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PITTSBURGH PATHWAYS BRINGS INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS TO CHATHAM

Pittsburgh Pathways is a new program that teaches non-native speaking students English, while allowing them to earn up to 36 undergraduate credits towards a degree at Chatham or another university. Students enroll for two or three terms, depending on their language level, and receive a combination of English as a Second Language (ESL) and undergraduate academic courses.

CHATHAM PURSUES SUSTAINABLE DIVESTMENT

In line with Chatham's commitment to sustainability, the investment committee of the Board of Trustees recently voted to approve two new opportunities that are specifically aimed at excluding fossil fuels and supporting sustainable energy. At the end of this year, the university will replace a hedge fund with a private equity fund focused exclusively on supporting wind power.



CHATHAM PROFESSOR JEAN-JACQUES SENE AWARDED FELLOWSHIP

Associate Professor of History, Cultural Studies, Conflict Studies, and Global Focus coordinator Dr. Jean-Jacques Sene was awarded a fellowship by the Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program to travel to South Africa to work with Sol Plaatje University in South Africa and Dr. Jesmael Mataga on curriculum development to insert the conflict studies discipline in the curricular offerings of Sol Plaatje University, and to train a first cohort of 18-20 students in the fundamentals of the field "Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies."

NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ATHLETIC TRAINING INTEGRATED DEGREE PROGRAM

Chatham University has launched a Master of Science in Athletic Training (3+2 program), allowing students to earn both a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science and Master of Science in Athletic Training at the end of five years of study. Applications for fall 2017 enrollment are now being accepted.





1. CALLIE CROSSLEY RECEIVES BARBARA STONE HOLLANDER '60 AWARD FOR WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP

Chatham has announced that Callie Crossley is the recipient of the 2017 Barbara Stone Hollander '60 Award for Women's Leadership, presented by the Women's Institute at Chatham University. Ms. Crossley gave a presentation entitled "Unreality Check: Journalism in the Era of Fake News" on Wednesday, April 5, in Eddy Theater. Ms. Crossley is a radio host and frequent commentator whose work has appeared in the New York Times, Politico, The Washington Post, NECN's Broadside, CNN's Reliable Sources, On the Media, the PBS NewsHour, and PRI's The Takeaway. She produced Eyes on the Prize: America's Civil Rights Years, earning her an Oscar nomination and an Emmy Award.

2. NEWEST RESIDENTS RESETTLED AT EDEN HALL CAMPUS

On February 14, over 20 people—including reporters from KDKA and the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*—were on hand to greet the newcomers: 500 rainbow trout, nonnative to Pennsylvania, here to be permanently resettled in their new homes: three fiberglass tanks, each standing about five feet tall and containing 500 gallons, in Chatham's aquaculture laboratory. The fish will be used for research helmed by the Falk School of Sustainability & Environment faculty and students, and, eventually, lunch or dinner.

3. INTERNATIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION SUMMIT

Chatham hosted the International Higher Education Summit on Tuesday, April 18 at its Shadyside Campus. The event featured panels and discussions featuring 11 presidents and senior academic leaders from universities in Canada, Pittsburgh and Europe along with representatives from Google and the City of Pittsburgh. Keynote speaker Professor Justine Cassell from Carnegie Mellon University gave a talk entitled "The Future of Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Work: Implications for Higher Education."







ill 2017 be the next Year of the Woman? If Chatham alumnae have anything to do with it, the answer is a resounding yes! Ashleigh Deemer '05 and Marita Garrett, MAP '15 are two of our alumnae running for public office in 2017. We're delighted to profile them here.

Chatham alumnae have not been the only ones spurred to seek public office. Here at the Pennsylvania Center for Women and Politics (PCWP) at Chatham University, we have seen class sizes dramatically increase for the Ready to Run Campaign Trainings for Women. The 2016 presidential election has galvanized hundreds of women. Democratic women are energized to fight back at a new level. Republican women are thrilled by the surprise upset by their candidate and feel newly encouraged.

This energy is greatly needed. Eighty-one percent of Pennsylvania's General Assembly is male, making us 41st in the nation with regard to percentage of women in the state legislature. We have yet to elect a woman U.S. senator or governor. Of the 20 members of our congressional delegation, zero are currently women. To say that we have a long way to go to parity is putting it lightly.

We know from research that women make a difference in what gets onto the public policy agenda and who gets heard in the halls of government. Women have authored and been responsible for passing legislation including Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act (creating the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission), Equal Credit Act, and the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act (2009).

The PCWP aims to empower and educate women for public leadership through our programs and research. Our goal is to increase women's representation in Pennsylvania's governing bodies. As we often say, "Don't get mad. Get [women] elected!" And when we do, we will have not only a "Year of the Woman," but also a "Year of Change." We are proud and excited to have so many alumni who are willing to be a part of the change they wish to see in this world.

By Dana Brown, Ph.D.

Executive Director, PCWP

Assistant Professor of Political Science

To learn more about the educational and training opportunities offered by the Pennsylvania Center for Women and Politics, please visit **pcwp.org**.

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DANA BROWN, PH.D.



Ashleigh Deemer is South Pittsburgh Strong

By Cara Gillotti ◀·····

he Deem Team's headquarters are filled with light. It's a large space on Brookline Avenue, between a Lebanese bakery and an Italian one. There are doughnuts on the counter. The space is encircled by blue and yellow yard signs reading Ashleigh Deemer / Democrat for City Council / SOUTH PITTSBURGH STRONG.

And believe it or not, some of the work Deemer has already done for the neighborhoods she hopes to represent is visible right there.

"We've had to do a lot of work to rebrand our neighborhoods as 'South Pittsburgh'," Deemer says. "No one was calling it that before. A lot of people think we're just South Hills suburbs. We have to make sure people know we're part of the city, and fight for our share of city resources."

By "we," Deemer means the City of Pittsburgh's District 4—Beechview, Bon Air, Brookline, Overbrook, Carrick, and a little of Mount Washington. The district is currently represented by Councilwoman Natalia Rudiak, for whom Deemer has served as Chief of Staff for the past five years. Rudiak is not seeking re-election, and Deemer hopes to take up the mantle.

Deemer, 34, grew up in Cranberry, PA in the midst of its building boom. "It was a lot of farms when I was younger; a lot of destruction of habitat" she says. She came to Chatham as an undergraduate, studying environmental studies, policy and advocacy, and botany, and participating in work-study experiences with the Rachel Carson Institute. Her senior thesis was an early look at the environmental and sustainable practices of area universities.

