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# Compounding Effects



Joan Darrah '73 (wearing her JCH medal) with President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12

# Generations of Scholarship

"Hartwick College was very important to me and my life journey, and it was extra special that my father was also a Hartwick graduate. I hope my bequest for a legacy scholarship can help someone else experience and benefit from all that Hartwick has to offer."

#### Captain Joan E. Darrah '73

US Naval Intelligence, retired John Christopher Hartwick Scholar President's Award for Liberal Arts in Practice, 2016 Planned gift to endow the Darrah Legacy Scholarship



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# Change, For Good

I am a fan of author Jim Collins. This researcher, writer, thinker and speaker impresses me with his well-considered, straightforward, unsentimental, and inspiring analysis of organizational change and leadership.

Collins' compelling text *Good to Great* is on my bookshelf at home and in my office. I have incorporated many of his tenets into my own thinking about how organizations evolve, and why they often don't; why some organizations become great, while others cannot. The "Brutal Facts," the "Hedgehog Concept," the "Flywheel," "Productive Paranoia," and "People on the Bus"—I find myself returning to these concepts as I continually refocus my view on the everchanging education environment.

#### Organizations that do not adapt risk obsolescence. Hartwick is changing

because college-bound students and their expectations are changing. Our six new undergraduate majors and first master's program lie at the nexus of student interests and Hartwick's strengths. Engaged learning is our "hedgehog" space. Our new Center for Collaboration and Innovation will invite engagement in new ways of thinking and acting. The Board's Strategic Innovation Committee signals our readiness to bake creative responses to change into our DNA.

Not every change can be readily embraced. The State of New York's new Excelsior scholarship program, which promises zero tuition at SUNYs and CUNYs to New York families making up to \$125,000 per year, is a disruption that will make it more difficult for Hartwick, and most private colleges in and around New York State, to do business. The many difficulties arising from this program are "brutal facts" for Hartwick; facts that I, the Board of Trustees, and the President's Cabinet are addressing head-on.

# We can be confident of our long-term success because this is Hartwick

**College**, and despite promises of "free" elsewhere, we know that all undergraduate experiences are not equal in their quality nor their outcomes. As Hartwick's president, and as the parent of a Hartwick graduate, I am certain that the way we educate matters now and will prove relevant for many decades to come.

My confidence is grounded in the theme of this *Wick*, Compounding Effects. This issue focuses on the most important result of change—the growth of our students. John Christopher Hartwick Scholar Tyler Hall '13 captured the dynamism of Hartwick learning when he said, "One experience opened the next." Hartwick prepares students to recognize and seize the next idea. As we change, they learn; as they learn, we change.

Collins says protect your core, even while you innovate. Hartwick is still educating after 220 years because we have; Hartwick will thrive for another 220 years because we will.

Best.

Dr. Margaret L. Drugovich P'12 President

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### **ON THE COVER**

John Talbot '18 is justifiably proud to be one of the newest John Christopher Hartwick Scholars.

#### THE COLLEGE MISSION

Hartwick College, an engaged community, integrates a liberal arts education with experiential learning to inspire curiosity, critical thinking, creativity, personal courage, and an enduring passion for learning.

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# A Day with a Disrupter

Unrelenting innovator, disrupter, animated public speaker, and self-professed hacker B. Bonin Bough '99 recently brought his experience and insights to campus. In just one day, this noted marketing expert joined Hartwick classes in digital art, economics, and political science; met with President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12; accepted her invitation to brainstorm the downtown Oneonta revitalization with city leaders; talked with students over lunch; and made a public presentation ("Hackonomy: Lessons for the Largest Brands in the World").

#### **BOUGH'S PROFESSIONAL CREDS**

- Among Fast Company's "100 Most Creative People in Business", Fortune magazine's "40 Under 40", The Adweek 50, PRweek Power List (twice), "Internationalists of the Year" list, Ebony "Power 100"
- Inducted into American Advertising Federation's Advertising Hall of Achievement
- Responsible for breakthrough brand campaigns for Oreo, Honey Maid, Pepsi, Gatorade, Trident, and other billion dollar brands
- Host of Cleveland Hustles (CNBC television program produced by LeBron James)
- Author of Txt Me (646) 759-1837
- Featured speaker at international marketing industry events, including South By Southwest (SXSW)
- Former chief media and ecommerce officer, Mondelez International (among the youngest C-level executives in a Fortune 50)
- Former global head of digital, PepsiCo
- Hartwick double major in political science and physics



"It's not about selling a product. You have to own the relationship and be the trusted voice. Start with listening to what customers want."



"Learning agility comes from a liberal arts education. Trying things and building, building, building. Deep immersion is how you really learn."



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# Better than Ever

# Campus Improvements Near Completion

Walkways, roadways, and parking lots. Guide rails, curbing, staircases, and walls. Catch basins and drains. Light poles and foundations. It's all important infrastructure underpinning the transformation of Hartwick Drive into an amazing new pedestrian way complete with an amphitheater, a pergola, and stunning valley views. And it's all happening this summer.

By fall, three new campus entrances will properly welcome visitors. Senior students will be living in the new apartment-style residence hall situated beyond Johnstone Science Center. And the community will be enjoying the interior and/or exterior renovations already complete in every other residence hall as well as in Johnstone, Clark, Yager, Anderson, Binder, and Shineman. It's all the result of extensive planning. What began with Board of Trustees' discussions and decisions regarding The Campaign for Hartwick Students in 2010 continued with the development of the College's Master Facilities Plan of 2012 and was capped by the successful pursuit of a 2015 bond financing initiative. By April 2018, Hartwick will have spent more than \$57 million over 10 years to enhance the campus in ways that directly impact the student experience. These capital investments were funded with campaign funds, operating balances, and bond proceeds. All projects have been managed within scope, time, and budget. It all adds up to a Hartwick College that is even better than ever.



See more: hartwick.edu/campusimprovements

# We want you to be part of this historic time at Hartwick!

To find out how you can prominently place your name—or that of someone you wish to honor—on one of these new spaces, please contact Vice President Gregg Fort at fortg@hartwick.edu or 607-431-4026. **Visit hartwick.** edu/namingopportunities for a full list of opportunities to symbolize your pride in the College's success.

# HARTWICK GIVING

# The Results Are In: 4,200 Gifts = **\$2 Million**

Every Hartwick student benefits from unrestricted gifts made to the Hartwick Fund. Every donor, every gift, makes a difference. Thank you!

Nearly **4,200 trustees, alumni, faculty, staff, parents, friends**, and **students set a new record in annual giving this year**, collectively contributing \$2,005,368 to Hartwick and far exceeding the \$1.91M annual fund goal. **It's the first time annual giving has exceeded \$2 million in one year** without a special annual fundraising initiative. Not only that, but total cash giving for fiscal 2017 went 31% above the three-year average.

These results build on the recent success of The Campaign for Hartwick Students: It's Personal with its primary goal of student scholarships. That need continues, as does the priority placed on unrestricted, flexible support that can be used for strategic initiatives under development or unforeseen needs as they arise.



Support for Thought-provoking Work: Connor Riley '18 took top honors in the fourth Stephen L. Green '59 American Governance Award contest for his research essay, "Make America Progressive Again." Green endowed the award in 2012 to challenge students not only to strive for the best academically, but also to become informed and engaged citizens in this democracy. Riley is pictured being congratulated by Green and Political Science Professor Laurel Elder, who coordinates the semiannual essay contest.



Suzanne Hotaling-Fuller and Karen Hotaling-Horn—the daughters of Dr. Danal Hotaling '39, H'79—celebrate their late father's scholarship with recipient Kelly Napolitano '18.

# Timeless Support









Each of Hartwick's more than 180 scholarships was made possible by a personal investment in today's and tomorrow's students. The annual Partners in Scholarship luncheon brings generous donors together with their grateful recipients (including those pictured here).

Four newly endowed scholarships were celebrated this year: the Dr. Danal L. Hotaling '39, H'79 Scholarship, endowed by his planned gift for students, will help students join a business-related J Term course abroad; the Gladys Brooks Foundation Endowed Scholarship is earmarked for ambitious students in Hartwick's Three-Year Degree Program or 18-month accelerated nursing program; the Edward Gristing '65 J Term Endowed Scholarship offers preference for students with demonstrated interest in advancing the full equality of the LGBT community; and the Woodard Student Assistance Fund, endowed by Ralph A. Woodard P'85 and the late Dr. Carol J. Woodard '50, H'91, P'85 through her estate gift, creates that generous couple's third Hartwick scholarship.

In addition to recognizing these donors, President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12 also announced the Darrah Legacy Scholarship, which is being endowed by Captain Joan E. Darrah '73 (ret.) as part of her estate plan. (See inside front cover.)



**Fundraising is changing, and yet it remains the same**. What's different? **New modes of outreach** to align with evolving methods of communication. What's familiar? **A foundation built on connections** and motivated both by having an impact and by expressing gratitude. While direct mail and phone calls are still important forms of outreach, some interesting and fun initiatives have been added to Hartwick's mix. Check out the returns!



Approach:	Email outreach and online giving
Focus:	Increasing participation
Goal:	500 donors in 24 hours
Result:	702 donors in 24 hours
Total:	\$93,224 raised in one day, including challenge matches
Participants:	45% Alumni; 15% Students, 15% Faculty/Staff, 13% Parents, 12% Friends



# Crowdfunding

Three athletic programs picked up the challenge of a new initiative: using the internet to raise small gifts from many donors. Each armed with a challenge match from generous supporters, the sports saw great results.

The field hockey program took top honors, raising \$19,685 from 268 donors. Men's and women's swimming and diving raised \$17,327 from 251 donors, while men's lacrosse raised \$15,976 from 209 supporters. All three sports beat their goal in terms of dollars raised and number of donors, bringing in gifts from loyal alumni, parents, current athletes, faculty/staff, and friends.

These initiatives all contributed to a winning season in 'Wick athletics fundraising. Three cheers for all the supporters who, combined, contributed more than \$200,000 in this fiscal year; the highest total in 'Wick athletics fundraising since 2008!

Building on this success, crowdfunding will continue next fiscal year in support of more athletic teams and academic programs.

# Proxy Bidding

The annual Wine & Beer Tasting and Benefit Auction pushed through the doors of Stella Luna Ristorante for this first time this year when a concerted effort was made to include proxy bids.

