

GIVING TREE: Known to generations of Rochester students as the "Tree of Life" and the "Wedding Tree," the landmark 150-year-old oak tree in Rochester's Genesee Valley Park fell in a storm the night of July 4. For more photos, like this one from 1993, visit *Review*'s Web site at www.rochester.edu/pr/Review. The tree's fans have also set up a Facebook page (http://tinyurl.com/238f8e8).

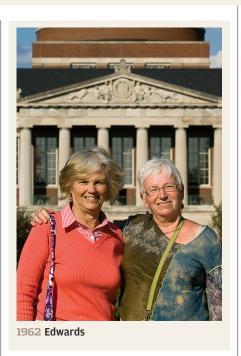
# River Campus *Undergraduate*

1952 Chesley Kahmann released a new CD, The Music Box (Orbiting Clef Productions), in May. The recording includes 11 piano improvisations. Chesley writes: "These improvisations are one-time make-ups straight from the brain to the fingers to the recording machinery. They are not written down and probably never will be." . . . Jerome Zukosky '57 (MS) writes: "After 18 years of living aboard cruising sailboats, I have moved ashore and live in Annapolis. I look out upon the same waters, Back Creek, on which my two boats were commissioned, equipped, and first sailed in 1988. I would also like to make known the sudden and unexpected death last November in Rochester of my former wife, Catherine Yaeger Zukosky '53, mother of our son, Jonathan Zukosky '83, '97W (MS).

Catherine Yaeger Zukosky (see '52).

1962 Gail Meier Edwards visited the River Campus in May and posed for a picture in front of Rush Rhees Library. The picture was taken by her son, University photographer Adam Fenster. Gail posed with Sally Soule, who is Adam's mother-in-law.

Richard Cavagnol sends an update. He writes: "I am serving as a USAID field program officer in Delaram district, Nimroz province, Afghanistan. I am the lone USAID officer for all of Nimroz and am living in a police station with 25 marines, 30 Afghan national police, and the district governor. I am responsible for leading the development and reconstruction efforts in Delaram, which include refurbishing the boys' school, refurbishing and reequipping the public health clinic, refurbishing the



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district governor's house and office, leveling and graveling the bazaar area, and installing solar-powered street lights in the bazaar. Unable to travel back to the U of R for the 45th reunion, I was able to talk with classmates by satellite phone during the reunion dinner (4:30 a.m. Afghanistan time). I'd especially like to thank John Denison '69W (MA), Stu Levison, Charlie Rathbone, Dave Noonan, and Don Warner. It was almost as good as being there. I'd also like to thank Dave Wormuth '65, Bill Bruce '65, '67W (MA), and John Burchett '65, as well as the Class of 1964 for their e-mails of support and encouragement during the past 10 months of my one-year deployment. I am looking forward to coming home and to the 50th reunion!" ... Michael Spiegler, a professor of psychology at Providence College, has coauthored Contemporary Behavior Therapy (5th edition) (Cengage, 2010), a textbook that synthesizes clinical, research, theoretical, and ethical aspects of behavior therapy. He writes: "It is simultaneously an introduction for beginning students and a scholarly review and resource for advanced students and professionals."

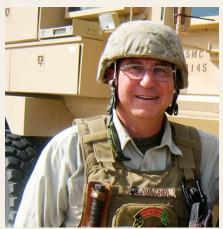
**Charlotte DeCroes Jacobs** writes that she has recently retired from Stanford University, where she was a professor of medicine for 32 years. She has written a book, Henry Kaplan and the Story of Hodgkin's Disease (Stanford), which Abraham Verghese, a Stanford professor of medicine and writer of fiction and memoirs, cited as one of the five best books written on doctors' lives in an article in the Wall Street Journal in July. Charlotte adds that she also continues to perform in Bay Area theater.... Ed Wetschler was appointed executive editor at Tripatini.com. Ed writes that the Web site is "a travel-oriented social networking site that the New York Post has called 'Facebook for Travelers.'"

**1969** Gene Corbman (see '97). . . . . Melanie Marder Corbman (see '97).

1970 Gerald Itkin sends a photo and an update. He writes: "I regret that I am unable to attend the 40th reunion weekend this fall, but I do have a good excuse. I will be at the World Senior Games defending the silver medal in slow pitch softball. A shot from last year shows me playing third base." ... Elliot Richman '75 (PhD) writes that he has completed his eighth year of teaching chemistry and physics at Ramapo High School in Franklin Lakes, N.J., and has been honored with the 2010 Edward J.



