

# alumni news

## Making A Difference

RAYMOND W. CROSS, PH.D., PRESIDENT OF MORRISVILLE STATE COLLEGE

It's hard to believe that, a month ago, I presided over my seventh commencement at Morrisville State College. Time flies, doesn't it?

This year, we were fortunate to welcome an extremely intelligent, well-traveled, interesting keynote speaker to campus. Catherine Bertini (pictured here with me) is the Under-Secretary General for Management of the United Nations, the highest ranking U.S. official in the U.N. Secretariat. After growing up in Cortland, she has spent her adult life working to help others, in New York state, the United States and worldwide.

In her speech, she encouraged the graduates to make a commitment to making a difference in the world. She told a story about a boy returning stranded starfish back into the ocean from the beach during low tide, who said that he might not save all of the starfish, but at least he would make a difference to the ones he threw back. I thought this was a great message, something that we all need to

be reminded of once in a while. At some time, each one of us has been like the starfish in the story, benefiting from the kindness or altruism of another person or organization. Whether it was receiving an endowed scholarship from an alum during your time at Morrisville, or someone returning a lost wallet with everything still in it, someone made a positive difference in your life, and it felt good.

Now that you may be more like the boy in the story, I encourage you to look for starfish at Morrisville State College. Make a difference to a future student by contributing to the Morrisville College Foundation. Help shape the direction of your alma mater by joining the Alumni Board of Directors. Mentor a student. There are many, many things you can do.

I leave you with best wishes for a happy, healthy summer, and hope to see you at Mustang Weekend in the fall. Don't forget...you can change your world one student at a time!



Journalism Professor Gladys Cleland (right) with the members of "The AdM Agency," her Advertising Strategies class, composed of three creative services teams. Each team designed strategic campaigns, including brochures and novel media, that will be implemented by their client, the Alumni/Development Office.

## Welcome New Alumni

JAMES W. WYCKOFF '48, PRESIDENT  
MORRISVILLE STATE ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It's year 2004 and 900 students achieved another goal in life, having earned diplomas from Morrisville State College. You have reached another plateau, and you are now a member of our alumni family. Hopefully, you will remember your time at Morrisville and come back to visit us on occasion.

I hope that you will step up and be counted in promoting Morrisville to prospective students. Donations of your time and financial resources are paramount to a successful alumni program and continued success for your alma mater.

I see great things happening here at Morrisville with the talent, vision and support of our current alumni volunteers. It's a very positive situation.

As you leave Morrisville, you might promote the areas of academic discipline offered here. Were there not compelling reasons why you came to Morrisville? As the saying goes, "Accentuate the positive. Eliminate the negative."

Best Wishes.

## Inspiration For A Lifetime

JAMES A. HASTIE, VICE PRESIDENT OF INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

Congratulations Class of 2004, and welcome to Morrisville State College's amazing community of alumni!

Another class of Morrisville graduates has embarked on the next stage of their journey. No-one, not even those reading their first issue of the Alumni News, can predict where that journey will take them, but I can be certain that their time here has given them the foundation for a remarkable life. When our students enter Morrisville as freshmen, they hail from a rich diversity of backgrounds and experiences. Those of us working for Morrisville State College often have the privilege of witnessing how that diversity continues in our alumni's vast array of accomplishments once they leave here: interesting careers, awards and honors, loving families, and unique hobbies follow our alumni, all their lives! You'll see what I mean with just one look at the career path of Jeff Lape '74 (see page 3), and James Brooks '43 (see below). So many of our alumni, like Brooks and Lape, have dedicated their lives to public service – your former teachers and all of us are proud of you and can't thank you enough for remembering to keep in touch!

As each and every one of you read through the Alumni News and see what our alumni are doing now, think about all the different paths that led to one place – Morrisville State College – and all the paths that have continued from here to the various corners of the world. Every individual came with his or her own unique perspective, and left to pursue his or her own dreams,

but all remain connected through the experiences shared at Morrisville.

The picture below captured a group of our Florida alumni sharing Morrisville State College memories during a visit from Dr. Cross. Don Babcock '59 generously funded the trip, and also made it possible for Dr. Cross to inform our alumni family in Florida of all the exciting progress shaping the future of Morrisville. As Don said best, "I can't believe what's going on, it really is amazing!"



If a few years have gone by since you let us know what you were up to, know we are very interested to learn where life has taken you. If you would like to hear about what we are up to, and where Morrisville is going, or would welcome a visit from Dr. Cross or me if/when we're in your area, let us know. Please remember, by sharing your success stories and fond memories of Morrisville, we're able to attract students and inspire a whole new generation of graduates; thank you for your help!

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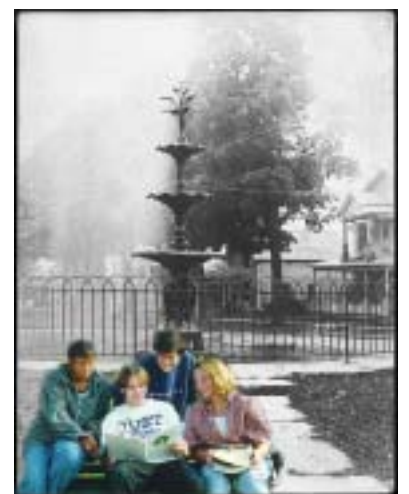
Known to the Morrisville State College community for the leadership gift he provided to the Class of 43's Legacy Gift (a beautiful clock donated to campus), **James Brooks '43** was recognized at the Westchester Department of Public Safety's 2004 annual

awards ceremony for conducting historical research of the Westchester County Parkway Police. Brooks, 82, served under General Douglas MacArthur in the South Pacific in World War II and with occupational forces in Japan. A retired Police Lieutenant, married to his wife Juanita for 54 years, he volunteers for the Southern New York Fish and Game Association and helps to train hundreds of students in state-mandated hunter-education courses. He and Juanita have also been helping the Department of Environmental Conservation stock trout for more than 53 years.

## Centennial Campaign

Donors making gifts in the following circles to Morrisville College Foundation's Centennial Campaign (1908-2008) prior to **September 1, 2004** will be recognized on a beautiful brass plaque prominently placed on campus:

- Madison Circle \$500
- Member Circle \$1,000
- Fellows Circle \$5,000
- Presidents' Circle \$10,000
- Silver Circle \$25,000
- Gold Circle \$50,000
- Centennial Circle \$100,000



## Renew, Relive and Reconnect!

(Dates Subject To Change)

### Finger Lakes Picnic

Sampson State Park  
September 11, 2004

### SUNY Fall Harvest Weekend

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina  
October 16, 2004

### 94<sup>th</sup> Commencement

Morrisville State College  
May 21, 2005

### Dinosaur Bar-B-Que

Webster Park  
July 23, 2005

### Mustang Weekend 2004

Morrisville State College  
September 24 & September 25

### Night of Champions

Syracuse Wyndham  
May 6, 2005

### Summer Alumni Reunion

Morrisville State College  
July 15, 16 & 17, 2005

### Finger Lakes Picnic

Sampson State Park  
September 10, 2005



# MUSTANG WEEKEND

## Celebrate Homecoming 2004

On Friday, September 24 and Saturday, September 25, join fellow alumni, family and friends of Morrisville State College for a journey down memory lane. Mustang Weekend offers plenty of opportunities to renew old friendships, relive fond memories and reconnect with your alma mater. A wide variety of events - from athletic contests and campus tours to the annual luncheon and parade - allow you and your guests to share in the traditions and history that make Morrisville such a special place.

