CLASS MILESTONE: Members of the Arts, Sciences & Engineering Class of 1963 gather in Wilson Commons for a class photo after the ceremony in which they received medallions marking their 50th reunion.

College

ARTS, SCIENCES & ENGINEERING

1949  Dave Ocorr '51 writes that Richard Garnish died last April. “He was a teammate and friend who holds a likely unreachable record in Rochester athletics history. He won 12 varsity letters, four each in football, basketball, and baseball from 1945 to 1949. As a 17-year-old freshman, Dick was a halfback on the Yellowjacket football team, and as a basketball backcourt man, he played against NYU in Madison Square Garden. In 1949, he was catcher and captain of the baseball team. He’s a member of the University’s Athletics Hall of Fame along with his younger brother, Jack Garnish, and his father, the late Lysle Garnish (Spike) Garnish. Dick spent his entire career as a family doctor in Clifton Springs, N.Y.”

1951  Jack Garnish (see ’49) . . .

Dave Ocorr (see ’49).

1952  Joseph Bagnara, professor emeritus in the department of cell biology and anatomy at the University of Arizona’s College of Medicine, has published a memoir, Unfinished Business: A Biologist in the Latter Half of the 20th Century (Wheatmark). He adds that he was born and raised in Rochester and earned his doctorate in zoology at the University of Iowa before embarking on his 50-year career at Arizona.


1968  Daniel Goldberg, a law professor at the University of Maryland, has written The Death of the Income Tax: A Progressive Consumption Tax and the Path to Fiscal Reform (Oxford University Press).

1970  Gene Alpert sends an update. In September, he retired as senior vice president of the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars. He received the honorary title of senior vice president emeritus of the organization, which he joined in 1993, after 17 years teaching political science at Texas Christian University. Gene adds that in recognition of his almost 40 years in higher education, Texas Sen. Wendy Davis introduced a resolution, later passed by the full Texas Senate, honoring him for his achievements and service, “including founding one of the only national academic programs for college students at the national political conventions.”

1972  Stephen Eisenberg (see ’06). . .

John Newton has written the third volume in his A Pen Named Man series of philosophical and inspirational books. A Pen Named Man: Our Destiny (Resource Publications) explores the path to social fulfillment “through the establishment of universal institutions designed to enable man to serve as God’s representative on Earth.”

Abbreviations

E  Eastman School of Music
M  School of Medicine and Dentistry
N  School of Nursing
S  Simon Business School
W  Warner School of Education
Mas  Master’s degree
RC  River Campus
Res  Medical Center residency
Flw  Postdoctoral fellowship
Pdc  Postdoctoral certificate
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**1973** David Gregorka has joined the venture capital group of Baird Capital. Working out of Baird’s Ann Arbor, Mich., office, he specializes in investments in the health care sector. David was a cofounder of HealthMedia, now called Wellness & Prevention.

. . . New age pianist Richard Shulman has released Bliss of Being (RichHeart Music) as part of the five-member Pure Heart Ensemble.

**1974** Richard Epstein has been elected to the board of First National Bank of Pennsylvania. Richard is managing partner of the law firm Ekker, Kuster, McCall & Epstein, in Sharon, Pa.

. . . Anthony Gringeri ’89M (PhD) has been named senior vice president of strategic resources at ImmunoCellular Therapeutics, a Los Angeles–area company that develops therapies for treating brain and other cancers. . . .

Marc Rosenwasser has been named executive producer of the newly launched weekend edition of the PBS NewsHour. Marc has been at PBS for five years, most recently as executive producer of Need to Know. He welcomes story ideas that are “original and consequential” at rosenwasserm@thirteen.org.

**1977** Bob Dardano writes that he “enjoyed an evening at Frontier Field and a Rochester Red Wings baseball victory” with classmates Mitch Chait and Steve Abbamonte in July. Pictured from left to right are Mitch, Bob, and Steve.

