Legacies of Learning
Built on a trust in education
BY THE NUMBERS  CCAA CORE VALUES

1,235,382
INCREASED FROM 545,342 TOUCHES IN 2010-2011

CONNECTING WITH OUR ALUMNI

3,500 TOTAL NUMBER OF ALUMNI AND GUESTS ATTENDED 2011-2012 ALUMNI EVENTS (43% INCREASE)

Began CCAA 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION planning phases (2013-2014 year)

Created a new CCAA LOGO

53 ALUMNI AND STUDENT STORIES posted on the Alumni Relations blog: Real People…Real Alumni…Real Stories

41 ALUMNI featured in marketing ads

SHOWING OUR CC PRIDE

RECEIVED 205 SCOOTERGRAPHS

Sent 7,222 monthly Scooter birthday e-cards

Sent 54,000 miniature cardboard Scooters to alumni

Distributed 33 life-size Scooter cut outs to campuses

Distributed 500 Scooter coloring books

TRA D I T I O N

50% increase in Ivy Chain ceremonies at Nationwide campuses
TOTAL TOUCHES

20.7 TOUCHES PER ALUMNI & 103,500 TOUCHES PER MONTH

VIA EMAILS, AFFINITY MAGAZINE, DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS, INVITATIONS AND EVENTS

CONTINUING THE LEGACY

350 ALUMNI REFERRALS RECEIVED FOR THE REFER-A-STUDENT CAMPAIGN

47 STUDENTS were awarded Alumni Legacy Scholarships and Grants totaling $95,376

Career Services assisted 582 ALUMNI this year in resume building, counseling and assessments, mock interviews, internships and job searches.

888 ALUMNI utilized CCNet in 2011-2012. CougarCareerNetwork (CCNet) is the online recruiting system for the Grossnickle Career Services Center. Access to the system is available at no cost to alumni.

CCAA ACHIEVEMENTS

5 AWARDS RECEIVED BY AFFINITY MAGAZINE

4 ALUMNI AWARD RECIPIENTS

› Shanta Barton-Stubbs ‘05
› Victoria Bishop Ryan ‘99
› James M. Pasley ‘87
› Sandy Adams ‘00
Leaving A Legacy

It seems especially so in politics that we hear of departing public servants that they have, in some way, left a legacy by virtue of their service. Legacy, though, is much more than the compilation of achievements during a career. One might argue reasonably that most legacies are not known to the general public. On the other hand, some have been resounding in their benefits to society. Some have changed the course of the world. Think of Jonas Salk and the polio vaccine, or Neal Armstrong, the first person to set foot on the moon. Not all legacies are large. Rather, they come in all sizes, depending on how one chooses to define the term.

There is a popular misconception that all legacies are achieved by monetary means. Not so. Legacies may take the form of scientific discovery, unique curricular advances, caring for the poor and many other forms.

At Columbia College, we do all that we can to position our students to excel to such a degree that they may one day leave a legacy. A few students will begin with that as a goal. Some will come by it serendipitously.

One sure way to leave a legacy is through philanthropic engagement — the giving of oneself so that others may benefit. Legacies are most often altruistic in origin. They are born of a desire to foster a lasting good. It is very often an investment in human capital. At Columbia College, we are intentionally building a culture of philanthropy so as to ensure a very bright future for the college. We have developed sophisticated processes that guarantee expert stewardship of legacy and other forms of gifts received. 

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Inside the Gate
From new campaigns to new degree programs and new buildings, Columbia College has blossomed nationwide this fall

MyCCAA
Alumni have been busy in Columbia and beyond, with homecoming celebrations, filling out surveys and hard-fought soccer matches

Faculty Profiles
Sally Wells chairs the business administration department on main campus while Brig. Gen. Joseph Kim teaches cross-cultural management online from Hawaii

Legacies of Learning
Three families with deep roots at Columbia College share how the school has educated, informed and inspired them for generations

Cougar Sports Zone
Fall coaches sum up their seasons and legacy athletes pay tribute to their biggest fans — their relatives

On the Web
Check out Scooter’s new travels

CC Notes
News and updates from people who matter — our alumni

On the Cover:
Peggy Lamke Price ’43 and her family have built a Columbia (Christian) College legacy since 1871
Tradition Meets Tomorrow
A new campaign makes Columbia College better for future generations

BY WHITNEY DREIER ■ PHOTOS BY L.G. PATTERSON

The Tradition Meets Tomorrow campaign officially launched Sept. 28 but has been in the works since 2005 when Al and Mary Agnes Starr McQuinn ’54 made a gift to Columbia College’s sciences program.

Tradition Meets Tomorrow, as described by Dr. Gerald Brouder, enhances and supports the sciences, arts and humanities, business, adult higher education and athletic programs with gifts and grants from individuals, businesses and foundations. Those who donate may choose to direct their gifts to specific areas of opportunity within the campaign. Investments will provide Columbia College with advanced teaching tools, technology facilities and additional faculty to ensure student success.

“The realization that we can make a difference in this world, leaving it a better place for the future, for our children and our children’s children — that is essentially the mission of the Tradition Meets Tomorrow Campaign,” says Anita Abbott Timmons ’58, Tradition Meets Tomorrow campaign convening chair.
To date, Columbia College has received 15 gifts of $100,000 or more from leadership donors committed to the campaign. A recent gift was made by Steven S. Fishman ’74, chairman, CEO and president of Big Lots Inc., and his wife Barbara Balyeat Fishman ’74. “Tonight, I’m happy to announce the first leadership gift of the public phase of the campaign,” announced Dr. Brouder at the kickoff event. “Please join me in acknowledging Steven and Barbara Fishman with support from the Big Lots Corporation for their gift of $500,000 to the Tradition Meets Tomorrow campaign.” The Fishman’s donation will help establish the Steven and Barbara Fishman Center for Entrepreneurship, which promises to make Columbia College a premier entrepreneurship destination.

“This is an exciting time at this institution,” says June Viner Hurdle ’83, National Campaign Steering Committee vice chair. “I can tell you that we are launching this campaign in order to strengthen Columbia College’s future, building upon an already firm foundation.”

“Now is the time for alumni and friends to invest in the college’s future,” continues Web Bixby, president of Old American Insurance Co. and a 1982 Columbia College graduate. “Together we can build and endow the next, great generation at Columbia College while sustaining its financial strength.”

In total, Dr. Brouder announced that Tradition Meets Tomorrow has raised more than $7.9 million — more than any other campaign in the history of Columbia College. The school is well on its way to a goal of $10 million and a better tomorrow.

To learn more or be part of this campaign, visit www.traditionmeetstomorrow.com.
Board of Trustees

PHOTO BY L.G. PATTERSON


Board of Trustees members with legacy lineage to Columbia College:

Walter E. Bixby III ’82
Great-grandmother: Edith Hulett Simon 1908
Mother: Mary Martha Musser Bixby ’51
Son: James Philip Bixby ’05

Judith A. Cunningham ’64
Cousin-in-law: Virginia K. Moore ’01

Jerry D. Daugherty
Cousin: Jack A. Daugherty ’75
Brother-in-law: James A. Ault ‘74

Daisy Willis Grossnickle ’66
Daughter: Sara Grossnickle Swindle ’96
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Daughter: Jessica Fishman Samuels ’05

George W. Hulett Jr.
Daughter: Joy L. Hulett ’92
Son: Alan E. Hulett ’84
Great-aunt: Georgia Drake Hulett 1895
Cousin: Edith Hulett Simon 1908
Cousin: Mary Eleanor Hulett ’22

Jolene Marra Schulz ’61
Cousin: Janet Marra Walker ’73
Cousin: Marra B. Walker ’00
Cousin: Molly B. Walker ’02

Dale Coe Simons ’65
Mother: Helen (Boo) Cates Neary ’38
Scooter the Cougar led an army of wide-eyed freshman through the iconic Rogers Gate on Sunday, Aug. 19, at the first-ever Storm the Gate event. The event was part of the ongoing celebration of all the new faces seen around campus.

Students, alumni, family and friends turned out to show their support for the class of 2016. “Welcome Home” signs could be seen throughout the crowd as the freshmen began a new chapter of their lives.

Dave Roberts, assistant dean of student affairs, helped organize the event as an invitation for freshmen to join the family of Columbia College. “Storm the Gate is really about promoting team spirit and having fun in a stress-free environment. It’s a chance for the new students to meet and mingle,” Roberts says. “We’re hoping to create a vibrant campus life experience for the new incoming students.”

Freshman Mark Bollinger was impressed with the college and optimistic about the new school year. “It’s a really friendly place, and I’ve been meeting a lot of new people,” he says. “Everyone is really outgoing and helpful; I really think I’m going to like it here.”
Associate degrees are within reach for many students

BY WHITNEY DREIER

When life gets busy, sometimes education is put on the back burner. That bachelor’s degree might not happen — but what about an associate degree? What if all it took was completing a Declaration of Candidacy form or taking one more class?

That’s the idea behind Project Win-Win, which provides funding to just 64 colleges that can identify former students who withdrew from school but whose academic record qualifies them for associate degrees.

The project is a partnership with the State Higher Education Officers (SHEEO) and the Institute for Higher Education Policy (IHEP). The initiative is funded primarily by the Lumina Foundation for Education and is backed by the nation’s governors and President Obama.

As of April, more than 2,000 former Columbia College students were notified that they were eligible for an associate degree or simply needed fewer than nine credit hours to obtain one. Those who qualified were invited to attend an upcoming commencement ceremony; Columbia College even waived the $75 graduation fee. If students opt not to participate in a graduation ceremony, they can receive their diplomas by mail.

