Strength of mind

A liberal arts education designed to open bright windows of opportunities for a lifetime
FIND LOTS MORE ONLINE
magazine.manchester.edu

Connect online with more about the stories in this issue of Manchester magazine … and get the latest news about Manchester College.

Find it all online, including a virtual copy of this magazine to share with friends.

Campus Calendar of concerts, convos … online!

Sports schedules, game wrap-ups … online!

Reunion class photos … online!

Introduce a student to Manchester … online!

Give to Manchester … online!

Read on! magazine.manchester.edu
4 Petersime Chapel
On the cusp of its golden anniversary, still vibrant with music, solace and praise, but needing some love.

10 Strength of mind
A liberal arts education designed to open bright windows of opportunities for a lifetime.

19 Inspirational giving
Trustees, foundations and good friends make breathtaking commitments to the College.

20 Everybody’s a recruiter
Building the Class of 2015 is a tenacious two-year journey traveled by the entire Manchester community.

ALSO IN THIS ISSUE

PROFILES OF ABILITY AND CONVICTION
Three alumni who live out the mission of Manchester College. Their stories begin on Page 32.

CONNECTIONS FOR LIFE
Alumni news and notes. Page 30.

PHILANTHROPY 101

TREASURES FROM THE ARCHIVES
Manchester’s first black students found success in medicine and ministry. Inside back cover.

ON THE COVER
Political science major Cassie Davis ’12 has lots to talk about when she helps the College recruit new students, including her study abroad in England and campus activities.

COVER PHOTO: DAN CHUDZYNSKI
Still weaving liberal arts into the Manchester College fabric

A STRONG THREAD RUNS THROUGH THE STORY of Manchester College, and that thread is the liberal arts. In 122 years, we have graduated majors from business to English to biology, and woven the liberal arts into each of those graduates’ learning. The Manchester experience, in the words of scholar Stanley Deetz ’70, “opened up my whole world.”

In every major and every class, students learn to think critically, read texts carefully, and communicate to diverse audiences effectively. No one is surprised to learn that the chair of our Modern Languages Department majored in mathematics as an undergraduate. No one is surprised to see a physics professor playing Celtic flute or an economics professor serving his fabulous jambalaya.

This issue of Manchester magazine celebrates the centrality of the liberal arts and sciences in the education of our students, like those who worked with faculty mentors on their research for the 2011 Student Research Symposium – with topics ranging from Ebonics to perfectionism to Kate Chopin’s writing to smallmouth bass.

Our students explore new cultures and ideas in classes, and engage in transformative learning outside the classroom, too. Philosophy and science majors spent this past January session in England and Paris studying the Making of the Modern Mind and Development of Scientific Thought. Students became trainers for faculty and staff who sought to improve their exercise and eating habits.

Students also learn in internships and residence halls. They learn as they tutor local school children in reading. They learn as they study Scripture together.

The Manchester story includes a powerful, integrative exposure to the liberal arts. The experience adds depth and context to the more-applied knowledge students need to thrive professionally. Through this academic engagement, our students develop the ability and conviction they need to explore the world now and for the rest of their lives.
“Many who came from all religious persuasions were married there. It wasn’t just a Brethren hangout. It never has been. It has been a center on campus for many things – a focal point – both for students and faculty.”

– FERNE STROHM ’58 BALDWIN, former College archivist and professor emerita of sociology and social work

Petersime Chapel

On the cusp of its golden anniversary, still vibrant with music, solace and praise, but needing some love

LEFT: Petersime Chapel is the most-photographed structure on campus, striking in all seasons.

TYPICAL MANCHESTER STUDENTS “back in the day,” Linda Sands ’66 and Phil Frantz ’66 didn’t have many resources. “We were very poor,” Linda puts it bluntly.

So when the campus sweethearts decided to marry during their sophomore year on Dec. 21, 1963, they wanted a small, simple wedding. Petersime Chapel was perfect.

“We both love Manchester College, and we are both natives of North Manchester,” says Linda, an education major who is a retired kindergarten teacher. “The Chapel is quaint and pretty, with the stained glass windows, and it was just the perfect size.”
"The Chapel is set like a precious jewel in the midst of some of Manchester’s famous oaks. Located at the heart of the campus, it symbolizes the spiritual reality which lies at the very center of the purpose and program, of the ideas and ideals of Manchester College."

– PAUL W. KINSEL ’32, member of the Board of Trustees, at the dedication of Petersime Chapel

They said their vows, held the reception, and opened their gifts – all in Petersime Chapel. More than 47 years later, the Frantzes are still happily married and living in Portland, Ind., where Phil is an attorney in private practice.

And Petersime Chapel remains steeple-tall at the core of campus.

The cruciform-shaped structure is still the setting for inspirational events: worship, weddings, memorial services, Bible studies, Simply Brethren, campus programs, commissioning “send-offs” for students doing volunteer service abroad and other gatherings. (It’s also witnessed unofficial moments, such as when a student snapped off part of the decorative metal cross while “rock climbing” the Chapel walls.)

Nowadays, services begin at 3:30 p.m. each Thursday, attended by students, faculty, staff and sometimes, their children. The six-rank pipe organ, bell-ringers, drummers, pianists and other musicians, choirs, a
weekly Praise Jam and worshippers fill the 100-seat Chapel with music and praise. Campus groups still find the Chapel a comfortable gathering spot, and a local church uses the facility for its weekly services.

During the 2011-2012 academic year, the College will celebrate the 50th anniversary of Petersime Chapel, beginning with a special Homecoming program on Saturday, Oct. 8.

It all began with the vision of Ray M. Petersime of Gettysburg, Ohio, who served on the Manchester College Board of Trustees for more than three decades, and owned a prosperous poultry incubator business. He wanted to share some of his good fortune to enhance spiritual life at the College.

“He always wanted a chapel at the College,” said his daughter, Esther Petersime ’57 Clark, who married James Clark in the Chapel in July 1963. “He felt they needed something more. He wanted it to be a rather special place.”

Ray Petersime paid close attention to every detail of the construction, traveling around the country to find exactly the right wood and stone. She doesn’t recall how much money he put into it. “That wasn’t to be the important part,” she said.

Petersime worked closely with architect Arthur Dean, a “building counselor” for the Church of the Brethren who had designed buildings for several Indiana congregations. The Board of Trustees approved Dean’s plan for Manchester’s Meditation Chapel on April 1, 1960, and construction began that fall.

The relationship of the Christian faith to higher education is illustrated in 30 stained glass windows. In addition to a popular lounge area and offices, Petersime has prayer rooms and small meeting rooms.

“The Chapel is set like a precious jewel in the midst of some of Manchester’s famous oaks,” said
Trustee Paul W. Kinsel ’32 at the May 27, 1962 dedication service. “Located at the heart of the campus, it symbolizes the spiritual reality which lies at the very center of the purpose and program, of the ideas and ideals of Manchester College.”

Much debate ensued about how the new Chapel would serve the campus. President A. Blair Helman envisioned a prayer and devotional space, with another, large chapel at the north end of the mall for “public worship.” The two buildings would face each other as “a symbol of the centrality of religion in the program of Manchester College.”

The larger building, however, would become Cordier Auditorium, and Petersime Chapel remained the center of College religious life, as well as a campus landmark.

“It is probably the most-photographed building on campus,” said James Dean ’66, son of the Chapel architect. “It sits in an appropriate place, I’ll tell you that. I’m just proud my father did it.”

Later in the 1960s the chapel served as a sanctuary for black students during the turbulent Civil Rights Era. As tensions flared on campus and in the community, students looked to the Chapel as a safe haven. “It became quite an incident,” said Ferne Strohm ’58 Baldwin, former College archivist and professor emerita of sociology and social work. “They took refuge overnight in Petersime because they considered that a place where they would be physically safe on campus.”

“Many who came from all religious persuasions were married there,” Baldwin said. “It wasn’t just a Brethren hangout. It never has been. It has been a center on campus for many things – a focal point – both for students and faculty.”

Reporter Dawn Wheeler ’67x Roberts captured some of those feelings in the May 21, 1964 issue of The Oak Leaves. Her article opened with a poetic tribute:

“It stands there in majestic splendor,
Stained glass windows illuminated with various colors of lights
And steeple lighted against an evening sky.
We are all proud of it.”

BY WALT WILTSCHER, CAMPUS PASTOR
Sprucing up Petersime

To prepare for the golden anniversary of Petersime Chapel, the College plans numerous renovations and updates to the structure, including new carpet and entrance canopies. To donate to the improvements, contact the Office of College Advancement or visit www.magazine.manchester.edu.

CLOCKWISE: Campus Pastor Walt Wiltschek, who joined Manchester College in February 2010, formerly edited Messenger magazine for the Church of the Brethren; Melissa Byler ’12 sings at a fall 2010 Chapel service; the Petersime lounge is a popular gathering spot; from left: Sydney Oukrop ’13, Ryan Roebuck ’14, Kyle Riege ’14 and Lucas Kauffman ’14.
Strength of mind

A liberal arts education designed to open bright windows of opportunities for a lifetime

As students graduate into a whirlpool of evolving technology and conflict, a liberal arts foundation is as relevant today as it was 122 years ago at the beginnings of Manchester College. Alumni write “home” often that their Manchester degree prepared them not only for their careers, but for other life paths and discoveries. At Manchester, they learned to seek out new perspectives, new horizons, new points of view, and find their role in the world.

