

## Juniata College Class of 1964 Newsletter - March 2005

### Deceased Notices -

Evelyn Pembroke passed on this note from Dr. Thomas Kepple, Jr., President Juniata College - "**Elizabeth Wertz Ellis**, a long time resident of Huntingdon and a well known member of the Juniata College community, died Sunday, February 27, 2005 at 2:35 p.m. at The Oaks at Westminster Woods, 13 days before her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday. The daughter of May Oller and D. Maurice Wertz of Waynesboro, Pa., Mrs. Ellis was born on March 13, 1904, in the Quincy, Pa., homestead which has been in the Wertz family since its grant to them by William Penn in the 1740's. She attended the Walnut Hill School in Natick, Mass., prior to coming to Juniata College, where she was an active member of the Y.W.C.A., the Missionary Society, the English Club, and the Dramatic Club. In 1926, just before her Juniata graduation, she was elected to be the Queen of the May. While at Juniata, she met her future husband, Calvert N. Ellis. They were married on June 18, 1929 in Waynesboro, Pa. After Calvert Ellis was appointed in 1943 to succeed his father as President of Juniata College, she served by his side as Juniata's first lady until their retirement in 1968. In those years, in addition to being the hostess in their home for innumerable faculty, students, and friends of the college, she was an active member of the Juniata League of Women, the J.C. Blair Hospital Auxiliary, the Huntingdon County Library support group, the local chapters of the American Association of University Women and the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Historical Society of Huntingdon County, the Women's Civic Club, the Huntingdon Music Club, the Huntingdon Chapter of the Embroiders Guild of America and the Huntingdon Garden Club. She was a member of the Stone Church of the Brethren, Huntingdon. In 1976 she was honored with an honorary degree from Juniata College. The couple lived at Brethren Village in Lancaster, Pa., from 1986 until Dr. Ellis' death in 1995 after which Mrs. Ellis came to Westminster Woods in Huntingdon. Mrs. Ellis is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth Ann Ellis Cherry, of Huntingdon, professor emeritus of history at Juniata College; and a son, Dr. David W. Ellis, of Newmarket, NH, president emeritus of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., and of the Museum of Science in Boston, Mass., married to the former Marion Schmitt. There are five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. A sister, Anna F. MacNeish, of Philadelphia, Pa, preceded her in death . . . . Prior to her death, Mrs. Ellis asked that memorial contributions be made to Juniata College, 1700 Moore Street, Huntingdon, PA 16652."

Evelyn Pembroke, Alumni Office Specialist also indicated - "I received an obituary for Ivan L. North '64. He died February 1, 2005. Ivan served in the Air Force in Alaska during the Korean Conflict. Following his military service he graduated from JC.

**Career Paths** - Received the following response about career paths. How about there rest of you where did your career lead after Juniata.

**Mary Matta Gourley** - Regarding career paths, I have continued in the path which started at Juniata. My major was Medical Technology and I am proud to say that I am still in the clinical laboratory after almost 45 years and loving every minute of it. Though I have done a variety of positions from bench technologist through supervisor, laboratory manager, and Point of Care Coordinator for bed-side testing, I am currently in the blood bank at the VA hospital in Pittsburgh. I have also run the gambit from hospital laboratory, physicians office, and reference laboratories. I have also been very active in my professional organization, serving as on the local, state and national levels. I have served on the national board of directors of the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science as the Director of Region II (DE, MD, NJ, PA, VA, WV and the District of Columbia) and am a past president of the Alpha Mu Tau Fraternity, the national honor society of ASCLS which provides scholarships to students pursuing a career in the clinical laboratory. I would not have changed a thing in my life, professionally or personally, being the wife of a career firefighter in Pittsburgh. My husband is another individual who has realized his dream of being a firefighter, having risen to the rank of Deputy Chief. I am grateful for the training and opportunity I experienced while at Juniata and wouldn't trade it for the world. Thanks for listening (or reading).

**Juniata Fund Drive** - Marion Kercher Oliver recently sent out thank you to the following classmates who have already contributed to the current Juniata Fund Drive - Ken Dumbauld, Michal Gayer, Randy Pletcher, John Taylor, B.J. Taffe, Thelma Shoneman, Caryl Roach, Sue Kopala, Bob Cupper, Ruth Ann Saylor, Sara Oehlers, Maxine Hendricks, Mel Ferraro, Chet Berkey, Dave Patchen, Floy Laquidara, Carl Hikes, Dan O'Sullivan, Harvey Wilson, Sarabeth Watson, Marjorie Smith, Mel Simmons, Marv Simmons, Ed Marill, Jan Maran, John Gorsuch, J.C. Day, Barb Christensen, Bill Chew, Grey Berrier, Corky Sharp, Jean Meloy, Jeff Varnes, Fred Lytle, Larry Landini, Nancy Johnson, Elaine Frasier, Nancy Becker, Rich Morgan, Bob Bowers, Gerri Suvak, Hal Yocum,

Rose Marie Minter, Gary Horner, Rich Hartzler, Tom Mull, Jan Patrick, John Reeves, Marion Oliver, Terry Grove and Don Detwiler. Marion indicated she will be contacting the rest of you to remind you of the June 30, 2005 deadline for this year's fund drive. We need 24 more donors by June 30th to reach the 50% Founders' Steps goal. So do not delay - send your Juniata Fund contribution to the College now - avoid the June rush and make Marion's summer start with a little less frustration as she strives to keep our class among the leaders!!! (NOTE: Remember this is separate from the 50th Reunion Fund Drive referenced elsewhere in this newsletter - both are important and need your support.)

