

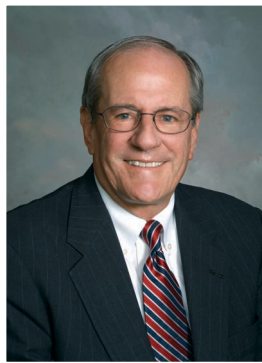
STETSON UNIVERSITY



LET'S TALK

with President Doug Lee

Stetson University is entering an important time of preparation to celebrate our 125th Anniversary in the 2008-09 academic year. Many positive achievements have occurred since our Centennial Celebration in 1983. We are encouraged by the state of the university—our academic accomplishments, financial position and dedicated supporters. We are proud to announce that recent Stetson graduate Matt Morton '06 was selected as a finalist for the prestigious Rhodes Scholarship Program, becoming the first Stetson graduate in a decade to achieve that recognition. In October, the university was named to the first President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for distinguished community service, in recognition of extraordinary volunteer efforts by Stetson and its students to serve area neighborhoods and Gulf Coast communities devastated by Hurricane Katrina. We continue this academic year to be ranked in college guides as one of the best universities in the Southeast.



Complementing the achievements of our students is a growing application pool. Applications for admission have increased by more than 1,000 over the last four years, and this year's entering class had the strongest academic credentials ever, and it was more diverse, another top priority for the institution.

None of this would have been possible without Stetson's outstanding faculty and staff and strong leadership from the university's Board of Trustees and advisory boards. The Stetson University Alumni Association Board is larger and more active than ever, providing true leadership for the thousands of alumni who support Stetson University on a continuing basis. As we plan new capital projects, the Arts & Sciences Board and Music Board are embracing key projects for their respective college and school—Sage Hall and the Presser Hall expansion—in the same way the Business School Board supported the major renovation of the Lynn Business Center several years ago. All of these volunteers share in the ownership of Stetson University, giving their time, professional expertise and financial resources as we join together to prepare students to lead great lives.

We have achieved record pledges for a variety of new facilities on campus. Contributions have been made to name four of our six new residence halls. The Board of Trustees has pledged more than \$6.5 million toward construction of a \$7.7 million addition to Sage Hall that will transform teaching in the natural sciences. Construction will begin in 2007, with occupancy in early 2009.

Other pledges have been received for an addition to Presser Hall, to create an art center to house Stetson's extensive collection of Oscar Bluemner artwork and permanent collection, to complete the Women's Fastpitch Softball complex and enhance the men's and women's soccer facility, to build an environmental learning center at Gillespie Museum and to add native plant gardens at the President's Home and throughout campus. In addition, the university has been recommended for a state grant of \$350,000, which, with matching funds, will allow us to restore the exterior of Stover Theatre. We also received significant endowment gifts to establish new scholarships and a new lecture series to present conservative political perspectives.

As we work together on a shared vision for this great university, momentum continues to build. Stetson's 125th Anniversary in 2008-09 will truly be a time to celebrate!



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Cover: James R. Beasley, senior vice president and chief operating officer, stands near the clubhouse for residents of the new student apartment complex, while, in the background, students Jessenia Robinson '10, Maité Wantwadi '10, Mark Beiley '08 and Kristina Sanders '08 discuss plans for the semester. There's a reason Dr. Beasley is relaxed and smiling in the photo. He spearheaded and oversaw the \$17.2 million project and, in doing so, surmounted challenging obstacles that threatened to delay construction and derail the schedule. Dr. Beasley was so determined to keep the project on track that he spent the summer of 2006 in a hardhat, working daily to manage the 122,000-square-foot building project. The on-time, August 2006 opening of the six new residence halls and clubhouse was a professional achievement *par excellence*. Learn more about the new complex in stories on pages 2-6.

(Photo by Carol Ferritto)

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Apartment-style residential housing new in more ways than one

By Gerri Bauer

A hundred years ago, Stetson University students living on campus had to be in bed, quiet, with lights out, by 9:30 each night unless they had special permission to stay up late. A Rising Bell rang each morning at 6, except on Sundays when students were allowed to sleep in until 7 a.m.

During Study Hour, which occurred four times a day, students were expected to be in their dorm rooms, unless they were attending recitations. Residential students were not allowed to study anywhere else but in their dorm rooms, again unless special permission was granted.

The first Study Hour of the day, incidentally, started at 7:15 a.m.

What a difference a century makes.

The opening of six new residence halls at the start of the 2006-2007 academic year marked the start of a new era for campus housing at Stetson. Five of the six new buildings offer contemporary, apartment-style housing and all six buildings feature private bedrooms. There is no Rising Bell, no Study Hours, no rules about where to open a textbook. There is, however, a student clubhouse complete with the only full computer lab on campus east

The new apartment complex, left, houses 216 students. The clubhouse is on the right.



Photo by Carol Ferritto

of Amelia Avenue, a game room and designer-style décor.

“It’s a new era mainly because of the style of housing,” said Dr. Jim Beasley ’67, MA ’68, Stetson senior vice president and chief operating officer. “We had nothing like this on campus” before construction of the \$17.2 million complex, he said.

The new buildings are off Michigan Avenue, east of Amelia. The five apartment-style units house 216 students in two- and four-bedroom apartments with full kitchens and living-dining areas. Most of the apartments also have washers and dryers. The new traditional-style building houses 122 students in private bedrooms in double-occupancy suites. As with all Stetson’s student housing, the new buildings have cable TV access, Internet access, air-conditioning and free laundry facilities.

The latest additions raise the number of total campus housing buildings to 20. Stetson Hall was the first. Built in 1886, it included quarters for students, teachers and the university president and his family, and it featured running water, indoor bathrooms and electricity. The only apartment in the building was then President Forbes’ five-room suite, unlike in the new housing complex where almost all the units are apartments.

Stetson alumni Pat ’49 and Patricia Maxcy Wilson ’47 hold the honor of being the first to donate \$1 million to name one of the apartment-style buildings. Maxcy Hall is named after Patricia Wilson’s great-great grandfather, Jonathan Maxcy.

“Stetson takes care to name its residence halls for prominent alumni and families who have a rich legacy at Stetson, in Florida and in higher education,” said Stetson President Doug Lee. “We are honored to have the Maxcy family name on our newest residence hall.”

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On-campus life through the years...



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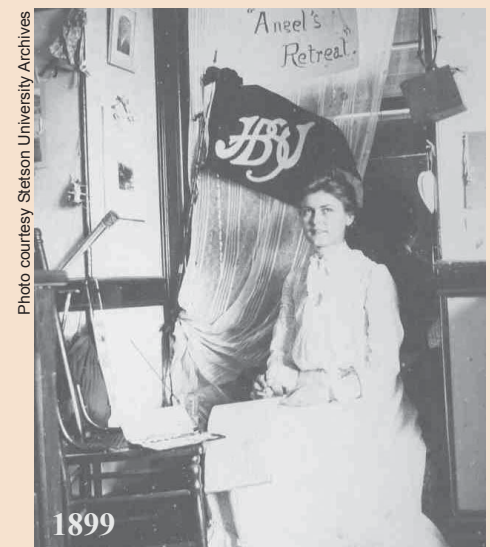


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Photo courtesy Stetson University Department of Residential Life

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During dedication ceremonies, Patricia Wilson recalled that when she was a Stetson student in the 1940s, the weekday curfew was 8 p.m. unless she was at the library.

By the 1950s, female students had curfews of 8, 10:30 or 11 p.m., depending on the day, and men visited women's dorms during "calling hours." In the 1960's, senior women could check out keys and stay out late, but curfews still existed, recalled Stetson archivist Gail Grieb '68. "The porch lights flashed five minutes before closing time as a warning," she said.

Curfews are now history, as is the 19th century Stetson rule that forbade residential male and female students from running errands downtown on the same day. Wednesday and Saturday afternoon off-campus privileges were reserved for female students.

In all cases, residential students were allowed to go downtown "only to transact necessary business, and without stopping or lounging about stores or places of business," according to the Stetson Dormitory Schedule from the first decade of the 1900s.

Despite the many differences between styles of campus housing and living past and present, an important element has stayed the same. Students in Stetson housing then and now were and are held to high academic standards in a campus community where learning and values meet.

Betty Brady, Cindi Brownfield, Gail Grieb, Susan Ryan and Danielle Laprime contributed to this report.

... and today (photos these two pages by Carol Ferritto)



Apartment living in Maxcy Hall includes a living room, above, and left, a full eat-in kitchen.



Left, the clubhouse includes many amenities for residents of the apartment complex. Clockwise from above left, students enjoy working in the computer lab, playing pool, relaxing in the lounge area and using the kitchen.

Opposite page, from top, views of the Residence Hall A entrance, the clubhouse and the landscaped path between the new apartment residences.





Photo by Carol Ferritto



Life in the new residence halls: a student's point of view

by Danielle Prior '07

The time has finally come— we now have our own, brand new apartments here at Stetson! After a summer vacation filled with curiosity and anticipation about our new residences, we came back to a pleasant surprise. Our new home away from home is even better than we had expected.

The first day back was filled with the hustle and bustle of unloading cars full of suitcases, bags and boxes, greeting our friends for the first time since the spring, and rushing to be first in line to obtain our door keys. We hurried excitedly up the apartment stairs, and opened the door to our gleaming, spacious new homes.

We first entered the kitchen equipped with an oven, dishwasher and full-size refrigerator. We now can keep a full supply of all the food and drinks we need, and finally cook for ourselves. While there will always be the Commons, nothing can compare to a home-cooked meal. What's more — we can wash our silverware in the dishwasher. That definitely beats rinsing our plastic ware in the same sink we brush our teeth.

From the kitchen, one can view the spacious living room. The walls are freshly painted and the room is fully furnished. To have a common area like this is nice because it is a social area where we can all congregate, yet we also have the luxury of having our own rooms. Each bedroom is furnished with wall-to-wall carpeting and a full-size bed, which definitely lends to a homey feel.

The best thing about having our own rooms is the privacy and freedom that it provides. Whether it's getting up early to do homework, or staying up late to watch TV, it is great not having to worry about waking up a roommate. Not only that, but each student can decorate his or her room to taste. One person can hang up oil paintings of baby pink flowers, and another can adorn a room with Metallica posters. Having our own room gives us the independence and freedom that we've been craving since we left high school.

Living independently is coupled with having the security and convenience of living on campus. We feel safe knowing that Public Safety is near. Also, we are within walking distance from our classes, the Hollis Center, the Hat Rack and other school facilities.

Now that the commotion of moving in has settled down, we're able to sit back and enjoy our apartments. With this more luxurious style of living, we're all looking forward to the upcoming months in our new homes.



Alumni couple make gift to name new residence hall 'Maxcy Hall'

By Cindi Brownfield

When Patricia Maxcy Wilson '47 was a Stetson student, all the female students lived in Chaudoin Hall. The weekday curfew was 8 p.m. – unless you were at the library. And there were very few male students until her senior year, because of World War II.

With transportation hard to find and gasoline rationed, hall-mates stuck together for fun.

“Back then you just had to make your own good times,” she said, “and we had so many good times.”

Patricia and her husband, Pat Wilson '49, hope today's students will develop close friendships and make fond memories of their own in the new residence halls. The Lake Wales couple donated \$1 million to name one of the halls, a 24-unit apartment-style building.

The Wilsons named it “Maxcy Hall” in memory of Patricia Wilson's great-great grandfather, Jonathan Maxcy. A Baptist preacher and educator, Maxcy was president of Brown University and, later, Union College, in the late 1700s and early 1800s. He also was the first president of the University of South Carolina.

“There's a Maxcy Hall at Brown University, so we decided it would be nice to have a Maxcy Hall at Stetson, too,” said Patricia Wilson, who earned a degree in Business with a minor in Physical Education.

The Wilsons have been dedicated supporters of Stetson for decades, and the university is honored to have the Maxcy family name on its newest residence hall, President Doug Lee said.

“Stetson takes care to name its residence halls for prominent alumni families who have a rich legacy at Stetson, in Florida and in higher education,” Lee said.

“Patricia Wilson's father, Latimer Maxcy, was a pioneer in Florida's citrus industry who also built a successful enterprise in cattle ranching, and her great-great grandfather was a leader in higher education in the early years of our country's history. Pat and Patricia are strong alumni and successful business leaders. Patricia has served as a trustee and is currently honored as trustee emerita.”

The Wilsons have many great memories of their Stetson days. They met on campus after Pat Wilson enrolled in 1946. The couple married in December 1947, and Pat

Wilson graduated in 1949, also earning a degree in Business. They moved to Patricia's hometown, Frostproof, where Pat Wilson joined the Maxcy family business in citrus and cattle ranching. The Wilsons and several of their children remain active in the company, the Latt Maxcy Corp.

The Wilsons made the initial gift of \$750,000 for the Wilson Athletic Center in the 1990s. They give annually for women's athletic scholarships and are staunch supporters of Stetson's Division I athletics program.

“We believe in Stetson University,” Patricia Wilson said. “I know Stetson's as good as Harvard.”



The Wilsons were the first alumni to receive the Distinguished Alumni Award, which was given in 1981.

Conservative lecture series established in memory of ‘American entrepreneur’

By Cindi Brownfield

“We value ... honest democratic debate ... and want our students to engage in dialogue on a diversity of views. Stetson is committed to bringing in speakers ... who will ... give us a chance to listen, to debate and to grow.”

– President Doug Lee

John N. Apgar Jr. (1928-1987) was truly an American entrepreneur. Apgar, who lived in DeLand for a time when he was 15, started a company in New Jersey with \$5,000 and one rented store, and built it into a successful employee-owned business that made millionaires of many who worked there. Harvard University did several case studies on the Somerset Tire Service (STS) model. “Jack” Apgar, as he was known to family and friends, never owned more than 14 percent of the company’s stock.

“He was even more proud that he had created good jobs and financial security for over 300 families by the time he died,” said his wife, Martha B. Apgar, who grew up in DeLand.

STS grew to include 30 stores in the greater New Jersey area, with more than \$30 million in annual sales, and continues today as a thriving, employee-owned company.

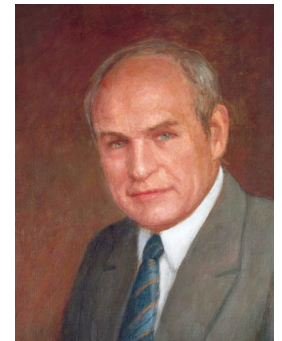
Apgar believed strongly in capitalism, the free market and the abilities of individuals, Mrs. Apgar said. A lifelong conservative, he was deeply patriotic and joined the U.S. Marine Corps soon after the start of the Korean War.

In memory of her husband, Mrs. Apgar donated \$1 million to Stetson University to establish a lecture series focusing on conservative perspectives. Internationally known political commentator and author William F. Buckley Jr. inaugurated the new lecture series Oct. 25. Elizabeth Hall Chapel was packed with students, Stetson faculty and staff and members of the public.

A small portion of the gift is being used to renovate a classroom in historic Elizabeth Hall in honor of the American “Founding Fathers.” The remainder has created an endowed fund to bring major conservative speakers to campus for years to come.

“The endowment celebrates the essential spirit of Jack Apgar, who embraced the American founding fathers’ beliefs in the centrality of God, individual freedoms, limited government and the unlimited potential of free people,” Mrs. Apgar said.

This is the second time Martha Apgar has given Stetson \$1 million. In 2004, she funded scholarships, established a lecture series on the “Synthesis of Reason and Faith” in Western Civilization and renovated a seminar room in



Jack Apgar



Jay Nordlinger, left, and William Buckley Jr. shared the stage in Elizabeth Hall.

Elizabeth Hall, all in memory of the late Very Rev. LeRoy Lawson, who had served on Stetson's Philosophy faculty and been rector of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in DeLand.

The new John N. Apgar Jr. Lecture Series is designed to add balance and expose students to conservative views from well-known scholars, authors and public servants, Mrs. Apgar said. It is known, she said, that there are more liberal faculty members than conservative nationwide. In addition to sharing her husband's conservative beliefs, Mrs. Apgar said she wanted to create the new lecture series because she's always loved "a good debate."

President Doug Lee said the series will ensure that students and faculty have the opportunity to explore both sides of the political spectrum at Stetson. The university has hosted conservative speakers in the past, but many of Stetson's annual lectures have a social justice emphasis that tends to draw more speakers from liberal and moderate political circles.

"We value the honest democratic debate in our society, and want our students to engage in dialogue on a diversity of views," Lee said. "Stetson University is committed to bringing in speakers each semester who will offer varying perspectives and give us a chance to listen, to debate and to grow."

Lee and Mrs. Apgar share a common bond through their Christian faith, despite their differing political views, and have become friends in recent years. Mrs. Apgar grew up in DeLand and took interest in Stetson because of Father Lawson's ties to the university. She said she has deep respect for Lee's willingness to give the Stetson community more opportunities to examine conflicting viewpoints.

"He has an open mind and when people say things, he hears them," she said.

The new lecture series will fill a void, as far as conservative speakers on the Stetson campus goes, according to sophomore Danny Infield '09, chairman of the College Republicans. "Up until now, as far as speakers funded by the university, I didn't feel there was much of a conservative voice," he said.

Mrs. Apgar said her husband would have loved the lecture series

Each year Stetson University hosts many speakers and events. These are some of the highlights.

Betty Batson Bell Brain & Learning Lecture Series

The purpose of the Betty Batson Bell Brain & Learning Lecture Series, which began in Spring 2005, is to inform about how the brain learns and remembers; and how certain factors like sleep or stress affect those processes. Each semester, four lectures address findings of neuroscience--findings that help us understand learning and memory.

Dr. Camille King, assistant professor of Psychology at Stetson University, is the principal speaker. Once a year a guest lecturer with a special expertise in the area of learning and memory is invited to speak. The inaugural guest lecturer was Dr. Mark Lewis, professor and associate chair of Psychiatry at the University of Florida. The second speaker was Dr. Leonard Sax, a physician and psychologist who is executive director of the National Association for Single Sex Public Education and is a widely recognized expert on single-gender education.

George H. Shriver Lectures

The Shriver Lectures are endowed by Dr. George Shriver '53, professor of history emeritus at Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, in appreciation for his experience as an undergraduate at Stetson. The purpose of the lectures is to bring distinguished scholars to campus to discuss the role of religion in shaping America's past and present. Stetson's Department of Religious Studies and Department of History sponsor the lectures.

Guest lecturers have included: inaugural speaker, John Wilson, dean of The Graduate School of Princeton University; theologian and religious historian Martin Marty.

Howard Thurman Lecture Series

The Howard Thurman Program at Stetson was established in 1996 in partnership with New Birth Inc., a national board of African-American leaders headed by the Rev. Jefferson Rogers. Through the program and Rogers, Stetson is working to extend the legacy of Daytona Beach native Howard Thurman, who led the leaders of the American civil rights movement. The goal is to integrate the work of scholars with community leaders to find solutions to social, religious and ethnic problems.

Guest speakers have included: activist Angela Davis; attorney, activist and professor of law Derrick Bell; Dr. LaSalle Leffall Jr., a surgeon, oncologist and the Charles R. Drew Professor of Surgery at Howard University College of Medicine; Robert C. Smith, Political Science professor and author; Taylor Branch, Pulitzer prize winning author; and Gayraud S. Wilmore, a nationally-known theologian, author and social ethicist.

James A. Stewart Lectures in Christian Ethics

The Stewart Lecture Series of Stetson's Institute for Christian Ethics is named for the university's first dean of the

chapel, Irish missionary and pastor James A. Stewart of Jacksonville. Led by Religious Studies Professor Dixon Sutherland, the institute works to involve the university and religious communities in dialogue with leading thinkers in areas of ethical concern; and to encourage students to be socially responsible and involved in their communities. Speakers have included: Elie Wiesel, Desmond Tutu, Bill Moyers and Former President Jimmy Carter.

John N. Apgar Jr. Lecture Series

The John N. Apgar Jr. Lecture Series was established by Martha Apgar in 2006 in memory of her husband, an American entrepreneur who strongly believed in capitalism, the free market and the abilities of individuals. The lecture series is endowed to bring major conservative speakers to campus. William F. Buckley Jr. was the inaugural speaker.

Lawson Lecture Series

The Lawson Endowment Program was made possible by a gift honoring the Very Rev. LeRoy Lawson, former Stetson Philosophy professor and rector of St. Barnabas Church in DeLand, who died in 2001. In addition to the lecture series, it offers a merit-based scholarship to students; and has renovated a seminar and reading room in Elizabeth Hall featuring a part of Father Lawson's personal library. Speakers have included: Roger Kimball and Dr. Jewel Spears Brooker '62.

M.E. Rinker Sr. Institute of Tax & Accountancy's Rinker Institute Lecture Series

The M.E. Rinker Sr. Institute of Tax and Accountancy focuses on developing students as accounting and management professionals and serving Stetson University's students and its professional, business and governmental constituencies. The Rinker Institute Lecture Series brings leading accounting, business and financial practitioners to Stetson to interact with students and provide the Stetson community with an understanding of the role, contributions and challenges of current business practice. Speakers have included Jean Chatzky, author and journalist.

