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## Message from the President EXPERIENCING THE WORLD

The cover of this issue of *The Hanoverian* is one of my favorite places in the world — the marble road leading to the Library of Celsus in Ephesus. This place has always held a magical place in my memory from my first visit there more than 30 years ago. When my husband and I returned to Ephesus just four years ago, it still remained 80 percent unearthed. Who knows what else is under those layers of ground? It is one of the thousands of worldwide sites I think should be on everyone's list to see some day.

When my daughter, Leigh Anne, was 12 and my son, James, was 10, they traveled to Hong Kong with me for five weeks. During the day we explored the city, and at night I taught students who would eventually transfer to the United States to complete their degrees. Because we had friends in Hong Kong, we visited places most tourists never see.

My children have maintained contacts from that early visit that have enriched their lives, and they have taken a stronger interest in world issues and current events, having experienced first hand what it is like being different from almost everyone around them. And because of this early exposure, they have taken advantage of numerous opportunities to travel and study abroad.



*Uschi Appelt*

Uschi Appelt, Hanover director of study abroad puts it this way, "Our off-campus programs represent not just unique opportunities for travel, but for students learning

more about themselves, other people, other societies and cultures — about life itself. Because Hanover's programs are immersion programs, students directly and intensely involve themselves in their host countries' cultures. That immediacy allows for in-depth learning and living experiences over which they have a remarkable amount of control. Students have to take responsibility for these experiences and play an active role in shaping them.

"The value of these experiences is immeasurable and enduring. Studying abroad challenges their frames of reference and modes of understanding, broadens their horizons and teaches them independence, queries their assumptions and makes them re-evaluate their points of view. This process demands patience, empathy, understanding, nuanced perception and a willingness to change. Navigating new cities or getting used to different pedagogies or living out of a suitcase for four months may stretch students' comfort zones to the breaking point. But filling that suitcase — and their hearts and minds with new treasures — is a triumph."

When they return, students must be ready to work in the global marketplace and be prepared to work with people who come from very different backgrounds than their own. That is why having international students on our campus is so important to the educational environment. These students challenge our assumptions about the world, make us aware of our own narrow perspectives and set examples as they overcome huge obstacles in order to learn.



*Mike and Sue DeWine at Ephesus, Turkey.*

I am excited for you to read about the international experiences of our students and alumni in these pages. You will find their observations charming, witty, insightful and always instructive, especially as they experience the unexpected, as you'll read about in their trip to Japan on page 12.

If I had one wish for our students it would be that they all feel as confident as my children do to travel anywhere in the world after living and studying in Hong Kong, Australia, Costa Rica, Columbia and Europe. Growing up in Xenia, Ohio, I never thought I would meet the King of Thailand, travel throughout Tuscany, drive along the coast of Australia, see the summer palace in Hong Kong, the silk booths in South Korea, the temples in Malaysia, walk throughout the ruins of Angkor Wat, explore Mayan ruins in the Caribbean, appreciate the painted murals in Prague, climb the Swiss Alps, walk through the Forbidden City, or explore the ancient sites of Greece. The world is full of treasures and our students need to see them.

*Sue DeWine*





## Honors Convocation presents awards to Brownlee, Otte and Barbour

Seniors **Jeremy Brownlee** (Franklin, Ind.) and **Liz Otte** (Crothersville, Ind.), along with Professor of English Kathy Barbour, led the list of recipients at the 72nd annual Honors Convocation held at Fitzgibbon Recital Hall April 9.

David Yeager, vice president and dean of student life, presented Brownlee with the John Finley Crowe Citation for Scholarship and General Excellence as the outstanding senior male.

"It's very humbling to know that people would think so highly of me," Brownlee said after the ceremony. "It was unexpected but certainly appreciated."

Otte garnered two awards — the Henry C. Long Citation for Scholarship and General Excellence as the outstanding senior female, and the Joseph W. Evans Prize, which she earned for her article "The Great Fish Debate." Otte also attained membership in Gamma Sigma Pi, Hanover's honor society for juniors and seniors.

"It feels fabulous to know that (my) hard work has paid off," she said. "I feel like I've made an impact and that I'm part of a community here."

Robert Graham, vice president and dean of academic affairs, presented Barbour with the Arthur and Ilene Baynham

Outstanding Teaching Award. It marked the second time she has won the prestigious honor.

"My knees buckled," Barbour said about her reaction when her name was called. "I had to hang on to (President) Sue (DeWine) and Rob (Graham)."

When asked what the award meant to her, she said, "You immediately think of all the reasons why you shouldn't have won and (then) you think of all your friends who deserve it more."

**For a complete list of the Honors recipients, visit [www.hanover.edu/news](http://www.hanover.edu/news).**

*Clockwise from top left: Seniors Jeremy Brownlee and Liz Otte; Barbour; Julia Taylor '09, her mother, Lizz Taylor, and Callie Moore '09. Moore is the recipient of this year's Philip R. Taylor Award for Student Publishing, endowed in memory of family member Phil Taylor '00.*







## The President Honors the Arts

Each April, Hanover celebrates a wide variety of student accomplishment in the arts with a festive evening of entertainment. The event honored 16 students, whose performances ranged from music solos, original works of creative writing and theatrical vignettes. Along with the diverse display of talent was a pre-show recital by Hanover's chamber choir and musicians. For the appreciative audience, it was a delightful way to see how the students' efforts have paid off.



*Top, from left to right: the honorees pose for a final bow; 2nd row: Professor of Theatre Mark Fearnow '80; strolling through the newly-named Greiner Art Gallery; Michael Smith '12 (Indianapolis, Ind.); 3rd row: chamber music students performing; President DeWine with Mary Louise Greiner; 4th row: the Chamber Choir; Jon Becraft '11 (Sanders, Ky.); Mera Kathryn Corlett '10 (Louisville, Ky.); Assistant Professor of Theatre Paul Hildebrand.*



# Up 'Til Dawn: Two Hanover students lead effort to raise money for St. Jude's

By Michelle Ferguson '09

In June 2008, Molly Miller '10 and Jacob Schwartz '10, along with Hanover College's assistant director of greek life, Deanne Walters, walked into St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. They were on a mission.

Specifically, the three were searching for a cause that Hanover students could support.

They found it.

Less than a year later, they had raised more than \$16,000 for the pediatric cancer research center.

"St. Jude's is such a positive place," Miller said. "You can really tell it's for the kids. But it's a bittersweet experience because you know they really are sick. The kids are so ready to get better it gets you excited to help them."

With funding from the Panhellenic and Interfraternity Councils, the threesome returned to campus motivated to make Hanover's first Up 'Til Dawn event a success. They recruited a team of 200 students to write more than 3,000 letters to friends, family and others who could help.

Up 'Til Dawn is a student-led program at a number of colleges nationwide that raises vital funds for St. Jude, which operates solely on donations.

The Hanover organization's original goal was to raise \$15,000 the first year. In March, the group held a celebration to commemorate the actual amount raised — \$16,668.

"When the executive committee found out, we couldn't believe it," Miller said. "We thought we might have gotten \$8 or \$9 thousand. It was incredible."

Besides raising funds, the group hopes to spread awareness for the hospital.

"It takes \$1.2 million a day to run St. Jude's," Miller pointed out. "Just getting awareness out about the good things the hospital is doing was important to us."

The success of Up 'Til Dawn did not go unnoticed by the Hanover College community. The organization won the 2008-2009 Collaborative Program of the Year category as part of the Student Organization Excellence Awards.

Hanover's Up 'Til Dawn leaders plan to continue to build on the past year's success and have already scheduled the next letter-writing campaign for November.

"I think passing the \$20,000 mark is doable," Walters said. "We want to have more student involvement next year as well. Having around 250 to 300 students would be great."

Community participation is an aspect the leaders are excited to integrate into next year's program.

"We want to get more people from the Hanover and Madison communities involved," Miller said. "In May, we held a yard sale that was open to everyone that helped push our total to (more than) \$17,000 raised for this year."

Actually, the group hopes that student involvement continues even after graduation.

"This isn't just something to do," Miller said. "It's a great way to donate time to people who really need it. Without these kinds of events, some of the kids at the hospital couldn't get the treatment they need."

On average, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital treats 5,400 children each year, and the efforts of Hanover students to support Up 'Til Dawn may one day help many of them enjoy their own college experience.

*Michelle Ferguson (New Palestine, Ind.) is a senior majoring in cultural anthropology. She is a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority.*







## Alumni gather for the first ever HC Pub Night!

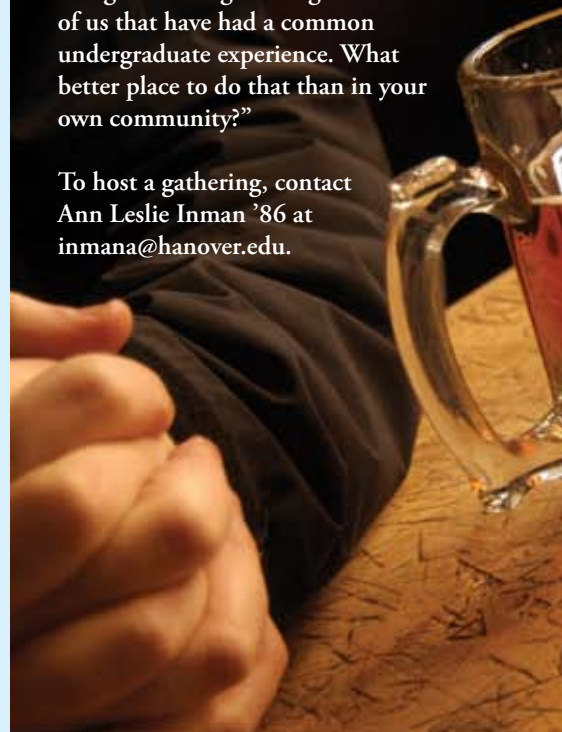
It was one big party from coast to coast as Hanoverians banded together for an evening filled with food and fellowship for the first ever HC Pub Night Feb. 12. In restaurants and watering holes from Naples, Fla. to San Diego, Calif., the camaraderie was infectious as they reconnected with old friends and made new ones.

Jason Boley '96, who hosted the gathering in Lafayette, Ind., said the best thing about the event was that despite the wide range of reunion classes, there was no shortage of conversation or laughter. "I think the whole point was just to relax, get to know each other, and have some fun," he said, "and that's exactly what we did!"

