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New Sea Gull Stadium SU proudly cuts the ribbon on its new athletics facility.

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and legislator who
has made a great
impact on SU.





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At his passing, we celebrate President
Norm Crawford.

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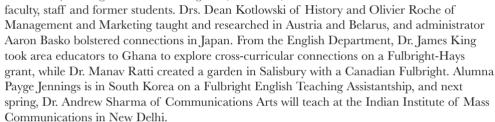
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Letter from the President

Since 2000, I have had the honor and privilege of being the President of Salisbury University. In my 16 years here, the SU skyline has been enhanced, the campus footprint and our academic offerings have increased, and yet we still have been able to maintain our friendly, small-school feel. Even with all the physical enhancements, it really is always the people of SU – our students, faculty and staff – who truly make us *A Maryland University of National Distinction*.

For example, Salisbury University was spotlighted in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* as one of the nation's top producers of Fulbright Scholars in 2015-16. (SU and the Naval Academy were the only two Maryland campuses to earn the distinction.) Among our recent Fulbrighters, of course, are



Diversity, globalization and inclusion continue to be priorities on campus, as well. *The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education* named SU among the top 50 universities in the nation offering "outstanding opportunities to Hispanic students." Last winter, I led a University System of Maryland delegation to Cuba to explore opportunities for collaborations in higher education.

Facilities improvements have been another highlight of 2016 with the opening of the Patricia R. Guerrieri Academic Commons and the new Sea Gull Stadium. Supported by an \$8 million gift from the Guerrieri Family Foundation, the Academic Commons is the epicenter of academic life, housing the library, Nabb Research Center, academic services, a faculty center, a 400-seat assembly hall and more. The \$19 million stadium also is a fitting home for our national championship-winning student-athletes and coaches – and we hope you'll join other Sea Gull fans at a game. Go Gulls!

In case you haven't heard, there's another "new" building on campus: Conway Hall. Last spring, the Teacher Education and Technology Center was renamed during a heartfelt ceremony honoring SU alumnus and former Maryland House Appropriations Chairman Norman Conway ('65). The Wicomico County educator was a staunch advocate of the Eastern Shore during his time in office, supporting numerous capital projects at SU and across the Lower Shore, benefitting everything from schools to fire departments to the Salisbury Zoological Park. This is a fitting tribute to a very humble alumnus.

I invite you to come back and see first-hand all the new facilities on campus while joining us for Homecoming and Family Weekend 2016. There is something for everyone, with an Alumni Pre-Game Barbecue, reunions for various class years and student groups, tours of the Guerrieri Academic Commons, and so much more. Thank you for your continued support of YOUR Alma Mater, and I look forward to seeing you on campus in the near future.

Janet Dudley-Eshbach, Ph.D. President, Salisbury University



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'More than Just a Building': Patricia R. Guerrieri Academic Commons

By Dr. Bea Hardy, Dean of Libraries and Instructional Resources

The Guerrieri Academic Commons is at the heart of campus, literally and figuratively. Located in the middle of the academic buildings, it is meant as a celebration of learning, because learning is at the heart of what a university does. And at the heart of the Academic Commons is a state-of-the-art 21st-century library facility, which will occupy the lion's share of the building.

Built in the 1950s for a student body of 2,600 undergraduates, Blackwell Library served the University long and well. Teaching, learning and research, however, all have changed greatly since the 1950s, as has the University itself, which has grown to over 8,500 students, a tenth of whom are graduate students. Students today need access to multiple information resources, not just books and journals but databases, datasets, graphic materials, streaming media, and even archives and manuscripts. They work in groups and use all kinds of technology to not just consume information but to produce it in diverse ways from papers to presentations to posters to performances. They learn in varied ways, listening to expert faculty in traditional lectures; interpreting, analyzing and experimenting, guided by faculty members; and discussing and collaborating with their peers. And they seem to learn best at night and with food and drink by their sides.

Want to see the Academic Commons for yourself?

Please join us for the

Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony
on Thursday, September 1,
at 11 a.m.

Or, sign up for a tour during

Homecoming at alumni.salisbury.edu/event/GACTours

Meeting 21st-Century Needs

To meet the 21st-century needs of our students and faculty, the University needed a new facility: the Guerrieri Academic Commons. Triple the size of Blackwell Library, the Academic Commons features four times as many seats, and this seating ranges from traditional tables and carrels to sofas. soft chairs, booths, bar-height stools and even rocking chairs. Students working together have access to 16 group study rooms and various spaces for collaboration. Expanded space for quiet individual study accommodates those who prefer to learn on their own, whether in reading rooms with expansive views of the campus or in nooks and crannies around the building. Graduate students have their own dedicated space, the Graduate Commons, and night owls enjoy the large 24-hour space, including the two-story café. Food and drink, in fact, are allowed in most parts of the building.

Tech & Texts

Technology abounds in the Academic Commons, from large screens where students can share their work with each other to a maker lab with 3-D printers and scanners. There are hundreds of computers and electrical outlets galore, much needed by today's device-bearing students. But traditionalists need not despair; there also is space to expand our physical book and other collections. The Edward H. Nabb Center for Delmarva History and Culture and

University Special Collections occupy a state-of-the art archival facility, with a large reading room, classroom and exhibit space, and secure, climate-controlled storage.

A Center for Learning

The Academic Commons provides ample opportunity for students to interact with faculty and staff and brings together many academic support services. The Center for Student Achievement/TRiO, the Writing Center, and the Math Emporium all provide tutoring and extra instruction. The Library Services and IT Help Desks supply immediate help. The five library classrooms are each configured differently to encourage creative teaching and active learning. An exhibit lab provides students the opportunity to curate exhibits using the library's collections, advised by a professional curator. The Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities provides further support for students.

Finally, the Academic Commons also supports the faculty. The Office of Instructional Design & Delivery and the Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning foster excellence in instruction. The Faculty Center gives faculty from all over campus a central place to gather and work together, encouraging interdisciplinary projects that reach across schools and promoting shared activities.

The Guerrieri Academic Commons is more than just a building. It promises to be a transformative experience for Salisbury University.



Group Study Room











\$8 Million Guerrieri Gift for Academic Commons Transforms Campus



The building is named to honor the Guerrieri family matriarch: Patricia R. Guerrieri.

"Patti Guerrieri often helped others, quietly and privately," Dudley-Eshbach said. "In many ways this new center for learning will do the same: Silent reading, browsing the stacks, conversations centered on classroom collaborations, a refreshing cup of coffee, stimulating exhibits and thought-provoking lectures – all these activities and more will happen within the new complex.

"None of us ever totally knows how such engagement changes lives, but it does. The Patricia R. Guerrieri Academic Commons will, in many thoughtful ways, help others to learn and grow."

On Thursday, May 2, 2013, speaking on behalf of the family, Michael Guerrieri, a longtime SU Foundation board member, eloquently paid tribute to his late mother. He cited her natural curiosity and noted that the family was grateful for the opportunity to honor her "at the very place where she first met our father – on this campus."

"It is our hope that the new Patricia R. Guerrieri Academic Commons will put smiles on the faces of all who use it and enable them to do special things for people in the community," Michael Guerrieri said.

Inside the Guerrieri Academic Commons

By Nancy Talbott '16

For decades, topping the wish list of campus facilities has been a new library. After years of anticipation, this wish finally becomes a reality in fall 2016. The opening of the Patricia R. Guerrieri Academic Commons marks a revolution in learning for Salisbury University. With a new library, new café, and ample space for study and research, the University now has a beautiful – and state-of-the-art – academic hub. In addition to its amazing library services, the Guerrieri Academic Commons is also the place to find the new and expanded homes of several growing student, faculty and community learning centers. Read on about what the new facility means to these support offices.

Center for Student Achievement

The Center for Student Achievement's (CSA) new home in the Guerrieri Academic Commons will provide students with a greater opportunity "to access all of the CSA services in a centrally located site," said Dr. Heather Holmes, director of the CSA. "Currently, the CSA operates from four different locations around campus. The new space will allow us to reach our goal of providing academic support to all undergraduate students – from orientation to graduation.

Features of the center's new location include a closer proximity to the library's resources and other academic offices, an expanded floor plan, a private coaching space, an open study room, Supplemental Instruction session and training rooms, and a tutoring lab. The CSA will be using this larger area to enhance its approach to academic coaching. "The expanded space will allow us to maintain the successful programs that we have created over the past eight years and incorporate new ideas to support the changing needs and interest

of the SU student body," explained Holmes. The CSA staff looks forward to the opportunities that the Guerrieri Academic Commons provides and is excited to partner with other faculty as they work to create what George D. Kuh, the director of the National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment, calls a "seamless learning environment."

Students are encouraged to visit the CSA "early and often." Its staff are constantly working to support students and their academic goals, and a partnership with such a dedicated office can make all the difference.

Math Emporium

One of the greatest improvements in the relocated Mathematics and Computer Science Tutoring Center is its place in the new Math Emporium, which will provide a space for students to meet and study outside of regular tutoring hours.

Dr. Donald Spickler, chair of the Mathematics and Computer Science Department, explained that since its opening, the center's mission has been "to act as the primary tutoring facility for mathematics and computer science classes."

In addition to its new study space, the center's ability to help students is increasing with its larger floor plan and more accessible location. Its new place on the second floor of the Guerrieri Academic Commons provides the potential for expanded tutor availability and weekend tutoring hours, both of which will aid the center in helping SU students more efficiently. With additional space for up to 30 more individuals, 18 computer workstations and an audio/visual presentation system, the center is ready to take the next step in better serving the campus community.

"The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science pours the majority of its resources into providing the best possible out-of-class learning experiences," said Spickler. "Every semester, nearly 25 percent of the entire student body of Salisbury University will take a 100- or 200-level mathematics or computer science course ... if a student is having difficulty in a class or simply wants some help with a homework problem, the tutors are there for them."









Thawing relations between Cuba and the U.S. continue to make headlines, including a March visit by President Barack Obama. A few weeks prior to his historic trip, SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach was in Havana for an international higher education conference. She discusses her experiences in this Q&A with SUMagazine.



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From Salisbury to Cuba: The Arc of Change

You came back from Cuba with new perspectives, which you shared with the campus. Yet, this was not your first time visiting the country. You also visited in 2002. How did your most recent trip compare?

Much remains unchanged as compared to my visit 14 years ago. The most noticeable difference is that the country, Havana in particular, is poised for a dramatic increase in U.S. tourism. New hotels are being built, and mom and pop businesses are making the most of it. In-home restaurants called "paladares" cater to tourists, and Cubans who own vintage automobiles in mint condition hover outside the best hotels, hoping to interest Americans in a trip down memory lane ... all for a few dollars or euros.

One thing you've mentioned in writing about your visits is the spirit of the Cuban people. Did you find, 14 years later, that there still exists a certain spirit despite what some might consider a harsher quality of life than in the U.S.?

Cubans have an indomitable spirit. Though they make do with very little, family ties are close, and simple pleasures are savored. A walk with a sweetheart along the "malecon," Havana's waterfront, or sitting under a shade tree around a plaza while listening to live music – these are but two examples of how Cubans seem to enjoy daily life despite economic hardship.

Both of your visits to Cuba were academic in nature. This time you joined the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) in attending the International Congress of Higher Education. Can you talk about the panel you served on during that conference?

Cuba greatly values education, and this conference dealt with issues facing colleges and universities around the world. My panel specifically pointed to the types of partnerships that currently exist between Maryland's public universities and their Cuban counterparts, and, importantly, how we might build upon these in the future. Many universities around the globe have partnerships with the University of Havana, but Cuban institutions outside of Havana have great interest in working with us.

You also were representing the University System of Maryland. What opportunities for collaborations in higher education may exist between our state or our nation, and Cuba?

The opportunities are endless, and the desire on the part of Cubans for faculty and student exchanges is strong. But there are very real fiscal issues that will prove to be an impediment for Cubans who may wish to come here. As for those of us who are fortunate enough to go to Cuba, the lack of adequate internet access precludes the types of research and general communications to which our academic communities are accustomed.

How did your fluency in Spanish and scholarship in Latin American literature help you connect with the Cuban people?

The Cuban people are very friendly, and they absolutely burst into smile when they hear my fluent Spanish. Speaking the language is obviously an enormous advantage, opening doors to new relationships and providing the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding, whether of academics or political realities. The average Latin American perceives U.S. citizens as being very ethnocentric, so they are surprised to learn of an American university president who is well-versed in their societal realities and culture.

What else did you do while in Cuba? What were some of the takeaways?

My trip was brief and mostly focused on the conference. But, since I had been to Havana previously, I did spend part of a day playing tour guide to a number of AASCU colleagues. We toured Old





Havana, including a visit to the hotel Ambos Mundos, where Ernest Hemingway wrote a number of novels.

Currently, SU has study abroad agreements with institutions in a number of countries. Now that the trade restrictions between the U.S. and Cuba have been relaxed, do you think there is a possibility of a similar arrangement being made there?

I believe so. A number of Salisbury University faculty and staff may join me in the fall for a trip to Cuba, where we hope to explore a relationship between SU and the University of Matanzas, about an hour outside Havana.

Having seen Cuba's infrastructure first-hand, how do you think the relaxed trade restrictions might impact that country or the U.S.?