Values Council Lecture Series

"Commitment to values" is not just a phrase at Stetson University; it's a way of life.

The annual themed events sponsored by the Values Council include a number of lecturers, among other events. The mission statement for the theme emphasis is to engage students, faculty and staff on perennial issues of personal and social importance in the light of the seven values commitments of the university. This year's theme is "Freedom and Responsibility." Previous themes were "Language Matters," "The Human Body," and "Poverty and Wealth."

Some of the notable speakers this year are Pulitzer Prize winner David Shipler; Penelope Brady '47, a prosecuting attorney from New York City; and Michael Bérubé, Paterno Family Chair in Literature at Penn State.

Photo by Terry Fogelman



From left, Danny Infield '09, Erik Detlefsen '07, Martha Apgar and President Doug Lee, far right, greet William Buckley Jr., second from right, at dinner before the lecture.

– and the fact that William F. Buckley Jr. was the first speaker. Jack Apgar met Buckley once at a program at Princeton University.

The Stetson program presented by Buckley and Jay Nordlinger, managing editor of the conservative journal "National Review," was modeled after Buckley's longtime public affairs television show, "Firing Line." They covered a variety of topics related to the development of conservatism in America and past and current administrations.

Buckley founded the *National Review*, considered the premier national conservative political journal, in 1955 and is now editor-at-large. He has written 51 books.

Nordlinger, who is also a music critic, arrived early on the day of the program and had lunch with a small group of students, faculty and administrators, then spoke at a Music Composition class.

Infield, of the College Republicans, said he was "star-struck" by Buckley.

"I was extremely impressed. He is so intelligent, and he's a very independent thinker," Infield said. "He's conservative on most issues, but he does not toe a party line. I think that was evident by his speech."

Likewise, Mrs. Apgar said she's thrilled Buckley was the inaugural speaker. "It really set the tone for the lecture series," she said.

The Apgars met when they were 15 at DeLand High School. They married in December 1950, shortly after she graduated from Florida State University and he joined the Marines. The family includes three grown children and six grandchildren.

Their home is in Martinsville, N.J., in a historic area where Gen. George Washington's troops camped for two winters during the Revolutionary War and the Stars and Stripes first flew over Washington's troops. Apgar headed the Washington Campground Association, which reads the Declaration of Independence on the historic grounds each July 4.

He generously devoted his time and resources to purchasing property and building St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Bridgewater, N.J. Apgar died of a heart attack at age 59.

Rinker Foundation gives \$1 million to support university's environmental projects

By Cindi Brownfield

Construction of an Environmental Learning Center adjacent to Gillespie Museum moved a step closer to reality, and the university's Florida native plant landscape is being expanded, thanks to a \$1 million gift from the Marshall and Vera Lea Rinker Foundation.

The Marshall and Vera Lea Rinker Environmental Learning Center will become an extension of the earth science museum, which houses more than 25,000 rock, gemstone and mineral specimens, and features native Florida landscaping on its grounds.

Stetson has applied for a Volusia ECHO grant to raise additional construction funding for the Environmental Learning Center, to be used by schoolchildren, environmental and conservation groups, and Stetson students.

The project will include an environmental learning classroom with exhibit space and technical equipment for public presentations and a smaller room for visiting exhibits. Stetson already works closely or partners with public entities including Volusia County schools, the St. Johns River Water Management District, the Watershed Action Volunteer Program and Volusia County Environmental Services.

"The center will serve as a work station for these groups," said Dean of Arts & Sciences Grady Ballenger. "It's really part of our public citizenship. This will be a site where we can give information to schoolchildren, adults, retirees and Elderhostel participants that will help them become better public citizens with the environment."

The \$1 million donation from the Palm Beach-based philanthropic foundation is also being used to add native Florida landscaping in several

Mining for minerals is one of many hands-on activities that encourage learning at Gillespie Museum.



Photo by Hollie Vanater



Sheila and John Rinker '67

locations on campus, including the Woodland Boulevard entryway to Stetson's Admissions Office and in a planned showcase garden and native plant sanctuary adjacent to the President's Home. The landscaping near the Admissions Office entrance was done this summer. Stetson uses native Florida flora when new landscaping is added or when existing plants must be replaced on campus.

Foundation President John J. Rinker '67 and his wife, Foundation Vice President Sheila Rinker, plan to name the new garden near the President's Home for his mother, Vera Lea Rinker, who died in 1985. John Rinker's father, Marshall (M.E.) "Doc" Rinker, served as a Stetson trustee from 1957 to 1986 and then was trustee emeritus. The family has funded various projects on campus, including the Rinker Field House, the M.E. Rinker Sr. Institute of Tax and Accountancy and the Lynn Business Center's Rinker Auditorium. Doc Rinker died in 1996.

"My family and I are longtime supporters of the university," said John Rinker, "and we're looking forward to having lasting memorials to our parents on the Stetson campus."

John Rinker attended Stetson for three years in the 1960s before joining the family business, Rinker Materials Corp. Doc Rinker started the company that grew to become Florida's biggest concrete producer by the time he sold it in 1988.

The donation from the Rinker Foundation provides a major boost to Stetson's environmental projects, said Stetson President Doug Lee.

"This generous gift from the Marshall and Vera Lea Rinker Foundation will advance our efforts to educate tomorrow's leaders on the importance of protecting natural resources," he said. "We are deeply indebted to John and Sheila Rinker for taking the leadership role in making this happen."



Photo by Hollie Vanater

Museum student staff and volunteers lead visiting schoolchildren through a game board maze of earth's natural disasters.



Photo by Gerri Bauer

A young visitor observes the native Florida flora on the grounds of Gillespie Museum.

Brand project helps Stetson University get in touch with its personality

By Cindi Brownfield

The essence of Stetson's brand is a shared commitment to educate students to lead great lives.

Personal interaction. Passion for teaching. Commitment to values. Students transformed into extraordinary people.

It won't come as a surprise to the Stetson family that these phrases were a common thread when students, faculty, alumni and staff were surveyed about what makes Stetson University special.

But with subtle shifts in focus over the years and growing competition for students in higher education, university leaders realized, the message wasn't always getting through to prospective students, their parents and potential donors.

Stetson needed clarity.

To help the university get in touch with its personality and find out what differentiates it in the marketplace, Stetson underwent a university-wide brand initiative under the guidance of the national branding firm of Patrick Davis Partners, led by alumnus Patrick Davis '88. After surveying more than 5,000 members of the Stetson community, the firm delivered its results to the university.

That work has now been refined to give the Stetson family a better understanding of the complexity of a liberal arts university composed of four distinct colleges and schools, the impact of fundamental cultural changes in the 1990s and the growing diversity of our students, faculty, staff and alumni.

The process confirmed Stetson's core values, historic identity and purpose, and helped define what differentiates us from other colleges and universities.

The essence of Stetson's brand is a shared commitment to educate students to lead great lives. Stetson is a close-knit, welcoming and inclusive place, with deeply engaged professors who have a passion for teaching and students who are actively engaged in their educational experience.

"It all goes back to accurately defining and articulating the vision and mission of the institution and our commitment to students and our core values," said President Doug Lee. "For me, this was a striking reaffirmation. It grasped, in a host of words and sentences and bullet points, exactly my experience of the university at its best."

Moving forward, the university plans to use the brand project to share the Stetson story with more clarity.

The wordmark has been updated, an interactive and personal photographic style has been adopted and messages have been developed to communicate a consistent, recognizable Stetson University brand. The project's goals include:

- ◆ Attracting new students, faculty, staff and donors by raising public awareness of the value of the university;
- ◆ Showing prospective students and their parents exactly what Stetson is, so they can decide easily if the university is a good fit; and
- ◆ Helping current students, financial supporters, parents and alumni connect to Stetson in a deeper and more meaningful way.

The brand is now being communicated through advertising, brochures, newsletters, Web pages, this magazine and other university publications for internal and external audiences. To learn more about the Stetson University brand, visit www.stetson.edu/brand.

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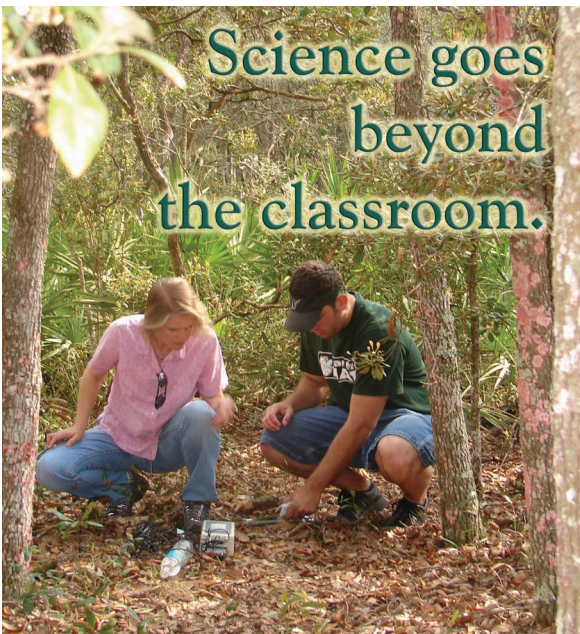


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New Marchman Chair puts focus

By Betty Brady

“I don’t like it when students talk about getting a real job after college, as though they’ve been isolated for four years. Civic engagement and community service are my goals as Marchman Chair.”

– Dr. Greg Sapp '88

Dr. Greg Sapp '88, the new Hal S. Marchman Professor of Civic and Social Responsibility, is excited about the opportunities the position offers: “It will allow me to focus on preparing students to be good citizens in their communities when they graduate. I think of students holistically. All my syllabi say: ‘The purpose of this course is to help us understand the human condition and to make it better.’ That’s what we’re all trying to do.”

“The Marchman Chair was made possible by generous gifts honoring the life and community ministry of the Rev. Hal S. Marchman, a 1950 Stetson graduate and former trustee,” says Stetson University President Doug Lee. “A longtime Daytona Beach pastor, Hal has been a tireless advocate for the disadvantaged. We hope Stetson’s focus on the model of his life and work will help us find new ways to live out our values commitments.”

Sapp will work closely with the Values Council, which strives to make a difference in students’ lives and the world. He sees his first challenge as understanding what is already going on at Stetson, where he has discovered a wealth of social service activity. “After that, my job will be to support and strengthen the program, find other ways to get students involved and forge new relationships with community leaders so we can do even more.”

He looks forward to working with faculty members across the

university. “Part of my responsibility is to provide leadership in integrating academics and values. Most of us understand that we’re working to help students be better human beings. Our academic specialties are important, but working with students goes beyond that. We need to focus on students as whole persons. Providing hands-on opportunities for students to work in the community will improve their education.”

Sapp hopes to work directly with student organizations and students who take the initiative to do things outside the classroom. He opposes the idea that college means four years set aside from life: “I don’t like it when students talk about getting a real job after college, as though they’ve been isolated for four years. Civic engagement and community service are my goals as Marchman Chair.”

He comes to Stetson from Mercer University, where he has taught since 2000, specializing in History of Christian Thought and Philosophical Theology. His research focuses on the political, economic, social, philosophical and spiritual influences behind the development of Christian doctrine. At Mercer, he directed the interdisciplinary First Year Seminar, which emphasizes critical thinking and community service, won the Spencer B. King Jr. Distinguished Professor Award in 2005 and was twice named a Faculty Research Scholar. In addition, he worked with the Macon-Bibb Citizen Advocacy

on students as whole persons



Dr. Greg Sapp '88

Finally, he says, “I transferred to Stetson and studied Religion, because it interested me.”

After earning a master’s degree in Church History from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1992, he went on to earn a Ph.D. in Philosophical Theology from the University of Virginia in 1999. In addition to Mercer, he has taught at the University of Virginia, West Virginia University, Gulf Coast Community College and at Stetson as a sabbatical replacement in 1997-98.

He and his wife Lynn (Byrd) '90, who teaches kindergarten at Woodward Avenue Elementary School, have three children.

Group, which gives one-to-one help to those needing assistance to live independently.

Also named an Associate Professor of Religious Studies at Stetson, he will teach several courses a year. “I enjoy working with students who are eager to learn,” he says. “We need to teach them how to evaluate critically what they hear, to take responsibility for their own thinking, to challenge authority and sources, and always, to ask ‘why?’”

Born in Jacksonville, he grew up in Doctors Inlet and Keystone Heights. He used his own college days to explore, first studying Electrical Engineering at the University of Florida, then switching to Computer Science, then to Business, then to Music (he’s a baritone), then to Education.

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SURE gives Stetson undergraduates

By Cindi Brownfield

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– Josh Smith '07

There was no breeze from Lake Beresford on the third day of Josh Smith’s summer research project, and sweat dripped from his face as he inspected an insect-infested raw chicken. Smith searched the chicken for tiny white wiggly maggots. The senior Biology major from Lutz, Fla., hopes his maggot research will help him decide if he wants a career as a forensic scientist/crime-scene investigator and, perhaps, help perfect a method used to estimate how long a person’s been dead when the body is found in a lake or river.

“It’s just a really good opportunity for me to come out here and learn,” he said.

Smith’s project was one of 10 funded this summer by the Stetson Undergraduate Research Experience. Students compete for grants to conduct research on a level often done in graduate programs, said Physics Professor Kevin Riggs, who directs SURE.

“This is a chance to work closely with a faculty mentor over an extended period of time – eight weeks – without the pressures of a regular course load,” Riggs said.

SURE celebrated its 10th anniversary this year. The program, which provides a \$2,000 stipend to recipients and covers some other expenses, attracts research from across academic disciplines at Stetson. Results are

presented at Undergraduate Scholarship Day each April and at regional and/or national meetings. The research also can give students an edge for graduate school admission, Riggs said.

Funding for the SURE program comes primarily from the Charles A. Frueauff Foundation Inc. and the Palm Beach Community Trust Fund. The Frueauff Foundation’s donations to Stetson reached \$1 million this

Photo by Cindi Brownfield



Josh Smith prepares to take one of the chickens out of its protective cage to check for maggots.

chance to do intensive research

year, and go toward science equipment, scholarships and SURE. The Palm Beach Community Trust supports scholarships at Stetson in addition to its SURE grants.

For Smith, SURE allowed him to test some of his own ideas – instead of working a regular summer job. Crime scene investigators measure the size of maggots on decomposing bodies to figure out how long a person’s been dead, Smith explained, but it’s unclear how much the maggots’ growth is affected by factors such as outside temperature and water saturation.

Smith conducted his research on four store-bought chickens. Two were soaked in lake water to simulate a body bloated with water. He waited for blow flies to lay eggs (that became maggots) in the decomposing chickens, then measured maggots daily to see if there was a difference in the wet vs. dry chickens. Smith is continuing the study for his senior research project, and plans to announce results later this school year.

Another SURE recipient, sophomore English major Rachel Pusateri, used her stipend to travel to Amherst, Mass., to study mid-19th century paintings she believes are the subject of poems by Emily Dickinson. The poet’s brother was an art collector, and Pusateri has found evidence of a connection between Dickinson’s writing and the major 19th century American art movement known as the Hudson River School.



Photo by Cindi Brownfield
Smith holds a test tube containing a tiny maggot.

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Rachel Pusateri looks at a picture of the Evergreens, home of Emily Dickinson’s brother, Austin, in a book titled “The Dickinsons of Amherst.”

Florida's First Law School: A monumental history

By Davina Yetter Gould '97

Carolina Academic Press has recently released *Florida's First Law School: A History of Stetson University College of Law*. The book is authored by Stetson Professor of Law Emeritus Michael Swygert and Gary Vause, former dean of the law school who died in 2003 before completion of the book.

A supremely researched book, *Florida's First Law School* describes and analyzes the rise in prominence of Stetson University College of Law from its strong beginnings in 1900 through its mid-life crises during the Great Depression and World War II, and its upward march after its 1954 relocation to the Tampa Bay area. It tells the history about the people whose personalities and visions meshed to propel a small, poor law school into the dynamic, secure law center it is today. It is a story unlike any other in the chronicles of American legal education.

The nation's pre-eminent legal scholars have praised *Florida's First Law School*. "This history is truly a monumental work — a monument to the progress of Florida's oldest law school, a monument to those who labored to insure that progress, and a monument to its authors, two of Stetson's most distinguished faculty members," said Wm. Reece Smith Jr., who is former president of the International, American and Florida Bar associations.

James Ely of Vanderbilt University praised it as a "must-read," and Harold Berman of Harvard described that readers "will learn from it what it takes to make an outstanding educational institution."

Lead author Michael Swygert is professor of law emeritus at Stetson University College of Law, where he taught for over 25 years. Educated at Valparaiso University and Yale Law School, Swygert has authored, edited or co-authored five books and numerous book chapters, articles and reviews, and is a member of the American Law Institute.

Gary Vause began work on the book prior to losing his battle to cancer in 2003. He joined Stetson University College of Law in 1975 and served in a variety of roles: professor of law, assistant dean, associate dean, and university vice president and dean. He authored many books and articles, and spearheaded several new international and academic programs during his tenure as dean.

The book is available on the Stetson Law web site at <https://www.law.stetson.edu/bookstore/history/> or at the Stetson University College of Law bookstore by calling 727-562-7806.

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The College of Law moved to Gulfport from the DeLand campus in 1954. This photo shows part of the opening ceremony.

Management professor presents research,

By Carlos Herrera '02



Dr. Carolyn Mueller and her husband, Rick Mueller, enjoy the gondola ride to the Simatai section of the Great Wall of China.

Dr. Carolyn Mueller, chair of the Department of Management, had a summer packed with professional accomplishment, cultural adventure and renewed ties with former students. Mueller, an associate professor of Strategic and International Management, traveled to Beijing, China, to present research at the annual meeting of The Academy of International Business (AIB). AIB is the leading association of scholars and specialists in the field of international business and each summer holds annual meetings at locations around the world, including China, Australia, Mexico, Puerto Rico and the United States. At these meetings, members present research and theoretical papers that are reviewed and critiqued by academic peers.

As a member of a five-person panel, Mueller presented her research, “Female Entrepreneurship Through the Lenses of National Culture, Gender Roles and Religious Influence.” The research is a

model she and co-authors developed that links national culture, religion

and gender with rates of entrepreneurial activity. She also presented preliminary evidence that validates the model. Her research was a contribution and vital piece of the panel presentation, “Women Entrepreneurs in the Global Economy,” which explored from several perspectives the status of women entrepreneurs in today’s worldwide economy.

“I always get so much out of coming to the Academy’s annual meetings,” said Mueller, who has been a member since 1991, and also serves as the regional chair for AIB’s Southeast U.S. chapter. “It is really great to get in-depth feedback on your work, and attending the meeting keeps me motivated to continue my research.”

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– Dr. Carolyn Mueller



The Muellers stand before the Temple of Heaven in Beijing.

meets with former students in China

Mueller also said that meeting Chinese scholars, college students, business professionals and visiting historical landmarks really helped her to immerse and develop an understanding of the Chinese culture, something she believes will benefit her students.

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While in Beijing, Mueller and her husband, Rick, also had the opportunity to meet up with some of her former students — Hao Shi MBA '02, Christina Homan '05 and her fiancé, Stephen Berning '04.

Shi, originally from Beijing and now living in Jacksonville, was there for the AIB's annual meeting. He believes that Mueller's trips to foreign countries like China greatly benefit her students.



Hao Shi MBA '02 and Dr. Mueller tempt the dragon at The Summer Palace in Beijing.



Shi '02 and the Muellers pose for a picture near the lake at The Summer Palace in Beijing.

“Not everyone has the opportunity to visit China and learn about its culture, but rather they learn from someone who has,” said Shi, who is a research coordinator for Comcast Cable. “For an American businessperson conducting business successfully with or in China, it is imperative to first understand the cultural differences and then adjust business approach and strategy accordingly.”

“What I have learned about the International Business major is that you can only learn so much in a classroom from

a book,” said Homan, who has been living in Suzhou, China, since 2005. “To go out and experience the different cultures and to apply what you have learned is invaluable and to have professors do the same is advantageous.”

Mueller, who has been a faculty member of Stetson's School of Business Administration since 1999, also coordinates the International Business major.



Stephen Berning '04 and Christina Homan '05 show off their Stetson University shirts at the Great Wall of China.

Photos were provided by the Mueller family.



Coach Dunn celebrates 1,000th win

By Brian Petrotta

People love milestones. Silver anniversaries, bicentennials and first birthdays elevate otherwise normal days to special occasions. Stetson baseball coach Pete Dunn '72 recently had one of his normal days turn special to celebrate his 1,000th win. His milestone is made even more impressive for he is one of only four coaches to reach that number who both played and spent their entire head coaching careers at the same school.