In fact, alumni had such a good time, that in addition to next year's event, Feb. 11, there was already another evening at the Hofbrauhaus in Metro Cincinnati, June 4.

Boley added his pitch for attending in the future. "All alumni events are really about fostering community and good feelings among all of us that have had a common undergraduate experience. What better place to do that than in your own community?"

To host a gathering, contact Ann Leslie Inman '86 at [inmana@hanover.edu](mailto:inmana@hanover.edu).



## Jobe appointed Vice President of Academic Affairs

Steve Jobe has been appointed Hanover College's interim vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty for the academic year 2009-2010. His duties will start Aug. 1.

A faculty member of the English department for 19 years, Jobe currently serves as division head for arts and letters. The College will select an interim division head for arts and letters for 2009-2010, and Jobe will return to that role for 2010-2011.

"The challenge will be stepping out of my role as a faculty member — which I enjoy very much — and adjusting to a new role," Jobe said. "While I very much appreciate the confidence of my colleagues and of President DeWine, I prefer to think of my appointment in slightly different terms.

"My acceptance of this position is, in truth, my vote of confidence in my colleagues. It's not a job I would get anywhere near if I were not certain that I can't blunder too terribly and too often in the midst of so many bright and capable and devoted colleagues."

Jobe replaces Rob Graham, who served in the role for more than three years.

Graham, at his own request, will return to the classroom as an economics professor. Graham said, "This has been a very rewarding experience. My opportunity to work with faculty and staff colleagues and students as dean has allowed me to more fully appreciate the many extraordinary events that take place daily at Hanover. I will treasure those memories. I also look forward to my return to a faculty position and the opportunity to pursue two things I love, teaching and research."

Hanover President Sue DeWine praised both Jobe and Graham for their accomplishments, pointing out that Graham had gone far beyond the call of duty because of the unexpected length of his assignment.

"He (Graham) has taken on difficult challenges that had to be faced by the academic community and always delivered the facts in a straightforward way," DeWine said in a message to the college faculty and staff. "I greatly appreciate the fact that he came to this position for seven months and ended up staying for three and a half years."

DeWine noted that Graham will continue in his role of chairing the accreditation review through next year.

## Fulbright winner plans to study ecology of lake bordering Quebec, Vermont



**Victoria Shaw**, a senior from Centennial, Colo., majoring in biology and Spanish, has earned a Fulbright scholarship. This marks the fourth time a student has won the prestigious award, the last coming in 2007.

The Fulbright scholarship is part of an international program sponsored by the U.S. government designed to promote international understanding. Chosen for their academic merits and leadership

potential, students gain the opportunity to study, teach or conduct research, helping to find solutions to shared worldwide concerns.

Shaw will use her scholarship to spend the next academic year in Montreal, Canada, working with McGill University's School of Environment to do an ambitious ecological study of Lake Memphremagog, located on the border between the province of Quebec and Vermont.

She and her McGill colleagues will drill core sediments from the Vermont end of the lake and identify diatoms, one-celled organisms that have a glass-like casing that remain preserved in lake sediments. Depending on the species and abundance of diatoms, it should be possible for them to reconstruct a local climate record.

"We are aiming for about 500 to 1,000 years," Shaw said. "We will then compare the climate record we produce to an existing paleolimnological climate record from the northern end of the lake to determine what is and is not normal for the lake and if the two ends behave differently or are interdependent."

She'll also research the local residents' perspectives of the lake, as well as environmental policy and conservation efforts affecting the lake.

"The final goal is to help develop a comprehensive plan for the conservation of the lake that would be effective because it is based on the actual needs of the lake and the local values of the people connected to it."

Shaw has already had the chance to travel internationally. She attended the University of Wollongong in Australia for one semester and traveled to Spain and Belize during two May terms. An internship with the Denver Zoo last summer, where she studied the socialization processes of hyenas for her independent study, was a factor in her securing the Fulbright.

However, it's the support and advice of her professors that Shaw believes deserves the most credit.

"Hanover played a major role in preparing me academically for such research and for the experience of living abroad through our excellent study abroad program."

## Wellness program improves health, saves money

Bill Tereshko, assistant professor of exercise science, could be called the "Pied Piper of Hanover," leading staff and faculty on regular walks around campus. Participants in his innovative wellness program include those who exercise regularly to complete novices.

In 18 months campus health has improved, the College's insurance premiums have decreased by 13 percent, and Tereshko has earned the education and training portion of the 2009 Healthcare Hero Award, sponsored by the Southeast/South Central Indiana Area's Health Education Center.

The program gives exercise science students experience as personal trainers. Next year, he hopes to add to it by offering a smoking cessation strategy, a Web site with exercise tips and also prizes as incentives.

Walking around campus three times a week is for anyone who wants to tag along and is a "wonderful tool for those who don't have very much time to exercise," Tereshko added.

The program helped net a career for **Kristen Davis '08**, who now works as a certified health fitness specialist at the

American College of Sports Medicine in Indianapolis.

"I learned that I really enjoy working with people during the program," said Davis. "I found out how to motivate them — what motivates one person often does not motivate the other. I do the same thing on my job as I did at Hanover, and I learned through seeing the passion and drive of Coach Tereshko."

*Adapted from a story by Pat Whitney in the Madison (Ind.) Courier*





## Artists of all abilities urged to participate in Great River Paint Out

Hanover College invites artists of all ages, experience and media disciplines to participate in the Great River Paint Out Sept. 19 and 20. Hosted by the Rivers Institute, the event is free and open to the public.

Artists will be able to paint anywhere on our 650-acre picturesque campus, which features The Point — the only place to view three bends in the Ohio River. There is also a wide array of streams, meadows, waterfalls and Georgian-style architecture to whet the creative spirit.

You can pre-register online at [rivers.hanover.edu/newsevents/greatriverpaintout09.php](http://rivers.hanover.edu/newsevents/greatriverpaintout09.php). Registration will also take place on campus at The Point from 6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. both days and the event will end with a special “Meet the Artists Paint Out Sale and Exhibition” from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday. The artists will set the prices for their art and handle all sales.

The public is encouraged to meet the artists and view the paintings, as well as enjoy the music of the Madison Saxophone Quartet. Hors d'oeuvres will

be served and wine will be available for purchase. All participants will receive free commemorative t-shirts.

Coinciding with the Paint Out, award-winning author and illustrator David Slonim will give a presentation at 7:00 p.m., Sept. 17. A prolific artist, Slonim has won a number of prestigious awards, including The New York Times Top 10 Picture Books of the Year (2000) and the National Jewish Book Awards (2000). He recently painted Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels' second inaugural commemorative poster, “Indiana Green.”

## Sports Correction



Several alumnae wrote us about the “Hanover’s Lost Sports” story in the last issue of *The Hanoverian*, pointing out our mistake regarding field hockey.

Thanks to **Elizabeth Griffin Cheesman '01**, **Mary Louise Ellis Ellenberger '46**, **Lisa Fleming '82** and **Anne Trowbridge Weinberg '84** for telling us that field hockey enjoyed a much longer and richer history at Hanover than we had thought.

Cheesman recognized one of her teammates in a picture accompanying the story, which means it was taken either in 1998 or 1999. But the caption said the sport was offered from 1969 to the early '70s.

Ellenberger, who played forward wing, traced the sport back to 1942. “Those

were World War II years when women’s sports activities were most important in the absence of males off soldiering,” she said.

Fleming, with concurrence from Weinberg, wrote, “I and many of my friends played not only further than you indicated, but we played an alumni-team game at homecoming each year into the '90s.”

We appreciate the clarifications and hope our readers continue to enjoy our reports on Hanover’s athletic achievements throughout the Year of the Panther!





Robert F. Kennedy Jr. was the final speaker for Hanover's  
Capstone, talking about what he knows best –  
THE ENVIRONMENT.

# OUR ENVIRONMENTAL DESTINY

By PAT WHITNEY







Witty, passionate and eloquent, the son of the late Bobby Kennedy delivered his presentation, “Our Environmental Destiny,” to an audience of 1,500 — as if delivering closing remarks to a crowded courtroom.

On trial were fossil fuels. Oil mongers. And profit-hungry corporations.

Accomplices were the U.S. government, the Environmental Protection Agency, politicians on the take and lobbyists paying out.

The charges: destroying nature, swindling the economy and jeopardizing the lives of future generations.

“We have a big problem. We need a free marketplace, not crony capitalism,” Kennedy said. “First, we need to transfer to non-carbon sources of energy. Second, we need to rebuild our national grid. It’s overburdened and underpowered. And third, I am reducing energy use at my home with geothermal and solar and am producing excess electricity. I should be able to sell it to other people. We can turn every house into its own power plant.”

Defying opponents’ views that the economy could suffer with a shift in energy sources, Kennedy compared the up-and-coming alternative energy source revolution to England’s Parliamentary decision to abolish slavery 200 years ago, which resulted in an immediate 25 percent growth in England’s gross national product — and led to the Industrial Revolution.

“For less than one trillion dollars — for less than one fourth of the cost of the Iraq war — America could build a new national grid funded by the stimulus package, the utilities and the federal government. It would be a smart grid with computer software built to the same blueprint system that would go to every consumer and save energy so it would never have to go to peak use. In return, every American would have free energy — forever.”

He spoke of the human cost of living near coal-powered power plants and the health issues of mercury and other pollutants that spew from their smokestacks.







#### *Our Environmental Destiny continued*

"The ozone and particulates, 90 percent of which comes from coal-powered plants, kill 60,000 people every year. That's four times the number of people killed at the World Trade Center."

And he talked about the emissions from the plants that have affected the Northeast with acid rain, including his home state of New York, sterilizing one fifth of the lakes in the Adirondacks — the country's largest wilderness preserve.

"Presently, it is unsafe to eat some of the fish in 49 states due to the mercury. A father can no longer take his son out to the local fishing hole to catch fish, bring it home and cook it. That's been taken away by polluters from other places."

Time magazine named Kennedy one of its "Heroes for the Planet" for his success helping Riverkeeper lead the fight to restore the Hudson River. He serves as senior attorney for the Natural Resources

Defense Council and chief prosecuting attorney for the Hudson Riverkeeper. As president of Waterkeeper Alliance, he is working with the Obama administration to rebuild the national grid.

