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Matt Panciera Receives Tenure



Professor Matt Panciera was honored with tenure and promotion to the rank of associate professor last year. Tenure is an important part of academia, because it insures the faculty academic freedom, the right to teach and publish research wherever the truth leads them, without having to fear interference for politically unpopular ideas. This is one of the core values of the university tradition. At Gustavus and similar institutions, the process leading up to the granting of tenure is long and rigorous.

For those readers who graduated more than six years ago and never had the pleasure of a class with Matt, here are some observations about his work at Gustavus. Since he began full-time teaching over ten years ago, Matt has grown into a masterful teacher. He has a comfortable style that is reassuring, engaging, and humorous, but his deceptively relaxed manner conceals serious and careful planning and the use of professional methods that vary with the type of class and even within the same class. Matt is a very demanding teacher. Last year, his course in Greek oratory became proverbial around campus for its rigor.

Yet the students never lost their affection for Matt, even occasionally teasing him at department social gatherings for being such a severe task master. He has that skill of the very best teachers of enticing students to work hard at *teaching themselves*—and to love doing it. For Matt’s students, every class is an exercise in active learning. In addition, Matt models lifelong learning so well, because he is constantly rethinking his methods of teaching.

Despite our heavy teaching load, Matt has still managed to craft out an emerging pattern of serious scholarly activity. And he has now started publishing serious work in journals such as *Classical Quarterly* and *Mnemosyne*. It will be clear to all who read Matt’s work how original and perceptive it is. For example, he recently published an article written in Latin about an obscene poem of Martial, which is a delightfully witty tribute to the great poet and scholar A.E. Housman (the subject of Tom Stoppard’s *The Invention of Love*), whose Victorian (or Edwardian) sensibilities required him to write about indelicate subjects in Latin. Matt’s interpretation of Horace’s famous “Cleopatra” ode uses his ingenious discovery of an acrostic to support the contrarian view that Horace is being subtly critical of Augustus.

The respect that Matt has among the Gustavus faculty was seen last fall when he received the highest number of votes for the important Presidential Search Committee, even though he did not have tenure at that point. Matt has also been an officer and leader at several levels in the Classical Association of Minnesota, the state professional organization.

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But it is in his actual daily demeanor and his intentional interaction with all of us, students and faculty, that Matt shows his depth and his living out of the Gustavus mission through an instinctive generosity and gift for community building. Matt has a wonderful gift for heading off problems, for eliciting the best from his colleagues, and for creating an atmosphere in which it is a real pleasure to work. His sense of humor lightens our day. His concern for his students and his colleagues helps us function smoothly, both individually and as a department. We are so much better, because he is here.

News of Old Main

Our first year with the powerhouse troika of Seán Easton, Yurie Hong, and Mary McHugh in the saddle was a resounding success, even with Eric Dugdale away on sabbatical. The season opened with the annual fall barbeque at Patricia and Will Friert's on Sunday, September 9. Our fall speaker was Professor Jenny Strauss Clay from the University of Virginia, who spoke on "The Perfect Hero: Sarpedon in the *Iliad*," on November 8. Professor Clay is the past president of the American Philological Association and a renowned authority on early Greek poetry and mythology. In December, as holder of the Peterson-Hanson Chair of Liberal Studies, Will brought Professor Robert Proctor to campus to give a public lecture and speak to Curriculum II students on Petrarch. Professor Proctor is a Renaissance scholar from Connecticut College who is an authority of Cicero and the liberal arts. Fall semester concluded, as usual, with a fast-paced and dangerous game of broomball, from which most participants have recovered by now.

In the spring, the Department instituted a series of faculty seminars, which alternated between discussions of language teaching methods and presentations of current faculty research. Spring was a theatrical binge for us this year. Classics faculty from Carleton and St. Olaf assembled at Gustavus on February 29 to enjoy a tri-college classics dinner and the Gustavus production of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, for which classics major Brain Pelach was the set designer. Then, in March, we enjoyed the antics of the St. Olaf production of Plautus's *Mostellaria*, directed with the accustomed brilliance of Professor Anne Groton and her road troupe. Finally, in May, it was time for the biennial Festival of Dionysos, spearheaded this year by Yurie Hong and held in the Courtyard Café because of inclement weather. Other spring activities included an early-evening session on the value the studying classics, which featured presentations by returning John Albertson '06, senior Jonathan Peasley, and junior Ahna Gilbertson, as well as the initiation of new members of Eta Sigma Phi at Matt and Susan Panciera's house, and the closing ceremony at Chez Friert on May 21.



Vote of Thanks

Most of the work on this edition of the newsletter has been done by Will; I have served as his understudy as he has graciously trained me up on how to do it for next time. I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all his work as department chair for eight successive years (that's two whole Olympiads!) and for making the transfer of the baton such a smooth process.

The Class of 2008

Veronica Bean is living in Minneapolis and attending the University of Minnesota law school.