If Dunn is special in the ranks of college baseball, he is iconic at Stetson. With his 28th season as the Hatters head coach on the horizon, Dunn has lifted the program to national prominence. He has won conference

championships, Coach of the Year awards and developed All-Americans – both for their play and academics.

This 1,000th win, however, says even more about the man. It speaks to longevity, of course, but perhaps even more it speaks to consistency. The Hatters have had only two losing seasons in Dunn's tenure. Those seasons came in back-to-back years, then Stetson posted two of the school's highest win totals the following campaigns. That speaks to perseverance.

Stetson University Baseball Coach Pete Dunn '72, center earned his 1,000th win on May 25 during the 2006 Atlantic Sun Conference Championship. Stetson went on to win the conference championship and the team went to Atlanta for the NCAA Atlanta Regional tournament that started June 2. Between games on June 3, a photo was snapped of Coach Dunn with Mike Bergmann '81, right, who gave Dunn his first win on Feb. 29, 1980, and the pitcher who gave him his 1,000th win, Robbie Elsemiller '08.



President Doug Lee congratulates Dunn on his career achievement.



Photo by Darius Lukesaitis

“Baseball is humbling.
 Yet it also teaches lessons,
 both about the game
 and about life.”

– Pete Dunn



Dunn, second from right, with presenters, from left, John Fischetti '73, Jeff Smith '98, Dave Carlton '83 and Dickie Smith '87



DeLand Mayor Bob Appgar, right, presents a special honor.

So, on Oct. 28, Pete Dunn had what would have been an ordinary Saturday transformed into a special occasion. Friends and colleagues from five decades of Dunn's association with Stetson turned out to celebrate his milestone and his influence. Fittingly, his head coach – and predecessor as Stetson's skipper Coach Jim Ward – kicked off the recollections during dinner. Former players John Fischetti '73, Dickie Smith '87

and Jeff Smith '98 each followed, representing the decades in which they played for Dunn.

One of the most recent memories was the game that gave Dunn his 1,000th win. Much was at stake on May 25, 2006, when the Hatters faced the Mercer Bears in the Atlantic Sun Conference Tournament and Stetson let a late lead slip away to force extra innings. But Brian Pruitt's 11th-inning single gave the Hatters a 6-5 win and Dunn left the dugout, as he had 999 times before, a winner. Naturally, Stetson went on to win the tournament, giving Dunn back-to-back championships and his sixth overall.

Dunn is quick to point out that although he has won more than a thousand games, he has also lost more than 600. “Baseball is humbling,”

as Dunn put it. “Yet it also teaches lessons, both about the game and about life.” Ultimately that is where Dunn leaves his legacy at Stetson. College is meant to prepare youth to become professionals and adults. If the group of people who gathered on Oct. 28 is any indication, Dunn has excelled in both areas.

The group gathered to celebrate a milestone, making Oct. 28 not just another day for Pete Dunn. Of course, Pete Dunn is not just another coach – or person – to that group and that is why we celebrate milestones. The flyer may have said the night was for Pete, but really it was for all who had been influenced by him.



Dunn, left, and former Coach Jim Ward

Brian Petrota is in his first year as the sports information director at Stetson. He is a graduate of the University of Kansas and worked for eight years in minor league baseball.



Dunn shares a moment with players he coached in the '70s (above) and the '80s (below).



Dunn celebrates with current and past assistant coaches.

Never ‘business as usual’ at Stetson University Center at Celebration

By Mike Mekdeci

Strong Counselor Education, Teacher Education and Business degree programs are at the heart of what the Stetson University Center at Celebration is all about, but there’s much more. In other words, it’s never “business as usual” at 800 Celebration Ave. Here’s my chance to share the story of how the Center is growing, evolving dramatically and offering more opportunities with each year.

In keeping with President Doug Lee’s commitment to bring nationally acclaimed speakers to Stetson University, the Center hosted best-selling author and motivational speaker Jean Chatzky in November. The award-winning journalist “packed the house” at the Center. Her one hour lecture,

You Don’t Have to Be Rich: Comfort, Happiness and Financial Security On Your Own Time was full of wit and information and she appeared to delight the enthusiastic audience of Celebration residents, graduate students, trustees, alumni, invited guests, faculty and staff. She then responded to audience questions for another half-hour.

The following evening Chatzky was engaging another audience on the DeLand campus in historic Elizabeth Hall Chapel.

Chatzky’s lecture kicked off the Rinker Institute Lecture series, which is sponsored by the M.E. Rinker Sr. Institute of Tax and Accountancy. This is just the first in a series of nationally known speakers who will be featured at the Center.

The Stetson University Center continues to expand its marketing efforts. The Center recently joined the Central Florida Higher Education Alliance (CFHEA), which hosts education fairs at all the major business and corporate offices throughout Central Florida. Staff members from the Center and DeLand have been attending these education fairs to promote Stetson’s

Photo by Mike Mekdeci



The Stetson University Center at Celebration

graduate programs, and provide information about the many outstanding undergraduate programs on the main campus in DeLand, as well as opportunities at the Stetson University College of Law.

Graduate programs in Education, Counseling and Business have all experienced increases over last year. For example, our undergraduate business degree completion program, Executive Passport, has expanded from 15 students in August 2005 to more than 45 students today, and the waiting list is still growing. Since the start of the Executive Passport Program, the Center has been flooded by requests to offer degree completion programs in a number of different areas, such as Education, Political Science and English.

Stetson University and the Institute of Florida Real Estate Careers (IFREC) joined to offer a wide array of real estate programs and courses. The IFREC classes offered include Sales Associate and Mortgage Brokers as well as Appraisal, Home Inspection, Escrow Management and various Continuing Education classes, along with the State Exam Prep course.

IFREC began a limited number of classes at both the Celebration and DeLand campuses in late September, and a whole range of courses are being planned for 2007.

Meeting planners are also discovering that the Center's large rooms, state of the art technology and



Photo by Mike Mekdeci

Celebration's Osceola Room

exceptional service are excellent options for a training location. In October alone, 75 meetings and corporate events were held at the Center; November added 60 more to the list.

Another important update is the recent renovations that transformed a former conference room and library into a large seminar room capable of seating 80 students in a classroom setting or 125 theater-style. The renovation work was graciously donated by Celebration builder Francis Issa of Issa Homes, who also donated an original oil painting of Seminole Indian Chief Osceola. The painting now hangs in the new room, which has been renamed the Osceola Room. The library, formerly on the third floor, has been relocated to the ground floor for easier access.

We welcome visitors, so consider dropping by our beautiful Center to get a first-hand look at what we're all about – you'll be glad you did.

Mike Mekdeci is associate vice president, Stetson University Center at Celebration



Photo by Carlos Herrera

Jean Chatzky talk kicks off Rinker Institute Lecture Series

Award-winning journalist, best-selling author and motivational speaker Jean Chatzky spoke at Stetson University campuses in Celebration and DeLand in early November.

Chatzky is the financial editor for NBC's Today Show, a contributing editor for Money and Travel & Leisure magazines and the host of Talking Money with Jean Chatzky, a nationally syndicated daily radio program. She is also a columnist for The New York Daily News, a featured money coach on The Oprah Winfrey Show and a host of a daily show on XM radio's Oprah and Friends channel.

Chatzky's visit kicked off the M.E. Rinker Sr. Institute of Tax and Accountancy's Rinker Institute Lecture Series. The M.E. Rinker Sr. Institute of Tax and Accountancy focuses on developing students as accounting and management professionals.

Each year, the Rinker Institute Lecture Series invites leading accounting, business and financial practitioners to Stetson to interact with students and provide the Stetson community with an understanding of the role, contributions and challenges of current business practice.

Ion Sancho '78: Working to be sure every vote counts

By Betty Brady

Ion Sancho '78, supervisor of elections in Leon County since 1988, believes the right of citizens to know that their votes are counted accurately is the bedrock of democracy. Following through on that belief has catapulted him into the national arena.

Concerned that electronic voting machines were not secure, he staged a mock election and discovered that fraud is possible. That news put the Stetson alumnus on national television and in newspapers across the country in March 2006.

Asked why he did the tests – which no one else was doing – he says: “Voting machine vendors are private companies; their computer codes are proprietary. Their operating systems are not transparent either. I didn’t know all of their capabilities. Experts who approached me believed they were vulnerable.”

He has reasons to distrust the system. He first ran for elections supervisor after a botched election where he was a candidate. He cleaned up those problems and is proud that in the 2000 presidential election, Leon County had the best elections record in Florida.

Politics has been his passion since his Stetson days, when he commuted from Orlando as a married transfer student, attracted to Stetson because of the close personal attention it offered. “The quality of education at Stetson made all the difference in the world to me,” he says.

He remembers particularly John Hague and Gerald Critoph in American Studies, Gary Maris and T. Wayne Bailey in Political Science and Malcolm Wynn in History. “I took French History with Dr. Wynn with only four students. We had to be prepared; there was no place to hide. Such give and take was the highlight of my Stetson career.” Attending the Washington Semester and going to New York City and the United Nations were also important to him: “I realized the system was open to participation.”

When Clay Henderson '77 was student government president, Sancho was his vice president and later served as president himself. “It was a life-changing experience,” he says. “I was shy; getting involved in student government and representing the students was great. I could tell by their reaction that I had a career there.”

Graduating at 28, he moved to Tallahassee to stay in politics, working in Secretary of State George Firestone’s office. He earned a Florida State University law degree in 1987 and ran for county commissioner as a third-year law student. Leon County

Ion Sancho '78, right, discussing a report with a member of his staff, has had a passion for politics since his Stetson days.



was in turmoil over new environmental laws related to growth management issues, and Sancho, who was active in his neighborhood association, felt his experience with Orlando's mushrooming growth in the '70s gave him something to offer.

"That primary election, in September 1986, was a defining moment in my life," he says. "It was like what the rest of the state experienced in 2000. I had taken elections for granted my whole life, but that confidence was destroyed. I had just assumed that votes would be counted properly, but there was an election meltdown – and I was a candidate. There were misaligned levers on machines and other problems." A judge refused to set the election aside, saying the remedy was political, not legal.

So he ran for Leon County supervisor of elections, won and made some changes. "The lever machines we had been using made it impossible to do a recount. I wanted a system that would allow me to show the electorate transparently that their votes were properly counted."

That led him to optical scan ballots, which he still champions. "It's a basic requirement in voting," he says, "to be able to independently and transparently count the votes. Optical scan ballots are marked by voters in their own hands and you have an audit trail of ballots marked by the voters themselves."

But in 2005 the Florida State Legislature made it illegal to use paper ballots in official recounts. Then advocates for the rights of disabled persons won a campaign to force counties to provide the option of electronic touch-screen voting machines, despite the fact that all touch-screen machines so far certified by the state lack paper trails.

Those facts worry Sancho and in December 2005 he asked computer experts to try to hack into the touch-screen machines to test their security. The hackers found that they could change vote counts without detection. Many in Florida criticized his action, but the day after his results were revealed, California's secretary of state was on the phone. The national media picked it up; one weekend in March 2006 his story was in 90 newspapers around the country – and on CNN, Fox News and MSNBC.

"We're forced to use the technology," he says. "We've outsourced our elections to private vendors, but I learned long ago to validate, not to trust. The ability to alter votes means we need procedures to keep our elections secure. We need to develop new procedures to be sure an insider could not manipulate the results. The issue is the chain of custody of the machines."

Sancho believes things will change. "The majority of states require a paper trail; it's just a matter of time in Florida. Elections officials need to know they can be audited; citizens should not have to take elections results on trust."

But he believes citizens will have to demand the changes: "Currently, Florida laws favor electronic touch-screen systems," he says, adding that 15 urban counties representing 50 percent of Florida voters use only electronic touch-screen voting – with no paper trail.

"A citizens' initiative may be the only way to get it changed," he says.

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– Ion Sancho '78

Stetson Honors Program a welcome challenge for faculty, students

*2006-2007 academic year marks
program's 50th anniversary*

By Gerri Bauer

Imagine classroom dialogue so stimulating that nobody leaves when class is supposed to end. The discussion continues for another 20 minutes before anyone realizes how much time has passed.

Compound that with a vision of three different conversations taking place simultaneously, with three faculty members leading the discourse among students who need to keep track of it all.

That's an example of what the Stetson University Honors Program

is all about.

The 50th anniversary of Stetson's Honors Program is being observed this academic year, and the program remains both vibrant and responsive to the needs of students, say those closely associated with it.

Challenging, demanding and exciting, is how professor emeritus and former Honors Program Director (1960-71) Dr. John Hague describes the program he helped establish at Stetson in the mid-1950s.

Hague remembers the course that so engaged its participants they ignored the ringing bell that signaled the end of class in those days. It was "Affluence, Leisure and Human Joy," team-taught by Drs. Charlie Andrews, Ted Beiler and Carter Colwell. "They had just been studying information overload," Hague said, and chuckled.

Team-teaching remains a focal point of the Honors Program, which the course catalog defines as designed "to serve highly accomplished students who have



Photo by Gerri Bauer

Dr. John Hague, professor of American Studies Emeritus and former director of the Honors Program, left, shares his reflections with current director Dr. Michael Denner, assistant professor of Russian Studies.

an unusual commitment to scholarship.” Part of the appeal for faculty, who shoulder extra duties when teaching in the program, is engaging with students who enjoy the level of dynamism present in the program, Hague said.

Part of the appeal, for students, is the challenge to reach beyond demands of Stetson’s already vigorous academic standards.

Stetson senior Melissa Pancoast credits the program as the catalyst for her activism against the genocide taking place in Darfur. “A calling toward law is something I’ve had since I was younger; my father is an attorney,” said Pancoast, president and founder of Stetson STAND (Students Taking Action Now: Darfur). “The calling to do humanitarian work or international human rights and law is very much the product of my Honors curriculum.” She led the drive to found Stetson STAND after delving into the Darfur crisis in Honors classes.

Pancoast said it’s not unusual for a faculty member to sit down at lunch and discuss the politics of Africa with her. Faculty-student dialogue that extends beyond the classroom is another hallmark of the Honors Program, as is significant latitude for independent study.

Some aspects of the program have been revised, with an important change occurring a few years ago. The program shifted from specially designated honors courses to a unique honors curriculum, said Honors Program Director Dr. Michael Denner, assistant professor of Russian Studies.

“It’s an experiential and dynamic program, constantly evolving and responding to students, and has been from the get-go,” said Denner.

The recent change provides a thread of connection between the upcoming 2007 Honors graduates and the first set of Honors graduates in 1957. Both will have the distinction of graduating from a newly crafted program. The 2007 graduates will be the first to have gone through the program under the new curriculum. When Stetson’s Honors Program first began in 1956, it was offered only to juniors and seniors – making the 1957 graduates the first to have gone through a new Honors program at Stetson.

Among the first group of five graduates was Dr. Mary Ann (Coslow) Wimsatt ’57, professor of English at the University of South Carolina in Columbia. She was the only senior woman in the first year of Stetson’s program. She recalls the benefits of working with able professors including the program’s first director, Dr. John Hicks, and the camaraderie among Honors students, many of whom gathered for weekly discussions at Dr. Hugh McEniry’s home.

Camaraderie and late-night dialogue and debate among high-achieving students and their mentoring faculty continued in the 1960s, recalls Jay Mechling ’67, professor of



The first graduates of the Honors Program



An early Honors class session



An Honors “weekend” for prospective students

American Studies at the University of California, Davis. In those days, many gatherings took place in a men's residence house affectionately known as Hon Hall.

Professor of History and Russian Studies Dr. Paul Steeves, who directed the Honors program from 1979 to 1984, also noted the sense of companionship and solidarity that exists in the program. Many students who choose the Honors challenge get a sense of personal fulfillment in being Honors students, said Steeves, who has been involved with the program almost from its inception. Honors participants are scholarly, curious, willing to try new ideas, creative and interested in engaging in discussion, he said.

The start of the 2006-2007 academic year found current Honors students and faculty mingling at a dinner and pool party at professor of Philosophy Dr. Ron Hall's home. Such a get-together "adds to the cohesion of the group," he said. "This is a group that's going to stay with each other for four years."

Hall and Associate Dean of Arts & Sciences Dr. Toni Blum, associate professor of Psychology, co-directed the program as it transitioned into its current format. The program is "an interdisciplinary way to approach knowledge," said Blum.

Mechling said his Honors experience has had a lasting effect. He said his commitment to the freshman residential honors program at UC Davis has its roots at Stetson. Crafting a small-school experience in the midst of a university of some 35,000 students "is a product of the Stetson American Studies and Honors experiences."

The program's people have had a lasting influence, as well. "Please tell John Hague I remember him well," said Wimsatt in her e-mail. "He was an inspiration to all of us."

Hon Hall gone but memories remain strong

Hon Hall was not officially connected with Stetson's Honors Program, yet the two were inextricably linked in the mid-20th century. The old-fashioned, wood-frame structure housed some of the most forward-thinking minds on campus.

Hon Hall stood south of Davis Hall before falling to progress in summer 1967. It was a men's residence house from 1948 to 1967 and a known gathering point for male Honors Program students. Alumnus Jay Mechling '67 felt privileged to have had the chance to live in the home overseen by house parents and Stetson professors Doc and Kathleen Johnson.

"Hon had an interesting array of smart people, eccentric people, smart and eccentric people ..." e-mailed Mechling, a professor of American Studies at the University of California, Davis. "People read and talked about books, listened to alternative music (Larry [Clarke] played Bob Dylan records endlessly, the first I had ever heard of him), and (of course) Doc and Kathleen would have informal gatherings."

Professor emeritus Dr. John Hague remembers "something always going on" in Hon Hall, such as a chess game in one room, bridge game in another, discussion in a third. "There were a lot of Honors Program boys in that building," he said. "They loved the place. They loved Kathleen and Doc."

Hon Hall's name evolved not from the home's association with Honors students, but from its original owner, E. L. Hon. He was manager of J.B. Stetson's electric light and water plants and a Stetson University trustee, and he made provisions in his will for the university to purchase the house. Hon's grandson, Paul Johnson, recently joined Stetson's Board of Trustees.

Memories of the house as a family home are as warm for Paul's sister, Jeanne Johnson, as Mechling's collegiate recollections are to him.

Paul, Jeanne and brother Al's mother, Lois Jean Hon, was the second to youngest child in a large family, said Jeanne. Her grandparents kept expanding the house "as they had more children and needed more space."

She recalls visiting for holidays as a child, and playing in the thick Spanish moss that hung from a tree outside the house. She also has a photo of her parents' wedding, which took place in the Hon home.

Although the paths of residency didn't cross, the strong minds of college students who lived in Hon Hall had parallels in the earlier, family occupants.

Jeanne says her grandparents were strict Baptists who expected their children to follow rules. "My mother was the rebel," she said. At a time when even cooking was frowned upon on Sundays, her mother would play the piano on Sunday.

Jeanne cites family lore to illustrate the resolve of her grandfather E. L. Hon. "He saw a tree and a rope and people ready to hang a black man," she said. "He said 'stop,' " and by standing up to the crowd he prevented a lynching from taking place.

— Gerri Bauer



Hon Hall in the early 1960s. The building was demolished in 1968 to make room for the parking lot for Davis Hall.



STETSON UNIVERSITY Cupola ALUMNI NEWS

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

On behalf of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, I send greetings and shared pride about the many great things happening at our alma mater. You'll read more about the amazing accomplishments of Stetson students and faculty and all that is made possible through donor support throughout this issue of the magazine. I'm pleased to share news about the work of the Alumni Association.

The Alumni Board, which grew from 66 members last year to 83 this year, held its Summer Planning Conference on Aug. 18-19 in conjunction with the opening of school. Following university updates and committee sessions and a dinner at the President's Home Friday, members greeted new students Saturday morning as they moved into their residence halls. Visiting with new students and their families brought back fond memories of their first days on campus for board members who participated.

The Alumni Board's primary focus areas are listed below, and board committees exist for each of these.

- Alumni Engagement
- Career Networking
- Leadership and Development
- Student Recruitment
- Young Alumni

You may be interested to know that the leadership and development committee is developing, with the commitment and support of the Stetson Board of Trustees, a *Leadership Stetson* program. This new program will be launched during the 2007-2008 year. The mission of *Leadership Stetson* is to facilitate the sharing of knowledge and expertise among leaders who are close to the

institution, to develop the next generation of Stetson leadership, to support the university's mission through effective and responsible leadership, and to build lifelong ties among all Stetson's constituents. We'll be sharing more about this as plans develop.



Luis Prats

Homecoming 2007—March 22-25—will be here before you know it, so mark your calendars and plan to attend. Special highlights will be celebrations of

the 50th anniversary of the Honors Program, a 100th birthday memorial celebration of Prof. Giffin, the 50th anniversary of the final season of Hatter football, a Residential Life reunion, Roland George Investments Program reunion, and nine class reunions, from the class of 1947 to the class of 1997. There'll be something for everyone.