Again this year, with generous funding and support from the Admissions Office, Athletic Department, Campus Activities Board, Campus Community Committee, Morrisville Auxiliary Corporation, the President's Office and the Village of Morrisville, we are able to host the majority of Mustang Weekend programs with minimal cost to alumni.

Your one-time registration fee of \$15 per person covers all events unless otherwise noted on the Mustang Weekend schedule (Back Cover). All you need to do is complete and return the Mustang Weekend registration form along with the registration fee by September 10.

### Honored Reunion Classes

Every Mustang Weekend, MSC honors those classes celebrating milestone reunions - those ending in the years with a 4 or 9. Alumni/Development Office is asking members of honored reunion classes to suggest activities that will make this milestone reunion extra special. If you have ideas for Mustang Weekend, please call Alumni/Development at 1-800-IMA-GRAD.

## Non-Stop Action for Athletes & Sports Enthusiasts

### Friday, September 24

Mustang Weekend Fishing Derby, 1:00 p.m.  
\$3.00/person, NYS fishing license not required



### Saturday, September 25

Madison Hall 5K Run/Fitness Walk, 8:30 a.m.  
Return "Official Entry Form" with registration fee

Alumni Lacrosse Game, 10:00 a.m.  
Contact MSC Athletics at (315) 684-6072 for details

Mustang Football Game vs. Erie CCC, 2:30 p.m.  
Admission covered by registration fee

MSC Competitive Dance Team Performance, 3:30 p.m.  
Admission covered by registration fee

Alumni Hockey Game, 5:00 p.m.  
Contact MSC Athletics at (315) 684-6072 for details

Visit the Farm Animals



Check Out Toys & Games at the Carnival

Be part of a Magic Show with Sweetheart the Clown



Vote For Your Favorite Floral Design

## Calling All Kids!

Bring Your Parents To Mustang Weekend 2004...



Eat Ice Cream With President Cross

Catch Fish in Helyar Pond



Play Picnic Games

Watch the Awesome Fireworks

### Please Take Note:

The Morrisville State College Alumni Board of Directors will request approval of Alumni Association Constitution revisions during the General Business Meeting. To review these revisions prior to the meeting, please contact the Alumni/Development Office (1-800-462-4723) and request a copy of the proposed changes.

## Fantastic Fall in the Country

Would you like to create a float or march in this year's "Fantastic Fall in the Country" promenade down Mustang Lane? Call Alumni/Development at 1-800-IMA-GRAD by September 10 and we will reserve your spot. If you prefer to be a parade spectator, the sights and sounds of "Fantastic Fall in the Country" are sure to delight the child in all of us!



SEPTEMBER 25, 2004



MADISON HALL 5K  
MORRISVILLE STATE COLLEGE CAMPUS

Madison Hall Association is proud to host its 13th Annual 5K Run/Walk to support the ongoing restoration of Madison Hall.

### OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Please complete a separate form for each entrant.

# Mustang Weekend 2004 Registration Form

PLEASE COMPLETE & RETURN THIS FORM WITH PAYMENT BY SEPTEMBER 10, 2004 TO:

MUSTANG WEEKEND  
Alumni/Development  
101 Bailey Hall  
SUNY Morrisville  
Morrisville, NY 13408

Name (print or type) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Class year \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname (for nametag) \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/partner name (include maiden name & class year if Morrisville alum) \_\_\_\_\_

Is spouse/partner attending MUSTANG WEEKEND? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Number of children attending \_\_\_\_\_

Child's/Children Names \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) Attending (for nametags) \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed (\$15 per person). Please make checks payable to the Morrisville College Foundation.

Name (print or type): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please check)

MSC Student (\$5)  Under 18 years (\$5)

Alumni Pre-Registration (\$5)  Pre-Registration (\$10)

AGE GROUP (Please check)

under 18  18-29  30-39

40-49  50-59  60 and over

GENDER (Please check)

Female  Male

T-SHIRT SIZE (Please check)

Medium  Large  Extra Large

In consideration of your accepting this entry, I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims I may have against the Madison Hall Association, Inc., Morrisville State College, Madison County, Village of Morrisville, Town of Eaton, and all participating sponsors, their representatives, successors, and assigns for any injuries suffered by me in said event. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and have trained sufficiently for the competition of this race.

Signature in full: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent or guardian (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO  
MADISON HALL ASSOCIATION, INC.  
Detach & return with signed check to: Rich Carreno,  
Human Resources Office, MSC, Morrisville, NY 13408

See Back Cover For Complete Schedule of Mustang Weekend '04 Events

## Entrepreneurship Institute Established

DAVID ROGERS, DEAN, SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

A team of faculty members recently launched the Morrisville State College Entrepreneurial Institute (MSCEI). MSCEI will be run by and for students with faculty guidance to advance entrepreneurial education at MSC. Through collaboration with business partners, MSCEI provides students "real world" experience in a business environment to develop skills in business situations that supplement the education experience with "actual" job opportunities. In addition to providing professional experience, the program creates an atmosphere where students, at varying levels of understanding, can learn and apply management and technical skills, including: market research, product development, product placement and pricing, customer acquisition and engagement, support operations and project management. MSCEI participated in an elevator speech competition and, based on a formal business plan and initial pilot projects, earned a \$5,000 award from the Coleman Foundation to launch the program.

## SUNY Fall Harvest Weekend

Myrtle Beach, SC

Saturday, October 16, 2004

### Events:

11:30 am	Meet 'n Greet at Margaritaville
11:30-1:30 pm	Lunch at Margaritaville Restaurant
2:00-4:00 pm	Broadway at the Beach
4:00-5:30 pm	Happy Hour at Margaritaville
8:30 pm	Crocodile Rocks Dueling Piano Bar
10:00 pm	Fireworks

### Hotel Information for Saturday night:

Hampton Inn special SUNY rate, with complimentary breakfast, is \$55 per night. Call 1-888-916-2001 by September 16<sup>th</sup>.



In anticipation of a proposed Motor Sports degree, Travis LaRock, Automotive Technology Instructor, developed a special class project to build a Mustang drag-race car. The vehicle serves as a school mascot, recruitment tool and show-piece at a variety of venues, including BOCES events, the NY State Fair, local drag strips and cruise-ins. The project allows advanced students the opportunity to learn a variety of skills needed to build a drag-race car.

## Students Find Success Through "Education/Employment Partnership"

The "Education/Employment Partnership" between Norwich Campus and NBT Bank is helping Chenango County residents meet their career and educational goals.

In addition to working full time and raising two children with her husband, Jessica Donohue attends classes part-time at the Norwich Campus. Donohue, executive administrative assistant to chairman, president and chief executive officer Daryl R. Forsythe, has worked at NBT Bank for eight years. Living and working in Norwich has allowed her to take advantage of opportunities at the Norwich Campus, where she is pursuing an associate of arts degree in business administration.

Mike Schulz, an administrative specialist in the indirect lending department, is a recent hire at NBT Bank. A native of Norwich, Schulz was hired in August after

returning to the area. His studies have already helped him move from a temporary to full-time position at the bank. Schulz says his classes have really helped him on the job because he has a better understanding of economic terms and concepts.

Rhiannon Emerich is a customer service operations specialist for NBT Bank. She has been a full-time employee and a full-time student for over two years. Partly because she is working on an associate of applied science degree in accounting, she moved from a data entry position into an accounting position. Emerich needed less training in her new position because she was learning many of the required skills in her classes.

Contact the Norwich Campus for more information about the "Education/Employment Partnership" at (607) 334-5144.

