River Campus
Undergraduate

1931 Emily Rowley Daube celebrated her 100th birthday in September. Ed Weisman ’67, whose sister, Marjory, is Emily’s daughter-in-law, took her picture at her celebration. On her lap, atop the U of R blanket that was a gift from Ed, is a birthday card and a picture of her from the 1931 yearbook in which she is pictured with the other members of the Theta Tau Theta sorority.

1938 William Form ’40 (MA) sends an update. He is a professor emeritus of sociology at Ohio State University. He writes that, as a graduate student in sociology at the University of Maryland in the early 1940s, “I was the only doctoral student of C. Wright Mills, noted radical guru.” William completed his doctorate in 1944 and taught at Michigan State University and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign before going to Ohio State in 1988. He has authored or coauthored 10 books on industrial sociology and related topics and numerous articles in professional journals. William adds that he would enjoy hearing from other members of the Class of 1938, who can write to him at 1864 Riverside Drive, Apartment 34, Columbus, Ohio, 43212.

1943 Richard (Dick) Fang and his wife, Ginny, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary with family in Treasure Island, Fla. Dick writes that he met Ginny at a party in Rochester while he was working toward his degree in physics, which he earned with distinction. The two married on August 19, 1944, at Mather Field Air Force Base in Sacramento. A veteran of World War II, Dick adds that he served in the Air Force as a meteorologist and operations officer and later served in the Reserves, retiring as a lieutenant colonel.
In civilian life, he worked for Westinghouse in various management and sales positions for 38 years, retiring in 1984. He and Ginny “are both avid golfers, and have won several club tournaments both individually and as a couple. Ginny raised our three children, was a homemaker, and continues to enjoy knitting, bridge, and her family. We have two daughters, four grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.”

1957 Bill and Kay Stiles Anderson ’58N hosted a minireunion of the Theta Chi Class of ’57 in Colorado Springs in September. Bill writes: “We took trips to the scenic mountains, attended a music hall show, and visited various sites in Colorado Springs. On Sunday we all drove to and were hosted by Roy ’73S (MBA) and Faye Wadsworth Whitney ’60N at their ranch near Wheatland, Wyo. The group became reacquainted at their 50th reunion in 2007 and has met annually since then. The first gathering was on Cape Cod in 2008 and was hosted by Paul Ford ’68S (MS) and his wife, Peggy.” Pictured are (seated, left to right) are Roy, Mark Sharnoff, and John Hageman; and (standing) Paul, Dave VanDerMeid, Garrett Smith ’61, Bill, and Hank Porter.

1961 Garrett Smith (see ’57).

1962 Doug Rupert ’70S (MBA) (see ’63).

1963 Diana Mason Butler sends an update and a photo from the “Four Family Follies”—a reunion every two years attended by her and (from left to right) Anne Stillman Brown, William Brown, Mary Ann McConnell Rupert, Doug Rupert ’62, ’70S (MBA), Dave Butler, Diana Mason Butler, Ted Horwitz, and Crys Martin Horwitz ’65. Diana writes: “We currently live in the four corners of the U.S.—Vermont/New Hampshire, North Carolina, California, and Washington state. However, we travel from afar every two years for our wonderful reunions, which include our children and grandchildren. This year’s event took place in July in New Hampshire.”

1964 Bill Schafer ’69W (EdD), an affiliated professor emeritus at the University of Maryland at College Park, has coedited a book, Alternative Assessments Based On Alternative Achievement Standards (Brookes). The book examines how states have created academic learning assessments for students with severe cognitive challenges.

