Homecoming 2011

Clockwise, from top left: Robert Hayes, sophomore defensive tackle, leads the Rams onto the field at Homecoming.

Ken Boone ’76 presents President Suzanne Shipley with a Shepherd No. 1 jersey, which she models (inset).

A player pats mascot Zan’s head for good luck while Zan’s owner Barbara Byers, director of counseling at Shepherd, looks on. The Rams went on to a 37-7 win over West Virginia State.

Shepherd’s Ram Marching Band performs in the Homecoming parade.

Alumnae Erin Schruhl ’10, Bethany Tremblay ’08 and M.A.T. ’11, and Rebecca Karos ’07 enjoy the Homecoming football game.
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From the President
Student costs, debt, and employment

Lately, much as been written about the escalating cost associated with attending college. In addition, concerns regarding increased debt and the ability of college graduates to find employment are on the rise.

Regardless of how we might respond to these concerns, all of us at Shepherd believe in the transformative power of higher education and want the citizens of West Virginia and our surrounding region to experience this power. I believe that at Shepherd University we have, together, created a learning environment that is both high quality and affordable.

The facts support this belief. I am including the latest data for Shepherd students so you can see how we compare nationally.

Tuition costs
Shepherd University is affordable. Our tuition and fees are among the lowest in the nation, and we raise tuition and fees only as it is necessary to deliver a high quality educational program.

- Shepherd’s annual tuition and fees this year for in-state students are $5,554. This is well below the national average of $8,244 charged by other public universities.
- Over the past two-year period, Shepherd’s average annual in-state increase was 3 percent; this represents an increase of $320. Tuition and fees were not increased for fall 2010. Shepherd’s two-year increase compares to an average increase nationally of $631 or 8.3 percent for public universities during the same time period. Shepherd’s increases are also in line with national inflation figures, with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increasing last year by 3.4 percent.

Student debt
Forty percent of Shepherd students do not borrow to attend Shepherd. The average debt carried by 2010 graduates was $20,429, much less than the national average of $25,250.
- Only about 60 percent of our degree-seeking students borrow and those that do demonstrate a good ability to pay back their student loans. In 2009, only 4.3 percent of Shepherd students defaulted on their loans compared to 8.8 percent nationally.
- The average federal debt carried by our students actually decreased last year from $19,600 for 2010 graduates to $18,000 for the class of 2011.

Controlling costs
The single most important factor in controlling college costs comes from reducing time to graduation.

- Each year that a student spends earning a degree can add $15,000 or more to the cost of his or her college education. This is especially true of residential students.
- Shepherd’s steady increase in the number of full-time faculty can further enhance student progress toward earning degrees through stronger support and advising.
- Shepherd is the first university in West Virginia to adopt a 120-credit hour standard for all undergraduate degrees. Students who complete 15 credits of the prescribed curriculum per semester will graduate in four years with the same high standards for which Shepherd has become known.

Employment outcomes
Shepherd students find employment soon after graduation.

- In a recent survey of May 2011 graduates, 80 percent indicated that they would be employed in their discipline or furthering their education following graduation.
- Thirty-three percent of May 2011 graduates reported making annual salaries of more than $30,000.
- The Career Services and Cooperative Education offices were realigned with Academic Affairs to provide better linkages with academic programs.
- While Shepherd students have multiple opportunities for career planning, we are developing a career advantage program that will provide students with career touchstones throughout their degree program. The program will include career exploration, job shadowing, service learning, and either an internship or cooperative education experience where appropriate. 
Public radio’s Diane Rehm to be Commencement speaker

Public radio talk show host Diane Rehm will deliver the commencement address during Shepherd University’s 139th Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 5. Rehm also will receive an honorary doctorate.

The Diane Rehm Show, produced at WAMU 88.5 FM in Washington, D.C., is distributed by National Public Radio and is heard by more than 2.3 million listeners on 160 stations nationwide. The program also is broadcast in Germany, Japan, and Finland and on U.S. military bases worldwide by the Armed Forces Network.

Rehm began her radio career in 1973 as a volunteer producer at WAMU. She was then hired as an assistant producer and six years later became the host of the morning talk show Kaleidoscope, which became The Diane Rehm Show in 1984.

The author of three autobiographical books, Rehm received a Peabody Award in 2010 and was named a fellow by the Society of Professional Journalists. She received the Excellence in Journalism Award from the American News Women’s Club in 2011.

Deborah Judd named VP for administration and finance

Deborah Judd, of Frederick, Maryland, is the new vice president for administration and finance at Shepherd University, effective February 15.

Reporting to the president and serving as a member of Shepherd’s executive staff, Judd provides strategic and collaborative financial and administrative leadership and supervises cash management, finance, procurement, information technology, auxiliaries, and facilities operations. As the vice president for administration and finance, she serves as the primary support to the University’s leadership in identifying, obtaining, and allocating resources for the institution.

Judd was the associate vice president, fiscal and auxiliary services, at Frederick Community College, a position she had held since 2007. She also served as interim vice president for administration and associate vice president of finance at FCC.

From 1994 to 2005, Judd was employed in a variety of roles by Builders FirstSource, a lumber/light manufacturing distributor located in 11 states. She started with the company as assistant controller, moving into the roles of director of corporate accounting/controller, director of accounting operations, and assistant corporate controller/assistant treasurer.

During her career she also has served as staff accountant for KPMG Peat Marwick, Baltimore, Maryland, and Residential Services Corporation of America, Frederick, Maryland.

A certified public accountant, Judd earned a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Pennsylvania State University and holds membership in the American Institute of CPAs and the Maryland Association of CPAs.

Dr. Laura Clayton is finalist for Professor of the Year award

Dr. Laura Clayton, professor of nursing education, was named as one of five finalists for the West Virginia Humanities Council’s 2011 Faculty Merit Foundation Professor of the Year.

Dr. Clayton, who joined Shepherd’s faculty in 1993, earned her Ph.D. from West Virginia University in 2007, certificate in health care administration from WVU in 1998, master of science in nursing and family nurse practitioner from WVU in 1993, and bachelor of science in nursing from Alderson-Broaddus College in 1983.

“I’m extremely honored to be nominated and chosen to represent the Shepherd faculty,” she said. “To be named a finalist at the state level was humbling.”

Dr. Clayton cofounded the Emmanuel’s Table Free Clinic in Martinsburg in 2006, serves on the Eastern Panhandle Medical Reserve Corps Steering Committee, is the peer reviewer for Nursing Education Perspectives by the National League for Nursing, and is the president of the board of directors for the Shenandoah Valley Medical System.

In 2010 she received the West Virginia University School of Nursing Golden Graduate Award and received the Nursing Excellence Award in Nursing Education from the West Virginia Center for Nursing in 2007. Dr. Clayton received her certification as a certified nurse educator by the National League of Nursing in 2010.

Dr. Clayton said the best thing about being a nursing education professor is preparing students for careers in nursing and health care.

“I love being an educator and nurse,” she said. “I love hearing from students as alumni, and finding out what they are doing to benefit the community and how they’re making a difference in the lives of the patients they’re caring for. It’s the best of both worlds to be a nurse and a teacher.”

CATF announces summer season

The Contemporary American Theater Festival (CATF) at Shepherd has announced the five-play lineup for its 22nd season to be held July 6-29.

This summer season’s repertory includes two world premieres, two second productions, and a new play from one of the most well-known and daring writers for the stage and film. The plays are Gideon’s Knot by Johnna Adams, The Exceptionals by Bob Clyman, In A Forest, Dark and Deep by Neil LaBute, Captors by Evan M. Wiener, and Barcelona by Bess Wohl.

All ticketed performances and programs can be purchased through the CATF box office, which is open off-season Monday to Friday from noon to 5 p.m., by calling 800-999-CATF (2283), or 24 hours a day online by visiting www.catf.org.
Underpass project underway

The Route 480 underpass project is a $4 million construction project being undertaken this spring and summer by Shepherd in an effort to improve pedestrian safety and improve traffic flow on Route 480/Duke Street.

The project features an underpass connecting East Campus and West Campus which will eliminate pedestrian crossings on Route 480 by raising the road and creating a pedestrian walkway underneath. The location of the pedestrian underpass is approximately 25 yards northeast of the existing pedestrian crosswalk. The underpass is slated to be ready for pedestrian use in August.

For more information about the project, including a construction timeline and detour maps, please visit www.shepherd.edu/underpass/.

Campus construction updates

Construction is underway for Phase II of the Center for Contemporary Arts on West Campus. State bond money and $2 million in donor support are providing nearly $14 million for the project, which will open in fall 2013.

The three-story, 26,000 square foot facility will include a theater that will provide the Contemporary American Theater Festival with a new performance space; four classrooms; an art gallery; scene shop; prop shop; sculpture studio; lobby and related support and common space; outdoor work area; and a grey water system. The roof will be standing-seam copper, and the exterior will be clad with copper shingles.

Roof replacement on the Entler-Weltzheimer House on High Street behind Snyder Hall began this winter. A $34,419 grant from the West Virginia Division of Culture and History matched by Shepherd for a total of $68,838 will fund roof replacement and foundation repair on the building, one of the oldest in Shepherdstown.

To view construction progress on these projects, please visit www.flickr.com/photos/shepherdu/.

Dr. Li receives $10k research grant

Dr. Mengyang Li, assistant professor of chemistry, received a $10,000 research seed grant from the NASA West Virginia EPSCoR Research Seed Grant Program to study the properties of Langmuir monolayers.

“A Langmuir monolayer is a single layer of organic molecules on water surfaces. Our research at Shepherd investigates the dynamic mechanical properties of this one layer of molecules on water,” said Dr. Li. Two to three students will work on the study. “This will give them real scientific results for their research training,” he said.

Nursing receives $1 million grant

Shepherd University received two grants from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration, one for $1 million over three years for nursing workforce diversity, and a second grant funded for $58,000 which provides scholarships for disadvantaged students.

The $1 million grant is being used to implement the Partnership for Academic and Social Student Success (PASSS) program, aimed at improving health care quality and increasing nursing workforce diversity in the Shenandoah Valley through improving the representation of minorities on campus, increasing the number of disadvantaged pre-nursing students eligible to enter the nursing program, and improving graduation passing rates for disadvantaged nursing majors.

Dr. Clarise Ottley, assistant professor of nursing, will serve as the project director for the grant.

Dr. Ottley said that the Department of Nursing Education is proud to be in the select group of universities that received this funding for the PASSS project.

“This project will increase nursing education opportunities for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, including racial and ethnic minorities underrepresented among registered nurses, by providing student scholarships or stipends, pre-entry preparation, and retention activities,” she said. “The PASSS project will strengthen the cultural competency of the Shepherd University community of faculty and students as it removes any potential barriers that would jeopardize the success of underrepresented, economically and educationally disadvantaged, and minority students.”

The department is developing a set of academic, social, and financial support programs for 180 disadvantaged pre-nursing and nursing majors. Main objectives for the grant include creating more diversity in nursing faculty positions; increasing the number of disadvantaged pre-nursing students eligible to enter the nursing program; and increasing graduation and National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses pass rates through mentoring programs and tutoring. In addition, the grant provides 30 stipends at a value of $3,000 for disadvantaged pre-nursing students.

The grant allows for two new faculty hires: a full-time academic improvement specialist and a part-time social support specialist.

“This is a significant accomplishment for us to provide increased opportunities for scholarships and mentoring for our nursing students,” said Dr. Sharon Mailey, chair of the nursing department.

A second grant was also received from HRSA to provide scholarships for disadvantaged nursing students in the amount of $58,000 for this current academic year.

The purpose of the grant is to increase diversity in the health professions and nursing workforce by providing grants to eligible health professions and nursing schools for use in awarding scholarships to financially needy students from disadvantaged backgrounds. The grants were awarded to students currently in the nursing program.
Dr. Dorothy Hively accepted to HERS Institute at Bryn Mawr

Dr. Dorothy Hively, assistant professor of education, special assistant to the vice president for academic affairs, and director of assessment and accountability, was accepted to attend the 40th annual HERS (Higher Education Resource Services) Institute this summer at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania.