Hartwick fans who couldn't be in town for the event, but wanted to support 'Wick athletics, had their chance through stand-ins. President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12 is seen bidding on behalf of Dick Clapp '62, her partner Beth Steele P'12 is serving as proxy for Rory Read '83, and Vice President Gregg Fort is representing Evelyn Milne Moore '83. All three former trustees wanted the Boston Red Sox vs. NY Yankees VIP tickets donated by Bob Atchinson '79 and Mickey Cooke Atchinson '79, but it was Moore who took the tickets with the highest bid.

See page 27 for more results of this year's record-breaking event.

# FACULTY NEWS

# Faculty Recognition and 2017 Achievements

#### Nine faculty retired this spring after offering a combined 318 years of service to Hartwick College and its students. All were honored with the rank of professor emeritus/emerita. In biology, Dr. Laura Malloy; in English, Dr. Bob Bensen and Dr. Tom Travisano; in mathematics, Dr. Gary Stevens; in nursing, Ms. Terry Turick-Gibson; in psychology, Dr. Jeff Goldman and Dr. Lynn Strano; in sociology, Dr. Kate O'Donnell; and in theatre, Mr. Ken Golden.



**To make a gift in honor of dedicated faculty**, go to www.hartwickalumni.org/give; email Alicia Fish '91 at fisha@hartwick.edu; call 607-431-4011; or mail your gift to: Office of College Advancement, Hartwick College, PO Box 4020, Oneonta, NY 13820. Thank you.

### The contributions of five faculty have been recognized with promotion to full professor.

They are: anthropologist **Dr. Jason Antrosio**, field biologist **Dr. Peter Fauth**, geologist **Dr. David Grffing**, and economists **Dr. Kristin Jones** and **Dr. Karl Seeley**. Two have been awarded tenure and promoted to the rank of associate professor: biologist **Dr. Eric Cooper** and physicist **Dr. Kevin Schultz**. Congratulations to all!



**The Margaret B. Bunn Award for Excellence in Teaching** was presented at Commencement to **German Professor Wendell Frye P'98**. The award is presented annually to a member of the faculty judged by students who graduated five years earlier to have been the most outstanding faculty member with whom they studied. (Following an illness, Dr. Frye passed away just one week after receiving this prestigious award; see page 38.)



**The Teacher-Scholar Award** was presented at Honors Convocation to **History Professor Edythe Quinn**. This award is made to an outstanding faculty member who enhances teaching with his or her own scholarship, research, or creative work, integrating the perspective of seeker and teacher and strengthening the College's academic climate. Dr. Quinn's specializations include contemporary America, US women, and race and ethnicity.

"The faculty have helped you to develop your sense of confidence and courage, and they have helped you to find your authentic voice. In this way, they have prepared you to craft solutions to problems that are not yet imagined and, so, have prepared you for a lifetime of satisfaction. As they opened your mind, they set you free."

---President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12, speaking to the Class of 2017 at Commencement

# BREAKTHROUGH

# The Business of Something

**Business** is both a **fundamental** and a **derivative field of study**. Facility with core business competencies such as finance, accounting, organizational behavior, and marketing is important, but in the end, all business is the business of something, and business alone is not enough. With this as a core philosophy, I am guiding the evolution of one of the College's largest departments in a manner that respects student interest, provides a deep foundation in business content, offers myriad opportunity for experiential learning, and intentionally harnesses the immeasurable value of the liberal arts.

Nowhere is this evolution more obvious than in our revised curriculum for the major in business administration. Under this, students will work closely with their academic advisors to identify a track in either quantitative or integrative business and will select courses within and beyond the business department to build a specialization unique to their interests and goals. The latter happens through an independent applied research project in the quantitative track or through selection of a minor or second major in the integrative track. Hartwick students are increasingly interested in making connections across disciplines, whether it is a business and art double major preparing to market her own work or a business major/biology minor considering patent law in preparation for a career in healthcare management. The possibilities are limitless.

Student specialization builds from a solid core that includes new course requirements in managerial accounting, information systems, and quantitative analysis within the department and cognate coursework in critical communication and law and ethics beyond. These requirements are Hartwick students are increasingly interested in making connections across disciplines ...

benchmarked against the recommendations of the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), but they also formalize the interdisciplinarity that is the hallmark of Hartwick's Liberal Arts in Practice mission.

Students have not been bystanders in the department's evolution. Bobby Shepard '18 (business, economics, and finance) has taken a lead in forming the Investment Club under the direction of Assistant Professor Dan Vo. Dakota Morgan '19 (economics and business) worked with

#### By Dr. Carlena Cochi Ficano

professor of economics and interim chair of business and accounting

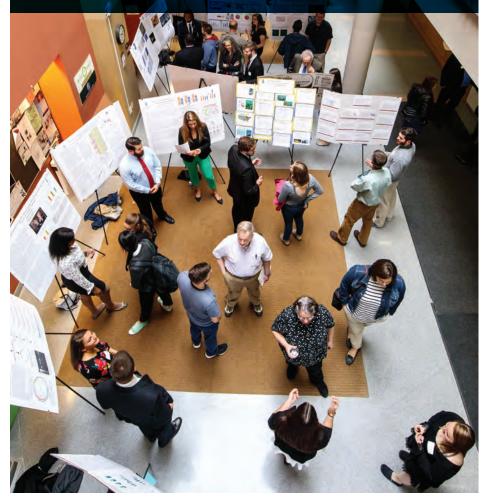


Lena Ryason '17 to start the College's chapter of DECA, a national organization for marketing and entrepreneurship. Stephanie Sacco '18 (political science and business) will mentor the 2017–2018 cohort of University Innovation Fellows as they develop Hartwick's makerspace under the direction of Assistant Professor Pauline Stamp.

Having taught economics at Hartwick for 20 years, I assumed the business chair position as an outsider. Sometimes, this perspective allows one to see what those immersed in the day-to-day operations cannot. With my first full year as chair behind me, I am proud of what we have accomplished and what we are on track to become. I love working with our students, who hold us to high standards as they place their trust in what we have to offer. I love, too, working with our faculty, who have been creative and proactive in moving forward an ambitious agenda.

# Inquiries, Insights, and Experiences

Hartwick's 10th annual Student Showcase gave 322 students a forum for sharing their advanced work on more than 200 topics. Through oral presentations, poster displays, performances, readings, symposia, and exhibitions, they disseminated newfound knowledge gleaned from their in-depth research, creative initiatives, fieldwork, and other forms of experiential learning. When students share, the community learns.



#### A sampling of student presentations:

#### Investigation of Controlled Expression of Bacteriophage MS2 Lysis Protein (Freedman Prize) Discipline: Biochemistry Presenter: Kelsey Rasefske '17 (JCH Scholar) Mentor: Dr. Andrew Piefer

#### Analyzing mTor Levels in Patients with

#### **Bipolar Disorder**

Discipline: Biology Presenter: **Edvin Rovcanin '17** Mentor: Dr. Anthony Russo

#### Building an Online Community for Individuals with Special Needs

Discipline: Business Administration Presenter: **Alessandra Ricci '18** (JCH Scholar) Mentor: Dr. Carlena Ficano

#### **Metagenomic Analysis of Forest Soil Samples**

**from the Czech Republic** (*Duffy Award*) Discipline: Chemistry Presenter: **Michael Dolan '17** Mentor: Dr. Zsuzsanna Balogh-Brunstad

#### The Political Influences of Dante Alighieri's Inferno

Discipline: History Presenter: **Catherine Oag '20** Mentors: Dr. Peter Wallace, Dr. Cherilyn Lacy

### A Holistic Look at Elliptic Curve

Cryptography Discipline: Mathematics Presenter: Lianna Aharon '17 (JCH Scholar) Mentor: Dr. Min Chung

#### Instrumental Music for Physically Disabled Students Discipline: Music Education Presenter: Nina Savasta '17

Mentor: Dr. Meghan Sheehy

### Environmental Effects on Health: Zika Prevention in Jamaica

Discipline: Nursing Presenter: **Maxine Dunn '17** Mentor: Ms. Theresa Turick-Gibson

Varieties and Tiers of Consciousness Discipline: Philosophy Presenter: John Talbot '18 (JCH Scholar) Mentor: Dr. Stefanie Rocknak

#### Effects of Dietary Saturated Fats on Multiple Measures of Anxiety-like Behaviors in Male and Female Rats (Freedman Prize) Discipline: Psychology Presenter: AshLee Burdick '17 Mentor: Dr. KinHo Chan













Hartwick friends Allen Freedman H'00 and Judy Brick Freedman H'13 join Student Showcase each spring to attend presentations and award the coveted Freedman Prize for superior student-faculty collaborative research. The couple established the prize in 2002 to recognize advanced work in the natural sciences, cognitive sciences, and theatre arts.



# An Unforgettable Rite of Passage: Hartwick's Nursing Pinning Ceremony

"My morning begins under the moon. Her soft siren song calls me to care for her wailing children. The white light of the hospital draws me out of my cozy cocoon and into the busyness of the hive. The hallway's buzz becomes background noise to my carefully planned day. First, I introduce myself to my patients with pride, acknowledging what a privilege it is to be a part of their healing. As I do, my pin catches the light, intriguing the bright eyes of the boy visiting his grandmother. The small voice persists through the white noise of IV pumps and call bells asking me, "What's that?" pointing to the small disc tacked to my name badge. A flood of memories rest in my throat, as I try to summarize everything this small scrap of metal represents...

"I think of my classmates. Individuals at the bedside of the hospice patient the child with cancer, the parents of a miscarriage. Individuals who spend their lives nurturing those who need it the most. I think of the lives they are touching and how they have touched mine. I think of how this little pin represents a lot more than a degree. It represents a community, a family.

> "I tell the child, wide-eyed in wonder, that *this* pin is my armor, (since they won't let me wear my cape to work). I tell him that it is my reminder to rise up, and always do good."

Excerpted from a poem written by Sierra Meads '17 and recited by her during the Pinning Ceremony







In a powerful ceremony filled with traditions, Hartwick's Class of 2017 (from top): celebrate joining the ranks of Hartwick's proud nurses; are pinned by Professor Emerita Sharon Dettenreider '65, don the white coats that symbolize their transition from the study to the practice of clinical nursing, and recite the International Nurse's Pledge for the first time.



# Well done, Hartwick Students

They set their sights high, push their limits, work extraordinarily hard, and are on their way. The annual Honors Convocation offers an opportunity to pause and reflect on great effort; celebrate awards, scholarships, and inductions; and consider the lasting benefits of a Hartwick education.