1970 Itkin







1970 Richman

Merrill Award for outstanding teaching of high school chemistry. The award is given by the North Jersey section of the American Chemical Society and cosponsored by the New Jersey Science Teachers Association. Elliot adds that in May he was the music director and conductor for Ramapo High's spring musical production of *My Fair Lady*. Playing trombone in the pit orchestra was his son, **Daniel Richman** '08, who arrived from Baltimore, where he is a graduate student in the department of physics and astronomy at Johns Hopkins University.

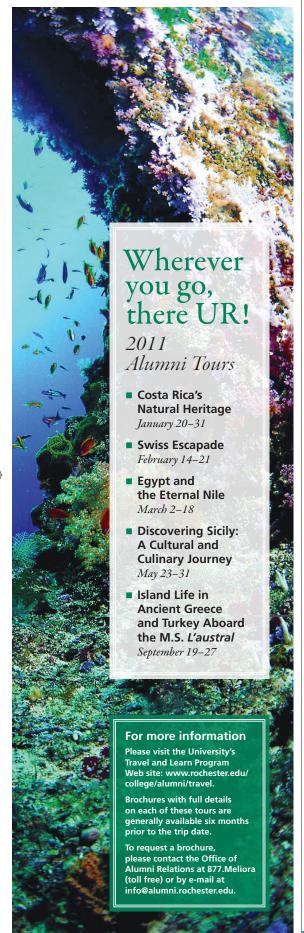
1971 Anders Henriksson, a professor of history at Shepherd University in West Virginia, writes that he has published two books. Vassals and Citizens: The Baltic Germans in Constitutional Russia, 1905–1914 (Verlag Herder-Institut) examines the development of civil society in late Imperial Russia through the lens of an ethnic minority's experience. College in a Nutskull (Workman) is the second compilation of bloopers and malapropisms that Anders has

gathered together from college student exam papers. The first was *Non Campus Mentis*, published in 2001. . . . **Harry Melkonian** writes that he was awarded a doctorate in law from Macquarie University in Sydney, Australia, in April. The title of his

### Key to Abbreviations

- **E** Eastman School of Music
- M School of Medicine and Dentistry
- N School of Nursing
- **S** William E. Simon Graduate School of Business
- W Margaret Warner Graduate School of Education and Human Development
- Mas Master's degree
- **RC** River Campus
- Res Medical Center residency
- Flw Postdoctoral fellowship
- Pdc Postdoctoral certificate





thesis was Free Speech and the Opportunity for Convergence of English and American Defamation Law. Harry adds that he continues to teach and practice media law in Sydney.

1972 Jean Rietschel, a Seattle Municipal Court judge since 1996, has been appointed to the King County Superior Court in Seattle by the governor of Washington... Stuart Schneider writes that his 20th book, Ghosts in the Cemetery II: Farther Afield, was released over the summer. After graduating with a degree in psychology, he went to law school and practiced law in New Jersey. He adds: "My first book was self-published in 1980. I have had a publisher for everything thereafter. My Web site, www.wordcraft.net, contains photos and descriptions of all of my books and unusual interests."

1973 Sam Ciurca writes that he has written a book on prehistoric animals, Eurypterids Illustrated: The Search for Prehistoric Sea Scorpions (self-published). It consists of 32 pages of photos of eurypterid fossils, along with brief commentary about each fossil. The fossils belonged to his personal collection before he donated most of them to the Peabody Museum of Natural History in New Haven, Conn.

1974 Sheila Dambrosio writes: "In 2008, I retired after 18 years as a staff attorney at the California Supreme Court in San Francisco and am now practicing law at Kennedy & Han, a plaintiffs' civil rights and general litigation firm in Albuquerque, N.M. It is a very active retirement." . . . Linda Langdon Wightman (see '05).

1975 Porter Wightman (see '05).

1977 Peter Friedenberg, an attorney at the Boston firm Sherin and Lodgen and chair of its real estate division, has been inducted into the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. Each year the 1,000-member organization invites new members based on professional distinction. Peter was the only Massachusetts attorney inducted this year.