**1978** Lisa Goldberg has joined the investment management firm Aperio Group as director of research. She also serves as director of research for the Center for Risk Management Research at the University of California, Berkeley.

**1979** Anthony Albanese, vice president of defense and environmental solutions at the Syracuse, N.Y., based research and development company SRC, has joined the board of directors of the Rosamond Gifford Zoo. . . .

Sharon Porcello has joined the Syracuse, N.Y., law firm of Bond, Schoeneck & King.


**1982** Jay Reiff has coedited Encyclopaedia of Radiation Oncology (Springer-Verlag). Jay, who earned a doctorate in chemistry at the University of California, Berkeley, is a professor and chief of medical physics in the radiation oncology department at Drexel University.

**1986** Eric Richardson has been appointed by Georgia Gov. Nathan Deal as a state court judge in Fulton County, which includes Atlanta. . . .

Glenn Stambo was inducted as a member of the “wall of honor” of Rockville High School, near Washington, D.C. Glenn is an interventional radiologist in Tampa, Fl., and specializes in treatments for liver tumors, fibroids, blood clots, and aneurysms. . . . Tom and Lisa Flittem Winchell send an update. “We’re proud to announce our middle son, Calvin, returned this fall to Rochester as a sophomore. Our oldest son, Ethan, is a senior at Harvard University, and our youngest son, Dylan, is a junior at Canton High School in Massachusetts.”

**1988** Margaret Best Krizan ’91W (MS) writes that after having taught in the Rochester City School District, she’s begun her own consulting firm. She earned a PhD from Union Institute & University in educational leadership and wrote her dissertation on “Correlates of Effective Schools.” She also earned a certificate of completion from SUNY Oswego’s superintendent development program and a certificate of advanced studies in educational administration from SUNY Brockport.

**1990** John Sotomayor writes that he’s begun hosting a weekly radio show called Ocala Magazine Radio on WOCA The Source, in Ocala, Fl. John is executive editor of Ocala Magazine and won three awards this year in the magazine division of the annual Sunshine State awards of the Society of Professional Journalists.

**1993** Allison Bially writes that she’s published a book, Booby Trap (Smashwords), “a humorous look at breast cancer” which “chronicles my experience with the disease, and compares it to the experience of being pregnant and raising infants.” She adds: “The book was edited by Erica Cranston Rimlinger ’94. While we never met in college our network of friends introduced us as I was going through treatment and Erica was completing her own course of breast cancer treatment. The teaming of our shared experiences, shared sense of humor, and writing styles resulted in a funny, matter-of-fact look at cancer” . . .

Emily Filler Kahn has joined the energy law practice of the New England law firm of Bernstein Shur. She works in the firm’s Portland, Maine, office.

**1994** Erica Cranston Rimlinger (see ’93).

**1999** Jessica Reddington Fox (see ’10).
HONORS

Family & Friends

The University and its academic units honored several alumni and friends this fall for their achievements and service.

Arts, Sciences & Engineering

JAMES S. ARMSTRONG ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD
Dick ’63, ’66 (MS) and Vicki Proschel Schwartz ’62, active alumni for more than 50 years. Dick Schwartz is a retired senior optical engineer and Vicki Schwartz is a former teacher and community volunteer. The Schzwartzes have volunteered for several alumni initiatives, including serving on class reunion committees, and both are members of the Lifelong Learning Advisory Council and the Rochester Campaign Committee in support of The Meliora Challenge. A former member of the Trustees’ Alumni Council of the College, Dick Schwartz is a member of the Hajim School of Engineering & Applied Sciences Visiting Committee. Jeanine Sullivan Cushman ’63, a life trustee of the University. A community volunteer and an active Rochester alumna, Cushman was elected as a trustee in 1989 and served on the Academic Affairs Committee, the Personnel Committee, and the Warner School Trustees Visiting Committee, which she chaired from 1991 to 1993. For nearly 20 years, she has been part of the Warner School Dean’s Advisory Committee and has been a member or cochair of several Class of 1963 reunion committees.