It's a night full of smiles, and a few tears, as College trustees, scholarship donors, and faculty and staff join family members in congratulating students on their achievements. It is a Hartwick tradition, and the culminating event of every academic year.



# A Tradition Built on Nilestone Moments



Rachel Griffing '17

Hartwick has given me the momentum necessary to broaden my world view and the tools to go about instituting change. I am so lucky to experience the kind of education I have received at Hartwick, on campus and off.

- Political Science and Business Administration double major
- Student Senate president (2017-18)
- Baker-Simpson Entrepreneurship Fellow working in San Francisco
- J Terms abroad studying politics in Europe and geology in the Hawaiian Islands
- Semester-long study abroad in China
- Volleyball team

### John Talbot '17

I could go on and on about my Hartwick experiences! One that really stands out for me has been the opportunity to volunteer at the local hospice. I consider it a true privilege to be able to spend time with these individuals. This kind of experience will forever change my outlook on life.

- Philosophy and Political Science double major; minor in Religious Studies
- Three internships, including Emerson funding for a labor law internship in Shanghai, China
- J Term studying art and architecture in Italy with funding from the Sarah Griffiths Herbert '88 and Timothy Herbert Endowed J Term Scholarship
- Tennis team

### Ashley Connolly '17

This summer I did research with Dr. Wayne McMahon on synthetic organic chemistry, specifically developing new reaction processes that will lead to molecules with novel structures and potential biological interest. Then I traveled to Sri Lanka with an Emerson Scholarship to complete a public health outreach internship. I observed local hospital staff, worked in the communities to promote health and sanitation, and experienced Sri Lankan culture while exploring the beautiful country.

- Nursing and Chemistry double major
- Lynch Family J Term Scholarship for study in Ireland
- Soccer team
- Residential advisor

The **50th Class of John Christopher** Hartwick Scholars Share their **Experiences**, their **Viewpoints**, and their **Values**.





### Haixiang "Authern" Xu '17

My professors and mentors believed in me when I didn't believe in myself; they saw value in me when I couldn't see value in myself. They built me and guided me towards the right path when I couldn't do it alone.

Hartwick is truly a magical place where everyone's lives are constantly being changed because there are professors like Dr. Kin Ho Chan who bring out the best in their students. I have confidence that even decades from now, I will proudly state I graduated from Hartwick College.

- Psychology major; Cognitive Science and Business Administration double minor
- J Term in Hong Kong
- Behavioral Neuroscience Lab Technician
- Global expansion consultant for a Fortune 100 company

#### Alessandra Ricci '17

Hartwick has given me the opportunity to pursue all of my passions and create a future for myself I never thought was possible. I have been able to complete two internships, and one has led to a great job offer after graduation. My volunteer position on campus has led me to find my true passion of helping others, and this has led me to create my own company for the special needs community. I am proud to call this beautiful college and town my home.

- Business Administration major, focus on marketing
- J Term in Italy studying international marketingHabitat for Humanity Collegiate Challenge in
- South Carolina
- Office of Community Involvement and Volunteerism E-Board
- Soccer team captain

#### Mae Shea '17

My greatest successes lie in the connections that I have made at Hartwick. I have found friends in my peers and professors, and these people will have forever shaped me in my most formative years.

- English and Business Administration double major
- Student Senate E-Board: Coordinator of Clubs and Organizations
- Social media intern for the Admissions Office
  Co-founder of Hartwick's Wine To Water
  - chapter Branding group internship with Doug Stone '83

# On Their Own Terms

By ELIZABETH STEELE P'12

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# Common Ground

From RN to JD, Kathleen Carver Cheney '74 connects disparate careers,

When her youthful dream of becoming a doctor didn't align with others' expectations, Kathleen Carver Cheney '74 learned to be flexible. "This was pre-feminism and my parents didn't see that ambition as compatible with being a mother and a wife," she recalls. So she chose Hartwick's nursing program, which she fondly remembers as "difficult, challenging, and supportive."

It was also excellent preparation. After graduation, Cheney "followed other Hartwick nurses to the unusual primary nursing program unit" of Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx, New York. There she began a 15-year nursing career that encompassed bedside care for oncology and AIDS/HIV patients, supervisory responsibilities, teaching, and a master's in nursing from New York University.

Cheney's subsequent move into law was "an accident of opportunities along the way," she says, one that began with reading the book *Shattered Mirrors*. "It's about AIDS and the law and ethics. Suddenly I thought, I could get a job doing this." She returned to NYU, this time for law school.

The lure of law wasn't the only factor. "Pushing me from behind was a frustration with sexism and the role of nurses vs. doctors in hospitals," she recalls of the early '90s. "Change was coming too slowly."

Cheney has not left medicine completely. In fact, she is the former general counsel

for an \$80 million multi-agency healthcare network of geriatric, subacute, and HIV/ AIDS programs. Now she is a partner with the boutique law firm of Novack Burnbaum Crystal, LLP, in Manhattan, where she represents long-term care and post-acute care providers. "I do regulatory and business law primarily," she says. "It's helpful to be familiar with healthcare systems and the experiences of people on the ground."

She misses her first career at times, especially "the camaraderie among nurses. That's not the case with lawyers, even within your own firm," she says. "As a lawyer, so much emphasis is on competition and assuming adversarial positions." It's an approach Cheney resists, noting, "My overall attitude is gentle, caring." She resolves the potential conflict by identifying points of overlap. "Both careers are service professions," she observes. "I continue to work with people to build relationships and earn their trust as a way to solve their problems." My work in law is informed by my having been a nurse. That's something I value.

Now Cheney addresses issues of healthcare on a macro level, as well, thanks to her eight-year appointment to the New York State Public Health and Health Planning Council by Governor Andrew Cuomo. "We work on health policy in the state and on the federal level," she explains. "Having this larger, overall picture is very good for my law practice." It also represents a return to her roots. "I'm on the front end of building bridges, and that's taking me back to the nurse who wanted to make the world a better place."



# Center Stage

Broadway's **Geno Carr '99** finds success by understanding context.

Life is full of twists and turns for Geno Carr '99, and that's the way he likes it. "The journey is the important part," he observes. "I wish I had known that a long time ago; it would have reduced my stress."

It's the stress of being a professional actor, singer, director, and teacher. "This is not the most secure career path," Carr says, "but they're all different facets of who I am as an artist and a person." Facets that have created his "zigzag career."

Carr goes where the work takes him. Most recently that's Broadway, where he portrays Oz Fudge in the Tony Award–winning musical *Come from Away.* "It's unreal; surreal; iconic," he says of performing on this revered stage. "This is the pinnacle of live theatre in the US and I'm actually doing it!"

The show's been his focus for more than two years, since "workshopping" it in San Diego and through runs in Washington, DC, Newfoundland (where the true story is set), and Toronto. After hundreds of performances, the challenge now is keeping it fresh. "The artistry is in replicating something eight times a week," Carr says. "How do I make each moment work every time? It's hard, but it's fun."

Carr is enthusiastic about his work, and realistic about its demands. His wife, Nancy —also an actor—has moved their toddler from California to New York for the show's run. The couple met on a national tour and have been on the go ever since, one or the other taking the lead. "It's not always easy, but we both understand," Carr says. "Each opportunity comes with a price to pay."

*I'm a believer that you learn always, from every experience.* 

In college, where he double majored in music and theatre, Carr seriously considered the greater stability of music education. His passions still extend to teaching—"sharing knowledge and experience"—and his résumé includes work at the University of Virginia, Semester at Sea, and more.

Variety is critical for Carr; it's why he never considered studying in a conservatory. "That would have been too narrow," he says. "In the liberal arts I learned all aspects of humanity, culture, history. That now helps me better understand how to create life on stage."

Carr developed his craft on Hartwick's stages—in concerts, one acts, musicals, recitals—and through "the real world immersion" of producing shows during J Term. "At Hartwick I had the freedom to experiment, to learn on my feet, and to exercise my skills," he says. "So many great people helped me better understand my voice as an artist."

What he valued then still moves him today. "I love live theatre," Carr says. "The communion of it—sharing a space, sharing a story. The ripple effect of connecting with people on stage, backstage, in the audience. We're in this together and that's amazing."



# Multifaceted

Focused and forward thinking, **Tyler Hall '13** sets his sights below the surface of the earth.

Tyler Hall '13 is on the move. This active young geologist has experience, as represented by multiple internships and four years on the job. And he has ambition, as expressed in his upcoming doctoral studies at Stanford University.

Hall came to college determined to "take advantage of every opportunity Hartwick offered," and he did. There were many oncampus activities, but also a J Term geology course in Hawaii; an Emerson-funded internship in Slovakia for the Energy and Geoscience Institute of the University of Utah; senior thesis research on the Jayville Iron Deposit in New York; and an internship with Freeport-McMoRan mining company in Bagdad, Arizona.

"One experience opened the next," Hall explains. "My first internship in Slovakia led to my next internship in Arizona, which led to my job offer." He began work at Freeport-McMoRan as a mine geologist immediately after graduation, concentrating on what he describes as "short-range geology to help determine what's ore and what's waste." Within two years he rotated to exploration geology with complex responsibilities that included directly contributing to the Bagdad geologic model.

"I had a long-range position working on geologic modeling of the material to be mined in the next decades, rather than the next week," he says. Hall also became very involved in Bagdad—an Arizona community of 2,500 people, some of them multigenerational mining families. Noting "Hartwick helped me understand the importance of getting involved," Hall helped coach the Little League baseball team that won the district championship, actively volunteered in support of a scholarship fund for students interested in a career in mining, and worked the polls during the 2016 election.

Now he's in San Francisco, ready for what's next. "Graduate school was only a question of time," Hall says. "Working first gave me the chance to understand the different

Applied problem solving gets my attention. directions of economic geology; it helped me recognize my options."

He's chosen geostatistics and resource estimation—what he calls "the spatial modeling side of geology." Essentially, he says, "It's the interplay of geology and mathematics and it helps you make resource deposit decisions through threedimensional modeling. When you're talking about water, petroleum, or mineral reserves, the problems can be complex and high stakes. Sometimes what you don't know is as important as what you do know. It's an extremely interesting context for research."

Hall enters Stanford with his characteristic enthusiasm, ready to immerse himself in the work and continue the kind of crossdisciplinary thinking he developed at Hartwick. "At this level, academia is closely collaborating with industry, and also amongst disciplines not normally linked in research," he says. "I'm cognizant of the value of that."