As we build up to Stetson's 125th anniversary celebration in 2008-2009, I invite you to actively participate in the Alumni Association's programs. At the heart of the work we do is a commitment to build loyalty and pride, to actively involve alumni in the life of Stetson, and to build the financial strength of this great institution. I hope you will join us in this endeavor.

- Lu Prats '78, JD '81

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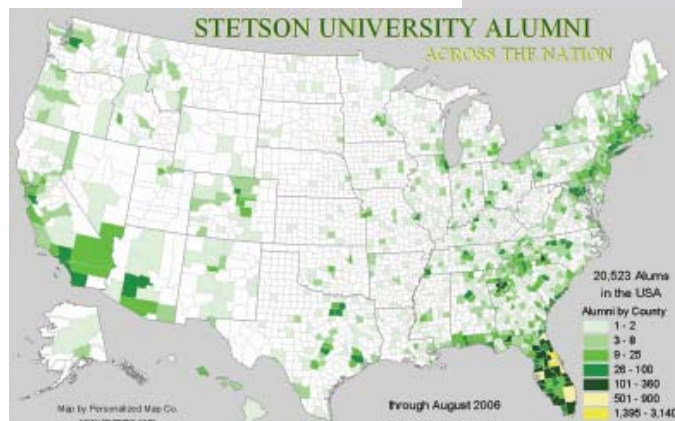
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www.stetson.edu/alumni



Alumni Population Maps Are Now Available Online



Did you know there are 389 Hatters in California? Find out the alumni population in your area!
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ALUMNI EVENTS

1. Tom L. Fields, Susan Lloyd '68, Kathy Reilly, and Mike Repass '67, JD '70 in **Washington, D.C.**

2. Top row: Judy Chmura '04, Jim W. Hall '68, Trent Tonsmeire '94, Rich M. Romine '96, M.Acc '97, Tina Villanova Romine '96, M.Acc '97, and Jonathan D. Bailey '03. Front row: Alysa Trakas '96, Dana Faircloth Sumner '96, and Ann Buchanan Jenkins '74 at the Crown Athletic Club in **Charlotte**.

3. More than 150 alumni, family, and friends enjoy a ballpark buffet at Dolphin Stadium prior to a Marlins vs. Red Sox game in **Miami**.

4. SGA President Will S. Stoetzer gives tips to parents and incoming freshmen at the **Fort Myers** Off-to-School Party hosted by Sally Sartain Jane '62 and Tracy Richards Morency '84.

5. From left: Christopher Mercer '68 with Brenda and Jim '62 Lanier at the Lanier home in **Memphis**.

6. From left: Marilyn Gant, Deborah Lancia Ruiz '00, Bill F. Laird '99, and Tara Conner '02 (right foreground) at the **Jacksonville** Speed Networking event.

7. Jason M. Buser '05, Paul Stuk '03, Paul Y. Coffin '05, and William P. Perry '06 in **Atlanta**.

8. From left: Michael C. Campbell '06, Peter J. Matulis '94, Michael A. Natale '88, Scott Schlegel '93, MBA '96, JD '96, and Alicia Stagner '06 at the **Orlando** Speed Networking Event.

9. Host David J. Herrera (3rd from right) with parents of current students at the **Miami** Off-to-School Party.

10. Don Owen '59, Bill B. Clark '65, Connie Clark, Milt Jones '53, and Alice Jones at MOSI in **Tampa**.

11. Jason W. Crockett '98, Paul Brown '03, and Jamie Gagliano '03 in **New York City**.

12. Katie Johnson Rowell '70, Peter P. Rowell '68, Bob E. McBeath '69 at the National City Tower in **Louisville**.



CLASS NOTES

'49

Mark G. Weatherly, Crestview, has retired after 25 years as a psychology professor at Longwood University and an adjunct at the University of Virginia.

'51

James H. Gaff, Ponte Vedra Beach, was awarded a 2006 Spirit of Hope Award on Nov. 13.

'58

Sylvia McDonald Collins, Wauchula, was recently inducted into the Hardee County Schools Hall of Fame.

'59

Arthur M. Hale, Naples, has authored books on Christian themes, including *That Same Persistent Chase*, and *The 'Yes, But' Disease*. **Betty Drees Johnson**, DeLand, received the Florida Library Association's Lifetime Achievement Award at the FLA annual conference in April 2006. She has worked at Stetson University's duPont-Ball Library for 45 years.

'61

Alice Cole Oldham, Sebring, has retired from her position as executive director of the Avon Park Housing Authority. **Sally Tait Robb**, Palm Beach Gardens, has retired from St. Mark's School after 37 years of teaching.

'62

Betty Batson Bell, Palm Beach Gardens, was selected as the Wachovia Woman Volunteer of the Year. **Judith MacKenzie Gersting**, Hilo, Hawaii, was awarded the University of Hawaii Board of Regents Excellence in Teaching Award at the University of Hawaii at Hilo, where she has taught computer science for 16 years. **Marvin E. Reed**, Hempstead, N.Y., has retired from Hofstra University. He taught in higher education for 38 years at Drew University, Ursinus College, Brown University, Washington University, and Hofstra University.

'66

Gwen Mulliniks-Arnett Lancaster, Waleska, Ga., has retired from her position with the Cherokee County School System after 30 years of teaching high school English. She is now writing and traveling. **Kenneth R. Steele**, Marlton, N.J., has recently been named the music in worship repertoire and standards chair for the Eastern Division of the American Choral Directors Association. He is presently

serving as organist/choirmaster for the Kemble Memorial United Baptist Church in Woodbury, N.J. **Jerous A. Vincent**, Fort Pierce, has retired after 40 years of teaching at Dan McCarty Middle School.

'67

Maggi Smith Hall, DeLand, has completed and published her book *AFFIRMED: Teachers as Citizens*, a true account of threats received in response to her criticism of the public school system.

'68

Kenneth D. Anderson, Westhartford, Conn., has retired from his position as the vice president of Connecticut Mutual Life. **Jane T. Bradford**, DeLand, was honored in April for 25 years of service at Stetson. She is the bulletin editor, an associate professor, and reference librarian at the duPont-Ball Library. **Chuck L. Mandt**, Lithia Springs, Ga., has recently published his first book through the online content marketplace: *Rhythms of Change*, a fictional account of a modern day church's struggle to balance praise worship music with traditional church music.

'69

Robert F. Farr, Boulder, Colo., is an organist/choirmaster at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, music director of the Cantabile Singers, and an administrative assistant at the Reform Synagogue. **L. Norman Vaughan-Birch**, Sarasota, was recently selected as a Florida Super Lawyer in the category of business litigation for his work as a co-managing partner of the Kirk-Pinkerton law firm.

'70

Maureen Adele Jarrell, Greensboro, N.C., is a GYN oncologist in private practice. **George E. Shierling**, DeLand, was honored this June for his 25 years of service as a Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants Education Foundation Trustee. The board unanimously agreed to rename the Platinum Endowment the "George E. Shierling Platinum Endowment Fund," used to provide scholarships for accounting students enrolled in Florida colleges and universities. **Lynn Wilkinson Willenbrock**, Beverly, Mass., recently received a doctorate

in Higher and Adult Education from the University of Massachusetts as well as a promotion to dean of retention and student success at North Shore Community College.

'71

Raymond W. Alden III, Las Vegas, Nev., has accepted a position as provost at Northern Illinois University. **Carolyn E. Dial**, Houston, Texas, is the children's librarian at the North Channel Branch of the Harris County Library. Family history stories that she wrote were just published in the publication *Trinity County: A Legend of its Own*. **Judson P. Stryker, Jr.**, DeLand, was honored in April for 30 years of service at Stetson. He is an associate dean and professor in the School of Business. **George Winston**, Santa Cruz, Calif., released a new album entitled *Gulf Coast Blues & Impressions: A Hurricane Relief Benefit*, on Sept. 5, 2006.

'72

Teresa Deen Massey, McMinnville, Ore., was named the NW College Reading and Learning Association Outstanding Educator for 2006 for her work at Chemeketa Community College. **Lynn Jones Stewart**, Burke, Va., is currently an archivist in the Washington National Records Center. **Richard W. Stewart**, Burke, Va., has just been appointed as the chief historian for the U.S. Army.



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'73

David O. Cushman, New Wilmington, Pa., is chair of the Department of Economics and Business, and Capt. William McKee Chair of Economics and Business, an endowed chair, at Westminster College. **John H. Monk**, Bainbridge, Ga., is new president and senior loan and credit officer with Community Capital Bancshares. **Prissy Murtha**, St. Petersburg, has opened a new business, "Good Manners," an etiquette class for all ages, taught at the Renaissance Vinoy Hotel. **J. Woodward "Woody" Roe**, Palm Beach Gardens, has been elected to the Jupiter Tequesta Juno Beach Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, serving a two year term.

'74

John Hewett, Philadelphia, Pa., is the

director of development for the National Endowment for the Arts, Washington D.C.

'75

Debbie Ford Bandy, Charleston, S.C., is a teacher at Mason Prep School. **Shepard "Shep" Hill**, Great Falls, Va., is senior vice president in business development and strategy for The Boeing Company. **David S. Marsh**, Longwood, has retired as chief meteorologist at WESH-TV, Orlando, after nearly 37 years of forecasting Central Florida weather to four generations of viewers. **Richard G. Medlin**, DeLand, was honored in April for 25 years of service at Stetson. He is a professor in the Department of Psychology. **Joel H. Williams**, Bethel, Ark., is a district office special education teacher with the Lower Kuskokwim School District.

'76

Robin Marino, Princeton, N.J., is the president of merchandising for Martha Stewart Omnimedia. **Vicki Peterson Fey**, Bristol, Tenn., recently received a 2006 Arts Leadership Award, presented by the Arts Council of Greater Kingsport. She was also appointed principal keyboard with the regional Symphony of the Mountains. **John T. Lachman**, Pensacola, has retired from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. **Jeffrey B. Thomas**, J.D./CIMA®, Dallas, Texas, has been elected president of the Investment Management Consultants Association (IMCA), a professional association that bestows the Certified Investment Management Analyst (CIMA®) designation to qualified individuals. **Martha Swenson Travillian**, Suwannee, Ga., has retired after 21 and a half years of working for Delta Air Lines / Delta Technology as a computer programmer.

'77

Clay Henderson, Orlando, is an attorney with Holland & Knight and was presented the Bill Sadowski Memorial Public Service Award by the Environmental and Land Use Section of the Florida Bar.

'78

Michael H. Davis, DeLand, recently opened a new CPA firm in DeLand. **Luis Prats**, St. Petersburg, has received the Paul M. May Meritorious Service Award for continued support of the College of Law and is rated one of the best construction lawyers in the United States. **Gerald E. Snell**, Iraq, is stationed as the officer in charge of the Kirkuk Regional Training Center.

'79

M. Lee McGraw, Center Ossipee, N.H., is now the director of development for Northern Human Services, a mental health organization in northern New Hampshire. **Beth Zeller Potter**, Tampa, is vice president of professional development for the International Society for Pharmaceutical Engineering. **Jeffrey P. Wieland**, Orlando, has been named head of Akerman Senterfitt's Orlando real estate practice. **Murray H. Williams**, Charlotte, N.C., is a vice president with CB Richard Ellis Group, Inc.

'80

Ellen T. Armour, Memphis, Tenn., has joined the faculty at Vanderbilt Divinity School in Nashville. **Bruce B. McCandless**, Port Orange, is vice president and commercial relationship manager with

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Alumnus receives Chinese government's highest honor for foreign business leaders

Alumnus Lewis M. Kling, MBA '71, president and CEO of Flowserve Corp., received the 2006 Marco Polo Award in Beijing, China, in August. The award is the highest honor given by the Chinese government to a foreign business leader.

Flowserve is a world leader in fluid motion and control products and services to the power, oil and gas, chemical processing and water sectors as well as other industries. Operating in 56 countries, the company produces engineered and industrial pumps, seals and valves as well as a range of related flow management services.

Given annually by China's State Administration of Foreign Experts Affairs, the China Association for International Exchange of Personnel, and the U.S.-China Foundation for International Exchanges, the award presented to Kling recognizes foreign business leaders who play a significant role in China's economic development and who demonstrate a commitment to improving Chinese society by sponsoring volunteer experts for humanitarian assignments.

Past recipients include former President George H.W. Bush and CEOs at CSX, Johnson & Johnson, Ford Motor Co., Kodak, Merrill Lynch, Merck, Medtronic and Hearst Magazines International.

The award recognizes Flowserve's longstanding business relationship and operations in China. The company has offices in Shanghai, Beijing, Shenzhen and Dalian, and recently announced the dedication of a new pump, valve and seal manufacturing facility in Suzhou.

Kling was named to his current position with Flowserve in 2005, and has more than 35 years of experience leading manufacturing operations and holding management positions with large global businesses. He joined Flowserve in 2004 as chief operating officer, and was elected to the Eastman Chemical Company board of directors in October 2006. In addition to his MBA from Stetson, Kling holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

"It is truly an honor to be recognized for Flowserve's contribution to economic prosperity and development of China, particularly at a time when we are deepening our commitment," Kling said. "We are extremely pleased with the business environment in China and believe it is critical for our longterm success as a global company. Additionally, we believe strongly in supporting the local regions where we do business, and the exchange of American volunteer experts is one way we are helping support the increased growth in the region."



Lewis M. Kling, MBA



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The Alumni Association Board of Directors on the steps of the Carlton Union Building at its August 2006 board meeting.

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CLASS NOTES

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Florida Capital Bank of Volusia & Flagler Counties. **Karen Schmitt Roberts**, North Palm Beach, was recognized by the South Florida Business Journal as one of the Top 30 South Florida Human Resources Professionals in 2005, and was awarded a career achievement award from them in 2006. Karen is currently the HR director of a non-profit organization in West Palm Beach and the immediate past president of the HR Association of Palm Beach County.

'81

Greg K. McCann, DeLand, has been honored by the Family Firm Institute with their 2006 Barbara Hollander Award for his work in the field of family business. Greg is an associate professor and past director of the Family Enterprise Center at Stetson University. **Myra Bobbitt Wooden**, Ormond Beach, is pastor of worship and arts at First United Methodist Church.

'82

Allen W. Groves, Waynesboro, Va., left the practice of law in Atlanta after 16 years, and relocated to Virginia to become development officer for the Office of Student Affairs at the University of Virginia, his law school alma mater. He completed his two-year term as international president of Pi Kappa Alpha in August 2006. **Mike R. Woods**, Daphne, Ala., is a chaplain with Corporate Chaplains of America.

'83

Lisa Courney Aguilar, Orlando, is president of International Training and Development and has recently authored *Ouch! That Stereotype Hurts: Communicating Respectively in a Diverse World* (Walk the Talk, 2006). **Julie Lee Lambert**, Key Biscayne, is a professor in the school of teacher education at Florida

Atlantic University. **Joe Negron**, Stuart, was named a five-star legislator by the Sun-Sentinel newspaper for his work and successes during the 2006 Florida legislative session. **Fred P. Taylor**, Fort Knox, Ky., is the Staff Judge Advocate, U.S. Army Recruiting Command. He was promoted to colonel on May 1, 2005, in Baghdad, Iraq, where he served from May 2004 to July 2005 as regional defense counsel, coordinating the delivery of criminal defense services to all soldiers in Iraq, Kuwait and Afghanistan including all of the Abu Ghraib defendants.

'84

Eileen Meyer Beatty, Orlando, is an insurance training instructor at Westside Tech. **William S. Dodson**, Boca Raton, works with property claims for the Lumbermen's Underwriting Alliance. **Maureen Bapst Martin**, Cartersville, Ga., graduated from the Medical College of Georgia on May 12, 2006, with a D.M.D degree and will be practicing dentistry. **Laura Boyd Pearce**, Tallahassee, is director of governmental affairs with the Florida Association of Insurance Agents. **James C. Teets**, Wellington, was appointed head of schools for Glades Day School in Belle Glade, Fla. on June 1, 2006.

'85

Kathy Gall Sreenan, Jupiter, is a senior marketing communications manager with Motorola.

'86

Chris A. Barrick, Wilmington, Mass., is a national account sales manager with UniFirst Corporation. **M.**

Kathryn Rackley, Hudson, Ohio, is associate rector with Christ Church. **Kelly Teets**, Wellington, was named senior business analyst at the Wellington Retail Business Unit division of A. Duda & Sons, Inc., with responsibility for handling daily co-managed inventory for all Wal-Mart Supercenter Distribution Centers in the United States.

'87

Thomas F. Daku, Celebration, is general manager with Parrots of the Caribbean, LLC. **William R. Furlong III**, DeLand, was honored in April for 30 years of service at Stetson. He is lab associate director for the chemistry department. **Sherry**

Junker, Decatur, Ga., is a product manager with Silverpop Systems, Inc. **Kenneth E. Leeman**, Monticello, is president of Health Connections Rehab Services, LLC. **Doug P. Ramsey**, St. Augustine, is a senior analyst with Merrill Lynch. **Ronald W. Vara**, Atlanta, Ga., has recently been promoted to captain for Delta Airlines, Inc.

'88

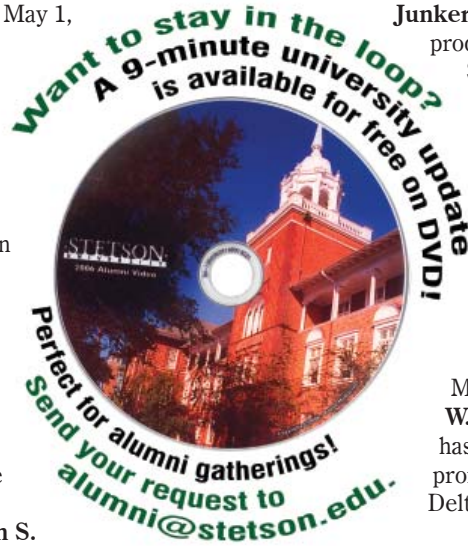
Robert N. Brososky, Medford, Mass., is director of materials and planning with QSA Global, Inc. **Karen Palacios-Jansen**, Mooresville, N.C., is an LPGA teaching professional and has recently been voted one of America's "Top 50 Instructors" by *Golf For Women* magazine. **Jeff I. Ladinsky**, Sebring, was awarded a doctorate in Physical Therapy from the University of St. Augustine and has been certified in manual physical therapy. He currently practices in Sebring and serves as the director of rehabilitation services at Highlands Regional Medical Center. **Susan Dorsey Williams**, Waycross, Ga., earned a master's of Education degree from Troy University in August 2006.

'89

Kevin L. Cronin, Hollywood, is treasurer with Levitt Corporation. **Hunt Norment**, Austin, Texas, is CEO with the Aegea Consulting Group, LLC. **Sandi Jones Fleming**, Columbus, Ga., is an enrollment counselor at the University of Phoenix.

'90

William D. Aleshire, Wake Forest, N.C., has graduated from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary with a master's of Divinity in Biblical Languages and a double concentration in Ethics and Theology. He has accepted an invitation to begin study in the seminary's Doctor of Philosophy program for Theological Studies in Christian Ethics. **Jon P. Hansen**, Rapid City, S.D., has



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HOMECOMING 2007

Just a Sampling of the New Events in Store...

Poetry at an Uncouth Hour

Started in the Spring of 1991, reading poetry in the Forest of Arden remains part of Thursday night's campus activities. Alumni are invited to bring their own poetry to read or enjoy the readings of current students.

Speed Networking Fever

Want to do business with people you know? Are you looking for a job? Want to meet more alumni? Plan to participate in the newest, fastest way to network. Scheduled for Friday of Homecoming, be prepared to hand out business cards and sell your skills to others.

Honors Seminars and Field Experiences

Challenge the mind and test your skills! The Honors Program will be conducting seminars and field experiences guaranteed to make you glad you've already graduated and won't have to worry about making a grade. Join the first Honors Program graduates in the experience as they celebrate 50 years of challenging academia.

Roland George Investments Seminar

Roland George Investments professors and students will share their award-winning stock selection techniques in this four-hour tutorial to help you manage your personal portfolio. Only 10-15 participants will be able to take advantage of this experience as this seminar will be conducted in the state-of-the-art trading room. A fee will be required for this exclusive opportunity to learn the tricks of the Roland George Investments trade!

School of Music Alumni Choir

Calling all School of Music alumni to participate in an all-alumni concert choir. Trained and untrained voices will join fellow alumni in the Saturday musical salute to Prof. Giffin. Other music events are Thursday's Prof. Giffin competition and Friday's Broadway Revue!

Ready for Some Football?

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the last Hatter football season, a challenge has been issued! An all-ages intramural football tournament has been set for Homecoming Saturday. Get ready to rekindle the old rivalries, and start organizing your teams now!

assumed command of the Mount Rushmore SROTC Battalion at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in Rapid City, S.D. Jon has been selected for promotion to the rank of lieutenant colonel and currently serves as battalion commander and professor of military science for SDSM&T, Blackhills State University, Chadron State University, and National American University.