Allison Mitchell, a medical lab technician who’d quit college due to family obligations, was among the students contacted. When she received her confirmatory letter, Mitchell thought it was a gimmick until she checked with Columbia College. Then, “I was like, ‘ Heck yeah! Yay me!’” she says. Mitchell went back to school and recently applied to the Columbia College Nursing Program. “[The associate degree] gives me a boost to jump back into my education,” she says. “It’s like I came this far, why not finish now?”

Columbia College will continue to participate in Project Win-Win through 2013.
Welcome Home!
The 175th Military Police Battalion returns to Columbia

BY KEVIN TREMAIN  ▪ PHOTOS BY KACI SMART ’09

Members of the Missouri National Guard welcomed home the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 175th Military Police Battalion, on Aug. 25. The ceremony was held on Bass Commons at Columbia College, the same location where a departure ceremony was held for the battalion in September 2011.

The troops arrived in four large buses preceded by police escorts and the Patriot Guard Riders on their motorcycles. A drum line welcomed the soldiers as they vacated the buses. Friends and family in attendance held signs and wiped away tears.

Columbia College President Gerald Brouder shared his appreciation for the troops: “Today is a day for us to honor these brave men and women and to thank God that they have all returned home safely. We salute you and your families.”
That’s Impressive!
Technology Services staff accepts a challenge

BY CANDACE SCHILLING † PHOTO BY L.G. PATTERSON

Every year, Kevin Palmer, chief information officer of Columbia College, matches the first $3,500 that his staff in the Technology Services department donates to the school. This year, he hoped that 90 percent of his 44-person staff would contribute to the effort.

Imagine his surprise when 100 percent of the staff participated, thus raising $9,489 as a department. “That’s just astounding; it shows tremendous support and leadership,” says Brendon Steenbergen, former director of development for annual and planned giving.

“I believe each and every employee at Columbia College has a direct impact on the success of our students and the ability of the individual to improve their lives through education,” Palmer says. “Technology Services impresses me on every level; this team is competitive, and when given a challenge, they find a way to accomplish the goal. They work hard, delight constituents and focus on quality — they are the equivalent of the Olympic Basketball Dream Team.”

Past Paintings
A long-time professor shares his collection

BY CANDACE SCHILLING ■ PHOTOS BY KACI SMART’09

Professor Emeritus Ben Cameron presented a retrospective of his work — the first art exhibition of the school year — from Aug. 29 to Sept. 30, in Brown Hall’s Sidney Larson Gallery.

“At first I was afraid I wouldn’t have enough work, but when I started to hang my work, I realized there was plenty to show,” says Cameron, who had approximately 75 paintings, drawings and prints on display.

“It’s really fantastic to see all these pieces together in one place,” said Mike Sleadd, chair of the Art Department, at the opening reception.

Cameron, who has worked in the Art Department for 38 years, added: “This is primarily a painting show because I like painting probably better than anything — because painting is everything. Painting is all the courses you take, and then all the life you experience, all the things you get excited about.”
Columbia College-Rolla students have a new place to learn thanks to Jim D. Morris, a real estate developer and entrepreneur who donated $813,000 for new area facilities. The gift — the largest given to a Columbia College Nationwide Campus — funded a 37,000-square-foot science building that more than quadruples the size of the original campus. Reinhardt Construction was the contractor.

“This entire facility creates a superb environment for teaching and learning,” said Dr. Gerald Brouder at the ribbon cutting ceremony on Aug. 23. “It would not be possible without the generosity, vision and commitment to higher education of Mr. Jim D. Morris.”

Thanks to the all-purpose science lab, Columbia College-Rolla can now offer a two-year associate in pre-engineering degree. “This new building is a facility that students, faculty and staff alike will be proud to call their campus, their school,” said Gregory J. Stratman, director of Columbia College-Rolla. “With our new facilities and especially the science lab, we hope to soon exceed previous enrollment figures.”

Brand New Campus in Rolla

BY CANDACE SCHILLING ▪ PHOTOS BY KACI SMART ‘09
Pulitzer Prize-winning fiction writer Edward P. Jones was in Columbia for a reading and book signing on Sept. 18. Jones addressed an audience of 120 people in Dorsey Gym on the Columbia College campus. “He was well-received, and I heard from many people that they really enjoyed the reading,” says assistant professor of English Christina Ingoglia, who arranged for Jones’ visit.

“Everything was wonderful,” Jones says. “I read in the renovated gym; it was a beautiful setting.” Jones also visited several classes during his inaugural visit to Columbia. “I told Christina, if you have classes, I am more than willing to go and answer questions.”

Jones, who is currently on the faculty at George Washington University in his hometown of Washington, D.C., is one of three African-Americans to ever win a Pulitzer for fiction writing. His novel, *The Known World* focuses on a slave plantation with a black owner/master. Jones did 10 years of research before writing the book.

According to Ingoglia, Jones is one of the greatest living writers of our time. “We will be reading his work for a long time, much like we do the work of James Joyce, William Faulkner and Toni Morrison,” she says. “He speaks to the experience of African-Americans post-Great Migration better than anyone else.”
New Programs
The Business Administration department blossoms

BY WHITNEY DREIER

Fusing Health with Business
A health care management major is now being offered through the business administration department for students who hope to improve the efficiency of health care facilities and the quality of care they provide. The need for health care managers is expected to increase as the health care industry continues to expand and the population ages. “The demand for this major is supported by market research,” says department chair Sally Wells. “It will appeal to health care professionals who are looking to advance their careers. With the aging baby boomers and health care reform, there are strong projections for employees needed in these areas.”

MBA Expansion
Students pursuing an MBA now have the option of an accounting focus in addition to a human resources concentration. “The accounting track became part of the MBA program in August 2012, after a year’s worth of preparation by faculty and staff,” explains Dr. Steve Wiegenstein, associate dean for Academic Affairs and dean for Graduate Studies. “It arose in response to requests from students and market research that showed an accounting emphasis would be especially beneficial to students who intend to sit for the CPA exam.”

Through the accounting program, which is offered both in the classroom and online, students will have the number of hours required to sit for the CPA exam in their home states. Wiegenstein notes that “the online/classroom option gives students the maximum possible flexibility while ensuring consistent academic rigor.”

Instructor of business administration Thomas Stauder agrees: “Students who have access to the in-seat classes really appreciate the personal contact with the professor and other students; the online format is great because not all our students are close enough to a campus.”

“We’re expecting good enrollment,” says department chair Sally Wells. “The MBA gives a broad background in business with a focus on accounting — that’s unique. There’s nothing else like this in Columbia.”
Columbia College has offered American Sign Language courses for years on the evening campus, but now students — even those who take classes online — can minor in ASL. “In August 2007, we offered our first ASL I class in the evening,” remembers instructor Kathleen Alexander. “The class was so popular that I started creating additional classes and asked for a minor.” Faculty approved the request, and more than 50 students are currently enrolled in ASL courses.

Alexander and Andye Wolff-Yakubovich, director of Columbia College-Denver, are among Columbia College’s ASL instructors who teach classes ranging from Deaf Culture to Linguistics of American Sign Language. “Columbia College has an opportunity with passionate instructors to broaden our students’ ability and understanding,” Wolff-Yakubovich says.

Students are required to complete 24 hours to receive an ASL minor; they start off with basic vocabulary and sign production. “My goal is to teach by example the way deaf people use the language,” Wolff-Yakubovich explains in her syllabus. “At times you may become frustrated — this is normal when learning a second language.”

Like any language, ASL has specific rules for pronunciation, word order and grammar, not to mention regional dialects. “These classes are all hands-on,” Alexander explains. “From Day 2, it’s all signing — there’s no English spoken; there’s no talking.” Online students submit weekly video clips in which they demonstrate specific ASL skills via Vimeo or YouTube.

Jeff Levin is among the students pursuing the minor. “You get deeply immersed into the deaf culture,” he says. “You learn more about the people, their history and their future and it becomes more than a language. Having the opportunity to learn and be accepted into their culture is definitely rewarding. My only wish was that it was a major!”

At the end of an ASL I class, students attend a deaf community event at the Columbia Mall. “To watch them go from knowing nothing to be able to talk with deaf people, that’s really rewarding,” says instructor Kathleen Alexander.
Beyond CC

Study Abroad program offers multiple summer destinations

BY WHITNEY DREIER

Belize Bound

Columbia College students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends will head approximately 1,500 miles due south of Missouri this summer for a 10-day study tour to Belize, located on the northeastern coast of Central America.

“The Study Tour Committee tries to find affordable tours that provide a variety of experiences that relate to multiple academic disciplines; Belize met both of those criteria,” explains Dr. Brian Kessel, Study Abroad coordinator and chair of the History and Political Science Department.

“Experienced local guides and accompanying faculty members provide a rich educational experience,” Kessel continues. “In Belize, we will get to see ancient Mayan art and temples, rainforests, wildlife, a marine preserve and much more.” The approximately 30 participants will also have opportunities to go zip-lining, cave tubing, kayaking, and cruising on a river.

“I hope that our participants will come away with an appreciation for the natural beauty and cultural richness of Belize,” Kessel says. “My goal is that all of our trips encourage a life-long desire to experience other cultures and to seek out more opportunities for international travel.”

The tour starts May 24 and ends June 2; prices start at $2,999 and include airfare, lodging and one to two meals per day. All members of the college community at all venues are welcome, as are friends and relatives. Everyone must register by Feb. 3.
The Other Side of the Pond
Should students prefer scones and tea over beans and rice, they might consider the Missouri Study Abroad Intercollegiate Consortium (MOSAIC) trip to England, July 1 to 23. Students will spend the majority of their time in Oxford or London visiting museums, such as the Natural History Museum, the Darwin Center, the Grant Museum of Zoology and the National Maritime Museum.

“I take students on tours, I do walking lectures, I know people in museums,” says Graham Higgs, chair of the Department of Psychology and Sociology. “They’re going to be exposed to museums that huge numbers of people don’t get to see; we’ll sit in parks and talk about what we saw.” Higgs, who lived in London as a child, will teach British History of Scientific Psychology this summer.