1978 Laura Carstensen has been inducted into the Brighton High School Alumni Hall of Fame. An author and research psychologist who specializes in aging, Laura founded and directs Stanford University's Center on Longevity.

... Jane Dubin '79 (MS) writes that she is a producer of *The 39 Steps*, a two-time Tony Award-winning comedy adaptation of the Alfred Hitchcock film by the same name. She adds that she would love to host any University alumni at the show, which plays at New World Stages in Manhattan. She can be contacted at her production company, DoublePlayConnections@att.net.

1979 Peter Blanck has been named an honorary professor at the Centre for Disability Law and Policy at the National University of Ireland in Galway. Peter is the chair of the Burton Blatt Institute, an organization based at Syracuse University devoted to increasing the economic and social participation of people with disabilities globally.

Caro Thompson writes that after winning a regional Emmy award in 2009 for her documentary, Champlain: The Lake Between, she teamed up with Vermont Public Television to create educational resources as part of the 400th anniversary observance of the French explorer Samuel de Champlain's exploration of the lake. The resulting project, Lake Champlain Voyages of Discovery: Bringing History Home, won the Corporation for Public Broadcasting's My Source Education Innovation Award, a national honor to recognize public broadcasting stations that educate the public through the innovative use of new technologies. Caro, who lives and works

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in northeastern Vermont, coauthored and edited the electronic publication distributed to 400 schools in Vermont and New York.

1983 John Hirs '86 (MS) and his wife, Kadri-Liis, welcomed their second child, Aiden Romet Hirs, in March. Aiden joins his brother, Kennet. John is an integrated science instrument module stray light analyst for the James Webb Space Telescope at the NASA–Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md. . . . Jonathan Zukosky '97W (MS) (see '52).

**1984** Lisa Simon was inducted into the Philadelphia Public Relations Association Hall of Fame in June. Lisa is the founder and president of Simon Public Relations Group.

Lisa Pierson Bork writes that her second novel, For Richer, For Danger (Midnight Ink), will be released in September. It's a sequel to For Better, For Murder, which was a 2009 Agatha Award finalist in the category of best first novel.

Mark Hughes writes: "It's been a while since I've written, so I just wanted to send this quick update. My new novel, A Crack in the Sky (Delacorte), will be out later this year. It's a sci-fi adventure about a 13-year old boy and his brainchipped mongoose in an overheated future where savages struggle to survive in the wasteland desert beyond dome-protected cities. Also, I've made a great leap forward into the new century by adding a video blog entry to my Web site, www.markpeterhughes.com. Check it out."

**1989 Toby Mintz** '96 (PhD) writes that he is an associate professor in the departments of psychology and linguistics at the University of Southern California and the coauthor of *Discovering Speech, Words, and Mind* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2010). The book offers an introduction to the study of language as a cognitive science, with an emphasis on the representation, production, and comprehension of spoken language.

1990 Syed Mustafa '99S (MBA) has joined the technology-based language learning company Rosetta Stone as a regional director of education sales. Syed lives in Webster, N.Y.

**1992** Suzanne Kieffer '98 (PhD) sends a photo and an update. She writes: "My husband, Todd Williams, and I welcomed our first child, Brooke Elise

Williams, in March. She weighed in at 5 lbs., 4 oz., and measured 17 1/2 inches. I continue to be the director of administrative and academic affairs in the psychology department at the University of Houston. Hope all is well in Rochester!" . . . In January, Valery Perry was appointed deputy director of programs at the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina in Sarajevo. She writes: "I manage efforts related to human rights, governance, and education reform, and am continuing academic field work on related issues. I've lived in Sarajevo since 1999." . . . Jeff Reznick and his wife, Allison, welcomed a daughter, Rachel Eliana, in April. She joins her sister, Danielle Halayla, who turned three in May. Jeff is the deputy chief of the history of medicine division of the National Institutes of Health's National Library of Medicine in Bethesda, Md.