1965 Crys Martin Horwitz (see ’63).

1967 Ed Weisman (see ’31).

1970 Judith Branzburg writes: “Four of six senior-year suite-mates from the Towers residential hall got together for a minireunion in Cambridge, Mass., in August. Pictured are Linda Mur, Judith Branzburg, and Diane Gartner Hillman. Barbara Calveric also attended. Sandra Jacobus was unable to attend. The sixth suite-mate, Ruth Stanton, has been out of touch until just recently, but is living in Israel. Of the five women, four have doctorates and one has a law degree, and all are still working in their professions: college professor, psychologist, nonprofit administrator, college administrator, and lawyer. They live and work all over the country: New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Virginia, and California. Three have children, five altogether, and all boys. All felt that the group, almost 40 years after graduation, is still very much alive, stimulating, and fun.” . . . John Bloom is the director of organizational culture at RSF Social Finance in San Francisco and has written a book, The Genius of Money: Essays and Interviews Reimagining the Financial World (Steiner, 2009).

1973 Bennet Alsher sends an update and a photo. “I’ve been practicing law since 1978 and am a partner at Ford & Harrison, a national labor and employment law firm representing management, headquartered in Atlanta. My wife, Paula, is a vice president of sales and marketing for a consulting firm. My twin daughters, Lora and Rachel, both graduated from the University of Georgia in 2003. Lora is now in her third

Key to Abbreviations

E Eastman School of Music
M School of Medicine and Dentistry
N School of Nursing
S William E. Simon Graduate School of Business
W Margaret Warner Graduate School of Education and Human Development
Mas Master’s degree
RC River Campus
Res Medical Center residency
Flw Postdoctoral fellowship
Pdc Postdoctoral certificate
year of law school and Rachel works at an Internet technology staffing firm in Atlanta. Time flies.” The photo shows Bennet at the summit of 14,270-foot Gray’s Peak in Colorado. He writes: “I trekked up this mountain with three colleagues on August 8, 2009. It took four hours to reach the summit, but the view was well worth it. Going down was more difficult than I thought it would be. It was about two hours of walking, and at times sliding, down a rocky path. Sliding is faster than walking but clearly more dangerous. Will try another ‘14er’ next summer.”

1985 Howard Stein was recognized in September by Long Island Business News as one of Long Island’s “Top 50 Around 50,” a designation to honor Long Islanders around the age of 50 who have an exceptional track record of leadership, mentoring, and community service. A partner-in-charge of the real estate practice group at Certilman, Balin, Adler, and Hyman, Howard is vice president and counsel for Hope for Youth, a home for abused children; an executive board member, counsel, and vice president of the Suffolk Y Jewish Community Center; an active supporter of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Long Island, from which he received the Presidential Award in 2000; and a winner of the 2007 Harry Chapin Humanitarian Award from Long Island Cares, a food bank and hunger assistance organization. ... Robert and Laura Cohen Mahoney (see '03).


1980 Bruce Forman has been appointed the business development manager for North America for the medical device and packaging manufacturer Medicon.

1984 Gretchen Specht Herbert, an officer in the Navy, is the director of Navy communications in the office of the deputy chief of Naval Operations for Communication Networks. Gretchen has been selected for promotion to rear admiral.

1985 Dennis Miller has been appointed senior vice president of research and preclinical development at ZymoGenetics, a Seattle pharmaceutical company.

1986 Meirav Chovav ’89 (MS) is a biotechnology analyst and consultant and the new vice president of strategic affairs at Nucleix, a company in Tel Aviv, Israel, specializing in forensic DNA analysis.

1987 Kirk Reinbold has accepted a position at the University of Notre Dame as the inaugural managing director of the University’s Advanced Diagnostics and Therapeutics Initiative. He writes: ‘AD & T designs microsensing devices for personalized health care and environmental monitoring. Working on the nanoscale, 31 researchers from five departments within the College of Engineering and two departments within the College of Arts and Sciences are developing miniaturized systems that can capture and detect a few distinct molecules in order to provide physicians and scientists with more accurate information for medical diagnoses or environmental assessments. My role is to grow the initiative through collaborative efforts with other academies, foundations, research institutes and industry. Go Irish!’ ... Lizette Perez Deisboeck has been appointed general counsel at Battery Ventures, a technology investment firm based in Waltham, Mass. ... Brad Hughart (see '91).
Jennifer Chapek Moon and her husband, Jay, announce the birth of their twin sons, Jackson Matthew and Everett James, in March 2009. . . . Samuel Thomas has been appointed assistant professor of chemistry at Tufts University. Samuel received his PhD from MIT in organic chemistry in 2006 and completed his postdoctoral studies at Harvard in 2009.