The liberal arts aren’t luxury, they are sustenance:

- to “bulk up” the brain and exercise it
- to learn critical thinking for making good decisions
- to better understand our past, our culture and our world
- to learn how to learn throughout life
“It shapes who we are as persons and helps us to see our places in the Big Scene,” says Heather Schilling ’90, assistant professor of education. She requires graduating education majors to write a reflective essay about how the liberal arts have shaped their lives. “Liberal arts help us to understand the natural world and what it means to be human,” agrees philosophy Professor Steve Naragon ’82.

“The liberal arts have been major factors in broadening my ideas and opinions of diversity,” wrote Jennifer Beakas ’11, who majored in early to mid-childhood education with mild interventions, for Schilling’s class. Senior K-12 health and physical education major Chelsea Bower ’11 wrote, “Having a liberal arts education has either made me more aware of new ideas and thoughts or has made my own beliefs and values stronger.”

Like all MC students, math and pre-med majors must “experience” the arts in a formal course. It’s likely their faculty advisor is a musician, has a minor in the humanities, performs in musical theatre, travels or speaks a second language. And often, those teachers take their students along for the ride, inspiring them to broaden their learning horizons.

Exercise science major Emily Ballinger ’11 minored in French. Accounting major Eric Francisco ’11 played bass with the College jazz combo. Pre-med majors frequently minor in Spanish.

Liberal arts colleges produce more scientists and scholars per capita than other higher education, writes chemistry Nobel Laureate Thomas Cech in *Science at Liberal Arts Colleges: A Better Education*.

History major John M. Schroeder ’80 of southern California is group vice president of human resources and labor relations for a major chain, Ralphs Grocery Co. In re-connecting recently with former MC history Professor Carl Caldwell (1971-89), Schroeder praised his Manchester education:

“… studying history, and the other parts of a traditional liberal arts curriculum, I acquired skills I use every day. I can say from having recruited, trained and managed people with a wide variety of educational backgrounds that liberal arts graduates tend to be significantly better writers, and often clearer and more-flexible thinkers, than graduates from other disciplines.”

Occasionally, Manchester graduates step into the national spotlight, such as Dan West ’17, founder of Heifer International; Andrew Cordier ’22, co-founder of the United Nations; and Jane Henney ’69, the first
Continued on page 15

woman commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Throughout their careers, all recalled and helped strengthen the liberal arts foundation of Manchester College.

The curriculum for the new School of Pharmacy also will incorporate activities, coursework and community involvement that will cultivate the future pharmacists’ sense of social responsibility and informed citizenship. That’s liberal arts. The College’s master’s degree programs in athletic training and education are infused with honing critical thinking, communication skills and discussions about ethics.

Construction begins this summer renovating Holl-Kintner Hall of Science into a tribute to the liberal arts: the Academic Center. In fall 2012, exciting new learning spaces will open for majors in philosophy, religion and philosophy, peace studies, social work, history, psychology, sociology, English, education, modern languages and economics. Accounting, business, finance, management and marketing also will have significant space in the Academic Center. (Music and the arts remain in Otho Winger Memorial Hall.)

The Academic Center is a natural evolution for Manchester. As enrollment nears the “optimal” 1,300, the College has shared its newest, and most technologically-savvy learning spot – the Science Center – for a great many liberal arts classes. With climate control, comfortable seating, ample research and collaboration space, accessibility and a fully “wired” and “wireless” building, the Science Center is far superior to the century-old Administration Building. It’s a fun place to learn.

Marcie Coulter-Kern, associate professor of psychology, is excited about the research space that will come with the Academic Center, and the proximity of faculty offices to classrooms and that research space. Psychology is a popular major at Manchester, engaging more than 90 students.

Education faculty members also are looking forward to new spaces in the Academic Center, says Schilling, especially for on-campus case studies involving children. Most education classes and all communication studies classes currently are in the 52-year-old Holl-Kintner, hastily fitted for an enrollment increase that began four years ago.

Communication Studies will get a video editing room and other space dedicated for communicating in this day, and tomorrow.

Continued on page 15
Scientists can do liberal arts, too. Here’s one popular example:

SHE’S AS COMFORTABLE lecturing about Plato and Socrates as she is about isomerism and stereochemistry. Dr. Susan J. Klein, chair of the Chemistry Department, is a product and a disciple of a liberal arts education. “The advantages of working at a liberal arts college are tangible,” says the scientist who professes to be “one heck of a date at an art museum.”

Klein merged her chemistry degree with a minor in ancient Greek civilization at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa. She chose a massive research school, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, for her doctoral studies and research. “In grad school, I was surrounded by 150 people just like me, so we only communicated ‘organic chemistry,’ which people think is an exclusive language. Sometimes, you just need a break from chemistry, physics and math classes.” She joined the MC faculty in 1998.

Klein shares that diversity of opinion and knowledge teaching two 400-level courses for Manchester. Every other January, she leads students to London museums and historical sites to study the history, politics, social structure and religion that influenced modern scientific theory. Her course on the science and archaeology of ancient Greece focuses on Democritus, Aristotle, Plato and Socrates.

At an Honors Convocation, the teacher extolled the value of a small liberal arts school: “First is the sense of community, between students in the residence halls, between faculty and students in the classroom, between faculty in different departments. Together, the College belongs to all of us and we, in turn, each belong to Manchester College. It is both my responsibility and my privilege to play a part in shaping the future of this College.”

“It’s important that our science majors have a liberal arts education to teach them how to communicate with people from all over.”

– SUSAN J. KLEIN, associate professor of chemistry
“We seek faculty who have multi-disciplinary interests and strengths. The most important question we must answer is: How will this person be a part of the whole school?”

– JANINA TRAXLER ’73, professor of French

STRENGTH, continued from page 13

This is clearly a new era of liberal arts, says Dean Glenn Sharfman, vice president for academic affairs. The College is trying to be nimble in updating its liberal arts curriculum for the modern learner and to take good advantage of the experiential and abroad opportunities, he says.

Cross-discipline courses are added frequently and often with new faculty, like Cognitive Neuroscience that examines the biological foundations of memory, language, decision-making and thought.

Mark Angelos, professor of history, teaches more students than any other Manchester faculty member. Yes, one of the courses he teaches is required. But he is so successful in sharing his passion for things ancient, students turn to him for electives, especially his January sessions to Europe.

Political science scholar Leonard Williams takes his students to the Indiana State House, to Washington, D.C., and, in 2008, to the Iowa Caucuses to actually participate in the history of nominating the first black and first female presidential candidates.

Psychologists Rusty and Marcy Coulter-Kern take more students to conferences, where they present their graduate-level research and research posters, than any other faculty members. Keys to their success: strong research, coupled with communication, writing and speaking skills – basic liberal arts.

Kate Eisenbise, associate professor of religion, is excited about using new technology in the Academic Center for communication with practitioners of other religions around the world. Modern language faculty share similar excitement about real-time conversations with people of other cultures.

Because Eisenbise teaches required “core” courses in religion, the theologian encounters just about every student on campus – future scientists as well as future accountants, athletic trainers, lawyers, teachers and physicians. “Religion is one of the basic liberal arts,” notes Eisenbise. “Religion as a study provides students the ability to make connections in many parts of life and makes students well-rounded.”

On the College’s My Favorite Professor website, a student wrote about Robert Bowman ’56, associate professor of religion: “He is able to make a 3,000-year-old text interesting. He is interesting, helpful and allows students to see old concepts in a new way. He is able to weave his faith and his academic discipline in a seamless way that allows for spiritual and academic growth.” (Bowman retired this spring, after 18 years with the College.)

Everyone in the Department of Modern Languages teaches courses in other disciplines, says Professor Janina Traxler ’73.

In addition to French, Traxler teaches an interdisciplinary 400-level course, Life and Death, that
A brief story about Life and Death, Good and Evil, Order and Chaos, Self and Society

STANLEY DEETZ ’70

MAJORED in economics and business administration at Manchester. Today, the nationally recognized scholar, lecturer and author leads the Center for the Study of Conflict, Collaboration, & Creative Governance at the University of Colorado, Boulder. This is what he has to say about his “Teaching Philosophy:”

“I went to a small liberal arts college and my whole world opened up.”

— STANLEY DEETZ ’70, nationally recognized scholar, lecturer and author

“I grew up on a small isolated dairy farm, and I admit that I had never read a book before going to college, nor saw much reason to. I went to a small liberal arts college and my whole world opened up. While I was good at math, the faculty there basically taught me to speak, to write and to read.

“I was lucky. My first-year English composition teacher came to the dorm to help me with my essays and mandatory small-group Sunday dinners at faculty homes provided a rich discussion space. ‘Textbooks’ were discouraged in favor of ‘real’ books. I went through an integrated core where there were no disciplines, only questions to direct each course: Life and Death, Good and Evil, Order and Chaos, Self and Society.

“Some days I yearn for that world, but the lessons I have carried into the various other types of institutions where I have taught have less to do with the liberal arts model than the approach to life: the commitment to a community of learning and the delight in the uniqueness of each new generation.”

discusses how we give life meaning. One of her first students was pre-med major Patrick Weybright ’93, who also was an accomplished musician and a “good reader of literature.” For his application to Harvard Medical School, he asked Traxler for a letter of recommendation. A cum laude Harvard graduate, today Dr. Weybright practices diagnostic radiology with Lancaster Radiology Associates in Pennsylvania.

