

Juniata College Class of 1964 Newsletter – June 2007

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Chief Flat Feather Went Camping – Chief Flat Feather is continuing his travels based on this note from Rich Morgan – “Just to let you know that I am in sole possession of Chief Flat Feather at this time. Marilyn and I have begun our four-month long camping trip across country and will find an opportune picture moment for the Chief very soon. We are presently in Natural Bridge, Va and are on our way to the Smokies tomorrow. We will be back home in September.”

Rich followed up with this note – “(Chief Flat Feather) made it to Newport, TN in the Smokey Mtns. He found a place for some libations, but I hope that he and firewater get along (sorry for the stereotypical reference). We will be leaving tomorrow for Chattanooga and after that points west.

Editor's Note: Rich attached a picture of the Chief at their campground that has been sent to Bill Chew for posting on the Class web site. I wonder where the Chief will go next – watch your mail box he could be coming to see you.

The End of an Era – During a visit to the Juniata Campus for an Admission Program meeting I took advantage of the opportunity to go to Grubb's one last time for “Gravy Fries.” Sadly Grubb's will be no more! When I returned for Alumni Weekend some said that they were only serving breakfast – possible because they still have guests in the Days Inn, which also will no longer exist. I have posted pictures of the old college hang out of the Class of 1964 web site.

Senior Activities – Not like in our day!!! My May visit to campus was just before graduation and after finals were completed. They really help the Seniors enjoy their last couple days on campus – in addition to saying last good byes and graduation rehearsal there are several interesting activities including – a beer garden on Cloister Patio, a bar walk downtown, a bowling party, a semi-formal dance, graduation rehearsal, a student/family luncheon and of course baccalaureate and graduation. Another new event is the staff and faculty send-off – after graduation rehearsal the staff and faculty line the sidewalk from the rehearsal location to Ellis Hall and cheer and clap to congratulate the graduates. I had the honor of participating in this event.

Juniata History – The 2007 Graduation Program has a summary of Juniata History from 1876 to present. I will put a few of them in each editions of the newsletter as we approach our reunion in 2009.

1876 – Brothers Henry B. and John B Brumbaugh and their cousin, Dr. Andrew B Burmbaugh, ask Jacob Zudk to come to Huntingdon to open an institution of higher education. Zuck is one of the leading pro-education advocates among the Brethren, who

traditionally take a stand against higher education. After Zuck establishes the nonsectarian policy that the school will follow while at the same time honoring Brethren customs, the Brethren's Normal Select School opens on April 17. Three students enroll. The college occupied a single classroom on the second floor of the three-story Pilgrim Building.

1877 – An increase in enrollment to 45 students requires the College to move to the Burchinell Building at 1224 Washington Street.

1878 – A smallpox epidemic in Huntingdon forces the school to close from January 13 to February 26. William Beery, Benjamin Bowser, and Levi Stoner – three students from Ohio who fear that going home will mean never returning – go to the nearby mountains. In a deep mountain gorge called “The Forge,” they stay in an old ramshackle house until the quarantine is lifted. The smallpox exile of the three students leads to one of the great traditions of Juniata College - an event known now as “Mountain Day.”

A Medical Scare –

Carole Banse-Doyon informed me “I had a call from Gwen Woodworth Lang's husband, Ted, that Gwen had been hospitalized for a migraine headache that would not go away. So she needs our prayers for a quick and complete recovery. She is one lovely person!!”

Gwen had earlier mentioned to me (Dan O’Sullivan) that she was having persistent and bad headaches since about April 15th.

Fortunately I later hear from Gwen and she indicated – “I am back at home again..... It turns out that I had Lyme antibodies, but didn’t really have Lyme, but when they did the spinal tap to be sure I didn't have Lyme meningitis, I got a very bad spinal headache and got very sick, and ended in the hospital for 5 days until they sorted how to treat the original headaches, and the spinal headaches and wean me off the pain killers.....all at the same time...sooooo this morning (June 6th) I am home and guess what.... I have a headache and a stiff neck still!!!!!! At least we have eliminated all the awful things it could be after a zillion tests etc and the neurologist is working on sorting the rest of it out.....hmmmmmm this happened as soon as I got my Medicare card!! I vote for having the healthy body and spirit I had in 64 with the wisdom and maturity I have now.....is that too much to ask....(smile)”

Editor’s Note: Let’s all keep each other in our thoughts and prayers as we endure life’s trials associate with this period of our lives. Stay healthy and plan to come celebrate life at our 50th reunion in 2010.

Class of 1964 Annual Letter – Gwen Woodworth Lang and Rolfe Wenner have again put together a great annual letter. Watch for it in the mail in late June or early July.