Joe Quijano and Mike Lesczinski ’04 launched a public relations and campaign consulting company, Meliora Strategies, in Albany in July. Mike writes: “Our experience at Rochester has been important to our development and growth. We felt it appropriate to recognize all the College has done for us by incorporating Meliora in the firm’s name.” . . . Nick Rollins writes: “On August 24, I successfully defended my master’s thesis, completing the master of science program in medical statistics from the School of Medicine and Dentistry. In October, I started work with Measured Progress, a nonprofit educational testing company in Dover, N.H.”

Brenna Simons received a PhD in microbiology and immunology from Vanderbilt University last May. She was president of Vanderbilt AIDS Outreach, a volunteer organization that provides HIV preventative education to the community, and now works as a research and prevention administrator at Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium in Anchorage. . . . Jenna Tyre married Chris Bain last June. She writes: “We were married at the Four Seasons Hotel in Las Vegas and now live in Los Angeles. I am a director of brand strategy and promotion for NBC Entertainment and Chris is a manager of sales for AEG, a sports and entertainment company. We had many UR friends make the trip to celebrate with us!”

Alissa Quinn Haas’99W (MS) and her husband, Jay, announce the birth of their fourth child, and first daughter, Olivia McKenna, on Easter 2009. She joins her three older brothers, Jayden, 6, Sammy, 4, and Casey, 2, as well as two older half-brothers, Zachary, 17, and Jonathan, 13.

Karrie Dale Goldstein writes that she and her husband, Michael, welcomed a son, Brett Evan Goldstein, last March. Brett joins his big sister, Hallie Nicole. The family lives in Columbia, Md.

Andy and Jill Robinson Spivak send a photo and an update. Andy writes: “Just days after I went into business as an intellectual property attorney for the Mosaic Legal Group, we were elated to welcome our daughter, Claire Josephine Spivak, into our family. Might Claire be U of R Class of 2017?”

2004 Marjorie Waterman Gloff ’08M (MD) writes that she and her husband, Douglas, welcomed a new son, Noah Douglas Gloff, in July. . . . Mike Lesczinski (see ’02). . . . Amy O’Byrne (see ’03). . . . Ryan Aylward (see ’06).

2006 David Lu and Elise Peterson ’07 were married last August in St. Louis. Pictured are (second row) Emily Hickey ’05, Brad Taylor ’07, bridesmaid

2007 Becky Phillips ’08, Ben Snitkoff, Rachel Morgan-Wall Butler ’05, Cayllynn Lott, Dan Allan ’08, Colin Brown, bridesmaid Jill Warejko ’07, groomsmen Rob Rice; (first row) Courtney Jansen, Madeline Woo ’08, Elise, David, and Brian Kim ’04. Attending, but not pictured, was Rochester history professor William Hauser. . . . David Ladon, Jon Dusel, and Ryan Aylward ’04 have released their debut CD, Plural Non-Possessive, as part of the foursome, the Doctors Fox. Based in Boston, the Doctors Fox has performed its experimental pop at venues in Boston, Somerville, and Cambridge, Mass., as well as across the northeast.

2007 Dana Tievsky, a member of Kappa Delta, and Matt Koren, a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, announce their engagement. They live in Los Angeles, where Dana attends the University of Southern California School of Dentistry and Matt is a mechanical engineer. They plan an August 2010 wedding. . . . Elise Peterson (see ’06).

2008 Eric Konicki and his wife, Elizabeth, announce their marriage last June in Hamburg, NY. The couple lives in Moorestown, N.J., where Eric is a mechanical engineer at Lockheed Martin Maritime Systems and Sensors and Elizabeth is a graduate student at West Chester University.