While the Obama administration has relaxed some travel and trade restrictions, the embargo largely remains in place, and travel for tourism purposes is still prohibited. Things may open up and change quickly, but by no means is travel easy in Cuba. Roads outside the capital are poor and poorly marked. Credit cards issued by U.S. banks are not accepted.

Internet and cell phone connectivity are limited. Cuba's main international airport is not ready for large numbers of visitors to the country. Once these types of issues are resolved, both the U.S. and Cuba will benefit, economically and politically.

Based on your experiences, what was the Cubans' overall impression of Raul Castro? And Fidel?

Cubans seem to be downright apathetic about Raul. But most venerate Fidel, especially the less economically fortunate. They see Fidel as a man who came from a wealthy, privileged family, but who committed his life to improving the lot of the average Cuban. Some, perhaps much, of that feeling is clearly the result of 60 plus years of Castro government propaganda. By cutting all ties with the Castro government in 1959-60, the U.S. set the stage for Cuba's revolution to turn socialist and for the Castro government to blame the country's woes on the U.S. embargo. Still, the Cuban people see this as political squabble and are very friendly toward the American people. Most Cubans hunger for closer relationships.

Are there lessons for Americans from Cuba and its history?

Yes, I think so. People in countries around the world want self-determination and will resist having their economies or their governments controlled by an outside, more powerful nation.

The U.S. is a multicultural nation. What might we learn from the Cuban people and our neighbors to the south?

Many of the problems we face here in the United States are due to a lack of familial cohesiveness, a lack of basic values. This, in turn, leads to a lack of resilience when hardships arise, which they invariably do. We seem to have lost sight of the importance of certain principles – kindness toward others, concern for the less fortunate, a belief in working toward community and societal goals. It's also important that we learn from others, celebrating our differences as well as our commonalities.

Your interest in Cuba has spanned more than four decades. Do you have any plans to return?

I do hope to. As stated earlier, there may be opportunities with the University of Matanzas or other Cuban universities. Cubans are eager for these exchanges, and we can learn from them, as well.

SU Dedicates Conway Hall

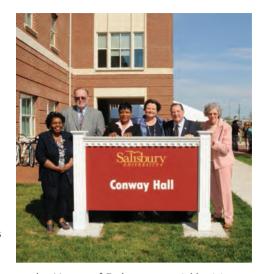
Salisbury University alumnus Norman H. Conway has dedicated his life to education and the public good. In spring 2016, his Alma Mater recognized his devotion to learning, to the Eastern Shore and to all of Maryland by rededicating its awardwinning Teacher Education and Technology Center as Conway Hall.

A member of the Maryland House of Delegates from 1987-2015 and chair of its powerful Appropriations Committee from 2003-2014, Conway was instrumental in helping SU secure funding for the building, which opened in 2008. During his tenure with the legislature, he also supported the construction of SU's Patricia R. Guerrieri Academic Commons, Perdue Hall and Henson Science Hall; its Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art; the transfer of Delmarva Public Radio to the University; and the creation of SU's M.S.W. program, among other projects.

"Many people may not fully understand the complexities involved in gaining funding for new academic buildings, though I think most people appreciate the challenges sometimes faced in navigating the political waters of Annapolis," said SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach.

"For nearly three decades, Salisbury University and this entire region had an extremely influential advocate working on our behalf in Delegate Norman Conway. His efforts were significant in shaping the University's ability to grow and expand over the past 15 years. The name Conway Hall will remind current and future students of what he has done for this campus and what they, too, can accomplish with an SU education."

After earning his B.A. in education from then Salisbury State Teachers College in 1965, Conway returned to earn his M.Ed. in 1972. He became a well-known figure in the Wicomico County education community as a teacher, vice principal and principal. During this time, he was elected to the Salisbury City Council, serving four years as president. In 1986, he was elected



to the House of Delegates, quickly rising through the ranks of leadership.

For Conway, the focus was always on people, from the thousands of voters he represented in the House of Delegates to the SU students for whom he helped gain internships in the General Assembly (including many in his office throughout the years).

Making Marketing Connections: Under Armour

By Christina K. Gordy '03

This year marks the 20th anniversary of Under Armour, but as the mega-brand likes to say "Twenty Years and We're Just Getting Started." Thanks to the support of Salisbury University alumnae and Under Armour employees Britni Shields '10 and Kimberly George '13, students from the SU Marketing Excellence Club had the opportunity to tour Under Armour Global Headquarters in Baltimore, MD, and learn first-hand about this powerhouse company.

Britni began her career as a customer service representative at Under Armour right after graduating from SU and is currently an associate manager for digital marketing. Kimberly joined Under Armour in 2014 and is a visual presentation assistant.

Students were given an extensive tour of the facility and introduced to senior-level executives in recruiting, marketing, brand management and digital marketing.

"I remember being in their shoes and dreading the question 'What kind of marketing do you want to do?' because I didn't really understand the breadth of opportunities," shared Britni. "The students were able to meet with marketing professionals in a variety of roles to get an idea of different marketing silos and



how they all work together. Additionally, seeing the marketing lifecycle from conception to execution really helped give a wide-angle view of real marketing campaigns."

Kim shared her experience with the retail industry and encouraged students to keep working toward their goals.

Paula Morris, club advisor and marketing faculty, shared: "Students gain an understanding of corporate culture by visiting alumni in their real work environments. Being on location helps students see how different companies approach their customers and how marketing interacts with other business functions."

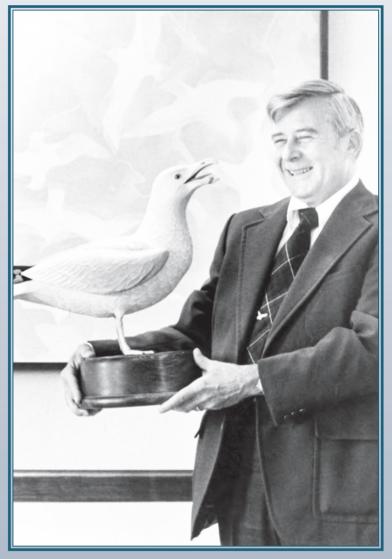
Dana Seman, communications director of the Marketing Excellence Club, said, "As alumni remember their positive experiences from Salisbury University, they continually spread their knowledge of our school, as they are now international ambassadors for SU!" **SU**Magazine I N M E M O R I A M

Remembering DR. NORMAN CRAWFORD

By G. Ray Thompson, Ph.D. – History Professor Emeritus (The following is excerpted from the eulogy delivered May 20, 2016, at Dr. Crawford's funeral)

Although Dr. Norman Crawford's life-long passion for Salisbury State College athletics is well-known, I recently interviewed him, discovering other equally important features. He was immensely proud of the role that Boy Scouts had played in his character development and spoke also of how various jobs had prepared him for the SSC presidency. Between 1970-1980, he "grew" the college. At his arrival on campus there were 61 faculty; in the next two years that number more than tripled. The student body grew as quickly. Norm felt very keenly that a very important part of his legacy was the racial integration of the campus. In 1970, there were only three African American students on campus; two years later there were 11; and in 1980, there were 430. He also hired African American faculty and was considered a father figure to the African-American fraternity. Those were forward-thinking accomplishments of which he could be proud.

Equally as important was the spirit of "family" that he and Garnette engendered. They made faculty and students feel part of a closely knit family. Once my wife and I joined the faculty in 1972, we quickly realized how fortunate we were to be a part of an institution that really cared about its faculty and its students. The Crawfords were at EVERY campus event, whether it was athletics, poetry readings, student organization initiations, fall Oktoberfest, or hosting fall dinners and spring picnics for us. They



opened their home for all of us – we tromped through it as if it were our own. They spoke personally to each of us – got to know us – and in subsequent conversations continued those personal conversations. I am most impressed that Norm could remember so much about each of us – our children's names, their interests and their schools, and details of our own academic and personal lives. He knew our strengths and appreciated them. This was indeed a time of family.

Norm was ahead of his time. Long before that phrase "it takes a village" was popularized, he recognized the power of bringing people together and of valuing them for who they were and for their individual talents. He encouraged each of us, trusting us to do our jobs in the classroom and giving us the freedom to develop courses and programs that strengthened the school. He mentored us, encouraging us to engage with students as teachers, advisors and sponsors of student organizations. On more than one occasion, Dr. Crawford sat in on my class just because ...!

He often could be found strolling around campus, speaking with students. His daughters also frequently were seen on campus. The Crawfords attended campus bonfires and observed the occasional nude pyramids in the Quad and the harmless streaking at Honors Convocation or late night in Blackwell Library. Faculty will recall the commencement when a student strode

across the stage brandishing a bottle of champagne, shook the president's hand and handed him the bottle, then proudly walked from the stage.

Much could be said about President Crawford; he was very human and humane; he remained a friend over the years, still remembering those special things about each of us that made us feel cared for and appreciated. Norm, we will miss you. Your legacy remains strong!

Where the Road Began

by Nancy Talbott '16



Dr. Mark Brennan never would have imagined himself as a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) chair and Pennsylvania State professor when he graduated from Salisbury University in 1992.

Growing up in Pennsylvania, Brennan applied for admission to SU after visiting the campus with friends who already were students. When asked what had sold him on the SU experience, he confessed, "it just seemed like a good fit." Brennan went on to say that he was not a picture-perfect student when he first walked through SU's doors, but by the time he graduated, his placement on the Dean's List and his perfect attendance record were evidence of his evolution as an undergraduate student.

"My SU experience was transformational," Brennan said. "It focused me and got me on a path." Brennan had started his time at Salisbury without a plan for anything beyond a bachelor's degree. After switching majors multiple times and exploring the school's options, he made his final decision to be a sociology major.

As a graduate student, Brennan earned his master's degree in rural sociology from Pennsylvania State University before beginning his work in the social science research field. Brennan later returned to PennState and earned his Ph.D. in philosophy – rural sociology before spending time at the University of Florida as a professor. Six years later, he accepted his position at PennState before becoming a UNESCO chair.

While considering his time with UNESCO, Brennan explained that having the ability to do work that is being used on a global level is his greatest accomplishment. As one of 20 UNESCO chairs in the United States, Brennan participates on a board of scholars who meet in order to discuss methods of both preventing tragedies and resolving current issues. Both as an individual and in his group efforts, Brennan focuses his work and research on providing educational and community opportunities to worldwide youth in an effort to discourage extremism. By teaching basic literacy skills to community members of low-income countries, Brennan said, the average lifespan per capita would increase, while extremism among youth would significantly decrease. These potential results have become one of Brennan's key inspirations during his work with UNESCO, giving him both a goal to work toward and a passion to embrace.

Brennan attributed his urgency and passion for the global field to his work with Phil Bosserman, the late SU educator,

humanitarian and namesake of SU's Bosserman Center for Conflict Resolution. Bosserman, who was one of Brennan's professors during his time at SU, was also his long-time mentor and friend. "This is the field that Phil started," Brennan said,

"and I'm lucky enough to be a part of it."

In addition to his work with UNESCO, Brennan also enjoys his job as a professor and the influence he is able to have on his students, just as he experienced during his time at SU. He remembers his



Phil Bosserman

undergraduate professors fondly, especially Drs. Charles Cipolla and Allan Pappas, and said they were "not just stuffy academics. They were people. Activists." They showed Brennan the impact that his work could have on the world by stressing the importance of not only doing research, but also on applying the results to his surroundings. "SU instilled academic excellence," Brennan said. "They instilled [in me] how important it was to view research as a craft."

When asked about what his future holds, Brennan confided that he and a group of other scholars are developing a program that will work toward the development of empathy in worldwide youth in an effort to further UNESCO's goal of bringing peace through education. In addition, he plans to continue his partnership with Salisbury University through future UNESCO presentations and projects. "The path that Salisbury started me on has been remarkable," he said, and he looks forward to continuing that path with the school where it all started.



Teachers Who Inspire

From its origins as a teacher college to its recent spree of state Teacher of the Year winners, Salisbury University has a long and exceptional history of producing amazing teachers. Two such teachers were honored with national awards for their excellence.

Carrie Kerchner was named a Knowles Science Teaching Foundation (KSTF) 2015 Teaching Fellow. The five-year, early-career award is valued at up to \$150,000. Only 34 were honored nationwide; all are promising high school mathematics and science teachers.

Kerchner is a first-year algebra teacher at Wicomico High School. She earned bachelor's degrees in marketing (2004) and mathematics/secondary education (2014) from SU and is starting the M.S. in Mathematics Education Program this fall.

"Over the last 10 years, I realized that teaching mathematics is my true calling," she said, after transitioning from a sales/marketing management career. "I am passionate about mathematics, and ... I cannot think of a better way to use my passion than shaping the minds of children."

KSTF's signature Teaching Fellows Program empowers young teachers to foster educational improvement by reaching thousands of students each year and taking on leadership roles to strengthen math and science classroom education.

KSTF's goal is to create a sustainable corps of teachers who are trained and supported from the beginning of their careers and have the capacity to drive positive change in the U.S. educational system. This includes combatting challenges related to shortages of quality teachers and lagging student

interest and proficiency in STEM areas.

Nominated by students they once taught, Teresa Timmons-Parrott was one of just 13 teachers honored with the 2015 Kennedy Center/Stephen Sondheim Inspirational Teacher Awards, which publicly recognize teachers by spotlighting their extraordinary impact on the lives of students.