"Chatham was where I started thinking more about the health impacts of big industry and air pollution," she says. "It's really a justice issue, because poor people are most impacted."

After college, Deemer moved to New York, and began canvassing door-to-door for the Fund for Public Interest Research. "It was about coal emissions," she recalls. "I found that I kept talking about how great Pittsburgh was, so I said you know what, I like Pittsburgh better, and moved back."

She spent two years as an organizer with Clean Water Action, then became Assistant to the National Campaign Director for the Clean Air Task Force, where she worked with Pittsburgh City Councilman Dan Gilman on legislation to limit pollution from big diesel emitters, like school buses. "Advocating for the details that made the bill effective inspired me," Deemer says.



ASHLEIGH DEEMER

The grant that funded her position with the Clean Air Task Force ran out, and Deemer was taking time off to think about what she'd like to do next when she got a call from Councilwoman Rudiak's Chief of Staff, John Fournier. "He said that they needed a constituents' services manager, and that I had been recommended to them by Dan Gilman. I interviewed a couple of times, submitted some writing samples, and got the job."

"That was a crash course in how the City works," Deemer grins. Residents called about everything from vacant properties to the height of their neighbor's grass. When after a year, Fournier took another opportunity, Deemer was promoted to Chief of Staff. Today she lives in Beechview with her husband Chris and her son Axel. "We were up for a change of pace and some more yard," she laughs.

WORKING FOR THE DISTRICT

Deemer approximates that District 4 has about 34,000 people of voting age, and says that it faces a scope of concerns. "Howard Hanna was just on television calling Brookline one of the hottest local real estate markets," says Deemer. "That's good for people who feel like they have equity in their homes, but it means we need to think about affordability and making sure it's still accessible to everyone. Then Carrick, another of our districts, has a different set of problems, like blight. People who might have inherited a house and do not know what to do with it, or absentee landlords. Blight encourages petty crimes, and sometimes violence."

"Pittsburgh is getting back on its feet financially, but there's still a lot to do. We need to be strategic," says Deemer. As an example, she names a topic that's surely close to the heart of every former constituent services manager in Western Pennsylvania: road repair.

According to Deemer, our climate requires that we repave roads every ten years. "That means that we need to repave 86 miles per year. For a dozen or so years, we weren't coming close to that, so now we need to catch up. If you look at the paving list today, it's





about the same number of miles per district across the City. We're evaluating street conditions in a regimented, quantitative way, as opposed to the squeaky-wheel-gets-the-grease kind of way."

Another initiative of which Deemer is particularly proud is the community meetings that she and Rudiak started, at which people can make their priorities known. "Last summer, a big issue was a park in Brookline. People noticed that paint was chipping and that things weren't looking so great. So we said 'Thank you for letting us know that your priority is to fix this park; we'll make sure to get money in the budget next year to address this.' And in the meantime, we organized a volunteer day. We got paint from public works, and had about 50 volunteers from the neighborhood out scraping railings and painting. It looks a lot better, now!"

"That's the most interesting stuff to me, when we can turn around contentious issues in ways that build community and bring people together."

The primaries are on May 16. They're a big deal in Pennsylvania, because voter registration is so overwhelmingly Democrat. "I thought I'd have to fight to not be 'the establishment candidate' since I work for Council and I was picked by my boss," says Deemer. "But one of the three people also running"—Anthony Coghill—"is chair of the 19th Ward Democratic Committee and has been endorsed by (Allegheny County Executive) Rich Fitzgerald and (Pittsburgh City Controller) Michael Lamb. It's like I've become the underdog, in a weird way." Deemer is the only woman candidate. If elected, she will become councilwoman on January 18, 2018.

Note: On May 16, Deemer did not win the primary. Below is from the Ashleigh Deemer For City Council Facebook Page:

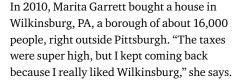
"While we were not successful at the polls today, we started a movement and a conversation about the future of our city I look forward to continuing. We have so much more work to do, and while we will rest tomorrow, we will be back to work soon. Thank you for everything."



Full Force: Marita Garrett Runs for Mayor

By Cara Gillotti

PT. 1: "THIS HAS TO CHANGE."



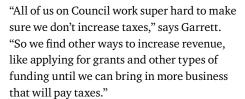
Three years later, despite the highest school taxes in Allegheny County (and the secondhighest in the state), the Department of Education put the Wilkinsburg school district on the financial watch list. Residents, including Garrett, took note.

Her first thought was to help another candidate. "There were four seats open on Borough Council," she says. "I thought maybe I'd pass out flyers or host an event. But the second time I went to an interest meeting, I asked who was running for our ward, and saw eyes looking at me."

"I started going door to door, and realizing no information was getting to our residents. They didn't even know Wilkinsburg was its own municipality; they thought it was part of the City of Pittsburgh. I thought now wait a minute, I need to stay in this full force, because this has to change."

She was elected to Council in the fall of 2013, and began her term in January 2014.

PT. 2: CHANGING IT



In September 2014, Garrett launched a series of quarterly community conversations. Topics have spanned constitutional rights; blight; educational opportunities for youth; the role of the church in the community; and arts, community and culture. She sometimes brings in speakers. In 2015, she co-founded Free Store Wilkinsburg, a nonprofit that redistributes new and lightly used goods at no cost to community members to bridge times of financial stress and emergency. Garrett is also co-creator of a podcast called Shattered Glass, stories of women breaking through the glass ceiling.

"I've had people tell me I knock on their doors too much, because I would pass out flyers for the community conversations, and people were like 'I just saw you here!' So we started mailing them out," she laughs.



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MARITA GARRETT, MAP '15





After earning an undergraduate degree in psychology from the University of Pittsburgh, Marita Garrett began working there as an outreach coordinator for Alzheimer's research. She soon realized that she enjoyed engaging with people and giving them information. She began a Master of Public Health program at Pitt, but recognized that academic research was not her thing. In fall 2013, she enrolled in Chatham's Master of Science in Counseling Psychology program.

