

Juniata College Class of 1964 Newsletter – September 2007

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Yep I Did It Again! – I do not think I am senile but must admit I mislabeled the last newsletter as the July newsletter – of course it was the August Newsletter that went out on August 10, 2007. Postal version was correct.

Les Eshelman's Obituary – In March Newsletter it was mentioned that Les Eshelman passed away but no details were provided. Classmate Bob Cupper recently reminded me of this when he asked – “Do you know that Les Eshelman has passed on.” Thanks to help from Sally Oberle on the Juniata Staff the following obituary is provided. “Leslie Duane Eshelman, 64, New Enterprise, died Monday (March 5, 2007). He was born in Bedford, son of J. Blaine and Etta (Browell) Eshelman. He married Cheryl Harclerode. Surviving are his wife; stepdaughter, Diane Miller; stepsons: Jody Shriner and Jeff Shriner; and five stepgrandchildren.”

Marion and Dave Traveling Again – Marion Kercher Oliver sent this news of travel plans –

“Our hearts are broken to learn of the tragic death of Rodney's daughter. Thanks so much for keeping us informed so that we can reach out to Rodney and his family. Keeping this newsletter going, Dan, is so helpful at times such as this.”

“Dave and I are leaving this morning (August 11, 2007) for a month on Long Beach Island. Naturally, our Juniata buddies the Congerskys and the Porubans will be joining for part of the time and then Dave's sister and two friends will come down from Pittsburgh to join us for about 10 days. Our kids may stop in around work schedules and our grandson's football practices so we'll be having a lot of company and a lot of fun for a month. I know you will be enjoying your time in Maine as well. I am taking a laptop and hoping for a router in the area so that I can stay connected.”

Editor's Note: Marion is a faithful contributor of pictures of her travels and reconnecting with their college friends, so I am sure we can count on her for some shots of this end of summer retreat.

Update on 55+ Housing at Juniata - Campus Continuum at Juniata College is moving closer to reality. After a positive market demand assessment of the 5+ Active Adult Community tightly integrated with Juniata, the Board of the College agreed to proceed to the next step – writing a Request for Proposals from qualified real estate developers. They have identified a group of developers with significant relevant experience and have asked them to respond with a proposal by October. The plan is to select a developer by the end of the year.

The specs provided in the RFP respond to the priorities that people who completed the market assessment survey said were important.

- The community will include about 120 residences built in phases – mostly clustered town homes plus a few single-family homes, and a Club House.
- The approximate mix of unit sizes should be 66% two bedroom plus den, 25% two bedroom, with the remainder being one-bedroom and studio residences.

- Unit prices and amenities should accommodate a broad spectrum of buyers – from about \$140,000 to \$500,000.
- The Club House should include an informal café/bistro, small fitness center (to supplement the facilities available on the Juniata campus), some small seminar rooms, and a "great room" for socializing, lectures and a library. The restaurant may also double as a faculty club and perhaps be open on some basis to the general public.
- About half the owners will want covered parking for one car; 35% will need covered parking for two cars.
- If possible we would like to include a small Bed & Breakfast to accommodate residents' guests.
- Other desirable amenities include private workspaces for arts projects, gardening areas and an outdoor pool.
- Construction should make use of "green technology," to the extent economically feasible.

The RFP makes it clear that the goal is to attract people who want to become part of a community of life-long learners tightly connected with Juniata College. Residents will have access to the programs and facilities of the College. They will be offered stimulating and productive volunteer opportunities both on and off campus. A Dean of Programs will coordinate relations with the College, provide access to courses and programs, organize special interest seminars, facilitate group travel events and act as a liaison with the local community (including local health care providers). People who wish to continue working, perhaps part-time, will be able to use the office facilities at the Juniata Center for Entrepreneurial Excellence (JCEL).

New England Vacation – Sheila and I (Dan O’Sullivan) just returned from a great month-long vacation to New England. On the way up we were able to visit one of Sheila’s long lost cousins (part of her family that she had not been in contact with until a couple years ago). We also stopped at Bow Lake, New Hampshire to visit old friends from our Nashua, NH days – did some boating and relaxing.

The real purpose of the trip was to spend two weeks “Down East” in Maine north of Bar Harbor. We rented a cottage on the Maine coast. We had a great time just enjoying walks in the nearby bird sanctuary, climbing over the rocky coast and just relaxing at the cottage.

We did do some “normal” sightseeing – went to Arcadia National Park to go to the top of Cadillac Mountain and to Bubble Rock - a rock that hangs off the side of the mountain; visited Roosevelt’s Campobello in Canada returning in a round-about way via two ferries to Eastport, ME - a quaint port village; visited the most easterly point in the US at West Quoddy Lighthouse (East Quoddy Lighthouse is further east in Canada – went there too); stopped at a large books and antique mall; and of course Sheila spent a lot of time dreaming about buying one of the many cottages for sale – even went in one!

Food was great and we really over did it eating lobster for about 20 meals over the month we were away – the last a lobster roll at the renowned Ruth and Wimpy’s Restaurant in Ellsworth, ME.

We welcomed Sheila’s long lost brother Alan and his wife who came up from their home in Portsmouth, NH – he recently retired from being a lobster fisherman so still has connections and contributed to our lust for lobster by bring some for dinner. Also our friends that live on Bow Lake stopped by for a couple days as they set out for a two-month camper trip through Canada.

The Bow Lake friends were kind enough to let us use their lakefront home for Labor Day Weekend to stay out of the holiday traffic. On the way to the lake we stopped by and visited a High School Classmate who I had not seen since graduation. It was a great opportunity to reconnect.

Our final stop on the vacation was in Easton, PA to break up the trip home. We stayed in a wonderful B&B just off the Lafayette Campus and had a chance to visit the Crayola Center and Canal Museum before heading home.

A collage of pictures has been sent to Bill Chew for posting on the web site.

Homecoming/Parent Weekend – Juniata will celebrate Homecoming/Parents Weekend on September 21 – 23, 2007.

I will be attending arriving on Friday to do final coordination for a JAA (Juniata Admission Ambassadors) Information Table.

On Saturday I will be at the JAA Info Table for 8 to 2, hope to see some of the football game against Franklin & Marshall and the Women's Volleyball game. Saturday evening Sheila and I are attending the Juniata Presents show – Chicago City Limits.

Sunday we will go to an open house at the Juniata Field Station at Raystown Lake and another volleyball game.

A full weekend but there is always time to reconnect with classmates. If you will be on campus stop by the JAA Info Tent and say hi or send me an email at SOSulli177@aol.com and we can plan a specific time to meet.

To register for the weekend events go to -

https://secureweb.juniata.edu/alumni/registration/store_user.html?returnto=1&event_id=525

Share Your Vacation Photos – Please share your vacation photos with your classmates. Send them to Dan O'Sullivan by email at SOSulli177@aol.com or by postal mail at 6102 Charing Cross, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050. Pictures can be returned if requested.

Thanks for Input – Thanks to the following for input for this newsletter – Bob Cupper and Marion Kercher Oliver.

Please Remember to Support the Class Fund Drives

Send your contributions to Juniata College, 1700 Moore Street, Huntingdon, PA 16652.
Make check payable to Juniata College and identify your desired use in the memo section.

Write "Class of 1964 50th Reunion Gift Fund" in the memo section if you intend the money to go toward the \$64,000 goal for a gift to be given to the College in 2014.

Write "Juniata Scholarship Fund" in the memo section if you intend the money to be use next year for scholarships.

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.