Chief Flat Feather is Headed West – Chief Flat Feather headed west after enjoying a visit with Gail Woodworth Mann in Waynesboro, VA. He really enjoyed playing with two of Gail's nine grandchildren on a beautiful day in the barn looking at the Blue Ridge Mountains. According to Gail CCF (Chief Flat Feather) almost lost his feathers to Miriam, her one-year old grandchild. But thanks to help from her "big sister" Kristen his bonnet remains in tact. The children are daughters of '89 Juniata Grad, Lara Mann Tresch. A picture of Gail, the Chief and these two grandchildren has been sent to Bill Chew for posting on the Class web site. Gail mentioned that next week she is going to Italy with the Waynesboro First Baptist Church Choir and then on to Germany to tour a bit with an Exchange Student that lived with her in 1985. Hope she takes some pictures to share with us all. And, yes the Chief is continuing his travels to visit as many members of the Class of 1964 as possible before the 2009 reunion. If you live west of the Great Plains he may be coming to visit you!!! When he arrives treat him well, take a picture of you with him (and others if you wish) and send it to Dan O'Sullivan by jpeg to SOSulli177@aol.com or in hard copy to 6102 Charing Cross, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050 – and then send him on to another classmate. Hey, this is fun!!!

Alumni Weekend - I (Dan O'Sullivan) just returned from a great four days at Juniata. I attended Alumni Weekend for the eighth consecutive year!!! Thursday I met my Juniata Admission Ambassadors Volunteer Co-Chair - Karen Beck '93. We set up a sample College Fair Table and JAA Information Table in Ellis Hall. With the help of Tara Delbaggio, Admission Counselor and JAA Director we had a very successful weekend recruiting JAA members and distributing admission information to returning alumni to be shared with prospective students. Stayed in the dorm - and yes I did remember to take a fan. My room was in South, the only time I was in the building before was at Homecoming one of our years on campus in the early 60s. When we were in college that dorm was a women's dorm. Now one room could be two women and then next two men. As I understand it in our era the bathroom occupied the corner where the halls meet. It appears they just divided the bathrooms in half with a women's bathroom entered from one hall and the men's bathroom entered from the other hall.

Friday the majority of the attendees began to arrive - in addition to working the JAA Table I helped where ever I could answering attendees questions and provided the assistance where needed. Friday night was All Class Dinner - the highlight was a presentation of a check for \$250,000+ from the Class of 1957 as their 50th Reunion Gift. Then it was off to the separate events for each reunion class - Class of 1992 who had gone to Memories - a bar on Washington Street near the Agy (Owens Corning) Factory. In the past it has been called Coaches and prior to that Earl's I think. Had never been in during our days - my time (drinking time that is) was spent at Penn State, Kelly's or just sneaking a drink on campus - oh yea there was the garage where I parked my car too! Class of 1992 were enjoying themselves within reason. The Class of 1987 on the other hand were REALLY enjoying themselves under the arch - I say they get the consumption prize. Class of 1967 have the most people and the environment was more typical "reunion" atmosphere than any others - some drinks, some fun, and lots of reconnecting. Last stop was Class of 1982 in T-n-T where we were last reunion - but we made much better use of this great space.

Saturday - more JAA work, helping out in general and the Alumni Assembly. Carl Bush '65 was on campus for the award of the 2007 Young Alumni Achievement Award to his son Christopher Bush '92. Chris is an outstanding individual. After receiving a BA from Juniata he earned as Jurist Doctor in Law from Boston University School of Law in 1995 - graduating cum Laude. Chris has taught Legal Research and Writing as an adjunct professor at Roger William University . He is currently a Special Assistant Attorney General in the Rhode Island Department of Attorney general. Also on Saturday was the 75th Annivesary of the Juniata Choir - over 160 alumni returned to perform in the Anniversary Choir including classmates Susan Habecker Haupt and Marion Kercher Oliver.

Saturday afternoon I sat in on the Class Fund Agent meeting since Rich, Bill nor Marion could make it. Congratulations on a good year. According to papers handed out at the meeting, the Class of 1964's name will move up on the Steps of Founders Hall. We had a 56% participation with 86 contributors - we funded 9 scholarships.

After a great dinner with staff and alumni council members at the Alumni House it was time to "party crash" again - things were really pretty subdued except for the Choir party with a DJ - maybe we should consider that next time. Some stayed and danced 'til almost midnight - I enjoyed the "entertainment." Not quite ready to call it quits about a dozen of us headed for Memories but a cover charge, loud band and heavy cigarette smoke chased us across the street to Johnnie's - now I think that bar was there when we were - am I right ? We shut it down at 2PM and walked safely (well, relatively safely) back to campus for a few hours sleep.

Sunday was for good byes - especially to Whity Martin - remember him - he was on staff when we graduated I think. He is retired and lives in the area. By the way, also saw Betty Ann Cherry - she is doing great!

Thanks – Thanks to the following for contributing to this newsletter – Rich Morgan, Carol Banse-Doyon, Gwen Woodworth Lang, Rolfe Wenner, Gail Woodworth Mann

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Terry Grove, Chairman of the 50th Reunion Gift Fund Drive and Rich Morgan and Bill Chew, Co-Class Fund Agent for the Juniata Scholarship Fund thank you for your support.