"Coming from Pitt, I liked the intimacy," she says. "Dr. Gina Zanardelli was my advisor, and I still keep in touch with her. On my first day of orientation, I saw the Pennsylvania Center for Women and Politics table and said, 'I was just elected to Wilkinsburg council!' They were like, 'You have to come to our office!' and I was like, 'Yes!' It's been a great relationship. I was on a PCWP panel my first semester, talking about the importance of local elections. Dr. Dana Brown and Dr. Jennie Sweet-Cushman have been really, really helpful to me."

"I soon realized that I didn't have the patience to be a counselor," Garrett laughs. "In January, Council meetings started, and I realized that I liked it, and that it's what I was good at." She transferred into the Master of Arts in Psychology program. "It made me a good listener, and good at figuring out where people are coming from. That's come in more than handy in Council, when nine people all want the best thing for the community but have different ideas of what that looks like."



PT. 3: "I'M GOING TO DO THIS."

Why did Garrett decide to run for mayor?

"People think the President runs the world," she says, "but it's the Senate and the House who really run DC. It's the same in our boroughs."

Wilkinsburg—like other Pittsburgh boroughs such as Braddock and Swissvale—has a "weak mayor, strong council" form of government. That means that the vast majority of decisions are made by the

Borough Council (on which Garrett has served since 2014). The mayor of Wilkinsburg can break ties in Council votes, but other than that, the role is primarily to supervise the police department.

If it sounds like Council is where the power lies, that's what Garrett, thought, too. That's why when her friend Austin Davis, executive assistant to County Executive Rich Fitzgerald, asked her whether she'd ever considered running for mayor, she was skeptical.

But then Austin made a very good point: Braddock's John Fetterman is also "just the mayor."

"I was like, Wow, you know what? That's right," Garrett says. "Fetterman has really taken that role of a figurehead and spokesperson and used it to do so much for Braddock. He's brought in concerts, events, all these exciting things--the TV show "America Ninja Warrior" was filmed there. He has been able to go out and make things happen, because people think of "the mayor" as THE MAYOR. I thought you know what, okay. I'm going to do this."

PT. 4: DOING IT



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"Even though I've been on council for four years, I'm going to do the same things running for mayor as I did when I ran for council and no one knew me. Still going to do two meet-and-greets per week, still phone bank, still knock on every door I can – my goal is to get them twice. That's just the mindset anyone should have."

"I wish people would realize that we should learn from last year not to assume anything. How many people didn't vote because they thought Hillary had it? In local elections, every vote counts. I know people who have lost or won races by 12 votes, and you know that's like two houses. Nothing is for certain, and I'm going to canvass and campaign like no one's ever heard of me."

CHATHAM ALUMNAE AND STUDENTS CAN BE FOUND IN LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE, AND JUDICIAL BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT. OTHER CHANGE-MAKERS INCLUDE:

Muriel Bowser '94 mayor of Washington, DC

Becky Corbin '74

Pennsylvania State Representative

Margaret "Peggy" Jamison '8' mayor of Oakland, MD

Vanessa McCarthy-Johnson '19 Wilkinsburg Borough Council

Debra Todd '79 Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice

Are you serving in elected office?
E-mail us at alumni@chatham.edu
and let us know!

Garrett left her job at the University of Pittsburgh in August 2015, after nine years, to fully commit to her work on Council and to the business that she co-founded with her mother: a community outreach and engagement consultancy called Admintrinsic.

Admintrinsic's clients include Dollar Bank, several local nonprofits, and Salvatore's Pizza House—Sal's, Garrett calls it. "But that's more to be nice," she laughs. "Sal does so much for the community, and I noticed that he wasn't getting the business he should get. So I reached out to him about his social media presence, to help him with marketing and visibility. We've done events, trivia nights, open mic nights, specials."

Note: On May 16, Marita Garrett won the primary.

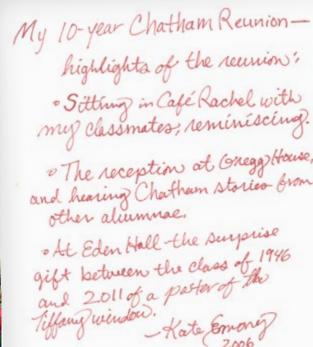
Reunion 2016: Recap























- 1. Members of the Class of 1966, 50th Reunion.
- 2. Kate Rubino Gaunt '11 and Christina Sahovey '11 pose for their 5th Reunion.
- 3. Gathered around the Anne Putnam Mallinson '61 Memorial Pond to pay tribute to those members of our Chatham community who we lost in 2016.
- 4. From left to right: Chung Wha Lee lyengar '56, Joann Walthour '51, and Joan Heckel '51.
- 5. Mother daughter team, Joanne Peterson '86 and Marian Neilson '03 listen intently to President Finegold's University Update.
- 6. President Finegold poses with our 2016 Reunion Award Winners.
- 7. Sue Finegold, wife of President Finegold, talks to Carol Sheldon Hylton '66 during the reception at Gregg House Friday evening.
- 8. Alumni and students gathered for discussion during the Black Student Union Homecoming Panel.
- 9. Class of 2006 graduates Kate Emory and Jacklyn "Jackie" Hendrickson say cheese during the cider donut breakfast at Eden Hall Campus on Saturday morning.



120

Reunion Weekend, October 14-15, 2016, brought together over 120 alumnae to Shadyside and Eden Hall campuses.





1966

The largest class in attendance was 1966, celebrating their very special 50th Reunion.



Carole Early Cupps '66 described Reunion 2016 as "a well-oiled machine of fun. The scheduling was perfect, the events were spectacular, the tours of each campus were wonderful, and it was so nice to have time to relax and chat with our classmates."









For me Reunion was a 'coming home' experience. took no time for 50 years simply to melt ay, and for the mischievous energy we had underclaremen to bubble up. Just being gether again with so many of the impressive men from the Class of 1966 was the highlight the weekend. It indulged our meniones; eated new ones... and departed feeling assured by everything we saw and heard at our alma mater is sound and acting an exciting course.

- 1. 1966 classmates Dolores "Doe" Adamson Moore and Barbara-Lee Hewitt Orloff pose for a selfie at the 50th Reunion Luncheon. (See Doe's note about Reunion on this page.)
- 2. Alumni of all ages mix and mingle at the Heritage Club luncheon.
- Dr. Finegold seen with Chair of the Board of Trustees Jennifer Potter '66, Betsy McGregor Cooley '66, and Trustee Jane Burger '66.
- Cocktails and conversation during the Presidential Reception at Gregg House on Friday evening.
- The Esther Barazzone Center was jampacked for the traditional All Alumni Brunch—sustainably prepared at Eden Hall Campus. Mimosas and Bloody Mary's were served.
- 6. Vice President of the Alumni Association Board, Marylloyd Claytor, MLA '00, is greeted by President Finegold at Gregg House.
- 7. Members of the Class of 1976, 40th Reunion.