Jon Carlson is in England at the Silchester Town Life field school at Calleva Atrebatum, Insula IX, put on through the University of Reading. He writes, "It's a wonderful program, as we are honestly doing some groundbreaking research (no pun intended)! We are completely rewriting the idea of how a *civitas* capital and the Romanization of such cities looked, since all descriptions come from Victorian digs at this site, and they paid no attention to building dates, wooden buildings, or anything along those lines. . . I'm actually working on a Roman drainage ditch next to an east-west running road that's only one block off the main east-west, and cutting across it are at least two Iron Age features—one we partially excavated and came up with two quorn stones, an Iron Age coin, and a whole mess of pottery."

Andrew Cockerill is taking a year to prepare for post-graduate study.

Peter Dailey is on the hunt for new jobs in the Twin Cities area for now, but plans eventually to move to Seattle.

Justin Hegedus is still the only hunter in Minnesota who reads ancient Greek in a duck blind.

Jonathan Peasley enjoyed his final year at Gustavus, tutoring Latin and Greek students and finishing up his majors. After graduation he departed for Kyrgyzstan, a former Soviet republic in Central Asia, to teach English in a secondary school for the Peace Corps, a two-year commitment. There he is learning the Kyrgyz language (a branch of the Turkic tongues) and continuing to work on his Russian. He is spending his free time reading, hiking, and soaking in the mountainous Kyrgyz landscape.

After spending the month of July counting sockeye salmon in rural Alaska, **Stephanie Soiseth** is spending the year as a volunteer for Americorps. Eventually she plans to attend medical school and become a practicing physician in a bush community of Alaska.



After spending the first part of the summer with his family in Oregon, **John Thielman** returned to the Twin Cities in July to begin a job search. He hopes to acquire a position with a nonprofit organization, so that he can support himself while preparing for graduate school, which he intends to begin in the fall of 2009, seeking a degree in linguistics.

Introducing Professor Casey Elledge



Readers who graduated before 2002 will have missed the opportunity to study New Testament Greek with Professor Casey Elledge of the Gustavus Religion Department. Casey graduated from Centenary College of Louisiana, where he was named the best classics undergraduate in the state of Louisiana. He holds M.Div. and Ph.D. degrees from Princeton Theological Seminary, was a Fulbright scholar at the

Hebrew University Institute for Archaeology in 2002, and earned a further degree from the prestigious Ecole Biblique de Jerusalem. His research incorporates historical, textual, and theological studies of both Early Christian and Jewish literature. Casey has already published three books and several scholarly articles. Readers will find most accessible his *The Bible and the Dead Sea Scrolls: An Introduction to Qumran and Its Literature* (ABS; Atlanta: SBL, 2005). Every page contains a wealth of specific information and scholarly detail, presented with a clarity and liveliness that will engage any intelligent reader, no matter how limited their background in the subject. Ranging from allusions to popular culture such as *Raiders of the Lost Ark* and Dan Brown's exploitation of conspiracy theories to the most recondite details of scholarly debate, the book is a succinct and enjoyable introduction to a fascinating chapter in ancient history. One of the best thing students observe about Professor Elledge is that "he makes one think." That gets at the core of a liberal arts education and there can be no higher praise for a teacher. Casey Elledge is a role model for the intellectual life: his own thinking and teaching is rigorous, precise, insightful, and generous.

Honors and Awards

Eta Sigma Phi

Eta Sigma Phi is the national honor society of students of Latin and Greek in colleges and universities. **Jen White '98** was a national officer in Eta Sigma Phi in 2000. **Amy Sommer '02**, **Tasha Genck '04**, and **Kaija Hupila '05** have given papers at national meetings. In May 2008, a record 19 new members were initiated into the chapter: **Roberto A. Arteaga**, **Taylor M. Beckering**, **Nicholas R. Bope**, **Emalise A. Ellingson**, **Peter R. Gawtry**, **Nicholas D. Harper**, **Matthey A. Heider**, **Sarah C. Hulke**, **Angela L. Larson**, **Laura A. Luce**, **Laura M. Ofstad**, **Bryan D. Pelach**, **Laura E. Regal**, **Kevin L. Seitz**, **Colin S. Smith**, **Cameron S. Stromme**, **Paula E. Wiggam**, **Adam J. Wohnoutka**, and **Sybylla R. Yeoman Hendrix**.

President's Honor List

The President's Honor List comprises those students who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.7 or better through January. Classics majors on this list in 2008 were: **Daniel T. Barthell**, **Veronica Bean**, **Henry Boeh**, **Andrew P. Cockerill**, **Shayla Gibbons**, **Ahna Gilbertson**, **Sarah Hulke**, **Emily Kuenker**, **Laura Luce**, **Jonathan Peasley**, **Laura Regal**, **Stephanie Soiseth**, **John Thielman**, **Katie Webster**, **Paula Wiggam**, and **Sybylla R. Yeoman Hendrix**. Also making the list were Eta Sigma Phi members **Brad Abell**, **Taylor Beckering**, **Amara Berthelson**, **Karl Boettcher**, **Lisa Gruenisen**, **Emily C. Johnson**, **Katie Jorgensen**, **Carissa Keith**, **Emily Nelson**, **Daniel Shimek**, and **Maggie Sotos**.