Timmons-Parrott joined Maryland's Montgomery County Public Schools in 2014 as an ESOL instructor and in summer 2016 became its ESOL Department chair. She earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education (2003) and an M.A. in English with an ESOL concentration (2006) from SU.

"Dedicating my life to guide students, passing down knowledge and helping them





realize they actually have great potential are the true joys of teaching," she explained. "It goes beyond just teaching the material – it's about making a personal connection with the students to help them develop their talents and achieve their goals."

Her nominator Bumjun Kim shared the transformational moment that Timmons-Parrott inspired: "One day, I found myself at a crossroads as I became completely enthralled in a lesson Mrs. Parrott taught about Desi Arnaz ... I couldn't believe it, someone producing the inspirational vibes that music offered also hated school as a young boy and was uprooted from his country to the U.S. as well – I was living this life!"

Timmons-Parrott's SU connections run deep: both of her parents, her husband of 30 years and her daughter are alumni.

Are You Looking to Change Your Career or Advance In Your Current Field?

Both Carrie and Teresa, featured in the story above, came back to SU for graduate school to help reach their long-term career goals. Have you been considering a career change or enhancing your skills to advance your career? It may be time for you to check out SU's graduate programs. There are a variety of offerings – including completely online programs and the new Master of Science in Athletic Training. Or, perhaps the doctoral program in education would be a good fit? With nearly 20 possible degree options, you are sure to find the program that is the right fit. To learn more, visit:

www.salisbury.edu/gsr/gradstudies

MASTER'S PROGRAMS

- Applied Biology (M.S.)
- Applied Health Physiology (M.S.)
- Athletic Training (M.S.A.T.)
- Business Administration (M.B.A.)
- Conflict Analysis and Dispute Resolution (M.A.)
- Education (M.Ed.)
- Educational Leadership (M.Ed.)
- English (M.A.)
- Geographic Information Systems Management (M.S.)
- History (M.A.)
- Mathematics Education (M.S.M.E.)
- Nursing (M.S.)
- Reading Specialist (M.Ed.)
- Social Work (M.S.W.)
- Teaching (M.A.T.)

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

- Advanced Technology for Enterprise Systems (ATES)
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

- Education Contemporary Curriculum Theory and Instruction: Literacy (Ed.D.)
- Nursing Practice (D.N.P.)











From Postage Stamps to Harry Potter

By Jason E. Curtin' 98

From Looney Tunes and *The Big Bang Theory*, to Batman and The Lord of the Rings, Warner Bros. Entertainment is one of the most successful motion picture and television studios in the world. In 2016, SU alumnus Barry Ziehl '91 was named its senior vice president of public affairs and strategic initiatives. He oversees the public affairs team, including corporate responsibility, philanthropy and sustainability initiatives, and heads government and community relations, ultimately helping to enhance Warner Bros.' brand reputation worldwide.

Ziehl began his career with Warner Brothers Consumer Products in 1999, moving up in successive roles. He led global marketing campaigns supporting DC Entertainment and drove public relations efforts for licensing, retail and promotional programs, including the launch of The Wizarding World of Harry Potter. The following is a Q&A with Ziehl.

How did you end up choosing Salisbury?

I applied to a few schools and then-SSU, now-SU, felt right to me. The campus, the location and the vibe felt far enough away from home ... but just close enough.

What was your experience at then-SSU like?

Great all-around. As with anything in life, an opportunity is what you make of it and take from it. Going in, I didn't know what direction I might be heading. I knew I was a strong writer, so I went down the communications path. Those four years created life-long connections and a foundation that, ultimately, allowed me to launch into the next stage of my life.

What has your career path been like after SU?

After leaving SU, I took an internship in the communications department at the headquarters of the U.S. Postal Service in Washington, D.C. I was making all of \$8 an hour, but that's where I really began to magnify my learning experience. I was getting exposure to everything from running a small television studio to running communication campaigns for America's stamp program. It was in this role that I crossed paths with the executive from

Warner Bros. who would, ultimately, recruit me. In 1999.



my family and I moved to Los Angeles to begin a professional and personal adventure that has lasted 17 years to this point.

What advice would you give students or younger alumni?

Work hard, really hard. It's the time in your life when most of us have maximum capacity to learn, grow and gain experience. In school, I learned how to be open to learning, how to be independent and how to be responsible for my actions. The key to success is creating opportunities for yourself and taking full advantage of every one you get. Right now, companies are looking for the fresh ideas that only the next generation of learners can bring to the table. Be courageous.

You support SU as part of your personal philanthropy. Why?

I'm proud to be an alumnus and I think it's important to support the institution for generations to come. As the reputation of SU grows stronger and stronger, [it] reflects well on all graduates – whether you graduated in 1991 or 2016.

What else keeps you busy aside from Warner Brothers?

My family ... with a senior in high school and a sophomore in college, we are appreciating every opportunity we have to be together. I also serve on the board of Operation Amped, a non-profit I helped start 10 years ago, whose mission is to share the "stoke" of the surfing community and the healing potential of surfing with seriously ill, injured or disabled U.S. military veterans and their families.

What's next for you?

When my wife and I made the decision to move to LA, I never dreamed we would still be here and that the WB experience would be so diverse and enriching. I'm enjoying every moment [of the new role]. It's been great to revisit the foundation of learning that began in 1987 when I walked onto the SU campus for the first time.

Searching for Amelia

By Jerry Wilson '62

Jerry Wilson '62 retired in 2000 after a career in education, which included positions of teacher, coach, principal and 20 years as superintendent of Riverside School District in Chattaroy, WA. Since 2004, Jerry and his wife, El, have been researching the mystery of Amelia Earhart's disappearance in 1937. This involved 10 trips to Guam and the Northern Marianas, plus several U.S. states, in efforts to gain more information on the mystery and possibly shed some additional light on the subject. The following is a brief summary of those efforts, realizing it is difficult to briefly summarize 12 years of research. This is their account:

El and I had developed an interest in World War II and were on the island of Saipan in November 2004 when we saw a newspaper article about an expedition looking for the graves of Amelia Earhart and her navigator Fred Noonan on Tinian, which is three miles south of Saipan. We were headed for Tinian and were very interested.

On Tinian, we were graciously invited to participate and accepted. The expedition was a disaster, but we thought there was good logic that the graves were on Tinian, just not in that location. As they say in Earhart circles, we had the Earhart fever, like so many thousands of others.

Nine additional trips to Guam and the Northern Marianas, including many hours walking through the hot steamy jungle, being chased by bees, falling in holes and over vines, we narrowed down our views on the subjects. Our basic goal was to find a specific curve in an old Japanese road abandoned over 70 years and overgrown by the jungle.

There were three issues:

- What happened to Amelia and Fred, and were their graves on Tinian?
- What happened to their plane, the *Electra*?
- Who was responsible for the plane, as well as Amelia and Fred, after the plane went down?

Our research has been focused on the mystery, from the Japanese perspective. The key issue, which has been ignored, is the conflict between the Japanese navy and the Japanese army in the 1930s and 1940s to a point that military action almost took place between the two services. When the *Electra* went down near Mili island in 1937 and was recovered by the Japanese navy, the main concern for the navy was to keep the possession of the plane a secret from the Japanese army, as well as the U.S. The major purpose was to obtain the new technological advances of the *Electra*, sometimes named

"the flying laboratory."

The primary proponent of Japanese aeronautics was Yamamoto, of Pearl Harbor fame, who, at the time, was immersed in the invasion of China. Yamamoto assigned the entire Earhart situation over to his most trusted advisor Miwa Yoshitake. Thus, Yoshitake became the main character in the Earhart saga until his death on Tinian in 1944.

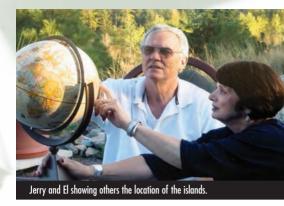
Upon securing the *Electra*, it was decided the best place to take the plane with Amelia and Fred, in secret, was to Palau. A short time later, Amelia and Fred were flown to Saipan for medical care. There the Japanese army executed and buried them near the old Japanese jail. Japanese navy personnel, under direction of Yoshitake, exhumed and reburied them in secret on Tinian.

On Palau, the *Electra* was disassembled and parts were sent to the Japanese navy engineers for analysis and development.

After U.S. forces secured Palau, they found the remains of the plane. In extreme secrecy, the remnants were placed in large wooden crates and shipped, along with large amounts of other material, first to San Diego, then to Norfolk, VA. From Norfolk, the crates were taken to a restricted warehouse in Virginia, where they may well be today.

From all our research, the following items are strong possibilities.

- The graves of Amelia and Fred are in the Tinian jungle 70 ft. southeast of GPS 14-59'-2.20"/145-25'-53'45". We terminated our pursuit of this location since we were denied access to the area less than 24 hours before we were to examine the spot on January 9, 2016.
- The location of the *Electra* remains a mystery. In communicating with authorities in Virginia, we learned there are 57 warehouses that are known, but the public does not have access. Nobody seems







Jerry receiving directions from Joe, a Chamorro national.

to know anything about restricted warehouses. Recently, 300,000 artifacts were transferred from the Washington, D.C., Navy Yard to Richmond, but it will take years to uncrate them. We are terminating this venture.

■ Concerning Miwa Yoshitake, we contacted Japanese authorities, but we were informed that Yoshitake's relatives will not allow information to be released about him. We are terminating this angle also.

Although we have not been successful in some of this, it has been a great adventure. At any rate, we are on to other projects. We will gladly assist anyone who wishes to follow up on this and will be back in Salisbury for Homecoming 2016 if anyone is interested is discussing any of this material. Good hunting!

SU Announces an Honors College

Finith Jernigan '07 is a postdoctoral research fellow at Harvard Medical School. Like many Salisbury University students who grew up around the bay and ocean, he loved the outdoors. A runner and president of the campus Cycling Club, he liked to fish and hunt.

He also was an Honors student. "The (Bellavance) Honors Program played a large role in my continuing on to the Ph.D. program in chemistry at the University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill)," he said. "Two of my top five favorite classes at Salisbury were a part of the program. ... I think the most important part of college is learning how to think, regardless of your major. That is what I enjoyed about the Honors Program the most: Every class I had seemed to be designed not to teach me additional facts, but to improve my thinking. This helped me in my graduate career tremendously and made grad school seem less intimidating."

This Honors experience, which has led to the success of Jernigan and other SU alumni, is something the University wants to provide to more students. This vision becomes a reality in fall 2016 as the Honors Program evolves into the Honors College.

Honors: Then & Now

Dr. James Buss, Honors College dean, wants to see honors course offerings expand through the new structure, particularly in areas such as business, education, nursing, biology and more.

Started 35 years ago by English professor Tony Whall, the first Honors cohort met in a windowless exercise room in the old Tawes Gym, located where Fulton Hall now stands. Many students were philosophy majors; the focus was on the liberal arts. Today, Honors students congregate and learn in the Thomas E. Bellavance Honors Center, a refurbished home at the corner of Camden Avenue and Loblolly Lane, named for SU's sixth president. Several classes are held in Manokin Residence Hall, which houses four freshman Honors Living Learning

"We want to expand the Honors experience," Buss said, "with classes tailored to the needs of each of SU's four academic schools."





















Communities, as well as Sea Gull Square, home to one for sophomores. In the last two years, the number of Honors students has nearly doubled, with its largest freshman class entering this fall. Some 350 total students currently are enrolled, and Buss hopes to see it grow to 400 next year. SU has an undergraduate population of over 7,000 full-time students.

The Honors Experience

This is already the direction administrators have been pursuing. Historically, the program has appealed to liberal arts majors, but today's Honors students hail from across campus, with the majority coming from the Henson School of Science and Technology. Buss hopes that an Honors College will better serve all students and draw faculty from across campus to teach.

Such experiences offer what Buss thinks is the greatest benefit to both faculty and students: the Honors College as an incubator for teaching innovation. "Historically, Living Learning Communities came out of the Honors experience; undergraduate research came out of Honors," he said. Course titles are a cornucopia of creative juxtapositions: Statistics through Baseball; Music and Power; Violence in Video Game Design, Theory and Culture; and Geography of Sport, to name some. Classroom study is supplemented by engaging guest speakers, such as the cartoon editor of The New Yorker, study trips to destinations off the beaten path such as Iceland; and unique volunteer experiences including a horse rescue center.

As SU's new Honors College evolves, Buss expects its students will take some 20-25 percent of courses through its enhanced curriculum, which aligns with national norms in Honors education.

SU's commitment to Honors education benefits students. It already has produced SU's first Gates Cambridge and Fulbright teaching scholars, and many of its alumni have gone on to graduate, medical, law and other professional programs.

Scholarships Make a Difference

Salisbury University's four schools of study annually award a number of scholarships based on financial need.

These scholarship recipients come from diverse backgrounds and go on to earn degrees in a variety of fields.

By minimizing financial debt for these students, you can help them go on to graduate and professional schools, follow their career passions, and serve their communities, all of which will maximize their impact on the world.

2015-2016 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



RYAN SHANNAHAN Class of 2019

Ryan is an accounting major ready to begin his sophomore vear at Salisbury University. He was born and raised in Salisbury, and he developed an interest in accounting at an early age thanks to a love of numbers. His mother, who is an accountant, encouraged his decision and helped expose him to the field. After describing his freshman year at SU as fantastic, he said he will always be grateful for the support provided to him. Ryan explained, "Without my scholarship from Perdue School of Business alumni donors, financing my education would be exponentially more difficult."