1946 2011

Classes present spanned from 1946, celebrating their 70th Reunion, to 2011, celebrating their 5th Reunion.



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Alumni Weekend 2017

Celebrating classes ending in 2 and 7 October 27-29, 2017

1887 1917 1947 1977 2007 1892 1922 1952 1982 2012 1897 1927 1957 1987 2017

Join us for a fun weekend packed with events*, including:

The All-Class BBQ at Eden Hall Campus (transportation will be provided)	Update from President Finegolo		
	Fall Fun Festival		
Tours of Arboretum, Shadyside			
Campus, Chatham Eastside	Sporting events		
Classes Without Quizzes	and more!		



INAUGURATION of DAVID FINEGOLD, DPhil

AS THE NINETEENTH PRESIDENT OF CHATHAM UNIVERSITY

Friday, October 13, 2017 1:00 p.m.

The ceremony will be held in the Campbell Memorial Chapel with a campus reception to follow.

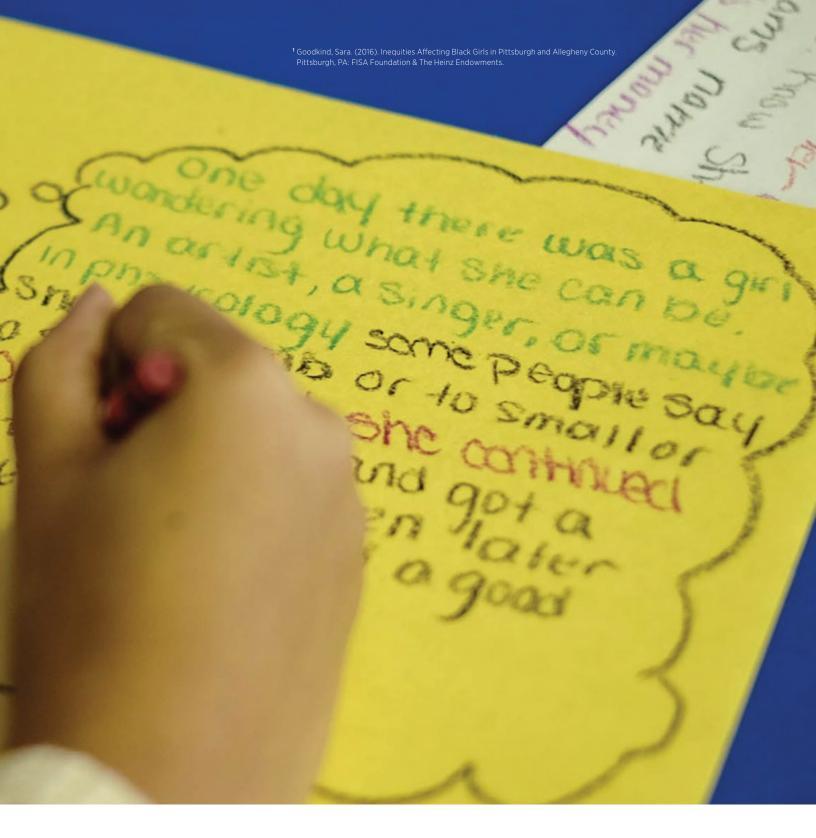
In addition to the ceremony on Friday, a number of other activities and events are being scheduled for the week. Additional details will be shared in August.





The Wonder Girls

By Cara Gillotti



In September 2016, a troubling report was released. It begins:

"Until very recently, little public attention has been focused on understanding • Black girls are suspended from the Pittsburgh Public Schools the ways Black girls and women experience institutional racism and sexism. Over the last year, the national conversation about the experiences of Black girls has gained momentum. This report is an attempt to share some troubling local data in order to support additional conversation and draw public attention to these issues. Among its findings:

- at more than three times the rate of white girls.
- Black girls are referred to juvenile court three times more often than white girls nationally. In Allegheny County, it's 11 times more often."1



"School to prison pipeline" is a phrase used to describe the ways in which public schools contribute to less-than-desirable outcomes for students, predominantly black males. While black females are not incarcerated at the rate of black males, that's not to say they fare better in schools. The phrase "pushout" is used to describe institutionalized racism and sexism that results in inequitable treatment of black girls in school, and the

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BRITNEY BRINKMAN, PH.D.

subsequent effects on their lives (see green box below).

From this, it seems clear that furthering understanding of the girls' lives—and of the girls themselves—is key to combatting institutionalized prejudice. And who better to tell you about that than, well—them?

"There's a surge of research on African American girls right now, but we want to make sure that the body of research is informed by girls' direct perspectives," says Britney Brinkman, Ph.D., associate professor of counseling psychology.

Questions of identity are something Dr. Brinkman grew up thinking about early and often. The only girl in a family with three brothers, she grew up Catholic in an area of Utah where casual religious segregation was so widespread that her Mormon neighbors wouldn't let their kids play with her and her siblings. People walked up to her mom, who's Native American, and asked where she was from. "I became interested in gender and social justice," says Dr. Brinkman, "and psychology is the lens through which I work with those issues. It helps me feel like I'm using my energy efficiently, and I like that we can measure what works."

After earning her Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from Colorado State University, Dr. Brinkman joined Chatham in 2009. At Chatham, she and Dr. Anthony Isacco founded the Psychology of Gender research team.

In January 2017, Dr. Brinkman, along with the University of Pittsburgh's Dr. Sara Goodkind, launched a project as part of local non-profit Gwen's Girls "See the Best in Me" campaign. "See the Best in Me" is an initiative focused on self-esteem, critical thinking, and advocacy skills that enable girls to better understand and express themselves about the issues that affect them daily.

THE PROJECT

The project involves about 80 girls, who are involved in Gwen's Girls after-school programs. They'll be using a PAR (see blue box on opposite page) research method called photovoice (sic), which focuses on their experiences. "Rather than responding to questionnaires or focus group prompts, photovoice offers a broader way of expression, through photos but also drawing, poetry, and collage," says team member Jeremy Holdorf, MSCP '18.