At the conclusion, Kennedy rested his case saying, "In true free markets, we value natural resources. All it would take is a sector 85 miles by 85 miles for wind energy that would provide 100 percent of America's energy needs, instead of blowing the tops off mountains in West Virginia and dumping the debris into the river valleys below.

"Nature is the base of our economy, a shared property of the entire community that connects us to our past, our history," he added. "When we destroy nature, we diminish ourselves."

*Pat Whitney is a staff writer at the Madison (Ind.) Courier.*

## Saving the environment, one reader at a time

Among Hanover's woods, waterfalls, creeks, fossils and artwork, Liz Otte '09 has found a strong sense of her being. And she has spent much of her time trying to inspire her peers to join the environmental movement.

Last summer, with grant money from the Rivers Institute, Otte traveled the country on her way to Alaska performing research along the way. (*The Hanoverian*, summer 2008)

"I left Hanover to examine the idea of stewardship, or the way we humans relate to the Earth and to each other, with a slightly pessimistic hope," she wrote in the prologue of the environmental magazine, *Conscientia*, which she published upon her return.

In 80 pages, she invites readers to wonder at the smallest life form — like a caterpillar — and consider the consequences of pesticides and other

human activities.

"Today's environmental problems will not be solved by individuals," she said. "They are global in scale and real solutions require global action. But resolution begins with the individual."

Rivers Institute also funded publication and electronic distribution of the magazine. Otte hopes it will make an impact on those who see and read it.

"The most critical (environmental) problem today is a lack of connection between people and the natural world," Otte emphasized. "I firmly believe that we cannot save the world until we care for it and have respect for it."

To learn more about *Conscientia* and other student and faculty projects, go to [www.hanover.edu/conscientia](http://www.hanover.edu/conscientia).

— Pat Whitney



# Legacy Families Take the Same Trip

By Jim Nichols

Sometimes a trip across the world can bring a parent and child closer together. At least that's the case with **Emilieann "Cookie" Howard Vargo '66** and her daughter, **Kelly Vargo Bowe '94**.

Both made Hanover's biannual spring pilgrimage to Stratford-upon-Avon to study Shakespeare in England. Thing is, they made the trip 28 years apart.

Vargo was part of the first Hanover crew in 1965 to cross the pond and study in Shakespeare's back yard. Bowe made the trek in 1993, bringing back memories for her mother.

"When she talked about things, I had a visual memory. I had experienced all of those things," Vargo said. "In a way, I got to relive it."

For Bowe, an English major, the trip unveiled surprise aspects of days gone by.

"I had a second historical angle, knowing that I was doing what my Mom had done," she said. "There were just so many layers of history working at the same time."



Like Vargo, **Sarah Klopp Mantz '75** also made the trip to England with — as she puts it — "the legendary Dr. Dorothy Bucks." Mantz recalls the springtime splendor of her 1973 trip. "Everything looked so lush and green," she said. "I have a lot of pictures of flowers."

When it came time for her daughter, **Katie Mantz '08**, to make the trip in 2007, she shared a little motherly advice.

"I always tell my children to keep a journal," Mantz said. "I would write down my feelings every day, and I wish I had done so more thoroughly. I encouraged her to do so."

Junior **Lorna Douglas** (Arlington, Texas), an English major, took a different route. Although her parents both made the Shakespeare in England trip in 1977, Lorna chose to study Florence of Dante and Petrarch last spring.

Having participated in the Academic Decathlon in high school, Douglas knew the Italian Renaissance backward and forward. Studying in Italy for a month would give her the opportunity to live what she learned. "I basically lived and

breathed the Italian Renaissance for a year in high school," she said. "I thought this would be an opportunity to see things I had studied in real life."

Her mother, **Julie Allen Douglas '78**, enjoyed the excitement of being in Britain during the Queen's Silver Jubilee, as well as seeing plays at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre.

"We saw an amazing variety of shows during those five weeks in Stratford and London, including a production of MacBeth starring (Dame) Judi Dench, who spoke to our class one day, and (Sir) Ian McKellen," she said.

Vargo purchased a painting of a Stratford-upon-Avon street scene during her trip. She said it has hung in her home ever since and now serves as a reminder of a separate — but intertwined — journey.

"It was a shared experience," Vargo said. "I got to do it twice."



*From left to right: Jim '78 (right) and Julie Douglas (left) in North Berwick, Scotland; the Douglas' at Edinburgh Castle in 2002; the Douglas' with their daughters Audrey (left) and Lorna (right) in Stratford, England in 2002.*





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# 「水際」漏れ 京で足止め

## 新型インフル

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# Art history students in the center of a media frenzy

By Pat Whitney

As an army of Japanese in biohazard suits rushed the aisles of their plane, 11 Hanover students and a professor sat spellbound.

What began as a chance to study Frank Lloyd Wright in relation to Japanese architecture in early May evolved into a news frenzy, political intrigue and lessons about Japanese culture they couldn't have learned from a textbook.

By the end of the trip, Japanese officials would be on their knees and the students and professor celebrated guests of the Japanese government.

"It was definitely a scary sight," said senior **Julia Taylor**, a political science major from Frankfort, Ky. "They were wearing hoods and masks over their faces. The only skin you could see was their eyes. Because of the language barrier, we didn't know what was going on."

The action followed the World Health Organization's warning of a worldwide swine flu pandemic. After two hours of being photographed and screened, officials released the students who, accompanied by Professor of Art History John Martin, left Tokyo for Kyoto.

"We knew we were in the news the next day when newspaper headlines read: 'Americans Evade Detection at the Airport,'" Martin said. "Eventually, we were allowed to leave, although 49 passengers were quarantined in a Tokyo hotel for a week."

By morning, Japanese police and health officials in that city arrived to take temperatures. Four of the plane's passengers soon tested positive for the illness. Health officials claimed the students had sat next to those infected.

Officials did take away four students found to have slight temperatures, in a speeding ambulance, sirens blaring, to a hospital to undergo testing.

"It is something you couldn't have made up and continued to be unprecedented for two weeks," Martin said. "It was very unsettling to see all their faces. Everyone imagined the worst. At the same time, the students were so brave, making mild jokes about the situation."

Junior **Carson McBain**, a studio art major from Evansville, Ind., was one of the four whisked away to the hospital.

"My mind was full of 'what ifs,'" she said. "What if I get sick? What if I get disoriented or get separated from the others? Through it all, the Japanese were very kind to us."

After releasing the four students later that day, officials instructed the entire group, quarantined in one room of the inn that everyone's temperature would be taken twice a day as a precaution.

At Martin's urging, officials later allowed visits to outdoor temples and gardens.

"To avoid the paparazzi, we left the hotel in twos and met up later at our destination," he said.

By May 13, the mood changed dramatically.

"A delegation of officials from Kyoto Prefecture, including the governor, arrived at our hotel to apologize," Martin said. "They brought presents — books, candy and souvenirs — all beautifully wrapped to make amends."

Martin agreed to an interview at a local television station. He, Taylor and junior

**Alex Ross** (San Diego, Calif.) went to the city hall where they met with 20 reporters in front of a half a dozen cameras.

"We were live on network TV all over Japan," Martin said. "Interpreters for the press asked if we thought the Japanese had over-reacted. We said that we understood that the Japanese were only trying to protect their citizens. People kept coming up to us saying that they were sorry for the mistake."

As compensation, the group got front row seats inside the Imperial Palace for a festival, received invitations to a traditional tea ceremony conducted by a tea master — a religious ceremony not generally for tourists, and treated to a seven-course meal at an ancient restaurant with Geisha girls and dancers.

"The evening was topped off with the arrival of the Mayor of Kyoto who knelt down before each of us, apologized, and gave us his business card," Martin said. "It was incredible that people from Hanover could find themselves at the center of an entire country."

"In the end, the biggest blessing was that none of us got sick."

*The study abroad group included seniors Brooks Ahlfenger, Arvada, Colo.; Taylor; and Libby Scott, Louisville, Ky.; juniors Lindsay Hagen, Cincinnati, Ohio; Ross; Phil Forkert, Commiskey, Ind.; Jenn Williams, Rensselaer, Ind.; McBain; sophomores Mason Mills, Franklin, Ind.; Jessica Whitehead, Charleston, W.V.; and Megan Myers, Fort Thomas, Ky.*

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## International studies lead to **LOVE** and **MARRIAGE**

By Michelle Ferguson '09

**S**tudying abroad can offer unforgettable experiences in frequently unusual settings.

But for four Hanoverians, the chance to participate in international studies also brought an unexpected bonus — love — and eventually marriage.

**Michael '64** and **Alice Balmer Dixon '65**, as well as **Carl '87** and **Barbara Biehl Schafer '88**, credit living and studying in a foreign country with bringing them closer to their eventual spouses.

The Dixons met shortly before their trip to Mexico in 1964 as part of a study group organized by Bob Trimble, now professor emeritus of Spanish. But they say the ensuing experiences they shared in Mexico had a profound impact on their budding romance.

"It was a very significant five weeks of our relationship," Alice Dixon said. "The settings were romantic and lovely, which were very different from a Hanover setting. I suppose if we hadn't gone on the

trip, we might not have had such a strong connection so fast."

Studying in Mexico gave them a chance to practice their language skills, as well as gain insights into a different culture.

"I (had) never really traveled outside the United States and wanted to see what it was like," she added. "I was a Spanish major so it also gave me valuable practice."

The Dixons' feelings for each other grew strong enough that Mike decided to wait a year for Alice to graduate from Hanover so they could work together in Peru as Peace Corps volunteers from 1965-67.

"Being in Peru for two years was a meaningful experience and it strengthened our relationship," said Mike Dixon. "We lived in a small, provincial town 8,000 feet up in the Andes (Mountains), and (it) became the meeting place for all the other Peace Corps volunteers in the area."

Alice recalled her time in Peru as demanding at times, but rewarding.

"It was very challenging and very difficult," she said. "Back then, you couldn't go back home or travel within the country. It was tough, so we had to rely on one another."

The Schafers' love for one another took longer to bloom than the Dixons'. In fact, it didn't really blossom until more than a year after they had traveled to England in 1987 as members of Professor Jonathan Smith's Shakespeare in England class.

"I was interested in studying Shakespeare and traveling," Carl Schafer said. "It seemed like a great opportunity to do both at once."

Despite traveling in the same group together, the pair didn't say a word to one another.

"There were about 20 people on the trip," Barb Schafer recalled. "But of everyone there, Carl was the only person I didn't talk to."