**Special Thanks** - Special thanks go out to Gwen Woodworth Beech Lang, Rolfe Wenner and Evelyn Pembroke for their support of the Class of 1964. As part of a program to encourage classes to stay connected between reunion, Juniata College supports an annual class newsletter for any class that organizes under the Steering Committee concept. The Class of 1964 took up this offer - Gwen and Rolfe, members of our Steering Committee, volunteered to co-edit this year's newsletter. Evelyn Pembroke, Alumni Office Administrative Specialist assisted by coordinating the printing and mailing of our newsletter. You should have received your copy a couple weeks ago. This will be an annual "printed" newsletter supplementing the monthly email newsletters. The annual newsletter goes to ALL classmates, including those without email addresses. If you have any issues or ideas for next year's newsletter please contact Gwen or Rolfe - their contact information is at the end of the newsletter you received. Thanks again Gwen, Rolfe and Evelyn.

**Juniata Cartoonist** - Gwen Woodworth Lang thought you might be interested in this Juniata tidbit - "Jay Hosler, Juniata biologist, cartoonist and graphic novelist, was interviewed on NPR's "Morning Edition" Monday Feb. 14 as part of correspondent Neda Ullaby's continuing "Science and Art" series. The piece was a seven minute interview where Jay was talking about his comic book series' "Clan Apis" and "Sandwalk Adventures" as well as his current projects.

If you missed the live airing, NPR usually will make the interview and perhaps extra interviews available on their website at <http://www.npr.org>

**Juniata Men's Volleyball** - This note from Dr. Jodie Gray - "The location for the Molten Division III Men's Volleyball National Championship has been set for April 14 - 15, 2005 at the Stevens Technology Institute in Hoboken, NJ. For those of you able to make plans (this is located just across the river from Manhattan) of course - Juniata's Men's Team plans to be in the Final 4 - we would love it if you could attend. Please let me know if we can provide you with more information. (Contact Jodie at [drgray.erols.com](mailto:drgray.erols.com).)

**"Missing" Classmate Located** - The College has located Beatrice Schorsch Hueglin - her postal address is 909 Clinton Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-6184. Unfortunately we do not have a phone number or email address for Bea.

**Heading West Again** - Bill Chew sent this note - "Hey, I leave for CA again in a couple weeks for 3 months. I may miss (Reunion Weekend). My son at Kutztown took 4th in pole vault Sat at the PSAC in E Stroudsburg. My other son has not settled on a college yet." Editor's Note: Bill's son who is graduating from high school visited Juniata with Bill last month - maybe Juniata will have another Chew "running" around campus.

**Central Pennsylvania Social** - I (Dan O'Sullivan) attended the CPA social event in New Holland Friday, February 25th!!! It was an enjoyable evening mixing with fellow Juniatians and College Staff - Tom Kepple, Bub Parker from the Alumni Office, the new VP of Development (do not remember his name) and the Senior Class President came down from the College. The next event for the Harrisburg-Lancaster-York area is the annual dinner. This year it will be held at the Wyndham Harrisburg-Hershey Hotel on April 30, 2005 hope to see some classmates there - you do not need to live in the area to attend! Russ Shelley, Erma Stine Heckler Associate Professor of Music, Director of Choral and Vocal Activities Chair, Music Department will be the guest speaker.

**Cherry Homestead Changes Hands** - Marsha Hartman, Development Office, Juniata College passed on this information about Betty Ann Cherry and the "big" house at the end of the road many of us visited - "Did you know Betty Ann sold their bit house to a faculty member and built a retirement home in Westminster Woods. She LOVES it there." So, if like me (Dan O'Sullivan) you like to stop in and say hi to Betty Ann when on campus - ask someone for directions to her home in Westminster Woods. She always seems to enjoy visits from Alumni.

**50th Reunion Fund Update** - Terry Grove, Chairperson of the 50th Reunion Fund Committee provide the following update on the 50th Reunion Fund for January/February 2005.

Additional contributions were received from Grey Berrier (2), Dan O'Sullivan, Mary Alice Moore Stoops, Rich & Marilyn Morgan and Beatrice Schorsch Hueglin in the months of January and February 2005. As of March 3, 2005, 10 classmates have contributed. The account total is \$5,551.70 including interest.

**Class of '64 – 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion Gift – Goal \$64,000**

You can send your part of our 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion gift anytime. Just make out a check to **“The Class of 1964”** and send it to the bank address below along with a note showing the account number - **415780238**.

**Name of the Bank:**                   **Citizens Bank of Oviedo**  
**Mailing Address:**               **P.O. Box 620729**  
   **Oviedo, Florida 32762-0729**

**Thanks for Input** - Thanks to the following for contributing to this newsletter - Evelyn Pembroke, Alumni Office Specialist, Terry Grove, Mary Matta Gould, Gwen Woodworth Lang, Marsha Hartman-Development Office, Don McClain-Alumni Office, Evelyn Pembroke-Alumni Office, Jodie Gray '88, Marion Kercher Oliver