For about six months, Dr. Brinkman, Holdorf, and the other members of the project team will meet periodically with the girls to talk about how the photographing is going, bat around ideas, troubleshoot technology mishaps, and otherwise touch base.

The program will culminate in a gallery exhibit that Dr. Brinkman hopes to host at Chatham. The exhibit will display these items along with recordings of the girls talking about why they took the photo, and why it's important. (Jeremy notes that in addition to being a research method,

PUSH-OUT: THREE THINGS TO CONSIDER

- Internalized racialized gender norms impact how authority figures react to Black girls, and stereotypes about Black girls may lead teachers to label them as insubordinate or disrespectful.
- 2. Often when girls, especially Black girls, are disciplined at school for disruptive behavior or fighting, it is because they are defending themselves from harassment or assault...

 Thus, the ways we deal with Black girls' behaviors in schools frequently punishes them for their own victimization and, at times, criminalizes their survival strategies.
- 3. Many 'delinquent' behaviors are normal adolescent behaviors, but racism, sexism, poverty, and living in a low-income neighborhood make some young people more likely to come to the attention of police and system officials than others.

photovoice shows promise for therapeutic counseling situations when individuals have difficulty expressing themselves verbally.) The goal is to share the work with as many people as possible, to counteract negative stereotypes and get more positive messages out into the community.

THE LAUNCH

On a Saturday in January, Dr. Brinkman and her students led a six-hour workshop for girls ranging in age from 8-19. Younger girls looked through magazines to find photos that they felt represented them, and then put them together into a group collage. "YPAR (see blue box) helps kids connect their individual experiences to group experience," explains Dr. Brinkman. "Helping them see that it's not just them; maybe other black girls are having similar experiences. It lets us not only learn from individual experiences, but also paint a bigger picture of what's going on."

In another group, the activity was to tell the story of an imaginary girl, with each participant contributing a sentence. Jeremy's group took it one step further and made it into a rap.

Another group of girls were taught about photovoice and shown how to upload photos from their phones to the Google drive that they'll be using. The idea is that these older girls—called "ambassadors" and "junior ambassadors"—will help train the younger girls in the technological aspects of the project. "We want them to leave the project with ability to create a voice for themselves and teach others how to use photovoice too," says Jeremy.

"Part of YPAR is making sure that the participants help to guide the topics," says Dr. Brinkman. "We want to interrupt the top-down dynamic that occurs with most research, and also the adult-kid dynamic. When you're working as psychologists with kids, you risk really double-stacking that power. But we really see them as coresearchers, telling the stories of their lives."

Dr. Brinkman takes an individualized approach to mentoring research assistants. "Part of our mentoring is getting to know each student, their strengths and growth



Project members: Whitney Ringwald (University of Pittsburgh); Ashley Dandridge, PsyD; Britney Brinkman, Ph.D.; Sara Goodkind, Ph.D. (University of Pittsburgh); Kelsey Johnson, MSCP; Samantha Marino, MAP

edges. Jeremy has an MFA in film and video, and we've worked on how to connect these skills to psychology. Another team member has worked at Gwen's Girls, and with her, it's like 'You've worked with these girls the most, so tell us when we're missing something, and we'll help develop your competencies in research methods.' I love it when our team members have different strengths and our team is collaborative."

A SCANDALOUSLY SHORT HISTORY OF PSYCHOLOGICAL RESEARCH

The most well-understood population on the planet might be first- and second-year undergraduate students. That's because for decades, psychologists studied those who were easiest to get to--freshmen and sophomores who participated in experiments in order to fulfill their course requirements.

In the 1940's, came **action research**², which began to look at research as a means of solving community problems. That led to participatory action research (**PAR**), which foregrounded the experiences of the subjects (and renamed them "participants") over any agendas that the researchers might bring to the project—the idea being that the participants should be co-creators of knowledge, not subjects to be poked at with metaphorical sticks.

"PAR added another layer—it's not just 'research in the community', it's about really being collaborative," says Dr. Brinkman. "Feminist psychology is very congruent here—challenging power dynamics that can come up, and challenging the ways that research "other" people, like 'we are the researchers and these are the people.' PAR questions the artificiality of that disconnect. It empowers."

YPAR—youth participatory research—adds kids to the equation. "In my experience doing research with kids, I think they're often much more insightful about social identity than we give them credit for, both as adults and as psychologists," says Dr. Brinkman.

²Kurt Lewin, then a professor at MIT, first coined the term in 1944.

Chatham Celebrates Over Ten Years of Nursing

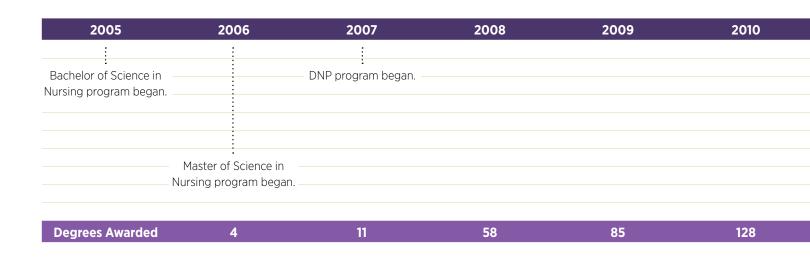
n 2005, Chatham launched its first nursing program, the Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Today, Chatham-educated nurses are found in the boardroom and at the bedside, innovating technologies and imparting best practices, across western Pennsylvania and around the world.

We asked our nursing alumni about a particularly meaningful moment in the careers. Here's a selection of what we received in response.

"When I was working in a small rural community hospital in the Emergency Department, we received a trauma victim. The patient was stabilized for transfer to the Operating Room. I thought that my job with this patient was done, until I heard my name overhead paged to the Operating Room. I was needed to scrub in and assist the Circulating Nurse. I scrubbed in and was able to assist with the Circulating and Scrub nurses. I had never worked in the Operating Room, but I realized that in a small rural hospital, nurses needed to be flexible and assist in providing excellent care to patients. This was a moment that I will always remember as an example of why teamwork and collaboration is important for positive patient outcomes."

Llynne Kiernan, DNP '16, MSN, RN-BC



"Meeting with the Ministers of Health and other dignitaries in Kazakhstan to promote elevating the profession of nursing in that country."