2009 Miriam Moody was selected as one of 10 volunteers nationwide to become an American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee Jewish Service Corps fellow. In August, Miriam departed for Dnepropetrovsk, the third largest city in Ukraine, and a sister city of the Boston Jewish community. She will spend the year there serving and participating in the local Jewish community.

River Campus
Graduate

1940 William Form (MA) (see ’38 undergraduate).

1965 Paul Ford S (MS) (see ’57 undergraduate).

1969 Bill Schafer W (EdD) (see ’64 undergraduate).

1970 Doug Rupert ’62S (MBA) (see ’63 undergraduate).

1973 Roy Whitney S (MBA) (see ’57 undergraduate).

1976 Dick Kievet S (MBA) and his wife, Sue, have coauthored a children’s book, Brian the Brave (self-published).

1978 Elizabeth Kincaid-Ehlers (PhD), a poet and psychotherapist in Connecticut, has written a new collection of poems, Seasoning (Antrim House).

1985 Amy Leenhouts Tait S (MBA) has been elected to the board of directors of the IEC Electronics Corp. in Newark, N.Y. Amy is the CEO of Broadstone Real Estate, a Rochester-based commercial real estate development company, and a director of Home Properties, a developer of apartment communities, also based in Rochester.

1987 Kenneth Shive (MA) received the Legion of Merit Medal from the Army when he retired after 30 years of service that took him to Egypt, South Korea, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, and Yemen, and in which he served roles from assistant
operations officer and company commander to U.S. military academy instructor and Defense Department and Army attache. The medal recognized Kenneth’s exemplary service in the year from June 2008 to June 2009 as a foreign liaison chief and deputy chief of the Office of International Engagement in the Defense Intelligence Agency. In particular, Kenneth improved equity among the 130 defense attaché offices worldwide.

1989  Meirav Chovav (MS) (see ’86 undergraduate).

1992  Lesley Stolz (PhD) has been appointed vice president of business development at the San Francisco-based biotechnology firm Sutro Biopharma.

1994  Tami Kelly Noel W (MS) (see ’91 undergraduate).

1996  Mike Noel (PhD) (see ’91 undergraduate).

1997  Bridget Klenk (MA), W (MS) (see ’95 undergraduate).

1999  Alissa Quinn Haas ’99W (MS) (see ’97 undergraduate). Jeffrey Jackson (PhD), an associate professor of history at Rhodes College in Memphis, Tenn., has published Paris Under Water: How the City of Light Survived the Great Flood of 1910 (Palgrave Macmillan). This year marks the flood’s 100th anniversary.

2004  Melissa Bernstein Ser (PhD) and her husband, Sam, announce the birth of their second child, Yonatan Chaim, in September. He joins big brother Ariel Moshe, 3. Melissa writes that she continues to serve as an academic coordinator for the Ramah Jewish High School, and that she and her family live in Jerusalem.

2004  Brent Znosko (PhD) and Jennifer Chierak were married in August in Crystal City, Mo. Brent’s PhD mentor, Douglas Turner, was in attendance. The couple spent their honeymoon “hiking, relaxing, and sight-seeing in Maui, Oahu, and on the Big Island of Hawaii.” They live in St. Louis, where Brent is an assistant professor of chemistry at Saint Louis University and Jen is an attorney at Spencer Fane Britt & Brown. Brent encourages classmates to contact him at znoskob@aim.com.

2006  Daniel Donaghy (PhD) has published a new book of poetry, Start with the Trouble (University of Arkansas).

1952  Patricia Paul Jaeger ’53 (MM) sends an update. She has published three new arrangements for solo harp, including Felix Mendelssohn’s March of the Priests, Gabriel Faure’s In Paradisum from his Requiem, and Carlos Gardel’s Por Una Cabeza: Argentine Tango for Violin (Flute) and Harp. She writes: “My arrangements seem to fill gaps in existing harp and small ensemble literature. They are sold worldwide now. My graduate year at Eastman on the Sibley Music Library staff (then on Swan Street) working under Dr. Ruth Watanabe, gave me valuable experience finding what music was already in print. When performing dates become more limited in advancing years, the rich experiences at Eastman during those five years of student life more than half a century ago, seem to generate new areas of worthwhile activity. I still maintain a busy private studio teaching violin, viola, harp, and beginning piano.”