## Norwich Campus Students Receive Honors

Twenty-three Chenango County area residents received Chenango Community Scholarships to help with tuition at the Norwich Campus. The Chenango Community Scholarships are funded by generous contributions to the Morrisville College Foundation from a number of community organizations, individuals and foundations. Scholarships up to \$500 are awarded every fall and spring semester. To be eligible, applicants must be residents of Chenango County or graduates of a high school serving Chenango County, have applied for financial aid, be matriculated in a degree program, be enrolled for six or more credits and remain in good academic standing.

Scholarship recipients for the fall 2003 semester were: Pearl Bailey, Paula Barrows, Diane Brown, Cheryl Bullis, Schlane Canaday, Jennifer Clum, Ana Cole, Linda Klingman, Sandra Long, Jennifer MacIntosh, Andrea Marshall, Marcia Marshall, Carol McGrath, Terrie EB Miller, Miranda

Murphy, Robin E. Neal, Jason Parry, Jodi Robb, James Root, Robert D. Stone III, Kristen Thayer and Darleen Wyman.

This Spring, ten Norwich Campus graduates were honored for academic excellence. "We wanted to recognize these students because they excelled academically and exemplified a commitment to the ideals of Morrisville State College and the Norwich Campus," said Dean Edward C. (Ted) Nichols. Richard Anderson and Deborah Stacy shared the Faculty Award, Trevor DeSane received the Theory to Practice Award and Dawn Clipston earned the Community Service Award. Departmental awards were presented to Diane Sabin, Accounting; Jamie Ricciuti, Business Administration; Ian Garatt, Computer Information Systems/Computer Systems Technology; Karen Ewing, Individual Studies; Lindsey Graham, Liberal Arts/Social Sciences; and Wallace Kerr, Liberal Arts/Humanities Award.

## Morrisville: A Foundation for Success

JEFF LAPE '74

Hard to imagine it has been thirty years since I attended Morrisville! I look back fondly on my decision to attend, as well as the impact the college had on me as an individual and the foundation it provided for my professional career. I attended Morrisville with the original hope of getting a degree in Natural Resources Conservation program, an interest rooted in my growing up in the Adirondacks. My first test of being flexible came when the program was filled and I found myself in the Public Health Technology program. I realize and appreciate today that the name Public Health Technology was really synonymous with Environmental Science; an interdisciplinary program that exists on many college campuses today. Morrisville, and particularly Art Flanders, deserve a lot of credit for advancing such a program well before it became the trend. Art Flanders' courses in water pollution control, air pollution control, and others developed my early interest in the environmental field. Little did I know that these courses would set such a prominent stage for a career in the environmental field. I was also blessed with another mentor at Morrisville, Coach Art Lemery. I still wonder how I made the Mustangs soccer team. Nonetheless, I credit Coach Lemery and my teammates for a real education on the meaning of hard work and commitment. For me, being on the soccer team provided important focus, some of which fortunately spilled over to the academic side.

Building on my Morrisville experience, I transferred to SUNY Plattsburgh's Environmental Science Program, which is a perfect complement to Morrisville. I continued

to develop my interests in the environmental protection field. My soccer skills, developed and refined at Morrisville, served me well on the SUNY Plattsburgh team. While attending Plattsburgh's Center for Applied Environmental Science Program at Miner Institute, I had the opportunity to build on the water quality monitoring skills that I had developed at Morrisville. With the foundation in place, I began an odyssey of applied environmental jobs, including the NYS DEC, a large metropolitan water and wastewater agency, three consulting firms, and now the EPA. Along the way, I added a Master's in Environmental Science and Engineering degree from Virginia Tech.

Today, as I look back on a thirty year career in the water resources management and water pollution control field, I am able to trace back the origins of my career to Morrisville and Art Flanders' Environmental Science Program.



*Jeff Lape '74, Acting Director of Resources Management Division in the EPA's Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation. He oversees budget, information systems, human resources and contracts management functions. Superfund's purpose is to clean*

*up the nation's most contaminated sites. He recently completed EPA's Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program, and he resides in Chevy Chase, Maryland with his wife Jill Caporale and three sons.*

## Call for Nominations

Nominations for the following awards and honors are now being accepted:

**Distinguished Alumnus Award** – recognizes an individual of merit and distinction. Nomination criteria include: career/business affiliations and position titles, professional interests and accomplishments, Morrisville State College involvement and leadership since graduation, voluntary contributions to society, honors/awards (professional/community/collegiate), and nominator's narrative of endorsement. The award is presented at the Alumni Luncheon and General Business Meeting during Mustang Weekend. Applications may be obtained by calling 1-800-IMA-GRAD or e-mailing alumni@morrisville.edu. Deadline for nominations is September 15.

**Legacy Scholarship Awards** – awarded to full-time students with parent(s)/guardian(s) or grandparent(s) who are alumni of Morrisville State College. Awards are presented at the Alumni Luncheon and General Business Meeting during Mustang Weekend. Applications may be obtained by calling 1-800-IMA-GRAD or e-mailing alumni@morrisville.edu and must be submitted by September 15 for full consideration.

**Outstanding Faculty/Staff/Emeriti Award** – recognizes a noteworthy professional. Nomination criteria include: degree(s), vocation description, titles, offices, and honors. The award is presented at the Alumni Luncheon and General Business Meeting during Mustang Weekend. Applications may be obtained by calling 1-800-IMA-GRAD or e-mailing alumni@morrisville.edu. Deadline for nominations is September 15.

**2005 Athletic Wall of Fame** – criteria for nominating an individual are as follows:

An athlete must have departed the campus at least five years prior to selection. An athlete must have earned at least one or two varsity awards in one sport or one varsity award in two sports at Morrisville State College. A coach, athletic administrator or special contributor must have lettered at Morrisville State College or served the college for at least ten years. S/he must have retired or no longer be employed by the college.

Nominations must include verification of the above criteria, and should consist of information regarding the individual's contributions to Morrisville State College athletics. Supporting information may include newspaper clippings, copies of certificates, letters of recommendation and other items pertinent to the nominee's athletic experience at the college. There is no limit to the number of times an individual may be nominated. The athletic record of accomplishment of the individual must be such that there is no question as to the individual's qualifications for Wall of Fame induction.

Inductees will be honored during the Fourth Annual Alumni Reception and Night of Champions at the Syracuse Wyndham Hotel on Friday, May 6, 2005. Nominations must be submitted to the Morrisville State College Alumni/Development Office, 101 Bailey Hall, Morrisville, NY, 13408, no later than Friday, October 15, 2004.

## CLASS OF 1939

Kermit Nichols (Animal Husbandry) was married in 1941, has three successful boys, 7 grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. He managed his family farm for 25 years. His Morrisville degree qualified him for a job with the USDA.

## CLASS OF 1942

Phil and Leona Belote (Auto Technology) are still go-go: very active in DAV and DAV-AUX, also Marmon Club and other antique car clubs, plus a nice Caribbean Cruise and love Florida-no snow!

## CLASS OF 1943

Ruth Bartlett Keiger (Food Service) is always reading the Alumni News and hoping to see news of alumni from the 1943 era. She retired from Virginia Beach School Service in 1986, but is so amazed at the opportunities of recent grads!

## CLASS OF 1948

Myron Lape (Agricultural Engineering) has retired and doesn't have time to do anything that needs being done.



**Louis J. Fiorentini** (Horology) enjoyed lunch with Dr. Cross in Boca Raton, Florida on February 28. Fiorentini founded a jewelry shop in his hometown of Cortland the day after graduation, and his son continues to operate the Fiorentini Jewelers on Main Street.

## CLASS OF 1949

Rolland Miller (Horology) writes that Morrisville housing for students is great. When he was there he had recycled wood World War II Army Barracks, with pot belly wood stoves for heat.