Shelley Watters, DNP '08

"The time I ran into a patient I had taken care of in the hospital and he told me I was the reason he stopped smoking and continues to not smoke. You don't realize the impact you have on people's lives for years to come sometimes."

Ashley Morton, MSN '11

"My walks with my patients experiencing chronic schizophrenia at the Utah State Hospital. It was a poignant realization of my limitations in helping them heal but also found so much meaning in my nursing role to provide competent and compassionate care to these special individuals."

Jenneth B. Doria, DNP '13

"Hearing my then 7-year-old daughter tell her classmate at a school party, 'That's my mom, she's a nurse practitioner and a doctor.' Her friend looked wide-eyed and shocked. She followed up with, 'she saves patients.'"

Amber Manning, DNP '16

"Working with the first responders and construction workers during the World Trade Center rescue/recovery and clean up. Hearing their stories and being able to help them though a difficult time in their lives."

Steven Marks, DNP '15

"Delivering a baby in the middle of nowhere Afghanistan while the camp was being attacked by Taliban soldiers."

Jennifer Varney, DNP '14

"The first time I gave cells to a blood and marrow transplant patient. It was a celebratory day. Together, we watched the cells drip and travel into the central line. Despite the weeks of treatment, this day was filled with hope."

Gina R. Quinlan, BSN '14, RN, CCM, BMTCN

"When the patient says 'You are just like my family'."

Yan Jin, MSN '15

"Making an intense emotional connection with an oncology patient I was caring for."

Catherine Bishop, DNP '09

"The day I received the letter telling me I passed the NClex."

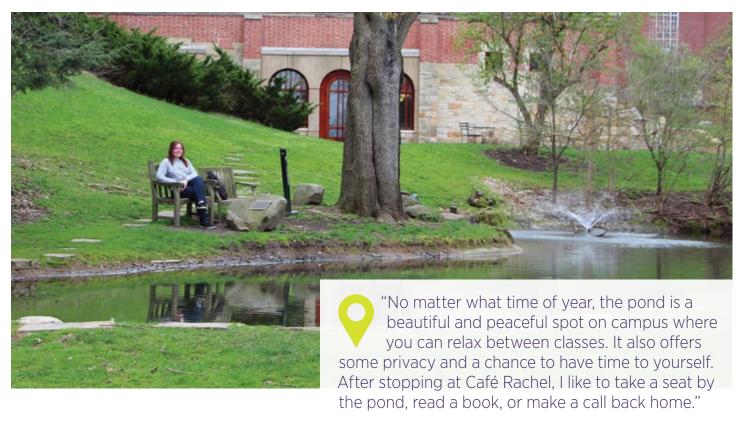
Amy Lee, DNP '13

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First international track in the MSN program included 21 Chinese nurses.						
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Location, Location, Location

We asked undergraduate students about their favorite places on campus. Here's a snapshot—er, several—of what we learned:

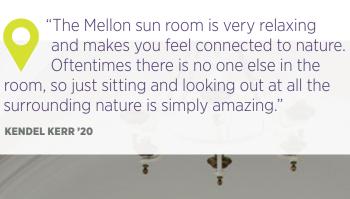




AUBREY SHOMBERT '18



EMILY REAGAN '20

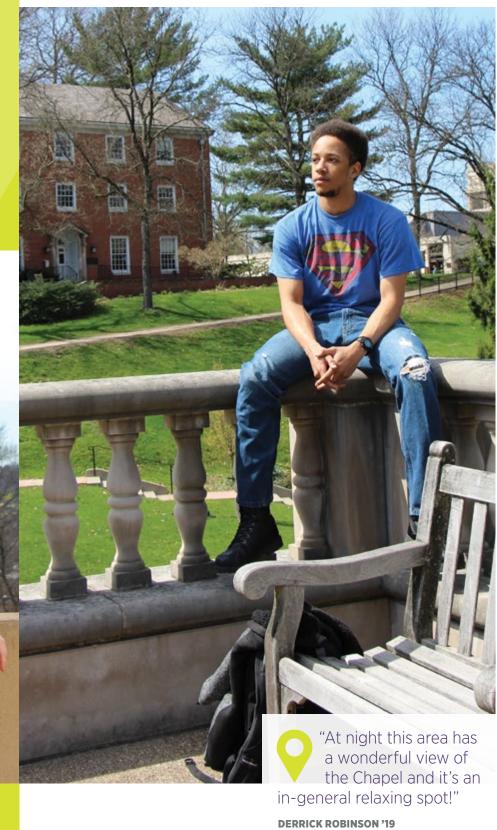






"It's the best view of the city on campus and I love to go hang out there and chat with friends!"

MAGGIE MCGOVNEY '17





Barbara Collett, and her husband live at a retirement community, The Village. She explains, "we enjoy (expensive, however) less stress, having food cooked for us...no worries about trees falling on the roof or having a neighborhood organization that tells us what color our front door should be." Barbara is a greatgrandma three times over, with two girls, Olivia in Texas, and Alaina with younger brother Ryker who was born in November. Barbara communicates with friend Pat Yount Hudson Barton who resides in Col. Springs with Paul.

Dibbie Appleton shares, "I had a wonderful Road Scholar (a.k.a Elder Hostel) barge trip in Holland last fall but came home with what I am told is Mal de Debarquement syndrome ('bad getting off a boat'). Nothing to do with the barge and everything to do with a pressure change on the plane. It's well over a year now and I still "rock and roll" and turn in circles occasionally. May have to get on an airplane again and see if I can reverse the spell! I was deeply saddened to hear from Lee Davidson when Roger died this fall. So thankful to have seen them at their New Hampshire get-away from Bermuda last year. I know many of you remember Roger from when he was at W & J and he and Lee were dating. Roger was very special and fun and I know you'll have Lee in your thoughts and prayers as I do. Best to all!"

Amy Kellman is enjoying consulting on the "Words and Pictures" series for Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures and is still doing committee work for the Association of Library Service to Children, a division of the American Library Association. In, addition she is teaching senior citizens about children's books through CMU's Osher Life Long Learning Academy program and volunteering with the Pittsburgh Opera in various ways. She is also traveling to see friends and family as she has one grandson in college and a granddaughter looking for her choice. She tries to attend Chatham programs when she can. "It's a good life."