GEORGE MORTON Class of 2019

George is a history major going into his sophomore year at Salisbury University. He is from Northfield, NJ, and is an outside linebacker for the SU football team. George said that his favorite quote is "when you stop learning, you stop living." He explained that with the Fulton School of Liberal Arts scholarship he can continue to live his life to its fullest by furthering his education and knowledge of the events that have shaped the world. He confided, "I cannot thank alumni donors enough for what they have given me."



NICHOLAS BUTLER Class of 2018

Nicholas is a junior geography major with an atmospheric science track. He is from Woodstock, MD, and is the vice president of SU's chapter of the American Meteorological Society. As a child, he was fascinated with the work of meteorologists on television and dreamed of doing weatherrelated work. After receiving his scholarship from the Henson School of Science and Technology, Nick said he will always be thankful to alumni donors. He continued, "With alumni support, the SU community has allowed me to transition my personal interests into professional interests that I can pursue for a living."



MORIAH DAVIDSON Class of 2016

Moriah is a 2016 graduate with an elementary education major and a mathematics minor. She is from Owings, MD, and a member of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in education. Due to an SU partnership with an elementary school in Anne Arundel County, Moriah was able to complete her internship close to home and is excited to pursue teaching in the area. Moriah shared that her scholarship from the Seidel School of Education and Professional Studies, provided by alumni donors, helped her pursue her dream career of working with children. "I will be forever grateful," she shared.

Scholarships are in need of financial support from alumni to help current students like Ryan, George, Nicholas and Moriah. Please share SU's enthusiasm for its scholarship programs and contribute today.

www.salisbury.edu/giving



& FAMILY WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 2

Homecoming 2016 is a great opportunity to return to campus, tour the new facilities, and visit with old friends and classmates. From Friday to Sunday, there are activities for everyone to enjoy.

All are invited this year back to campus. Special invitations are extended to those alumni who graduated in a year ending with a 1 or a 6 to return and celebrate their graduation anniversary.

We are offering the Alumni Pre-Game Barbecue again this year. It is offered free for the first time to alumni if you preregister. It includes barbecue, all the sides as well as beverages. This is a family-friendly event with

activities for children and

Make your plans now to return back to campus and be a part of the weekend.

adults to enjoy.

We hope you join us this fall for Homecoming & Family Weekend.



Thursday: Noon: Emeriti Faculty & Retired Staff Luncheon

Guerrieri Academic Commons, Assembly Hall • Reservations required through a special mailing

Friday: 10 a.m.: Golf Outing

Nutters Crossing Golf Course • Cost: \$75 per player, \$260 per team
Pre-registration required: alumni.salisbury.edu/event/HomecomingGolf
Shotgun start, four-person Captain's Choice. Open to everyone, including beginners. Soft spikes or tennis shoes are required. Prizes awarded to closest to the pin, longest drive and best team score.

Friday: 2 p.m.: Resident Hall Association Annual PowderPuff Football Game

Holloway Hall Lawn

For more information, contact Diana Federici at 410-543-6040.

Friday: 6 p.m.: Athletics Hall of Fame Reception and Banquet

Guerrieri Academic Commons, Assembly Hall

Cost: \$30, \$25 past inductee, Pre-registration required:

http://alumni.salisbury.edu/event/H0F2016

SU adds four new members to the Athletics Hall of Fame: 2016 inductees include: Brittany (Elliott) Mitchell 2006 – Field Hockey; Greg Lemon 2006 – Baseball; Sean White 2006 – Men's Lacrosse; Michael Vienna

Saturday: 11 a.m.: Alumni Pre-Game Barbecue

Sea Gull Stadium ● Cost: FREE for alumni who preregister (no tickets will be mailed);
Day-of Cost: \$16 adults, \$10 children 10 & under ● alumni.salisbury.edu/event/BBQ2016
Day-of Registration Begins at 11 a.m.

Join fellow Sea Gulls at the annual Pre-Game Barbecue with all the sides and beverages. Enjoy children's games and activities. Music provided by Beauty for Ashes. Valid ID is required for beverages.

Saturday: 4:30-6:30 p.m.: Multicultural Alumni Jazz Social

Guerrieri Academic Commons, Assembly Hall

Mix and mingle while enjoying a cash bar, free hors d'oeuvres and jazz entertainment featuring Gigi Allen.

















EVENTS FOR **EVERYONE**

SUPPORT THE TEAM!

- Cross Country Don Cathcart Invitational Winter Place Park • 9:45 a.m. Saturday
- Football vs. The College of New Jersey Sea Gull Stadium • 1 p.m. Saturday The SU Pep Band entertains during the game.
- Men's Soccer vs. Mary Washington Soccer Field • 2 p.m. Saturday
- Women's Soccer vs. Mary Washington Soccer Field • 2 p.m. Saturday
- Field Hockey vs. Mary Washington Sea Gull Stadium • 7 p.m. Saturday







DINING EXPERIENCES

- A Taste of the Chesapeake Commons, Bistro • 4:30-7:30 p.m. Friday Enjoy live entertainment and Eastern Shore favorites.
- Jazz Brunch Commons, Bistro • 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday











FNJOY ARTS & CULTURE

- Sea Gull Shopping at the Bookstore & Stadium Store
- **SU Art Galleries Exhibits:** For current exhibits and events, visit www.salisburv.edu/universitvaalleries
- **Adventures In Ideas: Humanities Seminar -**American Experience in Maryland History with Aston Gonzalez & Creston Long

Conway Hall 179, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Cost (including continental breakfast & lunch): \$30 To register contact Donna Carey: 410-543-6450 or dmcarey@salisbury.edu



Homecoming Faculty/Alumni Recital Holloway Hall, Great Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Please join us for Homecoming and Family Weekend 2016. With class reunions, an alumni barbecue, athletic event and performances, there's something for everyone. For a comprehensive schedule, a list of individual reunion events and registration, visit:

alumni.salisbury.edu/homecoming2016





FVFNTS FOR FAMILIES

Saturday: 4-6 p.m.: City of Salisbury Social

Downtown Salisbury Visitors Center ● 110 N. Division St., Salisbury The Downtown Trolley circulates from the Perdue Hall bus stop to the Visitor's Center The City of Salisbury and SU's Town-Gown Council welcomes SU students and their families to visit to the newly created Visitors Center to mingle and learn about the

exciting revitalization efforts going on in the area. Hop aboard the trolley to learn about the unique events, shops and restaurants!

Saturday: 6-8 p.m.: Bangin' Bingo Guerrieri University Center, Wicomico Room Purchase your \$5 bingo card for an evening of family fun and a chance to win awesome prizes!

Find more information on Family Weekend

www.salisbury.edu/parents/ familyweekend



ALUMNI

Dear Fellow Alumni,



Salisbury University has definitely changed in the 10 years since my undergraduate graduation. New buildings have been constructed, and new majors and doctoral programs have been created, but the one constant over the

years is the great people who make up the SU family. The faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends of Salisbury University continue to support the University and each other by dedicating their time and abilities to strive to make the SU community a better place.

During my first year as president of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, I have seen firsthand the passion that our alumni have for our University during Homecoming, nominations for alumni awards, regional alumni events and through our alumni giving. As we welcome the largest graduation class in the history of Salisbury University to the SU Alumni Association, we know that this group will continue the legacy of giving back to our Alma Mater.

Homecoming & Family Weekend is a little earlier this year, with our major alumni events

running Friday-Saturday, September 30-October 2. This year, the Alumni Association is offering free food and beverage bracelets at the Pre-Game Barbecue to all alumni who preregister! This has been a growing tradition during Homecoming, so I encourage you to preregister and attend this tremendous event. This year we celebrate reunion years of those who graduated in years ending in 1 and 6, but everyone is invited. For a full list of activities and events, please visit

alumni.salisbury.edu/homecoming2016.

Thank you to all those who made a gift during the 2016 fiscal year! Your continued financial support of all things Salisbury has directly helped our students in their pursuit of an outstanding collegiate experience. Making a gift, becoming a mentor or hosting students at your place of business – these are all ways we shape our legacy as alumni while making an impact on the current and future students at Salisbury University.

Respectfully,

Tulius M. Janes Tr. 206 M209

Julius M. Jones Jr. '06, M'09 Alumni Association Board President



Scholarship Recipients: Alumni Director Jayme Block with Shannon Bull (Alumni Scholarship Recipient), Anna Robertson (Robert T. Schultheis Scholarship Recipient) and Cindy Phillips, Immediate Past President of the SU Alumni Association

Foxwell Honored with Service to Society Award

His manner is friendly and thoughtful. His sense of humor infectious. And working quietly behind the scenes in the corridors of power, SU alumnus Len Foxwell has positively impacted the lives of virtually every Marylander.

The SU Alumni Association honored him with its prestigious Service to Society Award during the University's 90th-year Fall Commencement.

Earning his B.A. in political science

from SU in 1992, Foxwell has spent most of his career in government. Currently the chief of staff for Maryland Comptroller Peter Franchot, he formerly served as director of



government relations for the Greater Washington Board of Trade, the Maryland Department of Transportation's director of Washington-area transit programs and the press secretary for Governor Parris Glendening's successful 1998 re-election campaign.

In analyzing the most influential people in Maryland government, Center Maryland blogger Josh Kurtz said, "There are plenty of operatives out there who are talented and indispensable to their principals. But only Foxwell has actually changed the trajectory of Maryland politics," crediting him with helping to shape the political careers of not only Franchot, but other elected officials.

Prior to joining the Comptroller's Office in 2007, Foxwell served as SU's assistant to the President for government and community relations. "He continues to be a tremendous advocate for SU throughout Annapolis on both sides of party lines," said SU President Janet Dudley Eshbach.

Foxwell has remained active at SU as a member of the Alumni Association's board of directors, a classroom speaker, and a past board member for the University's Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement. He also is active in his home community of Easton, MD, where he coaches Little League and teaches Character Counts! at Easton Elementary School.

Alumni Spotlight:

Ron McGann '88 (Liberal and Professional Studies)

Current Employer

J.P. Morgan Private Bank

Current Occupation

Vice Chairman

Describe your career path.

I joined J.P. Morgan in 1989 and began my career in the Residential Real Estate Finance Group. In 1994, I was promoted to Vice President and Team Leader of the Group. In 1997, I joined the Corporate Executive Client Coverage Team as a Relationship Manager.

I later became Managing Director and Market Manager for the Financial Institutions Principals Group, a group I founded in 2000, and the team currently manages approximately \$19 billion in assets. This group works exclusively with individuals in the financial services industry, advising them and their families on a variety of matters — including asset allocation and investment management, traditional capital and liquidity strategies, and wealth transfer opportunities and execution. In October 2008, I was named to Worth magazine's Top U.S. Wealth Advisor list.

In my current role as Vice Chairman at J.P. Morgan Private Bank, I advise the most senior level executives in the financial institutions sector as well as entrepreneurs and dealmakers on Wall Street. I moved into this senior advisory role in 2015 to help the growth and evolution of the U.S. Private Bank, and to mentor teams around these complex and unique segments.

Most important thing you learned while attending Salisbury?

I was a student-athlete at Salisbury, which taught me many valuable life lessons. I learned how to manage my time and complete items prior to deadlines. Most importantly, I also learned how to become a leader.

What campus activities/organization were you involved with?

I played on the lacrosse team all four years while attending Salisbury.

Best college memory at Salisbury?

I met my wife, Jennifer, while at Salisbury. We were both members of the 1988 graduating class, which was the first to graduate with the school having a University status.

Why did you choose Salisbury?

Salisbury offered me the opportunity to pursue business education as well as play competitive lacrosse. The school felt like a tight-knit community and offered many activities and opportunities for students.

If you could describe Salisbury in three words, what would they be and why?

Educational. Leadership. Growth.

Favorite vacation spot and why?

My family took a trip in 2015 to Ireland and were able to tour through the majority of the country. It was amazing to see the countryside and experience the local culture. The highlight of the trip was visiting the house where my grandfather was born.

Greatest accomplishment?

My greatest accomplishment is my family; we all share in each other's successes.

What is something people don't know about you?

I enjoy playing the sport of platform tennis.

Hobbies/other interests?

I also enjoy playing golf and running. My love of sports has stayed with me since my days on the lacrosse field at Salisbury!



On October 22, 2015,

Ron was the featured speaker for the Franklin P. Perdue School of Business Fall 2015 Executive Leadership Series. In addition to the public lecture, Ron spent time with members of the SU community sharing his experiences.



on with Perdue School Student Business Leader:



Ron shared with current players how SU lacrosse played a pivotal role in his leadership development



Alumni Gatherings

SU at Washington Nationals • July 18, 2015 SU Alumni at North Hollywood's Front Yard • September 21, 2015 SU Flying to San Diego's Las Hadas Bar & Grill • September 23, 2015 SU Alumni in New York City's Long Room • September 24, 2015 SU Paint Nite • December 18, 2015 SU Alumni at Washington Wizards • January 16, 2016 Frederick Area Alumni Event at JoJo's • February 4, 2016

Denver-Area Alumni Event • February 4, 2016
CoreFirst Fitness Event • March 10, 2016
Hartford, CT, Happy Hour • March 31, 2016
Women's SAFE Course • April 20, 2016
JP Morgan Chase Visit • April 25, 2016
SU Alumni at Camden Yards • June 4, 2016
Athletic Training Alumni Event • M&T Bank Stadium • Thursday, June 23, 2016





























Numni Athletic Reunions: Gulls Fly Home































New Alumni Board Members

The SU Alumni Association welcomed seven new members to its board of directors: Ashley Hammond, Jessica Howard, Sara Lewis, Lili Leonard, Katherine Mooney, Tyler Patton and Brian Wobensmith.