Phi Beta Kappa

Phi Beta Kappa is the nation's oldest and most prestigious academic honor society. Students are elected by a faculty committee of local chapter members based on their academic performance in fields of liberal learning (foreign language and math are basic prerequisites). Last year **Andrew Cockerill** and **Jonathan A. Peasley** had the rare honor of being inducted into Phi Beta Kappa while only juniors. This year **Henry A. Boeh**, **Shayla Gibbons**, and **Laura Regal** achieved the same success. In the 2008 class, **John Thielman** was a new Phi Beta Kappa inductee. *Although Classics majors make up only one percent of the Gustavus student body, over the last three years they have, on average, composed eight percent of the Phi Beta Kappa classes.*





Guild of Saint Ansgar

This year **Veronica Bean**, **Jonathan Peaseley**, and **Stephanie Soiseth** were elected to the Guild of St. Ansgar, an honorary society for scholarship, leadership, and participation in extra-curricular activities.

J.A. Youngquist Award in Classics

This Award, established in honor of Professor J.A. Youngquist, a member of Gustavus's first graduating class and a longtime classics professor here, was won in 2008 by **Jonathan A. Peasley**, *homine summe omnium doctrinarum studioso*, in the words of the award itself.

Youngquist Scholarship

The J.A. and Hilda Youngquist, Adeline Andreen, and Ruth Youngquist Memorial Scholarship in Classics is awarded to the major with the highest grade point average after second year. This year's winner was **Henry A. Boeh**.

Partners in Scholarship

A small number of applicants to Gustavus are named Partners in Scholarship because of their outstanding academic potential. **John P. Thielman** was one of only seventeen Partners in Scholarship last year.

Celebration of Creative Inquiry

Last year on Honors Day, Gustavus instituted a new event organized to showcase undergraduate research called "Celebration of Creative Inquiry." Those selected to participate held forth from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Jackson Campus Center banquet rooms. Senior **Jonathan Peasley's** work was called "The Mirroring of Katharsis: Greek Tragedy and Philosophy's Methods of Teaching" and was sponsored by Eric Dugdale. Sophomore **Bryan Pelach** presented his theatrical design work with Theatre Professor Micah Maatman: "Petronius and Sondheim: Translating Latin Literature into Modern Theatre."

Current Classics Majors

Dan Barthell is a senior from Bloomington with interests in both classics and English. He found his passion for classics in a J-Term class on Ancient Greek, and hopes one day to become a professor in the field.

Henry Boeh is this semester's departmental assistant and a double major in psychology and classics, on his way to becoming a clinical psychologist.

Emma Ellingson is returning to Gustavus as a junior after a summer at home with her family in Georgia. She spent J-Term in India where she practiced various relaxation techniques, became certified as a level-one reiki healer, met the swamiji of Jainism, and presented a research project outlining the connection between Apollo and Dionysus to the Hindu deities Vishnu and Shiva. It was a spiritual and intellectual pilgrimage sparked by her deep passion for yoga. She plans on studying a full semester abroad in Florence, Italy, this spring in order to satiate other passions. To be clear, those include culture, art, language, history, and wine.

Abbey Feenstra is a junior driven so crazy by Will's Greek class that she has stopped watching *Gray's Anatomy*.

Shayla Gibbens is excited to spend her senior year in Greece (Xena country). She looks forward to skiing on Mt. Olympus and immersing herself in the rich and ancient culture.

Ahna Gilbertson made the transition from small-town life to spending her summer in the metropolitan area. She lived in Roseville, MN, working for SportsLife Camp. She traveled from church to church through the Minneapolis area with her three teammates and trailer full of equipment, while teaching campers about art and God and having outrageous fun in the process. She has enjoyed learning more about "big city" living and keeping in touch with her many circles of friends.

Lauren Guznizak is a junior headed for Vienna and a career as a museum curator.



Senior **Sarah Hulke** is amazed that her last year at Gustavus is already looming before her. After an amazing spring appreciating the genius of Virgil and epic literature, she has kept busy with research on grad schools and a 20-day vacation to London





and Rome. Happily, Rome has lived up to her expectations, and her interest in classics has only been heightened since tracing the steps of the ancients in the Colosseum, the Roman Forum, the Pantheon, and Pompeii, not to mention visiting countless museums. This coming year she is looking forward to completing her thesis on transformation and disguise in epic literature and reading Livy!

Colleen Javorina is a junior who put off declaring the major until the very last moment.

Kyle Kinnear is a first-year student who came all the way from Greenwich, CT, to study classics at Gustavus.

This summer found junior classics major **Emily Kuenker** back home in Colorado. Besides caring for the adorable twins whom she nannies, Emily passed the time in the mountains and with her family in the backyard. Her newest endeavor, once she returns to school, will be putting Latin and Greek on the campus radio, KGSM. Stay tuned!

Angela Larson spent the summer interning at a remodeling and design company in Minneapolis called EnterSpace and filling out the mountain of paperwork necessary for studying abroad in Greece this coming spring. The classical highlight of the summer was seeing the Jesus fish on a car with IXTHUS in Greek and exclaiming excitedly to the nearest person (aka her sisters) about what it stood for.