## CLASS OF 1952

John F. Burns (Food Technology) went on to the University of Georgia and graduated Class of 1954, and was in the US Army '54-56. He spent 40 years with the R.T. French Co. (mustard and potato condiments). It was a good career: lab and regional sales manager.

## CLASS OF 1953

Peter A. Tancredi (Food Technology) continues to make his home in Arlington, VA. This past summer he and his wife had the wonderful opportunity to visit with some of his 1953 classmates and their spouses-it was great! He wishes to extend his best regards to all his friends at MATI, and hopes to see them again.

## CLASS OF 1953

Donald Duger (Auto Technology) writes that MATI got him started. He is a retired Air Force Lt. Col. and retired building materials sales manager. He received his BA from Chapman University, Orange, CA.

## CLASS OF 1954

Richard Helmer (Food Technology) is retired in Virginia with three grandchildren.

Frank Sedlar (Electrical Technology) retired from General Electric January 1, 1989. He lost his wife on March 8, 1998- they were married for 47 years, 7 months.

## CLASS OF 1955

Philip Galka (Auto Technology) is a project manager for the Cathedral Restoration Corp. He retired after 32 years with the State of N.Y. OGS Design & Construction Group.

## CLASS OF 1957

Joan Boyce (Food Service Administration) is retired and would love to hear from former classmates! Email: boycejmarie@aol.com

John Mason (Agriculture) retired from New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control. He still does adjunct instruction at the State Fire Academy and is active in local and county fire service.

## CLASS OF 1959

Peter Morris (Auto Tech) is now enjoying his 10<sup>th</sup> year of retirement and still restoring '39 antique John Deere tractors. His son Rod and wife Chris are expecting his first grandchild in June.

Martin S. Phillips (Agriculture) is an instructor in Criminal Justice at Salt Lake Community College, retired from Federal Law Enforcement, playing with his three horses.

## CLASS OF 1960

Harold Avent (Electrical Technology) received a BS in Business Administration from SUNY Albany, 1972. He retired from Brookhaven National Laboratory, Long Island, NY (administrator in the Collider-Accelerator Dept.) in 1999 and is now living in Sun City West, AZ. He has a daughter Alison, who lives in CA, and son Aaron, who lives on Long Island. Morrisville State College was a wonderful way to start a career. Email: aventh@cox.net

## CLASS OF 1961

Dales Zabel's (Food Science) food science career involved many years in research and development with Johnson & Johnson and Unilever. Louise Owen Zabel (Food Service) enjoyed several years with executive relocation. They are now retired and having fun with a dream of many years. They are now B&B innkeepers in Skaneateles.



## CLASS OF 1962

Marshall Krause (Food Science) retired from his position of Department of Public Works Supervisor for the Village of Bergen.

## CLASS OF 1963

Bill Oehlbeck (Instrumental Technology) is retired after 10 years active duty flying in the Navy, 30 years commercial flying for USAirways, and has been happily married to his SUNY sweetheart, Ellen (O'Hara) for 39 years. They are living in Western PA on a small farm, enjoying light airplane flying, golfing and their 10 grandchildren.

James Owen (Accounting) graduated as a high school teacher and cross country coach at Hamburg High School after 35 years. His new position is a substitute teacher at Batavia High School. He was elected to the Holland Land Office Board of Trustees and also the Stafford Historical Board of Trustees. He had his third hole in one at the Stafford Country Club.

## CLASS OF 1964

Robert Kronenwetter (Auto Technology) is a service director for Culligan Lincoln-Mercury, Toyota, Porsche in Williamsville, NY.

Daniel Licata (Instrument Technology) hopes to see everyone at the 40<sup>th</sup> reunion this fall.

## CLASS OF 1965

Richard Beaumont (Animal Husbandry) retired from dairy farming in 1995. He's living and working in Northern Virginia and enjoying more free time. He loves to fly fish for big trout, spring & fall in NY. He also has 7 grandchildren to enjoy!

## CLASS OF 1966

Cathy Ordway-Allen (Lab Technology) is looking for Darlene Popek and Donna Carr. Email: ord7327@mybizz.net

## CLASS OF 1967

Judith (Blackham) Waldron (Business) will be retiring from her position as stenographer with the Port Jervis City School District in June 2004.

## CLASS OF 1968

Charles Frenzel (Food Service) opened a new restaurant in May 2002 in Fairport, NY called Charlie's, serving casual dining Tues.-Sat.

Joseph Catalina (Accounting) is enjoying retirement by teaching accounting at Hudson Valley Community College. Patricia Catalina '69 (Secretarial Science) works as a secretary in the Guidance Office at Ichabod Crane High School.

## CLASS OF 1969

Roland Bean (Animal Husbandry) is now a real estate broker, but still doing crops. His 2<sup>nd</sup> child, Carolyn, will finish at U.B. this year!

## CLASS OF 1969

Charles Bumpus III (Horticulture) spent his first 30 years at Hernando High School and retired in May 2003. Florida has a program where a person may sign up for an additional five years, which enabled him to transfer to a new school and help open it. Nature Coast Technical High School has 265,000 square feet of physical plant. They offer programs in cosmetology, informational technology, building construction, auto mechanics, nursing, law enforcement, culinary arts and performing arts.

Susan (Heffron) Donahue (Lab Technology) has been employed at the Schenectady County Community College since 1996. She and her husband have two little grandsons whom they enjoy very much.

Susan Kovach Gyore (Nursing) has been retired since 2003.

James Hausman (Accounting) is employed by the Brink's Co. as a cash logistics specialist.

Barbara Martin (Nursing) is the grandmother of three beautiful little ones. She is interested in friends from class of '69.

Gary Pafk (Natural Resources) is completing 32 years of service with Erie BOCES in June 2004. Looking to buy a "Gone Fishin'" sign!

## CLASS OF 1970

Cherry Burton Conover (Accounting) says hi to her Morrisville friends. She and Charlie are pleased and happy to announce that our son, Steven, and his fiancée, Gillian, are getting married October 2004. Our good wishes to all!

Marilyn White Jones (Business Administration) would love to hear from classmates. Email: mkj323@lexcominc.net

Bonnie (Berner) Pfeffer (Journalism) has been a children's librarian at Elting Memorial Library since July 2001, in New Paltz, NY where she's lived since 1980. She has been married 31 years with 3 boys, the youngest graduating high school June 2004.

John Sherman (Independent Studies) is looking for Frank or Kathy, class of '70, or Doug Rose. Email: Sher1918@aol.com

## CLASS OF 1971

Theodore Frank (Auto Technology) is living in Jakarta, Indonesia most of the year. Come visit beautiful Bali!

Joanne Guilmette (Journalism) has been the media relations director at the NYS Museum since November 2001.

Diann Higgins (Nursing) writes, "Fellow classmates of '71- let's hear from you. Fill us in on what you're doing."

## CLASS OF 1972

Russell G. Lewis (Business Administration) is working for Coastline Community College in Costa Mesa, CA as a teaching assistant.

# classnotes

## CLASS OF 1973

Mark Krukar (Accounting) is celebrating his 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year. He is married to the former Diana Inman. They have one son, John.

## CLASS OF 1974

Pat Sande Brodowski (Horticulture) is the historian/educator at Carroll County Farm Museum, where she teaches others to portray farm life from the 1850s- including heirloom vegetables in an 1850 kitchen garden. She is frequently invited to give historic gardening talks. Come visit and she'll give you samples to taste.

Jim Gell (Natural Resources Conservation) is doing very well. Email him (ManxLuk@msn.com) or stop in if you're in his area! They have a great new Visitor Center at Sterling Forest State Park, where he is park manager.

Steve Hendershott (Automotive Technology) was appointed as Chief Operating Officer by the Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority. RGRTA is a public authority that has seven subsidiary companies which provide public transportation in Monroe and five surrounding counties.