HERS, an educational nonprofit, provides leadership and management development for women in higher education administration around the world. Since 1972 HERS has served the higher education community, preparing more than 4,300 women faculty and administrators for leadership roles. HERS has active alumnae on more than 1,200 private and public campuses and more than 500 HERS alumnae serve in senior-level positions.

Dr. Hively came to Shepherd in 2005. She received a bachelor of science degree from the State University of New York, Old Westbury; a master of science degree from Adelphi University; and an Ed.D. from Teachers College, Columbia University. This spring she will complete her master’s in college student development and administration at Shepherd.

“During the seven years that Dr. Hively has been associated with Shepherd, she has distinguished herself as a faculty member and an administrator,” said President Suzanne Shipley. “The management techniques that she will learn at HERS will benefit Shepherd and enhance her considerable leadership skills.”

“I am grateful to President Shipley and Vice President Richard Helldobler for sponsoring my nomination,” Dr. Hively said. “It is reflective of Shepherd’s strategic plan to invest in faculty and staff.”

Dr. Hively said that attending the HERS Institute in June will give her the opportunity to learn from other distinguished women faculty and administrators in higher education.

“I’m very excited for the chance to meet outstanding women leaders and learn from them and to have the opportunity to bring back exciting information to campus and continue to serve Shepherd,” she said.

This year’s theme is Women Leaders of Today: Accepting the Challenge of Re-Inventing Higher Education. Curricular themes include leading change, managing strategic resources, engaging individual and institutional diversity, and understanding the environment for higher education.

Shepherd administrators who are alumnae of the HERS Institute include Dr. Ann Legreid, professor of geography and dean of the School of Business and Social Sciences, and Dr. Virginia Hicks, professor of health and physical education and dean of the School of Education and Professional Studies. Both attended the institute in 2005.

Grants totaling $40k awarded

Shepherd University received instrumentation grants totaling nearly $40,000 from the Division of Science and Research of the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission.

Dr. Dan DiLella, professor and chair of the Department of Chemistry, received an $18,234 grant for an equipment upgrade of high-performance liquid chromatography and electrochemical capabilities, and Dr. Carol Plautz, assistant professor of biology, received a $19,755 grant for a multimode microplate reader.

The instrumentation grants program encourages undergraduate students to continue in careers in science, math, and engineering by allowing the purchase of instruments for laboratories and encouraging submission to National Science Foundation research.

Dr. DiLella and his co-contributors, Dr. Ruth Conley, associate professor of biology, and Dr. Peter Vila, assistant professor of environmental and physical sciences, submitted a request for a detector that can be interfaced to a high performance liquid chromatography system to add new capabilities to the instrument to test and detect very low levels of pharmaceuticals and environmental pollutants.

The multimode microplate reader will give students and faculty the ability to detect and quantify samples in a multi-well plate and detect fluorescent intensity and determine absorbance of samples across a spectral range.

Co-contributors on the grant include Dr. Adam Parks, assistant professor of biology; Dr. David Wing, associate professor of biology; and Dr. Burt Lidgerding, associate professor of biology. The equipment will allow students to detect quantities in their research and also will be used in biology labs.

“We all have exciting things for students to try using this instrumentation. Research students will benefit from it and will be able to test luminescents, absorbents, and fluorescents,” Dr. Plautz said. “It demonstrates our commitment to providing the best technology as we work with our students in teaching lab and research.”

Dr. Wing receives $25k research grant

Dr. David Wing, associate professor of biology, received a $25,925 grant from West Virginia IDeA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence to purchase an advanced gel imaging and analysis system.

The high-tech camera uses ultraviolet light to detect molecules and chemicals. The 4.2 megapixel density sensor and adjustable focus enhance image resolution and quality, producing publication-quality images.

“The imaging system will let students and researchers see DNA and proteins,” Dr. Wing said. “Among the many molecules being investigated at Shepherd, the gene that can artificially make bacteria glow green in the dark or a protein that participates in the building of an eye lens will be seen by students.”
Creative couple: Joel Selby ’09 and Ashley Selby ’09

This Paper Ship studio sets sail in design industry

Ashley ’09 and Joel Selby ’09, of Hillsborough, North Carolina, initially started their design studio, This Paper Ship, as an Etsy shop out of their Shepherdstown German Street apartment in 2008 while they were studying graphic design at Shepherd.

After designing the invitations for their October 2008 wedding, which was held in Shepherdstown at the Entler Hotel, they decided to offer custom wedding invitations on Etsy. This Paper Ship officially set sail in 2009 when the couple couldn’t find design jobs due to the economic slump. After graduating with bachelor of fine arts degrees in graphic design, they moved to North Carolina to be closer to Ashley’s family. Two years after starting their business and undertaking various part-time jobs to support the studio, both are now working in the studio full time. This Paper Ship offers graphic design, illustration, and photography, but Joel and Ashley specialize in illustration and hand-drawn typography.

Ashley first became interested in graphic arts through a program her high school offered at a local trade school. During her senior year of high school, she took illustration and design classes and decided to pursue graphic design at Harding University in Arkansas, where the couple met in 2003 in a drawing and composition class.

Joel was pursuing a fine arts degree to improve his skills in order to create visuals for the stories he wrote. Ashley says she converted him over to graphic arts after an animated conversation about the difference between graphic and fine arts.

Feeling the need to get more feedback and critiques in their creative work, the couple decided to transfer to Shepherd in 2005 because Ashley had heard positive things about the art program while attending high school in Hurricane, West Virginia.

Upon arriving at Shepherd, the Selbys learned from other students that most of them dreaded the art department’s demanding Visual Thinking Skills course. But after their first session, Ashley and Joel were pleased with the challenges the class presented.

“We thought ‘sweet, this is great,’” said Joel.

“We were so happy about it. We went home that night, thinking ‘yes, someone finally ripped up our pieces,’” Ashley said. “It was really helpful to have someone tell you how to improve your work. It helped with color and composition, and fundamental stuff that we didn’t realize we didn’t have a good foundation in.”

As business partners and spouses, the two have to combine their design skills.

“We have a little bit of a different view on the type of design we do; his is more masculine and mine is more feminine,” said Ashley. “We had to figure out a way to merge the two styles into one, which we’ve worked on for the past couple years. It was quite a challenge at the very beginning.”

They find common ground in their design inspiration and passion for drawing, illustration, and inking artwork by hand. “We both really enjoy mid-century illustration and design aesthetics and Disney movies from the ’50s and ’60s,” Joel said.

“We’re both equally inspired by traditional illustration,” Ashley added.

This Paper Ship was originally connected to Joel’s writing, and came from an entry in his journal.

“It’s based on the concept that God’s the pilot of this paper ship,” said Joel. “The things I do, I’m the medium. God’s the one who is providing the drive and creativity; I’m just here keeping it together.”

Ashley suggested using the phrase as the business name when they were setting up their Etsy shop. Because they were selling paper goods, the two found the name fitting.

In April 2011, Joel and Ashley were contacted by a Washington, D.C.-based freelance writer who was working on a piece for HOW Magazine about design companies that use social media as their primary source of advertising. The article, “The Accidental Promoter,” was published in the September 2011 issue of the magazine, which focuses on graphic design and creativity.

Another landmark in their business was when they created two prints to support American Red Cross efforts in Japan following the tsunami that hit in March 2011.
Creative couple: Eric Pilato ’97 and Stephanie Nasteff ’98

Alums establish careers in New York as voice-over actor and Calvin Klein visual manager

Eric Pilato ’97, senior visual manager for Calvin Klein Retail in New York City, and his wife, Stephanie Nasteff ’98, president Old Sol Productions, Inc. and a voice-over actor currently serving as the voice of Kohl’s Department Stores and the Toyota Prius, moved to New York after graduation to establish their creative careers.

West Virginia native Eric earned a bachelor of fine arts degree in painting and a minor in printmaking. Stephanie, active in student theater productions during her time at Shepherd, graduated with a degree in English and a minor in theater.

The couple recently bought a home 15 miles out of New York City in Maplewood, New Jersey, an eclectic artists community that reminds them of Shepherdstown.

“It’s lovely—it’s actually a little like Shepherdstown, which is what attracted us,” said Stephanie. “We feel like our people are here; it’s exciting.”

Eric came to Shepherd in 1993 after attending Savannah College of Art and Design for one year. Stephanie heard about Shepherd when recruiters visited her high school at Broadneck Senior High School in Annapolis, Maryland.

“I first heard of Shepherd from a high school friend in Fayetteville,” said Eric. “I visited Shepherd and loved the area. It reminded me of my hometown and was in West Virginia.”

Eric said he liked that Shepherd was close to Washington, D.C., and was impressed with the faculty and facilities.

Part of what led Stephanie to apply to Shepherd was the Contemporary American Theater Festival, which she still supports to this day.

“I was looking at schools and was set on attending Towson, but when Shepherd came to my school in Maryland at a college fair and mentioned the CATF, I didn’t apply to any other schools,” said Stephanie, who arrived as a freshman in the fall of 1994.

Eric and Stephanie met in February 1995 through mutual friends and had their first date at the Pharmacy restaurant in Shepherdstown, where Eric worked and also resided in an apartment upstairs. Stephanie almost forgot about the date and went running up the hill to the German Street restaurant in her rehearsal clothes after receiving her bid to join Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority. They were married on August 19, 2000 in Harpers Ferry and have two children, Jesser, 7, and Esme, 2.

Eric’s interest in New York came through the art department’s regular trips to New York City when he was a student, and he always said he wanted to do the windows at Barney’s.

“I never thought I’d be doing what I’m doing now,” said Eric.

Stephanie had visited New York on a trip with family and friends when she was 12 years old and from that point on, she says she knew she would live there one day.

Stephanie Nasteff ’98 and husband Eric Pilato ’97 are shown with children Jesser, 7, and Esme, 2, at their home in New Jersey.

After graduating from Shepherd, Eric earned his graduate degree, a master of fine arts in new forms (mixed media), in 2000 from Pratt Institute in New York City.

Eric said that when he started graduate school, he began researching contemporary artists like Damien Hirst and Jeff Koons, who blended art and commerce with window and vitrine display techniques. “While in grad school, I was fortunate enough to start freelancing for fashion companies that had overnight work for window displays,” said Eric.

Stephanie graduated from the noted William Esper Studios two-year acting program in 2001 and held a variety of jobs including a yoga instructor, which led her to a teacher certification in yoga. When she finished the acting program, she formed a small theater group called Crooked Neck Productions with a few friends from the program. The group produced mainly new work, obscure work, and plays the members felt strongly about, producing eight plays in six years.

Stephanie said people would tell her she should be doing voice-overs, including her mentor, Ed Herendeen, executive director of the CATF and professor of theater at Shepherd.

One day while Stephanie was working at a yoga studio that was located across from a casting office, casting representatives dropped by looking for actors with yoga talent to audition for a Taco Bell commercial. She auditioned and was later booked for the part.

Stephanie said that she didn’t hesitate at the opportunity to do voice-overs for commercials, but she had no idea they would be creatively stimulating and fun. In the beginning, she would use income from commercials to produce theater, but eventually her voice-over business became her top career priority.

“It’s been the most fortunate turn of events that I never expected; a true gift,” said Stephanie. “It’s given me the best of both worlds: a thriving and active career in the field and a wonderful opportunity to enjoy family life.”

In 2000 Stephanie was represented by Berman, Boals, and Flynn. In 2002 she signed with Innovative Artists, which represents writers, children, and voice actors, and has been represented by them for commercial work ever since. She was booked for the first job she auditioned for, a public service announcement for pregnant women to stop smoking, and then was booked for (continued to page 29)
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Lawrence “Chiz” Burdette II, of Talcott, has been certified as a member of the Multimillion Dollar Advocates Forum. He is presently a life member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum, one of the most prestigious groups of trial lawyers in the United States. Membership in the Million Dollar Advocates Forum is limited to attorneys who have won million and multimillion dollar verdicts, awards, and settlements. Less than one percent of U.S. lawyers are members. Chiz is a graduate of WVU College of Law. His practice includes personal injury cases of all types.