1953  Patricia Paul Jaeger (MM) (see ’52).

1956  George Walker (DMA) has written his memoirs, Reminiscences of an American Composer and Pianist (Scarecrow, 2009) in which he reflects on his experiences as both an acclaimed 20th-century classical composer and pianist and an African American.

1959  Katherine Hoover writes that several of her compositions have had premieres in the past year and been performed by Eastman alumni. The National Flute Convention, held in New York City in August, featured nine of Katherine’s works, including a premiere of Mountain & Mesa, performed by Jeremy Gill ’96. Journey, written for bassoon and piano, was premiered by Peter Kolka ’00 (MM) and Alexandra Nguyen ’03 (DMA) in Panama City in October. Also in October was the premiere of Katherine’s The Word in Flower, at the Eastman School, performed by faculty member Katherine Ciesinsky, Bonita Boyd ’71, and Nickolas Goluses.

1960  Gaylord French ’66 (MM) has retired as organist and music director at Central Presbyterian Church in Montclair, N.J. His farewell performance in August featured two brass choirs and percussion.

1963  Warwick Lister (MM) has written Amico: The Life of Giovanni Battista Viotti (Oxford), a biography of the renowned violinist.

1966  Gaylord French (MM) (see ’60).

1970  Geary Larrick (MM) sends an update. He is living in Stevens Point, Wis., where he continues to perform solo marimba. He has written several reviews for the regional newspaper, Central Wisconsin Sunday, including a review of a CD by pianist and composer Nancy Van de Vate, and of marimba player Rebecca Kite’s recent book on the Japanese composer and marimba player, Keiko Abe. Geary adds that he is “at home in Stevens Point 40 years after moving from Rochester with my daughter, Sulina, my wife, Lydia, and a Deagan Bandmaster III that Eastman professor John Beck ’55E, ’62E (MM) advised me to purchase in the summer of 1980 when I was studying composition with Samuel Adler.”

1971  Bonita Boyd (see ’59).
Deborah Brown '79 (MM) completed a series of concerts in Washington, D.C., and Maryland with violinist Jeff Issokson, featuring the music of Beethoven, Brahms, de Falla, Albeniz, and Kreisler.

Deborah Brown (MM) (see '77) . . . Elizabeth Bankhead Buccheri (DMA), a pianist and lecturer at the Bienen School of Music at Northwestern, and assistant conductor of the Chicago Lyric Opera, performs on a new recording, Romantic Music for Piano Four Hands (Cedille Records), with pianist Richard Boldrey.

Moira Danis, a soprano and music educator in Westchester County, N.Y., has released a recording, Beautiful Sounds: The Songs of Petula Clark (Danis, 2009).

Dan Locklair (DMA), a composer-in-residence and professor of music at Wake Forest University, had a new composition, In the Sight of God, premiered in October by the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys at Saint Thomas Church in New York City.

Joseph Holt, the principal pianist for the United States Army Chorus, has been named the music director of Gloria Musicae, a vocal chamber chorus in Sarasota, Fla.

Mary Ellen Woodside is the first violinist in the Merel Quartet, founded in 2002 and based in Switzerland. The quartet has released its debut recording, The Merel Quartet, which includes works by Robert Schumann, Leos Janacek, and contemporary Swiss Composer David Philip Hefti.

Daniel Florio (MM) writes that he is in his 14th season as a percussionist with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra and has been appointed interim principal percussionist for the 2009-10 season.

Jeremy Gill (see '59).

Peter Kolkay (MM) (see '59).