'91

Eva Kristina Calero, Richmond Hill, Ga., is a lab manager in the U.S. Army. **Kevin J. Maffett**, Oviedo, owns and manages "Synchronize It!"—a specialty synchronized swimming instruction program targeted at increasing the mobility and quality of life of its participants. **John P. Rutland**, Lone Jack, Mo., is assistant professor of music at

Central Missouri State University, as well as string area coordinator, and director of the university symphony orchestra. He completed his doctorate of Musical Arts degree in violin performance at the University of North Texas in October 2005.

'92

Jennifer Johnson Bailey, Gainesville, is an actuarial manager with the Tower Hill Insurance Group. **Mickey Desai**, Jonesboro, Ga., is director of development with Southern Crescent Habitat for Humanity, a co-chair of the Metropolitan Counseling Services Development Committee, as well as a member of the Georgia Lakes Society Board of Directors, the Jekyll Island Foundation Advisory Board, and the United Way Volunteer Involvement Program. **Charles J. Huthmaker**,

Norwalk, Conn., is director of Norwalk River Rowing Association. He has just completed his master's of Exercise Physiology at UMass-Amherst in 2006. **Stacy Megica Lewis**, Sandy Springs, Ga., is a vice president with SunTrust. **Sean J. Panico**, Tampa, is senior corporate recruiter with Kforce Professional Staffing. **Tori Sizemore Lehman**, Lakeland, is a shareholder with Carter, Belcourt & Atkinson. **Wesley W. Weger**, Longwood, is a senior account executive and fundraising consultant with Great American Opportunities.

'93

Kathleen Kilhoffer Canales, Jacksonville, is channel manager of Radius Images at Masterfile Corporation. **Deborah Ulbrich-MacPhail**, DeLand, is a veterinarian and co-

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owner of the DeLand Animal Hospital, which she and her husband, Thomas, have operated since January 2004. **Scott J. Wall**, Orlando, is a vice president in commercial markets with RBC Centura Bank.

'94 **Jeffrey R. Baker**, Smyrna, Ga., is senior manager of accounting research with The Coca Cola Company. **Jennifer Holmes Docabo**, Mableton, Ga., was promoted to

supply chain manager for the Home Depot Corporate Office. **Adam J. Kennedy**, Ormond Beach, has been promoted to vice president of investments for A.G. Edwards & Sons. **Jeff A. Wilen**, Port Orange, is the assistant sports editor for *The Daytona Beach News-Journal*.

'95 **Anna Karsner**, Jacksonville, is a recruitment coordinator with the Mayo

Clinic. **Joyea T. Warren**, Naples, is a controller with Carlson Harris General Contractors, Inc.

'96 **Kristin Ludecke Beall**, Mt. Dora, is building a hurricane-safe community in Eustis. She was featured on the Today Show in April 2006, as a building expert. **Cecilia Coloret**, Naples, a teacher at Vineyards

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Alumni Opportunities from Career Services...

How You Can Help Students, Other Alumni through Career Network

You are Stetson's most valuable resource for helping current students and other alumni with career decision-making, networking, and job and internship searches.

Through the Career Network, you can assist by providing career advice, mentoring, job shadowing opportunities, referrals to available jobs and internships, career information panels and career development seminars. In today's continuously changing world of work, your support will make all the difference.

Here's what students and alumni participating in the network say:

"I have had frequent email contact with Leslie Adams Bell '74, and she has been extremely helpful in providing me with various job opportunities and suggestions on companies to approach. I am still deciding what I want to do, but her information has been invaluable." - *DeLorean Winzens '05*

"The Career Network is a great source for students for finding local internships in various fields for any major. I still use this resource to monitor what is available to me." -

Julia Joy Morgillo '08, a junior Sociology major

"A Stetson student contacted me about finding a part-time job in Tallahassee while she studies harp at FSU. She's found a job, and we plan to get together for lunch or dinner. I'm looking forward to meeting her." -

Gail Faughn '66

Help expand the network by joining the over 400 alumni already participating in this important tool. You can register today for the

Career Network by visiting www.stetson.edu/alumni and logging into Hatternet (see page 46). To access the network directly, enter the following address into your browser: <https://www.stetson.edu/secure/programs/hatternet/careernetwork/>.

Are you or your organization interested in hiring talented Stetson students and alumni?

Advertise full-time, part-time and internship positions on Stetson's new free online job postings and resume search system. For more information, go to www.collegecentral.com/stetson and click on "Employers."

Speed Networking Events a Hit!

This fall, the Alumni Relations and Career Services Offices, collaborating with Alumni Board members in Orlando, Daytona Beach and Jacksonville, launched Stetson's first speed networking events. Participants are primarily from the classes of 1986 to 2006.

It's fast and furious. Two people sit across from one another for approximately three minutes. When time is up, it's on to the next person! Here's how the three

minutes are spent:

- Exchange business cards.
- First party gives his or her 'elevator' speech.
- Second party gives his or her 'elevator' speech.



Young alumni at the Daytona Speed Networking event on October 3.

• Both identify specific issues or opportunities to discuss further.

The events provide a great opportunity for alumni to provide details about themselves, to promote their business or, if they are searching for a position, to talk about the kind of position they're looking for and their qualifications.

Alumni participating in the events have provided positive feedback. Following the conclusion of the Orlando speed networking event, business owner Jason Williams '01 exclaimed, "This was awesome. I loved it!" Numerous other alumni have echoed his sentiments.

Recruit for your Employer and Attend Homecoming 2007

Take a visit to your alma mater to celebrate Homecoming with friends and former classmates with a business trip recruiting for your employer. The Office of Career Services has scheduled its spring career fair for Thursday, March 22, to coincide with Homecoming 2007. For more information on how you can participate in the Career Fair, contact the Office of Career Services at career@stetson.edu or 386-822-7315.



The Online Career Networking System

Weddings, Unions & Anniversaries

Anniversaries

Russell C. Carter '48 and wife Barbara celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 19, 2005.
Patty Barnhill Connolly '73 and husband Andrew celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on February 21, 2006.

Weddings and Unions

Robert F. Farr '69 to Linda Johnson, May 1, 2006.
Maureen Adele Jarrell '70 to Lundy Meredith Barkley Jr., Aug. 18, 2006.
Mary Anne Chorpeneing '71 to Allan D. Payne, Jan. 1, 2001.
Jane Ellen Pope '72 to Edward M. Varner, Sr., Sept. 21, 2004.
Edie Smith '73 to Gene Gabbard, Nov. 19, 2005.
Pamela A. Keene '74 to Rick Fulgham, April 9, 2005.
Joseph Cejka '75, '78 to Lisa Marie Leavitt, June 12, 2006.
Janice Leach '78 to Jose Luis Davila, May 23, 2004.
Freda Lane '80 to Forest Smith, April 22, 2006.
Myra Bobbitt '81 to Joe Michael Wooden, Dec. 29, 2004.
Susan Simcox '86 to Gregory L. DeVino, Nov. 19, 2006.
James Robinette '87, '88 to Patricia Hoyle, May 1, 2005.
Kevin Lee Cronin '89, '90 to Jenny Deason, April 29, 2006.
William Hamilton '89 to Emily Ashworth, Feb. 18, 2006.
Sarah Louisa Foley '90 to Philip Harber, March 3, 2004.
John Paul Rutland '91 to Jessica McMeachin, June 2003.
Suzanne Bakos '92 to Eric Dendy, Jan. 12, 2002.
Claudia Palmer '92 to Jose Martinez, Jr., Jan. 14, 2005.
Sean Panico '92 to Joanna Liossis, Feb. 19, 2005.
Pearl Han Ashcraft '93 to Thomas W. Scozzafava on May 27, 2006.
Jennifer Lynn Joyce '94 to Phillip M. Suffern, Sept. 17, 2005.
Kristen Kane '94 to Matthew Atwood, May 5, 2000.
Ruthanne Patz '94, '95 to Christian Madsen, March 4, 2006.



Ryan and Amanda Baker Keefer '02

Monica Castellanos '95 to Dennis Andre Simmons '97, July 15, 2006.
Emily Crews '95 to Cary Splane, May 17, 2003.
Amanda Grace Oliver '95 to Jeramy Hebebrand, Dec. 28, 2001.
Nicole Cook '97 to Brad MacMillan, Feb. 9, 2006.
Jaime Kruzel '97 to Christopher Thomas, May 12, 2006.
Mary Rogers '97 to Greg Garrison, April 1, 2006.
Heather Williams '97 to Manny Bas, Oct. 6, 2001.
Erika Raefski Aguilar '98, '99 to Eduardo Douglas, Sept. 17, 2005.
Andrea Gregg '98 to Andrew Clark, April 8, 2006.
Ginger Berry '99 to Jeff House '99, Sept. 16, 2006.
Katherine Lewis '99 to Matthew Niad, May 13, 2006.
Kristen Penta '99 to Milton Turner, Jr. '98, Dec. 18, 2005.
Sheila Jean Vogel '99 to Adam Jeffrey Getzels, Nov. 5, 2005.
Alexandra von Staudach '99 to Bill Masterson, June 23, 2006.
Leonie Butler '00 to David Halstead, May 15, 2004.
Kristi Hare '00 to Gabriel Machado, May 2003.
Kyle M. McLean '00 to Felicia Burton, March 18, 2006.
Charisse Rosier '00 to Robert Nabors, April 8, 2006.
Leslie Gayle Sackett '00 to Adam Lohse, Aug. 16, 2003.
Thomas J. Underwood '00 to Angela Marie Rohenkohl, March 11, 2006.
Carrie Wilson '00 to Andrew Forrester, June 10, 2006.
Marla Joan Hottle '01 to Jeremy Langford, Nov. 23, 2005.
Hillary Krueger '01 to Kristopher Ridgley, May 14, 2004.
Jessica Beth Lustig '01 to Ryan Ford, June 2003.
Amanda Baker '02 to Ryan W. Keefer, Feb. 11, 2006.
Patricia Anne Cornish '02 to Jeffrey Calvin Bennett, Dec. 10, 2005.
Laurie Harlan '02 to Zachary Cheek '02, April 15, 2006.



Santos '02 and Eboni Long Hampton '02

Eboni Long '02 to Santos Hampton '02, Sept. 17, 2006.
Shawn Alexander Mathias '02 to Marisol Justice, April 23, 2005.
Jessica Ann Pease '02 to Brian Patrick Campbell, Oct. 9, 2005.
Christine Larrea '03 to James Disinger '98, Dec. 19, 2003.
Kimberly Mantel '03 to Jason Aldridge, March 18, 2006.
Allison Martin '03 to Justin Mhoon '02, Dec. 22, 2005.
Crystal Blair McDowell '03 to Joshua Franklin, Oct. 10, 2005.
John Thomas Seth '03 to Theresa Michelle, June 10, 2006.
Joy Edgar '04 to Scott Yeates, Aug. 13, 2005.
Rachel Hussey '04 to Josh Boldman, July 1, 2006.
Jennifer Mount '04 to Ryan Hambling, May 22, 2004.
Elizabeth Neumann '04 to Adam Moore, Feb. 4, 2006.
Rachel Siegel '04 to Philippe Matz, Sept. 3, 2006.
Bethany DeFrancesco '05 to Christopher Chalfin, April 7, 2006.
Sean Adam Thomas '05 to Christine Lynn Thomas, Feb. 26, 2005.
Danielle Marie Cincolo '06 to Torrance Baksh '04, Nov. 11, 2006.
Lauren Keir Jahan '06 to Carl Keever '03, Oct. 21, 2006.
Douglas W. Katez '06 to Cheryl Smith, June 10, 2006.
Elizabeth McCullough '06 to Brian M. Sullivan '05, June 17, 2006.

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Elementary, was presented the Golden Apple Award for Collier County. **Nancy Kerner Durling**, Raleigh, N.C., achieved National Board Certification in Early/Middle Childhood Music in 2003. **Jaclyn M. Hall**, North Redington Beach, has received a Fulbright Fellowship, and is currently conducting biogeography research in Usambara Mountains, Tanzania, East Africa. **Amy Beth Hessler**, Brighton, Mass., completed her training as a neurologist at Tufts-New England Medical Center in June 2006. She will be moving to Ann Arbor, Mich., to complete a fellowship in clinical neurophysiology with an emphasis in

epilepsy. **Amy Rebecca Johns**, Jacksonville Beach, is an English teacher at Stanton College Preparatory School. **Amy Elizabeth Johnson**, Duluth, Ga., is a physics teacher and cheerleading coach at Norcross High School. **Ryan K. Smith**, Richmond, Va., had his book, *Gothic Arches, Latin Crosses*, published by the University of North Carolina Press.



Holly J. Culver '00

manager with KPMG. **Nicole Mendez Chancy**, Atlanta, Ga., is an assistant vice president with Reliance Trust Company. **Christina Warner Elmore**, Jacksonville Beach, is a branch manager/A.V.P. with SunTrust Bank. **Tracey Jackson**, The Woodlands, Texas, is director of training with Evergreen Data Continuity.

'97

Julie Caroline Adam, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, is a human resources

'98

Erika Raefski Aguilar, Bolling AFB, D.C., is a financial reporting and tax supervisor with Arden Group, Inc. **Gretchen Weihe**

IN MEMORIAM

'30s

Catherine Berkelman Crago '30
Mary St. John Vann '30
Lela Brown Brennecke '31
Meredith Alrich '34
Beulah Simonson Germann '34
Ellen Gustafson Townsend '34
Iris Daniel Engel-Barnes '36
Matthew J. Bouterse '37
Marvadene Boyte LaMonica '37
Stella Pope Herbert '38
Evelyn Reid Kaiser '38
William H. Oaks '38
Lucille Blair Parrish '38
Louise E. Taylor '38
Dorothy Mathis Andrews '39
Jane Harris Brown '39
Raymond S. Craig '39
Vivian Thompson Jones '39
Kathleen Mercer Lackland '39

'40s

Doris Johnson McCullough '40
Elizabeth Kies Sellers '40
Elinor Bolton Taylor '40
Billy N. Wolfe '40
Helen Howes Annan '41, '48
Harry W. Bailes '41
Vance P. Graham '41
Hortensia Ruiz Hall '41
Ruth Nowlin Lang '41
Robert A. Moore '41
Earl Neelands '41
Erin Mercer Rowell '41
Harold N. Smith '41
Iva Dyal Barber '42
William Hal Hunter '42
Leroy K. New '42
Barbara Hunter Sample '42
Jeanne Baldwin Wheeler '42
Mary Beeson Craig '43
B. Frank Wheeler '43
Harris P. Gravely '44
Robert Bruce Muirhead '44
Bruce Reid Robinson '44
Benjamin E. Haddox '45

Charlise Carson Smith '45
James B. Owen '46, '48
Evelyn Edwards Sewell '46
Alice Parkhurst Sutton '46
Louise Hardden Tatum '46
Robert Craig Howes '47
Margaret Ballentine Perrin '47
Frances Hobson Simmons '47
John E. Denmark '48
Ettie Koon Dunne '48
Phillip R. Kelley '48
Russell H. Nahm '48
Alfred C. Newman '48
Darrell K. Smith '48
Herbert J. Walton '48
J. Fredrick Breed '49
Sarah Hess Carper '49
Ralph R. Clayton '49, '50
Allan R. Croft '49, '52
Hubert E. Jensen '49
Leira Jones Lambert '49
Robert Beauford McDonald '49
Emile G. Muysleh '49
Lavern H. Outlaw '49
Evelyn Jackson Page '49

'50s

Betty Wade Flanagan '50
Lewis Alvin Halbert '50
John W. Mabry '50
Roger L. Meriwether '50
Adolph Mitnik '50
Irwin C. Sonenfield '50
Robert D. Timson '50
Robert L. Willis '50
Awbrey B. Burns '51
William R. Faust '51
Charles A. Smith '51
Alice Parker Davis '52
Leatha Moulder Garrison '52
Flora Kibler Luckhardt '52
Meta M. Rabe '52
Dominic Alfred Troiano '52
Frances M. Chandler '53
William M. Rowland '53

Mary Jacob Vertermark '53
Samuel L. Lupfer '54
Mary Cole Ormesher '54
Barbara Lannom Vas '54
Herbert S. Willcox '54
Richard B. Ellinor '55
Barbara Rohn Harrington '55
Bruce E. Dris Jakway '55
Nancy Hurst Renninger '55
Nancy Lofgren Cragon '56
Barbara Sapp Hall '56
Francis Littlefield '56
Lewis L. McBryde '56
Jeanne Price Mitchell '56
Lois Beseke Obermiller '56
Marie Broetzman '57
Ronald Sales '57
Elmer A. Simpson '57
Elsie Ann Boyter '58
Mary Jo Mabry '58
Joseph D. Newman '58
Paul W. Potter '58
David H. Griner '59
Jane Harris Wright '59

'60s

Charlea Safford Lillie '60
Jane Kennedy Brown '61
Gloria Bender Hinson '61, '70
Richard H. Jenkins '61, '64
Uwe Roland Klinger '61
Robert J. Laible '61
Seymour L. Honig '62
Philip J. Knight '62
James R. McLauchlin '62
Thomas A. Merritt '62, '65
Sion W. Carter '63
Jerry R. Castleberry '63
Robert E. Collins '63
Richard W. Lobb '63
Jennie Berggren Peppersack '63
John H. Smiley, Sr. '63
Edward Hentz Fletcher '64
Lloyd E. Williams '64
Carol Lou DeLeeuw '65

J. Bert Grandoff '65
Elizabeth Truitt Heck '65
Rhoderick B. MacLeod '65
James L. McCoy '65
Caroline Miles Goldbold '66
Dorothy V. Morgan '66
Harold C. Whiteside '66
Richard L. Damron '67
Howell VanGerbig '67
James D. Lopp '68
Darryl O. Free '69
Roger L. Harris '69

'70s

Robert F. Browning '70
Pamela Martin Murfin '70
Robert S. Ryder '70
Donald E. Arnett '72
Robert I. Kasten '72
Charles E. Mason '72
Edward T. Murphy '72
Nicholas Pedro '72
Kenneth C. Steel '72
William Rockwell Hinchliff '73
Mabel A. Ray '73
Peter G. Crone '74
Stephen A. Dampier '75
Frederick G. Bohannon '76
Daniel E. Tibbetts '76
E. Austin White '76
Frank J. Calabrese '77
Elinor Dunnell Mellen '77
Ida Allen Prevatt '79

'80s

Jacqueline Peters Williams '80
Tani E. Scott '84
Michelle Parker Donohue '86
Janine Luka '86
Carolyn Dorothy Seymour '89

'90s

Janet C. Anderson - Hon. '92
Colin Robert Murray '92
Todd Kenneth A. Fischer '98

Fasulo, Ft. Lauderdale, has been named "Arts Teacher of the Year" by the Broward County Cultural Division. **Christopher Ivey**, Valrico, is an infrastructure management senior analyst with Affiliated Computer Services, Inc. He is currently assigned to the Walt Disney Company contract, working in the WDC Information Technology Center in Celebration, Fla. **Gerard K. Marino**, Canoga Park, Calif., has composed music for the Sony video game *God of War*, and is currently working on music for its sequel. His music is performed by full orchestra as part of the "Video Games Live" concert series that runs throughout the United States and Canada. **Julie Siefkas-Marin**, Miami, is an associate counsel with Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. **Courtney Thurber Pascual**, Smyrna, Ga.,

has earned a master's degree in Reading, Language, and Literacy Education from Georgia State University. **Stacey Bassett Vail**, Goodlettsville, Tenn., is a human resources generalist with McKendree Village, Inc. **David R. Wolfe**, Fayetteville, N.C., completed a doctorate in Financial Economics from the University of New Orleans in July 2006.



Mercedes M. Lucas '00

'99 **Tamara Glickman**, DeLand, is the Beginning Social Studies "Teacher of the Year" at DeLand High School, as well as a national teacher liaison officer for The Space Foundation and NASA. **Leonie Butler Halstead**, Jacksonville, is a division

controller for Pulte Homes Corporation. She obtained her CPA license in 2006.

Catherine Lockett, Northampton, Mass., is a preschool teacher at Springfield College. She graduated with a master's in Clinical Psychology from the University of Hartford, and is now attending Springfield College to obtain a CAS in School Guidance Counseling.

'00 **Holly J. Culver**, Roswell, Ga., received her MBA from Kennesaw State University. She is employed by Kids II as a marketing research analyst. **Jennifer Hughes**, Orlando, is a CPA and manager

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Students Gain Career Experience with Spring Break Externships

When thinking of "Spring Break," images of students partying or laying on the beach come to mind, but the picture of students going to work and using spring break for career development is something unexpected. While some students were taking a much-deserved break from their studies, last spring a couple of Stetson students participated in the university's first Spring Break Externship Program. The program, sponsored by the Office of Career Services, is designed to carefully match participating students (externs) with sponsors who match their career interests and goals. During spring break, the externs shadow their sponsors in the workplace, gaining a valuable experience that will become an integral part of their career development process. Reasons for participating in the program may be to "test" out a career without committing to a semester-long internship or to learn more about the everyday work life of a professional in a particular career field. Maybe a student wants to develop networking connections, get a foot in the door for a competitive internship or job opportunity, or simply build his or her résumé. Without a doubt, the benefits of participating in the spring break externship program are numerous, and students John McSpadden '07 and Dawn Dorflinger '07 are evidence of this program's success.