# **'17** Commencement





On May 20, the Class of 2017 joined more than 18,000 Hartwick alumni. As they stood on Oyaron Hill as graduates, they considered how they have changed, grown, and prepared for the advanced education, fulfilling careers, and engaging communities that lie ahead.

You have probably learned more than you expected, and perhaps you have learned more than you thought was possible. It is my hope that what you have learned best is how to learn from others, for no pinnacle moment is ours alone.

—President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12











If you have not identified what drives you just yet, you will. Organically. Through experimentation and sampling .... We want it to be quick, but sometimes it isn't .... Have patience in the process. And be persistent.

> —Hilary Duffy '91, documentary photographer, human rights advocate, and Commencement speaker



Technology leader, trailblazer, global integration strategist, innovator, and futurist. Rory P. Read, today the Hartwick College community honors your unwavering commitment to liberal arts education and celebrates your remarkable success in leveraging its application in the world of business.

Excerpt of the citation for Rory Read '83, P'09, chief integration officer of Dell EMC, who was awarded an honorary doctor of laws





# Ambitious, Experienced, and In Demand On Point hartwick's Latest GRADUATES ARE ON THEIR WAY, ACCEPTING OFFERS TO BEGIN CHALLENGING CAREERS OR CONTINUE IN ADVANCED STUDIES.



An Emerson-funded internship working with apes in Cameroon gave Harmony Jordan '17 a jumpstart on her career in primatology. She is now an animal care technician at Tulane National Primate Research Center of Tulane University in Louisiana. A double major in anthropology and biology with a minor in environmental science & policy, Jordan studied abroad six times while a Hartwick student.



With three job offers to his credit, Justin Hoskins '17 chose to join Goldman Sachs as an operations analyst in their Salt Lake City office. His internships in New York City and San Francisco were supported by funding from Hartwick alumni and friends. A business administration major with a finance minor, Hoskins graduated in Hartwick's three-year program. He is pictured with his mother, Hilda Robinson.



Alumni connections paid off for sociology and business administration double major Sara Kalmer '17, who has been hired as recruiter for Sevenstep, a talent acquisition firm. She met Ron Lambertson '12, the company's senior manager of global recruiting operations, at a networking event last fall. Kalmer's Hartwick experience included four internships in different industries.



Nursing major, and John Christopher Hartwick Scholar, Tristan Davis Fralick '17 is a staff nurse at the Otsego County Corrections Facility. He advanced his long-term goal of serving impoverished international populations when he pursued an Emerson-funded internship to study primary care in low-resource environments in Ghana.



After Nicole Finn '17 completed a semester-long internship as session assistant in the New York State Senate, this political science major was invited by Senator Jim Seward '73, H'99 to continue in a paid position. She will begin Albany Law School in the fall.

n Wasacz, Dr. Wayne G. McMahon twick College, Oneonta, NY 13820



Environmental chemistry and mathematics double major Sarajane Roenke '17 is studying toward a PhD in environmental engineering at Notre Dame University. This two-time Faculty Scholar also double minored in economics and environmental science & policy. She earned the Dobert Family Scholarship to study economics in Cuba over J Term.

Now pursuing a DMD at Temple University Kornberg School of Dentistry, biochemistry major Colin Wasacz '17 conducted advanced research in Hartwick's Center for Craft Food & Beverage on "Examination of Antibody Cross-reactions in Commercial Immunoassay Kits for Tricothecene Mycotoxins in Brewing Grains." He is pictured with his thesis advisor, Dr. Wayne McMahon.



Arantza Orengo Green '17, an art history major with a minor in museum studies, is now pursuing a master's degree in art business at Sotheby's Institute of Art in New York City. At Hartwick, she twice studied art in Italy and she interned at a New York City contemporary art gallery. A recipient of the Semenenko Clark Award for Excellence in Art & Art History, Orengo Green is pictured with Chrissie Semenenko P'09.



Psychology major Caitlin O'Brien '17 is pursuing a master's in genetic counseling at Rutgers University. Her Hartwick experience included internships at Violence Intervention Program and at Family Planning of South Central New York as well as study abroad in Ireland and the Netherlands.

# ATHLETICS



# HawksHighlights

### **Swimming & Diving**

**Kyle Washington '20** has made history as Hartwick's first Empire 8 Conference Men's Diver of the Year. He was also the Empire 8 champion on the 3-meter board and an Empire 8 First Team honoree.

### **Women's Water Polo**

**Zsofia Polak '18** earned honorable mention All-America honors, CWPA First Team, and CWPA All-Tournament First Team, all for the second year. She's just the third player in program history to reach the 400-point career mark. **Lena Kotanchyan '20** was the CWPA Rookie of the Year, and Head Coach **Alan Huckins** was the CWPA Coach of the Year.

#### **Men's Lacrosse**

The Hawks went through to the Empire 8 semifinals for the first time in 12 years. **Eric Schweitzer '18** was named to the IMLCA East Region Second Team and the Empire 8 First Team after leading the conference in caused turnovers per game.

#### Women's Lacrosse

Hailey Pooler '20 is the new single-season assist leader with 36, breaking a 19-year program record. Empire 8 Second Team attack Lauren Rosenberg '17 earned 76 points on the year to round out her career at 231. The team achieved its best season since 2006.

### Equestrian

Rachel Kowalczyk '19 advanced to nationals. She finished seventh overall at the International Horse Show Association (IHSA) Nationals in Lexington, Kentucky.

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# Wine Auction is a Record Breaker for 'Wick Athletics















The 14th annual Wine Auction raised the bar when supporters donated \$56,364 for 'Wick athletic programs in a single night. The total now stands at more than \$300,000 raised since the event began. Many thanks to everyone involved!



This year's 25% increase over 2016 resulted from outstanding donations from alumni, parents, faculty and staff, and friends; the kindness of Vinne and Tony Avanzato to host Hartwick at their Stella Luna Ristorante once again (and Vinne's talents as guest auctioneer); the generosity of 'Wick corporate sponsors and wine and beer vendors; and enthusiastic bidding from friends in the room and participating by proxy (see page 7).

Hotly contested live auction items included a Zulu-Nala South African Safari (donated by trustee Sally Griffiths Herbert '88 and her husband, Tim); a week in a Key West, Florida, condo (donated by parents Mary Ann and Tim Maloney P'18); four bottles of Domaine La Barroche Chateauneuf-du-Pape Signature - 2008 (from the cellar of the late Dr. Jim Elting and donated by his wife, Karen); tickets to many sporting events, including VIP seats for the Boston Red Sox vs. the Detroit Tigers (donated by parents Annie and Bob Gilbert P'12); a full set of premiere, custom-forged Miura golf irons (donated by Fred Schaper '86); and a bottle of Taconic Distillery bourbon with a custom case (donated by trustee Carol Ann Hamilton Coughlin '86 and her husband, PJ).





# **ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

Last summer's magazine cover sparked student interest in making it into The Wick. A social media campaign was born, including a contest for chronicling 97 Things To Do before You Graduate.



# #putmeinthewick | #greatdaytobeahawk | #97things

Some of the students' Instagram posts, with their titles and hashtags, reflect on the timeless nature of the Hartwick experience.



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# Instagram



#### 97 likes

"Just me and 10,000 of my closest (golden buddha) friends! 97 Things To Do At Hartwick College #GreatDayToBeAHawk **#PutMeInTheWick**\*



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# ALUMINI

**CLASS NOTES / ALUMNI NEWS / IN MEMORIAM / VOLUNTEER INSIGHT** 

In December 1977, Hartwick College stunned the collegiate soccer world by defeating the defending champion and heavily favored San Francisco Dons, 2-1, in Berkeley, California. The victory capped an undefeated season for the then-Warriors, and earned the College its only NCAA Division 1 national championship.



# JOIN US!

Saturday, September 9, 2017 to celebrate this achievement with a special 40th anniversary event!

> Lambros Arena Binder Physical Education Center Hartwick College Campus

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DOES YOUR CLASS NEED A CLASS CORRESPONDENT? WHY NOT VOLUNTEER?

Class correspondents keep their classmates connected and solicit news to be shared in Class Notes. If you don't see a name listed next to your class year, consider volunteering. Contact Sabrina Lawrence '13 at lawrences@hartwick.edu or 607-431-4064 for more information.

### **Submission Deadline:**

**Class Notes deadline for the next Wick is September 30**. Contact your class correspondent or send news to alumniclassnotes@hartwick.edu. Please understand that we may edit your Class Notes submission for length.

### **Photo Requirements:**

Photographs must be 300 dpi and at least 800 kb. Hartwick reserves the right to edit photos.

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Summer 2

# 1944

Send your updates to your class correspondent: David Trachtenberg, davsel@att.net

# 1950

Call with your updates to your class correspondent: Dick Schoof, 334-798-2440. Raymond Graunke is doing well. Dick Schoof is doing well and enjoys his conversations with his classmates.

# 1951

John Adler hopes to see some of his classmates this fall at alumni weekend, True Blue 2017 (October 6-8). He spends eight months of the year in Pine Knoll Shores, North Carolina, and four months on Long Island, New York.

# 1952

**Paul Clemente** is excited to come back for his 65th reunion!

# 1960

**Don Brown** has resided at the Villa Crest Nursing and Retirement Center in Manchester, New Hampshire, for three and a half years. He is 83 and is battling Alzheimer's disease, but is doing his best to keep busy.

# 1962

Send your updates to your class correspondents: Sharon Dorff Conway, asadsac@aol.com, or Dinah McClure, Dinamo32@aol.com Norma Trottere Grimaldi writes, "The Hartwick Nursing Class of 1962 is looking forward to their 55th annual get-together. This year it will be held in Carolina Shores, North Carolina, during mid-October. We are looking for a good turnout for fun in the sun and reminiscing about our days at Hartwick."



FEATURED SPEAKER: New York State Senator Jim Seward '73, H'99 delivered the annual Les Rude Memorial Lecture at Hartwick. His topic was "Politics, Protests, and PR: Public Service in the Age of Fake News, Alt-Left vs. Alt-Right, and Twitter Wars." While on campus, the 16-term senator also addressed a public policy class and met with faculty. His wife, Cindy, joined him for dinner with President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12 and political science faculty and students.



**MAKING FRIENDS IN BOSTON:** Allen Lynch '84 graciously hosted President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12 and Hartwick alumni, parents, and friends for a reception at Nixon Peabody LLP.