Hammond earned a B.A. in communication arts in 2008 and an M.Ed. in post-secondary education in 2010. She is director of online education for Allterra Group, LLC, in Salisbury.

Howard earned a B.A. in communication arts in 1990. She is currently an executive assistant for Mitre in McLean, VA.

Sara Lewis earned an M.B.A. in 1998 at SU. She is currently a senior supply planner with Perdue Farms, Inc. in Salisbury.

Leonard earned a B.A. in sociology and minor in gender studies in 2009, an M.Ed. in 2011 and is currently pursuing a doctor of education at Frostburg State University. She is the director of development and individual giving for Whitman-Walker Health in Washington, D.C.

Mooney earned a B.S. in business management with a focus in human resources and information systems and a minor in conflict analysis dispute resolution in 2014. She is a recruiter for Prime Solutions, LLC in Columbia, MD.

Patton earned a B.S. in political science in 2005 and an M.Ed. in 2008. He currently is the vice president of public affairs for Maryland Broadband Cooperative, Inc.

Wobensmith earned a B.S. in geography in 1996 and an M.B.A. in acquisition and contract management from Naval Postgraduate School in















Monterey, CA. He currently is Lieutenant Colonel and director of Marine Corps Installations - National Capital Region, Regional Contracting Office in Quantico, VA.

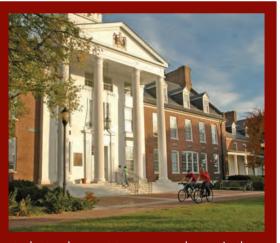
CREATING YOUR LEGACY

Salisbury University alumna Stephanie Willey '82 believes in the idea of "always going to your joy."

For her, it's music and singing.

Stephanie plans to help future SU students follow their passion for vocal and musical performance, as well as theatre and dance, by creating the Stephanie T. Willey Performing Arts Scholarship. A planned gift, the scholarship will be funded via an IRA that Willey has designated to SU upon her passing.

"What I wanted to do was leave a legacy," said Stephanie, a local sales manager for Comcast Spotlight. "I believe that higher education is very important and the arts face issues with funding nationwide; I thought I could make the biggest difference for



students who want to pursue a degree in the performing arts.

"To me, it is important to leave something in perpetuity. While I don't have the financial means to create this scholarship now, a planned gift allows me to leave a legacy that will last forever. It was so easy to create!"

If you have already created a legacy gift for SU or wish to talk about your legacy, please contact Donna D. Brittingham '83 at 410-677-0084 or ddbrittingham@salisbury.edu.

ALUMNI BENEFIT!

As an alumnus,
you receive alumni benefits
with GEICO insurance.
GEICO gives our alumni
many types of insurance
discounts and supports
SU programming –
such as our Senior
Celebration that we host
each spring.



Call for Nominations: Faculty Appreciation Awards

Was there a faculty member who was influential in making a positive impression on you while at SU or one whose teachings have further enriched your professional or personal life? Nominations are being taken for Faculty Appreciation Awards to be presented by the Salisbury University Alumni Association at the December 2016 Commencement ceremony. The Alumni Association will honor one faculty member from each of the four schools who has made a lasting impression on alumni.

For a complete list of eligible faculty members and nomination guidelines, go to: http://alumni.salisbury.edu



The 2015 Faculty Appreciation Award winners were honored during SU's 90th-year Fall Commencement. (From left) Recipients: Dr. Michael O'Loughlin, Dr. Stephen Gehnrich, Dr. Richard Hoffman and Dr. Carol Wood.

Previous Recipients

Fulton School of Liberal Arts

- Charles Cipolla 2001
- Donald Whaley 2002
- Jerry Miller 2003
- Harry Basehart 2004
- Tony Whall 2005 ■ Frances Kendall — 2006
- G. Ray Thompson 2007
- Allan Pappas 2008
- Wayne Ackerson 2009
- Clara Small 2010
- George Whitehead 2011
- T. Paul Pfeiffer 2012
- Robert Smith 2013
- John Wenke 2014
- Michael O'Loughlin 2015
- **Perdue School of Business**
- Gerard DiBartolo 2001
- Joseph Quinn 2002
- Douglas Marshall 2003
- Kashi Khazeh 2004
- Fatollah Salimian 2005
- Memo Diriker 2006
- Susan Cabral 2007 ■ Robert F. Dombrowski
- -2008
- Robert Settle 2009
- Michael Garner 2010
- Jeffrey Kottemann 2011 ■ Ken Smith — 2012
- Jill Caviglia-Harris— 2013
- Karen Papke-Shields 2014
- Richard Hoffman 2015

Henson School of Science and Technology

- John Molenda 2001
- Edward Senkbeil 2002
- Augustine DiGiovanna 2003
- Donald Cathcart 2004
- Lee May 2005
- Mark Holland 2006
- Harry Womack 2007
- Lisa Śeldomridge 2008
- Homer Austin 2009
- Joseph Howard 2010
- Karen Badros 2011
- Judith Stribling 2012 ■ Kimberly Hunter — 2013
- Fred Kundell 2014
- Stephen Gehnrich 2015

Seidel School of **Education** and **Professional Studies**

- Geraldine Rossi 2001
- Keith Conners 2002
- John Wolinski 2003
- Carolyn Bowden 2004
- Patricia Richards 2005
- Bob Long 2006
- Marvin Tossey— 2007 ■ John Bing — 2008
- Nomsa Geleta 2009
- Joel Jenne 2010
- Nancy Michelson 2011
- Teena Gorrow 2012 ■ Starlin Weaver — 2013
- Ernie Bond 2014
- Carol Wood 2015

Fulton School of Liberal Arts 2015 Honoree: DR. MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN — POLITICAL SCIENCE

"Although I mostly disagreed with Dr. O'Loughlin's political views, the discussions in his American government classes stand out in my mind as some of the more engaging moments of instruction and discussion at SU. He was always willing to have a discourse, and discuss things, and agree to disagree."



Henson School of Science and Technology 2015 Honoree: DR. STEPHEN GEHNRICH — BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

"Dr. Gehnrich is a dedicated professor with much knowledge in his area of expertise. But having said this, he can bring that knowledge down to an understandable level for his students. And he manages to do all of this in a practical application and humorous way."



Perdue School of Business 2015 Honoree: DR. RICHARD HOFFMAN — MANAGEMENT

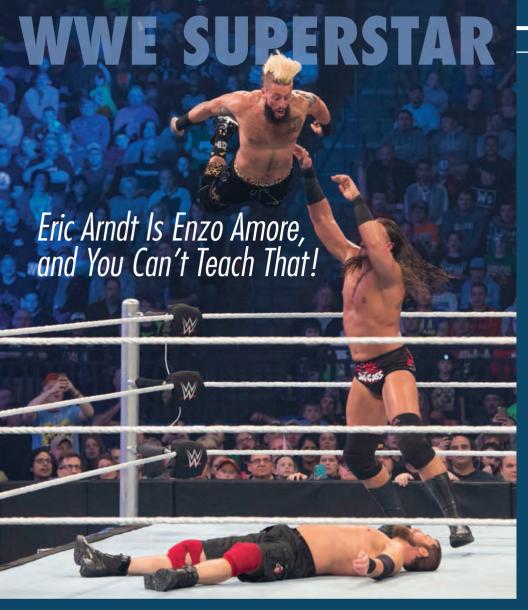
"Dr. Richard Hoffman displayed professionalism and charisma in the classroom. He never minded questions before, during or after class. Also, he always was willing to see students in his office. He always went the extra mile for his students both inside and out of the classroom."



Seidel School of Education and Professional Studies 2015 Honoree: DR. CAROL WOOD — HEALTH AND SPORT SCIENCES

"If I ever had an academic issue and my advisor was busy, she was more than willing to help me out. Also, if I had personal problems and needed someone to talk with, Dr. Wood was there to provide guidance and advice to me. I am not close with my family, and for Dr. Wood to go out of her way for me like that, I will be forever grateful."





When Salisbury University alumnus and current WWE Superstar Enzo Amore makes his entrance to the ring, along with tagteam partner Big Cass, the same words ring through his microphone each time, while being echoed by everyone in attendance: "My name is Enzo Amore, and I am a certified G and a bona fide stud, and you can't teach that!"

"I think I was born Enzo," he said. "At Salisbury University, Head Coach Sherman Wood and Coach Robb Disbennett had a wild horse and they had to try and tame it. They did a good job of showing me that the attributes and skills that make me who I am can be used to my advantage if I channel them in the right direction."

Before the larger-than-life personality set foot on the WWE or even the WWE NXT stage, Enzo Amore, probably better known as Eric Arndt in Salisbury University circles, was suiting up on Saturdays for the Sea Gulls and Coach Wood as a linebacker on the Salisbury football team.

Arndt played in 25 total games over three seasons with the Sea Gulls, transferring from Springfield College after his freshman season. He collected 73 total tackles, including three and a half for loss over his three seasons with the team, while tallying 50 stops in his senior season before graduating in spring 2010.

"As a football player, I was a hard-nosed

player; I was as tough as they came and battled through quite a few injuries" Arndt said. "The mentality I brought with me on the football field is the same mentality I bring with me in life: You are not going to get in my way. I pretty much ran straight and did not avoid contact, and it bode well for me in the end. I didn't necessarily know it back then, but I can see in retrospect that where I am right now was the end game to what I accomplished at Salisbury University."

Following his career and graduation from Salisbury, Arndt returned home to New Jersey unsure of what was the next step. Following a year and a half of jobs as a Hooter's manager, a piano mover and a disc jockey, Arndt's hard-nosed attitude and non-stop energetic personality eventually showed through again and earned him a tryout with the WWE, thanks to a Youtube video he put together that was seen by Stephanie McMahon and WWE Superstar Triple H, landing him the opportunity with WWE NXT.

From the very beginning, Arndt was a natural fit for the limelight of the WWE.

"Enzo Amore is essentially Eric Arndt. He is not straying too far away from who I am as a human being" Arndt said. "I was a wild human being and a wild child. I couldn't comprehend not living your life to the fullest, and that is ultimately what I am doing right now."

Enzo and Big Cass have quickly risen to stardom in the WWE tag-team wrestling circuit. The pair began as practice buddies, but after cutting a promo with WWE Superstar John Cena, the duo quickly were stuck together as a tag team and haven't looked back since. In 2015, they were named the NXT Tag Team of the Year, and

currently they can be seen chasing the WWE Tag-Team Division Championship on WWE Monday Night Raw and WWE Thursday Night Smackdown, along with various pay-per-view events.

"I wouldn't be in this position without the graciousness of the fans who got behind me initially," Arndt said. "Ultimately the fans are what Big Cass and I owe everything to, and we try to pay homage and pay tribute to that by putting our best foot forward when we are handed an opportunity on TV."



ATHLETICS

Your Sea Gull Stadium





On Thursday, April 7, 2016, the gates opened to the new \$19 million Sea Gull Stadium.

"For years, SU has boasted championship teams and athletes. They now have a championship stadium," said SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach. "We hope this beautiful addition to the University's growing athletics complex will become a second home to sports aficionados throughout the region."

Although the facility was built with a majority of University funds, thanks are offered to all of the private donors who played a significant part in enhancing the facility, including, but not limited to, Draper Holdings, The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company, Dan '94 and Stacey '91 Quinn, The Sposato Family, Lili '09 M'11 and Alexis Leonard, and Daniel H. Gladding '78.

The original plans of the stadium obviously included lockers for the four locker rooms (field hockey, football, men's lacrosse and women's lacrosse); however, a stretched budget allowed only for tall metal lockers, very similar to what currently exists in Maggs Center. With the student-athletes, coaches and Athletics staff only wanting the best for this new facility, the locker campaign was created.

Alumni, friends and fans of Salisbury were able to donate \$1,000 to help offset

the costs to upgrade to 235 wooden, openfaced lockers, similar to what you'd find in the professional athletics setting. Donors of all ages with varying experiences and involvement with SU contributed. With this contribution, the donor was able to name the locker. A 2"x12" plate is affixed to the top of each indicating its sponsor.

The men's lacrosse locker room was the first to have all 50 of its lockers named.

"The players came into the locker for the first time, directly from practice. Their faces lit up as they entered, shouting, highfiving and pointing to the donor plaques at the top of the lockers," said Athletic Development Officer Erin Smith '09 M'11. "I felt so fortunate to witness those initial reactions"

Head Field Hockey Coach Dawn
Chamberlin has been actively soliciting to
have her last three lockers named before
the season begins this fall, wanting her team
to walk into a fully named locker room. She
shared, "I am very proud to bring recruits to
our new facility, and our locker room ...
really 'wows' them. I cannot thank our
donors enough for their contributions, which
have given our new home that definitive
championship look and feel."