Wayne Dykstra (Accounting) happily remarried on August 3, 2002 to Toni Sanguinetti, and has a 14 year old stepson, Joseph. He is Facilities Director at Hawthorne Cedar Knolls UFSD.

Joseph Loomis (Business) is retired from the Internal Revenue Service and living in Liverpool, NY.

Nancy (VanWie) (Science Lab Tech) and Keith Luscombe have been married 29 years. Their older son, Nathan, graduated from Springfield College, Springfield, MA in May of 2004. Their younger son is attending American International College in Springfield, MA.

Robert Yelenak (Electrical Technology) moved to Hoosick Falls last May and with his wife Maria bought a pet supply store, boarding kennel, and house. Just a little something for a change of pace in our lives!

## CLASS OF 1975

Linda Casler Gustin (Secretarial Science) writes that 2004 will be an exciting year. She has a daughter graduating from Utica College in May and a daughter graduating from Mt. Markham High School in June. She would like to hear from roommates Sue Swersie and Terry Bradner.

Michael Pettinella (Journalism) served as a sports editor for 12 years and assistant news editor for three years at Batavia Daily News before taking GM position at Mancuso Bowling Center in Batavia from 1992-2003

## CLASS OF 1976

Mary Beth (Caprara) Johnson (Medical Lab Technology) went on to become a BS MT (ASCP). The education she received at Morrisville laid the groundwork for a very successful career in medical technology. Pat Powers was her instructor at MSC and her favorite teacher.

## CLASS OF 1976

Martha Lamb (Liberal Arts) celebrated her 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary with Living Resources Corp., a non-profit organization that provides services for the developmentally disabled on April 10, 2004.

Dennis Stenson (Automotive) has been an engineer at General Motors since 1977. He works on full size truck and H2 future product development.

Tim Tureski (Journalism), a librarian, and his wife Diane, a teacher, live with their two children, Samantha and Healy, in the Bronx.

## CLASS OF 1977

Susan Fox (Accounting) is a bookkeeper for Fox PowerSports LLC., and is also Director of Church Street "School's Out" after school program in Herkimer.

Paul Jakubik (Auto Technology) is the FCSD Program Manager for the Ford Escape Hybrid. He is married with two children and living in Dexter, MI. Both father and son are racing: Dad-Super Late Model, son-Sun Street.

Steve Lindeman (Natural Resources Conservation) continued his education in forestry at Virginia Tech and later at Duke University. He now works as a forester for The Nature Conservancy in Abingdon, Virginia.

Benny Santella (Accounting) recently left his former firm and started a new accounting practice-Santella Business Solutions Inc.

Greg TenEyck (Journalism) would like to hear from old friends. Email: gcbj10ike@aol.com

## CLASS OF 1978

Gena Barning (Food Service/Nutrition) wrote that after working 12 years as a Diet Tech, 10 of those at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, she switched careers and has been working as a paralegal since the early 90s.

Kevin Byrnes (Individual Studies) writes to say that Morrisville rates right up there with one of life's best experiences! He even met his wife at Morrisville.

Mark Friebel (Natural Resources Conservation) is a facilities manager for R.J. Williams Lumber Inc.-Kiln Dryers and Wholesalers of Northern Hardwood Lumber.

Kurt Ginter (Natural Resources Conservation) says hello to all 1977/78 Slant House Affiliates! Email: KG@Ginterinv.com

Brenda (LaComb) Manke (Accounting) lives in Northridge, CA and is a nursing home administrator. She has a husband, Greg, and two daughters, Erin and Jessica.

Michael Newman (Electrical Technology) is still in the same location: owner of Sincerely Secure Inc./DBA Consolidated Tech, Group, which installs and services security systems/audio & video systems. He writes that without Morrisville he would not have succeeded - best of all to all alumni (& Slant House). He asks "Could you please send a check to the college

## CLASS OF 1978

foundation to help the numbers? They need our help please! Thanks in advance!

Randall Rugenstein (Automotive Engineering) owns a trucking/grain business in Phelps, NY. Karen (Lee) Rugenstein '79 (Agricultural Business) is a farm loan officer at FSA/USDA in Canandaigua, NY. They have two daughters- Becky at MSU, and Amy at KSU.

Robbin Sykes-Ballard (Food Service) substitutes at a local pre-school and does personal respite care for two autistic children, a brother & sister.

## CLASS OF 1979

John Bartow, Jr. (Natural Resources Conservation) was appointed executive director by the Tug Hill Commission board. Previously, he was director of the Division of Local Government at New York State's Department of State where he managed technical assistance services to local governments across the state. Prior to running the Division for Local Government, Bartow spent ten years as a coastal resource specialist at the Department of State, two years at the NYS Senate Research Service handling environmental and energy issues, and two years as land use and waterfront revitalization specialist at the St. Lawrence-Eastern Ontario Commission.

Kevin Berkel (Chemistry) actively served in the US Air Force for 21+ years. He was recently deployed to support Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Ann (Zongrone) Bohling (Journalism) has been married to Larry Boling '79 (Horticulture) for 22 years. They have two children- Justin, 17, and Abbie, 12. She has attended many alumni weekends and always had a blast. She hopes to make it this year and see some former Journalism students.

Kathleen Ryan McGinley (Business Administration) and her husband Mark live in Phoenix, NY with their 3 daughters: Laura who is 15, and 11 year old twins Allison and Emily. Mark works at Spear USA in Fulton, and Kathleen works for "Oswego County Business Magazine" and "In Good Health" She says hi to all of her "old" friends.

Clinton Roods (Public Health) is a senior loss control rep for Liberty Mutual Insurance, and acted as an onsite safety advisor, at the World Trade Center clean-up project.

Robert Van Caesele (Agricultural Engineering) would like to say "hi" to 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Cayuga guys from classes of '78/'79 and '80. It's been 25 years since that first "Animal House" viewing!

Vivian Williams (Journalism) completed the doctoral degree program in communication at University at Buffalo in February 2004. Her husband Mark is an electrical engineer in Rochester, NY.

## CLASS OF 1980

Steve Buchiere (Journalism) is still in the journalism business and working at the Daily Messenger in Canandaigua as an editor. He misses all the great people in the journalism program and a lot of other great people he met at Morrisville. He is married and has a son, Alex. He'd love to hear from old friends from Morrisville.

## CLASS OF 1980

Kathleen Ciano (Medical Lab Technology) says a big hello to the girls from 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Onondaga Hall: Debbie, Jackie, Ann, & Janet.

Kate O'Dea Bonda (Horse Husbandry) and her husband Mike moved to Florida and love it there. She is still working with horses and they have two nice young Morgans of their own. Kate is now a fully certified pilot and having a great time flying; she especially loves the chance to fly experimentals & classics. She would love to hear from her old classmates- or any other Morrisville pilots!

## CLASS OF 1980

Diane Tashman (Nursing) moved to Levittown, NY. She is working for Beth Israel Medical Center doing pacing & ICD follow-up. She would love to hear from fellow classmates.

## CLASS OF 1981

Donna (Stannard) Camp (Diet Technician) was widowed in May 2000. On December 6, 2003, she married Terrence Camp.

Timothy Hansen (Automotive Technology) would really like to get in touch with the guys from GFO. Contact him! Email: Thansen429@hotmail.com

Larry R. Hulle (Animal Husbandry) writes that his family recently added onto their house to give them more room for their sons: Andrew, 14, Patrick, 13, Michael, 10, and Thomas, 7.