After the trip, she continued to travel through Europe for the summer, while Carl continued his studies at Oxford.

"The next year, Dr. Trout (John Trout, associate professor emeritus of classics) read Carl's letters from England to the class," said Barb Schafer, offering a glimpse into how the romance started. "I got to know him a little through those, but we didn't start to date until later."

From 1988-89, Barb and Carl both worked for the Indianapolis Children's Museum, drawn to each other through their mutual interest in the theatre.

"We liked going out to the theatre," she said. "We went to England separately and went to the theatre as friends and then dated."

"We both had something in common and discovered we liked to travel," added her husband. "We didn't mind moving around a lot, which affected our relationship in a positive way."

The couple married in 1992 and eventually moved to a small town in upstate New York; then to Allentown, Penn.; and finally to Muncie, Ind.

"We both saw the world bigger and broader than where we were," Carl Schafer said.

The Dixons and Schafers agree that international travel can be a critical component of any Hanover education — even if finding one's spouse isn't part of the equation.

"I absolutely recommend studying abroad, traveling abroad and living abroad," Alice Dixon said. "It's a life-altering, extremely valuable experience that everyone should take advantage of."

*Senior Michelle Ferguson (New Palestine, Ind.) majors in cultural anthropology and is a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority.*

"I suppose if we hadn't gone on the trip, we might not have had such a strong connection so fast."

*Alice Balmer Dixon '65*



*Michael and Alice Dixon outside of hacienda at Cajamarca, Peru 1965.*





# Experiencing the UNEXPECTED

Sometimes the unexpected can intervene and infringe on visits abroad meant to be strictly educational or cross-cultural experiences.

By Herb Whitney





Just ask **Benjamin Gunning '08** and **Patty Rodda '07**, whose study abroad experience in Istanbul, Turkey, was disrupted on April 27, 2007, by what was dubbed the “e-coup,” a midnight announcement by the Turkish military on its Web site that it opposed a candidate for presidency who was close to victory.

Or ask **Bix Howland '72**, who with the Peace Corps volunteered in Afghanistan in 1972. Originally sent to supervise building projects while paying the workers with wheat from the United States, he never performed that job. Instead, Howland delivered grain to starving villagers, victims of a drought. The plight of the people, in part, led to political instability, a condition that likely led to the overthrow of the king in a bloodless coup.

First, a look at what happened in Istanbul to Gunning and Rodda.

“I was with Patty that day,” Gunning recalled. “I flagged a taxi immediately and tried to ascertain why gunboats would face the very shore we attempted to speed along toward Boğaziçi University’s campus just north of Istanbul.

“The taxi driver attempted through my elementary Turkish, his broken English, and our mutual smatterings of Spanish to inform us that the military had just issued a warning, and the political climate was volatile at best.”

Rodda said, “The palpable feelings of unease and confusion that pervaded Istanbul that day came as something of a shock. Although Uschi Appelt (director of Hanover’s study abroad program) encouraged us to prepare for any possibilities, military coups were not my top concern.

“However, when it happened, I was amazed to find myself not panicking. Why? Perhaps it was that most Turks didn’t seem too concerned beyond, perhaps, a heightened sense of awareness of their surroundings.”

Also, Gunning and Rodda were in constant touch with two other Hanover students, **Sean Cox '06** in Istanbul, and in the U.S., **Sarah Johnson '07**, by using the Internet and Skype.

“I felt connected not only to home, but to Hanover,” Rodda said. “Sean kept constant tabs on us from his apartment

down the street. We were also able to contact Sarah to establish an escape route to Greece, if necessary.

“I was halfway around the world and my Hanover connections ensured that even on the edge of a national crisis, we would have places to go, and people who would make sure we stayed safe.”

According to Gunning, the tense situation resolved itself through a court battle and subsequent presidential elections.

“But the most extraordinary thing about this entire affair was that after two or three days on high alert, life continued on, and so did Patty and I,” he said. “My semester in Turkey concluded with final exams, tearful goodbyes and ultimately a sense of normalcy that the country and culture I had grown to love would continue without massive upheaval.”

Thirty-five years earlier and 2,220 miles to the east, Howland was on horseback riding up the Hindu Kush Mountains in east-central Afghanistan, telling the villagers that wheat had been delivered below and convincing them to travel down the mountains to get it.

*Far left: Howland delivers wheat to starving villagers in Afghanistan; Left: fixing a Russian Army jeep (both courtesy Bix Howland); below left: Green Mosque of Iznik, Turkey; Strolling through small village outside of Bursa, Turkey (both by Benjamin Gunning '08)*





# We basically saved a bunch of people from starving to death."

— Bix Howland '72

"There was a 30-year cycle of drought (in the mountain area)," Howland said. "The cycle hit about a year before I got there (1971) and continued while I was there. Crops failed, (and there was) no food to eat.

"I was one of 13 volunteers pulled out of training to accompany elements of the Afghan army to distribute the wheat. (There I was) with a convoy of Afghan army trucks taking wheat into areas where no American had ever been before. We basically saved a bunch of people from starving to death."

The U.S. had supplied 25,000 tons of wheat, Howland said, on the condition that the Afghan government find a way to deliver it to the villagers. Distribution centers were set up so they could travel down from the mountains to get it. When Howland realized there was skepticism and reluctance on their part to make the trip from their homes, he went to convince them to do so.

Staying overnight in the villages he encountered on his ride, Howland found the people were warm and generous.

"They would gather whatever they had to prepare me a meal — and they were starving," he said. They said, 'We are so embarrassed that we can't kill a lamb or sheep to honor you.' The milk they gave me meant the children in the village went hungry."

Howland feared for his safety only once, and it wasn't in Kabul during the coup. It occurred when he brought villagers out of the mountains, and the wheat supply ran

out, causing frustration and anger.

"Some of the people to whom I had promised wheat were not going to be fed. I pleaded for more, but it wasn't there. Fortunately, I had befriended the soldiers sent out with the trucks, and they protected me from an angry crowd long enough for me to leave the distribution center." He returned to Kabul to await his next assignment.

While at Hanover, Howland had studied abroad in India. His professors, the late Anwaral and Mythili Haq, came to Afghanistan after finishing a tour of that country with a new group of students, and spent two weeks touring, with Howland as their guide.

"It was a unique experience to have your former professors give you the cultural and historic background of a country where you had lived for almost a year," he said.

With the change in government, the attitude toward the Peace Corps volunteers changed, and Howland elected to return to the U.S. to pursue a legal career. He credits his study abroad experience in India with giving him an appreciation of other cultures and with a foreshadowing of his life in Afghanistan.

"When we went to India, I was taken with that part of the world and wanted to return to help the people. Peace Corps gave me that opportunity."

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*From top to bottom (in Turkey): Qur'anic calligraphy at the Old Mosque in Edirne; colorful pottery from Iznik; Also in Iznik, the Church of Sofia where the Nicene Creed was written; Istanbul's Blue Mosque (Benjamin Gunning '08)*





*top left to right: Sinclair, Bucks  
bottom: Hill, Walne*



## A commitment to study abroad through philanthropy

Four women who defied the traditional roles that society expected of them two-to-three generations ago continue to benefit Hanover College through their generosity.

Dorothy Bucks, **Emma Hill '42**, Eileen Sinclair and **Pat Walne '54** are deceased, but they are still the principal benefactors of the College's study abroad program through their combined endowments of nearly \$2.9 million.

All four earned doctorate degrees at a time when that demanding educational path was reserved almost exclusively for men. All four never married. And all four had an abiding love for Hanover College.

Bucks was professor of English at Hanover from 1947-73. She created Hanover's groundbreaking Shakespeare-in-England Program, a model adopted by the Shakespeare Institute for all foreign study groups coming to Stratford-upon-Avon.

Hill was professor of Spanish at Hanover for 40 years, returning to teach at her alma mater in 1946. She led numerous

spring term classes to Mexico, Peru and Spain for immersion in those cultures.

Sinclair was neither a graduate nor a professor at Hanover, but a loyal friend of the College for more than 20 years. She was a clinical psychologist whose expertise was in pre-trial examination of juvenile offenders. She took Hanover psychology students on frequent trips to penal institutions to enrich their education.

Walne was a professor of biology at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville for 35 years. Her endowment's goal is to expand and extend international experiences for science majors in semester-long programs.

In honor of Walne, the College has established an exhibit on the second floor of the Science Center that highlights her professional accomplishments.

Darleen Connolly, Hanover's director of planned giving and stewardship, became a close friend of Walne's through the planning for Walne's estate gift.

"Pat was a remarkable woman of diminutive stature and enormous intellect," Connolly said. "Her friendships included colleagues all over the world that she had met while doing research in many countries."

In 2002, Walne returned to Hanover to speak to a group of biology students. "Her presentation and the breadth of her experiences mesmerized the students," Connolly recalled.

Uschi Appelt, director of study abroad, never knew any of the four benefactors, but is deeply appreciative of them.

She said that Bucks, Hill and Sinclair are the major benefactors of the spring study abroad scholarships for as many as 50 students in a given year.

"They are trailblazers for Hanover," Appelt said. "Our spring term scholarships would not be possible without them. All four women are remarkable because of the legacy they left us beyond the grave."

— *Herb Whitney*





# HANOVER COLLEGE 176<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

2009







## GRADUATES URGED TO STAY CONNECTED, SERVE OTHERS

When almost all of the 205 members of class of 2009 assembled May 23 at The Point to receive their hard-earned diplomas, they experienced a ceremony filled with tradition and a plea to serve humanity, whether near or far.

This year's speakers touched upon the need for graduates to look upon themselves as ambassadors to the world and use their knowledge and skills to help those less fortunate. President DeWine spoke about how precious their diplomas were, citing the statistic that out of every 100 people in the world, only one would have a college degree.

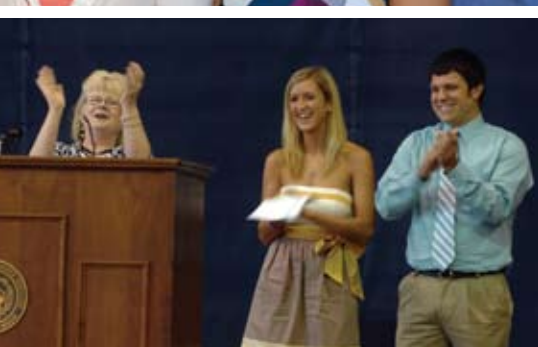
Senior speaker James Grogan (Franklin, Ind.) reminded them that while they began their college life as individuals, they would leave as a whole entity.