In hiring faculty, Manchester gives favor to teachers with multi-disciplinary emphases and strengths, says Traxler, who served on the search committee for a new chemistry faculty member. “We had lots of applicants who were clearly researchers. Few could persuade us that they knew what a small liberal arts school can provide. The most important question we ask is: How will this person be a part of this school? We need people who provide role models, people who will continue to grow at this school.”

The Manchester potential of applicant Kathryn Davis “jumped off the page,” says Traxler. “It was clear that the liberal arts are a part of her. She is a student of German and an accomplished musician.”

Davis now teaches analytical chemistry and plays flute with the Manchester Symphony Orchestra. Other members of the MC faculty and staff perform with the MSO, as do about 20 students. A wide variety of majors are on the stage: Accounting, math, physics, business, environmental studies and bio-chem majors join music, political science, education, psychology, sociology and Spanish majors.

Internships, field and language study, study abroad, the honors program, individualized study … as students become intrigued, they find scores and scores of paths to pursue for the moment, for
January session, and sometimes, for a lifetime. “We encourage students to be involved in volunteer opportunities – opportunities to be relevant,” says Traxler. “We try to pull students in a slightly different direction, to give them something else to think about.”

When Kyle Watson ’10 was assigned to write about gender dynamics and the hierarchy in Milton’s Paradise Lost, he felt overwhelmed. But then Stacy Erickson, assistant professor of English, helped him organize his thoughts into a strong paper. The chemistry major was so inspired, he added an English minor.

While funding is sought for the Academic Center, the College also needs other critical resources for its liberal arts offerings – for faculty development, experiences abroad, internships and experiential opportunities and for faculty hiring, notes Dean Sharfman.

“It’s hard to associate big bucks with liberal arts schools unless you’ve the endowment of a Harvard,” says Traxler. “It’s a struggle. The reality is we survive on our pre-professional programs. Those of us outside the pre-professional programs do feel vulnerable.”

But they also take comfort in knowing that as Manchester enters its 123rd year this August, they play a major role in ensuring that “liberal arts” remains integral to the College Vision:

The campus will be infused with a commitment to student learning in the liberal arts, along with professional preparation for work, life, and service in a global society.

BY WILLIAM A. KALLAS ’12, KATHRYN MILLER ’12 AND JERI KORNEGAY
An encounter with Dr. King, then … and now

ON FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2011, I journeyed to the small town of Madison, Ind. I was to interview Mrs. Livers, who graduated from Manchester in 1970, but more importantly who had the opportunity not only to see Dr. King speak, but also have lunch with him on Feb. 1, 1968.

Mrs. Livers is currently director of King’s Daughters Hospitals Foundation. I found her to be very welcoming. She seemed genuinely interested in meeting me during the e-mail correspondence. She gave me a brief tour of the clinic while she ran errands. She had an open dialogue with kitchen workers, and was very polite to staff in the halls. We were finally able to sit down and commence our interview. I was amazed at what I found: Mrs. Livers recalled the events as if they had just happened yesterday.

Initially, she struck me as a quiet woman who was rather busy. I wasn’t sure how in-depth the interview would be. However, I was soon taken aback at the precision of her memory and ability to truly share the experiences. At various points, I felt like I was there with Sue in the halls of East or at lunch in the Union. Her memory was displayed best as she recalled the series of events that brought her to lunch with Dr. King. She told of friends taunting her, roller-coaster emotions she felt upon finding out she would eat with Dr. King, and her friends sharing the excitement with her. Her facial expressions displayed her emotions and brought me back to the very moment the events transpired more than 40 years ago.

Sue’s responses to the questions were always in-depth as she recalled names, locations, even residence hall and meal details with great vivacity. Finally, after 52 minutes, our interview ended. However, the conversation didn’t. Mrs. Livers took another hour out of her day to discuss Obama, Dr. King, Mr. Livers, racial troubles and God. She shared some knowledge from her own personal life, and challenged me to examine my life in light of her experiences.

The challenge wasn’t direct, but rather was occurring within my psyche as she was speaking. She shared moments in which she was challenged personally. She discussed situations which required her to act, rather than talk. I came to receive information about a specific event, and there I was, hoping that she wouldn’t stop teaching. One message that Mrs. Livers reiterated time and time again still resonates. One thing that set people like Dr. King apart from others was a simple principle: 

What was right … was Right. If an action is right, do it without hesitation. If it is wrong, don’t do it. If it’s right, it’s right.

Some would call this a defining moment, and they may be correct. All I know is that I had the privilege of meeting a truly great person. I know this because I left the small, Underground Railroad town of Madison, Ind., with much more than I had come with.

BEN TAPPER ’12, a political science major/Spanish minor from Hobart, Ind., recorded Sue Livers’ memories of her encounter as a Manchester student with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. for the College’s Plowshares MLK Project. A future issue of Manchester magazine will feature the MLK Project.

“If an action is right, do it without hesitation. If it is wrong, don’t do it. If it’s right, it’s right.”

– SUE LIVERS ’70, who lunched with Dr. King at Manchester
“I WAS SPEECHLESS. All I could say was ‘Thank you, thank you,’” said President Jo Young ’69 Switzer when Lilly Endowment Inc. called to say Manchester would receive $35 million for its School of Pharmacy. The words did come, of course, and were shared at a news conference with jubilant northeast Indiana healthcare, government and economic development officials.

The grant is inspiring other partnerships and gifts, including more than $850,000 from other foundations, to the School of Pharmacy. The attention also is fueling hundreds of experiential opportunities for the doctoral students, who arrive at their Fort Wayne campus in August 2012.

Meanwhile, four members of the Board of Trustees each are donating more than $1 million each to inspire alumni to remember future Manchester students in their estate plans. The four trustees: Sara Edgerton ’70; Dave Haist ’73 and his wife, Sandra Cleveland ’74 Haist; Marsha Palmer ’68 Link and her husband, Bill; and Richard Robins ’64 and wife, Kate.

And the College dedicated the Dr. R. Emerson and Evelyn M. Niswander Department of Biology with an endowment from Dr. Jane E. Henney ’69 and her husband Dr. J. Robert Graham.

The endowment gift is timely as Manchester begins construction on the Academic Center, where classrooms, faculty offices, lounges, labs, entire floors – or even departments – await benefactors wishing to recall their faculty mentors. Learn more about giving to Manchester at magazine.manchester.edu.
Recruiting by the Numbers  
(Class of 2014)

3,473 applications
2,234 admitted students
407 enrolled students
8,311 phone conversations (10s of thousands attempts)
1.1 million e-mails
408,000 postcards
27,486 student log-ins at Manchester & Me
1,746 senior campus visits
290 junior campus visits
700 discount coupons (20% off) redeemed in Campus Store
3,360 bags of M&M candies
2,000 MC lanyards
600 MC T-shirts

TOP: Assisting new students at Summer Orientation, from left: Megan Smith ’11, Lynette Griffin ’13, student activities director Shanon Fawbush and Joshua Vardaman ’13

BOTTOM: Students in the Class of 2014 line up to register for their first classes during summer orientation.
Everyone is a Recruiter

Building the Class of 2015 is a tenacious two-year journey traveled by the entire Manchester community

As more and more students are finding that Manchester is a perfect fit, the accompanying statistics are dizzying. Working to enroll a 425-student Class of 2015, the MC Admissions team roster spans the entire College community: staff from every department, all faculty and coaches, scores of students and alumni recruiters.

It all began almost two years ago, when members of the Class of 2015 were juniors in more than 362 high schools in 22 states and 21 countries. For some, it started even earlier.

Jill Bower ’14, visited campus as a eighth-grader from Galveston, Ind., to watch her
“When I was in high school I received a flyer from Manchester that said ‘Emily Katona is brilliant!’ I thought to myself, ‘yes I am.’ I signed up for a tour and loved it!”

— Emily Katona ’12, English education major from Porter, Ind.

Meet Katie Miller ’12, author of most of these stories

Featured in the College’s “I Found” marketing, elementary education major Katie Miller ’12 of Winchester, Ind., is an ideal ambassador for recruiting students. She’s a walking encyclopedia of Manchester College life as she leads hundreds of prospective students on campus tours, joins them for meals and shares her suite for overnights.
Faculty: Proof positive of future side-by-side connections

“IT TAKES A HUGE VILLAGE to make it work,” says Dr. Susan Klein, associate professor of chemistry, who has hand-written hundreds of cards to prospective chemistry students and met thousands of students at admissions events.

She’s among 33 faculty ambassadors who reach out to prospective students in their academic areas. They send cards and letters, engage in e-mail conversations, invite students into their classrooms and sit down to chat or dine with them.

Such up-front “side-by-side” attention has a dramatic impact on college-bound students’ decisions. The bond sets almost immediately.

“I met you at Scholarship Day” or “I remember coming to your class to visit” are familiar first conversations between faculty and new students on the first days of the semester. Prospective students who meet Dr. Victoria Eastman, assistant professor of education, speak of her enthusiastic attention and warmth that continues beyond the initial connection.