'68
Sandy McDaniel Shepherd, of Hagerstown, Maryland, retired from the Maryland State Department of Education in Baltimore in June 2011. She and her husband, Thomas ’67, who retired from the Washington County, Maryland, Public Schools after working as a guidance counselor and secondary vice principal, met in a journalism class while students at Shepherd.

'69
Mary Ann Hammond Kave retired from the National Park Service, Harpers Ferry Center, on January 2, 2010 after 41 years. Mary Ann started at HFC as a part-time student assistant for the NPS division of audiovisual arts. Upon graduation she worked as secretary in the financial aid office at Shepherd. In 1971, she took a job as a clerk typist for the National Park Service in Harpers Ferry. She later became the AV division secretary, then helped produce park slide shows as an audiovisual production specialist. She assisted with location shoots at numerous parks and soon became a producer-director, producing slide shows and audio messages for all the U.S. National Parks. Mary Ann became responsible for managing the complex records of the AV technicians who were responsible for troubleshooting AV equipment for the entire National Park Service.

'73
Laura Dorsey Crosby, of Ranson, retired from the Jefferson County School System in June 2011. She taught music for 38 years in the same school, which started as Page Jackson and became Wright Denny when a new school was built. During her career she had many students perform with the West Virginia All State Children’s Chorus. Laura has played for, performed in, and directed many musicals in local theaters. For more than 20 years she was a church organist before retiring two years ago. Laura and her husband, Bing, have been married for 33 years, and have a son, Blake ’08, who resides in Denver, Colorado.

'77
Mary Edness Tedrow has been named the first recipient of the James Porterfield Education Chair of English at John Handley High School in Winchester, Virginia. Mary will hold the chair, presented in honor of her distinguished teaching career, until she retires.

'78
William Carroll Scarborough serves as executive vice president and chief operating officer at Pen Air Federal Credit Union. He became a certified chief executive after completing a three-year program at the Haas School of Business at U.C. Berkeley, Johnson Graduate School of Management at Cornell University, and Darden Graduate School of Business. In 2008 he was inducted into the Credit Union Executive Society Rising 100 of industry stars. He also serves as the treasurer for the Florida CUES Council and a board member for the Navy League Santa Rosa County Council.

'82
Susan R. Snowden, of Martin & Seibert, L.C., was recently named to the Super Lawyers® Business Edition 2011. This inaugural issue features attorneys who are outstanding in their areas of business practice. In selecting attorneys for Super Lawyers, Law and Politics Media, Inc. employed a rigorous process including peer nominations and evaluations as well as independent research. Only five percent of the attorneys in each state are named to Super Lawyers.

'83
Jeanette Blubaugh Rinehart has been named the recipient of the 2011 Service to Agriculture Award presented by the Alleghany County, Maryland, Farm Bureau. She owns and operates Walnut Ridge Farm, where she raises vegetables, sheep, goats, and cattle. Jeanette also has been a physical education teacher in the Alleghany County school system for 27 years.

'84
Henry Julius, a sales and service associate with the U.S. Postal Service’s North Pleasant Valley Road office in Winchester, Virginia, retired without ever calling in sick in 37 years. With his sick leave time, he received credit for 41 years and 10 months on the job. Julius came to Winchester in 1973 from Washington, D.C., after leaving the U.S. Army.

'90
Victoria Whetstone Johnstone has been named president and CEO of Comstar Federal Credit Union, Frederick, Maryland, where she has served as vice president for five years. Victoria has more than 20 years of credit union experience. She has served as CEO of Eastalco Federal Credit Union and as controller for three other credit unions.
Once A Goddess is the first in a historical fantasy trilogy about Brigid of Ireland, who was known as goddess, druid, and saint. Two tribes battle for control of ancient Ireland, and Brigid must find her place among them, trapped between the will of her people and the desires of her heart. Set in a time when myths were reality, Once A Goddess brings the legend of Brigid and Ireland’s magical Túatha Dé Danann to life.

Sheila is an M.F.A. candidate in fiction at Queens University of Charlotte and is at work on a collection of contemporary short stories, as well as the rest of the Brigid trilogy. Visit her website at www.sheilarlamb.com.


Sheila R. Lamb ‘93

The Rev. Msgr. Paul Hudock, of Wheeling, was named by Pope Benedict XVI as Chaplain to His Holiness, entitling him to be addressed as monsignor. A pontifical honor is conferred on priests in recognition of their dedication and exemplary service to the church. He earned his master of divinity degree from Mount St. Mary’s Seminary in Maryland in 1998 and was ordained to the priesthood in June 1998. He serves as the priest secretary to the bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston and as diocesan director of vocations.

Heather Michael is the principal of the New Market, Maryland, School. She had been an assistant principal at New Midway/Woodsboro Elementary School, and in the past has taught at Carroll Manor Elementary School in Adamstown and Twin Ridge Elementary School in Mount Airy. She earned her master’s degree in administration from Western Maryland College, now McDaniel College, in Westminster. Heather has been married 10 years and has two sons, ages 7 and 4.

Jessica Hale, of Ashburn, Virginia, has been hired by the St. Mary’s County, Maryland, Government as the recreation division manager in the Department of Recreation and Parks. She has 11 years of experience in the recreation and parks field. She was most recently a program coordinator with the Loudoun County, Virginia, Department of Parks and Recreation, where she managed a summer camps program serving 1,000 youth at 20 sites. She also worked for the National Recreation and Parks Association as a manager for the National Partnerships Program where she coordinated grant initiatives between local parks and recreation agencies and professional sports leagues such as the NFL and NBA.

For St. Mary’s County, Jessica manages nine full-time staff and 400 part-time and seasonal employees and administers a $2.5 million enterprise fund for recreation programs and facilities. She holds a master’s degree in exercise, health, and fitness promotion from George Mason University.

Pete Truby is the creator of Salazon Chocolate, a two-year-old line of organic, fair-trade, dark chocolate that has carved out its niche by featuring natural sea salt. Traditionally, chocolate candy has no salt in it, but Pete’s foodie inclinations and background in the food industry led him to a sweet-savory discovery: he liked the concept of adding sea salt to enhance the flavors in the chocolate. He adds the salt by hand at the very end of the process, so that consumers cannot miss this special ingredient. Visit the Salazon website at www.salazonchoc.com.

Kelly Myers has started a small business, The Cat Lady of Frederick County, the only pet-sitting company in Frederick, Maryland, that specializes in cats. Visit her website at www.catladyoffrederick.vpweb.com.

James McDaniel earned an M.S.N. from Walden University in September 2011 and began a DNP program with Walden in December 2011.

Cassie Murray was inducted into the Allegany (Maryland) High School Hall of Fame in December 2011. She was a standout player in basketball and baseball at Allegany. As a member of the Shepherd baseball team, he earned a spot on the All-WVIAC second team in his junior year and an honorable mention as a senior.
Obituaries

RUTH GORDON HOLLIS MESNER SITES ’33, of Hagerstown, Maryland, died July 19, 2011. She was an elementary school teacher in Berkeley and Morgan counties.

MYRA OLIVIA GOSNELL AVEY ’35, of Martinsburg, died November 3, 2011. She was a school teacher for 43 years, teaching in Berkeley County and in Florida and Virginia.

WILLIAM LEONARD “BILL” FOURNIER ’46, died September 8, 2011. He retired from Forsyth Technical Community College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, as associate dean. A graduate of Ogdensburg (New York) Free Academy, Shepherd, and George Washington University, Washington, D.C., he was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

EDWARD BALDWIN ROGERS ’48, died October 7, 2011. He disrupted his studies at Shepherd and enlisted in the U.S. Army during World War II, serving in North Africa, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Corsica, and in Italy in Rome, Arno, North Appenines, and Po Valley. He started in a mortar unit, serving under General Patton, and then went to cryptogaphic school in Florence, Italy. After the war, he returned to Shepherd and completed his degree. He also earned degrees from West Virginia University, George Washington University, and the University of Wyoming. He taught history and civics at Charles Town High School and was principal of Charles Town and Shepherdstown high schools before moving to Colorado as assistant superintendent of Eagle County School District. He finished his career as principal of Kemmerer, Wyoming, High School. He is survived by his wife MARY ANN ROGERS ’60.

MEL FILLER ’50, of Forest Hill, Maryland, died December 5, 2011. After serving as an Army medic in Europe during World War II, he attended Shepherd. After graduating, he earned a master of fine arts degree from Columbia University and taught art in Baltimore, Maryland, eventually becoming chair of the art department at Western High School and then head of the graphic arts department in the publications bureau of Baltimore City Schools until his retirement in 1982. He coached football at Baltimore City College, John Carroll High School, and Calvert Hall College.

WILLIAM GUTHRIE ’51, of Martinsburg, died November 2, 2011. He had been employed in Washington, D.C., for many years before retiring to his family home in Martinsburg.

HARRY REED JENKINS, JR. ’52, of Middletown, Maryland, died September 8, 2011. After graduating from Shepherd, he earned an M.S. from the University of Maryland in 1954 and an M.S. in education from Shippensburg University in 1969. He also attended Rutgers University and University of Richmond. He taught at Middletown High School from 1954 until 1982.

RICHARD NAYLOR “DICK” SMITH ’53, of Inwood, died September 1, 2011. He received a B.S. and a B.A. in secondary education from Shepherd after serving in the U.S. Army in France and Germany during World War II. He retired in 1989 after a career as the head the U.S. Office of Weights and Measures, where he wrote the handbook for uniform systems of weights and measures and taught the new government standards to inspectors in all 50 states.

HARRY G. BARKER JR. ’56, of Charles Town, died October 9, 2011. While at Shepherd, he excelled in baseball and basketball and was inducted in the Athletic Hall of Fame in 2002. He retired from the Jefferson County Board of Education after serving as a biology teacher, head baseball coach, assistant basketball coach, and assistant football coach at Charles Town High School and as a biology and mathematics teacher, assistant principal, athletic director, head football coach, head basketball coach, and track coach at Charles Town Junior High. In 1994 the Charles Town Junior High gymnassium was named the Barker Center in honor of his outstanding coaching career. He served in the 1092nd Engineer Combat Battalion in Chonow, Korea, from 1950 to 1953.

ROBERT H. CAMPBELL, JR. ’61, of Glen Allen, Virginia, died May 8, 2011. He served in the U.S. Army’s first guided missile program, was a Korean War veteran, and was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant. After the Army, he received an economics degree from Shepherd, where he lettered in baseball. He also graduated from banking schools at the University of Virginia and Louisiana State University. He worked almost 40 years in banking, starting as a teller and working as a branch manager, loan officer, and president. He retired from Wachovia as a senior vice president and member of the board of directors.

KENNETH ROGER HITE ’65, of Martinsburg, died October 28, 2011. He was a graduate of Shepherd and West Virginia University. He retired from Jefferson County Schools as a mathematics teacher in 2004, and had previously coached football and track at Shepherdstown High School and coached basketball at Shepherdstown Junior High School.

ROBERT T. “TOM” MALCOLM, JR. ’66, of Lake Frederick, Virginia, died August 30, 2011. He was the superintendent of Frederick County Schools from 1989 to 1998, after serving for a quarter century as a teacher, principal, middle school general supervisor, and assistant superintendent in the county school system. After retiring in 1998, he became the human resources director at Shockey Companies until 2009.

DAVID L. WILSON ’67, of Shepherdstown, died November 24, 2011. He was a music teacher and director of bands at Charles Town Junior High School from 1967 to 1972 and instrumental music teacher and director of bands at Jefferson High School from 1973 to 1998. At Shepherd, he was president of Sigma Chi Chapter of Phi Sigma Epsilon fraternity. He earned a master’s degree in speech communication from West Virginia University in 1979.