Eastman School of Music

DEAN’S MEDAL
Ramon (Ray) Ricker ’73E (DMA), professor emeritus of saxophone and interim director of the Institute for Music Leadership. As a senior administrator at the Eastman School, Ricker was instrumental in establishing Eastman’s Institute for Music Leadership and other initiatives, including the Orchestra Musician Forum, with its website Polyphonic.org, and the Paul R. Judy Center for Applied Research. He and his wife, Judy ’76, ’81E (MM), ’91S (MBA), have established two professorships and a scholarship at the Eastman School.

School of Medicine and Dentistry

DEAN’S MEDAL
Alexander Levitan ’63M (MD), a retired internist and oncologist who practiced medicine in Minneapolis, Minn., for 30 years. Having participated in numerous surgeries in which hypnosis was used as the sole agent for pain control, Levitan is known for his expertise in clinical hypnosis. He is also a licensed real estate broker and president of A & L Management, a Minneapolis real estate management company that he owns with his wife, Lucy.

ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD
Jules Cohen ’53, ’57M (MD), ’59M (Res), professor of medicine and cardiology at Rochester. With University connections spanning six decades, Cohen continues to consult, mentor, research, and teach. He’s widely known for his research on the factors contributing to heart disease and for his studies of cardiac hypertrophy, cardiomyopathy, and oxygen transport.

HUMANITARIAN AWARD
Michael Gottlieb ’73M (MD), ’74M (Res), ’77M (Res), an internist and clinical immunologist in private practice in Los Angeles. An associate clinical professor of medicine at the David Geffen School of Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles, Gottlieb was the first physician to identify AIDS as a new disease. He has earned national distinction for his advocacy, research, and philanthropy.

ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Robert Burne ’87M (PhD) associate dean for research at the University of Florida’s College of Dentistry, where he is also a professor and chair of the school’s department of oral biology. He is recognized as an early pioneer in the application of molecular biology and molecular genetic techniques to the study of oral bacteria, especially to the physiology and genetics of pathogenic and health-associated oral streptococci.

Distinguished Alumnus Award
Harvey Alter ’56, ’60M (MD), chief of clinical studies and associate director for research in the Department of Transfusion Medicine at the National Institutes of Health Clinical Center in Bethesda, Md. Widely acknowledged for his work in discovering an antigen that was key to detecting the hepatitis B virus, Alter holds a distinction reserved for preeminent senior researchers: Distinguished NIH Investigator.

John N. Wilder Award
Steven Birnbaum ’78M (MD), a staff radiologist at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Clinic in Manchester, N.H. A strong advocate for radiation safety, Birnbaum was one of the first practicing radiologists to raise awareness about the overuse of diagnostic imaging procedures that expose patients to high doses of radiation, an initiative

AS&E: Connor, Karly, and Ken Armstrong—grandchildren and son of James Armstrong ’54—and the recipients of this year’s Armstrong Award: Vicki Proschel Schwartz and Dick Schwartz; and Jeanine Sullivan Cushman and her husband, John

EASTMAN: Ray and Judy Ricker

MEDICINE: Michael Gottlieb, Alexander Levitan, Robert Burne, Dean Mark Taubman, Harvey Alter, Elizabeth Almeyda, and Jules Cohen (not pictured: Steven Birnbaum)
that has become a model for radiation protection practices in hospitals nationwide.

Elizabeth Almeyda ’74, ’78M (MD), a noted New York City plastic surgeon, specializing in aesthetic surgery of the body and face. Almeyda is one of the few women in a predominantly male field, distinguishing herself as a practitioner who offers female patients a perspective reflected in her maxim, “Skilled hands; the eye of a woman.”