Judy Rosenberg (Berman) lived in Brookline, MA for 20 years and, during the 1980s, taught English at Brookline High School. From 1992-2000 Judy lived in Paris, France and taught English & American Literature at the Institut Catholique de Paris. Her married daughter, son-in-law, and 8-year-old grandson live outside of Albany, in Niskayuna, NY. Judy has two advanced degrees, though not from Chatham, which include an MA English from Indiana University; PhD American Literature from Brandeis University. She now teaches at Hunter College, part of the CUNY university system in New York City. She was with the English Dept., but now she is with the Dept. of Curriculum & Teaching.

Earlier this year, Joan Bretz and her three "kitties" moved to a very nice cottage at Bethany Village in Mechanicsburg, PA, a continuing care retirement community. She shares, "Since I have a very small family and they are all three hours away, I wanted to have someone close that I can call in for medical assistance if I should need it. Have decided not to prepare taxes this year, at any rate, after 15 years with H&R Block, after some ongoing problems with an arthritic knee. Maybe next year again . . . In the meantime, I am going to become more involved in my new community's activities. Still have some pictures to hang on the wall and a few piles of stuff to put away but almost there. Regards to all - have a happy, healthful 2017!!"

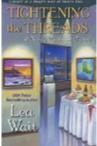
Helen Steele enjoyed the 50th Class Reunion as everyone "showed appreciation for the college by raising a lot of money and by attending." Twenty-one lambs have been born so far on the Steele Farm. In addition, she is going to begin planting onions in her greenhouse. Helen Is having a great time teaching chemistry at a Community School in New Hampshire.

Gina Wilkes has spent some time at Choate with her husband for his reunions. The campus always reminds her of Chatham with rolling hills and ivy-covered mansions as well as buildings funded by Paul Mellon. The retirements of her and her husband have enabled them to pursue recreational activities, creative cooking, and extensive travel. Gina is looking forward to catching up with the Class of '67 next Fall at the 50th Reunion and is excited to visit the new facilities and sights on and off campus.

Below are pictures of Lea Wait and her latest book cover. Her most current books are "Shadows on A Morning in Maine" and "Dangling by A Thread." On March

27, she will be releasing her new book "Tightening the Threads."





Ann Firestone is periodically writing theater reviews for a website called The Front Row Center. Her most recent piece discusses a play called "Messenger #1." It can be found at http:// thefrontrowcenter.com/2017/03/ messenger-1-new-ancient-greektragedy/. Ann's previous reviews can be located by searching Ann Firestone Ungar on: www.thefrontrowcenter. com.

Linda Sweeny was inducted into the National Association of Women Artists in New York City. As part of this honor, her work is now included in the New Members' Exhibition in the NAWA Gallery.

Michele Jehle-Somogyi exclaims, "I want to say hi to all classmates and friends. Can't believe how fast the time has gone because it feels like yesterday that I

walked Chatham's beautiful campus. And after enjoying a wonderful career and working 43 years, I have now retired. Victor, my husband of almost 30 years, and I are enjoying the winter in West Palm Beach. Our new place is on the intra-coastal. And we are busy setting up our condo, working out and traveling. Our next trip is to Tampa to see our beloved Yankees at spring training. We've survived the normal challenges of life and some serious health crises, but have come through them. So hoping our future is more fun and adventure now that we have the time to do what we want. And thankfully we will be celebrating my Mom's 100th birthday this month. So Нарру."

Finegold's East Coast Florida luncheon on March 1, Susie Tabor was reunited with a teacher from her grade school, Anne Gibb, Class of 1951!"



Edith Downing is enjoying her ninth year of retirement by participating in activities she originally didn't have time for while working for the



Comptroller of the Currency. She sings with the Johnson County Chorus; volunteers as a Master Gardener at the Monet Garden in the

Overland Park Arboretum; prepares high school students to take ACT and SAT tests: raises funds for the Lyric Opera; performs in puppet shows for Open Options; and just finished co-chairing the Kansas City Young Matrons gala benefit. "Fun times!"

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Office of Alumni Relations at alumni@ chatham.edu or 412-365-1255. Submissions may be edited for length and clarity.

Barb Bechtol Cross and Dolores "Doe" Adamson Moore '66 met while sailing aboard the 'National Geographic Explorer on a 15-day Expedition to Antarctica. Barb started the conversation over lunch with: "I grew-up in Pittsburgh," to which Doe answered: "I went to Chatham" No way! The look on their husbands' faces was priceless. What were the chances--there were 148 guests on board and there we were meeting at lunch? "We had survived a very notable Drake Crossing, a few thousand penguins, icebergs, whales and scenery that truly takes your breath away." The kayak photo was

taken on the day when the Captain "parks" Explorer on the pack ice. So borrowing the British quote--this just proves "The Sun also never sets on Chatham women!"



Abbie Goodman, Joanne Laipson, and Kelly Connors '83 recently got together for brunch with Joanne's west coast border terrier Hazel and Abbie's east coast border terrier Pluto in

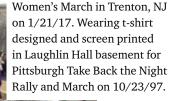


Wellesley. Abbie looks forward to attending Reunion this fall and hopes that lots of classmates from '82 and surrounding years come back to visit. Abbie & Larry's daughter Mira is now in 9th grade. Abbie recently celebrated 20

years of working at The Engineering Center in Boston and is completing a term as president of the National Association of Engineering Council Executives, affiliated with ACEC in Washington, DC. Delighted to have marched in the Boston Women's March, she continues to support qualified women running for public office.

Jennifer Redfield Rainey exclaims, "I turned over yet another new leaf and jumped into the radio industry = Loving every minute of it! (http://newrock1049x.com/ in NW AR & Key West) Admin, Marketing, Promotion & Programming with several other ventures on the horizon. I am also starting two LLCs one my own brand & products, and the second one to benefit 501c3's through the arts."

Rebekah Heilman and Trinity Zang '97 at



Danielle McHenry continued further education in Esthetics since graduating from Chatham. Danielle has been a practicing Holistic Esthetician since 2002. She worked as a medical esthetician for a very reputable UPMC cosmetic dermatologist and four years ago opened her own business, Lotus Skin Care Studio. She shares, "I'm grateful every day to have the opportunity to educate people on how to care for the largest organ of the body, the skin. It is not a coincidence that when your skin looks good you feel good. I studied psychology as an undergrad and realize how strong the mind body connection is. With all of this, I am able to create a very personalized facial service and skin care regimen. I'm thankful to Chatham for a wonderful education experience and wish future graduates' success in all you do!"