Meanwhile, Head Football Coach Sherman Wood can't stop sharing stories of each donor listed at the top, including Jeffery Braxton '87. Braxton is currently the offensive line coach of the Wesley Wolverines football team, Salisbury's major rival. Wood explained, "Your Alma Mater holds a special place in your heart."

Another sentimental gift came from Wade Manis '84, a football and wrestling alumnus, who sponsored a locker in memory of late Coach Mike McGlinchey. There are still lockers left to name of the 125 in the football locker room.

The women's lacrosse locker room features lockers named by groups, including the 2010 team, which won Salisbury's first women's lacrosse national championship. Families also pulled their resources: the Ackermann sisters and Koolage sisters are represented. There are lockers still available.

Gladding named six lockers in the field hockey, football and women's lacrosse locker rooms, "Each of the six lockers I named feature someone who has a special connection to SU and a special connection to me" he shared.

Senior men's lacrosse captain Davis Anderson (#35) said it best: "We feel so honored and lucky to be the first lacrosse team to call the new stadium and locker room home. We are so grateful for the alumni who donated our lockers and who will always have our back no matter what. Go Gulls!"

From a makeshift Quidditch arena; to the location of fundraisers and festivals; to a place to study, chat or just hangout, SU's campus lawns serve thousands of students daily during the semester.

A new "lawn" planted in connection with the new Patricia R. Guerrieri Academic Commons will benefit students, as well — though most will never see it, and even fewer will ever set foot on it.

Crews from Green Roof Outfitters of Charleston, SC, spent a week at SU in June to install the Guerrieri Academic Commons' green roof, a 20,000-square-foot "lawn" atop the building, comprised of a regional blend of plants.

Sitting on a rubber liner in thousands of one-footby-two-foot plastic trays, the plants cover a majority of the roof. While rooftop gardens are not new at SU — University Dining Services unveiled an herb garden atop the Commons dining hall in 2013 — the functionality of the Guerrieri Academic Commons' green roof is unique among SU buildings.

The green roof acts as a collection and filtration system for rainwater landing on the building, absorbing and cleaning the water before a system of stone-and-concrete collectors distributes it back into the ground, significantly reducing runoff.

It also serves as a natural barrier between the roof and the sun, providing an interior cooling effect for the building.

Areas of the roof not covered by the garden, such as those reserved for HVAC or other equipment, are painted white to reflect the sun, further reducing the amount of heat entering the building from the outside and reducing the urban heat island effect. These measures will allow less energy to be used in cooling the facility.

The Guerrieri Academic Commons was specially designed to support the weight of the green roof, according Wayne Shelton, SU director of campus sustainability and environmental safety. Placing a similar installation atop another building, such as Blackwell Library, whose functions the new facility will replace, structurally would not be possible, he said.

The plants used in the roof are drought-tolerant — some specimens at Green Roof Outfitters' offices have lasted years without watering — though not all are evergreen.

"Some of it will go dormant seasonally and come back in the warmer weather with the rain," said Shelton. "The rest of it will stay year-round."

SU's Horticulture and Grounds Department will

maintain the green roof — but don't expect to see any riding lawnmowers up there. Any pruning or trimming will be done by hand.

The green roof is just one of the Guerrieri Academic Commons' sustainable features. Energy-saving LED lights, including several installed on the roof to illuminate maintenance areas, are extensively used. These and other ecologically friendly components built into the structure coincide with SU's commitment since 2008 to adhere to U.S. Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards for all new campus construction.

That policy is part of the University's ongoing commitment to sustainability and President Janet Dudley-Eshbach's pledge to move the campus toward zero net greenhouse gas emissions with the signing of the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment in 2007.



CLASSNOTES

Information received prior to May 13, 2016

M = Master's Degree

1960s

George Hurley '61 was honored by the Ocean City (MD)
Museum Society with the creation of the George M. Hurley
Memorial Scholarship. George was an avid historian and a
source of information on the people, places and events in the
Ocean City area.

Norman Conway '65 & M'72 has dedicated his life to education and the public good. To recognize his devotion to the Eastern Shore, all of Maryland and learning, Salisbury University rededicated the Teacher Education and Technology Center as Conway Hall (see page 9).

1970s

Ed Baker '71 retired from Wicomico County after serving as an attorney for 34 years.

Joe Gray '75 was named vice president of information technology, campus facilities and security for Cumberland University in Lebanon. TN.



Albin "Hondo" Handy '75 (above) received the Citizen of the Year award for his work with youth sports and recreational programs in the Ocean City, MD, community.

Victoria Jackson-Stanley '75 retired as mayor of Cambridge, MD, in March 2016, preceding her retirement from her position with the Dorchester County Department of Social Services in April 2016. In addition, she delivered the 2016 Chesapeake College Commencement address and was appointed by Governor Larry Hogan to the college's board of trustees. She received the Community Service Award from the Dorchester County Branch of the NAACP in November 2015.

Linda Tyler M'75 (below) retired on October 1, 2015, from



inda Tyler '75

the Wake Tech Community College Associate Degree Nursing Program after 35 years of service as a professor of nursing.

Cathy Dougherty '77 retired as the director of Queen Anne's (MD) County Department of Social Services. She worked for the past 39 years as a social worker.

Cathy Townsend '77 was one of three finalists for the position of Wicomico (MD) County's superintendent of schools in March 2016.

Harvey Egan '78 was named Radburn School's Teacher of the Year in Fair Lawn, NJ. He has taught various grades for the past 28 years.



James Keenan '78 (left) was recognized for the second consecutive year by the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys for exceptional performance as partner and chair of the Family Law Division by Hoffmeyer & Semmelman, LLP. He was named one of 2016's 10 Best Family Law Attorneys for Client

Satisfaction in Pennsylvania.

Debbie Dean '79 was elected to the board of directors of Compass Regional Hospice in Centreville, MD.

1980s

Ralph Adkins '81 (below) rang the New York Stock Exchange Closing Bell in honor of his 54 years of service and leadership at Chesapeake Utilities Corporation in Dover, DE.



Ralph Adkins '81 with Beth Cooper '88 and Mike McMasters '80

Pam Wood '81 launched her new business EnJoy Email
Marketing Services, which partners with Constant Contact to
provide email marketing services to help small businesses grow.

Steve Bisciotti '82, Baltimore Ravens owner, was ranked one
of the richest people in America's 50 largest cities by Forbes.

Merv Daugherty '82, (right) superintendent of schools for the Delaware Red Clay Consolidated School District, was named Superintendent of the Year for 2015-2016.

Cheryl (Homer) Oliver '82 (right) celebrated 30 years of civil service with the federal government, most, if not all, with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Cheryl is responsible for the NOAA Preserve America Initiative, which promotes, preserves and celebrates the legacy of the agency that dates back to 1807 with the creation of the Survey of the Coast by President Thomas Jefferson. She



Merv Daugherty '82

also is responsible for exhibit management in NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries. The national marine sanctuaries and marine national monuments that comprise the National Marine Sanctuary System protect more than 170,000 square miles of vibrant ecosystems and historic shipwrecks in marine and Great Lakes waters.



Paul Zimmerman '82 (above) and SU Interim Athletics Director Gerry DiBartolo replicated a photo that was taken in 1982, while wearing similar fashion and at the same location as 34 years prior when DiBartolo was the new head coach for SU's soccer team. Paul was a former player and assistant coach for the men's soccer team. Paul's son now plays for Coach DiBartolo, and Paul still volunteers as an assistant coach.

Eddie Pinto '83 is using his 29 years of experience in the poultry industry as he transitions into his new role in Sheppard Realty, Inc. where he specializes in the sale of poultry and farm sales in Berlin, MD.

Donna Hanlin '84 was named Wicomico (MD) County superintendent of schools after 26 years as a county educator.

Lynne Lockhart '84, an award-winning painter, exhibited a collection of her recent work at the Back Porch Café in Rehoboth DF.

Michael Crum '85, a certified registered nurse practitioner, joined Peninsula Regional Family Medicine in Snow Hill, MD, as a primary care provider.

Faith Hall '85 (right) is the new director of development for Baptist Medical Center South and Clay in Fleming Island, FL.

Lisa Bayles '86 earned a Doctorate in Nursing Practice from Wilmington University. Her study was titled "Implementation of Readiness to Change and Self-



Efficacy: Impact on a Nonsurgical Weight-Loss Program."

Lisa Smith '86 is the new assistant dean for the Grand Canyon University College of Nursing and Health Care Professionals in Phoenix, AZ.

John Blake '87 completed certifications in Epic Systems Surgery and Anesthesia Applications and was named as the lead for the implementation project in these areas for Wellspan Health.

Joan Brittingham '87 received the Outstanding Music Teacher Award for the State of Maryland.

Lorrie Mills '87 is associate dean of university operations at New York University Abu Dhabi and United Arab Emirates. He began his assignment in the United Arab Emirates in September 2014 after being employed with Johns Hopkins Medicine in Baltimore, MD, for over 11 years.

Martin Neat M'87 & '90 was named chairperson of the board of trustees at Wor-Wic Community College in Salisbury.

Martha Pfeiffer '87 was nominated for a Tony Award. She recently was planning on retiring from her teaching career after a car accident. However, she overcame paralysis and some brain damage to perform a small role on stage in London and to continue her teaching career at Cape Henlopen (DE) High School.

William Jack Riddle '87 was appointed president of the Community Bank in Lewes, DE.

Janet Shearer '88 (right) was one of eight winners chosen from nearly 400 nominees at the Carroll (MD) County Chamber of Commerce's 27th annual Outstanding Teacher Awards program. These eight were then eligible to be named the county's Teacher of the Year.

She is a first grade teacher at Robert



Moton Elementary School in Westminster, MD.

Bryon Short '88 participated in the 2016 Delaware congressional race.

Cathy Vaughan '88 & Benson Vaughan '88 live in Quito, Ecuador, where they are teaching as missionary educators.



Kymberly Allwine '89, Jonathon Suvall '89, Eileen Fleischmann Hawkins '89, Andrea Thomas-Munson '89 & '92, Deanne Raine Sauder '90, Melanie Miller '90 (above) all took advantage of SU's Alumni Party Pack in Annapolis, MD.

John Beall '89 was promoted to east regional sales manager for Sheridan Books, a book publishing services company based in Chelsea, MI. John is now responsible for managing all sales on the East Coast.

James Kellam '89 relocated to Spartanburg, SC, after accepting a position as director of financial planning at Converse College. Jean Lacoste '89 received Virginia Tech's Diggs Teaching Scholars Award for her exceptional contributions to the teaching program and learning environment. She was invited to lead a series of presentations and a discussion of her innovative teaching during the Digas Roundtables.

1990s

Richard Baskas '90. a member of Kappa Delta Pi, began a new career as an education specialist for the Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons, in Leavenworth, KS. **Dean Swingle '90** was promoted to the position of controller, overseeing Nanticoke (DE) Health Service's Accounting Department.

Ted Toadvine '90 was named director of the Rock Ethics Institute at Penn State; his tenure begins January 2017. Robert (Bob) Freeman '91 joined Hebron Savinas

Bank's lending team as its vice president and business development officer in Salisbury.

Barrett Mincey '91, a contributing faculty member at Walden University, Minneapolis, MN, in the School of Public Policy and Administration, presented "A Phenomenological Study of Juvenile Residential Program Graduates" at The Qualitative Report's Seventh Annual Conference held at Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Barry Ziehl '91 (below) transitioned to a corporate role at



Barry Ziehl '91

William Dunn '92

Warner Bros. in Burbank, CA, as senior vice president, public affairs and strategic initiatives, where he is reporting to Dee Dee Myers, executive vice president, corporate communication and public affairs (see page 13).

William Dunn '92 (left) was appointed to the District Court of Maryland for Baltimore City. The Maryland State Senate confirmed Judge Dunn's appointment for a 10-year term beginning January 11, 2016. He was previously a magistrate in Baltimore City for eight years, and prior to that, he was a named partner at a litigation firm in Baltimore City for 13 years.

Kevin Evans '92 graduated for the third time since he earned a B.S. in business administration in 1992 from SSU. He has a Master of Arts, a Master of Divinity and defended his doctoral dissertation, graduating May 28 from the Pentecostal Theological Seminary in Cleveland, TN, with a Doctor of Ministry.

Mike Hadaway '92 is a rector of the Trinity Episcopal Church in downtown Morgantown, WV.

James Ireton '92, Democrat and former mayor of Salisbury, participated in the 2016 Congressional race.

Elizabeth Janocha '92 was appointed to deputy commissioner of finance for the city of Yonkers, NY.

Michael Scott '92, SU faculty member, opened a new restaurant called Wingin' It in Salisbury, featuring numerous flavors of winas.

Lisa Brockway '93 changed career paths to dedicate her career to veterans. She works at AMVETS — American Veterans in Lanham, MD, as a Career Center coach, matchina veterans with employment.

Tres Pelot '93 was promoted to assistant vice president of clinical services for Nanticoke Memorial Hospital in Seaford, DE. and the Nanticoke Physician Network.

James Sarbanes '93 serves as Wicomico County's administrative judge of the circuit court.

Susan Trimble '93 was promoted to senior vice president for the Bank of Ocean City, MD.

Stephen Wooters '93 (right) was appointed to executive vice president of Electronic Banking and Payment Systems for Fairfield County Bank in Ridaefield, CT.