Corinth DelaCruz Catanus writes: “My husband Godfrey and I have been blessed with the birth of our first daughter, Charissa Faith. She was born in May 2009. At birth, she was 5 lbs., 15 oz. and 19 inches long. She already likes to listen to violin music, read books, and look at flowers! We currently reside in Orange County, Calif.” . . . Alexandra Nguyen (DMA) (see '59).

School of Medicine and Dentistry

August Curley (MS), a management consultant in Atlanta and a 1950 graduate of Morehouse College, writes: “I have been selected by Dr. Robert M. Franklin, president of Morehouse College, to receive the Presidential Award of Distinction for my personal and professional achievements in analytical and biochemical toxicology, for my service to the governments of Egypt, France, Switzerland, and other foreign countries, as well as my commitment to the college over the past 60 years.” He adds that he was a student of the late professors Louis Lasagna and Victor DiStefano of the Department of Pharmacology and of the late professor Angelo Notides of the Department of Environmental Medicine.

Christopher Hillyer (MD), a specialist in blood banking, transfusion medicine, and hematology, has been appointed president and CEO of the New York Blood Center, a community-based, nonprofit blood center that serves hospitals in the Greater New York area.

Marjorie Waterman Gloff M (MD) (see '04 undergraduate).

School of Nursing

Kay Stiles Anderson (see '57 undergraduate).

Faye Wadsworth Whitney (see '57 undergraduate).
**In Memoriam**

*Alumni*

Alice Kress ’31N, September 2009  
Mary Phelan Mader ’31, April 2009  
True Wilson ’31, ’32N, August 2009  
Ruth Adams Rowley ’32N, March 2009  
Vera Southwell Donovan ’33E, April 2008  
Abigail Kursheedt Hoffman ’34E, September 2009  
Ivan W. Brown Jr. ’37, January 2009  
Helen McDonald Wyland ’37E, October 2009  
Ralph H. Kellogg ’39, ’43M (MD), October 2009  
Josephine Szinkunas Hooley ’39, November 2009  
Stanley J. Klein ’38, September 2009  
Sally Pike Farnham ’38, October 2009  
Edith Chapman Wemett ’38, October 2009  
Judy Brumley Smith ’39, November 2009  
Elizabeth Hewitt ’39E, October 2009  
Ralph H. Kellogg ’40, ’43M (MD), November 2009  
Janet Webster Kicherer ’40, November 2009  
Stephen Mayka ’40, October 2009  
Forrest S. Sanders ’40E, August 2009  
Joan E. Stokes ’40, September 2009  
Richard F. Conyne ’41, November 2009  
Wayne G. Norton ’41, November 2009  
Ellis M. Sprague ’42, ’47 (MA), October 2009  
Marion Lord Swierkos ’42, October 2009  
Helen McDonald Wyland ’42, October 2009  
Elizabeth Hewitt ’43E, November 2009  
Mildred Newhall O’Laughlin ’43, ’46W (EdM), January 2009  
Gloria Avigo Andrews Russell ’43, ’77W (EdD), April 2009  
Arthur H. Livermore ’44M (PhD), October 2009  
Margaret Contant Blaker ’45, July 2008  
T. Nadine Borden Derby ’46E (MM), November 2009  
Edward C. Jacoby ’46, May 2009  
Billie Huffsmith McReynolds ’46E (MA), October 2009  
Leonard E. Morrissey ’46, November 2009  
Lincoln D. Stoughton ’46E, ’48 (MS), October 2009  
Margaret Smith Taylor ’46N, September 2009  
Marie Wiedorn Kasekow ’47E, October 2009  
Lovina Kelley Nace ’47, September 2009  
Ann Long Barfield ’48N, March 2009  
Henry E. Byers ’48, ’56, October 2009  
George E. Schaefer ’48, July 2009  
George Seltzer ’48E, ’56E (DMA), November 2009  
Donald E. P. Smith ’48, July 2009  
Floyd S. Adams ’49E, October 2009  
John C. Madden ’49E, ’50E (MM), October 2009  
Claire King Johnston ’50, September 2008  
Guido V. Marinetti ’50, ’53M (PhD), October 2009  
Donald W. Meier ’51, October 2009  
Arthur H. Applegate ’51M (MD), August 2009  
Herbert Fishman ’51 (MS), November 2009  
Thomas Frank ’51M (MD), February 2008