For some prospective students trying on their first college class for size, their excitement is memorable. As a high school senior sitting in on Dr. Klein’s chemistry class at Scholarship Days, Kyle Watson ’10 was almost jumping out of his skin. Watson today is working on a Ph.D. in organic chemistry at University of Notre Dame; he returns to visit his MC mentors.

Faculty in all academic disciplines make connections, from Dr. Debra Lynn in music to Dr. Kim Duchane in exercise and sport sciences to Tim Ogden ’87 in accounting and business. Each year, more than 30 faculty members go the extra mile. It’s exhausting on some days, especially Scholarship Day, but worth it.

“I know what we do makes a difference,” says Klein.

BY WILLIAM A. KALLAS ’12
RECRUITER, continued from page 22

Day based on their PSAT scores or guidance counselors’ recommendations. Juniors attending the December event are guaranteed an academic scholarship for their MC first year of $8,000 to $14,000.

JANUARY-MARCH 2010: Admissions counselors are urging juniors to focus on their GPAs and get involved in the full high school experience, including extracurricular activities. “That gives them more options,” says Brandi Schuman ’01 Chauncey, associate director for recruitment. Foundations and other scholarship-givers, as well as colleges and universities give first preference to strong, engaged students, says Chauncey, who has recruited in northeast Indiana and Michigan. “It also prepares them for college.” Meanwhile, those postcards, e-mails and mailers keep flowing.

APRIL 2010: It’s time for Spartan Days! High school juniors are experiencing what college is like for their first time. They’re getting student-led “insider” tours of campus, scarfing pizza fire-baked in the servery, and peeking into residence halls. They’re also discovering what a college lecture is really like – perhaps “Experiencing the Arts” a la Professor Planer. Their admissions counselors wrap up the day.

MAY-AUGUST 2010: Region by region, admissions counselors are building relationships, especially in the Indiana-Michigan-Ohio-Illinois area. Emphasis south is paying off, with a 165 percent increase in applicants from Indianapolis and central Indiana, says Ange Huffman, assistant director of admissions and an Indianapolis resident. Will Patch ’07 begins fielding early inquiries from high schoolers in east-central Indiana and Ohio.

Meanwhile, Adam Hohman ’01, associate director of operations for admissions, is keying up admissions social media sites, from Facebook to Twitter to YouTube and especially Manchester & Me – where prospective and soon-to-be students can interact with each other and members of the College community and maybe even find a roommate.

At this point, the College has almost 3,500 applications from high school seniors entering their senior year. The College also is mailing out applications to 600 students who likely will qualify for mid-range scholarships.

FALL 2010: “YES! We are happy to offer you admission to Manchester College and are delighted to welcome you as a member of the class of 2015.” The letter is truly in the mail.

CONTINUED on page 27
Proud alumni S.T.A.R. in MC recruiting program

“MANCHESTER COLLEGE MEANS A LOT to me,” says Rod Lone ’97, who teaches seventh-grade health and is head wrestling coach for NorthWood High School in Nappanee, Ind. “My success with my family and my career are directly linked to my experience at Manchester.

“Since my graduation, I have encouraged friends, family, students, athletes and anyone interested in going to college to enroll at Manchester.”

Like all Manchester College alumni, Lone has connections that could change the lives of college-bound students looking for the perfect fit. He belongs to a growing organization of volunteers called S.T.A.R. – Spartan Team of Alumni Recruiters. Already, the “team roster” is 150 alumni strong.

They help connect students to Manchester by sharing their experiences, providing information about the College and helping to put them in touch with MC admissions staff.

Mark Heiden ’01, principal of Creekside Elementary School in Franklin, Ind., is never shy about sporting his College colors, even when surrounded by Franklin College alumni. Principal Heiden discovered fans among two fourth-graders who created their own Manchester College T-shirts for a recent College T-Shirt Day to promote future college attendance.

Generations grow tall family trees of Manchester alumni. Many students learned about the College from parents, siblings and grandparents proud to show off their alma mater and serve as living examples of the high quality of a Manchester degree.

“Alumni reach out to prospective students because of the pure fact that they enjoyed their experience at Manchester,” says Brandi Schuman ’01 Chauncey, associate director of recruitment and S.T.A.R. coordinator. “I have had alumni walk prospective students right up to me while I was visiting a high school or working a college fair.”

S.T.A.R alumni help by assisting MC admissions staff at college fairs and recruiting events, making phone calls and bringing prospective students to campus for a visit. To join the S.T.A.R. team, visit magazine.manchester.edu.

By William A. Kallas ’12

“Alumni love telling their story about their Manchester experience (me, too) and cannot wait for these prospective students to create their own MC memories.”

– Brandi Schuman ’01 Chauncey, associate director of recruitment and S.T.A.R. coordinator

Above: Principal Mark Heiden ’01 with two fourth-graders on College T-shirt Day at Creekside Elementary School.
MANCHESTER'S COACHES DEVOTE an enormous amount of their time recruiting student-athletes for the College's 19 NCAA Division III sports. More than a third of the students in the incoming class next fall are Spartans, recruited primarily by the coaches.

Spartan coaches travel the Midwest, recruiting athletes who will succeed in the classroom and in their sports. Each has hundreds of students to meet. Wide Receiver Coach Jeremy Markham '96 is the Spartan head recruiter, and needs to fill the largest roster – almost 100 players. His football recruit list is 1,700 to 2,500 names thick.

“I came to Manchester to play football and I did my freshman year,” said former Spartan defensive back Ronnie Schweyer ’11, a chemistry major.

Business major Kelsie Fieler '14 thinks she found Manchester on her own. “I was on a visit to another school when I saw Manchester listed on the banners for the HCAC conference. When I got home I looked it up, applied, talked to the volleyball coach, researched the academic programs and here I am.” Actually, Coach Kendra Marlow already had her eye on Fieler.

Marlow traveled to Cincinnati “numerous times” to see Fieler play with her club team and they exchanged e-mails and phone calls. When Fieler visited campus for Scholarship Day, she roomed and ate with members of the volleyball team. She went home with a $64,000 four-year Trustee Scholarship for her academic prowess.

Coach Brian Cashdollar recruits for the cross-country teams, and found health and physical education major Megan Hammel '13 of Bristol, Ind. But like most Spartans, it’s not all about the sports.

“I came to Manchester because I liked that it was a small school,” said Hammel. She also heard about the College’s Triple Guarantee of financial aid, a diploma in four years and a job after graduation.

“I value being part of their lives for four years,” says Cashdollar, “watching them grow and hopefully instilling in them this most-valuable lesson: The amount of effort they put into their sports and academics has a direct influence on their potential for success.”

BY KATHRYN MILLER '12
“I was looking for a small institution to attend, one where I would be comfortable to speak up in class, and where the professors would be available to teach me both in and out of the classroom.”

– EPI SANCHEZ ’11, who was born in Mexico, learned about Manchester when an admissions counselor visited his high school in Hammond, Ind.

FEBRUARY 2011: More than 190 admitted students who attend Scholarship Day get a valuable opportunity to increase their academic award. Each has two 20-minute interviews with a current student and a faculty member (often in their major of interest). The interviews are casual, not a test, says Kim Reinoehl ’98, assistant director of admissions. “We just want to get to know them better, and learn about their strengths and goals.” It’s also an exhausting day for staff and faculty, who are trying to get a sense of each and every one of the students.

When the dust settles, more than 190 students receive almost $11.3 million in academic scholarships. For Kelsey Barta ’13, Scholarship Day was her first real college experience. “I was really nervous about my interview but throughout the day I met many other students and decided that Manchester is ultimately where I would end up.”

Barta spends the night on campus with members of the Spartan volleyball team. The next day she gets a warm welcome from President Jo Young ’69 Switzer, tours campus with a student ambassador, lunches with the volleyball team (she tried out the made-to-order stir-fry from the Mongolian grill), attends seminars on the Fast Forward (three-year degree program) and Honors programs and tours Garver Hall.

MARCH-APRIL 2011: The results of hours and hours of calculations and negotiating aid formulas,
students start receiving financial aid offers from the College. The window for calculating the aid has narrowed as Congress and Indiana legislators argue their budgets. Students who still haven’t selected their college arrive for Decision Days and overnight visits with current students. Counselors keep in close touch.

MAY-JULY 2011: By May 1, about 80 percent of the member of the Class of 2015 have deposited the required $250 toward the first year of tuition. (Tuition is about $25,000 plus $10,000 for room and board, although these costs are significantly reduced by MC academic scholarships, need-based federal and state aid, need-based MC discounts and non-MC scholarships.)

At New Student Summer Orientation in June, they meet with advisers and faculty in their declared majors, smile for their student ID, register for fall classes, sign up for housing and get important health services and academic support information. Housing assignments arrive in July. Students have a choice, prioritized by their original MC application dates.

AUGUST 27, 2011: Welcome to Manchester College! It’s Move-In Day for new students. Student Orientation Leaders and several athletic teams greet the stream of vehicles and help with the hauling. For the next four days, it’s all about welcoming Manchester’s newest students and preparing them for college-level study habits, finding their classrooms, healthy living, new life-long friends and a world of new experiences.

BY KATHRYN MILLER ’12
Not just another campus tour

Let me tell you about my new friends …

IN JULY 2010, A SUMMER CAMPUS JOB in the Admissions Office for Cassie Davis ’12 led to new international connections and experiences for the political science major and perhaps, new international students for Manchester College.