School of Nursing
DEAN’S MEDAL
Elaine Hubbard, professor emerita of nursing. Hubbard was nursing’s first associate dean for undergraduate studies and later became the director of its community-centered practice. The Elaine C. Hubbard Center for Nursing Research on Aging was named in her honor in 2006.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNIA AWARD
Maryjoan Ladden ’78N (MS), senior program officer at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Ladden is a nurse practitioner whose work focuses on improving quality and safety through health professional collaboration.

HUMANITARIAN AWARD
Keri Baker ’11N, cofounder and executive director of Sacred Valley Health, a U.S.-based nongovernmental organization in Ollantaytambo, Peru. Baker coordinates medical campaigns, establishes university partnerships, and oversees the community health worker program known as “Promotoras de Salud.”

LEGACY AWARD
The late Robert Hurlbut ’12 (Honorary), a former trustee of the University and longtime supporter of the school. The founder, former president, and chairman of ROHM Services Corporation, Hurlbut was regarded as a pioneer in nursing home administration and an innovator in shifting the nation’s model of late-life care from traditional nursing homes to senior living facilities.

Richard (Dick) Mulvey, husband of Ann Marshall Gugino Mulvey ’55N, a practicing nurse who was an active alumna of the School of Nursing until her death in 2008. Dick established the Ann Marshall Mulvey ’55 Nursing Endowed Scholarship in her honor to support a promising nursing student who demonstrates need.

JOHN N. WILDER AWARD
T.C. ’60 and Pamela McQuilkin Lewis ’62, longtime supporters of nursing. T.C. Lewis is a former vice chairman of Canandaigua National Bank & Trust, and Pam is a former nurse and homemaker. They met at Rochester in 1958 when T.C. was helping his sister move into the dorm room she shared with Pam.

DENTISTRY: William Calnon (right) and his family—son, Timothy ’15D (Pdc); daughter-in-law, Jennifer Calnon ’09D (Pdc); son, Christopher ’09D (Pdc); and wife, Mary

Simon Business School
ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD
Harvey Jacobson ’82S (MBA), founder, president, and chief executive officer of California Financial Partners Inc. Jacobson is often called upon to speak nationally on topics such as charitable planning, family limited partnerships, fee-based money management, generation-skipping trusts, and qualified plan distributions. He is the author of The Biggest Mistakes in Financial Planning.

Kathleen Washington ’04S (MBA), cofounder and managing director of Enterprise Solutions International, where she focuses on small and mid-cap business growth. Washington has helped businesses engineer successful turnarounds and has worked with governments in the Caribbean and South America to reduce the cost of energy and build sustainable energy resources.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNIUS AWARD
Kevin Collins ’82S (MBA), chief financial officer of Catalyst Energy Technologies. A former managing director at Houlihan Lokey, a privately owned investment bank, Collins provided financial advice for a range of transactions, including mergers, acquisitions, spin-offs, and sales.

Daniel Lazarek ’91S (MBA), chief financial officer and co-owner of Access Insurance Holdings Inc., based in Atlanta. Established in 1995, the company has grown from a small start-up to a nationally recognized insurer with $400 million in annual revenue, more than 400 employees, and operations in 14 states.

Eastman Institute for Oral Health
DIRECTOR’S AWARD
William Calnon ’79D (Pdc), immediate past president of the American Dental Association. The president of the Eastman Dental Foundation Board and former acting director of the Eastman Institute for Oral Health, Calnon is a practicing dentist and partner of the dental practice of Calnon & Cilano. He is also a part-time professor in the Department of Dentistry.
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—Pamela VanWuyckhuyse, Rochester Loyal member since 2008

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2000 Darria Long Gillespie '06M (MD) is an emergency physician at Emory University Hospital and the executive vice president of clinical strategy at ShareCare. As part of her role at ShareCare, she answers health and wellness questions on her blog, “Ask Dr. Darria,” at blog.sharecare.com/category/ask-dr-darria/.