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in school history to receive the honor.

Patrick Rinard has been appointed general manager at the new Hampton Inn and Suites in Charles Town. He directs and oversees the hotel’s operations including guest services, sales, and human resources administration. Previously, Patrick was the general manager of the Hampton Inn, Martinsburg.

’08
Emily Horne is a communications associate at Partnership for Nonprofit Excellence, Richmond, Virginia. Her nonprofit experience includes volunteering for Leadership Fairfax, Lead Virginia, and the Loudoun Equine Rescue League.

Catherine Wilkes has joined the law firm of Bowles Rice McDavid Graff & Love. Catherine simultaneously received a master of business administration degree and a law degree from West Virginia University in 2011. She is an associate with the firm’s tax team in the Martinsburg office.

’10
Allison Speaker, of Shepherdstown, was named the 2011 United States Cherry Blossom Queen by the National Conference of State Societies (NCSS). Allison is the first princess to be crowned from West Virginia in the program’s 63-year history. She is currently a candidate for a master’s degree in public policy at American University, Washington, D.C. While at Shepherd, Allison was active on campus and in her local community, serving as a member of the Dean’s Student Advisory Council, the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, and president of the University’s chapter of the sorority Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Megan Graf is the program facilitator and volunteer coordinator for Project HEALTH, Helping Every American Learn to Be Healthy, a part of the Sports 4 All Foundation in Nashville, Tennessee.

Correction: Jeff Hedges is a member of the class of 1969, not 1965 as listed in the fall 2011 Class Notes.

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David Warren “Skip” Gardee ’69, of Spring Hill, Tennessee, died November 27, 2011. He was a medical contract administrator in Maryland’s Division of Corrections for more than 30 years, retiring in 2001. He served as the senior director of marketing for Corizion Health from 2001 to 2011.

Lt. Col. Francis L. “Speed” Desirant ’77, of Frederick, Maryland, died April 11, 2011. He was a retired Marine Corps lieutenant colonel and was employed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (N.I.S.T.). He played football while attending Shepherd.

James “Mike” Robertson ’91, of Charles Town, died August 15, 2011. He was employed at Dixie-Narco, and later earned his nursing degree from Shepherd University. He worked at Jefferson Memorial Hospital as a nurse for many years before working at Kohl’s in Ranson.

Dona Smallwood Ashton ’93, of Martinsburg, died December 16, 2011. She was a kindergarten teacher at Bedington Elementary School in Berkeley County.

April Annette Smith ’07, of Winchester, Virginia, died July 17, 2011. She was a registered nurse at INOVA Hospital in Leesburg, Virginia.

Brandy Rochelle Obsini ’11, of Inwood, died September 11, 2011. She was an insurance agent with State Farm Insurance. A longtime member of 4-H, she was active in showing animals at the youth fair and was named Miss Berkeley County Youth Fair Queen in 2008.

Dr. James E. Pantle, professor emeritus of music, died January 4, 2012. He taught at Shepherd from 1969 to 2005. He was one of five founders of the Millbrook Orchestra of Shepherdstown.

Dr. John Robert Popenkus, of Frederick, Maryland, died October 28, 2011. He had served as an associate professor of education at Shepherd.

Weddings and Engagements

Cara DeWitt ’07 married Noah Hurst on May 29, 2011 in Frederick, Maryland. Ashley Portrey ’06 was a member of the wedding party. Shepherd alumni attending were Catherine Daniel ’06, Anna Lafferre ’06, Genele Botje ’07, Melissa McCabe ’05, Erienne Maczuzak ’08, Judy Rata ’08, Kris Rata ’07, Genny Miller ’04, Kevin Miller ’05, and Linda DeWitt ’93.

Brittany Rachelle Michael ’08 is engaged to marry Seth Daniel Eby ’12 on July 14 in Greencastle, Pennsylvania.

Andrea Diehl ’10 and Jacob Ornordoff ’11 were married July 17, 2011 at the Purple Iris at Hartwood in Martinsburg. The bride is the daughter of David ’83 and Gina Fargo Diehl ’81. The bride’s grandfather is the late Dr. John Diehl, who taught chemistry at Shepherd from 1965 to 1991. Alumni in the wedding party included Kellie Wagner ’10, Mary Power ’10, and Patrick McClain ’11. Jacob, who is working on his master’s degree in sport and health science, is employed at Belmont Country Club in Leesburg, Virginia, and Gold’s Gym, Charles Town. Andrea is working on her master’s degree in management with a concentration in organizational leadership.

Faculty, staff honored by Alumni Association

The Alumni Association, in partnership with the Office of Advancement, hosted a fall faculty and staff appreciation event, attended by more than 150 employees. The event recognizes the contributions made by this dedicated group of employees—and donors—to Shepherd throughout the year.
The Shepherd University Alumni Association elected five new members to its board of directors in 2011. Those named to the board are William “Bill” Baker ’88 (B.S., business administration), Gina Michele Miller ’10 (R.B.A.), Francine Phillips ’82 (B.S., business administration), Kevin Starliper ’91 (B.S., business administration), Alfred L. “Al” Young ’89 (B.S., hotel-motel and restaurant management), and Tracy Zullo ’95 (B.S., business administration).

Bill Baker is the senior director of communications for the Recreation Vehicle Industry Association (RVIA), managing industry and member communications for the trade group. He also has held other media relations and government affairs positions at RVIA and served as marketing director for the accounting firm Yount, Hyde & Barbour. He and his wife Cathy ’89 reside in Shepherdstown.

Gina Miller is vice president/CFO of Millers Electric Company, Inc., and an appraiser apprentice with Waldeck Appraisal Company. She is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, United Way, CASA of the Eastern Panhandle, American Cancer Society, and Gateway Foundation and serves as a volunteer and committee member for the Boys and Girls Club, March of Dimes, Make A Wish, and Hospice capital campaign. Gina earned a master’s degree in strategic leadership in 2012 from Mountain State University.

Francine Phillips is an adjunct professor at Shepherd and Blue Ridge Community and Technical College and a criminal defense lawyer with the Public Defender Corporation in Martinsburg. She earned an M.B.A. from Shippensburg University in 1984 and a J.D. from West Virginia University College of Law in 1996. She was admitted to the West Virginia Bar in 1996. Francine serves as a member of the Shepherdstown Council, Planning Commission, and Board of Appeals and served on the board of directors of the Shenandoah Women’s Center.

Kevin Starliper is senior vice president/chief lending officer at CNB Bank, Inc., where he has worked for the past 10 years. Kevin, a McMurran Scholar, earned his M.B.A. from Frostburg State University and is a graduate of the West Virginia School of Banking and the Stonier Graduate School of Banking. Kevin has served on the board of directors for the Boys and Girls Club, the American Red Cross, and the Eastern Panhandle Home Builders Association and is a 1995 graduate of Leadership Berkeley. In addition to serving on the Chamber’s board of directors, he is president of the Berkeley County Development Authority.

Al Young is executive vice president and chief operating officer of LaSalle Hotel Properties, a position he has held since 2009. From 2000 until mid-2007, he worked for the company as an asset manager and later as vice president of acquisitions. From 2007 to 2009, Al was managing director-hospitality for Caribbean Property Group, a diversified real estate company with a focus on investing in hotels, commercial office, and retail properties throughout Central America and the Caribbean. He received an M.B.A. from George Mason University.

Tracy Zullo is the first vice president-investments and senior member of the Zullo Investment Group of Wells Fargo Advisors. He joined the firm in 2004. Tracy was recognized by the Northeast Pennsylvania Business Journal as a Top 20 under 40 Business Professional in December 2007. This honor is awarded to business owners and senior-level company officials who have displayed key decision-making leadership in a business or organization.
**New Arrivals**

**Henry T. Bono ’96** and wife Glenda, a son, David Valentino, born June 22, 2011. He joins older brother Henry Todd III.

**Kari A. Smith ’99** and wife Lauren, a daughter, Adalyn Lily, born September 30, 2011. She joins big sister Lyla.

**LeighAnn McCausland Oliger ’01** and husband Ed, a son, Dillon LeDrew, born April 23, 2010. He joins big sister McAllister.

**Robert Riggelman ’04** and **Alicia Halterman Riggelman ’05**, a son, Brycen David, born October 5, 2011. The family resides in Inwood.

**Charles Allen Drummond ’05** and wife Ginny, a daughter, Addison Lynn, born April 23, 2011.

**Rachael Pessolano Mullan ’06** and **Christopher Mullan ’05**, a son, Joshua Derek, born November 23, 2010 at 6:20 p.m. He weighed 8 lbs. 5 oz. and was 22 inches long. Joshua joins big sister Ava, 2.

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Visit ShepConnect today to renew your membership to the Shepherd University Alumni Association (SUAA) and take advantage of the changes and opportunities being offered this year, including new additions to the member benefits, the new exclusive SUAA logo, and a new SUAA member card that alumni can show with pride.

Being a member of the Alumni Association is a way for you to have an impact on Shepherd. Your dues help support great traditions such as Homecoming, Athletic Hall of Fame, and Emeritus Club. A strong Alumni Association helps all alumni maintain that special connection they have with Shepherd even when they’re away from campus. Through its programs and activities, the SUAA is committed to connecting all alumni to Shepherd and to each other.

For a list of member benefits, to reconnect with old friends, and for volunteer opportunities, please visit [shepconnect.shepherd.edu](http://shepconnect.shepherd.edu). If you have not already registered, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations to receive your constituent ID.

Check [shepconnect.shepherd.edu](http://shepconnect.shepherd.edu) for upcoming spring events including Gridiron Spring Picnic, April 14; Emeritus Club, May 3; SWAA Golf Outing, May 15; and Shepherd Day at Camden Yards, May 18. ➔

**Alumni Association hosts 20th annual golf tournament**

The 20th Annual Alumni Association Golf Tournament was held Friday, October 21, 2011 at Cress Creek Country Club in Shepherdstown. Opening remarks were made by Shepherd University President Suzanne Shipley; B.J. Pumroy, athletic director, and **Scott Bradford Doelman ’95**, Alumni Association president.

This year’s first place team (gross) included **Justin Hockman ’07**, **Mike Hockman ’78**, Bryan Snow ’07, and **Spencer Byrd ’07**. Placing first as the net team were **Mick Lordan ’89**, **Mike Meoli ’87**, **Steve Denton ’88**, and **Brian Carter ’87**. Closest to the hole winners were **James Deaver ’77** and **Mike Hockman ’78**. Longest drive winners were **Gina Miller ’10** and Kirk Waldeck.

The Alumni Association would like to thank the following sponsors for making this year’s tournament a success: Valley Proteins, Inc., Golden Ram level; Jefferson Security Bank and Dr. Pepper Bottling, Co., Pillar level; Yount, Hyde, and Barbour, P.C., Cornerstone level; and Chick-Fil-A, Jefferson Distributing, Co., and J.C.W. Company, Inc., Eagle level. ➔

**This Paper Ship studio**

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lowing the tsunami that hit in March 2011. Having recently started working full time in the studio, they now had more time to dedicate to personal illustration projects, and they wanted to do something to support relief efforts. The prints raised $2,000 for the American Red Cross and were featured on the Etsy blog. One of the designs was picked up by Mitsubachi Tote in Tokyo and put on canvas tote bags.

“It’s a really meaningful thing for us—we see it as a pivotal point in our studio,” said Ashley. “It’s a sign of when This Paper Ship began to be a little more recognized and prominent in the design industry.”

Joel said that designing and receiving a good response on the Japan posters marked the beginning of what they are trying to accomplish with their studio.

“We’re not just creating for ourselves but doing what we can to give back in small ways,” Joel said.

Ashley said that they were definitely not expecting to start their own business so soon after college.

“A year ago, we would have wished we did have the experience of working for a firm and having the financial security,” said Ashley. “I don’t think we’d say that as much anymore. We’re starting to get a sense that it happened for a reason; we learned more by being forced into the field and scraping by.”