James T. Morris, president of Pacers Sports & Entertainment and former executive director of the United Nations World Food Programme, urged students to go out and serve others. DeWine conferred upon Morris the honorary degree doctor of humane letters.

Making sure the day was complete for everyone, DeWine went to Norton Hospital in Louisville, Ky., to present Adam Barga (Rossburg, Ohio) — who was in the hospital for medical tests — with his diploma.

To see more photos and a video of the complete ceremony, visit [www.hanover.edu/commencement09](http://www.hanover.edu/commencement09).





Commencement photos by Patrick Pfister.

# YEAR OF THE PANTHER 2009

2009 marks the "Year of the Panther," a special year of events and reunions celebrating athletics at Hanover College. It promises to be a good time for seeing your teammates and renewing friendships.



## AUGUST

- Aug. 29** • Alumni Golf Scramble  
Spring Hills Golf Course, Hanover

## SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 5** • Football Reunion  
HC vs. Centre College  
*Alums who played for Coach Wayne Perry, particularly the 1994, 1995 and 1997 ICAC championship teams.*  
• Women's Soccer Reunion
- Sept. 12** • Volleyball Reunion and Tent
- Sept. 19** • Football Reunion  
HC at Butler University, Indianapolis, Ind.  
*Alums who played in the "Golden Era" of Hanover Football (1940s, 50s and 60s up to 1971).*  
• Women's Tennis Reunion

## OCTOBER

- Oct. 3** **Homecoming**  
• Men's and Women's Track and Cross Country  
• 5K with a View  
• Tailgate Tent – eat lunch with the Track and Cross Country teams at half-time.  
• Football Team Reunion  
HC vs. Anderson University  
*Alums who played football for Coach Wayne Perry, particularly the 1999 and 2000 HCAC championship teams.*  
• Men's Soccer Reunion
- Oct. 4** • Men's Alumni Tennis Match
- Oct. 24** • Football Reunion  
HC vs. Manchester College  
*Alums who played football for Coach Wayne Perry, particularly the 2002, 2003 and 2004 HCAC championship teams.*

## NOVEMBER

- Nov. 7** • Football Reunion  
HC vs. Bluffton University  
*Alums who played football for Coach Wayne Perry, particularly the 1989 ICAC championship teams.*
- Nov. 14** • Women's Basketball Alumni Scrimmage  
• Football Reunion  
HC vs. Franklin College (Victory Bell)  
*Alums who played football for Coach Wayne Perry, particularly the 1984 national playoff team.*
- Men's Basketball Alumni Day - Date TBD

### RRRING! RRRING! IT'S HANOVER CALLING IN THE "YEAR OF THE PANTHER"

You can help celebrate the "Year of the Panther" and spice up the ringtone on your cell phone at the same time by downloading Hanover College's Fight Song.

Simply go to **[www.hanover.edu/alumni/fightsong](http://www.hanover.edu/alumni/fightsong)** and follow the directions for your particular cell phone to complete the process. There are five possible downloads of the song titled "Hanover Sons Victorious."

With the Fight Song installed, calls to you will be reminders of your college days — either as an athlete competing or a fan cheering. Happy listening!

For more information and to RSVP, please visit **[www.hanover.edu/yearofthepanther](http://www.hanover.edu/yearofthepanther)**  
You can also phone Alumni Relations at 800.213.2179 x7012 or 812.866.7012



# Winter Sports Wrap Up



## MILLER ERA STARTS WITH REBUILDING PROJECT

Former Hanover College basketball standout **Jon Miller '97** returned to the sidelines as the Panthers' head coach prior to 2008-09 season. Inheriting a youthful roster with two seniors and just two returning starters, the squad completed the season with a 9-16 overall mark, including a 6-10 record and sixth-place finish in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference.

Sophomore forward Mitchell Meyer (New Albany, Ind.) was named the Panthers' most valuable player and was a first-team all-HCAC selection for the second consecutive season. He was the league's newcomer of the year as a freshman.



*Mitchell Meyer (New Albany, Ind.)*

Meyer led the Heartland Conference in scoring and was third in the league in rebounding with 18.9 points and 8.4 rebounds per game. He also led Hanover in blocked shots with 0.8 blocks per outing.

He scored in double figures in 24 of the Panthers' 25 games, including a career-high 30 points against Goshen College in the opening weekend of the season. He registered a team-high nine doubles-doubles.

Seniors Dan O'Leary (Terre Haute, Ind.) and Dane Coats (Bloomington, Ind.) each earned team honors at the close of the season.

O'Leary picked up the John R. Collier Mental Attitude Award. He played in all 25 games for the Panthers and started 20 times. He averaged 5.8 points and 5.2 rebounds per outing. He scored a career-best 13 points in a 92-78 win at Bluffton University (Ohio) in the final month of the season.

Coats received the Marty Brennan Hustle Award. After not participating the past two seasons, Coats averaged 19 minutes in 22 games for the Panthers, including 16 starts. He scored 4.2 points and grabbed 2.5 rebounds per contest. He netted a career-high 19 points in a last-second loss to Defiance College in the final game of the season.

Junior guard Jake Inman (North Vernon, Ind.) was recognized as the squad's top defensive player for the third straight season. An honorable mention all-conference honoree, he averaged 10.6 points and 3.8 rebounds per outing and led the Panthers with 2.5 assists, 1.2 steals and 33.4 minutes played per game.

He shot 45.3 percent from the field (91-of-201), including a team-best 47.1 percent from three-point range (32-of-68). He was 41-of-48 from the free throw line for a team-leading 85.4 percent.

In addition to his defensive prowess, Inman scored in double figures in the final six games of the season. He netted a career-best 25 points against Bluffton University (Ohio), Feb. 7.

The squad earned Miller's first Hanover victory with a 77-74 win against Denison University (Ohio) in the second game of the season.

The Panthers dropped three straight games after that and stood at 2-8 after a four-game skid in the opening first weeks of December.

Hanover picked up two victories in the Centre College (Ky.) Classic at the end of the month. The Panthers tripped Maryville College (Tenn.), 69-61, and then belted Piedmont College (Ga.), 97-74, to cap the event.

Miller's club, however, dropped its first six games of the new year and had a 4-14 record after a 74-69 overtime loss at Transylvania University (Ky.) Jan. 29.

The Panthers ended the skid with an 83-78 win against Anderson University in the month's final tilt. The win sparked a season-best five-game winning streak which earned the team the sixth, and final, spot in the Heartland Conference tournament.

Hanover battled former defending league champion, and Miller's former squad, Defiance College (Ohio), in the opening round. The Panthers pushed the No. 3 seed Yellow Jackets before falling, 69-68, on a 20-footer at the buzzer.



## PANTHERS NOTCH RECORD-BREAKING SEASON

Behind 11th-year head coach **Molly Totten Jones '86** and a sophomore-dominated roster, Hanover

College's women's basketball team set a school single-season record for victories during the 2008-09 campaign.

With just one senior on the squad, the Panthers posted an 18-9 overall record and finished third in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference with a 10-6 record. The team also advanced to the championship game of the Heartland Conference tournament for just the second time in the program's history.

Senior forward Rachel Walters (Ladoga, Ind.) and sophomore center Molly Martin (Terre Haute, Ind.) each received first-team all-conference honors from the league's nine head coaches. Sophomore forward Torin Franz (Bloomington, Ind.) earned honorable mention recognition, while guard Abbey Schmahl (Aurora, Ind.) was named to the HCAC's all-freshman team.

Walters, a three-time all-conference honoree, capped her career as the leading rebounder in school history. She was a first-team selection for the first time in her collegiate career after averaging 11.0 points and 9.2 rebounds for the Panthers. She racked up 12 double-doubles in 27 games.

She pulled down 249 rebounds during the season to push her career total to a school-record 823 boards. The effort marked her third season with more than 200 rebounds.

Martin was a first-team honoree for the second consecutive season. She led the Heartland Conference in both scoring and rebounding, averaging 18.5 points and 9.9 rebounds per outing through 26 games.

Franz picked up honorable mention recognition for the second straight season. She averaged 11.2 points and 5.2 rebounds per contest in 27 starts for the Panthers.

Schmahl was named to the HCAC's all-freshman team despite starting just two games and playing 15 minutes per contest. She averaged 4.4 points, 2.0 assists and 1.9 rebounds per game.

Hanover earned a spot in the Heartland Conference title game for the first time since 1997 when the Panthers tripped host DePauw University, 58-56, to win the then-Indiana Collegiate Athletic Conference crown and earn the program's first berth in the NCAA national tournament.

Hanover won 14 of its last 17 outings to earn a shot at tournament host Transylvania University (Ky.). The Panthers held a six-point lead at the intermission and outrebounded the Pioneers 51-31, but were outscored 27-3 off turnovers and faded down the stretch in a 79-69 loss to the Pioneers (22-5).

Hanover opened the season with three straight wins. The Panthers were defeated in its first three HCAC games of the season and stood at 4-5 nearing the New Year's holiday.

The squad began to turn the corner during a holiday trip to California. Hanover launched a six-game winning streak with wins against Staten Island College (NY.) and Denison University (Ohio) to close the Surf N Slam Tournament in San Diego.

The spurt produced 12 wins in 15 games for Jones' squad leading up to the HCAC tournament.

Martin scored 25 points to lead six players in double figures to propel Hanover to a 110-102 overtime win against Bluffton University (Ohio) in an opening-round game in Collier Arena.

Schmahl knocked in 20 points to lead the Panthers to a 72-68 upset of No. 2 seed Anderson University in the semifinals to set up the clash with Transylvania.

Hanover's 18 wins surpassed the mark of 17 triumphs, which was reached by three teams in the past 13 years. The Panthers also recorded 17 wins in the 2000-01 (17-9), 1999-00 (17-9) and 1996-97 (17-10) seasons.



*Rachel Walters (Ladoga, Ind.)*



*Molly Martin (Terre Haute, Ind.)*





## 1990 Basketball team enjoyed celebrity status in Japan

By Herb Whitney

Nearly 20 years later, they haven't forgotten the pulse of the world's largest city and the warmth of its residents. And they especially haven't forgotten what it felt like to be celebrities for two weeks.