Astar Herndon has been promoted to State Director for 9to5 Wisconsin. Celebrating its 40th year, 9to5 is one of the largest most respected national membership organizations of working women in the United States dedicated to putting working women's issues on the public agenda. Astar joined 9to5 Wisconsin

in 2014 as a community organizer galvanizing statewide support for such issues as paid family leave. Since



graduation, she has managed several policy campaigns aimed at changing communities of color through her work as a non-profit advocate and community organizer.

Jacqueline A. Travisano, MBA, Ed.D., C.P.A. has been named University of Miami's new executive vice president for business and finance and chief operating officer. Jacqueline has served as an executive vice president and chief operating officer of Nova Southeastern University since 2011. In 2014 she was named one

of South Florida
Business Journal's
Influential Business
Women and she
was presented the
Glass Ceiling Award
from the National
Diversity Council.
Jacqueline has also
been participating



in extensive charitable work as she serves on the Honorary Board of the Special Olympics of Broward County, the Board of Directors for the ARC of Broward County, and the Board of Directors for the March of Dimes of Broward Counter. In 2014 she chaired the Royal Dames for Cancer Research and raised more than \$400,000 for NSU's Rumbaugh-Goodwin Institute for Cancer Research.

The romantic-comedy, *A Tale of Cassadaga*, by Yolande (Yoli) Hughes, MFACW, was performed at the Struther's Library Theatre in Warren, PA.

Anastasia James attended the Center for Curatorial Studies Bard College where she received her MA in 2012. Recently, she edited two monographs, "Billy Name: The Silver Age, Photographs from Andy Warhol's Factory," and "Brigid Berlin: Polaroids," both published by Reel Art Press, London and distributed by D.A.P. Anastasia is currently Associate Curator at the Contemporary Jewish Museum, San Francisco.



Tierney Manning traveled to Thailand, Laos, Vietnam, and Cambodia in July 2016 after graduating from George Washington University's PA program. Tierney is now living in Chicago, IL and looking forward to connecting with alumni in the Chicagoland area.

Molly Mitchell received The Ashley Addiction Treatment Innovator Award 2016 presented at the National Conference on Addiction Disorders (NCAD) in Denver, CO, August 18-21. This award recognizes a professional with less than ten years of service who has made an impact in the field of recovery through innovation, creativity and forward thinking.

Christina Sahovey, Outreach Coordinator at the Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh, is proud to say that she is curating her first exhibit! The exhibit will feature photographs from the Teenie Harris Collection (from the Carnegie Museum of Art), and will focus on two main themes: African-Americans during World War II/the Holocaust era, and the idea of "Spiritual Resistance" during the Civil Rights Movement in Pittsburgh. The exhibit will open on May 7, 2017, and will run through August; it will be on display at the Holocaust Center of Pittsburgh. Christina is thrilled to be putting her history degree to good use, and is ever thankful for the preparedness her Chatham experience afforded her -- particularly Dr. Michelmore's Holocaust history course -- in her current position.

Tiffany Tupper recently accepted a new position as events manager for overseas operations with the Communications and Knowledge Management team at Catholic Relief Services, which is based in its international headquarters in Baltimore, MD. Catholic Relief Services is an international humanitarian agency which focuses on helping poor and vulnerable people overcome emergencies, earn a living through agriculture, and access affordable health care. Tiffany continues to live in Baltimore and serves on the Washington, DC alumni executive committee for the American University in Cairo.



12 Elizabeth Dorssom has been accepted to the University of Missouri's Political Science Ph.D. program and will begin her studies and assistantship in the fall of 2017.

Brian Webster, DNP is a board certified Nurse Practitioner who has specialized in emergency and family nursing. He currently practices on a remote island off of the coast of Maine. Dr. Webster completed his Doctor of Nursing Practice degree at Chatham University. He is passionate about disaster medical relief, wilderness medicine, and advocating for and providing care to the medically underserved in remote areas of the world. Dr. Webster is a Fellow of the Academy of Wilderness Medicine (FAWM) and holds a number of certifications in emergency and wilderness medicine. He has served in two branches of the military, was the manager of an outdoor program and has facilitated countless backcountry expeditions over the past 15 years.

Monica Robinson, OTD, was appointed Associated Professor at The Ohio State University in the Division of Occupational Therapy in December 2016 due in part to completing her doctorate at Chatham University.

Alexia Proulx, MPAS, currently serves as a family practice PA at a rural clinic in New York. She had a planned home birth of baby boy Ashton Evan

Proulx in October 2016. Life with him has been joyful! She also joined a road cycling club that meets in the summers and restarted ballroom dance lessons after a brief hiatus for school. They're learning quickstep!





DR. WILLARD ARNETT

Dr. Willard Arnett, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy, passed away on Saturday, April 1, 2017. Dr. Arnett was a faculty member at Chatham from 1957 to 1986.

Dr. Arnett grew up in rural southwest Virginia. He roamed the hills, hunting rabbits with his brothers and cousins. The first of his family to graduate high school, he entered Berea College intending to study agriculture.

Pearl Harbor was bombed when he was a sophomore and before long he enlisted in the Air Force. After the war, Dr. Arnett returned to Berea to major in English and study philosophy. At Columbia University, he received advanced degrees. His first appointment was at the University of Arkansas.

With reason and wit, Dr. Arnett was devoted to promoting the principles of liberal arts education. He was admired and respected by students and colleagues.

Dr. Arnett enjoyed his years of retirement on a small farm in western Pennsylvania where he remodeled the antebellum farmhouse, built fences, raised sheep, cut wood for the stoves and kept bees and, later, spent his final years in the mountains of North Carolina, still a proud beekeeper.



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To that end, we've developed a short online survey about our magazine. We hope you'll take a few minutes to fill it out.

You can find the survey online at chatham.edu/Recorder-Survey.

In the fall of 2016, Chatham University embarked upon a planning process which will lead to a new strategic plan in fall of 2017. The plan will:

- Identify our key institutional priorities, opportunities, and challenges
- Help set Chatham's course for the next five years and beyond
- Establish goals and metrics to assess progress toward meeting our most critical objectives

As our alumni, we value your feedback and thoughts. You can learn more and share your thoughts with the Strategic Planning Steering Committee (which includes alumni) at **chatham.edu/about/strategic/index.cfm**.

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