2001 Rahuldeep Gill was named Cultural Diversity Professor of the Year for the second time at California Lutheran University. An assistant professor of religion and associate director of the university’s Center for Equality and Justice, Rahuldeep is an expert on Sikh institutions and the relationships among Sikhs, Muslims, and Hindus. He teaches courses on Christianity as well as on religion in South Asia. . . .

2002 Joseph Hamway writes that he and his wife, Jane, welcomed a second son, Lachlan. . . .

2003 Gina Dominijanni-Samaniego writes that Norah Samaniego was born in March. She includes a photo of Norah at four months. . . .

2003 Lemeoine '03E, '11E (DMA) performed at the Budapest International Flute Competition in September. Carmen teaches at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music as well as Skyline College. . . .

2003 Kieseans Riddick '12S (MS) has won a 2013 QS Leadership Scholarship, which he’ll use to pursue an MBA at the University of Chicago’s Booth School of Business, from Quacquarelli Symonds, a global career and education network. Kieseans was awarded the scholarship based on his work with the Brooklyn, NY., nonprofit Groundwork, which provides academic enrichment and support to at-risk children. QS noted that 80 percent of Kieseans’s students who had reached young adulthood had graduated high school and gone on to higher education. Kieseans began tutoring at-risk children while at Rochester. . . .

2004 Sarah Walker Brandt (see '10). . . .

2006 Brown

2006 Colton Brown '07 (T5) writes that he married Allie Winer in June in Lexington, Mass. Pictured from left to right are Elise Peterson Lu ’07, Jill Warejko ’07, ’11M (MD), David Lu ’07 (T5), Katherine Shen ’05, Becky Phillips ’07, ’08 (T5), Katie Fry, Allie, Colin, Dan Perlmutter ’05, Emily Hickey ’05, Brad Taylor ’07, Madeline Woo ’08, and Ryan Accetta ’05. Also in attendance was Sharon Barney ’08. . . .

2007 Colin Brown (T5) (see ’06). . . .

2008 Emily Hickey

2009 Nicole Ruszcak completed a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

2010 Erin Bollacker writes: “Four Rochester and American Sign Language majors and minors have found themselves working together at the Children’s Center for Communication at the Beverly School for the Deaf in Beverly, Mass.” Pictured from left to right are Jessica Reddington Fox ’99,
Sarah Walker Brandt ’04, Erin, and Megan Braun ’13. Erin teaches music and runs early intervention groups for a parent-infant program, Sarah is a deaf education specialist, and Jessica is the school’s program director.

2013 Megan Braun (see ’10).

Graduate

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1992 Thomas Moore (PhD), professor of physics at Rollins College, near Orlando, Fla., was awarded a grant of more than $200,000 from the National Science Foundation to support his research with undergraduate students in musical acoustics. This is Thomas’s third grant from the National Science Foundation’s Research in Undergraduate Institutions program since 2007.

1994 Wendy Schiller (PhD), associate professor of political science and public policy at Brown University, has been invited by the New York Times to lead seminars on its educational travel program, Times Journeys: Journey to Western Europe, in October. Wendy joins journalists Elisabeth Bumiller, Timothy Egan, and David Sanger on the program, which takes place aboard a cruise ship that will originate and end its journey in England, making several stops in France, Spain, and Portugal. Wendy’s seminars include “Is the U.S. Constitution Outdated?,” “The Obama Presidency in Historical Perspective,” “Equality in America: What Really Constitutes the American Dream?,” and “How Congress Really Works.”

1999 Jeffrey Jackson (PhD), associate professor of history at Rhodes College, has coedited The Thinking Space: The Café as a Cultural Institution in Paris, Italy, and Vienna (Ashgate).

2000 Harmit Singh Malik (PhD), an evolutionary geneticist at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, has been named a Howard Hughes Medical Institute investigator. He was one of 27 biomedical scientists in the United States to win the honor out of more than 1,100 applicants.