1993 Rachel Kramer American Sends a photo and an update. She writes: "In July 2009, our son, Leo, was born, 10 weeks early, but healthy and strong. Big sister Zoe was super proud and we were all blessed to have Leo home with us just nine weeks later. On the work front, I'm teaching English as a second language in the Newton, Mass., public schools, three courses at Brandeis University, and have joined forces with some retired educators to blog and write texts for professional development and teacher training. Our company is called Teachers at Large, and my first book, Heart of the Matter: A Practical Guide to Attitude in Teaching (Publishers Solutions), is aimed at engaging educators in a discussion about their core attitudes toward kids, teaching, and learning."

Isaac Collins has been appointed head football coach at Widener University in Chester, Pa. Isaac was previously the defensive coordinator at the Citadel in Charleston, S.C.... Amy Mills writes that she has published a book, Streets of Memory: Landscape, Tolerance, and National Identity in Istanbul (University of Georgia). Amy is an assistant professor in the University of South Carolina's geography department.

1995 Andrew and Lisa Graf Falconer send a photo and an update. Their second son, Everett Grey Falconer, was born in September 2009. In January, Andrew became director of technology at VSA Partners in Chicago. Lisa is a human resources manager for Chicago public schools.... Mitch Riesenberger writes that



1992 Kieffer



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1995 Falconer







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2000 Heath

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2001 Rosenthal

2001 Toufexis and Butz

he and his wife, Jennifer, welcomed their third child, Katherine Mitchell Riesenberger, in April. Baby Kate joins brother Drew, 4, and sister Alex, 2. The Riesenbergers live in Hopkinton, Mass., and Mitch is in his 11th year with Credit Suisse.

Russell Drazin writes that he has formed a new law firm, Pardo & Drazin, a nine-attorney real estate

"boutique" based in the Friendship Heights neighborhood of Washington, D.C.... James Milazzo is a medical technology consultant to US Itek Group, a Buffalo-area information technology company. . . . Daniel Pratt has been hired as an energy industry analyst at Ticonderoga Securities.

**Sharon Corbman** writes that after earning a bachelor's

degree in molecular, cellular, and developmental biology from the University of Colorado in 2006, she earned a doctor of veterinary medicine degree from Colorado State University this past May. In attendance at the graduation ceremony were Sharon's parents, Melanie Marder Corbman '69 and Gene Corbman '69.... Ben and Joanna Bloom Josephson welcomed a daughter, Emily, in February. Emily joins big sister Julia, 3.



1999 Jed Coiteux, a sales representative for Thomson Reuters—West, has been honored by the Connecticut chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society as a 2010 MS Corporate Achiever. The award recognizes business leaders who demonstrate a commitment to raising funds for research, programs, and services for people with MS and their families. Jed lives in Fairfield, Conn. . . . Sarah Sitarek DeLeo '00 (T5) writes that she and her husband, Craig, welcomed a son, Aleksander Michael, in November 2009. "Alek is getting bigger each day and keeping us busy!"

Sarah Sitarek DeLeo (T5) 2000 Sarah Shares 22.... Lauren Heath '01 (T5) writes that she married John Patti in February in Cooperstown, N.Y. "We had a great wedding and even a special performance of a customized The Genesee to commemorate the day. The alma mater was performed by (from left to right) Tom Kindling, Paul Kenjarski, Damen Provost, Eric Senecal '03, Scott Challener '03, Ajay Trivedi '02, Mike Stewart (husband of Eileen Campbell), Eileen, and Amy Beckhusen. Also in attendance were Rebecca Green Neal, Jessica Adler, Samantha Brodie Berg, Dana Romanoff (who was our very talented photographer!) and Sean '04 and Julia Walling Barnes '04. I am an emergency medicine resident at New York-Presbyterian Hospital in Manhattan and John is a systems administrator in the Stony Brook Medical Library. We live in Manhattan." . . . Melinda Kline Lothes has joined the legal department of the Oneida Nation, where she will represent the interests of the nation's government and businesses. Previously, Melinda was an attorney in the Cleveland office of Baker & Hostetler.

Lauren Heath (T5) (see 2001 '00).... Travis '04, '05 (MS) and Michelle Cataldo Hebden welcomed a daughter in November 2009. Arianna Cataldo Hebden was born at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle. The family lives in Cambridge, Mass., where Travis has a postdoctoral position at MIT.... Eric Rosenthal and Jen Coliflores were married in January in Warwick, R.I. Many of Eric's Sigma Nu fraternity brothers were present to celebrate. Alumni in attendance included (back row, left to right) Scott Goldman, Mahbubal Haque, Chris Camaione-Lind, Eric, Rob Gruenfelder '02, Dave Meyer '00, '04S (MBA), Graig Solow, Elana Bandel, and Jason Bandel; (front row, left to right) Aria Camaione-Lind, Julie Meyer '02, Jen, and Michelle Stanley.