According to John McSpadden, "Working during my spring break with David Turley at Golfpac Travel Inc. was a week well spent. Mr. Turley taught me a lot about the marketing field. He showed me how Golfpac devises their

marketing strategies, makes their magazine advertisements, and the ins and outs of planning high-end golf vacations. Mr. Turley also gave me the opportunity to work on a small project that dealt with researching various golf courses and figuring out the best way to market Golfpac deals with these sites. I feel like I received so much valuable information in such a small amount of time. I am definitely glad that I got to share in this amazing experience with Mr. Turley and Golfpac and would recommend [the spring break externship program] to any student who wants to find out more about a particular field."

Dawn Dorflinger shares, "During my externship at the DeLand Police Department, I learned an extensive amount of information for processing crime scenes. The first day I was there, I learned how to fingerprint a crime scene and learned some of the lingo used by the police officers. I was excited when the detective I was paired with received a robbery call. We fingerprinted the scene and took the evidence back to the station. I learned the difference

between a robbery and a burglary, general processing procedures, how to gather and transport evidence, and how to gather

information to take a case to trial. This was an exciting week for me... I had a blast and will never forget [this experience]."

Dave Turley '87, Operations Manager for Golfpac, Inc., talks about his sponsorship of McSpadden. "We enjoyed having

John McSpadden here for the week, although all my coworkers thought he should be at the beach for spring break. We put him on a small research project, which he took to immediately. Overall, he seemed to enjoy his time and we hope he learned a few things. I'd encourage any student to take advantage of your program. It's a great way to meet people in the business community and you never know where those connections might lead. Thank you for including Golfpac in your program."

Please consider hosting a Stetson student for a Spring Break 2007 Externship. If you have questions about the program or want to get involved, contact the Office of Career Services at 386-822-7315 or career@stetson.edu.



John McSpadden '07 and Dawn Dorflinger '07

2006 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS

The recipients of the 2006 Distinguished Alumni Award are outstanding representatives of the many alumni whose achievements exemplify the quality of a Stetson University education and whose achievements in their profession and lives have brought distinction and special recognition to their alma mater.



ANGELEITA FLOYD

Currently Professor of Flute at the University of Northern Iowa, Angeleita Floyd earned her Bachelor of Music degree from Stetson in 1974. She went on to receive

master's of Music, master's of Music Education, and doctor of Music degrees from Florida State University.

A highly respected educator, she has presented master classes, performed as a guest artist in concert, and conducted flute choirs at International Flute Festivals throughout the United States, South America

and Europe. She has also been an active member of the National Flute Association serving as Vice-President, President and Immediate Past-President from 1998 to 2000.

Her professional life has inspired continued connections to her alma mater. In 1990, she founded Winzer Press and authored a highly acclaimed text in honor of her former Stetson mentor, eminent English flutist Geoffrey Gilbert, entitled *The Gilbert Legacy: Methods, Exercises and Techniques for the Flutist*. She has also toured in duo performance with Stetson professor and American guitarist Stephen Robinson, resulting in the 1996 CD release, *Under the Influence*.

A previous tour, as a member of the Northwind Quintet, led to the 1992 CD release, *The Essential Northwind Quintet*. Other Winzer Press publications include Trevor Wye's biographical work entitled *Marcel Moyse: An Extraordinary Man* (edited by Floyd) in 1993, and Sheryl Cohen's work *Bel Canto Flute: The Rampal School* in 2003.

Additionally, she is a contributing author to *Flute Talk Magazine*, *The Flutist Quarterly*, *NFA Pedagogy Anthology*, *NACWPI Journal*, and *The Emerson Flute Forum*. In 2004, she returned to the University of Northern Iowa's School of Music from a one-year teaching exchange in Sweden where she was a visiting professor of flute at Örebro University's Musikhögskola.



ROBIN MARINO

Robin Marino earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a double major in Management and Marketing from Stetson in 1976, and was active in Delta Delta

Delta sorority during her student days. Named president of merchandising for Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia, Inc., in May 2005, she oversees the company's merchandising business segment, managing its current merchandising programs and

developing new opportunities in the lifestyle category. Her responsibilities include the \$1 billion mass market *Martha Stewart Everyday*™ product line at Kmart and Sears Canada, and the award-winning *Martha Stewart Signature*™ furniture with Bernhardt.

She has also been instrumental in forging new licensing agreements with a broad range of manufacturers, including KB Home, which offers Martha Stewart-created homes in specially designed communities across the country; and Macy's, which will introduce an all-new, exclusive line of Martha Stewart Collection home merchandise in Fall 2007.

Before joining Martha Stewart, she served for six years as president and chief operating officer of Kate Spade, Inc., where she oversaw significant growth. Her previous positions include senior vice president of accessories worldwide at Burberry, Ltd. (USA); president of Donna Karan Collection for Donna Karan International; and president of Polo Ralph Lauren Handbags and Luggage. She began her career at Federated Department Stores, where she held a variety of positions over 12 years that expanded her merchandising and product development expertise.



DAVID S. MARSH

David S. Marsh earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Geography from Stetson in 1975, and served as Chief Meteorologist for WESH-TV, Orlando, a property of Hearst-

Argyle, Inc. The leader in Central Florida television weather forecasting for over 30 years, he was the first to bring Doppler radar and computer graphics to the Central Florida market.

Having briefly attended Bowling Green State University in Ohio after high school, he

joined the U.S. Navy and worked as a weather forecaster, first at the Naval Air Station in Sanford, Fla., and then at the Navy's Fleet Weather Central in Kodiak, Alaska. He also worked for the National Meteorological Center in Washington, D.C., before joining WESH-TV in 1968. While forecasting at WESH-TV, he decided to finish his college degree and began taking classes at Stetson while working full-time.

A mentor to many young weather forecasters who have gone on to successful broadcasting careers around the country, he has taught and lectured at all levels of education. During the administration of President Bill Clinton he was invited to the

White House by Vice President Al Gore to discuss issues involving greenhouse gases and global warming. Wanting to help members of the public understand how weather works, he frequently speaks to community service groups about weather forecasting issues.

Loyal to his alma mater and one of our most visible alumni, he has often worn his Stetson green on the air, and is often seen attending Stetson Athletics events. Married to alumna Karen Kelly Marsh '68, he and his wife are the parents of another Hatter, Lisa Marsh Wheeler, who graduated in 1999, and the grandparents of Jarrett Wheeler, 8, a potential Hatter.



JOE NEGRON

A Florida native, Joe Negron graduated from Stetson University in 1983 with a degree in Political Science. While on campus, he was editor-in-chief of the Stetson Reporter, which

won honors from the Associated Collegiate Press during his tenure. He also interned in the Washington, D.C., office of Congressman L.A. "Skip" Bafalis. Earning a juris doctorate in 1986 from Emory University School of Law, he went on to practice law in Martin and Palm Beach counties, focusing on civil litigation and appellate cases. He is currently

"of counsel" to Akerman Senterfitt, one of Florida's largest statewide law firms.

Elected in 2000 to the Florida House of Representatives for District 82, serving Palm Beach, Martin and St. Lucie counties, he was re-elected in 2002 and 2004 without opposition.

In the Florida House, he has concentrated on insurance issues, education reform, and appropriations. He chairs the House Fiscal Council, is alternating chairman of the Legislative Budget Commission, and co-chairs the Select Committee on Medicaid reform. As chair of the Appropriations Committee, he was a strong supporter of increasing the Florida Resident Access Grant, which was accomplished in 2005.

His awards in 2005 include the Legislator of the Year Award from the Police Benevolent Association, the Florida YMCA Outstanding Leadership Award, the Legal Advocacy for Children award from the Florida Guardian Ad Litem Association; as well as awards from the County Court Judges, the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, Enterprise Florida, Florida School Board Association, Florida Optometric Association, and Florida Chamber of Commerce. Early in 2006, the St. Petersburg Times named him one of Speaker Allan Bense's top three legislators in the Florida House.

2006 OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNI AWARDS

The recipients of the 2006 Outstanding Young Alumni Award are exceptional representatives of the many young Stetson University alumni who show great promise in their chosen professions and illustrate the quality of a Stetson University education.



BRYAN C. HAINS

A 1995 graduate of Stetson, where he was a member of Beta Beta Beta Biology honorary, Bryan Hains majored in Biology and Chemistry, earning a Bachelor of Science degree. He

moved to Boston University, receiving a master's degree in Neurobiology, and then to the University of Texas Medical Branch, where he earned a doctorate in Neuroscience.

An assistant professor at the Center for Neuroscience and Regeneration Research at Yale University School of Medicine, he studies chronic neuropathic pain, secondary injuries after traumatic spinal cord injury, and applications of cell-based therapies to spinal cord injuries. He also teaches Chemistry at Quinnipiac University.

Author of two books, *Brain Disorders* and *Pain*, he has published more than 30 journal articles and given many invited lectures, including a 2005 talk to the International Association for the Study of Pain in Sydney, Australia. He has jointly presented more than

30 papers at conferences around the world, most recently to a combined meeting of the German Society of Physiology and The Federation of European Physiological Societies.

His current work is funded by a two-year Pfizer Scholar's Grant in Pain Medicine, and he has also received support from the National Institutes of Health and the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation. In 2003 he won the Young Investigator Award of the Central Nervous System Section from the American Physiological Society.



LAURA D. KICKLIGHTER

A Religious Studies major at Stetson, where she was named to both Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Beta Kappa honoraries, Laura Dunifon Kicklighter received her Bachelor of

Arts degree in 1995. She went on to earn a master's degree in Theology at Emory University's Candler School of Theology and a doctorate at the University of Texas Medical Branch's Institute for the Medical

Humanities, focusing on Religion and Medicine, as well as Bioethics. In 2002, she won the Ransom Dissertation Award in the Medical Humanities from the University of Texas Medical Branch.

Now an assistant professor in the Philosophy and Religious Studies departments at Lynchburg College, she has also taught at Baylor University's College of Medicine, the University of Houston and the University of Texas Medical Branch. Her specialties are Philosophical Ethics, Bioethics, Religion and Medicine, and Religion and Democracy. She is also interested in Women

and Medicine, Feminist Theology, Medical Ethics and Religious Ethics.

She has presented papers and led panels at several international and national conferences, most recently a panel on "Religion and Spirituality in Medical Education" at the 2003 joint meeting in Montreal of the American Society for Bioethics and the Humanities and the Canadian Bioethics Society. Writing for a more popular press, she published the article, "Age Control," in *U.S. News and World Report* on Nov. 11, 2000.

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with KPMG, LLP. **Mercedes M. Lucas**, Palm City, was honored as South Fork High School's "Teacher of the Year" for the 2005-2006 school year.

Marlyn B. Tompkins, Sioux Falls, S. D., is studying for his doctorate degree at Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, Business School.

'01

Jeri Doris Briggs, DeBary, has completed a five-year stint working with the Department of Environmental Protection in Fort Myers, and is now a geography teacher at DeLand Middle School. **Alyson**



Elizabeth Ann Cloer '01

Clemens, Danvers, Mass., is an assistant golf professional at the Ferncroft Country Club. **Elizabeth Ann Cloer**, Atlanta, Ga., is

now the cheerleading coach at The Lovett School in Atlanta. She is also working in the development department.

Michelle Linn Couch, Palm Bay, was accepted to the Advanced Studies in Music and Dance Education program at the University of Mozarteum's Orff Institute in Salzburg, Austria.

She will be studying there from October 2006 to June 2007.

Lindsay Elliott-Hunt,

Orlando, is executive director of Flagler Habitat for Humanity. **Elizabeth Hinckley**,

West Hollywood, Calif., is senior vice president at Rogers & Cowan. **Erin Nicole Lockhart**, Jupiter, is an attorney with Berrocal & Wilkins, P.A. **Alicia E. Mott**, Sleepy Hollow, N.Y., has signed with a record label as a group called SevenMinusZero. Their first album was released in September 2006. **Lindsay Peters Sinclair**, Laurel, Md., graduated from Nova Southeastern University in July 2006 with a doctor of Psychology degree. She is now working at the Center for Eating Disorders at Sheppard Pratt Hospital. **Chaya Sitler**, Austin, Tx., was recently named "Teacher of the Year" for her work at Tom Green Elementary. She is now a third grade teacher at Science Hall Elementary, in Kyle, Texas. **Jack White**, Daytona Beach, was mentioned in *Florida Trend* as part of their list of 'Young Guns, Up & Comers' for

NEW HATTERS

Diane McEachran Wolf '85 and husband John, twins, a son John Patrick Jr., and a daughter Emilie Anne, Feb. 15, 2002.

Chris A. Barrick '86 and wife Tammy, a son Joshua Ethan, 1998.

Monica Price Schmid '86 and husband Mark, a daughter Sarah Price, Nov. 26, 2005.

William L. Carter '87 and wife Maria, a son Ian William, April 14, 2006.

Robert N. Brososky '88 and wife Kristin, a daughter Samantha Hunter, March 5, 2006.

Lauren Klingmeyer Kuhl '89 and husband **Jim '90**, a daughter Quinn Elizabeth, March 16, 2006.

Elizabeth Harper Kilgore '90 and husband Harold, a son Daniel Seward, Feb. 14, 2006.

James A. Whitney '90 and wife Cristine, a daughter Madelyn Grace, Dec. 23, 2005.

Tara Suplick Holmes '91 and husband Matt, a daughter Mary Ainsely, Jan. 11, 2006.

Bram L. Scharf '91 and wife Amy Celeste, a daughter Audrey Lynn, April 17, 2001.

Jennifer Johnson Bailey '92 and husband Lee, a daughter Jessica Paige, March 4, 2004.

Suzanne Bakos Dendy '92 and husband Eric, a daughter Jordyn Frances, Aug. 1, 2003.

Jennifer Meier McCarthy '92 and husband Blane, a son Andrew Joseph, Nov. 3, 2005.

Karen Yoder Stevenson '92 and husband Jason, a daughter Hannah Nicole, June 4, 2006.

Brady Sweet '92 and wife Filomena, a son Matthew, March 29, 2006.

Wesley W. Weger '92 and wife Lisa, a son Jarrod Wesley, April 4, 2004.

Keri Hunt Elwell '93 and husband **Brian '93**, a son Camden Joseph, May 17, 2005.

Julie M. Guess '93 and husband Rondi, a son Christian Thomas, May 23, 2006.

Christina Ludington Harris '93 and husband Mason, a son Canyon Edward, March 21, 2006.

Gregory A. Hetherington '93 and wife Kimberly, a son, Joel Curtis, March 10, 2006.

Amy Shields Massengill '93 and husband Eric, a daughter, Ashleigh Elizabeth, April 28, 2005.

Jennifer Kohms VanHooerebeck '93 and husband Doug, a daughter Mairin Reed, March 13, 2006.

Ashley McComb Candelo '94 and husband Harry, a son Kyle Harrison, Aug. 24, 2006.

Richard A. Kinne '94 and wife Jennifer, a son Mason Fletcher, July 13, 2006.

Gayle Littleton Levy '94 and husband Andrew, a son Preston Littleton, June 17, 2006.

Corinna Iris May '94 and husband James, a son Logan James, June 18, 2006.

Penelope Dawn Potts-Hawk '94 and husband Ben, a son Kole Earl, March 6, 2006.

Gil J. Sharell '94 and wife Ilonka, a daughter Amy Grace, May 13, 2006.

Kellie Redd Steward '94 and husband Joseph, a daughter Mollie Grace, June 14, 2005.

Jeffrey A. Wilen '94 and wife Shannon, twin daughters Hannah Linn and Emma Mae, July 26, 2006.

Emily Bayless Byrd '95 and husband Richard, a son Jackson Everett, March 4, 2006.

Amanda Grace Hebebrand '95 and husband Jeramy, a son Jeremiah David, April 15, 2004, and a son James Lawrence, August 17, 2005.

Laura Dunifon Kicklighter '95 and husband Christopher, a daughter Josephine Ann, May 12, 2006.

Wendy Weston McLallen '95 and husband Daniel, a son Colin, March 24, 2005.

Emily Crews Splane '95 and husband Cary, a daughter Madeline Mae, March 13, 2006.

Nancy Kerner Durling '96 and husband Jeffrey, a daughter Emma Rose, June 20, 2006.



Elizabeth Anne Ogonowski



Courtney Thurber Pascual '98 and Meghan Isabel

his work as the developer of Wall Street Lofts, a 24-unit, three-story residential and commercial building in downtown Daytona Beach. **Natara Williams**, Houston, Texas, is a corporate attorney with Fulbright & Jaworski, LLC.

'02

Patricia Cornish Bennett, Orlando, is a third grade teacher at Conway Elementary School. **Rachael Greenstein**, Tampa, is an assistant county attorney at the Polk County Attorney's Office. **Eboni Long Hampton**, Houston, Texas, is a 401k contribution and trading specialist with MBM Advisors, Inc. **Amanda Baker Keefer**, Durham, N.C., is a marketing coordinator with the Freelon Group. **Benjamin P. Stoddard**, New York, N.Y., is serving as the director of administration of Ballet Hispanico in New York.

'03

Kimberly Mantel Aldridge, Apopka, is associate choral director at Apopka High School. **Lauren Nemets Belisle**, Astoria, N.Y., is a marketing research analyst with Univision. **Molly Farr Dana**, Atlanta, Ga., is an account executive with Wolfbone Marketing. **Annette Filliat**, Alpharetta, Ga., is an account executive at Moore Consulting Group. She won a Gold ADDY award for the advertising campaign of Tallahassee Regional Airport. **Robert W. Penney**, DeLand, has been named associate vice president for information technology and will serve as chief technology officer for Stetson University's DeLand and Celebration campuses. **John T. Seth**, Port Orange, is associate band director and orchestra director at Spruce Creek High School. **Jessie Zucnick**, Normal, Ala., is a graduate athletic trainer at Huntsville Hospital.

'04

Paige Berges, Bokeelia, works for Shearman and Sterling, LLP. **Allison Foster**, Miami, is coordinator of campus life with Florida International University. **Scott M. Giles**, Orlando, has become a member of The Bywater Company, commercial real estate brokers in Orlando. **Erica Joan Haman**, Alexandria, Va., is a legal secretary with Wood, Maines, & Nolan. She recently finished her master's in Vocal Performance at Shenandoah Conservatory and intends to pursue a career as an opera singer. **Jennifer Mount Hambling**, Fort Myers, is an art teacher at the North Fort Myers Academy for the Arts. **Willie A. Hughes**, Pompano Beach, is attending the University of Nebraska at Lincoln to pursue a doctoral degree in virology under an NIH-Ruth Kirchstein Fellowship. **Jennifer Dawn Kohl**, West Chester, Pa., is the eastern

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Kristen Worden Holland '96 and husband James, a daughter Grace Ann, July 1, 2005.

Adrienne Hall Meckley '96 and husband Kent, a daughter Beatrice Ann, Aug. 26, 2006.

Sonya Marino Sawyer '96, '97 and husband Brian, a son Brandon Riley, Feb. 6, 2005.

Alicia Hall Brannon '97 and husband Patrick, a son Alexander, Feb. 10, 2006.

Christina Warner Elmore '97 and husband Marc, a son Boyd David, April 12, 2006.

Ryan W. Gladieux '97, '99 and wife Brittany, a son Benjamin Carter, Sept. 18, 2005.

Tracey Jackson '97 and wife Sae, a daughter Regan Nicole, March 28, 2006.

Michelle Gentry Leidel '97 and husband David '98, a son George David III.

Colleen Maxwell Maffett '97 and husband **Christopher '97**, a daughter Caroline Kennedy, June 20, 2006.

Bridget Daku Pasquarello '97 and husband **Todd '97**, a daughter Alexandra Macy, Nov. 19, 2005.

Tanya Roe Procknow '97 and husband Jason, a son Riley Owen, Jan. 6, 2005.

Stephanie Smith Zarembo '97 and husband Robert, twin boys Austin Jacob and Logan Zachary, April 11, 2006.

Amy Rowell Diebler '98 and husband **Bryan '99**, a son Jacob Dylan, Sept. 4, 2005.

Gerard K. Marino '98 and wife Lisa, a daughter Olivia Rose, Dec. 8, 2005.

Nicole Tindell Ogonowski '98, '99 and husband **Jason '99**, a daughter Elizabeth Anne, June 3, 2006.

Courtney Thurber Pascual '98 and husband Brian, a daughter Meghan Isabel, Oct. 12, 2005.