Laura Luce spent spring semester convincing herself to drop another major, leaving her to concentrate solely on classics. She spent the summer in Saint Peter working in various places including the Classics Department, tutoring a local girl in Latin, surreptitiously working on her honors thesis topic, and missing her native Alaskan summers. She's very excited for the fall and looks forward to cooler temperatures and academic pursuits.

Robert Miner is a first-year student who has lived all over the country and is a student employee of the Classics Department. He will declare the major as soon as possible.

Bryan Pelach spent his past summer as a program coordinator teaching about comparative politics and culture in Australia (Sydney and Cairns) and in New Zealand (Auckland) and spent his spare time scuba diving and hiking in the rain forest. This academic year he will be studying immigration policy in Sweden before jumping back into the world of classics the following summer, when he will again be a program coordinator teaching a course on culture and history in Italy and Greece.

Laura Regal spent her summer in Duluth taking Intro to Linguistics and Calculus II at UMD, working at Northern Theatrical Costumes, playing softball, discovering Duluth nightlife, and beginning to think about life after Gustavus. Since she apparently can't even spend the summer without school, Laura is currently considering pursuing graduate studies in a mix of linguistics and classics (and not in calculus!).

Tanya Rupp is a jazz musician and junior classics major from Madelia.

Colin Smith would try the patience of a saint, but we still love him.

Cameron Stromme spent last spring semester in Ireland playing rugby, enjoying Guinness, and trying to decipher his classmates' brogue. He also backpacked for a month through 11 European countries. During his 35 day odyssey, he golfed at St. Andrew's, milked cows with his relatives in Norway, skied in the Alps, met Rudy Giuliani in the Pantheon, and sailed on the Mediterranean.

Jericho Westendorf, a sophomore from Alexandria, works off campus at the local coffee shop "River Rock." She is excited to continue learning Latin and thrilled to start Greek this semester.

Paula Wiggam is a junior from Cheyenne, WY, who is spending fall semester studying classics in Sicily on the new Centro program being run by Matt Panciera.

Sybylla Yeoman Hendrix spent this last school year falling in love with Virgil, learning the advantages of a double major in classics and English, and making a less than satisfactory attempt at learning Greek. This summer she received a commission from a Minneapolis City Council member to translate "playing in our poop" into Latin. When she e-mailed him the finished product the Councilman responded "OMG, this is GREAT." Sybylla would also like to add that she loves Minneapolis. Sybylla has spend the latter half of the summer working at IKEA and making yet another attempt at learning Greek on her own.





News of Our Alums

The Rev. Dean Wolf '77 writes, "What's the deal? Classmates' babies are graduating from high school, from college! It was a great thing to be on campus for our 30th reunion and homecoming! It is always a great thing to be on campus for the Nobel Conferences. Last year I had the unmatched privilege of having dinner with Jim Peterson and his wife in the president's home. I got the "president's tour" of the new stadium. Did you know that, by design, the stadium is just slightly lower on the horizon than the cross on Christ Chapel's steeple? Now the question, can the wind generator be as tall or taller?"

I am in my 15th year, now co-pastor with Pam Serdar, at Centenary UMC. We are deeply into being green—forum speakers on water, energy, waste disposal, etc; facility assessment for efficiency; saving rain water for plants (I'm giving my office plants a steady diet of old coffee!); composting kitchen waste; the list goes on. We are still working on exclusivity issues, we will continue with green, but will move this fall into the question, "Why is our society so violent?"

Professor Mary Jaeger '82 reports, "Another busy year, but it finds us all well. Seth made us very happy the other day when he closed the third volume of the Lightning Thief series and said, reflectively, "When I grow up, I'm going to be a teacher of Greek mythology." Malcolm keeps busy with projects on Aristotle. My Archimedes book is out from U. Michigan. We all had a wonderful summer in Europe. We swapped houses, cars, and cats with an academic family from a suburb of Paris and spent about five weeks in France taking Seth to sites made famous by Asterix. We also went to Lisbon for a week of eating grilled fish and attending a fun conference on the Ancient Novel. I recommend Lisbon, highly."

Jacqueline Lundberg Rose '86 writes, "I'm still working in Anchorage for an environmental consulting firm in which I'm a shareholder. Last year we expanded with an office in Oregon. My oldest son, Cameron, is a high school junior in Homer, Alaska. My son Forrest is in second grade and daughter Sophia is in kindergarten at a Christian school in Anchorage. This year I'm coordinating the science fair at their school. It's a lot of fun! They are both in scouts, Sunday school, and soccer. They were both in T-ball last year, but I'm letting Sophia take a break because last summer she spent her



outfield time picking flowers. She's going to princess ballet camp instead. Forrest has graduated to baseball. It's very exciting.

Forrest and Sophia are at the top of their classes. Sophia is reading at the second-grade level. I gave Forrest a cell phone and a manual, and now he does things with his phone that I didn't know a phone could do. I asked him to help me with mine! He will start Latin classes next year, and I'm anxious to see his reaction. Sophia is very girly but tough at the same time. She sneaks into my purse and uses my lipstick. She can put it on without a mirror! At school they play king of the snow hill, and in her pink snowpants she beats the boys. It's fun to watch the very different sides of her.