“It’s an adventure, something they’ll remember for years,” Higgs says. “Without exception, I have students who say it’s changed their lives.”

To learn more about both trips, visit www.ccis.edu/studyabroad.
Since 2005, College Colors Day has officially occurred every August to promote “the traditions and spirit that make the college experience great by encouraging people across America to wear apparel of their favorite college or university throughout the day,” according to the event’s website.

And although Columbia College students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends donned their navy and silver apparel on Aug. 31, they've continued to do so throughout the year thanks to Cougar Pride Fridays, which was initiated by the Spirit & Traditions Committee in the Division of Student Affairs.

“Cougar Pride Fridays was a no brainer,” says Kim Coke, director of student development. “We have a fantastic athletic program, a vibrant campus filled with engaged students and students, faculty and staff who absolutely love being part of the Columbia College campus community. We thought about how simple it would be to show that sense of solidarity by hosting Cougar Pride Fridays. Everyone can participate whether they are on the main campus, extended campus or even an online student. It is an awesome feeling to look around and see a sea of navy and silver wash the campus each Friday.”
We write our magazine for you, our alumni, so naturally your opinion is of highest importance. The results of our readership survey are in, and we offer many thanks to those who participated!

We received input on what types of stories readers would like to see in future issues, which sections of affinity are most popular and how the information readers received in the magazine can strengthen their connection to Columbia College. The survey results will help us select topics and themes that matter most to you, giving you the most meaningful information on CC we can provide.

Congratulations to the winners of the Barnes & Noble gift cards: Ellen Wess ’59, Kathy Adams ’07 and Todd Panek ’07.

To view the survey results go to www.columbiacollegealumni.org/affinity
As an alumus, did you know that your Cougar email can be a lifetime account, or that you receive a discount at the main campus bookstore? Did you know that you can receive free career counseling or résumé assistance? These are just a few of the benefits or services the Columbia College Alumni Association (CCAA) is proud to offer you.

We are so excited to announce that CCAA has partnered with Nationwide Insurance to present CCAA members discounts on select Nationwide products. This is the first time that CCAA has joined forces with an outside vendor to provide goods or services. As an added bonus, this benefit can be used by all alumni, no matter what venue you graduated from or where you live, so let us know how you like it. To learn more about the select Nationwide products available to Alumni and Friends, visit www.nationwide.com/ColumbiaCollege, or call 866-238-1426.

Many of us look back at our time at Columbia College (or Christian College) with fondness and hope that our children or grandchildren have a similar experience during their collegiate career. Through the Alumni Legacy Grant or the Alumni Legacy Scholarship, alumni can send their children or grandchildren to the Day Campus in Columbia, Mo., and receive a substantial tuition discount. This is a wonderful opportunity to pass on to the next generation.

We also offer a $500 tuition-based Alumni Referral Grant. This is awarded to Day Campus students who are formally referred by an alumnus who received an associate, bachelors or masters degree from Columbia College or any Christian College attendee. Talk about paying it forward!

To learn more about the services, programs and activities available to alumni, visit the CCAA website at www.columbiacollegealumni.org. In addition, you should have recently received an alumni benefits brochure outlining discounts and programs.

CCAA is dedicated to educating students about our rich history and traditions. One tradition unique to Columbia College is Ivy Chain, which has been held every year since 1901. Traditionally performed on the main campus, we are thrilled to report that Ivy Chain is being expanded to our extended campuses. This is made possible through a joint effort by CCAA and Adult Higher Education.

I also want to take just a moment to thank you for returning your alumni information update forms. These forms allow us to stay connected and to share your news with others. We love hearing from you! We are CC!

Sincerely,

Martha Eberhard ’00
President, CCAA
Good food and good company are essential
for gray, rainy days, and the crowd that gathered
for Speed Networking on Oct. 17 enjoyed both.
Hot soup and sandwiches were available to the
30-plus students and 12 local professionals (many
of them alumni) who met in Dulany Hall for the
event, hosted by Career Services and Alumni
Relations.

Students began the evening with a crash course
in how to network; the Career Services staff
offered tips on introductions, handshakes and
appropriate questions to ask during a networking
event, among other things. “It teaches softer skills,
such as how to talk to people, and how to conduct
yourself,” says Don Malson, director of Career
Services.

When the doors to the banquet room opened,
each professional sat at a table with two or three
students. Every seven minutes a bell rang, and
students moved clockwise around the room. “It’s
kind of like speed dating, but not,” Malson jokes.

Students were not looking or interviewing for
jobs. Rather, they asked the professionals about
their workplace experiences and for advice about
the real world. “It’s a good opportunity to help
students — to let them talk to people in the
business community in a semi-casual atmosphere
— and to give back to the college,” says Bill
Johnston ’82, an account executive at Shelter
Insurance.

After visiting every table, students mingled with
professionals. Over dessert, all agreed the evening
was successful — and necessary in this economy.
“Anything you can do to encourage students
is good,” says Lori Meyer ’87, an underwriting
supervisor at Shelter Insurance. “The job market is
a little scary.”

“It’s weighing on their minds,” Malson agrees.
“Is there going to be a job for me? Well, who else
would know but people in these professions?
You never know what will become of these
connections.”
Welcome to  

Career Corner

CC Career Center offers advice, service and resources to assist alumni in building their careers. Whether you are job searching, contemplating a career change, or discerning the merits of graduate or professional school, the Career Center is here for you.

Our mission is to help alumni position themselves for success in the job market, including access to an online job bank, career counseling, career events and workshops. Through our online career management system, CCNET, you can search for jobs 24/7 and post your resume to apply for positions and facilitate viewing by prospective employers. And you don’t even have to travel to campus to receive one-on-one attention.

For more information on the many programs and resources offered to alumni, visit www.ccis.edu/careercenter, or call 573-875-7425.

Free services available to all alumni
- Career counseling
- Career fairs
- Resource Center and website access
- CCNET
- Resume and interviewing assistance
- And more
E-Cards

Spread Cougar cheer by sending a Columbia College e-Card!

Choose from an assortment of images including Scooter, Rogers Gate, holiday and graduation to create free, personalized e-cards to send to friends, family or classmates. Go to www.columbiacollegealumni.org/ecards to start sending!

On Nov. 11, veterans were thanked by alumni, students, faculty and staff for their service with this e-card.

Happy New Year!

What’s your resolution for 2013?

Whether you plan on losing 10 pounds or traveling to 10 countries, we want to hear about it! Please visit www.surveymonkey.com/s/newyearsresolution to share your aspirations with us. There’s a chance you’ll be featured on the Alumni Association’s blog or social media sites. Good luck!
Melissa Neterer Carroll ’03
Mother: Diane L. Neterer ’00

Marjorie Thomas Gutelius ’69
Brother: Mark A. Thomas ’89
Sister: Marcia Lou Thomas ’78

Bill Johnston ’82
Cousin: Cindy G. Larm ’90
Cousin: Richard J. Imhoff ’80
Cousin: James R. Imhoff ’86
Cousin: Maria Imhoff, current student

Dale Coe Simons ’65
Mother: Helen (Boo) Cates Neary ’38

Lynne Stuver Baker ’64
Sister: Nancy Stuver Wallingford ’66

Jonathan Dudley ’10
Sister: Jennifer J. Dudley ’10

Penny McQueen ’07
Sister: Rebecca K. McQueen ’99

Lollie Zander Reed ’68
Mother: Lora Lou Austin Zander ’40

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Son: Bradford L. Kateman, current student
Son: William C. Kateman, current student
Cousin: Tammy S. Rodieck ’08

Susan Davis
Daughter: Whitney G. Davis ’10

René Massey ’01
Spouse: Gary Massey ’85
Brother-in-law: Dave Yutzy ’09 & ’10
Cousin: Ryan Schultz ’97
Cousin: Heather Cloud ’07
Cousin: Sheila White, current student

Drew Grzella ’01
Spouse: Katherine E. Skibiski ’03
The Alumni Contact Update Project had one ambitious goal: to keep as many alumni as possible informed about Columbia College news, events and opportunities by updating their information. The responses are in, and we’re blown away by the numbers. Congratulations to those who received prizes for participating: Sarah Hartman ’07, winner of the Kindle Fire; Lori Dorman ’94, $100 gift card recipient and Carolyn Butcher ’56, winner of a $50 gift card.

Even though our project is complete, it’s never too late to update your address or anything else you’d like to share. Visit www.columbiacollegealumni.org/en/GetInvolved/AlumniInfoUpdate.aspx to stay connected with the college. 

Sam Fleury
Creating affinity at the “Lake’s College”

BY LAURA DAUGHERTY ■ PHOTOS COURTESY OF COLUMBIA COLLEGE - LAKE OF THE OZARKS

Much has changed in the physical landscape of Columbia College – Lake of the Ozarks in recent history, but one of the most radical changes has less to do with brick and mortar of the new facility opened in 2005, and more to do with the community Sam Fleury has built during the last two and a half years.

As the Senior Community and Alumni Relations Coordinator at Lake Ozark Campus, Fleury has founded the Lake Campus Alumni Affinity Committee and made more than 35,000 connections to alumni in just 29 months. He has increased the visibility of the campus with more than 400 media placements, and alumni are catching on: the Lake Campus Facebook page (www.facebook.com/cclakeozark) has almost 1,000 likes, and the campus Twitter account is gaining popularity. With all the affinity he’s building at Lake of the Ozarks, it’s no wonder Fleury has established the campus as, simply, the “Lake’s College.”
The Alumni and Public Relations staff expanded to Chicago, Ill., with the hiring of Patrick Snyder who will serve as the new community and alumni relations coordinator in the Windy City.

