

Juniata College Class of 1964 Newsletter - October 2004

Volunteer Support - Just like fund contributions and participation, contribution of volunteer hours and percentage of alumni participation as volunteers are important to the College when requesting grants and when being evaluated and compared to other institutions.

I suspect many of you volunteered last year but did not report your efforts. Those that did submit volunteer hours for service from July 2003 - June 2004 included:

Bill Chew - Reunion Committee, Affinity Cross Country, Volunteer Leadership and Class Executive Committee.

Bonnie Wineland Crawford - Unspecified volunteering.

Don Detwiler - Juniata Career Team (PCT), Trustee, Juniata Admissions Ambassador (JAA) and Reunion Committee.

Elaine Ake Frazier - Juniata Admissions Ambassador (JAA) and Reunion Committee

Terry Grove - Class Executive Committee.

Gwen Woodworth Lang - Juniata Career Team (JCT).

Gail Woodworth Mann - Reunion Committee and unspecified volunteering.

Rodney Jones - Church College Relations.

Dan O'Sullivan - Alumni Council, Juniata Admissions Ambassador (JAA), Reunion Committee, Volunteer Leadership, Regional Events, Scholarship Nomination, Class Executive and unspecified volunteering.

Marion Kercher Oliver - Class Fund Agent and Reunion Committee

John Reeves - Reunion Committee and Guest Lecturer.

Ron Smelser - Reunion Committee and Guest Lecturer.

Jeff Varnes - Regional Events and Guest Lecturer.

THANKS TO ALL THAT VOLUNTEERED FOR JUNIATA.

As I said, I suspect a lot of volunteering goes unreported. Please remember to report your volunteer hours to Juniata by email at alumni@juniata.edu. The program is coordinated by Chris Gibboney - you can reach her at gibbonc@juniata.edu. There is also a place in the Alumni & Donor section of the Juniata Web Site to report volunteer hours.

The web site also lists the various types of volunteering, but often overlooked are your support of the Admissions Office when you talk about Juniata with prospective students, friends and coworkers - in doing this you are a Juniata Admission Ambassador. Also overlooked are the hours spent to plan and host informal, even personal, gatherings that include fellow Juniatians and where Juniata is discussed or where connections with fellow Juniatians are reestablished - these are considered "Small House Gatherings" - another form of volunteerism.

SO THE BOTTOM LINE IS - anything you do to support Juniata, spread the Juniata name or help fellow Juniatians to stay connected is volunteerism for Juniata and you need to report it - THANKS.

Classmate Worked Republican Convention - This note from Jeff Varnes - "I am currently in NYC on (Red Cross) assignment to the NYC Emergency Operations Center for activities related to the RNC (Republican National Convention). I have the late evening shift hence this very early morning e-mail." (Editor's Note: I suspect Jeff has been heavily involved with assistance work as a result of the recent stormy weather that has hit all along the East Coast - now things are settling down maybe he will share some comments and possibly some pictures.)

New Email Address - David Patchen passed on a new email address - see the Update list on the web site for details.

Trip Report - Sarabeth Hoffman Watson sent these notes - "It has been a pleasure to watch the growth of individual participation in the newsletters and behind the scenes! We just returned from a 1500 mile, 27 day tour of 10 State Parks and 2 State Recreation Areas in Northwestern Minnesota. It always amazes me what a wealth of beauty and information is available in our own state. Beside the interpretive trails, varied scenery, and historical sites in the parks, we have found that county museums have become really sophisticated repositories of local history. Highlights of our trip were the Hjemkomst Heritage Center (full reproductions of the Asp's Viking Ship which sailed from Duluth to Bergen, Norway in 1882 and of a Norwegian Stavekirke) in Moorhead, MN, sitting by the rapids on Rainy River with Canada on the opposite shore, and walking the two mile beach at Lake of the Woods. We also discovered how Canola is grown and what it looks like when harvested. It is beyond me how enough oil can be derived from the poppy seed sized canola seeds in a whole field to fill even one bottle of oil!" (Editor's Note: Maybe she will send some pictures to share on the web site.)