2001 Nicholas Waddy (PhD), associate professor of history at Alfred State College, has published his first work of historical fiction, Jewel of the East (CreateSpace) is set in 18th-century India. Nicholas offers more information about the book at jewelnovel.blogspot.com.

PEAK PLACES: Rachel Isenberg ’02 combines physical feats with fundraising for the Parkinson’s Disease Foundation.

A Large-Scale Accomplishment

It took Rachel Isenberg ’02 and her two friends 16 hours to climb California’s 14,500-foot Mount Whitney last August. She says that’s a leisurely pace. “It can be done in 12. We just kind of took our time and enjoyed it.”

For Rachel, scaling the highest peak in the continental United States was the latest in a series of summertime physical feats. She started the annual ritual for fun, and later, also, to raise money for the Parkinson’s Disease Foundation in honor of her mother, who suffers from the illness. She attracts sponsors from her Facebook page as well as from a personal page on the foundation’s website. Since 2009, she’s raised nearly $18,000.

“I’ve always enjoyed hiking and nature, and being active and traveling,” she says from her office at Temple University, where she’s an English language instructor.

On August 25, Rachel and two friends from graduate school at the University of Pennsylvania started the hike up Mount Whitney at 4 o’clock in the morning. “My friends felt the altitude a bit, which is typical,” Rachel says. “But we got to do sunrise and sunset, which is pretty cool.”

Her greatest challenge came in 2011, when she and Doug Briller ’01 scaled Tanzania’s Mount Kilimanjaro, which at more than 19,000 feet, is the highest freestanding peak in the world. “Kilimanjaro is a five-day climb and you pass through about five different ecosystems,” Rachel says. “But any climb takes a similar mentality. A lot of it becomes mental after a while, just to keep on hiking for hours or for days, to have that kind of determination and fortitude. Or craziness!”

Eastman School of Music

1952 Wayne Bohnrastede (PhD) writes that the Redlands Symphony Orchestra performed his Variations for a Celebration as part of the California city’s 125th birthday celebration. Wayne is the retired director of the University of Redlands School of Music and Division of Arts, and served on the school’s faculty for 40 years.

1968 Harry Faulk ’71E (MM) has been named vice president for academic affairs at Mountwest Community and Technical College in West Virginia. . . . Webb Wiggins (MM) has released a CD, Variazioni (Smithsonian Friends of Music), on which he plays two 17th-century Italian harpsichords from the Smithsonian collection.

1969 Max Stern has released Perek Shirah (Israel Music Institute), a recording of his composition for narrator and orchestra by the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, with Max conducting. He writes that the piece is “a cosmic song of praises from Psalms.”

1971 Harry Faulk (MM) (see ’68) . . . As a result of a data entry error in a University-wide database, the Review mistakenly included Helen Tuntland Jackson’s (MM) name in our In Memoriam column in the September–October issue. Helen is, happily, alive and well. We apologize to Helen and her family and friends for the error.

1973 Jeff Tyzik ’77 (MM) has been named principal conductor of the Dallas Symphony Orchestra.

1974 Bill DiCosimo, an assistant professor of music at Syracuse University, completed a performance tour in Brazil during which he spoke to students at the Federal University of Rio about music production. Bill chairs the department of music and entertainment industries at Syracuse’s Setnor School of Music.

1977 Jeff Tyzik (MM) (see ’73).

1981 Pianist Bill Cunliffe (MM) released the CD River Edge, New York.
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Jersey (Azica Records). He writes: “It’s a collection of originals and unusual takes on tunes such as Björk’s ‘All Is Full of Love,’ and Three Dog Night’s ‘One Is the Loneliest Number.’” Joining Bill on the recording is bassist Martin Wind and drummer Tim Horner.

1982 Cora Cooper (MM), professor of music at Kansas State University, has edited Violin Music by Women: A Graded Anthology, Vol. 1–4 (Sleepy Puppy Press). The volumes include works for beginning, intermediate, and advanced players.

