is currently serving in her second year as a member of the College Alumni Association Board and is working on the Reunion committee. She often muses about running 50 miles on Mount Desert Island and very much enjoying it despite the leaf of verdant wilderness. Her husband Jos is teaching high school and she is now a freshman in High School and Addy’s in grade 6. They’re tending chickens and gardens, and enjoying the benefits of being surrounded by Acadia National Park.

This summer while they were hiking they hung out with All Kacine and Forte (Swingle) Swingles and their families.

I got the chance to catch up with Patrick Ayward, Ben Noll and JD Urbach out for a great 50th birthday celebration. We had a great time drinking and eating at Bait & Bone in Dorchester.

Susann Rutledge is a managing editor at Wolters Kluwer Legal & Regulatory, a legal publisher in New York, where she has worked for 14 years. She is working remotely full-time. She inherited her passion for books from her father, who received his PhD in sacred theology in May 2021. He is currently an assistant professor at Seton Hall University in the doctor of ministry program at Seton Hall’s Interprofessional Health Sciences campus.Currently assists with a three-hour open lab class and writes, “I was part of the inaugural class that graduated from the doctor of ministry program in 2005. It is great to see how the program has grown and how effective it is now. The program is growing. The program now has about 42 students, and the class size is about 12.”

Happy anniversary to Brian Kluck, who eloped with his fiancée, Heidi, after development at Udall UCs in June. In September, Brian relocated to Pascoag, away from Rhode Island, to work for JLL. They are looking forward to their upcoming wedding in August. See photo, page 8.

Brian is starting a career in schools and nonprofits to become a content strategist at Wayfair in 2019. Since then, remote work made it possible for Kristen, her husband, Ryan, two kids, and their cats to relocate to western Massachusetts (after 15 years in metro Boston). She’s currently trying new projects and enjoying studying law and learning to program.

David Lee via davidIDDLE @gmail.com

Suzanne (Rovegno) Apicella, who has taught at Hanover Park High School in East Hanover, New Jersey, for the last 19 years, was recently selected as one of 20 in the nation to be awarded the 2021 L’Oreal Award, which is a lifetime title from the Anti-Defamation League. This award recognizes outstanding educators from across the United States for their commitment to their students and their classroom environment for students. Suzanne was selected for dedicating her time, understanding and acceptance in order to combat anti-Semitism and anti-sexism.

Vanessa (Jubal) Petruccelli has earned master’s degree in English as an online student at Molloy College. She is currently an assistant professor of history at Bowie State University in Maryland and is working on the inaugural season of the Hamptons Adult Baseball League. A good time was had by all.

As of the end of the summer, Sue Ann Garrison has relocated to the Washington, DC area. She is excited to continue her work in the Department of State.

In July, Rachel Friedstein and Evan Rudstein welcomed baby Ada Louise Rudstein. See photo, page 9.

Deba Barr delta.b.karr@gmail.com

Jill Leibowitz reports that she has enjoyed a baby boom in all aspects of her life. Welcome to the world of Elise and Brielle, two of her new flowers. See photo, page 9.

Jaye Alfano celebrated her engagement to Chad Gelberg this summer with the help of her best friend, Melissa. She worked closely with Anastasia “Rachie Brown” C’11, Brook Connell, C’10, and Cristina Lammelita See photo, page 9.

John Dobrowski john.dobrowski67@gmail.com

Daniel Ilaria jd urbach@gmail.com

Daniel Ilaria reports that he got engaged to Dana Orefice, who is an artist living in Woodlands, Texas. They’re happy to share the news with everyone and to be available for any upcoming events.

Our 25th Reunion is coming this June!!!

Congratulations to 1998 graduates who got engaged to Seth Colby, C’08, and brother-in-law to John Becker, C’10, as well as to the 2005 graduates of the Presbyterian Historical Society. The group held a bachelorette party in Washington, DC area. They are excited to continue their work in the Department of State.

Congratulations are in order for David Cramer married Mattel Ready in June 2021 in Stillwater, Minnesota. They graduated from South Dakota State University in 2004 to 2008.

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Christopher Chamberlin Moore has recently published his fourth book, Joel Stuges: Surviving and Thriving on the London Hall of Life. It is published by Meadowlark Publishing in New York, and speaks to the challenges of adults attempting not only to survive but to thrive during the latter part of their life journey. Chris is an Episcopal priest who has served congregations in Southern California, New England and the East Coast, and even on a tiny fishing island off the northern coast of England. A nationally recognized conference leader, he has written for many denominational, Christian, and secular publications, and has won an Emmy award for excellence in religious broadcasting. He and his wife live in the Philadelphia area.

The Caspersen School

ALL ARE WELCOME at this year’s Alumni Weekend—a more inclusive version of Reunion, with events for everyone, from all classes, including gatherings for Caspersen and Theo grads. The Forest will welcome all Drewids back in person, as we are able, from Thursday, June 2 to Sunday, June 5, 2022. There will also be some virtual and hybrid events. Alumni College will be back on Friday, with faculty and alum panels.