2002 Vivier and Vaughn



2005 Reed and Kasowitz

... Megan Toufexis '08M (Res) and Abe Butz '07M (Res) were married in January in St. Petersburg, Fla. Rochester alumni in attendance were (first row) Dana Olszewski, Jennifer Richman '05M (MD), '09M (Res), Nevena Dourova '06M (Res), '08M (Flw); (second row) Jenna Walsh Kane, Timothy Beal '04M (MD), '04S (MBA); (third row) Megan, Abraham, Lorrie Paston Jacobson, and Michael Jacobson.

**2002 Jennifer Keating-Miller** writes that she has published a book, *Language*, *Identity and Liberation in Contemporary Irish Literature* (Palgrave Macmillan). After earning a doctorate in English at the University of Pittsburgh, she became the assistant director of undergraduate research and national fellowships at Carnegie Mellon University. She starts

teaching in Carnegie Mellon's English department this fall.... Theodore Ranallo writes that he completed training at the Federal Law Enforcement Center in Glynco, Ga., for the United States Marshal Service and is a deputy U.S. marshal at a federal courthouse in Texas. ... Laura Vivier and Matthew Vaughn were married in October 2009 in Grand Island, N.Y. Alumni and friends in attendance included (left to right, back row to front row) Rishi Mulgund, Nate Chambers '03 (MS), Matthew Herron, Anthony Yandek, Francis Wacenske, Josh Rutner '03E, Susanna Mayo, David King '01, '01 (MS), Brian Kehoe, Nellie Coats, Amy Lorenzetti Barg, Matt, Laura, Jen Brown Rutner, Emily Berenson, and Rachel Heafitz King. Also in attendance were **Chris Wattengel** '00 and Alan Dietsche, a professor of anatomy and physiology at the Medical Center. Matt and







Laura live in Chicago, where Matt is a health care consultant and Laura is a dentist.

**2004** Greg '05W (MS) and Katrina Nowak Dusek welcomed their first child, Jack Gregory Dusek, in August 2009. Greg is a doctoral student in marine sciences at the University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill. Katrina earned a master's degree in Russian and East European studies from UNC in 2008 and is a lieutenant in the United States Navy Reserve. . . . Travis Hebden '05 (MS) (see '01).

■ Laura Reed and Adam 2005 Kasowitz were married in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., in October 2009. They live in West Hartford, Conn., where Laura owns an online kitchen textile boutique, CurryKayDesigns.com, and Adam is a public and corporate finance attorney at Day Pitney. Rochester alumni attending the wedding were (left to right) Katie Walsh, Eric Zimak, Jay Kalin, Jennifer Taber VanDerwerken, Nick VanDerwerken '04, Evan Majzner, Laura, Adam, Emily Locker, and Dan Gross. In attendance but not photographed were Beth Springate and Rob Schatz '91.... Sam Stavis writes: "Erin Charnow and I were married in August 2009 in Erin's parents' backyard in Encinitas, Calif. Presiding over the ceremony was one of our best friends, Rob Silverman. Attending the wedding were many Rochester alumni and friends: Toby Teel '06, Aaron Wolff, Joe Ullman, Russ Kenner '02, Katie Harvey '06, Jeremy Boardman '06, Colin Theis '04, Lindy Falvey, and Kay Colner '07." . . . Janet Wightman '05E writes that she is living in Basel, Switzerland, with her husband, Stephan Stücklin, whom she married in January 2009. She adds: "Sarah Wilson '04 and Danielle MacRobbie '05E were in attendance as well as my parents, **Porter** '75 and Linda Langdon Wightman '74. I am finishing my medieval music studies degree at the Schola Cantorum Basiliensis."

**2006** Erika Winkler graduated summa cum laude from Albany Law School and was executive editor for lead articles for the *Albany Law Review*.