Dinah McClure was able to cross something off her bucket list. She and a friend had a fabulous six- day, self-guided walking tour in the Cotswolds in Great Britain. She writes, "Everything was beautifully green, and many of the fields through which we hiked were dotted with sheep and new lambs. The little villages with their sandstonecolored houses were so inviting and the people everywhere, friendly and helpful. It really was a dream come true!"

**Emily Walter Mikulewicz** is at her summer house in Walton, New York. She is keeping track of all the changes on campus and attending various activities on the Hill.

**Robert Swift** and **Margot Werme Swift**, both music education majors at Hartwick, recently retired. Their careers included public school, college, and university teaching in New York, Tennessee, and New Hampshire. They returned to campus for many years during the summers to teach, accompany, and conduct choirs at the Summer Music Festival. (Robert's dad, Federic Fay Swift, served on Hartwick's faculty for many years as a professor and chair of the Music and then Education departments.)

# 1963

Karl Schroeder celebrated his 75th birthday in April in Chicago surrounded by his kids, grandkids, and a few guests. Being from upstate New York and still having family there, many stories fondly included Hartwick.

# 1964

**Fred Crowther** is a retired science teacher of 37 years, has been married for 52 years, and has four grandchildren.

Sharon Burdick Klein says, "As the town historian of Berlin, New York, I have been very busy setting up a Historical Center, which, hopefully, opens on Memorial Day. I am also really enjoying my two grandchildren."

# 1965

**Dr. Lynda Ann Potter Ewen** and **Tony Merante** spent two weeks of March in Calabria, Italy. They visited archaeological Greek digs at least 3,000 years old and Wi-Fi cafés as old as two weeks while at the southernmost region, originally part of Magna Greaca. They traveled by car and train around the tip of the peninsula with Lynda Ann's



ALBANY GET-TOGETHER: Young Alumni Trustee Sarah Otto Sanders '11 and her husband, James Sanders '13, graciously hosted President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12 along with Hartwick alumni, parents, and friends at the Glen Sanders Mansion on April 13.



**RECOGNIZING SERVICE:** Hartwick alumni, parents, and friends gathered in Philadelphia to honor Thom Meredith '73 (center), the 2016 Alumni Association Outstanding Volunteer.

sister, **Christina Potter Moraski '70** and her husband, Ron. The spewing of Mount Etna was never far from sight, across the Strait of Messina, Sicily. In a region with fewer tourists than Rome and north, they enjoyed having the province pretty much to themselves and were free to roam.

# 1966

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Bill Cassidy, bcassidy45@hotmail.com

**Donald Anderson** retired as professor of English at Marist College in 2010. Since then, he has published two books. *Shadowed Cocktails: The Plays of Philip Barry* traces its origins to his acting in Barry's *Hotel Universe* in the original Cardboard Alley at Hartwick. Anderson's novel, *Currencies of August*, published in 2016, is a nontraditional love story about a young academic and his long-ago first-grade teacher. Both books are available on Amazon.

Fran DeLuca spent 10 days in Cuba on a Road Scholar People-to-People yachting tour. She visited many places not readily available to the casual tourist. At a maternity clinic she learned that healthcare is free, and at a primary school she learned that education (through university) is free. She visited performing arts schools and artists' studios, smoked a cigar at a tobacco farm, and lunched at an organic farm. There was even time for birdwatching and swimming at Guanahacabibes National Park. She shares, "Cuba lacks some technology that we take for granted, but that gives the traveler more time to learn about its long history and rich culture. The people are resourceful, hopeful, proud, and very welcoming to Americans."

Richard Jensen and his wife, Louise, have been married for 49 years. Last summer they took two of their five grandsons to Cooperstown, New York, and visited Hartwick. He has retired from banking and started a small business–Fine Art Covers–that focuses on his primary interest of contemporary art. He is also a trustee of the Saint Louis Art Museum and the Missouri History Museum. The couple have a home in Beaver Creek, Colorado, and usually get in 40–45 days of skiing. Their primary sports are squash, golf, biking, and snowboarding. Like many retirees, they do a lot of traveling.

John (Schwartz) Nilsen spends his time golfing, reading, and managing his investments in stocks and real estate.

Jay Paul and Joanne Hasfurter Paul celebrated their 50th anniversary on August 20, 2016, surrounded by family and close friends. Joanne has been retired since 2009, but Jay serves as director of the Christopher Newport University Honors Program and keeps going strong. Janet Jackson Stanhewicz says "My husband, Rich, and I are both retired now. I retired in



A SWEET SPOT IN NEW JERSEY: Alumni, parents, and friends had a good time together at historic Bernards Inn in Bernardsville, New Jersey. The reception was generously hosted by Lorraine Rovello Salvo '98.

June of 2014 after 20 years as a school nurse, a job that I loved. We have three children and seven grandchildren with number eight due in October. I am an avid reader; do a lot of genealogy research on my family tree; love to walk on the beach, collecting beach glass and driftwood; and work in the garden. I doubt we will ever move south since my husband never wants to leave this house."

Michael Watt is still working full time, now for PSAV, which manages the audio-visual production and creative efforts at 1,400 hotels across the United States, Canada, and Europe. This will be his 13th and final job and 50th year of working. He lives in Scottsdale, Arizona, with his wife, Lane. Between them, they have six grandchildren.

# **1967** REUNION YEAR

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Bruce Cameron, bpsychia@stny.rr.com Your reunion chairs are Nancy Vogelsang and Bruce Cameron.

Carolyn Reeck Meyer says, "I am looking forward to our class reunion in October. I am anxious to see my fellow classmates and learn how their lives were/are after leaving our school. I am sure there will be many interesting tales to tell. See you there."

# 1968

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Judith Elving Bethe, jeb2729@yahoo.com Richard Struck retired as president and CEO of the Rockland Economic Development Corporation in January 2017, and as director of economic development for Orange & Rockland Utilities after 31 years in 2014. He and his wife, Jeanne, continue to live in Pearl River, New York.

# 1969

John Kalbach has retired twice: most recently as a vice president at Metropolitan Transportation Authority in New York City, and previously as CFO of Leotta Designers Inc. in Miami, Florida. He is now happily retired with his partner, Marc, in Malibu, California; New York City; and Vermont.

# 1970

Lee Ellen Coy Palmer and her husband, Bill, are enjoying retirement. They are doing a lot of traveling, seeing friends, and spending lots of time with their three daughters and three grandchildren. In her free time, she is quilting.

# 1971

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Barbara Klapp Vartanian. blueswoman1117@ yahoo.com

Joseph Battaglia recently retired after 40 years with Wine Warehouse Imports Inc., a fine wine importer/distributor based in Los Angeles, California. He and his wife, Karen, now have time to tend to his orange grove and tomato garden full time.

David King says, "I've retired this year from my law practice after 40 years, which was quite enough of that. I am now looking forward to traveling and visiting with the grandchildren. Any brothers doing the reunion in September, let me know." Linda Stetler Munkelwitz became a grandmother a year ago and had to travel to Japan to meet Maya, as her son-in-law is an AG in the US Air Force stationed at Yokohama Air Force Base.

# **1972 REUNION YEAR**

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Nancy DeSandolo, skyqueenforaday@gmail.com Your reunion chair is Neal Miller.

Stephen Frommer and his wife, Debra Murray Frommer '73, both retired last June and spent the month of April in Paris reliving their winter semester of 1972, when they studied art history there with Professor Bruce Kurtz. They live in New Hampshire and would love to hear from classmates.

Julia Suarez Hayes, assistant professor of English at Hartwick College, received a letter from Robert Swift and Margot Werme Swift '62 congratulating her on the publication of her poem "There Was a Great Want of Civility" in the New York Times Magazine.

# 1973

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Ronald Stair, Ronalds@att.net George Balsley says, "I'm now enjoying retirement from my architectural career and still living in Hadley, Massachusetts, with my wife, Laura, and we've been married for 38 years. I'm still continuing as a design consultant and am keeping myself busy as a member of several boards and as a chairman of the building committee at Willie Ross School in Longmeadow, Massachusetts. Yes, indeed, I'm still skiing and make yearly trips to the Rockies with friends." Karin Schindler Damtoft and husband John Damtoft '74 have both retired and recently relocated from New City, New York, to the Wilmington, Delaware, area to be closer to their grandchildren.

**Colonel Mike Doherty** completed his ninemonth detail at the end of May to headquarters,



**ANNIVERSARY ABROAD:** Dr. Laura Shipman Boeher '83 and Thomas Boeher '83 traveled to Italy to celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary.

US Marine Corps in the Pentagon as their environmental planner and acting cultural resources specialist. The work included environmental impact statements for three Marine Corps bases. He also provided updates to the USMC National Environmental Policy Act Handbook and the Marine Corps Order chapter on environmental planning. He and his wife, Kristine, continue to travel, most recently to Rome, Tokyo, and England.

David Maurer and Nancy Lyon Maurer live in Prescott, Arizona, where he ended his 32-year career in chambers of commerce management, retiring in December 2016. Nancy has a master's degree in liberal studies with an emphasis on good and sustainable communities, and she is a landscape and nature photographer. The couple enjoy traveling and will take their seventh trip to

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Call 800-955-3281 or visit www.hartwick.edu/alumni-and-friends/copyliberty-mutual/ to learn more or to get a free, no-obligation quote. Alaska in July. They have two daughters and four grandchildren, all living in Arizona.

# 1975

Vickie Hewlett is enjoying life in Wisconsin with her husband, Tim, and their Boston Terrier, Rose. She is still working as a med tech at a local hospital and says it is a "good career," but is now making plans for retirement.

# **1977 REUNION YEAR**

Your reunion chairs are **Diane Hettinger** and **Beave Rogers**.

# 1978

Jack Leyden says, "My wife, Julie, and I work at Southwestern Academy, a boarding school near Sedona, Arizona, where I am the head of campus. Sedona is an interesting place ... love the weather, and there is time to work on the golf game. Nick Lambros '59, when are you coming out to play a round?! It is great to hear from Woolie and Jill Woolson, Nick and Norma Romansky, Dave Cleworth, Hal Avery, and Bill Skaff on a routine basis. I try to keep up with our three grandkids, with two more on the way! Wow! Give a shout when you visit this part of Arizona!"

Arthur Napolitano is traveling from Virginia to Maine as Reilly Construction's quality control manager for its federal government customers, NOAA, National Park Service, FBI, Coast Guard, Army, Navy, and NSA.