In July 1990, the Hanover College men's basketball team played five exhibition games in Tokyo, Japan, invited there by a Japanese professional team sponsored by the automaker Isuzu, which had visited Hanover twice to play exhibition games.

"We were Division III players, and everyone wanted our autographs," said **Ron Patberg '90**, Hanover's point guard on the trip. "It was really amazing, unbelievable. We were 18-to-22-year-old kids and we collected memories to last a lifetime."

Today, Patberg works as a financial planner for Irwin Union Advisory Services in Columbus, Ind. One of the highlights of the trip for him was discovering how friendly the people were in Tokyo, whose metropolitan area numbers about 30 million.

"The hospitality was great, the people were very gracious," he said. "I'm thankful I got to experience a different culture and I'd love to get back over there someday."

"I thought it would be difficult to communicate because of the language barrier. But it wasn't too bad. The Japanese were eager to practice their English on us, so there was plenty of give and take."

Two other players on the trip were **Noel Bostic '93**, now the athletic director and assistant principal at Rising Sun (Ind.) High School, and **Tim Barnard '90**, a regional vice president for an insurance company in southern California.

"I remember landing in Tokyo (and seeing how beautifully landscaped the grass was and on the drive to the hotel how immensely clean everything was," Bostic said. "There was no trash anywhere."

"It was an amazing feeling being there. The people treated us well. I remember we

traveled (on) the Bullet train and they'd announce we had just passed through a different city and we wouldn't realize it because we were going so fast (up to 130 mph)."

Barnard said a man with a video camera began taping the Hanover players as soon as the plane landed in Tokyo and accompanied the team to tape its basketball games and sightseeing tours.

"He ended up with five videotapes and mailed them to the College," Barnard said. "From the time we got there, the cameras were rolling. Someone took us everywhere, and we were chartered around on a bus. We felt like royalty."

At 6-foot-2, Barnard was one of Hanover's shortest players, and the team's larger-than-life appearance in a country where people tend to be shorter helped cement the visitors' celebrity status.

"I remember people looking up at us and smiling or laughing," Barnard said. "The beds we slept in were built for smaller





*Above (left to right): Hudson Heidbreder, Bill Carver and Bostic with Japanese fans after a game with the Isuzu Pumas.*

*Front row (left to right): John Payne and John Cartes.  
Middle row (left to right): Kessling, Bostic and Barnard.  
Back row (left to right): Ted Merhoff, Heidbreder and Joe Bishop.  
In the Tokyo Tower.*

people and some of our bigger guys complained that their feet hung out over the end. But that's the Japanese culture, and that was about the only complaining we did."

Hanover lost all five games it played against the Isuzu team, which had several former American college players, including 6-foot-11 Cedric Jenkins (Kentucky) and 6-foot-9 Ted Young (Vanderbilt).

Mike Beitzel, Hanover's head coach at the time, said his team was competitive in all the games, but the on-the-court action took a backseat to the opportunity to experience a dynamic culture firsthand.

"The players were like celebrities over there, signing autographs everywhere we went," Beitzel said. "The buses had chandeliers, and the food, the drinks were wonderful. And the friendships were special."

Beitzel befriended a college coach in Tokyo named Toshiyasu Takeuchi, who

later brought his family to Hanover College and lived on campus as Beitzel's assistant coach for one year.

The trip would not have been possible, Beitzel said, without the fund-raising efforts of Hanover's athletic director at the time, **John Collier '51**, who approached area businesses for donations to help defray the costs. Because of that, the players only had to cover the costs of airline tickets, about \$500 each.

The enormity of Tokyo's population — coupled with the relatively small size of available land — made a lasting impression on the team.

"Not everyone in Tokyo could own a car, and hardly anyone had a lawn," Beitzel said. "You couldn't buy a car unless you had a place to park it, and there was no need for lawnmowers because there was so little grass."

Patberg recalled going to the top of Tokyo Tower, which stands 1,091 feet tall. "I looked out and saw driving ranges built

on the top of buildings and a mass of people hitting golf balls into nets," he said.

Bostic remembered going to a public park, which contained an unusually small baseball field with an unusually high fence.

"That's because land is at such a premium," he said. "There was a pickup game going on. We started playing and Ron Patberg hit a ball over the fence. The kids there started 'ooing' and 'aahing.' It was fun."

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# Alumni Achievement Award winners reach pinnacle of their professions



**JoAnn Brouillette '83**

is the president and managing partner of Demeter Inc. a family-owned grain and

commercial warehouse business in Fowler, Ind. Founded in 1944, Demeter was once the largest privately-held grain company in Indiana.

In 2002, President George W. Bush nominated Brouillette to the U.S. Advisory Committee for Trade and Policy Negotiations, a 32-member panel that assists Congress in ensuring that U.S. commercial and economic interests are

adequately represented in foreign trade negotiations.

In 2006, Brouillette was appointed to the Purdue University Board of Trustees. Presently, she is chair of the Lafayette-West Lafayette Chamber of Commerce Council and is a member of the Lafayette-West Lafayette Development Corporation board of directors. She serves both on the executive committee and the board of directors for the National Grain and Feed Association. In 2000, that group presented her with the Chairman's Award in recognition of her extraordinary leadership and outstanding service.

In addition, Brouillette is a member of the Indiana Agriculture Advisory

Committee, and is on the board of directors for Midwest Ag Finance and North Central Health Services. She also belongs to the (Indiana) Governor's Council of Physical Fitness and Sports, and to Purdue's Athletic Advisory Committee.

A business administration major at Hanover, Brouillette worked for three years as an admissions counselor at her alma mater before joining her family's business and earning a master's degree at Purdue. At Hanover, she was a member of Phi Mu sorority and earned three letters as a member of the women's basketball team. In 2004, she was named to the Indiana Hall of Fame's Silver Anniversary Team.

*"Only at a college like Hanover – of which there are few – could I have ended up with a double major in mathematics and physics, and still be encouraged to participate in activities that ranged from playing football for four years to being active in student government" — Richard Lesh '66*



**Andrew Burgess '68** is considered one of the country's leading authorities on pelvic and lower extremity

surgery and in treating orthopedic injuries sustained in motor vehicle accidents. During his illustrious career, Burgess has served multiple roles as a clinical orthopedic trauma physician, medical professor and researcher.

He has also authored or co-authored numerous publications in orthopedic/trauma medicine textbooks and journals, and has served a term nationally as President of the Orthopedic Trauma

Association. In addition, Burgess has received a number of residency teaching awards from multiple institutions for his excellence as a mentor to orthopedic resident physicians.

After graduating from Hanover, Burgess attended Indiana University and went on to complete his medical degree and orthopedic residency at Albany (N.Y.) Medical College. He then taught orthopedic surgery at a number of prestigious hospitals and universities, including Johns Hopkins in Baltimore; the National Naval Medical Centers in Bethesda, Md., and Portsmouth, Va.; the University of Maryland; and Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. In 1997, he was named professor of orthopedic surgery at Johns Hopkins

University and the University of Maryland, serving as director of the Orthopedic Surgery Department at the University of Maryland.

In 2004, he became director of orthopedic trauma at Orlando Regional Healthcare and serves as academic chairman of its Orthopedic Residency Program.

Burgess majored in biology at Hanover College and was active in Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, Hanover Players and was a Brain Bowl contestant. He credits the excellence of Hanover College and its faculty for giving him the "best education available."



**Richard Lesh '66** is an internationally-recognized leader in the assessment both of children's proportional

reasoning and mathematical problem-solving, as well as a pioneer in computer-assisted teaching. He has worked as a professor of mathematics and education at Northwestern University, the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth and Purdue University, where he currently serves as the Robert B. Kane Distinguished Professor of Education.

Lesh is the author of more than 12 books and more than 150 research publications for journals in the U.S. and abroad. He

founded the Princeton Research Institute for Science and Mathematics, and co-founded both the Research Organization for Psychology of Mathematics Education, and the International Journal of Mathematics Thinking and Learning.

Lesh holds a master's degree in mathematics (statistics and topology) and a doctorate in mathematics and cognitive science, both from Indiana University. In addition to his professorship at Purdue, he is associate dean for research and director of the Center for Twenty-First Century Conceptual Tools, which explores the knowledge people need to succeed in a technology-based information age, focusing on kindergarten-through 12th-grade students in the areas of mathematics, science, reading and writing.

At Hanover, Lesh majored in mathematics and physics, was the quarterback on the football team and was affiliated with Beta Theta Pi fraternity. Looking back on his Hanover years, Lesh said:

"Only at a college like Hanover — of which there are few — could I have ended up with a double major in mathematics and physics, and still be encouraged to participate in activities that ranged from playing football for four years to being active in student government . . . Little did I know, when these wonderful people were introducing me to the mysteries of mathematics and physics, that I would spend a career investigating how such ideas evolve in youngsters — and how these understandings can be encouraged and assessed."

## Hanover Alum wins Ms. Wheelchair Indiana 2009



**Emily Munson '06** was crowned Ms. Wheelchair Indiana 2009 during ceremonies in late March at the Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana in her native Indianapolis.

Munson, who holds a bachelor's degree in political science, has spinal muscular atrophy that confines her to

a wheelchair and requires the assistance of a professional care assistant. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in bioethics and a law degree from Indiana University-Purdue University of Indianapolis.

"It was my experiences at Hanover that introduced me to self-advocacy and my passion for disability rights," Munson said.

During her yearlong reign as Ms. Wheelchair Indiana, Munson will travel the state promoting disability awareness and urging people with disabilities to work with policymakers in emergency preparedness planning.

This reflects her platform — "Wheel Be Ready: Emergency Preparedness in the Disability Community."

"I want to encourage more interaction between persons with disabilities and

legislators when it comes to policy negotiation and implementation," said Munson, who added she is available to speak to any group interested in disability issues.

Aug. 24, Munson will compete in the Ms. Wheelchair America Pageant in Rapid City, S.D., and "would greatly appreciate" any contributions to help offset the \$1,500 entrance fee.

Donations should be sent to Nancy Cotterill, c/o People on Wheels, 937 Tamarack Circle, North Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46260. Please specify that the funds are to help Emily Munson pay her entry fees.

Ms. Wheelchair Indiana 2009 was sponsored by People on Wheels, a Web-based information outlet for the estimated three-to-four million users of wheelchairs in America, as well as their caregivers and families.