Classmate Speaks at College Workshop - On September 27, 2004 Classmate Gary Horner returned to Juniata to participate in a lecture series sponsored by the Juniata College Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership (JCEL). Gary's topic was "Legal Business Structures." Gary has been practicing law since 1967. A major portion of his practice has been advising new and existing businesses in the areas of choice of business entity, financing, and operations; forming the various business entities on behalf of the clients; and assisting clients in obtaining financing of all kinds. Gary is active in the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies which, among other things, provides funding for business startups in their designated areas. Additionally, he is a representative of the Johnstown Industrial Development and Bedford County Development Association which work with business enterprises to secure industrial development financing through the State of Pennsylvania.

Anna Harris, the coordinator for the series indicated "The speaker series we are currently doing is focused specifically on students in the Hands-on Entrepreneurial Lab and our invited community clients who are considering starting a business. We did not really do any advertising for this session as it was to be in a classroom with limited setting and being held during class time. The room has now been changed because other business faculty would like their classes to attend as well. The remaining 3 sessions will be advertised with the campus community, as well as our JCEL clients. There will be other sessions throughout the year and in the evenings."

Sully's Western Adventure – Sheila and I (Dan O'Sullivan) took a wonderful trip out West. We flew to Reno and rented a car to drive through Northern California, Oregon, the Columbia River Gorge between Oregon and Washington and down the coast of Oregon and California to Monterey, and then we returned, via Yosemite National Park, to fly home from Reno. Visited friends and relatives and saw many natural wonders and beautiful sights – not many museum stops.

One highlight of the trip was a visit with Fran Brumbaugh. I had not seen her since graduation over 40 year ago. We had a great time talking about old friends and what we had done since College. Fran and Sheila really hit-it-off. They spent a lot of time discussing mystery writers and other common interests. Fran works at Stanford University and lives in a quaint coastal town of Moss Beach. We met for lunch at the Half Moon Bay Brewing Company. Her current plans are to retire in about six years. I encouraged her to take a preretirement trip in five years to attend the next reunion in 2009. She also promised to stop and see me the next time she is in Harrisburg area to visit her close college friend – Carol Grove Moore '64 who is married to Barry Moore '63. (Sheila took a picture of Fran and me. I put it on the Class web site with some other shots from the trip.)

As for the rest of the trip we stay four nights in the Trinity Forest with Sheila's Uncle – no electric service there – only generators and solar panels. Took a curvy one-lane dirt road up a hill for about 45 minutes to get to the house!!! In Oregon we visited Crater Lake, Diamond Lake (even took a 11 mile bike ride around Diamond Lake) and the beautiful waterfalls along the Columbia River Gorge. Stayed in a converted Poor House while in Portland – really neat with five bars (three no bigger than a one car garage – created from storage sheds on the property).

The coastal portion of the trip began at a Lewis and Clark interpretive center in Vancouver WA and then we hugged the coast on US 101 in Oregon and California – mostly a curvy, hilly, two-lane road - some beautiful coastline. Of course we drove through the giant Redwood tree and watched the seals play off shore. Our stop in San Francisco was special for us since we live there in 1967-68. We found our old apartment in Tiburon, across the bay from San Francisco. We think we rented it for \$250 a month – 1 bedroom, living/dining room, kitchen and bath. It now sells as a condo for \$500,000!!! The second year we lived on the Presidio of San Francisco when it was still a military base – I forfeited a \$125 housing allowance to be able to live in the government housing. Presidio has been turned over to the US Park Service and a Trust is refurbishing the buildings and renting them – houses as residences and other building for businesses. They have done a great job of keep the historical charm of the installation. We went by our house – it had a great view of the Golden Gate Bridge and much of the bay. The Trust recently rented it and the current occupant allowed us to tour the home – they pay \$3000 a month rent!!!