Patricia Purdy (Secretarial Science) just wants to say hello to the former girls she had the pleasure of cheering with! Drop her a line and tell her what's been happening all these years. Email: purdypa@morrisville.edu

Jim Rogalski (Journalism) has hung up the typewriter and is opening a coffeeshop "Uncommon Grounds" in Durham, NC. Stop in for a cuppa joe! Holene Smith (Secretarial Science) would love to reminisce with old friends. Sue Schuh, are you out there?

Justina Treventi (Business Administration) is pursuing a second AAS in Tourism & Hospitality Management to add to her Business Administration AAS. She will graduate in '04.

Coleen Voorheis-Fabrizi (Journalism) is now employed as the Director of Visitor Services at the Corning Area Chamber of Commerce. It's hard to believe her daughter is now looking at colleges for 2006.

Alan "Big Al" Weed (Restaurant Management) has published his own cookbook, "All-Pro Cooking for Regular Guys." With its simple, clear instructions and its leavening of "regular guy" humor, this is a pro's playbook for culinary rookies. The cookbook is available through the publisher, Chapel Hill Press (www.chapelhillpress.com). Though Weed has catered events for hundreds, his most memorable involved cooking for just five people- the Rolling Stones' pre- and post-show meals for five Steel Wheels Tour dates. His efforts got rave reviews. Big Al currently resides in Cary, NC, where his firm, Two Pals Everyday Gourmet, provides catering and private-chef services.

Visit the new and improved  
MSC Alumni website at:  
[www.morrisville.edu/alumni](http://www.morrisville.edu/alumni)

# classnotes

## CLASS OF 1982

Victoria Green (Nursing) has obtained her BSN from SUNY Plattsburgh and was inducted into Sigma Theta Tau nursing honor society. She also has achieved the CCRN from the American Association of Critical Care Nurses. These are both proud accomplishments. They were built from the education she received at Morrisville. She is also pursuing her abilities as a musician and vocalist.

James Schlitz (Journalism) is still writing high school sports for the Daily Gazette in Schenectady (since 1985). He got married in 1998 to Suzanne (Cromie). No kids, but 5 cats. He would like to say "hey" to the boys from Brooks Hall!

Michelle (Everlith) Steele (Data Processing) married Ashley Steele on July 17, 1999. He is from Greene, NY.

## CLASS OF 1983

Jorge Riera (Food Processing Technology) has his Master's Degree as a Corporate Manager. He is a production manager for Kelly's Food Products in Caracas.

Daniel Steves (Engineering Science) is a plant engineer for Albany International. He is always interested in the progress of classmates.

## CLASS OF 1984

Karen Coleman (Accounting) had been with Huck Manufacturing in Kingston, NY for about 17 years. Her husband, Joseph Coleman '84 has been with AT&T for about 8 years. In December 2002 AT&T transferred them to Tampa, FL. They have two children: Joe, 14, and Josh, 12.

Holly Damm (Slovacek) (Nursing) says hi to all of her friends from Mo'ville- Patty, Nicole, Ann Marie, Paula, Annette, Peggy, Bill, Mike, Tom Jeff & everyone else. Let's get together for an Alumni Weekend. She's still living in Schenectady, NY working as a nurse in a local community hospital.

Cathleen (Mack) Martinez (Horticulture) has a little girl, Gabrielle, who is almost two, and number two is on the way. She is still selling flowers and plants full-time for Cleveland Plant & Flower Co. in Liverpool.

## CLASS OF 1985

Steve Donovan (Auto Technology) is currently teaching automotive technology at Eastern Monroe Career Center in Fairport, NY, part of Monroe's #1 BOCES.

## CLASS OF 1986

Kevin Speers (Design & Drafting Technology) has been married for 14 years and has three kids.

## CLASS OF 1987

David Tasick (Restaurant Management) is going back to school after suffering a permanent back injury.

The Educational Opportunity Program is seeking to reconnect with you! To enhance EOP program traditions, we are organizing an EOP Alumni database, which will provide Alumni/Development and EOP a better way to contact EOP Alumni for advocacy, mentoring, reunions, and to represent MSC at various events. Please help us strengthen the legacy of EOP at MSC by contacting Erin M. Colvin, EOP Counselor, at (315) 684-6075, or e-mail colvinem@morrisville.edu.

## CLASS OF 1988

Ann Marie Dolan (Equine Racing Management) owned, trained and drove harness horses for nearly a decade. She passed the U. S. Trotting Association test in April 2003 and was hired by the New York Racing and Wagering Board. After gaining experience last June at upstate harness tracks, and being schooled by seasoned veterans such as Joe DeSimone, Jr., Bill Rossbach and Dave Feulner, Dolan became New York State harness racing's first official woman starting judge.

Kurt Hardenbrook (Mechanical Engineering) has been married to his wife Shari for 13 years. They have three children: Tyler (11), David (8), & Megan (4).

Tracy Hyde (Design & Drafting) is a cabinetmaker for Genbrook Millwork in Greene, NY. He also has a part-time business building furniture, woodcarvings, and jewelry boxes. His work can be seen at: [www.hydequalitywoodworking.com](http://www.hydequalitywoodworking.com)

## CLASS OF 1989

Mary Jo DiBernardo (Individual Studies) was wed to Robert Emard on October 12, 2003 in Cape May, NJ. The couple was engaged at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve in London and then enjoyed a European honeymoon as well, visiting the cities of Venice, Florence, Rome and Athens. Ms. DiBernardo is employed as a social scientist by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in Gaithersburg, VA, and her husband is an architect in Northern Virginia. The couple will reside in Arlington, VA.

Christine Kuhn (Journalism) wants any friends that used to celebrate with her on campus hill and dance at Stir Crazy who want to get in touch to remember the good ol' days, to contact her. Email: [shortyrocks691@aol.com](mailto:shortyrocks691@aol.com)

## CLASS OF 1990

Susan Currie (Individual Studies) writes to say she misses Oneida Hall! She is a middle school science teacher for the Albany City School District.

Bernice O'Brien says, "Call her Granny! Number 3 is here!" She is still alive and well in Smyrna. Her degree from Morrisville opened up a great new world! She is loving her new job as an RN in a law firm.

## CLASS OF 1991

Eric Berkey (Individual Studies) was recently promoted to the position of Account Specialist with his company, Retail Product Services.

Richard Klingman (Journalism) was published in "The Conservationist" in 1992. It was a big surprise for him. He is in line for a county job as a public safety dispatcher. He is looking to hear from other Journalism students from 1989-1991. Email: [rich\\_man\\_36@yahoo.com](mailto:rich_man_36@yahoo.com)

Abel Rumph (Liberal Arts) writes that his journey has been long, but the fog has lifted.

## CLASS OF 1992

Steven Goldberg (Journalism) writes that Morrisville will always have a place in my heart-especially WCVM, no longer located in the basement of Oneida Hall!

## CLASS OF 1993

Ami Miller (Horticulture) married Gary Corell on March 13, 2004. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Teachers and was chosen as Steuben County Varsity Cheerleading Coach of the Year (for the 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year) in 2004.

Dwayne Smith (Animal Science) raises and shows purebred poultry.

## CLASS OF 1994

Michael Reed (Independent Studies) says, "Hi, everyone!" He is alive and well back from falling off the face of the planet. He is currently living in the Utica area but travels all over the country. He would love to catch up with all of his old friends from West Hall or the wrestling team. He is looking forward to hearing from them all! Email: [Bigmike184@hotmail.com](mailto:Bigmike184@hotmail.com)

Judie Schmelzinger (Dietetics) wants to shout out to the class of 1994 in hopes to have a reunion this summer or fall. Please feel free to contact her! [JDSmell@cs.com](mailto:JDSmell@cs.com)

## CLASS OF 1995

Scott Clemens (Natural Resources) is divorced, with a daughter.