# ALUMNI NEWS

## Obituaries

**JACK HANNAH '37**, of Elkhart, Ind., died Nov. 24, 2008, at age 92.

**EARL VANCE '37**, of Ridge Manor, Fla., died Feb. 2, 2009, at age 94.

**GARRY GARRETSON '38**, of Hayden Lake, Idaho, died Feb. 6, 2009, at age 91.

**ALFORD MOORE '41**, of Zephyrhills, Fla., died Aug. 12, 2008.

**HELEN MONTGOMERY MOORE '45**, of Ann Arbor, Mich., died Oct. 7, 2008, at age 85.

**SAM DECKER '50**, of Horseshoe, Ariz., died Nov. 22, 2008, at age 84.

**DICK UMBAUGH '50**, of Plymouth, Ind., died Oct. 10, 2008, at age 84.

**NORMAN UTTER '51**, of Dillsboro, Ind., died March 12, 2009, at age 83.

**MARY LOU ZOOK TUCKER '52**, of Winter Park, Fla., died December 2008.

**JEANETTE ROSS MORROW '53**, of Lexington, Ky., died Feb. 6, 2009, at age 77.

**NANCY MOORE SMITH '63**, of Cave Creek, Ariz., died Jan. 12, 2009, at age 67.

**SERENA WILLIS KEACH '67**, of Hanover, Ind., died on Jan. 14, 2009, at age 63.

**RICH BANTA '69**, of Sun City, Ariz., died Dec. 29, 2008, at age 61.

**JAMES JACOB '70**, of Fredericksburg, Va., died March 23, 2009, at age 60.

**SKIP HOLMSTROM '77**, of Lake Bluff, Ill., died Jan. 27, 2009, at age 53.

Former professor **CHARLES C. MOHR**, of Medina, Ohio, died, Jan. 6, 2009, at age 85.

Former assistant football and golf coach **LARRY SHOOK** died October 2006.

For complete obituary information, visit [classnotes.hanover.edu](http://classnotes.hanover.edu)



It's difficult to overemphasize the importance of legacy gifts. Hanover College created The 1827 Society to honor and appreciate individuals who will leave a legacy gift for future generations.

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# Classnotes

**1944**

**ED AND BEEZ BEESLEY GORDON** celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary April 24, 2009.

**1964**

**JUDY DISBOROUGH MOORE** co-authored a political history of the Medicaid program, "Medicaid Politics and Policy 1965-2007." After retiring from federal service in 1998, she worked at George Washington University for the National Health Policy Forum. Based largely on more than 200 interviews, Moore said it was a real labor of love.

**1967**

The Minnesota Court of Appeals re-elected **TERRI STONEBURNER** for a second six-year term. **JUDY HELMS PUTNAM** and **JIM PUTNAM '68** visited Terri and her husband, Dick Berens, in St. Paul, Minn.

**1968**

**CHERYL BALL JACKLIN** retired from teaching and now mentors first-year teachers. She also works part-time in her husband's office.

**1969**

**DAVE JACKSON** writes, "I began serving as stated supply pastor of Central Presbyterian Church in Dayton, Ohio, in November 2008. I served previously in the Miami Valley Presbytery. After being gone for 12 years, it is great being back near family and some good friends." Contact Dave at 1656 Hillwood Dr., Dayton, OH 45439 or dejack37898@yahoo.com.

**1976**

CoBiz Financial has elected **ROBERT W. DONEGAN** to its Board of Directors, representing its banking franchise. Donegan has served as chief executive office of Navajo Manufacturing, a consumer products company, since 2007.

**PAMELA SEEVERS VANDYKE** writes, "Our daughter, **KRISTINA '08**, now teaches in Batesville, Ind. She teaches Spanish to grades K-8."

**1973**

**KAREN McKAY RUSH** visited her daughter, **KATIE '12**, several times this year. She writes, "With every visit, I had such warm feelings for Hanover. Would love to be doing it all over again with all the fabulous new facilities these guys have!"

**PATCH SAKRISON** autographed his latest book, "Chasing the Ghost Birds," at the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C., June 27. The book documents three cutting-edge avian conservation projects involving trumpeter swans, Siberian cranes and whooping cranes. He took a two-week book and lecture mini-tour in late June through the Washington, New York City and Boston metro areas. Sakrison lives in Ripon, Wis.



**1953**

**SHIRLEY HUNGATE WEERSING** writes, "My husband, Clark, and I rode in the Freedom Village Tulip Time parade float this year, which gave us a different view of the annual festival."



**1959**

**PHYLLIS WATSON HICKEY** lost her husband, Jim, in 2008. She recently moved from Leesburg, Fla., to Coldwater, Mich. to be nearer her daughter, Nancy. She'd love to hear from old Hanover friends. Contact her at 14 Furlong Drive, Coldwater, MI 49036.



## Classnotes

**LIZ MELLETT REHFUS** currently serves as president of the International Fluid Power Society. After Hanover, she earned her engineering degree at IUPUI. She has 30 years of experience in the industry and is a certified fluid power engineer, currently self-employed at Crafting Solutions Inc., doing AutoCAD schematic drawings. Rehfus also combines her English degree from Hanover with her more recent experience and edits technical documents. Contact her at [lizrehfus@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lizrehfus@sbcglobal.net).

**1975**

The Indiana Sports Corp. Board of Directors has elected Ice Miller LLP Partner **JOE DeGROFF** as chairman. He has served multiple roles for the organization, including chair of the 2004 FINA World Swimming Championships. At Ice Miller, DeGross's primary areas of practice include mergers and acquisitions, federal and state securities law compliance, and general corporate advice.

**1986**

**JOHN LUKOWSKI** has retired from social services and bought a home in the country 60 miles north of Minneapolis/St. Paul., Minn. He writes, "I have black bears in my backyard and am surrounded by the best fishing lakes in North America. I couldn't be happier. I miss hearing from old friends and Sigma Chi brothers." Contact him at [lukowski570@centurytel.net](mailto:lukowski570@centurytel.net).

**JULIA WALKER** and her family have moved to St. Louis where she is now associate professor of English and drama at Washington University.

**1989**

**SUE FRYBACK TILLEY** writes, "**PAT** and I settled back in Madison in 2003 and I started working again full-time in June at Hanover as the Career Center assistant. It is exciting to see all the changes that have taken place on campus in the last 20 years! Our girls, Hannah, 13, and Sammie, 11, and dogs, Belle, a 6-year-old Boxer, and Sadie, a 3-year-old half-Boxer, keep us busy!" Contact her at [tilley@hanover.edu](mailto:tilley@hanover.edu).

**1990**

**ANDY AAVATSMARK** teaches history and coaches fencing at the Watkinson School in Hartford, Conn. His wife, **LEE NEWTON '91**, works for Connecticut Public TV and is probably on local PBS station during pledge drives. They have two boys, Anders and Hans.

**1991**

The Indianapolis Business Journal has selected **JOE ALBERTS** litigation counsel for the Dow Chemical Co. and Dow AgroSciences LLC, to appear in its "Forty Under 40" special section. The award recognizes and profiles the 40 most influential, respected and successful individuals in central Indiana under the age of 40. Alberts also earned honors recently as an Indiana Super Lawyer in 2008, and an "Indy's Best and Brightest" Award recipient in the Law category, as well as the Outstanding Young Lawyer Award by the Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana. He is a 1994 magna cum laude graduate of Indiana University's School of Law.

**1974**

**STUART BILD '07**, **STEVE MONTIGNANI** and **KEN GLADISH** had lunch in Austin, Texas. Montignani writes, "Ken was able to fill in as a speaker for the Sigma Chi Alumni luncheon for which (I serve as) vice president and organizer of programs. While I kidded Ken that he was filling in for Bill Clinton, he actually filled in for Bill's Secret Service agent, who had been scheduled to talk and was called away at the last minute to guard Clinton when he came to Austin unexpectedly. Ken graciously filled in and did a better job than either of the other two potential speakers."



*From left to right, Bild '07, Montignani and Gladish.*

**1993**

**AIMEE HILL** writes, “2008 was a busy year for me and I have two announcements. Sept. 6, 2008, I married Danny Dale Eller. Dec. 18, we welcomed Morgaine Alexandra. She joins her big sister, Bailey Kaufman, 5. I continue to work as associate counsel in Fishers at Freedom Mortgage, formerly Irwin Mortgage.” Contact her at 55 Carnaby Drive, Brownsburg, IN 46112.

**KELLEY DOHNER KITCHEN**

completed her M.B.A., summa cum laude, in 2007. She now serves as corporation treasurer for Hamilton Community Schools. She writes that it is a big change with a much slower pace but a great place to work. She and her husband of 15 years, Rod, and their two children, Sierra, 10, and Colten, 6, live in Auburn, Ind.

**1994**

**MARC SLATON** successfully defended his dissertation, “The Effect of Student Attendance Patterns on Student Achievement through an Analysis of Student Grade Point Averages,” and earned his doctor of education degree from Oakland City University in May. He and his wife, Shawna, have two children, Andrew, 7, and Meredith, 3. The Slatons reside in Lexington, Ind., and both currently work in the Scott County 2 School District. Contact him at mslaton@scsd2.k12.in.us.

**1996**

**SCOTT COOPER** was chosen District Teacher of the Year for Palm Springs (Calif.) Unified School district. Scott, who teaches English and psychology, now advances to the Riverside County level. Scott is also a counselor for College of the Desert and lives in Rancho Mirage with his wife, Sylvie, daughters Emma, 8, and Niamh, 2, and son, Declan 6.

**1986**

**DAWN HUGHES LeMASTER** lives in Aiken, S.C., and enjoys being a wife, mother and part-time freelance writer. She writes, “After going through a divorce this past year, I married Billy Summers of Pembroke, Ga. We are raising Clark, Caleb and Carson LeMaster, my children from my first marriage. Life is good.” Contact them at billyanddawn@rocketmail.com.



## An improved e-Hanoverian

Last spring, when Assistant Professor of Computer Science Michael Bradshaw wanted a real-world project for his database class, he didn't have to look any farther than creating a better e-version of The Hanoverian. The students toiled for hours while they learned new skills in order to create an easy to use HTML version of the magazine that ends the days of waiting forever for a large file to download.

Two issues are available, including this current issue and spring 2009, “Year of the Panther.” You'll also find special web extras, not available in the print version, such as additional photos.