Kristin Henschel Woolard '98 and husband David, a daughter Katherine Anne, Dec. 30, 2005.

Elizabeth Melody Bank '99 and husband Richard, a daughter Sabrina Rose, March 13, 2006.

Ginger Berry House '99 and husband Ryan, a daughter Audrey, Nov. 7, 2005.

Tiffany Kechler Liashek '99 and husband Peter, a daughter Shelby Elizabeth, March 4, 2006.

Anna Berkey McFarland '99 and husband Sam, a son Samuel Luke, July 26, 2006.

Laura Cazella Siviter '99 and husband **Mark '99**, a son Blake, March 3, 2006.

Elizabeth Maresca Fine '00 and husband Mathew, a son Nicholas William, May 22, 2005.

Leslie Sackett Lohse '00 and husband Adam, a son Benjamin James, Oct. 5, 2005.

Wendy Andrea Aracich '01, and husband Michael McCaw, a son Lucas Lynn, Feb. 20, 2006.

Carie Cooper Bliss '01 and husband **Alex '99**, a daughter Cuyler Ann, March 14, 2006.

Gary C. Sipe '01 and wife Milissa, a daughter Amber Renee, Feb. 11, 2006.

Christine Larrea Disinger '03 and husband **James '03**, a daughter Deanna Christine, Oct. 22, 2005.

Amy Howard Reilly '03 and husband Robert, a son Joseph Gavin, Aug. 16, 2006.

Deborah Ulbrich-MacPhail '03 and husband Thomas, a daughter Sarah Danielle, Aug. 5, 2005.

Jennifer Rigby Reid '04 and husband Kevin, a son Kevin Sean, Aug. 24, 2006.

GRANDCHILDREN:

Gwen Mulliniks-Arnett Lancaster '66, a granddaughter Sadie Susan Mothershed, March 2002.

Elizabeth Hertner Mihalik '68 and husband Robert, a granddaughter, Mallory Gayle Mihalik, July 11, 2006.

Evelyn Barrett Rogers '70, and husband **Samuel K. '58**, a grandson, Christian Barrett Rogers, July 5, 2006.

Debbie Ford Bandy '75 and husband Lawrence, a grandson Evan Alexander Bandy, July 27, 2005.

Thomas F. Daku '87 and wife Martha, a granddaughter, Alexandra Macy Pasquarello, Nov. 19, 2005.

Kevin J. Maffett '91 and wife Mercedes, a granddaughter Heidi Lynn Scheisskopf, March 2, 2006.



Kevin Sean Reid, Jr.



Nicholas William Fine

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Link to Hatternet

For more Hatternet information, check out:
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Current "Alumni E-mail Directory" and Career Networking System users should login, then edit their Alumni Profiles.

New users can create Alumni Profiles here.

*By logging in, your Hatternet profile information will be used to auto-fill these forms, saving you time and effort.

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regional communications director of Communities United to Strengthen America, a non-profit organization focused on keeping middle class families apprised of issues that affect them. **Takeata King Pang**, Lake Park, is the regional field director for the Tom Suozzi for Governor campaign.

Will R. Royall, Ocoee, was mentioned in *Florida Trend* as part of their list of 'Young Guns, Up & Comers' for his work as the president and CEO of two Orlando companies, Royall Media and Advertise HD.

Liz Sokerka, New Smyrna Beach, was honored with a Crystal Apple Award by the Southeast Volusia Chamber of Commerce for her work as a third grade teacher at Coronado Beach Elementary. **Joy Steel**, Naples, has been promoted to semi-senior accountant at James Moore & Co.

'05

Maya Petkova Arth, DeLand, is a Spanish language teacher for Volusia County Schools.

Bethany DeFrancesco Chalfin, Lehigh, Pa., is a research to launch technician with Sanofi Pasteur. **Douglas Edward Chasser**, West Palm Beach, is a financial specialist with Wachovia. **Sarah Rachel Curry**, Erlanger, Ky., is an FTZ operations associate with PointTrade Services, Inc. **Borislav "Boka" Djordjic**, Macvanska Mitrovica, Serbia, is a professional basketball player in Ockelbo, Sweden. **Christin Foster**, Tallahassee, was the recipient of a Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarship to study at the University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia, where she intends to work toward her master's of International Social Development. **Naitasia Verniece Hensey**, Miami, is a loan closer with Silver Hill Financial, LLC. **David C. Houston**, Madison, Wis., is currently in a Ph.D. program at UW-Madison in the Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures.

Jennifer Hyde, Jacksonville, has been hired as the event coordinator/assistant administrator of the Jacksonville Historical Society. **Douglas W. Katez**, St. Petersburg, is a relationship banker at BB&T. **Ken J. Matthews**, Daytona Beach, is an admissions representative with Florida Technical College. He is pursuing a Master's of Art in Library and Information Sciences from USF to prepare for collection development and access projects focusing on Tibetan Buddhist Texts. He also plans to pursue a Ph.D. in Buddhist Philosophy. **Jessica Raub**, San Diego, Calif., is a research associate at the University of California. **Naida "Isha"**



Joy Steel '04

Sanchez, Miami, is an appraisal bid processor with Silver Hill Financial, LLC. **Chrissy Smith**, DeLand, is youth director at Trinity United Methodist Church. She will marry John Ruehl, DeLand, on April 14, 2007, in Parkersburg, W.Va. **Brian M. Sullivan**, Edgewater, is director of bands at New

Smyrna Beach High School. **Sean A. Thomas**, Deltona, is an academic systems administrator at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. **Jennifer Tyser**, DeLand, is a

behavior specialist with Behavior Change Artists. **James Welsch**, Syracuse, N.Y., is the director of music ministries at Liverpool First United Methodist Church in Liverpool, N.Y. He is also a teaching fellow at Syracuse University where he conducts courses and the university orchestra. **Jocelynn Marie White**, Orlando, is arts coordinator for the City of Orlando.

'06

William P. Perry, Greensboro, Ga., is assistant rooms executive at The Ritz-Carlton Lodge, Reynolds Plantation.

What's New?

What's the latest news in your life? Have you changed jobs, earned a degree, been promoted, married, had a baby, or received an honor? Share your good news and photos with your classmates through the Stetson University magazine and/or H@tMail e-newsletter by submitting the form below. Please include wedding and other photos of Stetson alumni only, identify everyone and include your name and address. You can also use the form to update your address information. Complete and mail the form, or submit your update online by creating a Hatternet Alumni Profile at www.stetson.edu/alumni/stayconnected.

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Stetson University students' community service recognized nationally

Stetson University has been named to the first President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for distinguished community service.

The award is in recognition of extraordinary volunteer efforts by the school and its students to serve area neighborhoods and Gulf Coast communities devastated by Hurricane Katrina. Stetson and 140 other institutions of higher education were recognized for distinguished service among the nearly 500 schools named to the President's Honor Roll during educational coalition Campus Compact's 20th anniversary celebration in Chicago this fall. Schools receiving distinguished service recognition provided exceptional community service over the past year, contributing their time, resources, energy, skills – and intellect – to serve others.

"Stetson University has a distinguished tradition for supporting grass roots community service, the empowerment of disadvantaged communities and social responsibility," said Stetson President H. Douglas Lee. "We are delighted to be recognized by the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll program."



Spring Hill Boys and Girls Club members display the books they wrote and illustrated. The books were donated to youth in New Orleans. The club partnered with Stetson's YAR program for the project.

Three groups of students, faculty and staff from the Stetson community volunteered their time and effort during Spring Break 2006 to help people devastated by hurricanes. Two additional endeavors raised funds and supplies for hurricane victims. Nearly 50 people from Stetson's Baptist Collegiate Ministry built on the organization's ongoing commitment to alternative Spring Break service by traveling to the Mississippi Gulf Coast and helping build houses for people who lost their homes to Hurricane Katrina. Another Stetson group went to New Orleans to assist efforts of the volunteer grassroots collective Common Ground in the poorest section of the city's Ninth Ward. The 14 members from the Stetson community donned

contamination gear and gutted ruined houses. They also helped clean and organize community accommodations for incoming volunteers. The trip was sponsored by the philanthropic Bonner Foundation and a Stetson service group called Into the Streets.

A third group from Stetson went to Guatemala to help villagers who lost homes in mudslides caused by Hurricane Stan, reports of whose devastation were largely overshadowed by the destruction caused by Katrina. The five-person trip was sponsored by the Bonner Foundation.

Closer to home, the community youth members of a Stetson-led youth empowerment initiative named Youth As Resources created books and bought backpacks and sent them to youth in need in New Orleans. The Stetson community also partnered with local musicians to present a hurricane-relief concert that raised money and more than 1,500 pounds of donations for hurricane victims.

"Stetson has set a strong example for college-level civic engagement," said



From left, YAR member Dezeray Thompson, Stetson student Danielle Prior '07 and YAR member Danielle Curry pack backpacks for youth in New Orleans.

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QuintCareers.com 10th Anniversary College Tour visits Stetson University

Quintessential Careers, a highly trafficked and top-ranked Web site, returned to its roots at Stetson University as part of a 10-college anniversary tour to mark the site's 10th anniversary. Stetson Marketing Professor Randall Hansen founded the site in 1996 on the Stetson Web server.



The Hansens

The successful Web site grew from a small book about writing cover letters that Dr. Hansen wrote with his wife Katharine, also a Stetson

University faculty member. He decided to expand the book's scope in order to provide a resource where people could learn how to market themselves to employers. Hansen founded Quintessential Careers and then launched QuintCareers.com in 1996 with about 50 pages of content on Stetson University's Web server.

QuintCareers.com's early focus on helping new Stetson graduates find employment grew quickly. Resources were added to help adult job-seekers,



Stetson students check in and register for one of several career workshops that were held in Lynn Business Center's Rinker Auditorium.

teens, and those facing various employment barriers, such as women and minorities.

Ten years later, QuintCareers.com has more than 3,000 pages of content and in excess of a million visitors a month. With more than 100 awards and honors, the site is now ranked among the best career and employment Web sites by those in the industry. Thousands of college career centers, businesses, governments and organizations now link to one or more of QuintCareers.com's pages, making it one of the most linked-to career sites on the Web and a true Internet powerhouse.

"Our goal is to mark our site's 10th anniversary by going back to where it all began, to the university that inspired us and gave us the opportunity to place valuable career information online when the Web was young," said Randall Hansen.

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Stephen Goldsmith, chief executive officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service, the federal agency that works to foster a culture of volunteering and service in America.

"Many people and communities have been improved because Stetson and its students identified some of society's most pressing needs and got involved." The President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll is co-sponsored by the corporation, the Department of Education, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, USA Freedom Corps, and the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation. The recognition is presented in cooperation with Campus Compact, a national coalition of nearly 1,000 college and university presidents.

The Corporation for National and Community Service released a comprehensive study showing college student civic engagement has risen significantly in recent years. The study,

which used data collected by the U.S. Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics, showed that student volunteering increased approximately 20 percent from 2002 to 2005, and that 3.3 million college students serve their communities and nation. College students between ages 16 to 24 are more likely to volunteer than cohorts in that age group who are not enrolled.

Observers have attributed the growth in student service to several causes: the proliferation of high-school and college service-learning classes; an increase in the number of campus offices that link students to volunteer opportunities; and the lingering impact of the September 11 and Hurricane Katrina catastrophes. More than 1.1 million students from Honor Roll schools participated in local community service activities, and more than 219,000 Honor Roll students provided hurricane relief.



The QuintCareers.com RV, parked outside the print shop, greeted students and visitors.



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GREENFEATHER

Greenfeather 2006 was a success! Students at Stetson University surpassed their goal of raising \$25,000 for 11 charities throughout Volusia County. They raised a record breaking \$26,006.64 and donated more than 200 food baskets to the Basket Brigade at Thanksgiving. None of this could have been done without the hard work of the Greenfeather executive committee. The committee was led by Associate Dean of Students and Head of Student Activities Rina Tovar and was made up of six student leaders: Jay Patel '07 (head chair), Savannah Atkins '07 (vice-chair), Meaghan Feeney '08 (public relations), Lauren Jones '07 (liaison), Alex Vita '07 (campus involvement) and Allysa Slaven '08 (treasurer).



Hassan Anderson '09 of Phi Mu Alpha, men's music fraternity, participated in the Rock-a-thon. The fraternity placed first in the Organization category for the second year in a row.



The Banner of Yosemite Sam was made by Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity. It placed first in fraternity banners and second overall.

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From Left: Savannah Atkins '07 and Kristen Rachels '08 of Tri Delta placed second overall in Rock-a-thon Decorations for being the most creative.



Hair today---Gone tomorrow

Dr. John Rasp, assistant professor of Decision and Information Science, participated in Beardtober with students. See back cover for the whole story.



Above, from left, Nicholas Uppal '08, Danielle Desantis '07, Valerie Winship '07, Louisa Samuals '07, Kristen Chamberlain '07, Sonal Patel '07, Allie Balantyne '07 admire the Alpha Chi Omega entry of Woody from Toy Story. They won first prize overall for Chalk Art. Photo at left, Roger Noble, facilities set-up technician, takes a dip in the Dunk Booth.



Books, etc.

The Price of Exclusion: Ethnicity, National Identity, and the Decline of German Liberalism, 1898-1933

(Volume 10 in a “Monographs in German History” series), by Dr. Eric Kurlander, assistant professor of History, argues that German liberalism failed because of the irreconcilable

conflict between two competing visions of German identity, the *völkisch* (racial or ethno-nationalist) and the universalist. Liberal universalists, he says in his introduction, believe that

political and legal equality are more important than the ethnic nation; *völkisch*-nationalists, on the other hand, might believe in some of the benefits of a modern liberal constitution but only in the interest of one ethnic group. Universalists try to integrate regional nationalities into the state at home; nationalists believe ethnic minorities can never become equal members of the state.

Kurlander traces the German liberal parties from the Empire through the Third Reich, showing how an

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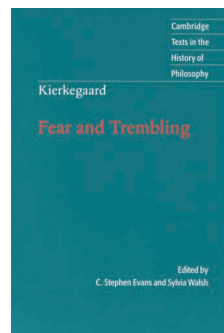
A story about alumnus Jaime Polit '84 that ran in the Spring/Summer 2006 edition of the Stetson University magazine incorrectly listed Polit's fraternity. The correct fraternity is Pi Kappa Phi.

A story about the 10th anniversary of Stetson's Howard Thurman Program that ran in the Spring/Summer 2006 edition of Stetson University magazine listed the wrong year that the university integrated. Stetson's first African-American student started classes in 1962.

exclusionary racist ideology, conditioned by profound transformations in German political culture at large, gradually displaced the liberal-universalist conception of a democratic constitutional state. Although there were some notable exceptions, this widespread obsession with “racial community” paved the way for liberal disintegration and the rise of National Socialism. He concludes, “German liberalism failed because it was progressively undermined by an increasingly ethnicized conception of national identity prevailing in German political culture after 1890.” (Berghahn Books, 2006)

Kierkegaard: Fear and Trembling, translated by Dr. Sylvia Walsh, scholar in residence in Philosophy, and edited by Walsh and Dr. C. Stephen Evans of Baylor University, is the first new English translation of Danish philosopher Søren

Kierkegaard's book, *Fear and Trembling*, in 20 years. Part of the “Cambridge Texts in the History of Philosophy” series, it is enhanced with explanatory notes, a guide to further reading and an introduction which places the text in its historical and philosophical context.

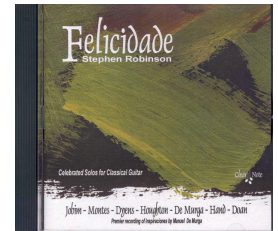


Often used as a basic text in introductory Philosophy courses, *Fear and Trembling* is a poetic and philosophical reflection on the biblical story of God's command to Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac as a test of faith. Was Abraham's proposed action morally and religiously justified or murder? Is there an absolute duty to God? In pondering such questions, Kierkegaard presents faith as a paradox that cannot be understood by reason and

conventional morality, and challenges the German idealism of his time, especially as represented by Kant and Hegel. Written in 1843 when the author was only 30 years old, it is probably his most-read book, and is both easy to read and profoundly difficult to understand, says Evans in the introduction to Walsh's translation. (Cambridge University Press, 2006)

Felicidade, a new Compact Disc of solos for the classical guitar recorded by Dr. Stephen Robinson, founder and director of Stetson's Guitar Program, offers an international flavor. Its 12 cuts include music composed by Phillip Houghton of Australia, Roland Dyens of France, Alfonso Montes of Venezuela, Antonio Carlos Jobim of Brazil, as well as a Celtic-inflected piece by John Doan. Other notable works included are “Homage,” by celebrated composer Frederic Hand, a trilogy with movements dedicated to John Dowland, Ralph Vaughan Williams and Martin Luther King Jr.; and the premier recording of “Inspiraciones,” a composition based on the son-montuno rhythms of Latin music written by Stetson School of Music Professor Manuel DeMurga and dedicated to Robinson.

Robinson, who studied with famed guitarist Andres Segovia, has been praised for his “effortless virtuosity, intelligence and good taste,” by *The New York Times*. “(He) is a guitarist who invariably reminds me of why I fell in love with the guitar many years ago; to put it simply, he plays beautiful music, and he plays it beautifully,” writes Richard Long of *Soundboard Magazine*. (Clear Note, 2006)



President, Vice Presidents Council make administrative changes

Stetson University has rearranged some key responsibilities in recent months:

Deborah J. Thompson, who joined Stetson University as vice president for Enrollment Management in August 2001, is adding Campus Life to her responsibilities. With the new title of vice president for Enrollment Management and Campus Life, she will oversee Admissions, Financial Aid and Campus Life.



Thompson

The combination will provide comprehensive services to students, from their initial recruitment through their entire campus life experience at Stetson, including student retention. "I'm grateful for the opportunity to work closely with students," Thompson said. "Student interaction is one of the most rewarding components of my position."

President Doug Lee said Thompson has proven to be one of the most effective leaders and administrators at Stetson: "This expansion of her

responsibilities aligns perfectly with our strategic goals to enhance enrollment, student retention and academic quality. We have absolute confidence in her leadership."

The change allows

Dr. James R. Beasley, senior vice president and chief operating officer, to focus more time on major capital projects planned over the next three years— renovation and expansion of the Sage Science Center; construction of a new music rehearsal building; renovation of Stover Theatre; construction of an environmental learning center adjacent to Gillespie Museum; and construction of a new art

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center to house the university's Bluemner collection. Beasley has direct oversight for Facilities Management, Information Technology, Intercollegiate Athletics and Legal Affairs.

Facilities Management also has a new leader in Duane M. Knecht, new associate vice president. Former director of physical plant and facilities for North Carolina Central University, he brings 18 years of experience in higher education administration, finance, physical plant and construction management, having also worked at Alma College in Alma, Mich., and Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio. A former U.S. Army helicopter pilot, he has also worked as a contract administrator for the Defense Logistics Agency and as the chief business officer for facility management, engineering and auxiliary services for the Defense Construction Supply Center in Columbus, Ohio. He is a Registered Professional Engineer.



Knecht

"Over the years he has managed and maintained facilities ranging from 19th-century buildings listed on the Register of Historic Buildings to high-tech science facilities, libraries and performing arts centers," said Beasley. "He has a thorough knowledge of construction standards and techniques and understands the importance of keeping up with new technology. I



Anderson

am confident he will be able to contribute to our push for a sustainable campus."

Two longtime administrators have also been promoted:

Susan Anderson, who has worked in University Relations since 1990, most recently as executive director of Development and Alumni Relations, was promoted to associate vice president for University Relations. "Her work in building the strongest Alumni Board in Stetson's history and in leading the Development Office through an exceptional



Margheim

fundraising year places her in a position to take on even greater responsibility during the balance of the 125th Anniversary Campaign and beyond," said Linda Davis, vice president for University Relations.

Jeff Margheim, director of Accounting since 2000, has been promoted to associate vice president for Finance. "His vast experience as the director of Accounting, coupled with the overall responsibility for the financial reporting of the entire university, has elevated him to a level that seems most appropriately described as the associate vice president for Finance," said Vice President for Finance Sally Dowling.

Stetson Law professional program wins American Bar Association award

Stetson University College of Law has won the American Bar Association's E. Smythe Gambrell Professionalism Award for its Leadership Development Program.

The Leadership Development Program offers regular workshops taught by judges, professors, attorneys and leadership training specialists that help students hone the skills that they will need to become successful community leaders.

"Stetson strives to train not only

outstanding lawyers, but leaders in the Bar and greater community,” said Vice President and Dean Darby Dickerson. “Our leadership program allows students to gain valuable information and skills that enhance their classroom experience and that give them a head start in the profession.”

Program topics and titles have ranged from “Professionalism in the Workplace” and “Civility In and Out of the Courtroom” to “Persuasive Oral Communication Skills” and “Suiting Up for Success.”