Professor Pedar W. Foss '88 has also had a busy year, first and foremost with the arrival of a new son, Micah Eofin Foss, on April 8. Pedar writes, "He is doing well, and we've adapted to being outnumbered. We also have concluded our first year in charge of the Book Reviews for the *American Journal of*



Archaeology, a complicated but rewarding service to our field. The paperback of my and John Dobbins' book *The World of Pompeii* has now appeared, and we hope it will be useful to a wider range of scholars and students now that it is remotely affordable. A trip to England with Simon in June has opened the possibility of fieldwork at a Roman fort in Yorkshire. Finally, I've taken over the recreational soccer program for kids in Putnam County (also time-consuming but rewarding) and just got certified for a U.S. Soccer Federation referee license, so when I am not coaching or organizing, I can give out yellow cards!"

Professor Kate Bentz '92 has finished her second year of teaching in the Fine Arts Department at Saint Anselm College, and it was a busy year. Kate reports, "My colleagues and I are trying to improve the status of our department on campus with curriculum revisions, physical improvements to our department space, and recruitment drives in order to attract majors. I'm not sure if I should boast about this, given the audience of this newsletter, but I did convert one sophomore classics major to change to art history this year! In other news, I spent a few weeks early in June on a photos-for-teaching expedition in Northern Italy, which was wonderful, but expensive with the crazy exchange rate. I then returned for a fascinating week-long faculty Humanities Seminar on campus which focused on Dante's *Divine Comedy*. As this is my first full summer in New Hampshire, I'm also enjoying mountain biking, hiking, and exploring more of Boston."





Christine Sell '94 writes, "Last summer I was hired full-time at Schmitt and Sons Bus company in Lakeville. The bus company owns the Twin Cities Gray Line Tours franchise and I am the charter/tour sales manager. In February, my mom and I went to Disney World to watch my niece compete in a national cheerleading competition. I wish I could say her team had done better, but my mom and I had a wonderful time. And my niece got her grandma to go on the Haunted Mansion ride, which has a 13-story drop, and the Rockin' Roller Coaster ride. What grandmas won't do for their grandchildren. :)

"I have been keeping busy this summer with tug-of-war. My sister has been on an amateur tug-of-war team for quite awhile and a couple of years ago I decided to become an official. So we travel to Iowa and Wisconsin for different competition. This year the national competition will be held at Lakefront Days in Prior Lake on August 2. If I get enough practice and become a good official, I could potentially judge competitions in Ireland, Scotland, and other European countries. So, life is good. That is such a simple statement, but feels so powerful to say."

Daryl Doering '83 is teaching full-time in the Emergency Health Services department at Inver Hills Community College, working on his master's degree in disaster management, pulling several shifts a week as a paramedic with Allina, and serving as training officer with Dayton Fire. (Yes that adds up to a lot more than 40 hours a week.) His two daughters keep almost as busy: Anne is a junior majoring in classics at Carleton, and Ellen is a high school junior, seriously considering Gustavus. Keeping up with them would be a full time job in itself, but Daryl's wife, Liz (Jackman) Doering (English, Gustavus, '83), also keeps busy as a systems engineer with Wells Fargo.

Professor Karen Dykstra '83 is still teaching linguistics at Eastern Michigan University, and looking for a job outside of Michigan. Karen writes, "My husband and I do have a beautiful home here, though, so when we feel trapped we remind ourselves it's in a really great spot! Then we refill the gin and tonics and bring out more mezedes. My big excitement of the Spring was watching my nephew try out for the Olympics in the 400m. He did not go to Beijing, but he'll probably try for the next Olympics, and since we'd all rather go to England than to China, we aren't too disappointed."

Jay Sieling '86 is teaching public speaking, interpersonal communication, and ethics this fall. He taught an online ethics course over the summer and has just completed course work for a master of humanities degree. Jay reports, "The course I just completed brought back lots of Gustavus memories of your myth class: archetypal criticism theory and practice. I've always enjoyed

studying myth and the works of Campbell. The course went very well, due to a good classics foundation! I'm now working on a thesis involving the missions of Stephen Riggs and Bishop Whipple that somehow led them to opposite opinions regarding justice in the 1862 Sioux Uprising. Although on the surface it seems more historical, my query is philosophical. What was the difference in their religious approaches to the Dakota that would result in one man lobbying the President for leniency, and the other to assent to hanging them all? All this made the summer fly by faster than Icarus to the sea (archetypes are everywhere!...it helps keep a person Jung! ***rimshot***).

"My kids are in the odd years: 7th grade, 9th grade, 11th grade. All involved in music, some in sport. My eldest (Emma) has shown an interest in studying Latin and may do so this winter online through BYU, and my son (Will 9th gr.) will start Mandarin this fall. Julia begins life anew in junior high opting for trombone rather than strings, awaiting the winter ice and hockey season, skating in the shadows of a State Champion girls' team. My wife Debbie (Dittberner '86) is still practicing family medicine at the Alexandria Clinic. Together we hope to start a humanities study group next spring."

Carolyn M. Strug '90 went to Japan this year. Here's a picture of her at Fushimi Inari.