**2007** Mark Biery sends an update: "Just wanted to let everyone know I am currently deployed to Musa Qal'eh, Afghanistan, with First Battalion, Second Marines as a communications officer. Our unit is supporting the NATO International Security Assistance Forces mission in Afghanistan. The picture is of me on security patrol in Musa Qal'eh."



2005 Stavis and Charnow



2007 Biery

**2008** Daniel Richman (see '70).

# River Campus Graduate

**1957 Jerome Zukosky** (MS) (see '52 undergraduate).

**1969 Betsy Neary Sholl** (MA) has published her seventh collection of poetry, *Rough Cradle* (Alice James Books, 2009). She teaches at the University of Southern Maine and in Vermont College's master of fine arts in writing program.

1970 In May, Richard Kellogg W (EdD), a professor of social and behavioral sciences at Alfred State College and an expert on Sherlock Holmes, was honored by the college for his 40 years of service there.

Elliot Richman (PhD) (see '70 undergraduate).

1976 Tetsuro Mizutani, who has taught physics at Virginia

Tech since 1982, became associate professor emeritus in June. . . . Rochelle Goldberg Ruthchild (PhD) writes that her book, Equality and Revolution: Women's Rights in the Russian Empire, 1905-1917, was published by the University of Pittsburgh Press in June. Her article, "Women's Suffrage and Revolution in the Russian Empire," was included in Globalizing Feminisms, edited by Karen Offen (Routledge). Rochelle is a professor emerita of graduate studies at the Union Institute and University and a research associate at the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard. She recently served on the faculty for the Harvard summer study abroad program in St. Petersburg, Russia.

**1979** Jane Dubin (MS) (see '78 undergraduate).

**1981 Donald Strickland** (MS) has been appointed CEO of CDEX, a developer, manufacturer, and global distributor of healthcare products based in Tucson, Ariz.

1985 Amy Leenhouts Tait S (MBA), the CEO and cofounder of Broadstone Real Estate, has won a 2010 Susan B. Anthony Promise Award. The award, established jointly in 2006 by the University's Susan B. Anthony Center for Women's Leadership and the Simon School, recognizes female Simon School alumni whose careers exemplify the social, political, and economic equality of women.

1986 John Hirs (MS) (see '83 undergraduate).

**1988 Betsy Wright** S (MBA), the president and CEO of the WCA Hospital in Jamestown, N.Y., has been awarded the 2010 American Hospital Association Grassroots Champion Award. The honor recognizes hospital executives who generate community activity in support of the AHA mission.

1993 Peter Kopalidis (PhD) writes that he has moved to the San Francisco Bay area, where he works as a process technology manager at Advanced Ion Beam Technology.

**1996** Toby Mintz (PhD) (see '89 undergraduate).

**1997 Richard Millard** S (MBA) has been named the senior director of the healthcare practice at the



California-based market research firm J. D. Power and Associates. . . . Jonathan Zukosky W (MS) (see '52 undergraduate).

Peter Jancso S (MBA) has been named to the board of directors of MZ Consult, a global investor relations, technology, financial services, and communications consulting firm based in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Peter is a fund manager and partner at Jardim Botanico Investimentos and a professor at the Laureate International Universities' Business School São Paulo. ... Suzanne Kieffer (PhD) (see '92 undergraduate).

Syed Mustafa S (MBA) (see '90 undergraduate)....Michael Wise S (MBA) has been elected president of ConnectiCare, a health insurance provider in Farmington, Conn. Michael has been the company's chief financial officer since 2005.

**2005** Greg Dusek W (MS) (see '04 undergraduate).... Travis Hebden (MS) (see '01 undergraduate).

Valerie Burke W (EdD) is the 2008 Valerie Burke W (EUL) 10 new superintendent of the Warsaw Central School District in western New York.... Rory Doolan S (MS) writes, "I have accepted a position with Bausch & Lomb as a clinical research associate in the vision care division. I will serve as a project manager on clinical trials in the medical device arena."

## Eastman School of Music

At the Woodstock, N.Y., Kleinert/James Arts Center in May,  $\boldsymbol{Bill}$   $\boldsymbol{Cahn}, \boldsymbol{Bob}$   $\boldsymbol{Becker}$  '69, and the two other members of the Toronto-based percussion quartet Nexus performed a program of popular music from the 1920s by composer George Hamilton Green, and original music written by Bill to accompany the 1926 silent film A Page of Madness.