Snyder is no stranger to organizational growth: as the former executive director of Visit Illinois, the Illinois Travel and Tourism Association, he transformed what had been a 30-member club into a federation of tourism associations with memberships in the hundreds of thousands, all while increasing the budget six-fold. Most recently, Snyder served as vice-president of operations for Steve Kaplan Live and as adjunct professor in hospitality marketing and operations at Kendall College. Snyder holds a bachelor’s degree in mass communications from Eastern Illinois University.

And he’s off to a great start at CC. In just one month, he’s built a contact list of more than 40 media outlets, connected with all four Illinois campus location directors, retooled and rebranded the Illinois Facebook page (www.facebook.com/ccillinois) which increased “likes” by over 50 percent and presented to more than 300 students and faculty across all Illinois campuses on the importance of becoming involved.
Even the chilly weather couldn’t stamp out Cougar pride during Family Day and Homecoming, held October 5-6 at the Main Campus. Armed with ample cups of hot chocolate, guests painted pumpkins, relaxed with free massages and enjoyed games, food and prizes inside the alumni hospitality tent. The Norm Ruebling Band entertained the crowd, and an exhibit at the Sidney Larson Gallery showcased alumni art by Daniel Marks ‘91 and Luke Severson. As part of the exhibit, Greg Hardwick’s ‘00 family dedicated a gallery in his memory. The Athletic Hall of Fame inducted two new members, guests socialized at the Alumni and Cougar Club Reception and Graduate Studies celebrated 15 years. It goes without saying there were plenty of reasons to celebrate, share and — temperatures aside — stay warm.
For more Family Day & Homecoming photos, visit http://www.columbiacollegealumni.org/CCForYou/PhotoVideoGallery.aspx
The Springfield campus has had plenty to celebrate in 2012 — a brand new campus and its 15th anniversary, to name two — and now they can add their first-ever alumni event to that list. On Sept. 20, the CCAA hosted 30 guests at the Springfield Brewing Co. for an evening of socializing and sampling food and brews. Columbia College President Dr. Gerald Brouder, Lake Campus Director Kathy Gress and Senior Alumni Relations Director Susan Davis welcomed the guests, whose connections to CC stretched far beyond Springfield. The crowd was sprinkled with alumni from AHE campuses across the nation, Christian College alumnae and a 1995 main campus graduate — one of the final students to live in Missouri Hall.

With its traditional ambiance and historic charm, the Webster House in Kansas City, Mo. proved an idyllic setting for the 12th Annual Kansas City Area Christian College Luncheon, held Oct. 24. The event was hosted by Lynne Stuver Baker ’64, Marjorie Thomas Gutelius ’69, and Lollie Zander Reed ’68. With the Christian College of yesteryear evoked, it seemed the ladies were back in the dining halls of Christian College, sharing memories and stories over meals. After lunch, the guests were entertained by members of the Jane Froman Singers.
Chicago Alumni Event

Cougar pride met Bear pride at the first-ever CCAA’s Monday Night Football Watch Party when the Chicago Bears faced the Dallas Cowboys on Oct. 1. The gathering took place at the Cubby Bear North Restaurant in Chicago, Ill., and team spirit was in high gear as 40 guests met fellow Columbia College alumni and cheered the Bears on to victory. The event was attended by alumni from the main campus as well as all four Illinois campuses.

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On August 24, CC men’s soccer alumni laced up their cleats and joined former teammates at the 17th annual Alumni Soccer Game. The event, which was preceded by an inter-squad scrimmage by the inaugural Lady Cougar soccer team, matched 32 soccer alumni against the current men’s team. The alumni ranged from recent graduates to a member of CC’s first-ever soccer team in 1974. After the game, the alumni and coaching staff went to The Heidelberg for a social where “CC pride was in abundance,” according to Coach John Klein. Better luck next year, though: the current team beat the alumni 3 to 1.

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Reunion Weekend Preview

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Join us for a celebration 50 years in the making!
Reunion Weekend 2013 plans to be just that: the kick-off to a year-long celebration honoring the CCAA’s 50th anniversary. Plans are underway to make this the most exciting Reunion Weekend yet, and we hope you’ll celebrate with us!

The weekend will feature evening socials, live entertainment, campus tours, an alumni awards luncheon, a 50-year Ivy Chain ceremony and a 50th anniversary kick-off dinner.

Class years honored will include: 1933, 1943, 1953, 1963 and 1973. Reunion events are planned for these class years, so be sure to tell your classmates not to miss their special celebration at Reunion Weekend! To volunteer for your class reunion committee and help plan your event, email Patricia Houston at phouston@ccis.edu.

All alumni, family and friends are invited to Reunion Weekend!

For a full schedule of events and information on hotel accommodations, visit the website www.columbiacollegealumni.org/reunion, call the Alumni Relations office at 573-875-ALUM (2586), or email ccalum@ccis.edu.
“People are not conscious of all the things that influence their attitude toward money,” says Sally Wells, assistant professor of Business Administration and chair of the Business Administration department. For more than a decade, Wells has been a strong advocate for requiring students to obtain financial literacy skills, and just this year, FINC 298: Personal Financial Planning will be mandatory for all business students. Wells, however, encourages all students to take the course, regardless of major. “It’s suitable for all majors,” she says. “It looks at basic money management skills, such as managing debt and maintaining a good credit score. These things have big implications in terms of employment and loans.”

Students who excel in personal finance might also enroll in FINC 350: Business Finance, which Wells has taught every semester since she started at Columbia College 30 years ago. Additionally, she teaches FINC 498: Comprehensive Financial Planning. “I love finance and digging into numbers and figuring things out, but not sitting in isolation at a desk,” Wells explains. “Teaching offered me a way to blend those two.”

When she is sitting at her desk, Wells is tucked away in 202 Williams Hall, the oldest college building in continuous use for educational purposes west of the Mississippi River — and also home to the main campus’s Business Administration faculty, which, according to Wells, drives the business curriculum in the online and nationwide campuses. “It’s our job to maintain quality,” she says. “The department is in good shape and we’re well positioned for growth.”

Recently, growth has included two new MBA tracks (accounting and human resources) and a health care management major. Wells and her team are currently working on a new major in entrepreneurship, which will likely be available in fall 2014. “More and more students say they’d like to start their own business,” Wells says. “We feel there’s a real need for this major.” The department plans to hire entrepreneurs to serve as adjunct faculty.

Wells grew up in Columbia and attended the University of Missouri, where her father was an international marketing professor. She and her husband have five boys, three who graduated from Columbia College, and one who is currently enrolled. “I am so grateful for EEG,” she says of the Employee Educational Grant, which waives their tuition. None of her kids, however, have taken a personal finance class. “My sons aren’t terribly interested in getting money advice from their mother,” she says. “Guess that’s just the way it goes.”

ACCOUNTABLE

Sally Wells kicks off her fourth decade at Columbia College

BY WHITNEY DREIER ■ PHOTO BY L.G. PATTERSON
Brig. Gen. Joseph Kim teaches cross-cultural management, so perhaps it’s appropriate that he’s located 4,000 miles from Columbia, Mo., and instructs students who live in different countries and time zones all around the world. For nearly four years, Kim has taught MGMT 339 to Columbia College students from his home in Aiea, Hawaii.
"As a military leader, family member and parent, mentoring becomes a very important aspect of our lives."
– Brig. Gen. Joseph Kim

After graduating from the U.S. Air Force Academy and serving on active duty for 11 years, Kim joined the Hawaii National Guard in 1993. "The National Guard has provided me the opportunity to serve both my state and nation, along with a very important benefit — the ability to put down roots and live in one location," he says. Kim lives on the island of Oahu with his three children and his wife, Kimberly, who teaches MGMT 150: Introduction to Business for Columbia College.

As a member of the adjunct faculty, Kim can continue to serve his country while pursuing another passion: teaching. "I've been an instructor both in classrooms and aircraft for over 28 years," says Kim, who strongly encourages continuing education for airmen and soldiers. "I love being able to use my education, training and service to help mentor my students — our future."

Kim’s cross-cultural management class emphasizes the interpersonal skills needed to manage across national borders and examines how cultural factors influence behavior in the workplace and the negotiation process. "The online environment presents both opportunities and challenges," Kim says. "Although the face-to-face interaction of in-seat classes is obviously not present, Columbia College's Online Campus removes or mitigates many barriers to attaining higher educational goals, such as distance and availability during specific time periods."

Kim credits the Columbia College staff with the success of his class. "My sincerest thanks to all of the Online Campus staff and all of the support staff who work tirelessly to support students, faculty and staff alike," he says, noting that he's had the opportunity to visit Columbia twice. "I found the town had a very Americana-type of environment," he says. "Everyone's been very friendly."
Legacy is an interesting concept, and not because those who initiate a tradition even realize they’re doing so. It’s also impossible to determine how long-lasting it will become. In the following pages, you will meet three families who first entered the halls of Columbia (Christian) College, unaware of the traditions they were starting, but their legacies prove that bright futures are best determined by the strength of their roots.

by LAURA DAUGHERTY

Price family photos by
THE MITCHELL’S PHOTOGRAPHY

Opposite page seated from left: Peggy Lamke Price ’43, Lily Mae Petitt, Gayle Jennings Price Gibb ’73
Standing from left: Abby Price, Barbara Greene Price ’72, Beth Price ’98
Ivy is an unusually hardy plant; it takes root where it clings and expands into offshoots, gaining strength along the way. The same rootedness could be used to describe Peggy Lamke Price ’43 and her family, whose legacy at Columbia (Christian) College spans five generations.

Peggy’s maternal grandmother, Mary Virginia Ruth (Molly) Bassett Jennings 1871, first entered the school in 1869, when it was known as Christian Female College. Peggy speculates her grandmother’s parents encouraged Molly, who was the only girl among 10 older brothers, to attend the school because of the quality of academics and its reputation as a finishing school.