Christopher Chamberlin Moore is enjoying life as a retired Episcopal priest in Columbus, Ohio. Bruce serves as a supply priest in the Columbus area and coordinates a weekly clergy Bible study. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Procter Camp & Conference Center of the Diocese of Southern Ohio, and on the board of directors of Recky Seabury Seminary, based in Chicago. Bruce is also one of two coordinators of the chaplaincy to retired clergy and spouses in the Diocese of Southern Ohio, and on one of two coordinators of the chaplaincy to retired clergy and spouses in the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

Moore recently published a new e-book titled I Love Monsters: Daily Devotions From A to Z. Currently available on Amazon, the book focuses on connection to the land, the importance of community, and the solid Midwestern appreciation for life and the abundance all around us. Interwoven with Bible verses, Lloyd’s distinctive approach to devotions is underpinned by a solid and reverent belief in God. These devotions will inspire you to de-stress, simplify your life, and change your focus—away from the current day’s worries and concerns and back to the earnest integrity of the farm. Lloyd has served as a United Methodist minister at St. Paul’s United Methodist Church in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for over 40 years. He is the author of Seven Reversals (e-book, 2015) and The Quivering (sold as book and hardcover, 2020). He has also collaborated with the Longfellow Elementary second grade class in Bozeman, Montana, on two limited-release hardcover children’s books, Cats from A to Z (2019) and I Love Monsters (2018).

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The Theological School

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In Memoriam

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

George L. Leggett C’62 passed away in April 2021, a resident of Cantonowa, Pennsylvania. He passed away at Memorial Sloan Kettering, leaving her parents, her companion Harry, and many relatives. She was 68. Hilary was honored posthumously on the New York City Hall clock tower. The recognition took place at a panel session in the ceremonial courtroom organized by the Gender Awareness/Anti-Racism committee chaired by Deborah Kaiser, the Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for New York City.

Theological School

Gustav K. "Van" Van Tassel T’35 began parish ministry while attending seminary at Drew. He served three churches, primarily in South Dakota, prior to serving at Memorial Sloan Keating, leaving her parents, her companion Harry, and many relatives. She was 68. Hilary was honored posthumously on the New York City Hall clock tower. The recognition took place at a panel session in the ceremonial courtroom organized by the Gender Awareness/Anti-Racism committee chaired by Deborah Kaiser, the Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for New York City.

College of Liberal Arts

Jean (Pollet) Dercie C’75 grew up in Summit, New Jersey, and studied chemistry at Drew. She moved to the Pacific Northwest and pursued graduate studies at the University of Oregon. She married Doug Dercie in 1966, and they remained married 47 years. He passed away at age 87 in 2021. He left behind his four children, five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Her long career with the Smithsonian in 1966, to earn a master’s at Oberlin and a doctorate in philosophy at Temple. He taught music and history at multiple universities, including Oregon. In 1950, she and Bob began 61 years of marriage. She leaves four sons, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.
and family including three children, four grandchildren, and siblings.

She attended the School of Social Work at Drew after completing undergraduate work at DePauw University, where she married her one year after graduation. She later earned her master’s degree at Chicago Theological Seminary. She served as a social worker at a hospital in Illinois, devoting over 1400 sessions. Tom died peacefully in April 2021 in his native Illinois. He was 83. Tom’s survivors include Barbara, his wife of 59 years, and family members including three sons, 20 grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Robert E. Hoell T’75 went on from Drew to earn a doctoral degree at United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities. He served in the Minnesota Conference of the UMC in his parish ministry and in Conference leadership roles. He also served on the boards of the Lake Area Restorative Justice Council and of the United Methodist Board of Church and Society. He was a resident of Deerwood, Minnesota. Survivors include Barbara, his wife of 59 years, their three children, and their grandchildren.

Robert D. “Danny” Bowers T’77 became a reporter, studying journalism at the University of Kansas. He worked with Dr. King, organizing the march in Selma, and then completed his work at Drew and began seminary work at DePauw University in 1979. In 1980, he was a resident of Deerwood, Minnesota. Survivors include Barbara, his wife of 59 years, their three children, and their grandchildren.

Edwin H. Satterwhite T’83 served in the Navy during World War II and completed undergraduate work before entering Drew. He served in many Methodist churches in his hometown state of Virginia. He passed away at home in Parksville, Virginia, surrounded by family. He was 93. He is survived by his wife, Helen, and family including three children, six grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Carolyn J. Strack T’90 began seminary work at DePauw in 1987 and completed her degree in 1993. She pursued various roles until 1999, and then began a 15-year ministry in hospice chaplaincy. She passed away at age 76, a resident of Kinsimmen, Florida, in July 2021. Carolyn leaves Darwin, her husband of nearly 50 years, and a sister.