Nancy Romeo is "Happy to report that 2016 was a very busy year! I welcomed two grandsons with both of my daughters delivering their first children, Michael and Austin. My oldest daughter is expecting a little girl, Peyton, in August. I love being a grandmother and can't imagine life without them. They bring such joy to my life. I also changed jobs last fall, going to work for United Healthcare as associate director of network strategy for New Jersey. It is quite an adjustment going back to work for a large company after so many years in the small company world, but it also brings a new level of excitement and complexity to my job." Donna Guyon Truland says "This was a spring full of graduations for our family! Our daughter Rachel Truland '17 graduated from Hartwick with a double major in biology and economics, I graduated with an MSN from St. Joseph's College of Maine, and our other daughter, Rebecca, received a MDiv from the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. It was a whirlwind week of graduations from Maine to Chicago, and everyone made it from Oneonta to Chicago, a day apart!"

# 1979

**Pastor Jill Fenske** recently celebrated 26 years of service with the congregation of the Franklin Reformed Church in Nutley, New Jersey. She is on the board of directors of the Warwick Conference Center in New York and the Center for Parish Development in Chicago, Illinois. In her spare time she sings in the band "doorjam" and writes poetry.

# 1981

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Larry Tetro, ldtet2004@yahoo.com Melvin Houston is the finance director at Capitol



**GET-TOGETHER IN TEXAS:** Cathy Weeks '81 hosted the President and a group of Hartwick alumni, parents, and friends at the Park City Club in Dallas. Pictured (I-r): Beth Steele P'12; Garfield Drummond '99; Cathy Weeks '81; President Margaret L. Drugovich P'12; Cynthia Mendez P'18, P'20; Louis Gonzales '84; Rudy Pena '81; David Mack; and Mario Mendez P'18, P'20.

Ford Lincoln in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He says, "God willing, in September 2018 I will be headed to Ford Dealer Academy, and upon completion I'll open up a Ford, Lincoln, Volvo, and used car store in my hometown of Rio Rancho, New Mexico. I can honestly say it's all because God, Hartwick College, and Nick Lambros gave me an opportunity, and I thank you. Shout out to all my Warrior basketball teammates and The Crow House."

**Roxie Pin** is now the senior major gifts officer of New England Public Radio. She has worked in development for 30 years.

# **1982 REUNION YEAR**

#### Your reunion chair is Ed Droesch.

Patricia Carrigan had her work shown at the Five Points West Gallery in Torrington, Connecticut, in March. Her featured show, titled "Headlands," represented "fleeting moments when two souls see and encounter each other." Mark Childers attended his 16th Major League Baseball All-Star game in Miami, Florida, on July 11, 2017.

Lorenzo Mendizabal joined the BMC Group bankruptcy service team as executive vice president. BMC Group is a leading global provider of legal, financial, and corporate information solutions.

# 1983

**Rory Read P'09** received an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree at Commencement 2017 in recognition of his tremendous career success. He is the chief integration officer of Dell EMC.

# 1985

Rhonda Foote is celebrating her 30th season as director of Rhonda's FooteWorks in Watertown, New York. Her studio presented the fulllength ballet, *Cinderella*, in June. Rhonda is also an adjunct professor of English at SUNY Jefferson and enjoys writing her blog, www. mymoonnback.blogspot.com. Her daughter, **Madison Draper '20**, will be

attending Hartwick as an English and education

major this fall, as a recipient of the Oyaron Scholarship. This makes Rhonda incredibly happy!

Mike McIntire P'13 and his colleagues at *The New York Times* have won a Pulitzer Prize for international reporting for an investigative series on Russia's covert projection of power. This is his second Pulitzer Prize.

# 1986

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Rob DiCarlo, rdicarlo@rochester.rr.com Jacqueline Raucher Salkin and William Salkin are looking forward to becoming emptynesters this fall! Their youngest daughter will be starting college while their eldest daughter is a rising senior at Tufts University. Robert R. Tyson has been named chair of Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC's environmental and energy practice and is chair of the firm's property department. His practice includes New York state and federal regulatory compliance, environmental enforcement and litigation, and environmental issues in business and property transactions.

# **1987 REUNION YEAR**

Your reunion chair is Amy Raimy.

# 1988

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Kathy Fallon, kfallon@pcgus.com Sarabeth Jerome was promoted to fiscal supervisor of payroll for the town of Framingham, Massachusetts, in October. Framingham was the largest town in the state until residents voted to become a city.

# 1989

Martin Hamilton moved from the Upper East Side to Washington Heights in New York City. He is enjoying finally being a homeowner and living next to the beautiful Fort Tryon Park.

### 1991

Send your updates to your class correspondent:



# We Asked; You Answered!

Thank you for taking the Alumni Survey.

BY ALICIA MARTINEZ FISH '91 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ENGAGEMENT

We are excited to share the results of the Alumni Survey that was conducted this spring. **We want to thank the more than 1,800 alumni who participated**. This number represents 16% of the alumni Hartwick College was able to reach with the survey via email.

We learned immediately that alumni feel very good about Hartwick. In fact, **95% of respondents agree or strongly agree that they are proud to be a Hartwick College graduate**, as compared to 87% reporting the same in the 2012 Alumni Outcomes Survey.

We also learned that our alumni are connected to the College through a range of increasingly electronic communications while still placing *The Wick* as the most read or looked at publication.

Alumni engagement is an important strategic goal for our alma mater, and your responses are extremely valuable to the Alumni Association Board of Directors. We'll be analyzing the responses to help us focus our efforts on strategies to enhance our connections with each other and with our alma mater.





# True Blue Weekend

# Friday, OCTOBER 6 – Sunday, OCTOBER 8

www.hartwickalumni.org/trueblue2017

# #

#### **Celebrate Your Reunion!** All class years ending in 2 or 7 will celebrate

reunions during True Blue Weekend. Connect with your classmates at the Reunion Bash, join the Parade of Reunion Classes, and cheer for the legends of Hartwick soccer as they play in the alumni game. The class with the most members present at True Blue will claim the 2nd Annual Award for Reunion Participation. Make sure your class has a chance to win by making your plans to attend True Blue Weekend now!

# Return to Oyaron Hill!

October is one of the best times to visit beautiful Oyaron Hill. Come back to see old friends, spend time with your favorite 'Wick student, enjoy everything the campus has to offer, and experience both new and traditional programs planned just for you!



# You won't want to miss ...

- 26th Annual Athletics Golf Classic
- Saturday Football Game
- Coffee with Faculty and Staff
- Reunion Bash and Parade
- Brooks' Bar-B-Q and Local Trade Fair Alumni Soccer Game
- A Conversation with the President
- Memorial Gathering
- Alumni Awards Recognition Reception

# Plan to join us.

- View the full schedule at www. hartwickalumni.org/trueblue2017.
- **Book** your accommodations early! Visit our webpage to view options.
- **Register** in advance. Online registration opened in July and is required. Many of our events are free, **tickets are required for signature events**. Registration will close two weeks prior to event.

# Give me an H

Vick Magazine



UP ON THE ROOF: Simon Baker '93 welcomed a large gathering of Hartwick alumni, parents, friends, faculty, and staff for a fun evening in his Manhattan loft apartment.

Rena Switzer Diem, NseMommy@gmail.com Joseph Bergstrom is currently practicing urgent care medicine for Genesis Health System in Davenport, Iowa, but says, "I spend most of my time with my wife, Shawna, and our sons, Joey and Jacob. I am celebrating my 26th year at MetLife Insurance Company, where I am a senior quality analyst."

Rena Switzer Diem says, "We have been chasing genealogy info, helping with family gathering projects, and long distance watching over our parents to try to keep them safe in their homes as they age. On the other side of the 'sandwich' are the kids–30 to 15 now! My husband joined the Masons, my youngest joined DeMolay, because 4H and high school FIRST Robotics are not enough. I am still with LifeCare Hospitals, but as a clinical documentation improvement specialist now. A different side to nursing, to be sure! We are looking forward to having our 10-year-old grandson visit for a few weeks."

Hilary Duffy was the featured speaker at Hartwick College's 86th Commencement exercises (see page 20). Her brother, Kevin Duffy '95, and Liz Grund were there to cheer her on, as were her parents, Ann Duffy P'91, P'95 and John Duffy H'00, P'91, P'95.

Fran Hicks is still busy as an eighth-grade English teacher. One of her students is the son of Hartwick alumna and fellow English major and teacher Jennifer Heller Shaw '92. Small world! Pamela Wyraz Maring says, "My husband, Kerry, is one of the regional emergency managers for the New York State Department of Transportation and we have two sons. Our oldest, Kyle, is currently attending RIT for civil engineering technology. Our youngest, Alex, will be attending Springfield College and has been accepted into the athletic training program. So, we will officially be empty-nesters! Hi to all of my Class of 1991 classmates!"

Shawn Martin writes "Andrea Mott Martin and I have been busy with coaching youth sports, girls soccer and softball, and boys basketball in addition to AAU basketball, getting the girls to practices for the North American Indigenous Games, U 19, and U 16 Basketball. Andrea continues her work as the high school guidance counselor at Salmon River. We also still spend summers with Will Weir, Jim Douglass '90, Jena Trombly Young, and Missy Kimball, as we have for more than 25 years."



**ON BROADWAY:** Hartwick alumni have turned up in droves to see *Come From Away*, the Tony Award-winning Broadway musical with Geno Carr '99 in the role of Oz Fudge. Pictured backstage after a show are Jamie Sikorski Ward '02, Tasha Smutney '00, Theresa Lawlor Moran '01, Mindy Rothmeier Lamonica '01, Melissa Williams '00, Adam Guhin '03, Rebecca Zahn Hoffmann '01, Jennifer Guhin '00, Eric T. Shoen-Ukre '99, Cristen Fischer Salisbury '02, Geno, Brian Salisbury '02, Jennifer Smith '99, Brianne Sifert '02, Melissa Smith Sweet '00, Mercedes Economides '02, William Sheerer, Deborah Friedman Sheerer '01, and Neesa Wilkerson '01.



# Hartwick alumni know how to have fun. Don't miss

out on the next opportunity to meet alumni, parents, and friends in your area.

Be sure to check out our Regional Events page at www.hartwick.edu/alumniand-friends/regional-events for details on upcoming gatherings. Kim Brooks Shibata has been keeping busy with her family. She has one child in college while the other is entering next year. She is working at the YMCA as a personal trainer and as a seventhgrade Strong Kids leader, and is helping cancer survivors as a LIVESTRONG coach.