S. Madeleine Hartt (Horticulture) still works for the greenhouse/nursery where she got her first job. This will be her 11<sup>th</sup> year there. She manages the greenhouses which now number six heated and five unheated. She is always looking for hardworking and knowledgeable people.



Tevita Gaines (Individual Studies) earned a bachelor's degree from Buffalo State College and a Master's degree from LeMoyne College. Last summer, Tevita presented a paper at the University of Havana in Cuba on the topic "Minority Over Representation in Special Education and Under Representation in Gifted and Talented Programs." Her future goals include earning a PhD or EdD degree. Morrisville State College, and particularly the Educational Opportunity Program, remains as a truly positive place that supported, encouraged, and provided Gaines with experiences that will stay with her forever.

## CLASS OF 1996

Autumn Cave-Crosby (Journalism) received her BA in Journalism from SUNY Oswego in 1999. Afterwards, she served as the Design and Layout Editor for the Central NY Business Journal in Syracuse, NY. Upon

## CLASS OF 1996

moving to CO in 2001, she made the huge shift to education. She is the Center Director for the Colorado Springs Child Nursery Centers at Sand Creek. She is currently attending the graduate school of education at the University of Colorado, Denver and will receive her MA ECE, SPED in December 2004. In August 2003, she married Justin B. Crosby in Geneva, NY at Belhurst Castle on Seneca Lake. They just built a new home in the eastern part of Colorado Springs and are enjoying life on the west coast.

Kevin McLeary lives in Arlington, VA and is currently working for the US Secret Service Nuclear, Biological, & Chemical incident response team in Washington, DC.

## CLASS OF 1997

Jeri O'Bryan (Liberal Arts) has two new Master's Degrees from Elmira College: Ms in Education- Adult Education, and MS in Education- General Education.

Jody Tice (Journalism) is a claims examiner representative for NY Central Mutual Insurance and a freelance photographer.

Seth Wadsworth (Agricultural Business) married Kelly Fritz in June 2003 and has one son, Blake. He is currently in the process of purchasing the family farm, Milkworth Holsteins, which he's been running since 1999.

## CLASS OF 1998

Jennifer (Colgan) Anderson (Travel & Tourism) married Scott Anderson, pastry chef, in October of 2000, and gave birth to a son, Owen Scott Anderson, on January 31, 2004. She is currently an assistant office manager for a YMCA Camp.

Donnita Firnstein (Journalism) gave birth to a son, Ethan Peter Firnstein, on July 31, 2003.

Jeffrey Winner (Liberal Arts) received a BA in English & History from SUNY Albany. He is currently midway through the MSEd program at the University of New England.

## CLASS OF 1999

Ben Frederickson (Agronomy) started a custom forage harvesting business in May 2003.

Christine Laettner (Journalism) received her Master's Degree in Public Relations Management from Buffalo State College in December 2003. In May 2001, she received a Bachelor's Degree in Public Relations & Journalism from Utica College of Syracuse University.

## CLASS OF 2000

Boris Vasquez (Sports Nutrition & Fitness Management) is a father to a two year old daughter.

Watch your mailbox for **Create-A-Reunion!** an innovation designed to bring alumni together for reunion programs.

# classnotes

## CLASS OF 2000



Lynda Janovsky (Journalism), a morning producer at WSTM-TV 3 in Syracuse, was keynote speaker for this year's Journalism Convocation. Pictured to her left is her husband Charles '05 (Health Related Studies).

## CLASS OF 2001

Ronald A. Miller (Wood Products Technology) graduated on the morning of May 10, 2003 from Practical Bible College and married Mary Smith on the same day in the evening. He is now working in a cabinet shop while he is a student at Baptist Bible Seminary in Clarks Summit, PA.

Karen Roberts (Agricultural Business) is searching for Peter Reyes. If anyone has any information as to his whereabouts, please let her know. Email: Kasrol9@hotmail.com



Bob Driscoll (Journalism) sits at the CNN Headline News anchor desk, where he currently serves as a Feeds Coordinator.

## CLASS OF 2002

Alexander Lewis (Liberal Arts - Social Science) was selected on the second day of the National Football League Draft. Lewis went to the Detroit Lions in the fifth round as the 140<sup>th</sup> overall pick. Lewis played for the Mustangs at Morrisville State from 2000 - 2001 where he led Morrisville in 2001 with 101 total tackles, 62 solo, including 10 quarterback sacks for a loss of 98 yards. He also contributed three blocked kicks to the conference leading defense that season. In 2001, he was selected to the Northeast Football All-Conference First Team and was selected the NFC Defensive Player of the Year, earning National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) All-American Honorable Mention honors. He is currently second on the all-time defensive career leader list with 146 total tackles in his career for Morrisville.

Following his career at Morrisville, Lewis signed with the University of Wisconsin Badgers, and continued to dominate as linebacker in the Big Ten. Lewis was a first-team All-Big Ten performer for Wisconsin in 2003 and was third on the team in tackles with 89, leading the Badgers with nine quarterback sacks. He was named the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week for his outing against Purdue early in the season. He is just one of four players in Wisconsin school history with at least three blocked kicks.

## CLASS OF 2002

Chad Totman (Sports Nutrition & Fitness Management) is graduating in May 2004 from Cortland State (Physical Education major) with a 3.82 GPA.

## CLASS OF 2003

Matthew Learo (Plastics Technology) says the plastics program is a very valuable program for anyone looking for a job in a constantly growing field. At Morrisville State College the Plastics Technology program offers everything needed to succeed in today's fast-paced plastics arena, no matter what the application.

Mariann Pulvino (Office Technology) landed a full-time job at Liberty Resources in Syracuse, shortly after graduating from Morrisville in December of 2003. She began working there February 9, 2004 and has enjoyed everything so far. She is looking forward to coming back to Morrisville in May for the graduation ceremony.

## CLASS OF 2004



Kelly Manuel (Office Technology) pictured here with Patti Payette (right) was recently awarded the Beverly McKay Award during the second annual Office Technology Luncheon at Morrisville State College. The \$400 McKay Award is given to graduating office technology majors who have focused goals.

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## In Memoriam

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| Marjorie Morse '30         | John V. Chase '70                 |
| Edward Griffith '37        | William James Woods '70           |
| Gerald A. Hale '41         | Dean Bogardus '73                 |
| James Pomilio '44          | Nancy C. Brezee '73               |
| Homer A. Lynch '47         | Timothy A. Hart '73               |
| Mary Youngs '49            | Patricia J. Ray '74               |
| Mary Holmes '50            | James Dorwin Hilton '76           |
| Marian B. Rogan '50        | James E. Horan '76                |
| Duane R. Turner '52        | George Michael Martin '78         |
| James E. Moynihan '57      | Harold Robert Coulter '80         |
| Romey Eisenhut '61         | Beth Ann Harvey '83               |
| Charles S. Schlossberg '61 | John Kenneth Andrews '88          |
| Kathleen M. Shoemaker '66  | Jennifer Ann Len-Krebuszewski '89 |
| Alan F. Spencer '67        | Teresa Lynne Taylor '01           |

## Sail Away With Morrisville State Travel

Winter was shorter for those who sailed the Costa Atlantica on a cruise arranged by Morrisville State Travel student interns. The seven-night Caribbean cruise stopped at the ports of San Juan, Porto Rico, St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands, Catalina Island in the Dominican Republic and Nassau in the Bahamas. In places like Nassau, passengers had the opportunity to see the city by horse-drawn buggy and shop the straw market along Bay Street. Many passengers got a history lesson in the historical town of St. Thomas, which also offers some of the best snorkeling. The Morrisville group had their pictures taken with the Captain and enjoyed a private cocktail party hosted by the travel agency.