“Everything we have learned in the field has been relative,” said Ashley. “I don’t think we’d say that as much anymore. We’re making the same decisions we’ve made up to now. We wouldn’t have gotten this many experiences working for a firm; we’ve learned the nuts and bolts of running a firm by doing everything ourselves.”

Ashley said that in the first year and a half of business, their main product was wedding invitations.

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Formed Shepherd soccer players who played under Coach Mike Doran reunited on campus during Homecoming 2011 to announce the establishment of the Mike Doran Scholarship to benefit the men’s soccer program.

Doran came to Shepherd in 1989 from Purcellville, Virginia, at which point he took charge of a fledgling group of young men who had visions of soccer greatness, but very little direction. He was hired by then-athletic director Mike Jacobs, who maintained a soft spot for the ambitious group of would-be athletes, and knew that if they could get the proper guidance, and even a little funding, well, who could say what might happen?

Doran’s track record spoke for itself—he had a stellar coaching career with youth soccer which extended over two decades in both England and the U.S., and he held national coaching licenses for both countries. Impossible to overlook, as well, was his playing career, which drew on nearly 25 years of action in Ireland (his homeland), England, the Middle East, and the U.S. He played on three national championship teams in 1969, 1970, and 1971, in addition to being an All-London selection from 1969-1973 and a member of the Great Britain All-Star team in 1972. But more than all of that, he was simply the right man for the job, and Jacobs could tell a perfect fit when he saw one.

The early years were full of “lumps,” as Doran often referred to them. He’d inherited a somewhat haphazard club program that would still have to fund itself for the first couple of years. Shepherd faced a schedule chock-full of talented soccer programs throughout West Virginia and the Mid-Atlantic region. His philosophy was simple: “We might lose, but we’ll be better for it.” And he was right. Each year, the losses were a little less lopsided, and the win column even began to show signs of life. By 1996 the Division II Shepherd men’s soccer team was atop the WVIAC. Along the way, the journey vibrated in the wake of great battles and gritty rites of passage, as well as the echoes of Doran’s unforgettable nomenclature and well-timed allegory.

Doran coached one more season after 1996, and then took some time away to reflect on his life and career—one, at this point, festooned with accolades. In 2001, he and his wife retired to Florida. There he, inevitably, continued to mentor young players, albeit more casually, until discovering a second life of sorts as a dedicated kayak enthusiast and fisherman with a whole new playground—the Everglades.

Doran was recognized on October 21, 2011 in front of many former players and their families. Doran looked back on his near-decade at Shepherd and said, “Without the efforts of many of the faces in this crowd, there might not even be a program here today. You men were the pioneers—and without the help of certain individuals, like Dr. Jacobs here, the program may have never gotten off the ground to begin with.”

The afternoon found Doran giving one more speech—this time to the 2011 Shepherd men’s soccer team before they took to the pitch for their match against Charleston. He gave a brief history of the program, as well as encouragement for the future. He also delivered one of his two most beloved expressions: “Men, remember those that came before you; without their efforts—no matter the results—you wouldn’t be here.” The other one? “Leave the place a little better than you found it.”

To donate to the Mike Doran Scholarship, mail a check to the Shepherd University Foundation, P.O. Box 5000, Shepherdstown, WV 25443-5000. Checks should be made payable to the Shepherd University Foundation; please note Mike Doran Scholarship in the memo line.

For more information about the scholarship, please contact Aaron Ryan at aryan@shepherd.edu or 304-876-5527.

Mike Chalmers

Former Shepherd soccer players are shown with Coach Mike Doran (center, green jacket) at a reception honoring Doran during Homecoming 2011. A scholarship, the Mike Doran Scholarship, has been established by the players and will benefit the men’s soccer program.
The Athletic Hall of Fame inducted four new members during the annual banquet held at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center, Shepherdstown, on September 16, 2011.

Above: The 26th induction class included (l. to r.) Darren Iden ’88 (tennis), Mark Brower ’84 (football), Adam Straskulic ’01 (baseball), and Tara Saville ’95 (volleyball).

Left: Also honored was Jen Spataro-Wilson, who was awarded the Hall of Fame medallion for her dedication to the Hall of Fame during her time at Shepherd as the assistant director of alumni relations and annual fund (2004-07). Chip Ransom ’86, sports information director, presented the award.
Football finishes at 9-2; 19 Rams gain All-WVIAC honors

Shepherd, ranked 21st in the final regular season AFCA poll, finished the season with a 9-2 overall mark with a 6-2 record in conference play. Nineteen members of the Shepherd football team were named to the 2011 All-WVIAC team.

First Team Honors
Senior cornerback Elijah Davis, Silver Spring, Maryland; senior kicker Eric Dobratz, Woodbridge, Virginia; senior offensive tackle Steve Jackson, Madison Heights, Virginia; sophomore defensive end Howard Jones, Woodbridge, Virginia; and junior free safety Corey Washington, Alexandria, Virginia, were accorded first team honors.

Davis, a two-time WVIAC Player of the Week selection this season, led the Rams with six interceptions and tied an NCAA II record with four touchdowns on interception returns. His 283 interception return yards also set a new Shepherd single season record. He also had 35 tackles (26 solo), a team-high eight pass breakups, and a fumble recovery. Dobratz led the Rams in scoring with 99 points this season, led the Rams with 23.5 tackles-for-loss (23.5) and 12 sacks. His 23.5 tackles-for-loss and one sack. Parrish also added four pass breakups.

Jackson keyed an offensive line that helped Shepherd rank third nationally in scoring offense.

Jones recorded 31 tackles with 28 solo stops. He led the Rams with 23.5 tackles-for-loss and 12 sacks. His 23.5 tackles-for-loss for minus 128 established a new Shepherd single season record. He also added three forced fumbles and two blocked kicks.

Washington led the Rams in tackles with 57 and tied for the team lead in solo stops with 39. He had 3.5 tackles-for-loss. Washington added six pass breakups, three interceptions, a forced fumble, and a blocked kick.

Coach Monte Cater honored for 25 years

During the 2011 season, Shepherd University honored football coach Monte Cater for his 25 years of dedication to Shepherd. All of Coach Cater’s WVIAC Championship teams were invited back and honored during the final home game. Following the October 15 game against West Liberty, all fans were invited to a celebration at Ram Stadium on the plaza where Coach Cater met with fans, players, and coaches.

A scholarship was established in honor of Coach Cater’s quarter century of coaching at Shepherd. To make a gift to the Monte Cater Silver Anniversary Endowment, please contact Aaron Ryan at ary@shepherd.edu or 304-876-5327.

Second Team Honors
Senior running back Tommy Addison, Germantown, Maryland; junior tight end John Frick, Greencastle, Pennsylvania; sophomore defensive tackle Robert Hayes, Sterling, Virginia; senior offensive lineman Carl McIntyre, Dayton, Virginia; senior wide receiver Nikkolai Norrell, Richmond, Virginia; junior linebacker A.J. Parrish, Madison Heights, Virginia; senior center Josh Spring, Lovettsville, Virginia; and sophomore running back Kenny Williams, Elgin, Illinois, gained second team accolades.

Addison rushed 158 times for 946 yards with 10 touchdowns. He rushed for 100 yards or more in five games this season. Addison (20) is one of only four players in program history to rush for 100 yards or more in at least 20 games.

Hayes recorded 37 tackles with 25 solo stops. He had 16 tackles-for-loss (-26) with six sacks (-25).

Frick had 16 receptions for 296 yards. His four touchdown receptions tied for the team lead.

McIntyre and Spring, both four-year starters for the Rams, keyed the stellar offensive play for the Rams.

Norrell led the Rams in receptions (43) and receiving yards (580). His three touchdown grabs were tied for third on the team.

Parrish recorded 51 tackles with 33 solos. He had 5.5 tackles-for-loss and one sack. Parrish also added four pass breakups.

Williams rushed 141 times for 842 yards and a team-best 14 touchdowns this season. He rushed for 100 yards or more in a pair of games this year.

Junior quarterback Bobby Cooper, Davidsonville, Maryland; sophomore linebacker Dominique Dixon, Westover; sophomore defensive lineman Mike Franklin, Elkridge, Maryland; senior outside linebacker Chris Patton, Mt. Airy, Maryland; sophomore kick returner DJ Scott, Frederick, Maryland; and senior outside linebacker Dominick Tolson, Forestville, Maryland, were named to the special honorable mention team.

Cooper completed 172-of-264 passes for 2,161 yards and 16 touchdowns on the year. He became only the second Shepherd quarterback (Chad Broadwater, 1995) to throw for more than 2,000 yards as a first-year starter.

Dixon registered 39 tackles with 30 solos stops. He had 8.5 tackles-for-loss and a pair of sacks. Dixon had an interception return for a touchdown, a forced fumble, and a pass breakup.

Franklin was second on the team in tackles with 54 (39 solo). He had 14.5 tackles-for-loss (-47) and four sacks (-17). Franklin added a pass breakup.

Patton recorded 38 tackles with 29 solo stops. He had 4.5 tackles-for-loss (-10). Patton added four pass breakups and a fumble recovery.

Scott had 16 punt returns for 215 yards for a 13.4 average. He returned two for touchdowns. Scott also had a team-best 27.0 kickoff return average with four returns for 108 yards.

Tolson made an immediate impact as a transfer from St. Pauls. He was fourth on the team in tackles with 46 tackles (35 solo). He had two tackles-for-loss and a sack. Tolson added three pass breakups, an interception, a fumble recovery, and a blocked kick.

Chip Ransom
Fall sports roundup

Men’s Soccer
Shepherd finished the year with a 6-10-1 overall mark with a 3-6-0 record in conference play.

Five Rams were named to the 2011 All-WVIAC Men’s Soccer Team. Junior forward Shane Lowery, Boonsboro, Maryland, and senior goalkeeper Edgar Lopez Zuniga, Rockville, Maryland, were second team selections, while senior defender Chad Vargo, Wellsburg, sophomore defender Griffin Frazier, Prince Frederick, Maryland, and sophomore midfielder Kevin Doyle, Leesburg, Virginia, gained honorable mention honors.

Lowery led the Rams in scoring with eight goals and two assists for 18 points. He had a pair of game-winning goals and was named WVIAC Player of the Week in September after scoring a pair of goals in a win over Concord and netting the game-winning goal in a victory over Washington Adventist.

Lopez Zuniga recorded 77 saves and had 1.60 goals against average. He posted four shutout efforts on the year.

Vargo keyed a defense that posted four shutouts and allowed only one goal in four other games.

Frazier, also a key defender for the Rams, recorded one goal on the year—an unassisted tally in Shepherd’s 1-0 win over Seton Hill.

Doyle, the team’s second-leading scorer, had six goals and one assist for 13 points. He had a pair of game-winning goals on the season.

Women’s Soccer
The Rams finished the season with an 8-8-2 overall mark with a 5-2-2 record in conference play. Shepherd hosted a home playoff game for the first time since 2007 and its third place conference finish tied for the best mark in program history. The team had seven players gain All-WVIAC honors.

Senior midfielder Brianna Hines, Woodbridge, Virginia, earned first team honors. Freshman forward Kelsey J. Smith, York, Pennsylvania, and sophomore defender Kelsey Eagan, Baltimore, Maryland, were second team choices, while sophomore forward Morgan Gabriel, Egg Harbor City, New Jersey, freshmen middelfielders Kasey Canterbury, Berryville, Virginia, and Lexi Vondrak, Harrisonburg, Virginia, along with freshman defender Kelsey N. Smith, Hagerstown, Maryland, were honorable mention selections.

Hines, who is a two-time Second Team All-WVIAC choice, gained first team honors for the first time in her career. She tallied three goals and three assists for the Rams this season.

Kelsey J. Smith led the Rams in scoring with seven goals and an assist for 15 points.

Eagan, who had a goal and an assist on the season, helped anchor a Shepherd defense that recorded five shutouts on the year.