April Cleveland '94 was selected as one of the recipients of the 2015 Distinguished Alumni Award for Delaware Technical Community

College's Owens Campus in Georgetown, DE.

Stephanie Goldenberg '94 is an assistant professor in business management and entrepreneurial studies at Anne Arundel Community College in Maryland.

Shelley Herman '94 was appointed Kent County administrator in Dover, DE.

Jason Rennie '94 was appointed as senior vice president of sales and marketing for Info Cubic, LLC in Greenwood Village, CO.

Karen Archambault '95 was elected to the board of directors for the National Academic Advising Association, a non-profit whose headquarters is in Kansas.

Christy Briggs '95 was named Wicomico (MD) County's Teacher of the Year in Salisbury.

Jennifer Cook '95, a public speaker and published author, is now back in Laurel, MD, after starting her travel company, The Wonder of the World, where she shares the diversities and possibilities outside of everyone's own backyard.

Susan (Douglass) Fliess '95 is a self-employed children's book author, freelance writer and copywriter.

Tom Saxon '95 joined Wye Financial and Trust in Easton, MD, as a financial advisor.

Kathryn Fiddler '96 was named the executive director of Continuum Services for Peninsula Regional Medical Center

Amy Miller '96 is the perishable area manager for the Wegmans in Glen Mills, PA.

Cliff W. Woodward '96 is the vice president and commercial loan officer for the Community Bank of the Chesapeake in greater Annapolis, MD.

Susan (Rains) Bell '97 ioined fellow alumni and SU professors at the 2016 Joint Mathematics Meeting in Seattle, WA. **Brion McClanahan '97** is the co-author of four books; his most recent being Nine Presidents Who Screwed Up America — And The Four Who Tried to Save Her.

Kimberly Min '97 ioined Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, LLP in Washington, D.C., as a partner; she is a member of the National Association of Bond Lawyers. She represents institutional and entrepreneurial clients in all facets of transactions.

John Reichenberg '97 was one of 200 admitted to a space camp in Huntsville, AL, training to be an astronaut.

Justina Sapna '97 is the vice president for academic affairs at Delaware Technical Community College in Dover, DE.

Holly Worthington '97 donated a 5.000-square-foot lot to the Wicomico Memorial VFW post in Salisbury. This space will be used for kid's activities, cookouts and community outings.

Donna Black '98 is one of five Snow Hill, MD, area teachers to represent their schools in the 2016 Worcester County Teacher of the Year Program.

Randall Cone '98 made several presentations at the 2016 Joint Mathematics Meeting in Seattle, WA.

David Snipes '98 is the section chief of medical programs for the Federal Air Marshal Service in Arlington, VA.

Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio '99 was promoted as Maryland Governor Larry Hogan's deputy chief of staff.

Julie (Smith) Meyer '99 received a \$60,000 L'Oreal USA for Women in Science Fellowship for her research on microbial interactions in coral reefs conducted at the University of Florida.

Brad Nein '99 & '01 helped create the website EducatedCoaches.com, which provides positive educational resources for athletes, families and coaches, giving them tools to encourage lifetime success.



2000s

Tammy Bresnahan '00 was selected by Maryland Governor Larry Hogan to represent Anne Arundel County on the Maryland Commission on Women.

Colin Exelby '00, the president and founder of Celestial Wealth Management, announced the company is merging with Armstrong Dixon to enhance the already exceptional services they offer to their clientele in Towson, MD, and Washington, D.C.



Leslie Tolley '00 and several staff members of Warwick (MD) Elementary School (above) are proudly displaying their SU gear and using the alumni party pack to show their Sea Gull Pride.

Kristy Clark '01 is one of the 14 teachers selected for the 2016 Worcester (MD) County Teacher of the Year Program.

Chris Di Fatta '01 is the director of materials management, which is part of the Supply Chain Department at University of Maryland Medical Systems in Chestertown, MD.

Stephanie Moyer '01 joined the Old Father Group, a real estate company helping to serve the real estate needs of coastal Delaware



Leann Weyl '01 (above) presented a lecture titled "Mathematics in the Real World" to SU students and faculty.

Keith Burney '02 was ordained a traditional deacon for the Archdiocese of Washington and will be ordained a priest next year.

Jonathan McEntee '02 was awarded the Department of Homeland Security and Technology Under Secretary's Award for helping to facilitate a partnership between numerous companies to successfully conduct a cargo security technology demonstration.



Meg Reid '02 (left) was chosen as a member of the Connecticut Law Tribune New Leaders in the Law. Theresa Schram '02, a working artist for 20 years and a teacher for 13 years, is curating a Chestertown River Arts 2016 exhibition in Chestertown, MD, titled "Still Life: Fabulous and Inventive."

Adaora Udekwu '02 joined Oswego (NY) Hospital's active medical staff and the hospitalist team.

Kristina Belcher '03 was named Worcester (MD) County's 2016 Teacher of the Year.

Michael Blaine '03, founder and editor of the Delmarva Review, read selections of his poetry work at the Irish Eyes restaurant in Milton, DE. The highly decorated writer published his second chapbook, Brackish Water, with the Broadkill Press.

Michael Burroughs '03 is co-author of the book *Philosophy* in Education Questioning and Dialogue in Schools. He is an associate director of the Rock Ethics Institute and senior lecturer in philosophy at Pennsylvania State University.

Teresa Timmons-Parrott '03 is one of 13 teachers who were nationally recognized through the Kennedy Center and received the 2015 Stephen Sondheim Inspirational Teacher Award (see page 12).

Annette Wallace '03 won Maryland's Secondary School Principal of the Year Award from by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP). She also was chosen to represent Maryland in the NASSP National Principal of the Year competition.

Stephanie Brewer '04 joined the Title Alliance Group of Maryland Team in Gaithersburg, MD, as a corporate attorney with a career emphasis on real estate and title.

Vicki Wood Dean '04 is the second representative to join the board of directors for the United Way of Maryland, Queen Anne's County, for CNB Bank where she is a branch manager/loan officer for their main office in Centreville, MD.

Brett Gaba '04 authored a book titled *Fly Fishing the Tidewaters of Maryland's Chesapeake Bay.*

Kris Hemstetter '04 was named the interim principal at Worton Elementary School in Worton, MD.

Carrie Kerchner '04 (right) is one of 34 who were chosen by the Knowles Science Teaching Foundation as a member of its 2015 cohort of Teaching Fellows (see page 12).

Victoria Miele '04 is a new member of the United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore where she will be building an awareness of United



Carrie Kerchner '04

Way programs, community outreach and donor relations support.

Kevin Zaegel '04 joined the Hunt Valley, MD-based Atlantic

Financial Federal Credit Union as their new marketing director.

Jathan Austin '05 presented on "Catan" a popular German board game at the 2016 Joint Mathematics Meeting in Seattle, WA, in an attempt to answer the question, "Can the 'Settlers of Catan' be used to effectively teach students advanced mathematical concepts?"

Undrea Blake '05 is one of 14 candidates to be nominated for Worcester (MD) County Teacher of the Year.

Jennifer (Carter) Consalvo '05 was appointed assistant principal of Spring Ridge Middle School in Lexington Park, MD. Ian Dember '05 was chosen to fill a vacancy in New Jersey for the Township Council on an interim basis.

Ryan Kneessi '05 is a licensed Naturopathic Doctor for the State of Maryland.

Steven Lamkin '05 received the Highly Commended Outstanding Doctoral Research in Education Award from the Higher Education Teaching and Learning Association, an international research organization. His dissertation research focused on teacher professional development using robotic technology for video-based reflection. It was completed at Wilmington University, where he earned his Doctor of Education in 2015.

Melissa (Wilder) Price '05 won Teacher of the Year for Adams Elementary School and Newport Mesa Unified School District. She moves on to compete in the Orange County and State of California Teacher of the Year competitions.

Dan Thrailkill '05 was promoted to principal in Ellin & Tucker's Tax Department. As principal, he joins the senior leadership and continues to handle client engagements while mentoring the next generation of tax professionals. He also was appointed treasurer of the Boys and Girls Club of Metropolitan Baltimore.

Kimberly Wheeler '05 is one of five finalists for Maryland's Harford County Teacher of the Year award. Michael Collins '06 was awarded 2015 Customer of the Year at O'Sullivans Irish Pub in Clarendon, VA.

Lora Davis '06 & M'10 was promoted to assistant vice president of Wye Financial and Trust in Easton, MD.

Sean DeBonis '06 was elected to the Aberdeen City Council in Harford County, MD.

Jeff Hill '06 & Meghan Hill '07 and their son Jamie Hill were recently featured on an episode of the Steve Harvey show Little Big Shots for Jamie's ability to recite the Baltimore Ravens roster. Harvey randomly selected 10 players' jersey numbers to quiz three-year-old Jamie; he got all 10 out of 10! The Ravens sent him home with his own personalized jersey and various other Ravens items.

Jonathon Miller '06 is working with Dr. Jathan Austin '05 and Dr. Susanna Molitoris-Miller on a second article about "Catan," a popular German board game. They explore how the game, which focuses on building settlements and acquiring resources, provides interesting, open-ended scenarios for students to use mathematics.

Christopher Parks '06 is Andersen Wealth Management's fiduciary advisor in Salisbury.

Brock Boland '07 is the new business development associate for Chaney Enterprises in Wicomico and Dorchester (MD) counties

Daniel Bowen '07 is the new estimator and project manager at Paul Davis Restoration of the Delmarva (MD) Peninsula, where he will work directly with its president, Frank Willing.

Sehmina Chopra '07 is working with a Swedish organization, We Act Sweden, that is going to Lesvos, a Greek island, to volunteer with refugees as an Urdu translator. Urdu is a standardized register of the Hindustani language.

Emily Seldomridge '07 was appointed as watershed coordinator for the Delaware Center for the Inland Bays in Rehoboth Beach. DE.

Matt Barnes '08 was named assistant football coach at the University of Maryland College Park.

Sarah Guy '08 was chosen to participate in the Leadership Maryland professional development program.

Alexis Morrell '08, the producer of the documentary Looking at the Stars, received a Student Academy Award. Her documentary was one of 15 films to be awarded the 42nd Student Academy Award out of a record number of entries.

Mike O'Halloran '08 was promoted to state director for the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) of Maryland and Delaware.

Matthew Rains '08 was named director of membership for the National Aquarium in Baltimore, MD.

Staci Stonnell '08 is one of 14 candidates to be nominated for Worcester (MD) County Teacher of the Year.

Nicholette Dunleavy '09 and her husband are opening a Pure Barre franchise in Vienna, VA, where she will emphasize fitness for women.

Jack Hendrickson '09 was promoted to area manager for the Washington, D.C, landscape management branch for Ruppert Landscape.

Daniel Liberson '09 is pioneering his way into vinegar production with his business Lindera Farms Vinegar. Using only ingredients from his nature reserve or local organic farms, he is able to create complex vinegar flavors that have never been produced before.

Samantha Oscar '09 is the marketing manager at Wilmington, DE-based agency AB+C Creative Intelligence. She was honored with the Philly Ad Club's Movers and Shakers Award. This is the first year this honor has been given to young professionals in the marketing communications industry, who are chosen by their peers based on passion, insight, experience and dedication to the profession.

Tara (Nickerson) Ruch '09 & Thomas Ruch '09 joined Long and Foster Real Estate in Salisbury, specializing in working with home buyers, sellers and clients seeking to purchase land. Lindsay Rykiel '09 is the new account manager for MGH, a full-service marketing communications agency in Baltimore, MD. Eric Siegfried '09 is a partner of the firm Mullen, Sondberg, Wimbish and Stone, P.A. in Annapolis, MD.

2010s

Travis Carr '10 was promoted to an editor at Leopard Films USA in New York, editing for *House Hunters International* and various other television programs and pilots.

Alyana V. Gomez '10 joined WVIT-TV NBC 30 in Hartford, CT, as the weekend morning anchor and weekday reporter. She joins NBC Connecticut from Cox Media Group duopoly WJAX-TV CBS

47/WFOX-TV FOX 30 in Jacksonville, FL, where she was a general assignment reporter.

Matt Teffeau '10 was named the director of government relations for the Maryland Department of Agriculture.

Blake Lovelace '11 accepted a position with a federal agovernment contractor that assists with housing-related programs across the U.S. He travels representing his company for various important projects/programs.

Sean Parady '11 opened his own chiropractic and physiotherapy practice, Bar Harbor Chiropractic and Wellness, in Bar Harbor, ME.

Brea Reeves '11 opened a hot doughnut business in Annapolis, MD. The made-to-order doughnuts are dipped in 24 topping combinations.

Zach Smith '11 joined the professional staff of the Easton, MD, law firm of Armistead, Lee, Rust and Wright, P.A.

Lisa Buhr '12 is working with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Services Program to eradicate nutria, an invasive species from the Chesapeake Bay area.

Megan Campbell '12 is an event coordinator for the Waterfront Partnership of Baltimore, MD.

Robert Hajir '12 wrote an article for the University of Miami Race & Social Justice Law Review, defining and analyzing the "Ferguson effect" and the formation of the Black Lives Matter movement as it relates to modern societal views and crime rates.

Le'kia Jackson '12 graduated from U.S. Army basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, SC.

Karley Macomber '12 is one of 15 new teachers at Magnolia Middle School. She will be a full-time special education teacher in Harford County, MD.