She will never forget when Hannah and Joachim Hornig and their children stopped by for a campus visit. With that 1½ hour tour, Cassie and the Hornigs embarked on what surely is a lifetime friendship.

This story actually begins in 1990, when Hannah, an education major from England, and Joachim, an international business and marketing major from Germany, met at Manchester through BCA Abroad. Far from home, the exchange students immediately were “adopted” by 1961 MC graduates Bob and Martha Mendenhall.

“Joachim and I had a very special friendship from the moment that we met,” Hannah recalls. The couple married in 1998 on the Isle of Wight with Manchester College friends at their sides. Today, they live near Cheltenham, England with their boys, Dominik, 11, and Oliver, 8. This past summer was special: Hannah was turning 40 and it was the 20th anniversary of their MC meeting. They visited friends (and the Mendenhalls) and wanted to inspire their sons to begin saving for a future BCA exchange to Manchester.

Here’s the twist: Cassie was working (and giving campus tours) to help finance her BCA studies in England that coming fall. As they walked about campus, they realized Cassie’s classes at the University of Gloucestershire would be close by. “I was so much more excited about my trip once I met Hannah and Joachim, just knowing that I had new friends there already,” Cassie says.

In England, the Hornigs and Cassie kept in contact. Cassie and communication studies major Sheridan Slagle ’12 (also a BCA student) even joined a Hornig family vacation to the Isle of Wight. The 3,800-mile friendship endures, just like the MC friendship between the Mendenhalls and the Hornigs. Who knows? Perhaps young Dominik and Oliver will extend the MC connections.

BY KATHRYN MILLER ’12
MARRIAGES

Joshua Brewster ’98 and Dr. Meenakshi Garg of Indianapolis, Oct. 23, 2010

Jeanna Riley ’98 and William Lengerich of Fort Wayne, Ind., Nov. 7, 2009

Jennifer Bell ’04 and Andy Hartman of Fort Wayne, Ind., Sept. 18, 2010

Zach Taylor ’06 and Lisa Rexing of Haubstadt, Ind., June 19, 2010

David Brown ’07 and Ashley Davis ’07 of Oak Park, Ill., Nov. 6, 2010

Matthew Goins ’07 and Angelina Bressler of Stroh, Ind., Sept. 18, 2010

Abby Harper ’07 and Jacob Maples of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, June 13, 2010

Larissa James ’07 and Steven Newman of Chicago, Oct. 16, 2010

Ashley Murphy ’08 and Nathan Stetzel ’09 of Lafayette, Ind., Nov. 10, 2010

David Moan ’09 and Sarah Hawkins of North Manchester, Oct. 2, 2010

Katie Hileman ’10 and Aaron Foster ’11 of Mishawaka, Ind., June 19, 2010

Tatum Hope, born Sept. 8, 2010, to Abby and Joel Stacey ’98 of Indianapolis

Joel Matthew, born Feb. 7, 2011, to Jamie Barker ’99 ’00ma and Michael ’99 ’00ma Riedeman of Indianapolis

Gracie Ruth, born June 12, 2010, to Matthew and Rachel Walter ’00 Montel of Auburn, Ind.

Hailey May, born Jan. 12, 2008, to Colin and Tammy Terman ’00 May of Valparaiso, Ind.

Noa Grace, born April 12, 2010, to Kelli Collinsworth ’01 and Jody ’03 Weldy of Indianapolis

Tatum Cruz, born Nov. 19, 2009, to Jamie and Jeremiah Adrian ’02x of West Lafayette, Ind.

William Joseph and Patrick Thomas, born Feb. 11, 2011, to William ’02 and Kelly Klee ’03 Alter of Franklin, Ohio


Logan Aaron, born March 11, 2010, to Aaron ’03 and Jennifer Stewart ’03 Roth of Fishers, Ind.

Alten Lee, born June 28, 2010, to Dan ’03 and Margo ’03 Royer-Miller of Trotwood, Ohio

Darren Zachary, born June 11, 2010, to Mary Swartzentuber ’03 and Michael ’04 Moore of Goshen, Ind.


Reagan Elizabeth, born April 8, 2011, to Austin and Holly McEathron ’06 Wireman of LaPorte, Ind.


DEATHS

Lois Ebey ’30 Thompson of North Manchester, March 16, 2011

Alumni News & Notes

Esther White ‘33x Boothe
of Frankfort, Ind., Dec. 29, 2010

* Mayno Zumbrum ‘33 Denlinger of Trotwood, Ohio, Feb. 16, 2011

Dora Hershberger ‘33n Giggy of Howe, Ind., March 5, 2011

Richard Jordan Sr. ‘33 of North Manchester, Jan. 13, 2011

Catherine Henry ‘33x Swift of Oxford, Ohio, Dec. 27, 2010

Dorothea Yoder ‘34n Kindy of Goshen, Ind., Nov. 18, 2010

* Lucile Buck ‘34 Kinsley of North Manchester, Dec. 29, 2010

Frances Fluke ‘34 Smith of Roanoke, Ind., Feb. 4, 2010

Leah Ebey ‘35 Brubaker of North Manchester, April 10, 2011

Ruth Lantis ‘35 Felts of Dixon, Ill., Nov. 1, 2010

Mary Schermerhorn ‘35n Stevens of Angola, Ind., Nov. 29, 2010

Pauline Hatfield ‘36n Brubaker of North Manchester, Oct. 14, 2010

Buthene Sharp ‘36 Haskell of Rensselaer, Ind., Oct. 26, 2010

Vernon R. Miller ‘36 of St. Petersburg, Fla., Jan. 25, 2010

* Evelyn White ‘37 Kiracofe of Sidney, Ohio, Jan. 14, 2011

John Lantis ‘37 of Orleans, Ind., Nov. 28, 2010


Eldon Studebaker ‘37x of New Carlisle, Ohio, Sept. 27, 2010

Elizabeth Simpson ‘38n Beck of Ligonier, Ind., June 29, 2010

Willodean Shoemaker ‘38n Cochern of Claypool, Ind., Aug. 25, 2010

Irene Leedy ‘38 March of Elkhart, Ind., March 31, 2010


Thelma Hendricks ‘38 White of Toledo, Ohio, Oct. 1, 2010

Fern Weaver ‘39x Yoder of Wakarusa, Ind., Dec. 11, 2010

PHILANTHROPY 101

Giving to “beloved college” has many benefits

ERNIE ‘50 AND CLEONA NEHER ‘49 BARR like knowing that their charitable gift annuities are investments in the bright futures of Manchester College students.

“We find it be a wise investment,” explains Ernie, a retired executive of Eli Lilly and Company. “As we give to our beloved College, we receive additional income as the years fly by.”

A charitable gift annuity is a simple agreement between you and Manchester College. In exchange for your charitable gift, the College agrees to pay you or your loved one a fixed annuity for life. Upon your death, Manchester College will use the remainder for the purpose you have designated.

Charitable gift annuities provide multiple tax benefits and unique strategies for long-term financial planning. More importantly, your generosity, like that of the Barrs, helps Manchester College students make a difference in the world.

Talk with a gift planner

Stephen S. Thomas, J.D.
Director of Gift & Estate Planning
260-982-5081 or 888-257-2586
ssthomas@manchester.edu

* AS A MEMBER OF THE OTHO WINGER SOCIETY, THIS DONOR INCLUDED THE COLLEGE IN AN ESTATE PLAN OR ESTABLISHED A DEFERRED GIFT WITH THE COLLEGE.
Profiles of Ability and Conviction

From BCA to DNA: Alumna scientist travels the world

IN 1979, MANCHESTER COLLEGE JUNIOR Beth Traxler ’80 spent the year in Strasbourg, France with BCA Study Abroad. And thus began a love affair with global travel that fully engaged her passion for microbiology.

Today, the acronyms in her life are DNA, ATP and ABC as she performs genetic and biochemical research on protein in the laboratories of the University of Washington in Seattle. Most recently, her lab is developing materials for nanotechnology. Her authority in DNA research carries her throughout the world as a highly respected lecturer and conference and seminar speaker.

Traxler’s education at Manchester College gave her a particular advantage over the traditional microbiologist. Fluent in French, Traxler impressed graduate school interviewers with her liberal arts and language scholarship.

She began her research of DNA as a Ph.D. student at Carnegie Mellon University, focusing on bacterial conjugation. Post-doctoral research on proteins took her to Harvard Medical School, and to mentor Dr. Jon Beckwith, who led research in 1969 that isolated the first gene from a bacterial chromosome.

“Beth is a great example of the type of things that happen with MC grads,” says her sister, MC Professor Janina Traxler ’73. “The small liberal arts college has given her so many opportunities.”

Today, Beth Traxler is an associate professor of microbiology for the University of Washington and lives with her family in Seattle. Her research and presentations worldwide fill her schedule to the brim.