Robert “Knox” Herndon T’74 pursed a career as a minister and a small business owner. He earned a master’s degree in theology from Drew University, a B.A. in religious education from Boston University, and a master’s degree from Drew University in 1970. He passed away at age 80, a resident of Deerwood, Minnesota. Survivors include Barbara, his wife of 54 years, and family including three children, six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Lee L. W. Shaw T’77 served as a parish minister. He assisted the Nixon administration, the University followed, whereupon he became an associate minister at Colonial Church, in Charleston, South Carolina. He died in 2021, a resident of Charleston and a lifelong New Yorker. Lee leaves his wife of 60 years, Margaret, and many family members, including a daughter, two grandchildren, and a sister.

J. T. ’92 died in 2021, at age 51. He was survived by his wife, Evan, and daughters. He was born in Minnesota and grew up in northern Minnesota, where he served as a minister of the church. He was predeceased by his parents, Richard and Sarah, and his sister. He was survived by his wife of 20 years, Barbara, and their children, as well as by his parents, Richard and Sarah, and his sister.

Robert A. Thompson T’75 was a native of Brooklyn, New York, and came from a long line of pastors, deacons, and missionaries. He is survived by his wife, Tammalyn, three children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. He passed away at age 80, a resident of Lakeville, Minnesota. Survivors include Barbara, his wife of 59 years, and family including two children, and a brother.

Robert J. Peterson G’69 was a renowned librarian, bibliographer, and editor. He earned a bachelor’s and a PhD at Drew, and also held degrees from Yale (BD 1962) and Rutgers (EDS 1975). He held doctorates at Drew and Princeton Theological Seminary, serving as Walter Cronkite’s chief editor, historian, and scholar. He earned a master’s degree from Columbia University, where he worked his way through college as a student and then continued his education in the field of librarianship. He passed away at age 86, a resident of Orange, New Jersey. He leaves three children, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

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education. He was chair of the English department at Campbell University, and an assistant dean at the University of North Carolina Wilmington. John presided at the weddings of his three daughters and one granddaughter, and baptized all twelve of his grandchildren. John passed away at home in Wilmington, with family by his side, in April 2021. He was 82. John is survived by MaLou, his wife of 57 years, three daughters, and their families, including twelve grandchildren.

Wajuppa Tossa G’85, G’86 was a Fulbright visiting scholar at three US universities: Drew, the University of Hawaii, and the University of Oregon. Several of her works, including her Drew doctoral dissertation, were published by Bucknell University Press. A citizen of Thailand, Wajuppa was widely published there, and she won several awards in both Thailand and the US. She was an associate professor of English and American literature at Mahasarakham University in eastern Thailand, and a resident of Mahasarakham. She passed away at her home there in September 2021.

Faculty, Staff, Friends
Olympia Dukakis P’93 was born in Massachusetts to Greek immigrants in 1931. She practiced physical therapy during the worst days of the midcentury polio epidemic, saving money to return to Boston University, her alma mater, for an MFA in theater. She began acting, and married fellow actor Louis Zorich. In 1973, they helped found the Whole Theater Company of Montclair, New Jersey, and raised their three children in Montclair. Olympia forged a special connection with Drew through one of her sons, Stefan Zorich C’93. She generously gave of her time to teach master classes at Drew and spoke at the 1993 Commencement, receiving an honorary degree of her own. Olympia’s numerous stage, television, and screen roles included Rose Castorini in John Patrick Shanley’s 1987 film, *Moonstruck*, for which she won an Oscar. She died in April 2021 at her Manhattan home. She was 89. Preceded in death by Louis, she leaves three children (Christina, Peter, and Stefan) and four grandchildren. She was asked in 2003 if she planned to retire, and said “From what? I love this chaotic, contradictory, loving mess that has been my life.”

John Shelby Spong, an Episcopal priest, taught at Drew and was awarded an honorary degree in 2010. Born in Charlotte, North Carolina, he graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He moved to New Jersey in 1976 and served as bishop of the Diocese of Newark until 2000. He studied at major centers of Christian scholarship, including Union Theological Seminary in New York, Yale Divinity, Harvard Divinity, and the universities of Cambridge, Oxford, and Edinburgh. As bishop, John opened debate through ordination. In 1981, John ordained the first English woman to the Episcopal priesthood, at a time when the Church of England did not ordain women. In 1989, he ordained an openly gay man who was living in a publicly acknowledged committed relationship. He lectured, spoke, and wrote tirelessly, appearing on diverse radio and television programs, including *The Oprah Winfrey Show* and *Sixty Minutes*. He died at age 90, at his home in Richmond, Virginia, in September 2021. John’s first wife, Joan, preceded him in death in 1988. His survivors include Christine, his wife and editor, whom he married in 1990, their five children, and other family members, including six grandchildren.