“We are all interested in education,” Peggy says of her family’s loyalty to the college. “We always have been.”

By the time Peggy was born, her family’s legacy at the college was all but solidified. Following her grandmother’s graduation in 1871, her mother, Ruth Howard Jennings Lamke, along with three sisters attended Christian College in the early 1900s. Peggy grew up viewing Christian College as a “wonderful” place and considered attending, but her parents wanted her to experience a new environment. She attended National Park College in Forest Glen, Md. after the start of World War II, but the war forced the college to close at the end of her first year. After she moved back home to Missouri, she felt Christian College was an ideal fit to finish her degree.

“’They made me feel right at home,’” Peggy says of her Christian College peers. During her time at Christian College, Peggy sang for the Double Sextette and recalls fond memories, such as singing at pajama night and serving soup to the college president as a wartime volunteer waitress “and not spilling a drop,” she says, laughing. “My experiences at the college were all so great. All of them.”

When it came time for Peggy’s daughter, Gayle Jennings Price Gibb ’73, to choose a college, Gayle says she felt “no pressure” in deciding to become the family’s fourth generation at the college. “Everything I wanted to know

Ivy Chain

One hundred twelve years after the first Ivy Chain was held outside St. Clair Hall, the ceremony has expanded nationwide. Graduating seniors anywhere can participate in the event, which is one of the oldest traditions at the college. A continuous length of greenery is draped across students’ shoulders. The ivy is then cut into individual segments that signify a new phase of life and a special bond with Columbia College and their classmates.

“The ceremony symbolizes our unity as a graduating class as well as our individuality as we move on to bright futures,” says graduate Kyle Christian, who spoke at the ceremony in May 2012. “This Ivy Chain ceremony truly represents our time here at Columbia College. The ivy that lies across our shoulders represents the connections each of us has made during our time here at Columbia College.”
about the school was available to me, and I’d been there several times,” Gayle says. “I was thrilled to join the Double Sextette 30 years after my mother, and the college felt familiar. It felt like home.”

Other family members echo the same sentiment. Peggy’s granddaughter, Abby Price, says it was “absolutely” her decision to attend by-then Columbia College, likening the college to a “family reunion,” even though she attended Columbia College–Springfield. Another granddaughter, Beth Price ’98, says: “I decided to go there because my mom and grandmother and aunt went there, quite honestly.”

For Peggy’s third granddaughter, Rachel Gibb New ’05, familiarity with the college only heightened her curiosity. “It was mysterious,” she says of the college. “My family had gone there for generations, and I was interested in what it was like. I would go back 100 times over.”

Peggy’s daughter-in-law, Barbara Greene Price ’72, graduated from Columbia College, not knowing that she would later marry into a family of Columbia (Christian) College graduates. “I knew she would approve,” Barbara says of Peggy, laughing.

When asked how the college has changed over the years, Peggy cites the education. “I think the education is even stronger now,” she says. “Of course, it’s more universally available,” referencing the time of transition in 1970, when the college changed from a two-year all-female college to a four-year coeducational college and underwent a name change from Christian to Columbia.

“The college felt familiar. It felt like home.”
— Gayle Jennings Price Gibb ’73

College. “Progress had to be made,” she says. Peggy served on the Columbia College National Alumni Association at the time and describes how proud she was to give back to her alma mater through her services as board member and president of the Alumni Association and later as a member of the Board of Trustees. She served on the Board of Trustees from 1975 to 2008, and witnessed several college presidents and their teams advance the college during those years. Peggy served as president of the Alumni Association from 1971 to 1973, “100 years after my grandmother went there and right when my daughter

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was starting,” she says, shaking her head as if the extent of her family’s legacy still amazes her.

Wanting to ensure her commitment to education at the college continued, Peggy and her husband, Jim, gave an endowed gift to Columbia College in 1998. The scholarship, named the Price-Lamke-Jennings-Bassett Scholarship in honor of her family, benefits students who are children of alumni, who demonstrate an interest in extracurricular activities and maintain good academic standing.

“That’s the interesting part,” she says. “You don’t realize what you’re teaching is going to impact future generations. To me, legacy is what you give of yourself, and what you pass along to the next generation to keep alive those thoughts, those morals, those traditions.”

And tradition is exactly what Peggy imagines when she thinks of ivy. She explains that ivy clings to that upon which it grows — bricks for example, which comprise many of the buildings on campus. “Ivy has leaves, meaning, to me, the friendships and the people I came to know. Even though it’s cut (at the close of the Ivy Chain Ceremony), we still have those friendships.” Later she acknowledges, “We still have those roots.”
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Virtual Commencement

Everyone — students, friends, family, faculty — can participate in Columbia College’s Virtual Commencement Ceremony. Simply visit www.ccis.edu/virtualcommencement to hear President Brouder’s video message, statements from alumni and to see an Ivy Chain video.

Virtual commencement includes reading of the names and a diploma view for each graduate (searchable by campus or degree) as “Pomp and Circumstance” plays. Guests can also view graduate profiles and sign a guestbook — or send Rose Notes — to offer congratulations.

“The successful completion of your college degree is cause for great celebration,” Dr. Brouder says in his address. “While you are leaving with your degree today, from campus or from the comfort of your own home, you will always be a part of Columbia College.”

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A Lasting Impression

Geography is one way to determine closeness between two points, but for Helen (Boo) Cates Neary and daughter Helen (Dale) Coe Simons ’65, living 800 miles from the main campus does not lessen the bonds they established there.

“It made a lasting impact on me,” says Boo of her education at Christian College. Growing up in Texas in the 1930s, she hadn’t heard of Christian College until her brother, then a student at Kemper Military School in Boonville, Mo., thought she would like the college.

Following her brother’s advice, Boo attended Christian College from 1936 to 1937. “I was always delighted I had made that decision to attend Christian College,” she says. “The professors gave so much time to every student … they helped me so much.”

Faced with the challenges of the Great Depression, Boo returned home to enter business school. Despite the transition, Christian College had made a lasting impression on her. “I cherished the items I brought home with me,” she said, citing roses from friends and scrapbooks she made. “But more than that, it’s where I learned to study.”

When Boo’s daughter, Dale, expressed an interest in attending Christian College, Boo realized how much her positive experience at the college had impacted her daughter. “It pleased me very much,” Boo says of her daughter’s decision to attend Christian College. “I had never discussed it with her one way or another.”

“She encouraged me to find a place where I could excel,” Dale says of her mother. “Knowing that my mother went to Christian College made me feel safe, coming from Texas … and there was trust. Being a legacy put a trust in the education.”

During their September 2012 trip to the main campus, Boo and Dale once again walked through Rogers Gate.
Although Mary Agnes Starr McQuinn ’54 and her grandson, Sergeant Edward Arndt, have always had a close relationship, she never imagined the two of them would share degrees from the same institution. “Living in Minnesota, I never in my wildest dreams expected any of my grandchildren to attend Columbia College,” she says, citing that the college had only one location and 350 students when she was a student. So when her grandson discovered that enrolling in Columbia College’s online program, above any other program, was “the best and most efficient way” to finish his degree, Mary Agnes was amazed.

“He called and told me, ‘You’re never going to believe this,’” she says with a laugh. “I was surprised to discover this mode of finishing up credits was possible (through the online program). I’ve been so gratified that Columbia College was able to transition to something so cutting-edge … so forward.”

“It’s an exciting opportunity to follow in her footsteps,” Edward says. “She spoke so highly of the quality of academics, and now it’s one of the leaders in supporting military personnel. It’s pretty cool to see how it’s evolved.” And he’s happy to keep it in the family. Aside from the quality of academics, “She’s one of the main reasons I chose Columbia College,” he says of his grandmother.

Although Dale is accustomed to the commute between Austin, Texas and the main campus in Columbia, Mo., Boo’s first visit to campus since her daughter’s graduation came just a few months ago, in September 2012. “I’ve never felt like such a celebrity,” Boo says of her time on campus. “Everyone was so nice and I got to walk through Rogers Gate one last time…. It was marvelous to see what has changed since I was there.”

But many qualities remain the same. “So many of the values we had still emerge today — small classes, good academics, student-centeredness,” Dale explains. “Those institutional values will never be lost.”

She adds with a chuckle, “Which is why I’m determined to get at least one of my eight grandchildren to go there.”
Hall of Fame

Two athletes are recognized for their contributions to Cougar Athletics

By Whitney Dreier

Cindy Fotti Potter played softball for Columbia College from 2002 to 2004. During her time at CC, Potter served as a team captain and helped her team to a fifth place finish at the NAIA National Tournament in 2004. She was named to the academic all-conference team in each of her seasons, and earned NAIA Scholar-Athlete accolades as a junior. In her final season, Potter earned first team all-conference and all-region honors.

Dr. Kory P. Thoma joined the Cougars in 1993, and by the time he graduated summa cum laude with a biology degree in 1997, he’d garnered the Thomas Roberts Award, the Athletic Director’s Award and Male Athlete of the Year. His accolades also include a NAIA Honorable Mention during his senior campaign and NAIA Scholar Athlete during his junior and senior years. He is currently listed on the Columbia College all-time record list as No. 2 in assists, numbering 520; No. 14 in scoring with 1,079 points; and No. 17 in rebounds, numbering 441.

“Playing collegiate basketball and being academically prepared to attend professional education gave me the best opportunity to succeed,” Thoma says.

To read more about Potter and Thoma, visit www.columbiacougars.com.
Men’s & Women’s Cross Country

Season summary by Head Coach
Tim Cornell: A team comprised almost entirely of freshmen is both exciting and challenging. This group has come together as one, quickly learning about the rigors of college racing and performing admirably. Our goal was to show the American Midwest Conference that Columbia College is here to stay, and we have taken the necessary steps to do that. The conference is strong, but the athletic tradition and level of support at CC has allowed this team to compete at a very high level in year one. That being said, there is always room for growth and this team will improve during the coming years as we mature and continue to build the program.