By Kathryn Miller ’12

Share your news:
alumnioffice@manchester.edu 888–257–2586
EDGAR C. (ED) BUTTERBAUGH ’49
of North Manchester, a member of the Manchester College Board of Trustees for more than 20 years and interim president 1993 to 1994. The accounting major and CPA joined the Chicago office of Ernst & Ernst in 1951, opened their Tucson, Ariz., office in 1962, made partner in 1965 and retired in 1987. He was 83.
APRIL 12, 2011

Kazu Kumasaka ’48x of Seattle, Wash., Nov. 18, 2010
Howard Johnston ’49 of Clarksville, Tenn., Feb. 26, 2011
Merlin Shull ’49 of Bridgewater, Va., Sept. 22, 2010
William Baker ’50 of Wabash, Ind., March 31, 2011
Barbara Olinger ’50 Barnes of Fort Wayne, Ind., Sept. 1, 2010
Winona Swope ’50x Cameron of Hudson, Fla., Jan. 8, 2011
Merle Hoover ’50 of Bluffton, Ind., Nov. 8, 2010
Dolores Harms ’50x Royer of Coldwater, Mich., March 1, 2011
Thelma Speicher ’50x of Wabash, Ind., Dec. 15, 2010
Mary Nihart ’50x Wetzel of Bristol, Ind., Nov. 24, 2010
Ruth Layman ’51 Anderson of Ojai, Calif., Nov. 22, 2010
Richard D. Barnes ’51 of Fort Wayne, Ind., Nov. 27, 2010
Frank Algate ’52 of Goshen, Ind., Nov. 17, 2010
Dale Barnard ’52 of Philadelphia, Pa., June 6, 2010
Jane Burkholder ’52 Stine of Marietta, Ga., Feb. 12, 2011
Dorothy Cripe ’53 McCravy of Brownstown, Ind., March 23, 2011
Donald Lloyd ’54x of Leo, Ind., June 4, 2010
Wanda Sheets ’54 Miller of Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 31, 2010
Thomas Patty ’54 of West Bloomfield, Mich., Dec. 2, 2009
Dorothy Blickenstaff ’54
Warner Watson of North Manchester, Oct. 14, 2010
Dorothy Werkheiser ’54x of Garrett, Ind., Feb. 17, 2010
Nancy Shirky ’56
MacFarlane of Bedeque, Prince Edward Island, Canada, June 28, 2009
Kermit Eby Jr. ’57 of Mishawaka, Ind., Oct. 18, 2010
Walter Longenecker ’57x of West Chester, Penn., Jan. 1, 2009
Byron Swayer ’57 of Chicago, Oct. 31, 2010
Connections for Life

Jimmy Hammond ‘58x of Indianapolis, Feb. 5, 2011
Richard Shuck ‘60 of Galion, Ohio, Dec. 31, 2010
Sharon Craft ‘61 Miner of Phoenix, Ariz., Oct. 31, 2010
Lester Carvey ‘63 of Macy, Ind., Jan. 13, 2011
Barbara Alexander ‘63 Storey of Nederland, Tex., Sept. 14, 2009
Nils Eikenberry ‘65x of Greenville, Ohio, Sept. 6, 2010
Reginald Welch ‘65 of Decatur, Ind., Nov. 5, 2010
Martha Best ‘66 Myers of Ada, Ohio, March 8, 2011
Susan Lefforge ‘68 Hoch of Arcadia, Ind., Dec. 1, 2010
Paul Lutz ‘68 of Wabash, Ind., Oct. 8, 2010
Robert L. Miller ‘68 of Rochester, Ind., Jan. 29, 2011
Daniel Olson ‘69 of Tower Hill, Ill., Jan. 29, 2011
Richard Redding ‘70 of Bluffton, Ind., Feb. 24, 2011
Dan Hutton ‘72x of LaPorte, Ind., Jan. 11, 2011
William Klawitter ‘72 of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Sept. 22, 2010
Benny Reahard ‘72x of North Manchester, Oct. 12, 2010
Lana Chupp ‘73x Kauffman of Syracuse, Ind., April 1, 2011
Steven Auch ‘76 of Indianapolis, Feb. 1, 2011
Rhonda Berkey ‘77a Federonick of Elkhart, Ind., Dec. 10, 2010
Marcia Benjamin ‘78 of North Manchester, Nov. 24, 2010
Stuart Bridges ‘81 of Scottsdale, Ariz., Dec. 13, 2010
Joe Harvey ‘82 of Zionsville, Ind., Jan. 1, 2011
Duane Boots ‘83 of Clarksville, Ind., July 15, 2010
Timothy VanDerbosch ‘85 of Las Vegas, Nev., Oct. 20, 2010
Steven Schnell ‘87x of Elkhart, Ind., Dec. 4, 2010
Nicholas Winters ‘06x of LaPorte, Ind., Nov. 2, 2010
George Amaya ‘14x of Lake Station, Ind., Nov. 5, 2010

Friends of the College

* Howard S. Brembeck of Goshen, Ind., world leader in the manufacture of agriculture equipment, whose endowed scholarships also recognize his late wife Myra Bates ‘32 Brembeck, Dec. 5, 2010

* P. Louise Shively Daggett of North Manchester, longtime supporter of The Manchester Fund, Feb. 14, 2011
Max Kanagy of Ypsilanti, Mich., College supporter, especially to the Luther C. and Eunice Denlinger Keenen Scholarship Fund, Jan. 26, 2010

1950s

Liz Schantz ‘52 of Newark, Del., has received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Delaware State Council for Persons with Disabilities.

1960s

P. Graydon Reinoehl ‘63 of Paw Paw, Mich., has retired from his medical practice in Paw Paw.

Rich Bellman ‘66 of Chesterton, Ind., is regional sales manager for Mac Corporation, a waste handling equipment manufacturer based in Indianapolis.

Patrick Hodges ‘67 of Tipp City, Ohio received the Dale O’Connell Memorial Athletic Award of the Penn High School Alumni Association. Professor Hodges, author of a number of sport and conditioning textbooks, retired in 2003 from Sinclair Community College in Dayton, where he was chair of the Physical Education and Athletic Department.

James E. Miller ‘67 of Bridgewater, Va., retires this spring as district executive minister for the Church of the Brethren’s Shenandoah District. His service, with his wife, Mary, includes the East Africa Yearly Meeting of Friends in Kenya, Mennonite Central Committee in Brazil and with the Northern Plains District.

X: attended, did not graduate  N: normal education  A: associate’s degree  M: master’s in education  MA: master of accountancy
Alumni News & Notes

Harold Chapman ’68 of Houston, Texas has retired after 42 years of teaching in Vietnam, Indiana and Texas (34 years), including teaching and tutoring in math for Lonestar College and Houston Community College.

Kay Browning ’68 Sponseller of Pierceton, Ind., has retired as chair of the English Department and 41 years of teaching at Manchester High School, 20 years concurrently as an adjunct English teacher for Manchester College (1978-1998).

Judy Minnich ’68 Stout of San Diego, Calif., has retired from teaching high school French and German to teach English as a Peace Corps volunteer in Chongqing, China. To follow her blog of her experiences, visit http://fraumadame2003.blogspot.com/2011/03/10/imagine-all-the-people.

Carol J. Smith ’70, formerly of South Bend, Ind., teaches math at the Ekklesiayar Yan’uwa a Nigeria (EYN) Comprehensive Secondary School in Mubi, Nigeria. Founded by the Church of the Brethren, the school also serves other Christian denominations. Her math teaching experience includes nine years in Nigerian schools and universities and more than 30 years in the United States.

Charles Wagner ’70 of Peru, Ind., is serving a four-year term on the Peru Community Schools Board of Education. He also serves on the Peru Housing Authority Board and Park Board and is director of Peru Public Library.

Marilynn Dray ’70 Wagner of Peru, Ind., retired in June 2010 after 39 years in art education, primarily for Peru Community Schools. She taught at the elementary, middle school and senior high levels.

Joe A. Detrick ’71 of Seven Valleys, Pa., will retire Sept. 30 as district executive minister of the Southern Pennsylvania District of the Church of the Brethren, a position he has held since 1998. Rev. Detrick has served as pastor of congregations in Shandoah, South Central Indiana and Southern Pennsylvania districts and with Brethren Volunteer Service.

Dean Genth ’71 of Mason City, Iowa received The Courageous 6 award from One Iowa for publicly sharing his life to help LGBT Iowans.

Barbara Fellers ’71 Hunt of Oak Park, Ill., is chief of volunteer service at the Edward Hines Jr. VA Hospital for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in Hines, Ill.


1970s

Sue Wells ’70 Livers of Madison, Ind., was the subject of a Page One feature in The Courier-Journal (Louisville, Ky.) about meeting and lunching with Martin Luther King Jr. at Manchester College in 1968. Livers is foundation director for King’s Daughters’ Hospital and is very involved in her community, serving on boards, as a trustee of Ivy Tech Community College, and in preserving and highlighting African American history, particularly the Underground Railroad, in Madison County, Ind.
Jim Colon ’74 of St. Charles, Ill., received an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Martin University of Indianapolis for exemplary leadership. He is vice president of Toyota product communications for Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc.

Connie Hicks ’74 Pipher of Wolcottville, Ind., with 34 years of introducing poetry, literature and wordsmithing to middle-schoolers, is the 2011 Warren K. and Helen J. Garner Alumni Teacher of the Year for Manchester College. She teaches in West Noble Middle School in Ligonier. Read more at magazine.manchester.edu.

Anita Weaver ’79 Sherman of Indianapolis is managing partner of Greenwalt, effective January 2011. She was featured in the First Quarter 2011 issue of Indiana Minority Business Magazine as a Hoosier woman who is breaking barriers in her field.