**Bob Becker** (see '68).

In May, Geary Larrick (MM) performed 12 of his compositions on solo marimba at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Stevens Point, Wis. The pieces, which Geary has written over the past four decades, are part of Special Collections in the Eastman School's Sibley Music Library.



1997N Morrison



2007N DeVries

Judith LeClair, who has been the principal bassoonist for the New York Philharmonic since 1981, writes that she has released a new CD, Works for Bassoon (Avie), on which she is accompanied by pianist Jonathan Feldman and harpist Gretchen Van Hoesen.

Dan Locklair (DMA) has been commissioned by the Greater Greensboro, N.C., chapter of the American Guild of Organists for a new concerto for organ and orchestra. The new piece is expected to premiere at the June 2011 Region IV American Guild of Organists convention in Greensboro.... Akmal Parwez (PhD) sends an update. In January, he was one of 23 composer-performers to present his own music in the "Composers Play Composers Marathon" at the club Drom in New York City. Parwez, a bass-baritone, choral conductor, and voice teacher, sang his Three Haiku of Basho: The Frog, the Crow, and the Cicada in the original Japanese. He was accompanied on the piano by Francois Nezwazky.

Trumpeter Byron Strang, a frequent guest with symphonies and pops orchestras around the country, joined the Grand Rapids Symphony in May for the musical celebration "Louis Armstrong's New Orleans." Byron is the artistic director of the Columbus Jazz Orchestra in Ohio.

John Cipula nue 222 president of the International John Cipolla has been elected Clarinet Association. An associate professor of music at Western Kentucky University, John has been serving as secretary of the organization.

**Stephen Rush** (DMA) writes that he has coauthored a book, Better Get It in Your Soul: What Liturgists Can Learn from Jazz (Church Publishing).... Stephanie Sant'Ambrogio (MM) (see '89).

Rebecca Henderson (MM) (see '89).

**David Heuser** writes that his one-act opera for children, The Golden Ax, was recorded by the Cactus Pear Music Festival, founded by Stephanie Sant'Ambrogio '85 (MM) and released on their CD, Klassics 4 Kids, designed to introduce children to classical music. Oboist Rebecca Henderson '86 (MM) also appears on the CD. David adds that his piece for percussion, Not Here, But There, is the title track on a CD by the University of Houston Percussion Ensemble (Albany, 2009), and his Deep Blue Spiral, for saxophone and tape, is performed by Todd Oxford on the CD Tango Magnetism (Equilibrium, 2009).

**Daniel Koontz** writes that his 2007 composition, *Soft Stillness* and the Night, has been recorded by Strike, the duo of pianist Jeff Meyer and percussionist Paul Vaillancourt, on their new CD, Convergence (Luminescence, 2009).

Janet Wightman (see '05 RC undergraduate).

Saxophonist Ben Britton, trumpeter John Britton '10, and pianist Jeremy Siskind have released Uncertain Living (Record Craft). The recording is their debut CD as the Britton Brothers Band, a modern jazz quintet that also includes bassist Taylor Waugh and drummer Austin Walker.

**John Britton** (see '08).







## **School of Medicine** and Dentistry

Alan Cowles (MD), '71M (PhD) 1968 is president of the American Association of Social Security Disability Consultants.

Alan Cowles (PhD)

Bradford Berk (MD), '81M (PhD) and Christine Gleason (MD) have been inducted into the Brighton High School Alumni Hall of Fame. Brad is the CEO of the Medical Center and Christine is the W. Alan Hodson Endowed Chair in Pediatrics at the University of Washington's medical school and head of the neonatology division of the Seattle Children's Hospital.

Bradford Berk (PhD) (see '79).

Abe Butz (Res) (see '01 undergraduate).

Megan Toufexis (Res) Megan Toutexis (Mes) (see '01 undergraduate).

## **School of Nursing**

Sue Ellen Of the State of the been named the executive directions Sue Ellen Otruba Stuart has tor of the Visiting Nurse Service of Ithaca and Tompkins County, N.Y.

Carol Glod has been named dean of the school of graduate studies at Salem State College in Massachusetts. Prior to her appointment, Carol was a professor of nursing at Northeastern University's Bouve College of Health Sciences, a lecturer in psychiatry at Harvard's medical school, and principal investigator in the nursing research program at the Harvard affiliate, McLean Hospital.