Stand-out athletes: If I had to single out one runner, I would say that Lindsey Martin has impressed me the most. As a transfer student, Lindsey was ineligible to compete this year in cross country, but her attitude and leadership have been impressive, and I am looking forward to having her back running next year.

What’s next? There are two cross country-specific goals for the coming year. One: Get current athletes faster. And two: Build depth by adding many more talented runners. Outside of cross country, we will work to become better students and citizens every day and earn the respect of the institution and community.

Coming into 2013, this team will be much improved simply by a year of hard work and a better understanding of what it takes to perform at the collegiate level.

Thank you to those who have worked hard to allow this team to train and race at a high level. Columbia College does an exceptional job of creating a support system for its athletes; what we do would not be possible without them.
Season summary by Head Coach Melinda Wrye-Washington: Our Cougars had a great season this year with strong wins against ranked opponents and the ability to retain their Top 5 ranking throughout the season. The team is competitive in nature and consistently finding ways to win in very tough situations. We represented the college well and had a great run in the regular season. We will prepare as best we can and see if we can make a run at another national title.

Stand out athletes: The core returners stepped up and showed the newcomers how to compete. There is a strong tradition at Columbia College in volleyball, and our core did a great job of conveying that to our large group of newcomers.

Season summary by Head Coach John Klein: The men have had an impressive season. They have impressed me with their consistency on both offense and defense. The women have had an inspiring inaugural season and have made a great first impression in the American Midwest Conference and across the country. We have a great group of young women that play each and every game with a tremendous amount of CC pride.

Stand-out athletes: On the men’s side, Nikola Velickovic, the three-time NAIA All-American, is always an imposing force in the center of our backfield. Matt McKenna has shined in goal once again. And Rafael Ramos and Marko Paunovic have stepped up to take over the scoring responsibility.

On the women’s side, Kelly Ross, a freshman from Moberly, has stepped up to take on a large portion of the offensive production. She has made improvements throughout the season, and is establishing herself as a powerful attacking player. Mallory Page and Elise Castellanos have anchored our defense, and Stephanie Hale has made her mark as a playmaker in the center of our midfield.

What’s next? On the women’s side, with another strong recruiting class, we hope to have a balanced squad of freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors, and we hope to position ourselves for consistent trips to the NAIA National Tournament.

On the men’s side, we have a lot of work to do in replacing the three seniors in our backfield — Dan Rapp, Tom Vincenc and Nikola Velickovic — who have provided us so much security and peace of mind over the last four seasons. But it is our intention to bring in another outstanding group of defenders and continue to compete at the top of the American Midwest Conference and at a top national level in the NAIA.
Men’s & Women’s Golf

Season summary by Head Coach

John Utley: With great opportunity comes great responsibility. We have identified how we can get better and we are making strategies to accomplish that.

I am still waiting for the men to have their breakthrough round — it will only take one low team round to make them realize how good they can be, to get some momentum started.

The ladies are working hard and are committed to getting better. They do not have a lot of experience this year, but they are all fighting to the last putt, which is all I ask.

Stand-out athletes: Hunter Parrish has stepped in and taken the responsibility as captain of the men’s team. He came to us as a sophomore after playing one year at UMSL and has been our most consistent player posting a 75.7 stroke average through seven rounds. Mike Wilson Jr. — a newcomer without a lot of tournament experience — has also been a solid addition with a 77.4 average through five rounds.

Hannah Gill came to us as the most experienced women’s golfer having played two years of college golf already at Rend Lake College; she has been the team captain and leader on the course thus far with an 83.5 average (plus, she is a 4.0 student). I am excited to help her take her game to the next level; she doesn’t know just how good she could be.

What’s next? We will work hard through the winter months on physical conditioning and mental toughness. Although we compete in both the fall and spring, we are considered a spring sport with both the AMC Conference Championship and NAIA Nationals held late next semester. We are excited to be off the ground and competing, and we will strive to be great ambassadors for Columbia College and Cougar Athletics, both in and out of the classroom.

What’s next? We must rebuild in the off season. We are working to find key position players who are very skilled. We will lose all-American Paula Ferreira at setting position as well as libero Elena Berroteran, opposite hitter Kelly Corkum and libero/defensive specialist Aleah Hayes. 
Runs In The Family
For eight legacy athletes, their relatives are their biggest fans

BY WHITNEY DREIER ■ PHOTOS BY L.G. PATTERSON & CINDY FOTTI POTTER ’05

Chantel Stanciel
Men’s Basketball #5
Chantel Stanciel, a St. Louis-native, chose Columbia College because he felt comfortable on campus — as did his stepfather, Ron Pearson ’96, who also played basketball for the Cougars. “My stepdad was ecstatic I chose CC; he talks about CC more than me,” says the freshman guard. “He won’t miss a game. I plan to out-do him during my time at CC.”

Heather English
Women’s Basketball #4
“Heather English is a junior guard from Boonville, Mo. “All the athletes here are like a big family, and I love it,” says Heather English, a junior guard from Boonville, Mo. “I really enjoy playing here, and I wouldn’t want to be anywhere else.” English’s mother, Sheri Phillips also attended Columbia College. “She is generally at all of my games cheering me on,” English says. “She has always been a great supporter; I couldn’t ask for anything more.”

Mackenzie Greis
Women’s Basketball #10
“Columbia College is a great fit. I want to play basketball, receive a great education and be close to home [Boonville, Mo.],” says freshman guard Mackenzie Greis, whose cousin, Kerri McBee Black ’93 is a past president of the Alumni Association. “Kerri’s really happy I’m playing, and I’m sure she’ll be at the games.”
Kelly Ross
Women's Soccer #14
This freshman from Moberly, Mo., was the Cougar’s first women’s soccer signee and the first player to record a hat trick in program history. Ross, whose stepmother also attended Columbia College, has been named AMC Women's Soccer Offensive Player of the Week multiple times.

Tierney Seifert
Women's Basketball #12
Like her mother, Gia Seifert ‘99, sophomore Tierney Seifert was drawn to Columbia College’s small size and friendly atmosphere; playing basketball was just an added bonus. “My mom is happy with my decision to come here and she knows that I am getting a great education,” says Seifert, who grew up in Moberly. “My mom, along with the rest of my family, attends all of the home games. She loves that I am doing what I love to do, which is playing basketball.”

Devin Sander
Men's Cross Country
“The most rewarding part of being on the cross country team is reaping the benefits of the hard work we have put in and then being able to show it off in the races,” says freshman Devin Sander. “Tim Cornell is a great coach who has lots of knowledge and experience.” Sander’s mother, Rebecca Sander ’08, attended several meets during the inaugural season. “She knows I love to run and is glad I am able to continue doing it in college.”

Maria Imhoff
Softball #1
“The most rewarding part of being on the softball team is being able to play with a great group of girls,” says sophomore pitcher Maria Imhoff. “We all have so much respect for one another that we’ve become a second family.” Imhoff’s actual family includes her cousin Bill Johnston (’82), who currently sits on the board of directors for the Alumni Association. “Bill comes to as many of my games as he can, along with his wife, Janice,” Imhoff says. “They followed my softball career in high school and continue to follow it here at Columbia College.”
On the Web: Scootergraphs

Check out where CC alumni have taken Scooter this time:

Drew Grzella ’01 took Scooter to the 2012 Home Run Derby in Kansas City.

Scooter vacations in Cancun, Mexico! From left: Wes Davis, Brittany Fischer, Kyle Snoddy ’13, Kayla Snoddy, John Lindsay, Susan Davis (senior director of Alumni Relations), Mike Davis (Lady Cougars women’s basketball coach), Sherry Snoddy, Wayne Snoddy, Whitney Davis ’10, Chris Ashton
On the Web

Senior GoArmyEd Coordinator Jeanette Gold ’01 took Scooter to a college fair.

CC Volleyball Coach Melinda Wrye-Washington ’95 and Scooter with former St. Louis Cardinals player Jim Edmonds.

Stacy Dyakov ’11 had fun showing Scooter around her favorite places at Disney World.

Helen (Boo) Cates Neary ’38 and Scooter enjoying a Saturday afternoon college football game.

Would you like to submit your own Scootergraphs? Email them to ccalum@ccis.edu or send to Alumni Relations, 1001 Rogers St., Columbia, MO 65216.
Coleen Hardin ’41 is completing her fourth book on genealogy and family history. She is an active member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, United Daughters of the Confederacy and Daughters of the Republic of Texas. She is married to Dick Hardin, and she celebrated her 90th birthday April 20. The couple resides in Austin, Texas.


Janet Hogge McCasland ’60 lives in Georgetown, Texas.

Barbara (Barb) Riis ’67 volunteers at the Military Veterans Museum and Memorial Center in San Diego. She is president-associate of the Vietnam Veterans Chapter 472 in San Diego and a member of the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary – California Civil Air Patrol squadron 57. Barbara resides in La Jolla, Calif.

Barb Ostmann ’69 tours the world to experience and write about food. She was recently in China. Barb lives in Gerald, Mo.

Mike Donovan ’76 lives in Bloomington, Ill. He retired from State Farm in June 2011, after 34 years. He is currently improving his golf game and playing all the golf courses in Michigan with his wife, Deni, and their son, Michael. He reports that “life is good.”

Penny Rafferty Hamilton, Ph.D. ’76 lives in Granby, Colo. She is an aviation writer and volunteer director of the Teaching Women to Fly Research Project. She was recently awarded a Wolf Aviation Fund grant to write an aviation textbook for flight instructors. The book seeks to increase male-female communication skills and understanding. Hamilton co-holds a world aviation speed record with her husband Bill. She was recently inducted into the Colorado Aviation Hall of Fame and is an active member of several aviation organizations.