You can see 40 more of Carolyn's Japan photos in her blurb book: http://www.blurb.com/bookstore/detail/310174/?utm_source=badge&utm_medium=banner&utm_content=140x240. Carolyn writes, "My dad published a book on Peckinpah (and check out the great review it got from Paul Seydor, who along with Michael Bliss is one of the preminent Peckinpah scholars)." http://www.amazon.com/Lament-Audience-Death-Artist-Cordell/dp/0977106985/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1216919335&sr=8-1 "And one of my Holga shots is the Rearview photo for Gaper's Block today." <http://gapersblock.com/rearview/archives/2008/08/25/> "(And this is old news but one of my Belgium pics was included in the Schmap guide and they just emailed me that it's in the iPhone version of the guide as well." http://www.schmap.com/?m=iphone#uid=brussels&sid=restaurants_brussels&p=111950&i=111950_1)





Kristina Anderson Dalton '91 sent photos of Christopher and John eating their first birthday cake on July 26.



Juliellen Simpson-Vos '91 writes, "Our biggest news is that our daughter, Sydney Grace, began year-round kindergarten two weeks ago. We are working hard to navigate the transition and find the "new normal." The rule-based, teacher-directed environment is a far cry from what we were all used to at her wonderfully nurturing and explorative child care program. It's hard to know who is having a harder time leaving the past behind, me or her, but we are all growing in confidence everyday (I think)...Mark continues his work as an acquisitions editor at UNC Press. His next big project is a centennial history of the UNC Basketball program. As die-hard Tar Heel fans, it's an easy one for us to get excited about. It should be on the shelves at your local bookstore in fall 2009 or early 2010. I'm still project director for the TelAbility/WATCH Telehealth project. It's a rewarding project with lots of potential for growth. When I'm not working or hanging out with Sydney Grace, I'm training for a half marathon (just completed my first 11.5 miles so I'm almost there!) The only other interesting tidbit I'll share is for parents of young children: We have been downloading stories from StoryNory.com to our iPod for Sydney Grace to listen to. The stories are great and she is especially a fan of *The Tales of Odysseus* (told in 4 parts) and *The Minotaur*. Jim Weiss CDs are also awesome for road trips and quiet times."

Professor Christopher Tillquist '91 has been promoted to associate professor with tenure. He reports, "My research has shifted away from ancient DNA to incorporating evolutionary theory for understanding different neurological disorders such as autism, Alzheimer's, and a Parkinsonian-like disease. Interesting stuff. As for the long-awaited and desperately needed sabbatical leave, it remains to be seen whether we'll get out of the country or I'll spend much more time in the lab."

The Rev. Lars A. Hammar '95 was written up in a recent issue of the *Gustavian Weekly* as the founder of the Gustavus Sauna Society. Lars writes, "Things haven't changed much down here in the last year. I'm still working as the associate pastor of young adults and community outreach. My primary responsibilities involve leadership in the small college ministry, our growing group of 20-somethings, the alternative worship service, and our social ministries (what we call "community outreach"). It's still exciting working at a thriving,

downtown church, keeping a foot in both worlds of the old, traditional Lutheran church (Our Saviour's is the oldest ELCA church in Tucson), and the new, cutting-edge University of Arizona and the alternative cultures around downtown. It's also fun to be in a place that puts a high value on learning, exploring, and creativity. UA is mostly a research university, and many of our people work in research or at the University Medical Center, right across the street from the church. The latest exciting ministry development for me has been a growing partnership the local Gospel Rescue Mission. I preach there once a month, mentor a couple of the men there, and several guys are now becoming more involved in the church, at the same time that they're coming out of addiction and homelessness. I also continue to be the dean of the local conference of ELCA pastors, and work with the synod on pastoral care and local mission planning.

"At home, things are going well. Leif is now 8, Abigail is 6, and Karl, who has only known Arizona, is now 3. We're all glad the summer is coming to an end, since it's hard to just go outside and play in 110 degrees. But, school starts early, August 7th, so we get back into the swing of things soon. Kristie is still enjoying being a stay-at-home mom, scrapbooking, and helping out around church as one of the coordinators of Vacation Bible School, and is helping to start a mother's morning-out program. I'm still appreciative of my classics background, reading up on the New Testament for sermon preparation from time to time. This fall I'll be teaching a short class on the early church and its growth in the Roman Empire. Many thanks to the great lessons in Roman history I got from Marlene Flory."

The Rev. Elizabeth Johnson '95 headed to Madison, WI, via flooded Iowa and Illinois this summer. She writes, "If you are ever in Madison, head to the capital. Fantastic stone, vision, architecture. Marble from all over the world, including Greece. You might even catch some Gusties visiting, as I did. Spent time with family in Seattle area for a cousin's wedding. I love the repetition of 'S' and 'Q' out in this region. Always have. 'K' is right up there too, in frequency. . . . I still play with the Greek, Hebrew, and Latin whether with adults or younger children of God in worship and educational settings. My first niece was born in late July. Will keep four nephews in line. All are such delights! Any chance I get, I head south to catch up with them. Busy chasing church youths, too...camp, trips, activities. Coming up on four years serving here in Groton. You are welcome any time."