Maureen Giuffre (PhD) has published Demystifying Dietary Supplements: Making Informed Choices (BookSurge), a guide for consumers of supplements and herbal remedies.

**Devlin Morrison** writes that he has accepted the position of global marketing communications manager for HIV programs at Merck. Devlin lives in Lower Salford, Pa., with his wife, Michelle, and their daughters, Vanessa, 6, and Sarina, 2. Devlin sends a photo from a trip that he and Michelle took "for work and recreation" to Barcelona, Spain.

Jodi Murphy DeVries writes: and say hello to all my friends in Rochester who I miss dearly. After completing my degree, I obtained my critical care registered nurse certification, moved back home to Winter Haven, Fla., and began working in the cardiovascular intensive care unit at Winter Haven Hospital. I married Lawrence DeVries, from Penfield, N.Y., and we built our new home together. My wonderfully exciting news is that I have been accepted into the University of South Florida's master of science degree program in nurse anesthesia!"

### In Memoriam

#### Alumni

Mitchell W. Miller '32E, July 2010

Clara Marciano '34, '58 (MS), June 2010

Elta Slaght Derrick '35,

June 2010

Melda Russell George '35N,

May 2010

Mortimer A. London '37,

June 2010

Rosario D. Celentano '39E,

June 2010

Edwin B. Watson '39,

June 2010

Clement A. Finch '41M (MD),

June 2010

Ruth Sparrow Hanson '41E (MM),

June 2010

Jack H. Beeson '42E, '43E (MM),

June 2010

Ruth Wolgast '42,

September 2009

Blossom Lackritz Cramer '43, '69W (MA),

July 2010

Virginia Spencer Hiller '43E,

June 2010

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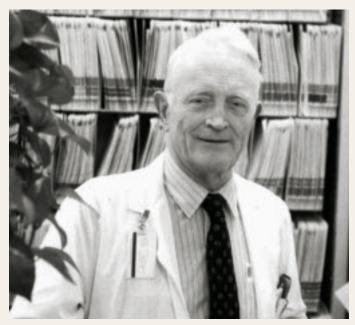


#### TRIBUTE

## John Frazer '39M (MD): Committed to Service

I first met John Frazer in 1966 when I came to Rochester to begin my residency in otolaryngology. A native Rochesterian, John spent most of his life here, helping and comforting thousands of patients over his long career. His career included nearly 20 years as the chief of the Medical Center's division of otolaryngology, during which he oversaw the transformation of the field from a division of the department of surgery to its own department, with its own residency program.

Throughout his life, until his death last April at age 95, John was engaging and gregarious, an excellent clinician, a wonderful teacher, an inspiring leader, and a cherished friend.



DIVISION CHIEF: Frazer was the chief of otolaryngology at the Medical Center from 1963 to 1981.

John had an extraordinary commitment to service. During World War II, he volunteered to serve in the Navy, but was rejected because, while in medical school at Rochester, he had contracted tuberculosis. Later he volunteered for Army service and was again turned down. In private conversations, he often expressed regret that he was unable to serve his country through military service.

In Hawaii, where he began his clinical practice in 1948, John would find satisfaction in humanitarian service. Part of his work in Hawaii involved regular trips to the island of Molokai to treat

lepers in the colony originally founded by Father Damien. It was there that he developed innovative surgical techniques in laryngeal reconstruction. This work was later published in scholarly journals.

In 1963, John returned to Rochester with his wife, Doris, and two daughters, Tulle and Sherry, and began his tenure as chief of otolaryngology. When he retired from that position at age 67, he continued an active clinical practice for another 10 years, saw some patients until he was about 90, and consulted for the nearby Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic.

John also remained an avid swimmer and gardener and made annual excursions to the Adirondacks to hunt deer.

I think these trips were more about love of the outdoors and boon companionship than hunting, however. He allegedly once said that he was willing to shoot any deer that attacked him. His innate compassion for all creatures great and small made it impossible for him to hunt in earnest.

—John Norante '69M (Res)

Norante has served on the faculty of the School of Medicine and Dentistry since 1972 and is a clinical associate professor in the department of otolaryngology.

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