Matthew Stebner moved from New Jersey to the San Francisco Bay Area in 2013 and now works as a client relations manager for Voya Financial, managing large corporate retirement plans. He and his partner, Jonathan, enjoy taking advantage of all California has to offer. They recently returned from a great road trip where they visited Carmel, Santa Barbara, Palm Springs, and Yosemite. If any Hartwick alumni are in the Bay Area, they would love to see you!

Helen Genz Ward lives in Vermont with her two teenage boys and her oldest just graduated from high school. She manages a medicinal herb farm and works with Rosemary Gladstar as her educational director for The Science and Art of Herbalism online and home-study course. In her free time, Ward loves to hike the Vermont mountains. She recently got together with her Gamma sisters, **Tish Gaylord Burke, Gail McBride Brown, Christina McGuire Hurley,** and **Jennifer Dean Brummett. Jena Trombly Young** says, "Life is good in central



HAPPILY EVER AFTER: Aliria Muñoz Rascón '07 married Noel Elco Rascón in December 2016 in Arizona. The couple became engaged on Oyaron Hill during True Blue Weekend 2015 when Aliria was named Outstanding Young Alumna.

Vermont. My son, Loren, is 11, and my daughter, Hannah, is eight. My husband and I live on a small farm, work hard, and teach our kids about life through raising animals and crops, and showing a commitment to working for what you want. As human resources director at a local community mental health and substance abuse center, I am working with other leaders to grow and cultivate a strong workforce in Vermont to combat the growing opiate addiction epidemic along with other healthcare needs. Work hard everyone and stay focused. Our family, our community, and our country are counting on us to help lead the way."

### **1992 REUNION YEAR**

Your reunion chairs are **Pam Hodges McInerney** and **Dan McInerney**.

Peter Daempfle and his wife, Amy, are pleased to



AND BABY MAKES FOUR: Iris Hermann '07 and Rocco Botto '05 welcomed their second child, Henry, on November 5, 2016. Four-year-old big sister, Junie, adores him and dotes on his every move. The family—including two dogs, a cat, and guinea pigs moved into their new home on New Year's Day 2017!

announce the birth of Peter August Daempfle II, on July 12, 2016. He joins his sister, Justina, and brother, Konrad.

Stephanie Lavenberg was promoted to senior vice president and special projects controller in September 2016. She is in her 19th year working at Fulton Financial Corporation in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

# 1993

**Charlie Hulbert** is now a managing shareholder of Kenneth Freed & Company, PC, in Boston, Massachusetts. In January 2016, he and three other long-term employees acquired the tax and accounting practice. Having joined the firm in 2001, he now has more than 20 years of public accounting experience.

### 1994

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Missy Foristall Williams, mforistall@gmail.com

# 1995

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Louis Crocco, lbcrocco@aol.com Louis Crocco is honored to be going back on the road with *White Christmas* again this holiday season. Tour stops will include Fort Worth, Dallas, San Antonio, Chicago, and New Orleans. Go to www.irvingberlinswhitechristmas.com for more information.

Lynn Songdahl Sweet, the choral director at Mount Anthony Union High School, and Jennifer Jessen Foote, the choral director at Cedar Grove High School, put on their eighth annual concert, featuring music from The Beatles. The two were roommates while students at Hartwick. Sweet says, "It's kind of selfish, because it's an opportunity for my best friend and me to get together and do something we love. The whole concept is about music and friendship, and it's grown to be a tradition."

Christopher "Woody" Woodard writes, "I'm back in Fort Collins as the head women's swim coach at Colorado State University and serving as the head of the NCAA Walter Byers and Jim McKay Scholarship committees. My wife, Holly, is teaching special education at a local middle school. Our son, Gabriel, is eight and 'killing it' on the soccer field. Our daughter, Elliot, is five and spending every free moment creating works of art. We headed to North Carolina this summer to visit the rest of the Woodard clan. Wish the best to all those on Oyaron."

# 1996

Matt Lawrence has joined the broadcast team of MLS Sporting Kansas City as a color analyst. He played soccer for the 'Wick and had a 20-year career playing professional soccer in his native England.

# 1999

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Kristen Falk, hartwick99@yahoo.com Geno Carr has made his Broadway debut,



OFF TO THE RACES! Many alumni family and friends gathered to celebrate the Kentucky Derby-themed wedding of Michael Debrossy '06 and Julie Scarano '06 on May 6, 2017, in Little Falls, New York. Her sisters Jenny Scarano O'Connell '02 and Emily Scarano '11 served as matron and maid of honor, respectively.

performing the role of Oz Fudge in the Tony Award-winning musical Come from Away. 'Wick classmates seeing some of the first shows this season include Amanda Aldi Bedford, Brian Carvin, Missy Goldwasser Carvin, Sarah Restifo Hansen, Sarah Patton McDermott, Greg Quilop, Stephanie Schrader, and Duane Yaiser. Alumni from 1997, 2000, 2001, and 2002 have also seen the show and gone backstage to congratulate Geno on his success (see page 18). Adam Franssen, PhD, an associate professor of biology at Longwood University, Virginia, has been cited in The Wall Street Journal. Having earned his PhD in organismal biology and anatomy from the University of Chicago, his research interests now include behavioral neuroscience and evolutionary developmental biology.

### 2000

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Kristin Hall, wickfh@hotmail.com Louise Hecker, PhD, an assistant professor of medicine at the University of Arizona College of Medicine–Tucson, has been awarded a National Institutes of Health R21 Award and a \$5 million award from the US Department of Defense for her biomedical research on pulmonary fibrosis. She earned her PhD in applied physics from the University of Michigan–Ann Arbor and focuses her research on regenerative biology and investigating mechanisms of tissue injuryrepair. Biology Professor Stan Sessions was her undergraduate mentor.

### 2001

Send your updates to your class correspondent: **Jessica Hyde**, Jessicahyde@yahoo.com

### **2002 REUNION YEAR**

Chris Maiello has been named head coach of the University of Connecticut's men's and women's swimming and diving program. He was a twotime All American at Hartwick and the former head coach at North Dakota.

# 2004

Julie Garrison Landmann and her husband, Travis, welcomed a son, William, in April. He joins big sister Ryleigh. After 11 years with PricewaterhouseCoopers, Julie moved to internal audit and process improvement with Sutter Health and is enjoying learning about the evolving healthcare field.

# 2005

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Nate King, nate24king@gmail.com

# 2006

Send your updates to your class correspondent: **Brian Knox**, brian.j.knox@gmail.com **Amanda Rosner Keller** and her husband, Stephen, announce the birth of their second child, Vincent Frederick Keller, on October 5, 2015. Their older son, Sebastian, turned four at the end of May. A JCH Scholar, Amanda was recently promoted to associate curator, historic interiors and household accessories for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, where she

researches, writes, and implements furnishing



**WEDDING FUN:** Kristina Allen '12 and Matthew Koonz '10 were married at Glen Sanders Mansion in Scotia, New York, on July 23, 2016. Members of their Hartwick family helped them celebrate, including (l-r): Patrick Dare '10, Benjamin April '10, Justin Fox '10, the groom and bride, and Melissa Zimmermann '14.

plans for the historic exhibition buildings on Duke of Gloucester Street.

Lisa Kettunen is thrilled to announce that she accepted a position with Air Methods–LifeNet of New York and is working as a flight nurse and flight paramedic. She returned to Hartwick to complete the 18-month accelerated BSN program in 2011 and since then has worked in the ICU at Bassett and obtained her CCRN certification. She also joined the Nursing Department at Hartwick in 2015 as a clinical instructor of nursing. In 2016 she returned full time to a clinical position and pursued aeronautical critical care. She is currently working towards an MSN degree focused on nursing education. Lisa remains in the Oneonta area and enjoys catching up with other Hartwick alumni.

Michael Rebarchik has been named partner owner at Sussex Eye Center. He has been an associate optometrist with the practice since 2011. Ryan Smith was recently promoted to director and head of the New York office for the Presbyterian Ministry at the United Nations.

# 2007 REUNION YEAR

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Joanna Cacciola, caccoilaj@hartwick.edu Aliria Muñoz Rascón is enjoying her PhD program at the University of Arizona and continues to teach nursing students in Peru as a clinical assistant professor for Arizona State University's College of Nursing & Health Innovation. She sends her love to the Hartwick nursing faculty and the Hartwick women's water polo team in their upcoming season.

# 2008

Katie Boldt George and Joe George celebrated five years of marriage in May. She recently earned her Doctor of Nursing Practice from the University of Virginia and is enjoying her new position as a nurse practitioner with emergency general surgery. She was also featured as the profile in the *American Journal of Nursing* in October 2016 for her patient advocacy.



WEDDED BLISS: Nicholas Gonzalez '10 and Erin Mandley '11 were married in Thurmont, Maryland, on September 16, 2106. Pictured (I-r): Keith Geraldsen 10', Stephen Babie '08, Nicole Totaro Babie '09, the groom and bride, James Walsh 10', Alyson Cannone 11', Kara Foro-Prunty '09, and Peter Prunty 10'.



**CÉAD MÍLE FÁILTE:** Connor Hudson '15 and his family recently took a two-week guided tour in Ireland. They started in Dublin, traveled across the country to the west coast of Dingle, and then back along the coast.

# 2009

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Nicholas Forst, nickforst710@gmail.com Jessica Henson Schatzel and her husband, Devin, became proud parents to baby Warren Schatzel, born on February 12, 2017. She is an operations coordinator at Bassett Healthcare.

### 2010

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Wyatt Uhlein, uhleinj@gmail.com

### 2011

Heather Quarles (a JCH scholar) is teaching English to 7th, 8th, and 9th graders at Northcoast Preparatory Academy in her hometown of Arcata, in Northern California.

### **2012 REUNION YEAR**

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Holly Sayman, holly.sayman@gmail.com Lindsay Wynne is the proud owner of "Skit and Kaboodle," a Rotterdam, New York, business that "provides enrichment programs for infants and children up to age 10 who have speech and language disabilities due to conditions such as autism spectrum disorder and Down syndrome."

# 2013

Send your updates to your class correspondent: Joan Carregal, j.carregal@gmail.com

# 2015

**Emile Boisvert** has developed Apocalyptica, an advanced board game about humanity, survival, and the atomic bomb. He initially created the game in Professor Joe Von Stengel's Art 250 Tabletop Game Creation J Term class and refined it for his senior thesis art show. Apocalyptica was accepted into the highly competitive Indie Megabooth at PAX East in March, 2017, and Professor Von Stengel was there to support him.