The cruise was escorted by Brenda Coogan, Morrisville State Travel Agency Manager. Each semester, interns arrange and promote a group tour for faculty, staff, alumni and friends. They have traveled to Ireland, cruised the Eastern Caribbean, and for January of 2005 they have over 100 people confirmed on Royal Caribbean's newest ship, "The Jewel of the Sea's". The Jewel will be sailing on a six-night cruise from Ft. Lauderdale to the Western Caribbean ports of Key West, Florida, Cozumel, Costa Maya and Grand Cayman. If you would like more information on the January 2005 cruise, please contact Morrisville State Travel at (315) 684-6226.

## Horticulture Department/John Alden Haight Memorial Scholarship



Amanda Willson '04 (pictured left) is the first recipient of an award from the combined Horticulture Department and John Alden Haight Memorial Scholarship funds. The award is given to second semester students who have done the most to inspire their classmates to succeed as students and individuals.

John Alden Haight '38 taught Horticulture at Morrisville from 1958 to 1983. He is fondly remembered by a generation of horticulturalists he taught and befriended during his career.

The Horticulture Department is seeking donations to endow the Horticulture Department / John Alden Haight Scholarship Fund. By combining the John Alden Haight Memorial Scholarship fund and the Horticulture Foundation Scholarship, Morrisville State College has accumulated 85% of \$10,000 needed to endow a scholarship. When \$10,000 has been raised, the sum will be invested, and earnings from the investment will be given as a scholarship. Any amount raised over \$10,000 will increase the amount of the award or allow for more than one scholarship. Please consider making a tax deductible donation to: Morrisville College Foundation, Horticulture Department / John Alden Haight Memorial Scholarship, 101 Bailey Hall, Morrisville State College, Morrisville, NY 13408.

As the recipient of the Horticulture Department / John Haight Scholarship, I would like to say thank you to everyone involved. I leave Morrisville State College with great satisfaction. The Horticulture Department at Morrisville State has an excellent and unique group of instructors. Each has a special and intricate part in making the Horticulture major the greatest.

I leave behind not only four professors that have changed my life, but also four individuals I can call friends. I will be transferring to SUNY-ESF to further my education in Landscape Architecture. I thank those who have contributed to this scholarship, again, and encourage any involvement from others.

Sincerely,  
Amanda Willson



## How Do You Spell "Success?"

GREG CARROLL, DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Every year, athletic department staff review past accomplishments and set a course for the coming season. This year there were outstanding achievements on all fronts. Many athletes volunteered with community groups and organizations. Several athletes distinguished themselves academically and received accolades at regional, state, and national levels. We continued transitioning our program from the junior college level to the four-year level and membership in the NCAA.

During this year's NFL draft, former football player Alex Lewis was selected in the fifth round by the Detroit Lions. What gives his success even more meaning is the quality of Alex Lewis as a person. Alex exemplifies all that is good—whether it's on the football field, in his home community, his place of worship, or in connection to another organization, Alex makes meaningful contributions. That's the essence of a winner. (See Class Notes for more about Alex.)

Elizabeth McCallum (track & field hockey) and Takayuki Kusaka (lacrosse & soccer) received Chancellor Awards during Commencement. Greg Schwind (hockey & baseball) received a Chancellor Scholar Athlete Award in April. The following have been nominated for National Junior College Athletic Association All-American honors: Meghan Breen, Sophia Stolarczyk, Kristina Raab, Amy Folmer, Patrice Hohl, Elizabeth McCallum, Nicole Leach, Nino Fogaroli, Takayuki Kusaka, and Greg Schwind.

For the second straight year, the football team claimed a share of the Northeast Football Conference title. Head Coach Terry Dow was named Coach of the Year, and linebacker Jamar Atkinson was named conference Player of the Year. This is the third year in a row a Morrisville linbacker has had that distinction. For the second time in three years, the men's ice hockey team captured the NJACC National Championship, an honor they reclaimed by defeating Minot State (ND) in a rematch of last year's title game. Coach Earl Utter was named Coach of the Year. The Mustangs, who closed with a record of 23-1-1, hope to defend the national championship in 2005 when Morrisville will again host the NJCAA Nationals. Under the direction of head coach Brandy Wilcox, the women's lacrosse team made history this past spring as they earned a spot in the first ever NJCAA Women's Lacrosse National Championships. Other teams also enjoyed great success. The track and field teams advanced 10 athletes to the NJCAA National Championships, while the wrestling team placed 11<sup>th</sup> in the country and the men's cross country team placed eighth in the country.

Our department continues to build relationships with the business community through sponsorships and advertising opportunities. A strong bond exists between athletics and Oneida Savings Bank, which donated scoreboards for baseball and softball fields this past year. The previous year they donated a new scoreboard for the gymnasium. Our department will continue facility improvements with your help. Current emphasis is on press box facilities for scoring and videotaping at baseball, softball, and soccer/lacrosse fields. If you would like to have your name or business featured at one of these facilities, please contact the athletic department. Your support is very much appreciated, and we will make sure it is noted and recognized.

The spirit we see in our teams is a reflection of the pervasive "can do" spirit of this campus. Whether the goal is a conference championship or sponsorship of a press box, we're proud of that "can do" spirit; confident that it is shared by others equally as committed to Morrisville's ongoing success.

## Mustang Weekend—a fun-filled weekend for the whole family!

# Mustang Weekend 2004

A Homecoming for Alumni, Family and Friends of Morrisville State College



### Friday, September 24

- 2-6 p.m. Information Table for Alumni and Families
- 1-5 p.m. Fishing Derby (\$3/person, NYS Fishing License not required)
- 4:45-7 p.m. Family Dinner (\$7.25/person)
- 7-8 p.m. Ice Cream with President Cross
- 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Casino Night

### Saturday, September 25

- 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Admissions Open House Tours Available
- 8:30 a.m. Madison Hall 5k Run/Walk (\$5 alumni & students, \$10 pre-register)
- 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Registration/Hospitality for Alumni and Families
- 9:00 a.m. Helyar Hall Rededication
- 10 a.m. Alumni Lacrosse Game
- 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Horticulture Open House & Floral Design Contest
- 10:30 a.m. Class of 1952 Legacy Dedication
- 11 a.m. Mustang Weekend "Fantastic Fall in the Country" Parade
- 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Family Brunch (\$5.25/person)
- 11a.m.-5 p.m. Craft Fair
- 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Campus Bookstore Open
- 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Academic Showcase
- Noon-2 p.m. Alumni Luncheon & General Business Meeting
- Noon-4 p.m. Automotive Technology Open House & Cruise-In
- 2 p.m. Fisher Family Mustang Sculpture Dedication
- 2-2:30 p.m. Alumni Class Photos (\$5/photo)
- 2 -3 p.m. Residence Hall Open Houses
- 2:30 p.m. Football vs. Erie County Community College  
**Community Service Project - Canned Food Drive**
- 3 p.m. Magical History Tour
- 3-7 p.m. Campus/Community Carnival
- 3:30 p.m. MSC Competitive Dance Team Performance
- 4-7 p.m. Campus/Community Picnic
- 5-7 p.m. Alumni Hockey Game
- 8 p.m. Fireworks
- 8:30 p.m. Quantico Marine Band Performance (*Tentative*)

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- Carnival
- Games
- Picnic
- Parade
- Craft Fair
- Open House

Your \$15 registration fee covers all events unless otherwise noted.

For more information, call Morrisville Alumni/Development at 1-800-462-4723 or visit [www.morrisville.edu](http://www.morrisville.edu).