Chad Briggs ’77 currently resides in Laguna Hills, Calif.

John Parron ’78 is the chief executive officer of the See Clear Janitorial Maintenance Corp in Bronx, N.Y. and resides there.

Theodore (Ted) Fafinski ’79 was unanimously elected chairman of the Ontario County Board of Supervisors (County Legislator) for a seventh consecutive term in 2012. He and his wife, Rosalie, live in Farmington, N.Y.
Julie Sponaugle Gamble ’79 lives in Jacksonville, Fla. with her husband, Robin Gamble. They were married in December 2011.

Dooley Ann George Navarro ’79 is an office manager and lives in Austin, Texas, with her husband, Wilfred, an attorney.

Dr. Michael Yoshida ’79 accepted a replica Congressional Gold Medal honoring his father’s WWII service. Yoshida’s father, Jitsuo, was a Japanese-American who served with the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. U.S. Representative Jo Ann Emerson presented the medal to Yoshida during a ceremony in June.

Jim Pasley ’87 was recognized for teaching his 200th course in June 2012. Jim began teaching history classes at Columbia College’s Jefferson City campus in 1990 and at Lake of the Ozarks campus in 1996. Jim and his wife, Karen, reside in Lake Ozark, Mo.

Michael Gintz ’89 retired in 2004 and currently consults for the U.S. Army. Michael and his wife, Mary, reside in Fayetteville, Ga.

Marco Tapia ’89 was named the April 2012 Volunteer of the Month by the City of Columbia, Mo. Tapia is the host of the CAT-TV program Making A Difference, which highlights volunteer opportunities.

’80s

Marlon Baylor ’81 was installed as pastor of Faith Miracle Temple in Florissant, Mo., in May 2011.

Sharon Cadle Hogan ’83 retired in June 2012 as an investigations supervisor after more than 22 years with the Bethany Police Department in Oklahoma. Sharon resides in Oklahoma City with her husband, David.

Cami Travis-Groves ’91

Navy Operational Support Center in Jacksonville, Fla.

Leslie Guerin ’93 is a student council advisor for West Junior High School in Columbia, Mo. She took a student to a council convention in Philadelphia, Pa., and the student is now working toward being a United Nations ambassador. Leslie was named Student Council Advisor of the Year for Middle Level Region 6.

Carl Ray Patton ’93 resides in Bixby, Okla. He is employed with the Farmers Insurance Group as the division marketing manager.

Brian Fisher ’94 retired from Major League Baseball as a pitcher for the New York Yankees. Brian lives in Aurora, Colo.

Jamie Melchert ’96, commanding officer of
the St. Louis-based 1138th Transportation Co., was awarded the Bronze Star Medal on April 18, 2012 in Afghanistan. Jamie and his wife, Brenda, reside in Columbia, Mo.

**Angela Edwards ’98** is employed by the department of Health and Human Services with the Food and Drug Administration in Chicago, Ill. Angela and her husband, Steven, reside in Matteson, Ill.

**Kyle Yeager ’98** retired as an Army musician. He performed “Taps” as a bugler at 864 military funerals and at Arlington National Cemetery with 200 trumpet players and buglers for the 150th anniversary of “Taps.” In addition, he was honored to perform at the grave of Civil War bugler and Medal of Honor recipient John Cook in the presence of Cook’s great-granddaughter, Beatrice Gies, and her husband, Edward.

**’00s**

**Crystal Ledgerwood-Floyd ’01**, currently a licensed real estate broker in Missouri, is attending Columbia College’s teacher certification program and is enrolled in MAT classes. She plans to teach middle school science and/or business.

**Ryan Frazier ’02** currently serves as the president and CEO of Western Skies Forum in Aurora, Colo.

**Nathan Roberts ’02 & ’10** resides in Columbia, Mo.

**F. DeKarlos Blackmon ’03** was re-elected and installed as the supreme knight, chief executive officer, and chairman of the board of the Knights of Peter Claver Inc., a Catholic fraternal benefit society. He resides in Madison, Ala.

**Tiffany Foote ’05** plays as a guard for the St. Louis Surge, a semi-professional women’s basketball league.

**Donna McCafferty ’05** retired from 22 years in the community college environment and has gone into business with her best friend. They offer counseling (personal and group), career coaching and job search workshops, résumé development and more. Donna resides in Woodstock, Ill.
Amanda Bolen Medley ’06 resides in Owens Cross Roads, Ala. She is employed by the Department of Army.

Laurel Olsen ’06 resides in Blue Springs, Mo.

Jeremy Reuschling ’06 released his first book, titled *The Night the Lights Went Out in Georgia*. It is loosely based on the song by the same name, and was released July 12, 2011. Jeremy resides in Boonville, Mo.

Patrick H. Warren ’06 is pursuing a master’s degree in public health with a focus in global health at Columbia University’s Mailman School of Public Health. He resides in Kingston, R.I.

Dr. Thomas Donohoe ’07 recently graduated with a Ph.D. in psychology. He currently works as associate registrar for a public university in Tennessee. He resides in Kingsport, Tenn.

Eleanor Lane Ward ’07 volunteers for the Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault in Kansas City, Mo., as a hospital advocate. She was recently certified as a life coach.

Catherine Skiles-Brunner ’08 resides in Mt. Carroll, Ill.

Tonya Bass-Gresham ’93 married Bryant Gresham on Sept. 4, 2011 in Kansas City, Mo.

Linda Skyles-Gueye ’02 married Magueye Gueye on May 27, 2011 and resides in Jefferson City, Mo.

Sara (Dickson) Walsh ’02 & ’05 married Steven Shaunde Walsh on May 19, 2012 in Joplin, Mo.

Nicole Nesselhauf-Holdmeier ’06 married Brian Holdmeier on Sept. 10, 2011 on the Lake Queen Paddleboat in Branson, Mo.

Monica Blandford Banta ’08 married Glenn Justin Banta on May 8, 2011 in Anchorage, Alaska. Monica was accepted to the Masters of Counseling Psychology program at Alaska Pacific University and anticipates to graduate May 2014.

Roxanne Porter-Kutch ’11 wed Wesley Kutch on June 30, 2012 in Jefferson City, Mo.

Angelia Coachman Collier ’11 married Adrian Collier on March 31, 2012 in Columbus, Ga.

Gary Edge ’08 received the Jack Harvey Fellowship for being an exemplary teacher in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex area. Edge teaches social studies for the Birdville Independent School District.

Maria Hannah ’08 was selected Teacher of the Year from the White Settlement School District for the 2011-12 school year. The district is west of the Fort Worth, Texas, area.

Lindsey Williams ’08 was named head softball coach at Kirksville High School in Kirksville, Mo. Lindsey was captain of the Lady Cougar softball team in 2008 and an All American.

Lisa Boggs ’09 received the 2012 Student Award for Overall Excellence from the University of Missouri Sinclair School of Nursing, where she is pursuing a doctorate of nursing practice.

Oliver Brilhante ’09 was honored as Associate of the Year by the Columbia Missouri State Teachers Association. Brilhante works at the Center of Responsive Education Quest program for at-risk children with special needs.

Adrienne Mathewson ’09 resides in Albuquerque, N.M.

Adrian Tarasoff ’09 is now employed as a human resource assistant with the Department of the Navy and has taken on the responsibility of tracking all electronic correspondence into archives. Adrian lives in Oak Harbor, Wash.

Sarah Testa ’09 accepted a position as a component executive with American Institute of Architects. Sarah and her husband, Luigi, reside in Manlius, N.Y.

’10s

Calie Mowery ’10 is finishing a bachelor’s degree in American studies. Once finished, she plans to attend graduate school to receive both a master’s and doctorate in library systems. Calie and her husband, Justin, reside in Hampton, Va.

Dustin Johnson ’10 was promoted to office manager at URS in Lemoore, Calif. He previously held a finance position with the company.

Nicholas Wood ’10 was recently named Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Group Shore Sailor of the Year and Patrol Squadron Thirty Senior Sailor of the Year, while assigned to the squadron at Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla.

Melissa Worthey ’10 is a graduate of Columbia College-Lake County and is currently enrolled in the college’s MBA program. She serves as the current national president of the Navy Wives Clubs of America. Melissa resides in Springville, Tenn.

David Gray ’11 retired as an E6 from the U.S. Coast Guard after 23 years of service. He has since accepted a position as chief compliance officer with ESPADA Marine Services, a global logistics and security company in San Antonio, Texas.

LaKeisha McBride ’11 resides in Virginia Beach, Va.

Jake McKinney ’11 graduated with honors from Marine Corps Community Services in San Diego, Calif.
Jessica Wilson Crawford ’07 welcomed son Bane Douglas on Nov. 15, 2011.

Rebecca Gabel ’10 welcomed twins Jaxon, a boy, and Nylah, a girl. They were born March 24, 2011.

Steven Lansche ’10 married Julie Greenwood on June 11, 2011 in Rocheport, Mo. They have two children, Dominick, 7, and Gaige, who was born April 19, 2012.

Alicia Pham ’10 gave birth to a daughter, Hannah Nguyen Pham, on April 19, 2012.

Stacy Bein ’11 welcomed son Kyle Francis Bein on April 27, 2012.

Scott Houin ’11 accepted a position with Northwestern Mutual as a Financial Representative. Scott also welcomed son Grady Houin on April 14, 2011.

Whitney Hamilton Schneider ’11 accepted a position with the Missouri Department of Social Services, Children’s Division as a Children’s Service Worker. Whitney welcomed daughter Penelope Rayne Schneider on April 9, 2012, who joins sibling Riley.

Roger Alley ’96 welcomed a son, Stetson Clark Alley, on Dec. 12, 2011.