Kaitlyn Campbell currently lives in Peoria, Illinois, about three hours south of Chicago. She found her love in being a cardio-thoracic RN, really enjoys her new career, and has goals of being a cardiac ICU nurse.

**Robert Noto** will begin his graduate studies at Western New England School of Law starting in August.

**Roy Simmons IV** is the new boys lacrosse coach at Manlius Pebble Hill School, a private school in Syracuse, New York.

# 2016

Addison Muller began working at Fust Charles Chambers LLP full time as an audit associate in October.

# IN MEMORIAM



Dr. Wendell Frye and students on J Term in Vienna in 2008.

# Dr. Wendell Frye

Professor of German Dr. Wendell Frye P'98 passed away on May 28, 2017, just eight days after he was honored with the Margaret B. Bunn Award at Hartwick's Commencement exercises. (See page 8.)

The longest-serving member of Hartwick's faculty at the time of his death, he came to the College in 1970 as an assistant professor of modern languages, earned the rank of full professor in 1981, and twice served as department chair (1985–1996 and 2003–2005). Frye has often been called "The Father of J Term" for developing one of the College's first short-term study abroad classes. Ultimately he led more than 30 such courses to Vienna, Austria, and immersed more than 900 Hartwick students in the Austrian culture and German language.

A Fulbright Scholar, Frye coordinated Hartwick's Fulbright efforts for many years. He helped 21 Hartwick students win Fulbright Awards for international study and travel.

Survivors include his brother; four children, including Franz Frye '98; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and many colleagues, students, and friends.

The family has requested that gifts in his memory be made to the Dr. Wendell W. Frye J Term Scholarship Fund at Hartwick College. Go online to www.hartwickalumni.org/give; contact Executive Director of Engagement Alicia Fish '91 at fisha@ hartwick.edu or 607-431-4021; or mail your gift to: Office of College Advancement, Hartwick College, PO Box 4020, Oneonta, NY 13820.

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#### ALUMNI

**1941** | **Doris Benedict Lynch** passed away on April 7, 2017. She received her BA in business education. She trained secretaries at GE, then raised her three children.

**1947** | **Mary Roessel** passed away on December 3, 2016. She received her BS in nursing.

**1947** | Gloria Nelson Sachar passed away on March 1, 2017. She received her BS in nursing and was a registered nurse at the Rome Murphy Memorial Hospital.

**1948** | Jane Haas Wakin passed away on February 15, 2017. She received her BS in nursing, served as a nurse in the US Cadet Nurse Corps during World War II, then worked at A.O. Fox Memorial Hospital.

**1949** | **Robert LaLonde** passed away on May 4, 2017. After serving in the U.S. Navy, he received his BA in business education and spent his career teaching at community colleges and high schools.

**1950** | **Emma Shafer Stone** passed away on January 29, 2017. She received her BS in nursing and became a registered nurse.

**1951** | **Baden "Bud" Powell Mudge, Jr.**, passed away on November 26, 2016. He served in the US Navy before receiving his BA in sociology, then taught in the Milford and Westmoreland Central Schools.

**1951** | **Francine Pidgeon Debevoise** passed away on February 8, 2017. She received her BS in business, became an avid painter, and has several portraits on display at Hartwick. She was predeceased by her husband, **Kenneth Debevoise '52**.

**1951** | Gene M. Parsons passed away on May 15, 2017. He received his BS in chemistry and served in the US Army during the Korean War. He then worked at the US Naval Air Rocket Test Station, the Experiment Station, Seneca Foods, and the Ferro Corporation.

**1952** | Barbara Schoenrock Luebbe passed away on February 7, 2017. She received her BA in religious studies. She worked in educational positions within the Lutheran Church and as a consultant for Johns Hopkins University Center for Teaching & Learning.

**1954** | Marjorie Miller Plott passed away on February 18, 2017. She received her BS in nursing and worked in both the hospital setting and public health nursing. She was awarded the first Virginia Public Health Nurse of the Year award. **1956** | Mildred "Millie" Milavec Davis passed away on January 28, 2017. After Hartwick, she became a legal secretary.

**1958** | Thora Girke passed away on April 26, 2017. She received her BS in business and worked for two decades at Union College as the English department secretary.

**1959** | **Peter W. Schoch** passed away on December 20, 2016. He served in the US Navy during the Korean War, received his BA in psychology, became the vice president of development at several colleges, and opened an inn in the Adirondacks.

**1959** | Evan B. Wright passed away on March 23, 2017. He earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in physics, then worked at the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, DC.

**1960** | Warren S. Gold passed away on February 5, 2017. While attending Hartwick he played on the school's first soccer team. Later he became a stockbroker in New York City.

**1960** | Lucile Brewer passed away on February 19, 2017. She received her BS in music education.

**1962** | Elsie Ditewig Lauper passed away on December 15, 2016. She received her BS in business education.

**1962** | **Judith Curry Coulter** passed away on April 9, 2017. She received her BA in history and taught high school history in Utica, New York, until her retirement.

**1963** | **Edward G. Mercincavage** passed away on January 27, 2017. He received his BS in business administration, worked at GE and Lockheed Martin for most of his career, and played a part in the development of the McDonnell Douglas F/A-18 Hornet.

**1964** | **Jeffrey Fisher** passed away on February 22, 2017. He received his BA in history, then earned a master's and PhD. He was a history teacher and advisor at Ramapo Central School District.

**1971** | **Melvin Turner** passed away on April 20, 2017. He received his BA in Latin American studies, spent his career in the California public sector, and received national recognition for his community-based crime prevention program.

**1972** | **Janet Haff Wallace** passed away on February 18, 2017. Wallace received her BA in French and worked for IBM as a market analyst. She is survived by two sisters, including **Karen Smith** '74. **1975** | **Dr. Reverend Florence Elizabeth "Betsy" Diver** passed away on April 21, 2017. She received her BS in music before entering the Lutheran ministry.

**1980** | Lawrence "Larry" Whitaker, Jr., passed away on April 16, 2017. He received his BA in political science and spent his career in agricultural sales. Survivors include his wife Janice Whitaker '81, his sister Laurie Brockway '84, and his sister-in-law Myra Holden '83.

#### FAMILY

Kathleen "Kay" Amatucci passed away on February 17, 2017. She served in a variety of roles in the Office of Academic Affairs at Hartwick. She is survived by her daughters Gina Amatucci Mater '83 and Kathleen Amatucci Bentley '85; son-in-law Brett Bentley of Aramark Facilities; and three granddaughters, Jayme Bentley '14, Jessica Bentley '14, and Sierra Bentley '18.

Philip T. Ashton passed away on January 27, 2017. Survivors include his daughter, Deborah Ashton Molloy '79.

Joyce Atchinson passed away on April 6, 2017. She is survived by her sons Bill Atchinson III '78 and Bob Atchinson '79, daughters-in-law Michelle Cooke Atchinson '79 and Debbie Hooks Atchinson '79, sister-in-law Barbara Atchinson Harrison '52, and her "other family" of Jeff Tipping '78 and Hartwick College Athletic Giving Officer Duncan MacDonald '78. She was predeceased by her husband of 51 years, Bill Atchinson, Jr. '55.

Karen Brzenk passed away on April 13, 2017. Survivors include her husband, Dr. Ronald M. Brzenk, Hartwick College professor emeritus of mathematics.

Dorothy Zeh passed away on March 24, 2017. Survivors include her daughter Darlene Carrington, Hartwick's assistant director of financial aid, and granddaughter Jeanette Tolson '03. She was predeceased by her granddaughter Danielle Dyer '05.

### FRIENDS

Roop Verma passed away on March 11, 2017. An internationally respected performer, composer, recording artist, and teacher, he received the 2006 National Endowment for the Humanities Award as Distinguished Visiting Professor at Hartwick College.

# **VOLUNTEER INSIGHT**

By MARINA CINAMI

# Doing What Matters

It may be hard to believe, but Steve Suleski '76, a College trustee and immediate past president of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, actually got a slow start in getting involved with his alma mater. Law school, marriage, children, and career success all kept him busy in Wisconsin. Yet his fond memories of Hartwick and Pine Lake never faded.

One experience he will never forget: leading the construction of a log cabin at Pine Lake using only pre-1830s tools, including wooden pegs and draft horses. His passion for the College's environmental campus began then, and has only strengthened with time. Suleski spent his senior year living at Hartwick's Pine Lake Environmental Campus, and after graduation briefly rented a room from the friendly couple living across



Trustee Steve Suleski '76 was a John Christopher Hartwick Scholar in college and is now the chief governance officer of CUNA Mutual Group in Madison, Wisconsin. He and his wife, Jacqui, have five children.

the street. They happened to be Kenneth Neunzig, son of the previous owners of the Pine Lake property, and his then-wife Julie Ward '71. Years later, when Suleski began attending Alumni Board meetings on campus, the Neunzigs welcomed him to stay in that same room in their home. That first visit after such a long time "stirred me bit," he says, and "reinforced the things I loved about Hartwick." (Remembering the family's impact on him, Suleski's major gift to The Campaign for Hartwick Students established the Kurt and Elizabeth Neunzig Memorial Pine Lake Scholarship, to be awarded to upperclassmen living and studying at Pine Lake.)

In 2008, Marshall Rowe '76 suggested Suleski apply for a vacancy on the Alumni Board. As a new member, Suleski says, "I loved seeing how things on campus had changed, yet at the core were the same." He quickly became an active member, then a catalyst when he took the lead in strategic planning and governance restructuring, among other initiatives. "Ten years from now, I think we'll have really changed the profile of what alumni do to contribute to the College."

After leaving his mark on the Alumni Board, Suleski welcomed the opportunity to become a College trustee. This service gives him many ways to express his lifelong commitment to Hartwick's experiential learning philosophy and intensifies his feeling that "What I'm doing matters. As a trustee, you have to look at the future to help the College figure out the best paths forward," he says. Another "really cool thing" is working with the other trustees. "It's a thrilling experience to be in that group, working with some absolutely brilliant people," he observes. "We're part of making sure that Hartwick will be here in another hundred years."



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# *Time-Honored* **Tradition**

Hartwick nurses continue the tradition of celebrating their graduation by altering their student uniforms. At some schools, students shred their scrubs to pieces while at others, the practice is not permitted at all. At Hartwick, this rite of passage becomes an opportunity for personal expression followed by a colorful group display outside Johnstone Science Center.