Gabriel was second on the team in goals (6) and points (13). She gained WVIAC Player of the Week honors in October after scoring the game-winning goal in Shepherd’s 2-1 win over Davis and Elkins.

Canterbury had a pair of assists on the year for the Rams, while Vondrak tallied a goal and team-high four assists. Kelsey N. Smith, also a key defender, recorded two goals and an assist for five points.

Volleyball
The Rams posted a 19-16 overall mark and a 9-5 record in conference play. Shepherd advanced to the conference tournament semifinals before falling to eventual champion Wheeling Jesuit. A trio of Rams gained All-WVIAC honors.

Sophomore middle hitter Meg Kenny, Lynchburg, Virginia, gained first team honors; sophomore right side/middle hitter Melani Lewis, Bay Shore, New York, earned second team accolades; and junior outside hitter Lauren Gardner, Clarkston, Michigan, was an honorable mention selection.

Kenny led the Rams in kills (280), kills per set (2.46), and attack percentage (.308). She added 79 blocks, 85 digs, 25 aces, and four assists.

Lewis paced the Rams in blocks (97), block solos (26), and blocks per set (0.81). She added 231 kills, 37 digs, 11 assists, and six aces.

Gardner led the team in digs (327). She added 242 kills, 35 blocks, 25 assists, and 23 aces.

Lewis and senior setter Lauren Jeschelnik, Huntingtown, Maryland, were named to the All-WVIAC Tournament team.

Women’s Tennis
The Rams recorded a 12-7 overall record and a 6-3 mark in conference action. The Rams advanced to the conference tournament semifinals before falling to eventual champion University of Charleston.

Senior Brittany Bolster, Eldersburg, Maryland, was named to the 2011 All-WVIAC team.

Men’s Golf
The Rams placed 10th at the WVIAC Championship. The Rams also had a 10th place finish at the WVIAC Northern Regional.
Athletics

Elijah Davis gains First Team Daktronics All-American Honors

Senior cornerback Elijah Davis, Silver Spring, Maryland, a member of the Shepherd University football team, was selected to the 2011 Daktronics All-America Team. Davis is the first Ram to gain First Team Daktronics All-American Honors since Deante Steele in 2008.

Davis, a two-time WVIAC Player of the Week selection this season, led the Rams with six interceptions and tied an NCAA II record with four touchdowns on interception returns. His 283 interception return yards also set a new Shepherd single season record. Davis, who recently played in the D2 vs NAIA Senior Bowl, also had 35 tackles (26 solo), a team-high eight pass breakups, and a fumble recovery.

Davis helped lead the Rams to a 9-2 overall mark. Davis keyed a Shepherd defense that was ranked first nationally in total defense (254.64), first in rushing defense (63.91), and third in tackles-for-loss (9.73).

Rams football golf outing raises $5k

The Shepherd football team held its annual Rams Golf Tournament at the Maryland National Golf Club in Middletown, Maryland, on July 15, 2011.

Steve D’Antuono ’82, of Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, was the title sponsor of the event which raised nearly $5,000 to benefit the Shepherd football program. More than 130 Ram alumni and friends participated in the event. For more information about the upcoming Rams Golf Tournament on July 13, please contact Coach Ernie McCook at emccook@shepherd.edu or 304-671-1281 or Aaron Ryan at aryan@shepherd.edu or 304-876-5527.

Lowery named to NSCAA All-Region team

Junior forward Shane Lowery, Boonsboro, Maryland, a member of the Shepherd University men’s soccer team, was named to the 2011 NSCAA Division II All-Atlantic Region team.

Lowery, a third team selection, led the Rams in scoring with eight goals and two assists for 18 points. He had a pair of game-winning goals and was named WVIAC Player of the Week in September after scoring a pair of goals in a win over Concord and netting the game-winning goal in a victory over Washington Adventist.

Shepherd finished the 2011 campaign with a 6-10-1 overall record with a 3-6-0 mark in conference play.
Lindsay Russell, Shannon Carta honored by USA College Lacrosse

Senior defender/midfielder Lindsay Russell, Emmitsburg, Maryland, and freshman attack Shannon Carta, Davidsonville, Maryland, were honored by USA College Lacrosse for the 2011 season. Russell was named a third team All-American selection, while Carta was named to the All-American Rookie Team.

Russell appeared in 14 games with 12 starts. The anchor of defense for the Rams, she recorded two goals and an assist. Russell added 30 ground balls and five draw controls.

Carta led the Rams in goals (56) and was second in points (68). Her 12 assists were third on the team. Carta also was second on the team in draw controls (47) and ties for the team lead with three game-winning goals.

Shepherd posted an 8-7 overall mark and was ranked 20th in the 2011 USA Lacrosse Final Top 20 Poll.

Golf tournament raises $7.5k for men’s basketball scholarship fund

The Big Horn Club Corporate Challenge Golf Tournament was held on Monday, August 29, 2011 at Cress Creek Country Club in Shepherdstown. The event raised $7,500 for the Shepherd Men’s Basketball Scholarship Fund.

Sponsors for this year’s event included United Bank; Cress Creek, Home Hill Corporation, Holtzman Propane, and Whale of a Wash, lunch and dinner sponsors; and Jefferson Distributing and Shepherd University, beverage sponsors.

The winning corporation team was Jefferson Security Bank, which consisted of Keith McCall, Chuck Ingram, Steve Morris, and Cliff Smith. The winning foursome received two season tickets, four tickets to the spring awards banquet, a basketball signed by the 2011-12 Rams, four golf polo shirts, four gift certificates to the pro shop at Cress Creek, and the name Jefferson Security Bank printed on a banner which was hung in the Butcher Center. The winning team was presented with the Big Horn Trophy during a reception on February 4.

The second place team was Clarion Hotel and Conference Center, which consisted of Ken Lowe ’71, Tripp Lowe ’95 and ’97, Fred Parsons, and Kirk Waldeck. They received two tickets to the spring awards banquet and four gift certificates to the pro shop at Cress Creek.

This year’s tournament will be held on August 27. For more information, please contact Hank Walter at 304-676-7500 or hwalter@frontiernet.net or head men’s basketball coach Justin Namolik at 304-876-5264 or jnamolik@shepherd.edu.

Four Rams garner All-Region honors

Four members of the Shepherd football team were named to the 2011 Daktronics, Inc. All-Super Region 1 team as selected by the region’s sports information directors. Senior cornerback Elijah Davis, Silver Spring, Maryland, was a first team selection, while senior kicker Eric Dobratz, Woodbridge, Virginia; senior offensive lineman Steve Jackson, Madison Heights, Virginia; and sophomore defensive lineman Howard Jones, Woodbridge, Virginia, were second team selections.
Faculty excellence awards inspire and affirm

Shepherd University donors determine their priorities, goals, and vision for the gifts they wish to make in support of the University. Many donors are motivated to directly assist in the educations of Shepherd students by establishing a scholarship. But for those who wish to focus their charitable efforts on enhancing the institution itself, there are other programs available including the option to create a faculty excellence award.

Faculty excellence awards are used to recruit, recognize, and retain outstanding faculty for Shepherd. Funds from such awards may be designated toward relocation and housing allowances, salary enhancements, research, and academic travel. And as colleges and universities continue to see a decrease in state funding, faculty are forced to rely more and more on private gifts for professional development endeavors that inspire and sustain innovative curriculum.

Dr. Heidi Hanrahan is an assistant professor of English and the 2011 recipient of the Annette Murphy Faculty Excellence Fund in English. Murphy, a prominent businesswoman, community leader, and member of the Shepherd University Foundation’s board of directors, endowed her award out of awareness of the importance in recruiting quality English faculty for students who wish to succeed professionally in the international library market.

For Dr. Hanrahan, research was top priority in utilizing the funds from her award. She used the money, in part, to travel to research libraries in the Washington, D.C., area to complete an article about Edgar Allen Poe’s “The Black Cat.” Additionally, the award helped to fund research for a course and travel practicum she will teach in the spring of 2014 titled American Literature in the Prominence of Place. With plans to focus the course on writers of the American Renaissance, Dr. Hanrahan used her award to fund a trip to Massachusetts for a test run through several important literary landmarks, including the homes and haunts of major 19th-century writers Ralph Waldo Emerson, Emily Dickinson, Louisa May Alcott, and Herman Melville.

While some faculty excellence award winners, like Dr. Hanrahan, focus their efforts exclusively on research, others choose to finance their travel to professional conferences and events. Shepherd University Foundation President Ray Alvarez ’62 and his wife, Mary, established the Ramon A. and Mary E. Alvarez Faculty Excellence Endowment in Business Administration under the belief that one of the most important factors in Shepherd being a premier public liberal arts institution is the excellence of the faculty. And industry conferences, they believe, help facilitate professional growth.

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“The ongoing reaccreditation process by the IACBE and the continued recognition by CHEA are critical for our program to assure our graduates have been provided the opportunity to participate in a high quality business administration program,” said Dr. Galligan.

In addition to the Alvarez award, Dr. Alan MacDonald is a 2011 recipient of the Edward L. Snyder Endowed Chair for Business, established by Michael A. Smith ’89 and Gerald J.J.) Smith in memory of their maternal grandfather. The brothers and co-owners of Winchester-based Valley Proteins, Inc., a longtime corporate benefactor to Shepherd University, endowed the fund to strengthen academic excellence and stimulate the growth of Shepherd’s business program. Mike Smith also serves as a director on the Shepherd University Foundation’s board.

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conferences. “We draw upon our region for inspiration in our teaching,” he said. “But the opportunity to attend national events allows us broader insight into our industry and the opportunity to expand our connections.”

Such connections for faculty include opportunities to present their work or have it published and/or assessed by their peers. From an accreditation standpoint, Dr. Galligan explained that attending conferences also brings to light current issues that similar institutions are experiencing in terms of enrollment and retention. And the benefit of networking opportunities at such events cannot be ignored.

All four professors agree that in addition to enhancing their professional development, being recognized with a faculty excellence award validated the work they do and re-energized their teaching. In Dr. Hanrahan’s case, her work on her article about “The Black Cat” motivated and inspired her to once again teach the story to her students. She also incorporates her own research methods into her classes, which she hopes helps her students define their own. And visiting the dwellings of her literary idols not only provided her a sense of personal fulfillment, it left her eagerly anticipating her return trip in 2014 with her Prominence of Place class.

“My teaching has become less abstract and more specific and real, both for me and for my students,” she said. “Supporting faculty as researchers absolutely makes them better teachers.”

Dr. MacDonald echoed her sentiments. He said the opportunity to attend professional conferences provided a sense of connection and revitalization that transfers to the classroom and allows faculty to use current and contemporary examples in their teaching.

This sense of revitalization in the classroom no doubt benefits students as well. While faculty excellence awards do not directly aid students in the same traditional and financial ways as scholarships, their cumulative effects cannot and should not be overlooked.

“These awards allow students to benefit from greater recognition for Shepherd University and increased quality academic research,” said Dr. Glackin, whose own award did directly aid Shepherd senior Jason Martin by allowing Glackin to assume an interactive role in his advancement as a finalist in the West Virginia State Business Plan Competition.

Dr. Galligan offered a different perspective in her belief that accreditation is an oversight mechanism to the quality of any program. It questions whether students are graduating with the knowledge they need to succeed and validates the education they receive. Therefore, she said that attending IACBE meetings modeled a fundamental lesson she tries to instill in the students who take her Basic Marketing and Principles of Marketing classes—the need to meet certain standards of professionalism in their preparation for professional life.

Fund creators Ray and Mary Alvarez agree. “We believe the faculty excellence program provides a way for alumni and friends to enhance the University’s ability to provide our students with faculty members who can give them the quality education they need to pursue meaningful and rewarding careers,” said Ray Alvarez.

Dr. MacDonald said the benefit of faculty excellence awards for students boils down to a basic business philosophy: if you take care of your staff, they’ll take care of your customers. The connections he’s made at the conferences he attended have proven useful in student placements such as internships, co-ops, and jobs.