Stan Noffsinger ’76 of South Elgin, Ill., joined other Christian leaders in a Nov. 1, 2010, meeting with President Obama at the White House in celebration of 100 years of ecumenism in the United States. Noffsinger is general secretary of the Church of the Brethren. Read more at magazine.manchester.edu.

David Smalley ’79 of Topeka, Kan., is pastor of the Topeka Church of the Brethren (aka Rochester Community).

Jean Harrison ’79 Smith of LaBelle, Fla., is a staffing specialist for exceptional student education and alternate assessment coordinator for Hendry County Schools in LaBelle.


John Schroeder ’80 of Tustin, Calif., is group vice president of human resources and labor relations for The Kroger Company’s 446 supermarkets in California and Las Vegas, Nev., including Ralphs grocery and Food 4 Less. He has worked his way up the Kroger ladder, beginning as a management trainee.

Brian Steele ’81 of Fort Wayne, Ind., is CFO for Safety-Wear Inc., a division of Sullivan-Brough Inc. based in Fort Wayne.
Serving the community is the best job

“WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER we can get so much done,” said Chris Garber ’77, when surprised with the 2008 Citizen of the Year Award of the North Manchester Chamber of Commerce.

Garber is a role model for total immersion in community service. He multi-tasks responsibilities as president of the North Manchester Town Council, leadership of fundraising and construction of a $4.7 million community aquatic and fitness center and as College associate vice president for financial affairs and director of operations. He strives to improve North Manchester and ensure Manchester College is a great neighbor and collaborator.

In addition to roles for the Town Council and the College, Garber’s leadership resume includes the North Manchester Parks and Recreation Board, Chamber of Commerce, Community Foundation of Wabash County, North Manchester Rotary and as town manager. A constant of the Manchester Church of the Brethren, Garber has led and served on numerous commissions.

Garber credits his strong roots in the North Manchester community. “I love this place!” he exclaimed to the highly appreciative crowd celebrating its Citizen of the Year. His dad, the late Jim Garber ’50, with the support of his mom, Anne Winger ’50 Garber, also was a College and community leader. His wife, Kathy Young ’79 Garber, who teaches third grade for Pierceton Elementary School, and their children, Josh ’11 and Joel ’07, continue the family Manchester College legacy.

BY WILLIAM A. KALLAS ’12
Lawyer: ‘Manchester College fulfilling its mission’

“WORK HARD, STAY FOCUSED and surround yourself with good people,” is the career advice of Lisa Updike ’03, one of the 2010 “40 under 40” of Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly, which recognizes young professionals who excel in their careers.

A career in a law office was far from Updike’s plans when she entered Indiana University School of Law at Indianapolis after receiving her MC degree in finance, magna cum laude. But the logic of it all struck her when she served as a summer associate for Barnes & Thornburg during her law studies.

Today, Updike is an associate attorney with the Fort Wayne offices of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, one of the 100 largest law firms in the United States. Her goal: to become a partner at the firm, with her own list of clients to bring in her own case work to the law firm.

“Lisa is a perfect example of Manchester College fulfilling its mission,” says Randy Brown ’87, partner with Barnes & Thornburg in Fort Wayne. “Though still early in her legal career, Lisa is dedicated both to leading a productive career in the law and to improving the community in which she lives.”

Updike serves on the Downtown Development Committee of the Fort Wayne-Allen County Economic Development Alliance, is vice president of the 650-member Young Leaders of Northeast Indiana, and a member of the President’s Leadership Council of Manchester College.

BY WILLIAM A. KALLAS ’12

^Diana “Susie” Hill ’89 of Knoxville, Tenn., is director of technology for the Center for Executive Education in the College of Business Administration at The University of Tennessee.

1990s

Samantha Bradfield ’94 Hickman of Brookville, Ind., is a counselor for Hagerstown Junior-Senior High School. She earned a master’s degree in community and mental health counseling from Indiana University, Bloomington in 2003 and a master’s in school counseling from Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis in 2009.

Kelly Henderson ’95 Blank of Lowell, Ind., is a licensed health and physical education teacher for East Chicago Central High School and an assistant athletic trainer for Lowell High School.
Melissa Bennett ’97 of Fort Wayne, Ind., is participating in the Wabash Pastoral Leadership Program, a two-year program for Indiana pastors at Wabash College sponsored by Lilly Endowment Inc. for leadership development and pastoral reflection. Bennett is pastor for youth at Beacon Heights Church of the Brethren in Fort Wayne and serves on the Committee on Interchurch Relations for the Church of the Brethren.

Anita Brainard ’97 Gloyeski of North Manchester has opened law offices in Warsaw and Fort Wayne, focusing solely on federal bankruptcy law.

Joshua Brewster ’98 of Indianapolis is deputy director of the Indiana Civil Rights Commission.

Josh Schnepf ’99 of Beaverton, Mich., is working through Brethren Volunteer Service, with Brethren Disaster Ministries in New Windsor, Md.

2000s

Brian Hartz ’00 of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada is editor of Douglas, a business magazine serving greater Victoria. He joined Page One Publishing Inc., publisher of Douglas, as associate editor in September 2010. He holds a master’s degree in journalism from Indiana University and is former editor of the Canadian trade magazine Bakers Journal.

Randa Jamal ’00, formerly of Brooklyn, N.Y., is a public information officer and spokesperson for the United Nations Assistance Mission, based in Baghdad, Iraq. She also has worked for the Jerusalem Media Communication Center in Jerusalem and the United Nations Development Programme’s Regional Bureau for Arab States in the United Nations. She has a master’s degree in international affairs from Columbia University.

Tammy Terman ’00 May of Valparaiso, Ind., teaches seventh-grade mathematics and is mathematics curriculum coordinator for Hobart City Schools. She earned a master’s degree in curriculum, instruction, and technology at Nova Southeastern University in August 2008.

Christina Beyer ’01 of Granger, Ind., is orchestra director for the City of Mishawaka.

Brandi Schuman ’01 Chauncey of Winona Lake, Ind., is associate director for recruitment for Manchester College, working with students from St. Joe, Elkhart, LaGrange and Steuben counties in Indiana and all of Michigan. She previously has worked for St. Ambrose University, Albion College and IPFW.

Dr. William Alter ’02 of Franklin, Ohio completed his residency training at Grandview Medical Center in Dayton and has joined Generations Obstetrics & Gynecology. He received his medical degree in 2006 from Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine.

Elizabeth “Liz” Geisewite ’02 of Brooklyn, N.Y., is director of Career Pathways, a non-profit adult education tutoring and GED preparation program for residents of Bushwick and Bedford-Stuyvesant in Brooklyn. She also is a member of several NYC music ensembles, including Accord Treble Choir.

Mary Swartzentruber ’03 Moore of Goshen, Ind., is an analytical chemist for KIK Custom Products, whose product lines include laundry, household cleaners, and over-the-counter medicated, pharmaceutical, health and beauty care.

Amanda ’03 Myers-Walls of Astoria, N.Y., is an assistant to financier George Soros of Soros Fund Management in New York.

Erica Sweitzer-Beckman ’03 of Middleton, Wis., is with Legal Action of Wisconsin. She graduated in December 2010 from University of Wisconsin Law School.

^Ryan Hedstrom ’00 of North Manchester received the 2010 Young Professional Award of the Indiana Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance, for teaching, scholarship and service to his profession. Hedstrom is an assistant professor of exercise and sport sciences for Manchester College.
Greg Hetrick ’05 of Columbia City, Ind., is director of student services for Manchester’s new School of Pharmacy in Fort Wayne. He previously was associate director for recruitment for the College.

Rachel Lewis ’05 Richey of Logansport, Ind., is a dental hygienist with Logansport Family Dentistry. She received an associate’s degree in dental hygiene in May 2010 from Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne.

Ashley Davis ’07 Brown of Oak Park, Ill., is an independent attorney on the transaction team of the legal department for OfficeMax, headquartered in Naperville, Ill. The graduate of DePaul University College of Law passed the bar exam in November 2010.

Larissa James ’07 Newman of Chicago is senior human resources specialist for Blue Chip Casino, Hotel and Spa in Michigan City, Ind.

Amanda Russell ’07 of Chicago, is program manager for the non-profit North Side Housing & Supportive Services, serving Chicago men who are homeless or formerly homeless. A Licensed Social Worker (LSW) and Illinois Certified Domestic Violence Professional, she has a MSW from Loyola University, Chicago. She formerly was program director for Sarah’s Circle, serving homeless women.

Sarah Hall ’08 of Roaring Spring, Pa., is with Brethren Volunteer Service, in peace education for Iglesia Bautista Emmanuel in San Salvador, El Salvador.

Leticia “Tish” Bitner ’08 Kalita of North Manchester is assistant director for internships for the Manchester College Office of Career Services. She is former residence life director of East Hall for the College.

Tim Polakowski ’08 of Toledo, Ohio is the University of Michigan “Social Work Student of the Year” of the National Association of Social Workers. He received his master’s degree in social work from the University of Michigan School of Social Work this spring.

Amanda Ladig ’08 Scheerer of Fort Wayne is a distance education specialist and Blackboard administrator for Indiana Tech.

Ashley Murphy ’08 Stetzel of Lafayette, Ind., a certified athletic trainer, is with Lafayette Rehabilitation Services, specializing in orthotic fitting. She also is assistant athletic trainer for McCutcheon High School.