Kevin Lund '95 and his wife, Michelle, traveled to Germany in September, then dropped down to visit Susan and **Matt Panciera** in Sicily for a few days.





Amanda Holland Rose '96 reports, "We are enjoying summer and spending our weekends at the lake with my mom and dad. Josie (3) learned to ski and John (5) spends all his time in the water, even on cool days. Grandma and grandpa also have a black Lab puppy....quite honestly, between swimming and the puppy, I'm surprised the kids come home to the city with us on Sunday afternoons. John will start kindergarten in the fall and Josie will begin nursery school. We are excited for the challenges and rewards that we will face with school-aged children. Steve is still with Mansfield, Tanick and Cohen in Minneapolis. I am approaching the eight-year mark with Pro Staff and, though I love it, the time for a new challenge might be around the corner. We'll see."

Jennifer Landry Hess '95 writes, "The children grow. The garden blooms. Time is marching onward. Both of our boys are doing well. Gregory is entering second grade in the fall and Kevin is in preschool for his last year. Scott has just completed bicycling 100 miles in one day. He bicycled in the Terra Bella Century. He still works at Google. I am continuing on as a stay-at-home mother. I volunteer at Gregory's school one day a week, which probably will increase next year. I am also a Cub Scout den leader. This year I had two of my paintings in a show and will have some more in another one in the fall. Both shows are in our fair city of Palo Alto. Examples of some paintings are at: <http://gregory.doubleu.com/A40/album.html?album=20080618>."

Rachel Roberts Oppitz '96, M.D., reports, "Our biggest news is that we opened a satellite clinic in Bemidji. My main clinic is still located in Park Rapids where I see patients 3-4 days/week; I travel to Bemidji 1-2 days/week. Chris, my husband, is the business manager, which allows him to stay at home with our 7-year-old daughter, Cascade. We are still home-schooling her. We were able to take a very eventful trip to BWCA last September as well. We enjoy being back in MN, which allows us to see family frequently while enjoying the wonders of outdoor MN."

Sara Chapo Rippe '97 says, "The big news for the last year is the addition of our daughter, Julia Lynn Rippe, born February 7, 2008. The whole thing has been crazy, wonderful, amazing. She is very sweet and doing well. I cannot remember life before her, but I do have dreams of more sleep. I have gone back to work part-time, which is a nice balance for all of us. I continue to work as a physical therapist. We have settled into our home in southwest Minneapolis. We are very lucky, we have great neighbors and we can walk to food, lakes, entertainment, etc. I continue to learn so



much about home repairs, it never seems to stop! I should have become a carpenter, if only I had some skill. Life has been very good to us! Hope all is well with you!"

The irrepressibly sardonic **Jen White '98, Esq.**, writes, "Washington, D.C., never ceases to amaze me. Just when you think you've met all the self-absorbed people one city can hold, out of the Metro stumbles yet another. Folks from the Midwest are a big hit out here as they are generally pleasant and spend less time surfing the Internet for high-paying Federal jobs than their local counterparts. My colleagues and friends adore Minnesotans in particular, and we are quite popular at local BBQs."

"My career path has taken me into the sex crimes division of our office, where I prosecute sexual offenders. Job. Security. While the cases are quite depressing, the resilience of my young victims and commitment of my colleagues to the prosecution of child sexual abuse makes my work incredibly worthwhile."

"Unfortunately, I have no international travel to report this year. I attended a conference in Memphis, which only solidified my disdain for Elvis. Apparently Graceland, which I managed to avoid, has an entire museum devoted to Elvis jumpsuits. Amazing. On the other hand, the Civil Rights Museum was hauntingly impressive. It is actually housed in the hotel where Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated. I recommend it."

"No babies, pets or plants to report at this time."

Dr. Dan Carlstedt '99 is still living in Fort Wayne, Indiana, Patricia Freiert's hometown. He writes, "I've taken some fun trips over the past year. My favorite was a week in Costa Rica, which included whitewater rafting, zip-lining, and surfing. I highly recommend going there. Otherwise there is nothing new to report from northeast Indiana."

Dr. Mark Brinda '99 and Josie Prchal Brinda '00 report, "The most exciting news that we have to share is that we are very soon going to be parents. Our little one is coming to us from Ethiopia and soon, hopefully very soon, we will have a picture to send your way. Later this year, we will be traveling to Addis Ababa to pick them up and return to Minneapolis as a family. If you so desire, you can read about our process on my blog at <http://eshururu.wordpress.com>. Second in the news category would have to be that Mark can add the letters Ph.D. after his name. He finished up his doctorate in geography from the University of Minnesota at the end of 2006 when he defended his dissertation, "Negotiating historic continuity in the urban landscape: linking historic preservation, economic development and public policy." Prior to completing his degree, he took over





the non-profit Neighborhood Employment Network as executive director and has recently moved into the role of workforce development manager for the City of Minneapolis. Although he did not take the academic path, he still remains connected by teaching at the University of Minnesota in the Urban Studies Department. Since I am writing this for him, I can add that he remains a marvelous and devoted partner, just as he was not long after I met him in 1996 while inquiring about Will's Myth & Meaning class. With Mark officially done with school, I decided it was an excellent time to start graduate school. . . .