Regardless of the benefit to themselves or their students, these faculty excellence award winners are indebted to their benefactor(s) for the investments they have made in the future of Shepherd University. “Their hearts and minds obviously reflect a strong attachment to this institution,” said Dr. MacDonald.

Dr. Galligan expressed a profound gratitude to Ray and Mary Alvarez for their backing of Shepherd’s business administration program. “Their support of the faculty excellence award will serve Shepherd students as a remarkable legacy.”

And it is this sentiment that perhaps best summarizes the overall significance of a gift whose sole purpose is to strengthen the very foundation on which Shepherd University is built.

“If you are interested in establishing an endowed faculty excellence award or endowed chair, please contact Monica Lingenfelter, executive vice president of the Shepherd University Foundation, P.O. Box 5000, Shepherdstown, WV 25443, 304-876-5286, mlingenf@shepherd.edu.
The Shepherd University Foundation announces the establishment of 18 new named scholarship programs and faculty awards which recognize donors for their contributions to Shepherd University or offer them the opportunity to honor or memorialize a loved one. The awards provided through these funds will support the educational future of Shepherd students and assure excellence in teaching.

**Violet Wilt Stewart Scholarship**

Carl Stewart ’58, a retired minister residing in Virginia’s Shenandoah Valley, endowed this scholarship in memory of his beloved late wife, Violet Wilt Stewart, who passed away in early 2011 after 53 years of marriage. The two met as classmates at Shepherd when Violet agreed to attend a fraternity social with Carl as his blind date. The Violet Wilt Stewart Scholarship will be designated for residents of Hardy County, with a preference for members of the 4-H youth development organization. As Shepherd students, Carl and Violet were both members of the Shepherd 4-H Club and the organization remained special to them throughout their life together.

**Monte Cater Silver Anniversary Endowed Football Scholarship**

Renowned for their support of Shepherd athletics, Al ’67 and Sara ’67 Luck established the Monte Cater Silver Anniversary Endowed Football Scholarship in honor of Cater’s 25th anniversary as head coach of the Shepherd University football program. Funds from this endowed scholarship will be used to provide financial assistance to student athletes involved in the football program.

During his tenure, Coach Cater has built an impressive football program considered to be among the best in NCAA Division II football. The Luecks wished to honor Cater’s impressive legacy and feel that his successful tenure as head coach, along with his overall likability and the positive attention he has brought to Shepherd University, will encourage generous contributions to the fund by others.

“This is the time for this scholarship,” said Al. “People like Monte and what he’s done for Shepherd. I see great potential in this scholarship.”

**Karl L. Wolf ’70 creates four deferred endowments**

After graduating from Shepherd with a degree in business administration, Karl L. Wolf ’70 has gone on to serve the University in various capacities of both a professional and civic nature. Currently, he is assistant to the vice president of academic affairs for compliance and athletic issues and a member of the Shepherd University Foundation board of directors. Through a bequest, Karl has now added four new deferred endowments to the ways he supports the institution with which he shares such a long and distinguished history.

**New and Emerging Sports Scholarship**

This scholarship will help recruit and provide financial assistance for athletes participating in new and emerging sports at Shepherd University.

**Lambda Chi Alpha Scholarship**

As the advisor to the local chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha for its entire 36 years at Shepherd University, Karl has seen the chapter initiate more than 500 members who have gone on to lead productive lives as medical, law enforcement, and business professionals. “It’s a very good organization that stresses brotherhood, leadership, scholarship, and community service,” said Karl. The award will be designated for active members of Shepherd’s chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha.

**General Athletics Scholarship**

This scholarship will assist athletes participating in any sport at Shepherd University. It was inspired by a similar award created by the late Dr. James Moler ’30, former president of the Shepherd University Foundation and a popular professor during Karl’s time as a student.

**General Endowment**

Karl created this award as a means of general support for Shepherd University’s programs, facilities, and equipment. “There aren’t as many resources for this type of support,” he said. “I thought it would be nice to provide another source for the University to call upon to meet those types of needs.”
Dr. Robert A. Holmes ’64 honors family members with named scholarships

Robert A. Holmes and Gloria Cary Holmes Scholarship
Dr. Robert A. Holmes ’64 endowed this named scholarship in honor of his wife, Gloria, the “love of my life,” whom he credits for being a wonderful partner and companion. Her love, caring, sharing, encouragement, and support, Bob said, were instrumental in his success in many academic, business, and civic endeavors. Now retired from a 34-year career in the Georgia General Assembly and a 16-year role as the director of the Southern Center for Studies in Public Policy in Atlanta, Georgia, Bob resides with Gloria in Atlanta.

This scholarship established in their names is designed to provide a tangible reflection of their joint legacy in support of Shepherd University. Recipients of the award must be a member of the Stubbs-Washington-Branson family and exhibit an interest in community and public service.

Priscilla L. Holmes and Genevieve Monroe Scholarship
Dr. Robert A. Holmes ’64 endowed this scholarship, in part, to honor his mother, Priscilla Holmes. “She worked hard and sacrificed much in her efforts to raise my brother and me to become successful adults,” said Bob. “This scholarship represents a small token of appreciation for all that she has done to ensure that we would make her proud.”

In addition, the named fund honors his favorite aunt and “second mother,” Genevieve Monroe, who was an integral part of his life from the time he was a toddler through early adulthood. “I established this scholarship in her name to reflect how much she has been responsible for what I have become and what I’ve accomplished,” Bob said.

Marstella Washington and Daniel Stubbs Scholarship
Dr. Robert A. Holmes ’64 established this named fund in honor of his grandmother, Marstella Washington, whom he calls the wisest human being he has ever known. “She instilled fundamental values that provided the guidance I’ve followed throughout my entire adult life,” said Bob. The endowed scholarship is also named for his cousin, Daniel “Uncle Danny” Stubbs whose love, kindness, concern, and belief that Bob would grow up to be someone special encouraged him to set high personal and professional goals and to persevere until they were accomplished.
Development

Guy J. Frank Memorial Faculty Enrichment Fund for Music
Dr. Guy J. Frank served as Shepherd’s chair of the creative arts and music department for 34 years, helping to establish the Frank Center, which was named in his honor. Following his request, his daughter, Meredith R. Frank, endowed a faculty excellence award in his name in order to recruit, recognize, and retain outstanding music faculty. Funds from the award will provide support for travel costs, fees, graduate work, and other expenses related to off-campus professional and developmental activities.

McMurran Scholars Association Scholarship
This annual award was established as part of the 50th anniversary celebration of Shepherd University’s prestigious McMurran Scholar Award in honor of its first recipients, Sandra Osbourn ’62, Garland Ott ’62, and Nicholas Pappas ’63. It is designated for recipients of Shepherd University’s most distinguished honor, the McMurran Scholar Award, who are attending Shepherd University as full- or part-time graduate students. The McMurran Scholars Association welcomes all McMurran Scholars interested in donating their time and talent to the organization. To learn more about how you can become involved, please visit www.shepherd.edu/aaweb/mcmurran/.

Almyra P. Lemen Memorial Scholarship
Although not a Shepherd graduate herself, Almyra Lemen and her family owned a Shepherdstown business. The town and Shepherd University were part of her childhood and family history. Almyra appreciated the value of higher education and chose to honor her family’s legacy with a planned estate gift. The endowed fund will award scholarships for student athletes with preference for those participating in women’s basketball, cheerleading, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis, and volleyball.

Thomas Fehmel Scholarship
Carole and Timothy B. McShea ’80 established this annual scholarship in memory of Tim’s friend and former classmate at Shepherd, Thomas Fehmel, who died tragically at the age of 28. Tim said that Thomas, a former manager of Shepherd’s football team, exemplified the ideals he holds true. “He didn’t look for fame or glory,” said Tim. “He just wanted to work hard and contribute in any way he could.” Tim is a recent addition to the Shepherd University Foundation’s Board of Directors. The THOMAS FEHMEl SCHOLARSHIP is a general education award.

Mary C. Duke Enright Scholarship
An accomplished history teacher in the Montgomery County, Maryland, school system, Mary C. Duke Enright ’36 was a founding member of the Joseph P. McMurran Society. Her love of history and her desire to ensure that talented students have the opportunity to achieve a college degree led her to include a gift in her will to endow this fund. Because of her generosity, financially needy students studying history who carry a 3.0 GPA will be eligible to receive her annual award.

Financial planning professionals provide private scholarships
The certification of Shepherd’s financial planning concentration program and the launch of the Rural Financial Planning Project (RFPP) have resulted in the creation of several awards for students and faculty.

Rob and Mary Logan Hoxton Scholarship for Certified Financial Planning, RFPP
John and Lisa Wolff Scholarship for Certified Financial Planning, RFPP
Financial Planning Association National Capital Area Scholarship, RFPP
Rural Financial Planning Project Fund
The RFPP, led by Shepherdstown’s Rob Hoxton and an advisory board of regional financial planning professionals made up of alumni and friends, is providing mentoring, internships, scholarships for students, and professional development opportunities for faculty. The RFPP mission is to improve the lives of rural Americans through financial literacy and the delivery of financial planning by well-trained, ethical professionals. Several named funds have been created to support Shepherd students and faculty. To learn more about the program, visit www.shepherd.edu/bafcweb/financial-planning/.

Upon first meeting Shepherd University junior Christa Knock, these three words—determined, dedicated, and driven—aren’t necessarily the three words that come to mind. The petite, soft-spoken blonde is polite, congenial, and effervescent—all qualities typical of a young education major hoping to one day become a grade school teacher. However, as she begins to talk about her plans for the future, which include teaching math and continuing to raise livestock in Jefferson County, one quickly recognizes the strength of character this young student possesses.

Christa, who moved to her grandfather’s farm from Northern Virginia when she was four, considers herself a true West Virginian, and more specifically, a true Eastern Panhandler. Inspired to teach by her eighth grade math teacher, Christa has seen the impact that good educators can have on a young mind. But while her own experience was positive, Christa’s younger sister wasn’t as fortunate. Disheartened by the apathy present in some newer generation teachers, Christa has become determined to share her passion of learning with Jefferson County students.

“Money isn’t a motivating factor,” said Christa, acknowledging that she could make a higher salary by teaching in Loudoun County, Virginia. “I won’t be filthy rich, but in the end I’ll be a lot more satisfied knowing I gave back to the community.”

Perhaps this pursuit of self-satisfaction stems from her other love: raising, training, and showing livestock. Although she and her family live on a farm, they weren’t in the business of raising animals. But, while in middle school, Christa inherited her aunt’s brood mare Ebony. Despite the horse’s wild nature, Christa made a vow to tame and train her at all cost. With the help of family friend, mentor, and former Yale equestrian team coach Kirsten Lee, Christa was able to turn Ebony into a grand champion mount. And even more remarkably, she was able to teach her horse how to perform tricks such as hula hooping.

“How many horses do you know that can hula hoop?” Christa asked.

Her love of animals doesn’t stop with her horse, however. After expanding to chickens, heritage turkeys, market goats, and lambs, the tenacious teenager wanted to branch out into a “bigger” market. So, during her senior year, Christa presented her parents with a five-page paper outlining a plan for purchasing a calf. By using her own money and resources, Knock wanted to prove she could be independently responsible for a major livestock undertaking. This “research” presentation was successful: Christa was able to buy and train her first cow.

As dedicated as she is to her animals, however, Christa is equally invested in her education. While the natural instinct might have been to combine the two into a veterinary degree, Christa’s love of children outweighed her desire to make animals a full-time gig. And though she ultimately chose Shepherd University to stay close to her cows and horse, she enumerates the many other benefits of attending.

“Coming to Shepherd allows me to keep close to a support system. It allows me to appreciate what I have in my own backyard,” she said.