To check out the students' work, visit [hanoverian.hanover.edu](http://hanoverian.hanover.edu).



## Classnotes

**1998**

**JULIE SORG GOSHORN** and her husband, **ANDY '97**, announce the birth of their daughter, Brooklynn Grace, June 29, 2008. Brooke joins big brothers Jack, 4, and Will, 3. The family still lives in Cincinnati. Contact them at julie\_goshorn@yahoo.com.

**ERIKA NEWCOMER THOMPSON** and her husband, Troy, announce the birth of their second son, Graham Stevens, Nov. 9, 2008, at 7 pounds and 2 ounces, and 19.5 inches long. He joins big brother Jace, 3. The Thompsons continue to live in Greenville, S.C. Contact Erika at elthompson14@yahoo.com.

**1999**

**MICHAEL FRANKLIN** married Stephanie Nichole Harlow at Jefferson County Memorial Forest, Louisville, Ky., June 28, 2008. Hanoverians present were **NATHAN KINNEY, MICHELLE JAMES '98, KIRK ROTH '01** and **PIPER ROBY**. They also announce the birth of their daughter, Savannah Sunshine, May 07, 2008. She joins her brother, Casey Mills, 13, and Merlin, the family dog.

Thompson Miller & Simpson PLC has named **KEVIN MURPHY** a partner, practicing in the areas of products liability and medical malpractice defense for both Kentucky and Indiana.

**2000**

**CASEY ROSEBERRY HECKLER** and her husband, Kevin, announce the birth of their son, Boden Patrick, July 3, 2008. Bode joins big brother Jack, 3, and big sister Kevyn Elizabeth, 9. Casey serves as director of residence life at Hanover College. The family resides in historic downtown Madison, Ind.

**2001**

**JANETA SCHEELE** married Scott Fox in October 2007. They have two children, Nicole, 6, and Caitlyn, 6 months. The family resides in Batesville, Ind., where she works as the training coordinator for Forethought Financial Services.

**2003**

**KATI KNIGHT** married Benjamin Tuttle on Nov. 8, 2008, in Cincinnati. Hanoverians in the wedding included **JENNIFER KNIGHT LAWS '07** and **SARAH BLYTHE**. Hanoverians attending the wedding included **JESSLYN COLLINS-FROHLICH, ERIN HERBERT** and **DEREK SELZNICK '04**. Knight completed her doctorate in social psychology at the University of Michigan and now works for Ipsos Marketing in Cincinnati. Tuttle works at Procter & Gamble in Cincinnati. Contact her at kati.tuttle@gmail.com.



**2002**

**BRAD MORIN** and his wife, Merideth, announce the birth of their daughter, Gabrielle Kate, Jan. 22, 2008. Brad is finishing his final year of residency in family medicine at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie, Ind.

## 2004

**JULIE MERKEL MOTYKA** and her husband, Andy, welcomed their second daughter, Lucy Constance, Dec. 8, 2008. Lucy weighed 8 pounds and 13 ounces, and was 22 inches long. Big sister, Mary, has been helpful at inserting the pacifier when necessary!

## 2005

**AARON PARKER** married Meghan Vicinus Nov. 22, 2008 at Roberts Park United Methodist Church in downtown Indianapolis. The reception followed at The Terrace at Market Tower. The couple honeymooned in the Riviera Maya, Mexico. **TOBY HARTMAN** and **JOHN WILLIAMS '04** were a part of the

wedding party. Hanoverians in attendance were **ERIC YODER '04**, **BLAIR BODIE WILLIAMS '04**, **BEN '06** and **LINDSAY RAINEY FAULSTICK '07**, **NICK '06** and **LAURA STOTHARD WALTER '06**, **BEN ROLLINS** and Aaron's grandfather, **J. RICHARD CIRA '57**.



## 2006

**SARAH POLLOM** married **TODD HILL '08** on Aug. 9, 2008, in Danville, Ky. Hanoverians in the wedding party included **JOHN POLLOM '03**, **ANNIE TETRICK**, **SARABETH RATLIFF POLLOM '05**, **LAURA STOTHARD**, **JOE DAGES '08**, **SAM POLLOM '10**, **JUSTIN MARQUELING '08** and **NICK WALTER**. Many other Hanoverians attended, including Sarah's parents **BILL '77** and **MARTI McNAUGHTON POLLOM '77**. Todd and Sarah live in Simpsonville, Ky.





**2007**

**BJ BYRD-JENKINS** married Julie Kish Oct. 18, 2008, in Nashville, Tenn. They currently reside in Gallatin, Tenn.

**2008**

**MIKI LYNN DISBROW** and **IAN SCOT PYLE** announce their engagement. Ian popped the question in Philadelphia Aug. 28, 2008. Wedding plans are pending for 2010. The bride's two sisters, Hanoverians **MALLORY '10** and **MARISSA DISBROW '13**, will serve as maids of honor, while **KRISTEN BROOKES '09**, **DANIELLE HAZELBAKER**, **BRIANNA RAATZ**, **ANGELA SEMRAU** and **JESIKA YOUNG** will be bridesmaids. The groomsmen will include **DEREN BAGSBY**, **ALEX BUSCHERMOHLE '09**, **CHUCK SUMMERS '10**, **RUSS VILLIER** and **ISAIAH WILCKEN '09**.

## Totten's new book about history of athletics

Stan Totten, professor emeritus of geology, is switching from the lab to the playing field to write his second book about Hanover College.

Focusing on the history of Hanover athletics, Totten said he'll decide on the book's title before publication, sometime this fall. His first book, "One Hundred Points of Light: A History of Science at Hanover College," appeared in 2007.

"It seemed like a perfect follow-up to the science book because no comprehensive book has ever been done on Hanover athletics," Totten said.

He's interviewed, e-mailed and/or written letters to more than 150 former Hanover athletes, as well as read through the College's Hall of Fame files to learn about earlier athletes. He's also visited area libraries and contacted other colleges.

"It's a never-ending job — you never get it all," he said.

More than 200 athletes will be featured in the book, which is shaping up to have 400 pages of text and 250 pages of photographs.

"We'll approach 1,000 photos in the book, including all the team photos available."

So how does a writer make the switch from science to sports, two subjects that appear dramatically different? In Totten's case it was probably easy — considering his strong background in both areas.

In addition to his distinguished career as a teacher and researcher, Totten was the faculty athletic representative at Hanover for 27 years and was involved in basketball intramurals when arrived on campus in 1962.

"I also worked out in the gym quite a bit and played basketball with many of our athletes."

Before that, Totten played both baseball and basketball in high school (Northwestern in Wayne County, Ohio), where he was a two-time all-Ohio player. He is also a member of the Wayne County Hall of Fame, whose most famous inductee is Bobby Knight.

Totten went on to play both baseball and basketball at his alma mater, The College of Wooster.

The book will be available as a limited edition. Alumni interested in the book can reach the author at [totten@hanover.edu](mailto:totten@hanover.edu) or at 812-866-3110.

— *Herb Whitney*

## Keeping The Hanoverian green

In an effort to protect the environment and the high quality of The Hanoverian, we have decided to discontinue printing the annual report. Instead, the fall issue of the magazine will have eight additional pages that will contain the College's financial information and some of the donor lists found in the print version.

For a complete listing, you'll be able to find them in the newly-improved e-Hanoverian (*see page 33*). It's just another way of keeping Hanover "green" by making use of technology instead of trees.

This action is in line with those of many colleges and universities around the country as we see to make the best use of our resources for our most important alumni publication.



## Dates to Remember

- **Saturday, August 22** — Indianapolis Business Network at Victory Field
- **Saturday, September 26** — Gala
- **Saturday, October 3** — Homecoming
- **Saturday, October 31** — Halloween Party
- **Saturday, November 14** — Parents' Day/Senior Day
- **Saturday, November 14** — Hanover Franklin Victory Bell Game (at Hanover)
- **Wednesday, February 11** — HC Pub Night
- **Thursday, April 15** — Alumni Senior Banquet

## Taking a look back: Send us your college memories

The theme of The Hanoverian's fall issue will be history — especially history as it affected you, our alumni, while you attended Hanover. And we are asking for your contributions.

Please take time to think back to your undergraduate years and recall historic moments, either serious or humorous, that you would like to have published. You may e-mail those memories to Sandra Guthrie at [guthrie@hanover.edu](mailto:guthrie@hanover.edu) or call her at 812-866-7008.

Here are some questions that will hopefully jog your memory:

- What significant world, national or local event occurred while you were at Hanover? How do you remember it?
- What are some historical facts or myths that you heard about Hanover?
- What professor or class sparked your interest in history?
- As a student, were you aware of any historic event directly affecting

Hanover, or in which Hanover played a role?

- Did you participate in – or were you victimized by – a dorm or fraternity prank? (The emphasis here should be on the hysterical, not historical.)
- What college customs do you remember that are now considered outdated?
- Who remembers the Campus Cabin?
- What Hanover ghost stories have you heard?

The final question is for alumni who were involved in World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War or the Persian Gulf War:

- What was it like returning home? What role, if any, did Hanover play in helping you get re-established during peacetime?

Thank you for your time. We look forward to hearing from you.







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## COME CELEBRATE AT HOMECOMING 2009!

Every fall, Hanoverians return to campus to renew friendships and make new ones at Homecoming. This year, October 2-3, there'll be reunions for class years ending in four and nine, but everyone is welcome to join in the fun!

### EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

#### Friday, October 2:

- 7:30 p.m. Student Theatre Showcase, Parker Auditorium
- 9:00 p.m. Campus Bonfire and Live Music, outside the Jordan House

#### Saturday, October 3:

- 8:30 a.m. The Scenic: A 5K with a View
- 10:00 a.m. "What Can the Career Center Do for You,"  
J. Graham Brown Campus Center, Faculty Dining Room
- 11:00 a.m. Year of the Panther tent (Track and XC, Football, Men's Soccer)
- 11:00 a.m. Party on The Point
- 11:30 a.m. Homecoming Luncheon, J. Graham Brown Campus Center,  
Main Dining Room
- 1:00 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Anderson University
- 1:30 p.m. Football vs. Anderson University

These are just a few of the great events going on during Homecoming. Since events/times are subject to change, please visit the website at [www.hanover.edu/alumni/alumnievents/homecoming/](http://www.hanover.edu/alumni/alumnievents/homecoming/) for the latest schedule.