This year’s programs have featured chair of the ABA American Jury Project Patricia Lee Refo, Florida 2nd District Court of Appeals Judge E.J. Salcines and U.S. District Judge James Whittemore, former Florida State Senator John Grant and Stetson Law Professors Lee Coppock, Roberta Flowers and Charles Rose.

An average of 150 students participated in each program, and 33 individuals to date have graduated with the Stetson Leadership Development Certificate.

The award, honoring excellence and commitment to professionalism, will be presented Aug. 4 in Hawaii during the ABA’s annual meeting.

Stetson is one of three national

recipients of this year’s award. Stetson Law Director of Student Life Michael Farley will accept the honor, which includes a certificate and \$3500 in cash. The stipend will be used to fund future programs, including bringing keynote speakers to campus for annual leadership retreats, Farley said.

Stetson’s Family Enterprise Center director wins award

Stetson University’s Family Enterprise Center former director, Dr. Greg McCann ’81, has been awarded the 2006 Barbra Hollander award by the Family Firm Institute (FFI). The award, which was created in 1993 to honor FFI’s late founder and first president, is given to the candidate who best exemplifies Hollander’s love of education and learning, lifelong commitment to social causes, dedication to civic responsibility, belief in the human capacity to change for the better and belief in giving to others generously.



McCann

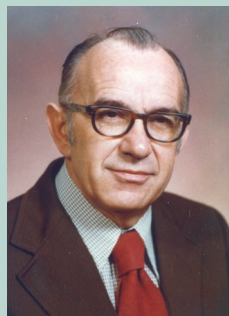
Professor of Education Emeritus Bob Fox dies

Dr. G. Robert “Bob” Fox, chair of Stetson’s Graduate Division from 1969 until his retirement in 1980, died Monday, July 24, at Woodland Terrace Nursing Center. He was 88.

A retired lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserve, he served in World War II, and was a graduate of the University of Michigan. He earned a doctorate from Case Western Reserve University and taught Education at Hiram University in Ohio before coming to Stetson. He had earlier served as superintendent of schools in three Ohio communities. Stetson

named him Professor Emeritus upon his retirement.

He was an active member of Trinity United Methodist Church, Friends of the DeLand Regional Library, the Summit Club and the Rotary Club of DeLand. He served for many years on the board of the Easter Seals Society of Volusia and Flagler Counties, as well as the Volusia County Planning



Fox

Board, the board of Daytona Beach Community College, the Board of Commissioners of the West Volusia

“Winning this prestigious award from such a renowned organization as FFI is a wonderful acknowledgement of all the good work so many people at Stetson have done to make us successful,” said McCann.

“I am proud to be working with one of the few universities in the country that is committed to educating students on family business.”

In his role as founder and architect of the Family Enterprise Center, McCann helped develop the nation’s second minor and first major in Family Business. Stetson is the first university in the United States to offer Family Business as a major.

McCann, a tenured full professor of Business Law, has been a Stetson faculty member for 15 years. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Stetson and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Florida.

Established in 1986, FFI is an international professional membership organization dedicated to providing interdisciplinary education and networking opportunities for family business and family wealth advisers, consultants, educators and researchers and to increasing public awareness of trends and developments in the family business and family wealth fields.

Hospital District and the Advisory Committee of Boston Avenue School. He was also a Mason and a Shriner.

His survivors include his wife of 62 years, Marilou; two children and a brother.

Retired Education Professor Peg Horton passes away

Dr. Margaret “Peg” Horton, Stetson University Education professor and director of student teaching from 1969 to 1990, died Friday, Oct. 13, at her home in Glenmoor at World Golf Village near St. Augustine.

Born in 1925, she earned her bachelor’s degree from Glenville State College, and a master’s degree and

New chairman of board considers Stetson a ‘cosmopolitan village’

Stetson University greets the year 2007 with a new Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Nestor de Armas '73, the recently retired Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of an international banking software firm. He takes the helm following the service of immediate past Chair Jay Landers '64, JD '70. de Armas is in his second, five-year term on the Board. A former president of the Stetson University Alumni Association, de Armas joined the Board of Trustees in September 2001 and began his term as Chairman in September 2006.

“My role as Chairman of the Board of Trustees is to work with Dr. Lee to lead our community to continue to live up to its vision of educating good people to live great lives,” de Armas said. “We have the same priorities. My focus is the Board of Trustees. Dr. Lee runs the university.” He lists the Board’s top priorities:

1. to continue Stetson’s long tradition of academic quality and to have that academic quality nationally recognized;

doctorate from West Virginia University. She taught in West Virginia public schools for many years, as well as graduate extension courses at West Virginia University. In 1968 she moved



Horton

to Orlando where she was director of staff development and evaluation for the Orange County Public School System before joining Stetson’s faculty in 1969.

Her survivors include her husband of 34 years, Lloyd G. Horton; a daughter and three stepchildren; a granddaughter and two brothers.

2. to develop and maintain first-rate facilities;
3. to cultivate the next generation of Board leadership and major gifts;
4. and, to ensure that our Stetson community builds its future on a strong financial foundation.

de Armas credits Stetson’s faculty for helping him achieve success in the business world. “The commitment to excellence in professional competence I learned in the business school opened the doors to the top accounting firms in the world,” said de Armas, who has a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting. “But the education I received here was also an education that was steeped in the Liberal Arts tradition, in critical thinking. That aspect of my education was vital. It really made the difference as I faced issues I never imagined. I can’t overemphasize the importance of a Liberal Arts education in preparing the mind to thrive in an uncertain future.” He said he developed lifelong interests in philosophy and science during his years as an undergraduate at Stetson.

de Armas likens Stetson to a cosmopolitan village, “cosmopolitan in the sense that the people you meet at Stetson are sophisticated people with a worldwide perspective, and a village in the sense that there is a very special sense of community here,” he said. “Stetson’s cosmopolitan village is also a place where one learns that greatness in life is not measured by what a person acquires, but rather, by what a person contributes,” he said. de Armas started giving back to Stetson soon after graduating, first by helping with homecoming activities and then by becoming more involved with the Alumni Association. “I love this university.”

The father of four daughters and two sons-in-law (three of whom are Stetson alumni), de Armas lives in Winter Park with his wife, Donna, also a Stetson alumna. He enjoys skiing and working out, but says his biggest hobby is

hanging out with his three granddaughters.

– Gerri Bauer



Photo by Brendan Kingsley '07



Maya guests share cultural insights

Three Maya of different ethnic groups shared insights into their culture and traditions at special programs in early November at Stetson University.

Rigoberto Itzep, a Maya calendar priest from Momostenango, Guatemala, discussed the Mayan calendar and contemporary Mayan religion. Itzep is an expert on the 260-day ritual calendar and its interpretation. His hometown of Momostenango is the heart of Mayan calendar knowledge.



Itzep

“The program was of particular significance because of the growing interest in the year 2012 in the Mayan calendar

and the resurgence of Native American spirituality in the Americas,” said Dr. Robert Sitler, director of the Latin American Studies Program at Stetson.



Rigoberto Itzep, center with our two other Maya guests, Nicolasa Gerónimo and Patricio Balona, at Blue Spring State Park.

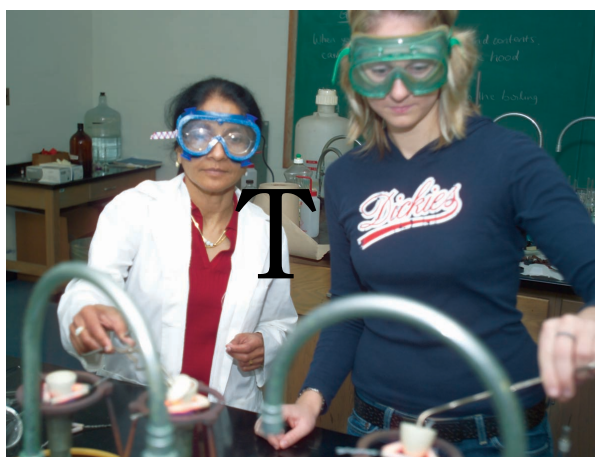
Joining Itzep, a K’iche’ Maya, were Nicolasa Gerónimo, a Mam Maya from Todos Santos Cuchumatán, Guatemala, and Patricio Balona, a Yukatek Maya from San Antonio, Belize, who now lives in DeLand. They presented the program “Diversity in the Mayan World.” Itzep focused on Mayan spirituality, Gerónimo on weaving and the life of women, and Balona on traditional storytelling.

“The program aimed to draw attention to the diversity and unity among the more than 30 different Mayan cultures in Guatemala, Mexico and Belize,” Sitler said. “Participants heard three different Mayan languages and learned about components of contemporary culture.” The programs were sponsored by Stetson’s Artists & Lecturers Committee and the Latin American Studies Program.

Chemistry professor honored for quality of her courses

Two freshman chemistry courses taught by Stetson University Associate Professor of Chemistry Ramee Indralingam were rated among the nation’s best in a recent study, and will be used to help develop guidelines for advanced high school chemistry courses.

Indralingam’s General Chemistry I and II courses were identified as one of the top 20 examples of best practices in the College Board Advanced Placement Best Practices Study. More than 150 courses were submitted from colleges and universities across the United States. Advanced Placement courses in a variety of subjects are offered to top



Dr. Ramee Indralingam, left, works on an experiment in class.

content of AP courses in high school to be similar to what is taught in freshman courses in college, Indralingam said. For the national College Board study, Indralingam submitted information about the types of technology and exams used in her courses, and she submitted copies of the syllabus, exams and class handouts.

Indralingam, who is department chair for

high school students. Students who score high enough on the AP exam can be exempt from taking freshmen-level courses in the same subject in college. It’s important, therefore, for the

Chemistry, has been a Stetson professor for 15 years. She also teaches Analytical Chemistry I and II for upper-division students.

Alumnus celebrates alumni military careers, achievements

Col. Edward Kertis '84 contributed the information and photos for this article.

The history of military training at civilian colleges dates back to the early 1800s.

Most early college curricula included military arts and sciences. The Morrill Land Grant Act of 1862 stipulated that military tactics had to be taught at land grant universities. The National Defense Act of 1916 subsequently established what we know today as the Reserve Officers Training Corps.

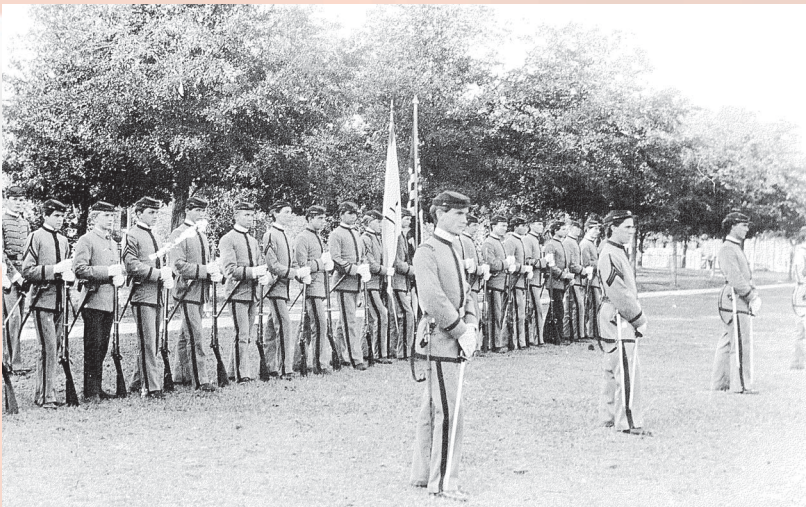
ROTC units were established for several reasons, among them the inability of the military academies to meet the requirement for commissioned officers and the desire to add diversity to the ranks of the officer corps.

Stetson University has a long tradition of hosting a training detachment of the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps. Thousands of cadets have passed through the ranks of the "Hatter Battalion." The ROTC detachment at Stetson was for many years the "host" program for satellite programs at the University of Central Florida and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. As those programs grew, they moved from under Stetson's umbrella and became their own programs. The loss of those universities greatly reduced the number of cadets enrolled in the Stetson host program, and in the early 1990s Stetson's program was closed, a victim of defense cutbacks following the end of the Cold War. Stetson subsequently revived its program as a satellite under Embry-Riddle.

Stetson did not lose its influence over the Army with the loss of the host program. Conversely, one of the last groups of graduates from the mid-1980s that still remain in service as senior officers has had a tremendous impact on the Army and our nation's defense. They have served in some of the most challenging assignments the Army has to offer. Most have advanced degrees, and all are combat veterans. They are among the

few percent who have reached the highest ranks of the commissioned officer corps and have attended or been selected for the war college. None of these is more accomplished than former Sen. Max Cleland of Georgia. Cleland graduated in 1964, attended graduate school, and in 1967 volunteered for duty in Vietnam. He subsequently lost both legs and an arm in service during that war and went on to serve a distinguished political career.

The fact that so many officers from so small a group have attained such career heights speaks volumes to the value and strength of the education and experience offered by Stetson University. Some of their stories are on the following pages.





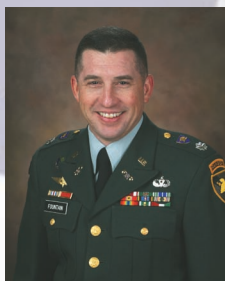
Col. Kertis '84, right, and President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan

Col. Edward Kertis '84, currently a student at the U.S. Air Force War College in Alabama, was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers and served most of his career in airborne and special operations assignments. He is a master parachutist and graduate of the U.S. Army Ranger school. He later earned a master's degree in Environmental



Engineering Sciences from the University of Florida, majoring in Wetlands Ecology. Kertis has also spent a large part of his career as a leader in the Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works program, managing hydropower and environmental and water resource programs. He served in that capacity in Honduras; El Salvador; Portland, Ore.; and as commander of the Corps of Engineers district in Walla Walla, Wash. Again selected for command, he will be the commander of the Savannah District. Kertis served in Operation Iraqi Freedom, managing reconstruction projects from Baghdad to Mosul, and with NATO as the military adviser to the NATO senior civilian representative for Afghanistan, Minister Hikmet Çetin of Turkey.

Lt. Col. Way Fountain '85, Ph.D., commissioned in the Chemical Corps, spent his early years serving as a lieutenant in both mechanized, airborne and Ranger units. While serving with the Rangers he participated in the parachute seizure of the Torrijos-Tocumen airfields during the invasion of Panama, Operation Just Cause. One of a handful of American soldiers since World War II who have participated in a combat parachute assault, Fountain served as the regimental chemical officer to the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment throughout the Persian Gulf War, participating in Operation Desert Storm. He then earned a doctorate in analytical chemistry in 1997 from Florida State University and joined the Department of Chemistry at West Point, becoming the director of the Photonics Research Center. Fountain is retiring this year to accept an appointment in the Senior Executive Service of the federal government. Members of the SES are commonly referred to as "civilian generals."



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Col. Bob Hoelscher '84, currently the commandant of the U.S. Army Signal School's Leader College for Information Technology, began his career in the Signal Corps and has held numerous command and staff positions in communications and intelligence units. He commanded a company of soldiers during Operation Desert Storm in 1991, participating in the liberation of Kuwait. Hoelscher has served around the world from Miami to Kansas to Hawaii to Germany. He holds master's degrees in information management from Webster University and strategic studies from the Army War College.



Not the traditional ROTC cadet, Capt. (retired) John Koko '86 joined ROTC after leaving active duty at the rank of sergeant in the 82nd Airborne Division. He excelled and punctuated his ROTC experience by attending U.S. Army Ranger school, earning Honor Graduate status as a cadet. After graduation, Koko joined the reserve components in his home state of Kentucky, foregoing an almost certainly successful active duty career and earned his Master of Business Administration degree. Koko then formed a startup company with some of his classmates and continued his service by joining the Special Forces in the reserve component. He volunteered to serve in Desert Storm. While attached to a conventional infantry battalion, he was wounded when a rocket hit his armored vehicle. He later retired from reserve service and from his successful civilian business to spend more time with his family. Now living in Florida, he manages some small businesses part-time.

A second generation Hatter, Col. Steve Pate '85 is perhaps the most deployed member of this group of alumni. He joined ROTC after first serving as an enlisted soldier and was commissioned in the Quartermaster Corps, with which he spent three years in Korea. Pate then served in the 82nd Airborne Division and commanded a company during Operation Desert Storm. He has also served in a variety of special operations assignments and



deployed to Somalia with Task Force Ranger, made legendary by the book *Black Hawk Down*. Pate participated in combat operations in the Balkans as well, deploying to Bosnia during the multinational effort to end ethnic violence there. He subsequently served in Kosovo, Afghanistan, and deployed to Iraq in the infamous "Sunni Triangle" during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Pate holds master's degrees from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War College.

The youngest member of this group, Col. Robert Risberg '85 was commissioned in the Field Artillery and began his career in Korea. He was subsequently assigned to Germany and immediately deployed to Iraq to



participate in Operation Desert Storm. Risberg has served as a paratrooper, serving at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in a variety of airborne artillery assignments. He recently completed

another tour in Iraq, this time during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Risberg is one of the first officers to command a task force of blended infantry and artillery units under the Army's newest organizational concept. His battalion was in the Baqubah area of Iraq, also located in the infamous Sunni Triangle.

Col. Dave Lent '84, commissioned in the Aviation branch, became one of the few Army pilots to fly fixed wing aircraft. He later became an instructor pilot on the OV-1 Mohawk surveillance plane. He left active duty to pursue a career with the U.S. Customs Service, flying Cessna Citation counter-drug aircraft but remained in the reserve components as a pilot and academic instructor. As a Customs agent and pilot, he served in difficult assignments throughout the Americas and was subsequently promoted to aviation group supervisor. There he directed the efforts of a law enforcement field aviation unit responsible for securing the nation's borders from terrorism, interdiction of contraband, providing airspace security for strategic events and supporting other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies.



A "citizen-soldier," Lent was recalled to active duty for service in Iraq, recently completing a one year tour as the chief of training strategy and as the military adviser to an Iraqi general at the multinational headquarters in Baghdad. Lent has earned a master's degree from Webster University.

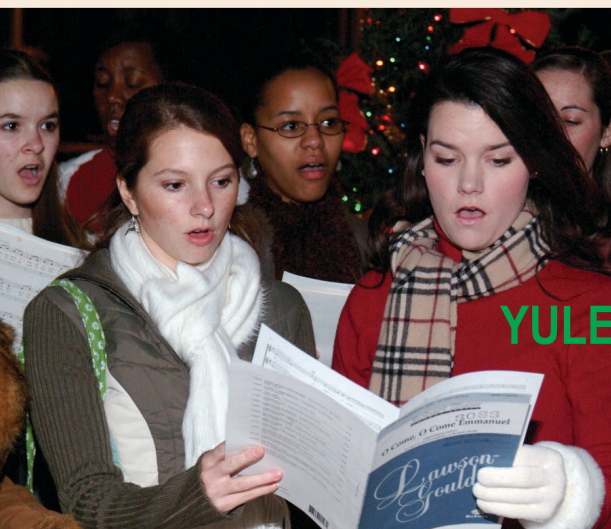
The senior member of the group is Col. Fred Taylor '83. He was commissioned from Stetson and immediately received an educational deferment to attend the Mercer University Walter F. George School of Law. He passed the Bar examination upon graduation and entered the Army as a member of the Judge Advocate General's Corps, or JAG. Taylor's experience runs the full breadth of military law, including trial counsel,



legal assistance attorney, international law specialist, and instructor for all the Army's prosecuting attorneys. He deployed to Iraq where he oversaw the provision of defense services to soldiers in Iraq, Kuwait and Afghanistan. He has also served as a paratrooper in a variety of airborne and special operations assignments, including with the 82nd Airborne Division and the

Special Forces. He has served as senior attorney in such diverse assignments as the Pacific Command in Hawaii and the Army Medical Department in Texas. Taylor is also a master parachutist and has earned the airborne wings of the Australian and Turkish armies.

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Popular professor shaves off 19-year-old beard for fundraiser

How much money would have to be raised for a popular Stetson University professor to shave the beard he'd been growing for 19 years? The answer for Associate Professor of Statistics John Rasp: \$4,242.42.

A crowd watched Rasp's beard come off Nov. 9 after students surpassed the goal for their unique fundraiser, "Beardtober: A Celebration of Facial Hair." More than 30 male students gave up shaving during October and found sponsors to pay them \$1 a day. By the end of Beardtober, about \$5,000 was raised for the Spring Hill Club of the Boys & Girls Club of Volusia and Flagler Counties.

Student organizers celebrate with Dr. John Rasp after the shaving party in front of the CUB during Greenfeather 2006. Pictured above, from left, are Dave Thomas '08, Casey Steelman '08, Drew Walker '09, Rasp, Jim Atkinson '08 and Jim Burleson '09.

Bottom left "before" photo, from left, are Thomas, Steelman, Rasp, Atkinson and Burleson (For more Greenfeather pictures, see p. 50.)