Heather Mahler '12 was named program director for the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore (MD).

Amie Merrikin '12 spent two months as a volunteer with Mercy Ships in the hospital ship lab in Madagascar. She works in the Microbiology Department at Johns Hopkins University.

Amanda Tuttle (Smith) '12 is assisting Susanne Cole in taking over leadership at the recently renovated Historical Society of Kent County. The creation of a fully accessible library containing the society's research collection and genealogical materials is one of their first plans as the new leaders.

Alyssa Burkot '13 is teaching English in Thailand after she served a year in the AmeriCorps.

Christine Cook '13, a teacher at Salisbury Middle School, traveled to Ghana where she and a group of others installed a well in a village school.

Alyssa Gabriel '13 and her fiancé Kyle founded and operate Alyssa's Seahorse Savvy in Salisbury, where they breed and raise marine animals

Christina Grossi '13 is a lead scientist for New Logic Educators' award-winning Marine Science Camp in New Jersey. She leads discussions covering "the importance of elasmobranchs to global ecosystems and economies."

Jessica Lister M '13 is celebrating her 10-year anniversary with the St. Michaels, MD-based nonprofit Environmental Concern.

Kelsey Lorman '13 was named director of graduate engagement for Leadership Washington County in Hagerstown, MD.

Carrianne Cicero '14 was chosen as Harford (MD) County's Miss Bel Air Independence Day 2016.

Devon Clark '14 is banquet and event coordinator at Fountain Head Country Club in Hagerstown, MD.

Jennifer Emmart '14 earned instructor certification from the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International.



Kitchen '05 & Webber Wedding





Maybury '05 & Herson '11 Wedding



Jacob Swinney '14 is successful in the video editing industry, receiving recognition on social media sites from people such as Edgar Wright, Ava DuVernay and Frank Marshall.

Stephanie Boswell '15 is an agency account manager for Knippenberg Insurance and Financial Services in Cumberland, MD. Katherine Burris '15 joined fellow alumni and SU professors at the 2016 Joint Mathematics Meeting in Seattle, WA.

Courtney Dick '15 is the digital media project coordinator for GKV, a marketing company in Baltimore, MD.

Matt Greene '15 was the emcee for Salisbury's inaugural TEDx event held at Headquarters Live. The event was very successful, with nearly 100 people gathered to experience this daylong session.

Christopher Messina '15 is the strength and conditioning coach for the Sea Dogs, a minor league baseball team based in Portland, ME.

Brianne Palensky '15 joined the Annapolis, MD-based The Cyphers Agency as an account coordinator.



Department of State exchange program.

Sarah O'Malley '14 is a graphic designer at the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C.

Sarah O'Malley '14, Andy Smith '14, Cory Parks '15 & Luke Sohl '15 are the creators of It's Fine, a collaborative project that blurs the dividing line between "graphic" and "fine" art, redefining and challenging their understanding of graphic design.

Taylor Salon '14 represented Maryland in the 2015 Miss International Pageant in Jacksonville, FL.

Travis Sevier '14 has been with the Ocean City (MD) Beach Patrol (OCBP) for seven years. He is the crew chief for Crew 7 and is an active member of the U.S. Lifesaving Association as well as the OCBP Dive Team. He is using his experience to educate about the dangers of swimming after the lifeguards are off duty.







Pruet '09 & Harasym '11 Wedding





Durant '10 & Malloy '11 Wedding





Noel Temple '15 & Alexander Paciga '15 joined APPI Energy, an energy consulting firm in Salisbury. The company currently employs nine SU graduates.

Klase '11 & Newberger '11 Wedding

Danny Sherr '16 joined Apple Infusion and Apple Discount Drugs as their new marketing associate in Salisbury.

Marriages

Erica Dixon '95 & Markel Waters '95 (left) Christa Dise '01 & M'06 & Jason Dameron Leah Cochol '04 & John Kraft '05 Christine Kitchen '05 & Benjamin Webber (left) John Maybury '05 & Dana Herson '11 (left) Nick Miano '06 & Mary Simonds '08 (left) Sarah Bunch '08 & M'09 & Aaron Guy '13 (left) Elizabeth Daigle '08 & Nathan Stump (left)

Ryan Ripa '08 & Jadyn Fortuna '08 (above) John Smith '08 & Jessica Myer '08 Zachary Owens '09 & Laurie Benjamin (above) Tommy Pruet '09 & Nicole Harasym '11 (above) Jacqueline Durant '10 & William Malloy '11 (above) Adam DiPaul '11 & Ashley Pearce '11 (above) Anne Klase '11 & Blake Newberger '11 (above) John Lorman '11 & Kelsey Hovermale '13 (above) Sean Coggins '12 & Sarah Jessilonis '12 (above)

Deaths

Ellen (Greig) Bloodsworth '36 — June 21, 2016 Kathleen (Davis) Holland '41 — June 28, 2015 Thelma (Bowen) Baker '41 -- October 29, 2012 Olin Bedsworth Jr. '41 — December 19, 2005

Mary (Coughlin) Matthews '41 — October 16, 2008 Harold Hampshire '44 — August 5, 2015 William Blan Harcum '44 - February 12, 2016 Jeanette (Richards) Catlin '45 — June 7, 2015 Margaret (Carey) Sherkey '46 — February 6, 2016 Marshall Whitfield Moore '48 - October 5, 2015 Marion Thomas Parker '51 - November 29, 2014 Loveyann (Truitt) Calloway '58 -May 3, 2016 Robert Madary Davis '58 - July 9, 2015 Nancy (Atkinson) Bailey '59 — September 2, 2015 George Hurley '61 — August 9, 2015 Gretna (Ream) Willis '61 — August 8, 2015 Nadine Clifton-Fears '65 — October 2, 2015 Kathleen (Atkinson) Trahan '65 — May 8, 2015 **Donald Marvel '67** – July 28, 2015 Frances (Gibbons) Dykes '68 — January 6, 2016 Mary (Klingner) Logan '69 — March 15, 2015 Colleen (Barr) Ford '75 — September 14, 2015 William Hull '76 — October 29,, 2015 Ann (Glackin) Kansak '76 — September 3, 2015 Patrick Rockelli '76 - October 6, 2015 Amy (Wilson) Schnatz '76 — February 9, 2016 Howard Culver '77 — January 7, 2011 Linda (Schluer) Haves '78 — June 4, 2014 Michael Holl '79 — August 3, 2015 Edward Betts '80 - November 3, 2015 Jolene (Townsend) Barnette '81 — November 23, 2015 Ruth Briddell '81 — March 31, 2016 Vicky Perry '81 - May 25, 2015 Clara Brogley '86 — January 19, 2015 Kaye (Shumate) Reichenberg '86 — October 23, 2015 Hollis Bennett Jr '88 - October 20, 2015 Brian Holtz II '90 - February 23, 2016 Melanie (Bailley) Schrodt '90 — March 15, 2016 Teresa Palumbo '92 — March 22, 2015 Jennifer (Evans) Rickards '94 — August 7, 2015 Gail Johnson '94 — October 22, 2015 **Lisa (Parrott) Cooper '95** — October 4, 2015 Andrew Trumbauer '97 — October 19, 2015 **Sharon Moore '99** — August 30, 2015 Robert Thomas Schultheis '00 — October 16, 2015 (see obituary on next page) Kevin Barkdoll '02 - February 10, 2016 **Ashley Craig '05** — October 13, 2015 Andrew Lindsey '09 — August 3, 2015 Darlene Poole-Horseman '14 — January 10, 2016

Births

Amy (Schram) Borsh '94 & Steve Borsh '95 — Son: David Anthony Kristina (Blazejak) Torre '96 & Kirk Torre — Son: Daniel Petito Jason Smith '97 & Kristen (Bednarcik) Smith '99 -Daughter: Hailey Hope (next page) Kim (Carnev) Gillis '99 & Bradlev Gillis -Son: Beau Carney (next page) Mark Breier '01 & Paula Breier — Son: Bodhi Mark (next page) Kelly (Eberling) Deen '01 & Brian Deen '01 -Daughter: Hadley Sawyer (next page)



Christine (Mezynski) O'Horo '01 & Justin O'Horo — Daughter: Jillian Paige

Erin (Baldwin) DiLeva '02 & Anthony DiLeva — Daughter: Charlotte Mae (above)

Christine (Sheridan) Ghassemieh '02 & Aurash Ghassemieh '02 — Son: Alexander (above) Kelly (Bulsak) Koehler '02 — Son: Andrew Connor Jennifer Kolendowicz '03 & Chuck Powell —

Jenniter Kolendowicz '03 & Chuck Powell -Daughter: Amelia Marie (above)

Elizabeth (lannelli) Kressin '03 & M'11 & Josh Kressin — Son: Cole lannelli (above)

Leah (Cochol) Kraft '04 & John Kraft '05 — Son: John Gabriel

Amanda (Gibson) Messatzzia '04 & M'11 & Ryan Messatzzia — Son: Miles Benjamin (above) Eric Fortwengler '04 & Catherine (Sheridan) Fortwengler '05 — Daughter: Audrey Marie (above) **Emily (VonGunten) Adkins '05** & Ryan Adkins — Son: Wyatt James (above)

Colleen (Maynard) Uzupus '05 & Tony Uzupus — Son: Nathan Anthony

Heather (McDonald) Applegarth '06 & Anthony Applegarth – Daughter: Olivia Faith (above)

Erin (Senkbeil) Dudley '06 — Daughter: Everly Marie Christopher Sheppard '06 & Katherine (Kordal)

Sheppard '08 — Son: Henry Brookshire (next page)
Andrew Kubala '07 & Kaitlin (Kernan) Kubala —
Son: Roland James (next page)

Matthew Bigelow '08 & Maria Bigelow — Son: Dylan Matthew (next page)

Patrick O'Connor '08 & Andrea (Dever) O'Connor '09 — Son: Gavin Thomas (next page)

Lisa (Donadoni) Paddy '08 & Sean Paddy — Son: Ryan Patrick *(next page)*

Jennifer (Langley) Stecher '08 & Ryan Stecher '08 — Daughter: Easton Teresa (next page)

Ashley (Miller) Yost '09 & Jason Yost — Daughter: Avery Elenore (next page)

Robby Sheehan '11 & Erin Sheehan — Son: Ezra James *(next page)*

Faculty, Staff & Friends Obituary

Dr. Norman Crawford Jr. (next page) passed away on May 12, 2016. The fifth president of SU from 1970-80, he laid the foundation for many of the successes it enjoys today and was always its champion. He came to SU at a time when student enrollment was under 1,000 and a state study recommended it be closed and reopened as a community college. Instead, under Crawford's leadership, the campus grew exponentially and in 1976 was the nation's second-fastest growing state college or university, according to the Associated Press. In 2006, the campus











of SU's new Sea Gull Stadium, he was again recognized for his vision in many areas of the student experience. (See page 10 for a tribute to Crawford). **Lloyd Ashley Harris Jr.** (right) passed away on April 19, 2016. Lloyd was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran. His law enforcement career as a police officer began in 1976 with Delmar Police Department (PD), Fruitland PD, Salisbury PD (where he was a member of the "TAC"-Swat Team), St. Michaels PD and Salisbury University PD from 1987-2015. He enjoyed working outdoors and for SU, and he was looking forward to living in the New England area, where he moved in August 2015.

University Award. A few weeks prior to his death, during the opening







Philip E. Luft (right) passed on February 21, 2015. Following completion of an Engineering Physics Program at Cornell University and service in the U.S. Army, Philip earned his Ph.D. in applied math from the University of Colorado in 1972. As a Professional Licensed Engineer, he garnered 10 years of work experience for firms such as Babcock & Wilcox and Gulf Oil. In 1982, he was offered a tenure-track position in the math program of Salisbury State College. He taught here until 2008, with a special focus on teaching statistics, and he developed his own textbook, Statistics by Power. Luft worked with Dr. E. Lee May on the Center for Applied Mathematical Sciences (CAMS), and he considered teaching undergraduates how to use applied mathematics to solve problems for industry the high point of his teaching career. He was valued for his ability to take on difficult-to-teach courses and his commitment to helping students realistically guide their careers through undergraduate coursework planning. Karen Noble (right) passed away April 28, 2016. Karen dedicated





(Miller) Yost '09 Baby

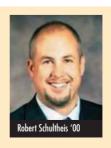


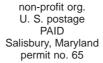
32 years at SU, where she enjoyed her career as a secretary for the Music Department. After her retirement, she enjoyed spending time with her family, the company of her cats and visiting with friends. Harry Womack (*right*) passed away on June 10, 2016. He worked at Salisbury University from 1971 until he retired in 2008. Harry had a long career as a professor in the Biological Sciences Department, chairing a wide variety of committees and being involved with wetland critical areas and environmental studies. Teaching was both his passion and profession, and he cared about his students and his role as a teacher.

Harry Womack

Farewell Former Alumni Association President

Robert Schultheis '00 (right) passed away on October 16, 2015, as the result of a tragic accident while running. Rob was a district sales manager for Sysco Eastern Maryland where he worked for the past 14 years. He was also past president of the Salisbury University Alumni Association. His passion for the Salisbury community and campus was prevalent in his involvement with Homecoming festivities and in his efforts to encourage alumni to give back to the University.







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