Nathaniel Mulch ’00 welcomed a son, Corbin Carter Mulch, on March 15, 2012, who joins brother Brody.

Kelly Stamphill Sharp ’05 welcomed twin sons, Wyatt Lee and Wade Edward, on Dec. 3, 2011. In addition, she changed job positions at Columbia College from assistant director of office operations in the Evaluations Department to Graduate and International Programs manager.

Suzanne Giesler-Tillinger ’05 gave birth to a daughter, Gracie Dawn Tillinger, on Nov. 25, 2011.
Sarah Schonian ‘11 is currently enrolled in a marriage and family therapy master’s of science program at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

Joe Cochran ‘09 & ’12 recently graduated with a bachelor’s degree in history. He currently serves as the Miller County, Mo. assessor and is running for a second term.

Amy Brantley Sperry ‘12 recently enrolled in college in Florida to complete a degree in marine biology.

Latonna Turner ‘12 received a Citizen Heroism Award from the Columbia, Mo. Fire Chief for helping a man escape his burning house on May 14, 2012.

Tracking Progress
Columbia College raises more than $20,000 for Relay for Life

BY WHITNEY DREIER

Relay for Life is a year-round effort to raise funds for the American Cancer Society that culminates in an organized, overnight community fundraising walk. Each year, more than 4 million people in more than 20 countries participate in hopes of eliminating cancer.

Columbia College’s team was led by Stephanie Johnson, associate director of Admissions. “I want to make a change in the fight against cancer — to help find a cure,” she explains. “Almost everyone has been touched by cancer, either through their own personal battle or through someone they love.”

Columbia College was the top Relay for Life of Boone County fundraiser, raising $20,824, and far surpassing its original goal of $16,000.

“We couldn’t have done it without the support of our friends and coworkers at Columbia College,” Johnson says. “Together we can help make sure that cancer never steals another year of anyone’s life.”

Learn more at relayforlife.org.
In Memoriam

Martha Watson Wallace ’33
January 27, 2012

Eleanor Harris Priest ’39
June 14, 2012

Jean Ralston Barns ’41
April 17, 2012

Dorothy Elinor Hardgrove White ’41
July 20, 2012

Alice B. Beachler Tucker ’43
May 3, 2012

Betty Ford Elliott ’45
April 10, 2012

Juanita F. Myers Svedi ’46
April 13, 2012

Mary Ellen Barker Van Citters ’47
June 30, 2012

Nancy J. Hopkins Jamison ’49
March 22, 2012

Virginia A. Heifner Cox ’50
April 8, 2012

Marilyn Murray McDonald ’50
Feb. 24, 2012

Shirley J. Williams Traxler ’55
April 23, 2012

Virginia Anne Brice Hardie ’55
April 24, 2012

Ruth Ann Pyle Nasby ’56
Feb. 6, 2012

Charlene Ann Rives Anthony ’62
Feb. 28, 2012

Ellen K. Meritt Cagle ’62
June 25, 2012

Mary Ann Dolaz Anderson ’71
April 27, 2012

David S. Williams ’73
July 12, 2012

Elmer “Paul” Rice ’75
Feb. 13, 2012

Michael Galayda ’76
May 19, 2012

Frank M. Garro ’77
May 17, 2012

Arthur E. Liestman ’78
April 24, 2012

James C. Dotson ’84
May 27, 2012

Sonja D. Raitt Ogden ’85
July 18, 2012

James L. Pruitt ’86
Jan. 10, 2012

Carmen I. Stites-Tuttle ’89
April 25, 2012

William S. Parker ’91
March 20, 2012

Michael P. Shamen ’91
April 23, 2012

Marilyn Joan Genever ’93
April 25, 2012

Nancy Jean Mervine ’93
May 17, 2012

Sandra L. Pebworth Aldrich ’95
April 16, 2012

Michael T. Brennan ’99
April 21, 2012

Alphonso Scott ’99
May 31, 2012

Susan K. Cropp ’02
July 21, 2012

Nancy E. Stone ’04
June 8, 2012

Tammy L. Gassen ’05
July 10, 2012

Kellie M. Jackman ’07
March 16, 2012

Michael W. Harms ’11
May 14, 2012
Columbia College
Calendar of Events

Unless otherwise noted, all events will be held on the main campus in Columbia, Mo.

2012

December 13
Alumni Holiday Party

December 14
Columbia College – Lake Ozarks Nurses’ Pinning

December 15
Commencement & Nurses’ Pinning

2013

January 17
Charter Day

February 2
Cougar Club/Alumni Fan Bus to Parkville, Mo.

February 16
Alumni Appreciation Day

February 19
Savannah, Ga. Alumni Event

February 20
Jacksonville, Fl. Alumni Event

February 21
Orlando, Fl. Alumni Event

March 5
Schiffman Ethics in Society Lecture – Mary Robinson, former president of Ireland and UN officer

April 4
Chicago Alumni Event

April 26-27
Reunion Weekend

May 11
Commencement & Nurses’ Pinning

May 23
Military Recognition Day

Alumni Relations Idea Exchange
Six local schools discuss alumni engagement

BY SAM FLEURY • PHOTO BY HOLLY KITE

The Columbia College Alumni Relations staff invited representatives from four area colleges and universities to campus on Nov. 13 for an alumni relations peer institution workshop. Michael Kateman, executive director of Development, Alumni and Public Relations welcomed the group to campus for the day-long event. The goal of the event was to share ideas on programming, events and communication pieces that have proven effective in engaging alumni. Each school gave 30-minute presentations on initiatives that they have implemented.

Front from left: Allison Fuemmeler (Stephens College), Marissa Todd (Stephens College), Susan Davis (Columbia College); Second row from left: Patricia Houston (Columbia College), Julia Dunlap (Westminster College), Kimberly Kent (Columbia College), Becky Stinson (William Woods University), Heather Carlton (Central Methodist University); Back from left: Michael Kateman (Columbia College), Sam Fleury (Columbia College), Alan Marshall (Central Methodist University)
What's **New**?

What’s new with you? If you have a change of address, marriage, birth, new job, awards, etc., we’d like to know about it!

Use the form below or fill out the alumni update form online at [www.columbiacollegealumni.org](http://www.columbiacollegealumni.org) and we’ll update your alumni records and share the news in *affinity* magazine. We also encourage you to submit a photo with your news to [ccalum@ccis.edu](mailto:ccalum@ccis.edu).

Name: ________________________________  

  First  Maiden  Last  

Preferred name: ________________________________  

Address: __________________________________________________________  □ Check if new  

City: ___________ State: _______ Zip: ___________  

Home phone: (______)___________  Cell phone: (______)___________  

E-mail: ________________________________  Date of birth: ________________________________  

Campus attended: ________________________________  Class year: ________________________________  

Employer: ________________________________  

Job title: ________________________________  □ Check if new  Effective: ________________________________  

Business Address: ________________________________  

Name of spouse: ________________________________  

Spouse’s job title: ________________________________  Employer: ________________________________  

Business address: ________________________________  

**Wedding announcement (within the last 12 months)**

Married to: ________________________________  Date of marriage: ________________________________  

CC campus attended (if applicable): ________________________________  CC graduation year (if applicable): ________________________________  

City: ________________________________ State: _______ Zip: ___________  

**Birth (Adoption) announcement (within the last 12 months)**

Birth of a: □ Daughter  □ Son  Date of birth: ________________________________  

Name: ________________________________  Spouse’s name: □ Check if CC  Grad year: ________________________________  

**Career Notes/Retirement Update/Community Service/Military (within the last 12 months)**

Please attach additional information if necessary.

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All clothing items are available with Columbia College or Christian College logos. Complete catalog available online.

A. T-shirt with imprinted logo
- Navy
- Pink
- Indigo
- Blue
- Sport Grey
- White
M-XL: $12, XXL: $14

B. Long sleeve t-shirt with imprinted logo
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- Indigo
- Blue
- Sport Grey
- White
M-XL: $15, XXL: $17

C. Denim shirt with embroidered logo
M-XL: $35, XXL: $37

D. Hooded pullover sweatshirt with imprinted logo
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- Sport Grey
- Pink
M-XL: $28, XXL: $33

E. Sweatshirt with imprinted logo
- Navy
- Sport Grey
- Pink
M-XL: $25, XXL: $28

F. Sweatshirt with embroidered logo
(not shown)
- Navy
- Sport Grey
- Pink
M-XL: $30, XXL: $35

G. Ladies flatback rib full-zip jacket with embroidered logo
- Navy
M-XL: $42, XXL: $45

H. Men’s flatback rib 1/4 zip pullover with embroidered logo (not shown)
- Navy
- Harbor Blue
M-XL: $42, XXL: $45

I. Microfleece 1/2 zip pull-up with embroidered logo
Ladies’ Colors: Riveria Blue, Rose
Men’s Colors: Riveria Blue, Nickel
M-XL: $44, XXL: $47

New Alumni Items!
J. Scooter tumbler
16 oz. tumbler with Columbia College Alumni logo and Scooter. Lid and straw included. Color of Straw: green, red, blue, purple $8

K. CCAA colored triton with color coordinated straw 16 oz. with white imprint and lid. Colors: blue, red, green, smoke, clear $8

L. CCAA colored sports bottle with Columbia College Alumni Association logo. Colors: purple, blue, red, green $12

M. CCAA picture frame 6” x 4” Beveled glass with white imprint $10

N. Columbia College alumni license plate
White with Navy imprint $5

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Happy Holidays
FROM ALUMNI RELATIONS

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR AFFINITY IN 2012, AND WE WISH YOU A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

Back, from left: Kimberly Kent, Patrick Snyder, Sam Fleury and Debbie Draffen
Front, from left: Laura Daugherty, Susan Davis and Patricia Houston
JOIN US FOR REUNION WEEKEND
APRIL 26–27, 2013
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