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**Tribute**

Anne Ross Fairbanks: ‘Doll-fin’ Mentor

I knew Anne Ross Fairbanks as “Miss Ross” when she taught swimming and diving at Rochester in the late 1950s. She left the year after I came, moving to Troy, N.Y., to marry Andrew Fairbanks. But there were many of us who felt privileged to have this warm, intelligent, talented woman as our instructor.

Miss Ross was an assistant professor of physical education and the faculty advisor to the Doll-fins synchronized swimming group from 1957 to 1959. She was also known among swimmers and divers from around the globe as one of the world’s best women divers and as the U.S. National Springboard champion from 1940 to 1944. Recognized for her gymnastic ability and grace, she was inducted into the International Swimming Hall of Fame in Ft. Lauderdale in 1984.

She welcomed all swimmers in the Doll-fins regardless of ability, and it was one of the most enjoyable groups I have ever been in. Her creativity made it a lot of fun.

Each year the Doll-fins put on a show. One year for the finale Miss Ross had us all wear red, white, or blue fluorescent bathing caps and float in formation to form an American flag. The overhead lights were turned off, and to Irving Berlin’s “God Bless America” those of us on the end of the flag kicked up a big splash and propelled the formation across the pool.

A year or so after leaving Rochester, she visited with her newborn baby girl in her arms. It was unbelievable that this incred-

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CHAMPION PERFORMER: Fairbanks dives for a campus audience.

ably trim woman had been pregnant. She was in town to conduct a teaching clinic for diving instructors in the Rochester area.

I had the good fortune to be the beginning diver chosen to demonstrate the simple dives.

Miss Ross died peacefully June 18, 2009, at age 85.

Thank you, Miss Ross, for some fond memories. —Carol Riesz Nielsen ’62

Nielsen was a member of the Doll-fins synchronized swimming group from 1958 to 1962 and took courses with Fairbanks in Red Cross life saving and water safety.
TRIBUTE
‘Highland Family’: Tristan Hanna and Brooke Paquin ‘08N

Brooke Paquin ‘08N and Tristan Hanna—both nurses at the University-affiliated Highland Hospital—died as a result of a December 10 car accident in North Carolina. Paquin was also a student in the School of Nursing’s Adult Practitioner Program.

“Brooke’s passing is such a tragedy and felt deeply by her extended family of fellow students, faculty, and staff at the School of Nursing,” said Kathy Parker, dean of the school.

Paquin and Hanna met at Highland Hospital, where he began working in 2004. Paquin began her career as a patient care technician at Highland in 2005 and later worked as a nurse in the emergency department.

According to friends, Hanna had said he planned to propose to Paquin in North Carolina.

Paquin graduated from the State University of New York at Geneseo with a business degree and worked for a company in Boston for several years. But she wasn’t happy, according to her mother, Patti Paquin, a nurse at Strong Memorial Hospital, where he began working in 2005 and later worked as a nurse in the emergency department.

“She was fascinated with nursing stories and decided nursing was for her,” Paquin said. “She was such a compassionate and caring person. Her patients in the emergency department wrote her thank you notes. She was one of those special people.”

Hanna, a graduate of St. John Fisher College’s nursing school, began his career as a patient care technician at Highland.

“Tristan loved nursing,” said his father, Brendan Hanna. “He wanted to be in a position where he could help people. He enjoyed making a difference. He really loved the direct patient contact. He wasn’t a ‘paperwork’ kind of nurse. He didn’t like anything that took him away from patient time.”

Said Cindy Becker, vice president and chief operating officer at the hospital: “Highland is a close-knit family, and we feel the loss of these two young nurses very deeply.”