1984 Lisa Knorr Nauful has been named assistant director and communications director for the San Luis Obispo Symphony. Lisa also continues in her third season as the symphony’s principal bassoonist.

1989 Mel and Ellen Heinicke Foster have released their premiere recording as a husband-and-wife duo. Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal (Feiner Musicke) features Mel, a tenor, and Ellen, a harpist, performing 10 selections from composers ranging from Alessandro Scarlatti to Stephen Foster. Mel is an associate professor of voice at Morehouse College and Ellen performs with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, the Georgia Boy Choir, and various ensembles, and maintains a private harp studio.

1991 Robert Moody (MM) conducted the Los Angeles Philharmonic’s all-Tchaikovsky concert at the Hollywood Bowl in August. The “Tchaikovsky Spectacular,” a long-running Hollywood Bowl tradition, marked Robert’s conducting debut with the orchestra. In February, Robert will lead the Chicago Symphony in part of its “Music Now!” series, featuring works by living composers.

1992 Julie Schlegel Ross Ford (MM), who has been director of choirs at Saint Mary’s College of California, has joined the college’s performing arts faculty full time. Julie completed her doctorate of musical arts at the University of Oklahoma. She focuses on the integration of classical and jazz musical styles in education, worship, and performance.

1993 Cynthia Perry MacCrae (DMA), professor of piano at the University of Montevallo in Alabama, began in August a series of 10 recitals during which she’ll perform all 32 Beethoven piano sonatas. The recitals will take place over a five-month period.

1997 Jennifer Barlament (MM) has been named general manager of the Cleveland Orchestra.

1998 Vicente Avella (MM) writes that his solo piano CD, All the Days of My Life (Pandora’s Boombx Records), received multiple Global Music Awards: an Award of Excellence for instrumental performance solo, and an Award of Merit in the categories of album and album cover.

ALUMNI RELATIONS

Rocky Around the World

Here are some snapshots from Rocky’s recent travels. To view his complete travel album, and to see how you can take Rocky with you on a trip of your own, visit www.facebook.com/URAlumniRelations.

Kayaking in New Zealand’s “Eighth Wonder,” Milford Sound, with Cody Civiletto ’15.

In Epidaurus, Greece, with Gerhard Schmidt ’60, ’63M (MD).

With Leah Gregorio ’12 and her father, David Gregorio, in Jeremie, Haiti.

With Heidi Montroll Alpert ’70 at Yong Fu Temple, Hangzhou, China.

In Heidelberg, Germany, with Kristin Abramo ’15, Zhongwu Shi ’15, Qianli Sun ’15, Robert Rietmeijer ’15, Alexandra Born ’15, Kevin Allan ’14, Jamie Strampe ’15, and Sarah Koniski ’14.
art_graphics Scott Emmons PhD has been named dean of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee’s Peck School of the Arts.

1999 Ann Choomack has joined the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra as piccoloist.

2003 Composer and instrumentalist Caleb Burhans, a member of the Eastman-originated ensemble Alarm Will Sound, has released a CD, Evensong (Cantaloupe), comprised of seven of his choral and instrumental pieces. . . Carmen Lemoine ’11 (DMA) (see ’03 College).

2005 Pianist Sarah Chan (DMA) performed as a soloist last season with the New York Concert Artists Symphony and the Enid Symphony Orchestra. Over the summer, she performed a solo recital at Kunsterhaus Concert Hall in Munich, and in October, she performed her debut solo recital at Merkin Concert Hall in New York City.

2006 Nathan Motta (MM) has been named artistic director of Dobama Theatre in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

2007 Jennifer Chen writes that she married Roger Wu in April in Rockville, Md.

School of Nursing

1992 Tener Goodwin Veenema (MS), ’99M (MPH), ’01M (PhD) has joined the staff of the Rochester Regional Health Plan as director of nursing for the Rochester area.