Appreciation seems to be a big motivating factor to Christa. Not wanting to place any financial burdens on her parents, she relies on her Promise Scholarship and supplementary Shepherd University Foundation scholarships to fund her education. The recipient of both the Edmund Schley and Lelia Jeanette Moler Hoffmaster Scholarship Fund and the Roy Blake and Beatrice Lentz Shrout Memorial Scholarship, she counts herself fortunate to receive private awards.

“If I didn’t get these scholarships, the rising costs of education would price me out,” she said.
From the Foundation

Foundation honors its presidents past and present
As part of its milestone 50th anniversary celebration, the Shepherd University Foundation dedicated two teak benches in honor of its first president, William “Pappy” Thacher, and its current leader, Ramon A. Alvarez ’62, at its annual meeting on September 15, 2011. The benches flank the front walk of McMurran Hall and bear bronze plaques in recognition of the important roles these leaders have played in the Foundation’s legacy.

Dr. Carol Ann Thacher Van Evera ’64, daughter of the late Professor Thacher, accepted his bench on behalf of her father. Carol’s late mother, Ruth Thacher, also served as a longtime Foundation board member and honorary director. Ray Alvarez and his wife, Mary, who were present for the presentation, were delighted by the surprise unveiling.

While Professor Thacher’s leadership was instrumental in the Foundation’s establishment in 1961, Ray successfully led it through the University’s first comprehensive campaign as both president of the board and vice chair of the Create the Future Campaign. Under his leadership, the Foundation continues to succeed in providing financial support for Shepherd students and faculty.

“As we celebrate our 50th year, I believe it is fitting to honor both Professor Thacher and Ray Alvarez by placing two addi-

Scarborough Society to travel to Spy Museum
The Scarborough Society’s annual bus trip will travel to the International Spy Museum in Washington, D.C., on May 17. The trip will be hosted by former CIA intelligence officers Jonna and Tony Mendez. With 52 years of combined service, the Mendezes both served as the CIA’s Chief of Disguise and are founding board members of the International Spy Museum.

Travelers will explore exhibits including Covers and Legends and School for Spies and learn what it takes to live a “life of lies” as a spy.

Lunch will take place at McCormick & Schmicks restaurant. The bus leaves Shepherd at 8:15 a.m. and returns at 5 p.m.

The annual Scarborough Society bus trip is sponsored by the Scarborough Society and the Shepherd University Foundation. It is open to the public at a cost of $80, which includes lunch and admission to the museum. You may reserve your seat and send your check to Shepherd University Foundation, P.O. Box 5000, Shepherdstown, WV 25443-5000, or contact Phyllis Smock at 304-264-0560. For more information about the Spy Museum, visit www.spymuseum.org/visit.

McMurran Society will hold dinner in April
The Joseph P. McMurran Society will hold its annual dinner reception on Saturday, April 28 at 6 p.m. in the atrium of Erma Ora Byrd Hall on East Campus.

Hosted by President Suzanne Shipley and sponsored by the Shepherd University Foundation, the event honors members of this distinguished society and is open to other alumni and friends who may be interested in providing for the future of Shepherd University with a planned gift or bequest.

The newest McMurran Society members are Dale C. Hicks ’61, Mary Ann Rogers ’60, and Clarence E. and Dolores J. Burdette. For more information about the Joseph P. McMurran Society or the reception, please contact the Foundation at 304-876-5397 or visit www.shepherd.edu and click on Alumni and Friends. Reservations for the event are requested.
Paul and Lisa Welch provide funding to help prepare students for national scholarships

When President Suzanne Shipley suggested some next steps in Shepherd’s journey toward becoming a premier liberal arts university, Lisa and Paul Welch didn’t just listen. They provided funding for two of the initiatives that they felt would raise the level of excellence at the University.

In December 2011, the Welches made a major gift that will support development of a new program to prepare Shepherd students for prestigious scholarships such as the Rhodes and Fulbright awards. In addition, the Welches have provided the funds to explore whether Shepherd University is ready to add graduate study in nursing.

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This August, prepare to don your favorite flapper dress or pair of knickerbockers and dance the night away.

Scarborough Society Gala goes high society

The 11th annual Scarborough Society Gala will be held Friday, August 10 at 6 p.m. at the Bavarian Inn in Shepherdstown. This year’s theme will take attendees back to the Roaring ’20s with The Great Gatsby, F. Scott Fitzgerald’s great American novel of triumph and tragedy noted for its blistering social commentary.

The Bavarian Inn will once again provide the backdrop for this popular event. This year, the Bavarian will offer Gala guests a garden view room at a rate of $95 per night. For reservations call the Bavarian Inn at 304-876-2551.

For more information about the Gala or to receive an invitation, contact the Foundation office at 304-876-5397 or visit the Scarborough Society’s website at www.shepherd.edu/fndtnweb.

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This Paper Ship studio

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“Now it’s shifted completely, and we are doing mainly illustration,” said Ashley. “We’re surprised because we thought it would be a lot further down the road before we’d be calling ourselves illustrators.”

The couple collaborated with the Seattle-based web design company Aeolidia to design its website in January 2011. As a result of their collaboration, Aeolidia asked This Paper Ship to join their illustration team.

“That’s helped us to expand our professional illustration work by being contacted by a larger company,” said Joel.

In March 2011, This Paper Ship was asked to submit designs for an iPhone app called Photograms, created by Timelines, a Chicago company, that allows users to select skins and templates for e-mail. Timelines was one of the company’s first larger business clients after the couple went full time with the studio.

This Paper Ship had illustration work published in a Cincinnati wedding magazine, a highlight in their professional illustration career.

The couple also offers photography services and took photos of Grace Bonney, of the design blog Design*Sponge, during her book tour in Raleigh in October.

This year, the Selbys plan to put their letterpress to work to expand their shop and will be at the National Stationery Show in New York City in May.

“We feel like it’s been good; it’s all part of the plan. We’re starting to feel more confident as we’ve come around the bend and seen tiny bits of recognition,” said Ashley. “This is what we’re supposed to be doing.”

Alums establish careers in New York

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a commercial with Dove which led to her receiving a Screen Actors Guild card.

“I’ve been really blessed with a great career ever since,” said Stephanie.

She said she’s had goals throughout her career. One in particular was to record a car commercial. “It feels like a pretty big deal to beat out a bunch of guys,” said Stephanie.

Since she started her career 10 years ago, she has recorded close to 1,000 commercials for television and radio.

“I hope to continue to have the blessings I’ve had in a highly competitive field,” said Stephanie.

She said she is currently working on a writing project that will be a branch out from what she usually does.

When he arrived in New York, Eric’s first job was at a framing shop in Chelsea, which at the time was an up-and-coming area. Eric said learning about art history and aesthetics, including hands-on experience at Shepherd, has helped him with his career.

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Development

Leave a legacy

When Dr. John “Quincy” Adams ’71 arrived on the campus of Shepherd College in the fall of 1966, the Scarborough Library was celebrating its first full year of operation, Kenamond and Gardiner halls were newly constructed and yet to be named, and West Campus did not even exist. Quincy earned a degree in history and has served at Shepherd as an administrator and faculty member. He currently works in the Center for Teaching and Learning, where he oversees the Washington Gateway Program.

“I would say that Shepherd is in our blood. Sally ’71, our daughter Amy ’04, and I are all Shepherd alumni living in Shepherdstown.” Dr. John “Quincy” Adams ’71

Having spent nearly 46 years on Shepherd’s campus, it was only natural for Quincy and his wife, Sally Zemke Adams ’71, to think about the legacy they planned to leave. Ultimately, they chose to name Shepherd as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy they purchased together, ensuring their support of the University would continue even after they were gone.

“I would say that Shepherd is in our blood,” said Quincy. “Sally, our daughter Amy ’04, and I are all Shepherd alumni living in Shepherdstown. Like other alumni who live in the area, our family enjoys community life and a continued affiliation with Shepherd. So, this gift was natural for us.”

Funds from the policy will support the Washington Gateway Program Endowed Scholarship, an award Quincy helped establish in 2009. Residents of West Virginia’s Eastern Panhandle enjoy a small town environment that happens to lie within close proximity to Washington, D.C. Shepherd University recognizes and enthusiastically accepts the opportunity to take advantage of this prime location by serving as a gateway to D.C.’s thriving metropolitan area. Since 1991, the Washington Gateway Program has provided students and community members alike with academic, cultural, and career experiences, both on campus and in the political and information capital of our nation.

A cornerstone of the Gateway endeavor is the annual Junior High Washington Gateway Academy, a camp hosted by faculty, staff, and students for promising middle school students who wish to plan and prepare for college. Held on Shepherd’s campus each summer, the weeklong residential program explores such issues as self-esteem and self-worth, goals and career choices, and academic excellence.

Of his and Sally’s legacy, Quincy said, “We hope our gift will help the Washington Gateway Program grow toward its goal of offering scholarships to Shepherd students who participated in the Washington Gateway Academy.”

If you would like to establish your own legacy with Shepherd University through a planned gift, contact Monica Lingenfelter, executive vice president of the Shepherd University Foundation at 304-876-5397 or mlingenf@shepherd.edu.}

Determined, dedicated, driven

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out of being able to attend school and continue to raise my animals,” she said.

As it stands, money isn’t the only obstacle Christa faces in achieving all of her goals. Having to miss the first week of classes to show her animals at the fair, the junior fully admits that some of her professors aren’t as supportive of her extracurricular activities as she would like. For some, though, it has created a closer bond and more positive educational experience.

“Some of my teachers want to know all about my animals and how I show them,” said Christa. “They’ve tried to incorporate that into my learning.”

This combination of education and passion for animals has carried into Christa’s own instructing methods. Her family generously loaned Shepherdstown Elementary School its menagerie for a farm day experience. Likewise, Christa has begun bringing chicken eggs and other common farm objects into the kindergarten classroom where she’s student teaching.

“You’d be surprised how little these kids know about agriculture and livestock,” she said. “If I can help them learn by teaching them what I love, I’ll consider that a success.”

And after just an hour’s conversation with her, there seems to be little doubt that Christa Knock is well on her way to successfully enriching the lives of Jefferson County’s school children.

For more information on how you can create a named fund to help students like Christa achieve their dreams, contact the Shepherd University Foundation at 304-876-5397 or mlingenf@shepherd.edu.

⇒ Kristin Alexander

⇒ Meg Peterson
nie recommended Eric, who got a job freelancing window and store displays while he finished his master’s at Pratt.

One of his projects involved helping set up a huge retrospective of fashion throughout the years at the Guggenheim—in the same rotunda that he visited with Shepherd faculty as a student.

“I’m standing feet away from Giorgio Armani asking myself ‘how did this happen,’” said Eric.

In 2003 he left Armani to accept a full-time position at Calvin Klein as the visual manager at the collection store where he worked for three and a half years until he took a job in the corporate office where he now works.

Stephanie said that the confidence she got from being a really big fish in a small supportive pond was crucial for her in making the jump to pursuing her dream.

“Always wanted to be an actor and work in New York City, but there are lots of people who say that but never do it,” said Stephanie.

“Ed [Herendeen] really taught me the etiquette of the theater, and I feel like the Shepherd productions that I was a part of were so professional. He taught us how to behave in the theater, from thanking your tech crew to calling it rehearsal instead of play practice to creating a sacred space; it definitely carried me through the early years of the off-off-Broadway and East Village theater scene and into the booth as a vocal actor in the advertising world,” said Stephanie.

Stephanie said that she was taught to be a professional actor while attending Shepherd. “I was taught to value my craft as something worthwhile,” she said.

When Eric began at Calvin Klein, he was mainly dressing mannequins. Now that he works with the corporate operations, he’s looking at how the entire store works and standardizing stores as new stores open in North America.

Stephanie and Eric say they toy with the idea of retiring to Shepherdstown and building the house-barn that Eric has always dreamed of.

“We wouldn’t change a thing,” said Stephanie. “I love the education and the community that was at Shepherd; I do think it has kept us grounded. It was a special time and experience. I would never trade it. I love that school.” —Jillian Kesner