Karen Ames ’09 of Union Mills, Ind., will study in the Philippines this summer on a Fulbright-Hays fellowship. She is studying for a master’s degree in East Southeast Asian studies at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Brittney Gick ’09 of Fowler, Ind., is lab manager for the Indiana Department of Transportation Division of Research in West Lafayette.

Utsav Hanspal ’09 of New Delhi, India is in the Class of 2013 at Ross University School of Medicine in the Commonwealth of Dominica, West Indies.

Stacy Musselman ’09 of North Manchester is a CPA for LTS CPA Group LLC in Fort Wayne.
Students forever:

Travel abroad with the president

Lifelong learning and Manchester College alumni are the perfect ensemble for a 2012 early summer cruise in Scandinavia and Russia hosted by President Jo Young ’69 Switzer and Dave Switzer.

Experience other cultures, history, art, architecture and great conversations with other Manchester alumni and friends on the 13-day tour of ports on the Baltic Sea. On the route: storybook castles in Copenhagen and Estonia, the Peter and Paul Fortress in St. Petersburg, the Hermitage, the ultra-modern architecture of Helsinki and the 17th century canals of Stockholm. An optional trip to Berlin is on the agenda.

Travelers will spend nine nights aboard the Norwegian Sun cruise ship. The Nawas Travel adventure includes round-trip airfare from New York, the cruise ship, all meals aboard ship, two nights in a first-class Copenhagen hotel, port charges and all airport/hotel/pier transfers.

Click on the Alumni tab on the Manchester College home page at www.manchester.edu for upcoming details about the June 16, 2012 Scandinavia and St. Petersburg Cruise.
Connections for Life

Nathan Stetzel ’09 of Lafayette, Ind., is a graduate student research assistant for the Botany and Plant Pathology Department of the Purdue University Crop Diagnostic Training and Research Center.

Tiffany Berkebile ’10 of Walkerton, Ind., is a graduate teaching assistant at West Virginia University, where she will receive a master’s degree in communication studies this summer.

John Fagan ’10 of Indianapolis is a gymnastics coach for Jireh Sports, mentoring Indianapolis inner-city kids. He also hopes to add rock-climbing to the program.

Benjamin Harvey ’10 of Richmond, Ind., is studying for a master of arts degree at Bethany Theological Seminary.

Nate Hodges ’10 of Crawfordsville, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in communication at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

^Carol Fike ’10 of Pearl City, Ill., is serving with the Church of the Brethren’s Youth and Young Adult Ministries in Elgin through an assignment with BVS, Brethren Volunteer Service.

^Cassandra Franks ’10 of Brownsburg, Ind., has joined Greenwalt CPAs as staff in the Audit and Other Assurance Services Group.

^Mike Nicolazzo ’10 of Warminster, Pa., is serving with Brethren Volunteer Service in Coleraine, Northern Ireland at Kilcranny House, a rural, residential peace and reconciliation center.

Benjamin Harvey ’10 of Richmond, Ind., is studying for a master of arts degree at Bethany Theological Seminary.

Nate Hodges ’10 of Crawfordsville, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in communication at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

^Carol Fike ’10 of Pearl City, Ill., is serving with the Church of the Brethren’s Youth and Young Adult Ministries in Elgin through an assignment with BVS, Brethren Volunteer Service.

^Cassandra Franks ’10 of Brownsburg, Ind., has joined Greenwalt CPAs as staff in the Audit and Other Assurance Services Group.

Brandt Patz ’10 of North Manchester is assistant director of The Manchester Fund for Manchester College. He formerly was a financial processor for Lincoln Financial.

Tiffany Berkebile ’10 of Walkerton, Ind., is a graduate teaching assistant at West Virginia University, where she will receive a master’s degree in communication studies this summer.

John Fagan ’10 of Indianapolis is a gymnastics coach for Jireh Sports, mentoring Indianapolis inner-city kids. He also hopes to add rock-climbing to the program.

Benjamin Harvey ’10 of Richmond, Ind., is studying for a master of arts degree at Bethany Theological Seminary.

Nate Hodges ’10 of Crawfordsville, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in communication at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

^Carol Fike ’10 of Pearl City, Ill., is serving with the Church of the Brethren’s Youth and Young Adult Ministries in Elgin through an assignment with BVS, Brethren Volunteer Service.

^Cassandra Franks ’10 of Brownsburg, Ind., has joined Greenwalt CPAs as staff in the Audit and Other Assurance Services Group.

Benjamin Harvey ’10 of Richmond, Ind., is studying for a master of arts degree at Bethany Theological Seminary.

Nate Hodges ’10 of Crawfordsville, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in communication at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

^Carol Fike ’10 of Pearl City, Ill., is serving with the Church of the Brethren’s Youth and Young Adult Ministries in Elgin through an assignment with BVS, Brethren Volunteer Service.

^Cassandra Franks ’10 of Brownsburg, Ind., has joined Greenwalt CPAs as staff in the Audit and Other Assurance Services Group.

^Mike Nicolazzo ’10 of Warminster, Pa., is serving with Brethren Volunteer Service in Coleraine, Northern Ireland at Kilcranny House, a rural, residential peace and reconciliation center.

Brandt Patz ’10 of North Manchester is assistant director of The Manchester Fund for Manchester College. He formerly was a financial processor for Lincoln Financial.

Tiffany Berkebile ’10 of Walkerton, Ind., is a graduate teaching assistant at West Virginia University, where she will receive a master’s degree in communication studies this summer.

John Fagan ’10 of Indianapolis is a gymnastics coach for Jireh Sports, mentoring Indianapolis inner-city kids. He also hopes to add rock-climbing to the program.

Benjamin Harvey ’10 of Richmond, Ind., is studying for a master of arts degree at Bethany Theological Seminary.

Nate Hodges ’10 of Crawfordsville, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in communication at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

^Carol Fike ’10 of Pearl City, Ill., is serving with the Church of the Brethren’s Youth and Young Adult Ministries in Elgin through an assignment with BVS, Brethren Volunteer Service.

^Cassandra Franks ’10 of Brownsburg, Ind., has joined Greenwalt CPAs as staff in the Audit and Other Assurance Services Group.

Benjamin Harvey ’10 of Richmond, Ind., is studying for a master of arts degree at Bethany Theological Seminary.

Nate Hodges ’10 of Crawfordsville, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in communication at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

^Carol Fike ’10 of Pearl City, Ill., is serving with the Church of the Brethren’s Youth and Young Adult Ministries in Elgin through an assignment with BVS, Brethren Volunteer Service.

^Cassandra Franks ’10 of Brownsburg, Ind., has joined Greenwalt CPAs as staff in the Audit and Other Assurance Services Group.

^Mike Nicolazzo ’10 of Warminster, Pa., is serving with Brethren Volunteer Service in Coleraine, Northern Ireland at Kilcranny House, a rural, residential peace and reconciliation center.

Brandt Patz ’10 of North Manchester is assistant director of The Manchester Fund for Manchester College. He formerly was a financial processor for Lincoln Financial.

Benjamin Harvey ’10 of Richmond, Ind., is studying for a master of arts degree at Bethany Theological Seminary.

Nate Hodges ’10 of Crawfordsville, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in communication at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

^Carol Fike ’10 of Pearl City, Ill., is serving with the Church of the Brethren’s Youth and Young Adult Ministries in Elgin through an assignment with BVS, Brethren Volunteer Service.

^Cassandra Franks ’10 of Brownsburg, Ind., has joined Greenwalt CPAs as staff in the Audit and Other Assurance Services Group.

Benjamin Harvey ’10 of Richmond, Ind., is studying for a master of arts degree at Bethany Theological Seminary.

Nate Hodges ’10 of Crawfordsville, Ind., is pursuing a master’s degree in communication at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

^Carol Fike ’10 of Pearl City, Ill., is serving with the Church of the Brethren’s Youth and Young Adult Ministries in Elgin through an assignment with BVS, Brethren Volunteer Service.

^Cassandra Franks ’10 of Brownsburg, Ind., has joined Greenwalt CPAs as staff in the Audit and Other Assurance Services Group.
Manchester’s first black students found success in medicine, ministry

Manchester’s first African-American students were siblings Joseph and Mattie Cunningham of Howard County, Ind., descendants of black missionaries, slaves, and Brethren parents. In 1900, Joseph entered the Preparatory School; Mattie the three-year course in the Bible Department, befriended by then-student Otho Winger 1902x, who helped ease their acceptance.

**Joseph Cunningham 1903** joined the Lincoln Society, played center on the basketball team and managed the baseball team. He went to medical school and became a physician for the Chicago Board of Health.

**Mattie Cunningham 1903 Dolby** worked long hours in the College kitchen yet made time for chorus and the Bible Society. She was the Church of the Brethren’s first black female minister. She ministered to the Brethren until she and her husband Newton Dolby encountered prejudice in Ohio and were invited to worship elsewhere. For 20 years, until her death in 1956, Mattie served as the first resident minister of a Church of God congregation, beloved by blacks and whites alike for her guidance and inspiration.

Read more about the Cunninghams at magazine.manchester.edu.
Nicholas Kenny ’11 performed with the prestigious Small College Intercollegiate Band this spring in Seattle. After earning a master’s degree in trumpet performance, Kenny plans to teach college musicians and compose his own music.