1999 Kimberly Conroy earned a doctor of nursing practice degree in May from San Francisco State University. She was one of 14 graduates of the Wilkes program’s inaugural class. Her thesis was entitled “Mental Well-Being and Self-Efficacy in Severe Mental Illness,” and she’s in private practice as a psychiatric nurse in Olean, NY.

Simon Business School

1993 Gregory Woods (MBA) has been promoted to president and chief executive officer of Astro-Med, a Rhode Island manufacturer of printing systems and data acquisition products. Gregory was previously the company’s executive vice president and chief operating officer.

1994 Laurie Schon Leo (MBA) has joined First American Equipment Finance as chief financial officer.

2004 Jeffrey Methven (MBA) has been named to the board of directors of the Saratoga Regional YMCA in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Jeffrey is vice president of ambulatory services and chief human resources officer at Saratoga Hospital.

2012 Elizabeth Mayer (MBA) has been named president of QCI Direct, a national direct mail firm located in Chili, outside Rochester. . . Kiesen Riddick (MS) (see ’03 College).

2013 Ryan Albano (MBA) has joined Broadstone Real Estate as director of forecasting and finance. The Rochester commercial and residential real estate company is led by president and chief executive officer Amy Leenhousts Tait ’88 (MBA). . . Meghan Tidd (MBA) has joined VIP Structures, a Syracuse, NY, design and construction company, as digital marketing manager.

Warner School of Education

1991 Margaret Best Krizan (MS) (see ’88 College).

2012 Brian Weller (EdD) has been named principal of Sutherland High School in Pittsford, N.Y., outside Rochester. Brian taught social studies for 12 years and served as a curriculum, instruction, and assessment specialist prior to accepting his new position.

In Memoriam

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Alice Ramsay Hill ’36, August 2013

Alexander F. Milne ’37, May 2013

William D. Crandall ’38M (MS), ’41M (MD), July 2013

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Donald Hess: A ‘Silver Fox’ for the Laser Lab

I began working closely with Don Hess when I became director of the Laboratory for Laser Energetics in 1983, and continued working with him until he retired in 1996.

Don, who served as vice president for administration, had been brought to Rochester in the 1970s as vice president for campus affairs by then President Bob Sproull. Don had served with Bob when Bob was the director of the Department of Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. Don had wide government experience, including having served as director of the Peace Corps under President Nixon.

Bob asked Don to work with the lab’s founding director, Moshe Lubin, to develop a corporate sponsorship. Because of Don’s intimate knowledge of federal agencies and Congress, Don was instrumental in getting the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy to urge the Atomic Energy Commission to sponsor research at the lab. Without Don, it is unlikely that federal sponsorship of the lab would have ever occurred.

I always thought of Don as the “silver fox.” He took pride in “flying under the radar,” as he aptly put it. When we went to Washington together, Don trained me to be effective and efficient, but not too prominent. Don could visit more people in Washington in two days than most lobbyists would in a week. Bob Sproull always disdained the use of lobbyists and told me Don was more effective than all the “hired guns.”

Trips to the Office of Management and Budget, the Department of Energy, and elsewhere in Washington with Don were very effective in assuring support for the lab. Don always took the high road in advocating research based on achievement.

He also took pride in doing as much as possible at the lowest cost. Don stayed in the cheapest hotels—some with bathrooms down the hall—and used pay phones in the lobbies to avoid the surcharge for in-room phone service. He believed that hard-working parents who paid tuition deserved the best the University had to offer for the least.

When good news came from our advocacy trips, Don eschewed any recognition. His pivotal role in the lab’s history was summarized in a document celebrating its 40th anniversary. Don called me and told me that his picture did not belong on the cover of the document with Bob Sproull, Moshe Lubin, Jay Eastman, and me. I told Don it most certainly did, and that was all there was to it. The success of the Laboratory for Laser Energetics belongs as much to Don as anyone.

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