Our last coastal stop was at Monterey, California. Sheila had taken government budget course at the Naval Postgraduate School on the Presidio of Monterey and wanted me to see how beautiful the area was – she was right! We went on the installation and walked through the old Delmonte Hotel used by the government as lodging, offices and rented out for social event. It is rumored this base may be closed soon – hopefully something will be done to save the historic hotel – like has been done at Presidio of San Francisco. In Monterey, in addition to a visit at the extensive aquarium, I had a special treat – that weekend there was “Cherry’s Classic Car Show” – got some great pictures of cars from the 50’s and 60’s.

Yosemite was the last tourist stop – a little disappointing since many of the waterfalls were dry – did get to drive through a little snow shower on the way over the mountain to Reno though.

All in all a great trip – why not share your summer travel adventures with classmates – send me an email with the details and I’ll include them in the next newsletter.

Homecoming 2004 - Marion Kercher Oliver, accompanied by her husband Dave '63 and Dan O'Sullivan attended Juniata Homecoming 2004. The rain held off until late in the afternoon so it was a pleasant day. It was neat that the pep band plays "Stand Up and Cheer" after each touchdown - only problem was Dave, Marion and I were the only one that stood up and sang as the band played. Also, a current student told me there is a rumor on campus that "they may cancel Mountain Day!" She said the rumor is the state park where it was to be held was damaged by the recent rains and flooding, and will be closed until November. If this is a false rumor to mess with the minds of the students GREAT - that has always been a part of Mountain Day. BUT, if the rumor is true, shame on Juniata! Surely some place can be found to hold Mountain Day - Raystown Field Station, the city park at the eastern end of Huntingdon or, as a last resort, on campus this ONE time! To cancel Mountain Day would be as bad as doing away with the Juniata Indian as our mascot - OH that was already done!

I will be posting some pictures on the web site of the gathering - take a look! The next chance for members of the class to gather at Juniata is Alumni Weekend - Class Steering Committee Member Rich Morgan is planning a small informal gathering - probably on Saturday, June 4, 2005. Watch for details next year. Editor's Note: Anyone remember the words to Stand Up and Cheer for Juniata? Marion and Dave had it down to the last word!!!

Mountain Day Reminder - This reminder was in the JC NewsGroup Release recently - "It's time to educate others in our offices (and our friends) and to prepare for our own celebration of the wonderful Juniata tradition---- Is it Mountain Day today? Find your Mountain Day signs here - <http://www.juniata.edu/pages/affinity/alumni/mountainday.html>

Hang them on your office doors (or cubes or even in your home) and start the conversation about what should be a new office (or personal) policy." Jodie Gray will send out an email bright and early on Mountain Day and as soon as I get it I will send it to you so you know when to celebrate.

By the way, Jodie Gray, a trustee and editor of the NewsGroup assures me the "Cancellation Rumor" is not true!

Escape to Hawaii - Jan Wengerd Moran provide this note - I just returned from a week in Hawaii - Kauai and Maui - today, my first trip there in over 10 years. A great getaway with lovely weather, exploring, swimming, and eating mostly gourmet seafood meals at some of Hawaii's best restaurants. This is my first real vacation since starting new job last June as Senior Director, Business Development at Ninaza, a small company doing web-based software for clinical studies. This web-based approach to handling data is the direction that clinical research is finally going. It's about time that pharmaceutical and biotech and medical device companies are getting away from paper! I also managed a long weekend in Carmel and Big Sur, California last month after going to the home office of my company

which is in San Mateo, California. I was able to negotiate 4 weeks vacation when I started so I could continue my "work hard, play hard" ethic! Work on my 1860 townhouse in Boston continues. Will it ever be over??" (Editor's Notes: I have encouraged Jan to send me pictures of the renovation project for the web site.)

Thanks for Your Support - Thanks to all who provided input for this newsletter.