In my spare time, I am training for Twin Cities Marathon this fall, hoping for a better day than we had last year with the reasoning that it was the weather I have to blame for my 4:40 finish. In college I ran to ward off the effects of eating cafeteria style, but now running is multi-tasking because I can exercise our standard poodle, Matisse, catch up on the day's events with my husband and running partner, decompress, and get exercise. We are still living in our 1910 bungalow and slowly remodeling it with a total bathroom remodel currently underway. Visitors always welcome, although as of today we will not have a bathroom door, so you may want to wait until the remodel is complete."

Cory A. Klecker '99 writes, "When I took the job teaching at my old high school (Jefferson, WI), it was understood that at some point I'd teach world civilization to juniors as the curriculum focuses mainly on classical history. A misunderstanding between my department and the principal made that happen this past school year. I couldn't be happier, but I did feel bad when the old teacher struggled with his freshmen!

"In March I was able to touch Roman walls in three different countries as I traveled to London, Paris, Madrid, and Barcelona. I don't remember actually seeing anything Roman in Madrid, but I did buy a replica *gladius* on a day trip to Toledo. Many of the students (and parents and teachers) purchased swords, so we had to smuggle a not-so-small armory onto the AVE train.

"A friend had to back out of teaching summer school this summer, so I was asked to replace him. When I agreed, I thought that I would be helping out with golf. They didn't tell me until the first day that I had to teach juggling to fourth, fifth, and sixth graders as well. I knew that it would be a long two weeks as I had never juggled in my life. There's nothing like getting a ten-minute crash course and then attempting to teach kids that are much younger than your comfort zone. To make matters worse, Jefferson was one of those southern Wisconsin towns that were under water. (The flooding got about two feet from my walk-out basement, but then the waters receded.) The bridges in town were out, which made my one-mile trip across town to school take 45 minutes, if traffic was light. July and August have been delightfully boring."

Lalinne Suon '00 is still at Dakota County working as Financial Assistance Specialist II. She reports, "I am engaged to Kenneth Bell, most wonderful man! We've been working on our old house in St Paul. We refinished the hardwood floors, we have bird's eye maple downstairs and beautiful oak upstairs. It's so exciting to see our hard work turn out so beautifully."

Kelly (Hanson) Kozicky '01 has been working work at Tucci Benuch in the Mall of America for 7 years now. Kelly writes, "Still married to Chris Kozicky, 3 years now. I live with him and our two obnoxious but loveable beagles in South Minneapolis in a little tiny house that we tried to sell but gave up due to bad timing. The bad timing being that we are having a baby in December! Well, I am actually having the baby. It's a boy, unnamed as of yet. I'm due December 1st, so I guess it could certainly be November. That's pretty much all the big news in my life. We're really excited about the baby obviously and it's been kind of a rough road getting here, so we're just praying that things continue to go well! Life is really good. J"

Mary Beth Callahan Schaefer '01 writes, "Another year has come and gone, and not too much has changed. We attempted to sell our house, but after 6 discouraging months and only 3 showings, we decided to wait until the housing market improves. It was a big disappointment for me, because, as a stay-at-home-mom, I spend 24 hours a day in this one, way-too-small, space. It would have been nice to move somewhere with a basement for storage, a yard, more kitchen, more bedrooms, etc, but I am trying to content myself with the knowledge that we are much more fortunate than some to have an affordable mortgage right now. So we wait. Other than the housing stress, it has been a fun year! Athena turned 4 and Dominic turned 2, and they are both a joy to be around! They love reading, coloring, and doing puzzles, and they don't fight all that often!"

Mike Adkins '02 and Cynthia Lee Adkins '03 had their first child,



Faustina Elaine, on May 20. Mike writes, "She is the new focus of our lives, and we are so blessed to have a healthy, little baby. She is named after the Polish nun, St. Faustina, the messenger of Divine Mercy. Her middle name is in honor of my mother who passed away at age 49. Faustina was baptized on July 22, five years to the day my mother died; it was deeply symbolic as we were reminded of how we all enter through baptism into the mystery





of Christ's death and resurrection. Her first name is Latin, meaning 'blessed, fortunate, or auspicious' and her middle name is from the Greek, Helen, meaning 'torch, light, or beacon'; thus we have our little 'auspicious light' in Faustina Elaine! She weighed 5 lbs 15 oz at birth. Everything went very well for mom and baby. Cynthia has officially retired from teaching, and has now become a full-time mother; she is thrilled! She is looking to do some work on the side: helping home-schoolers with Latin etc., or day care. We'll see. She is a wonderful wife and mother, and her greatest talents continue to be revealed more and more each day. I am still teaching at Trinity School, now moving into my 7th year (I think a sabbatical is due!). I continued pursuing a master of arts in Catholic studies at St. Thomas, taking courses this summer in Philosophical Foundations of Theology and Natural Law (lots of Aristotle and Aquinas). I earned, thanks be to God, a fellowship to finish my studies, and I expect to be finished with my coursework in the late spring. Again, we are preoccupied and overjoyed with Faustina! What else is there to say but *Deo gratias!*"

Margaret Broz '02 will be graduating with a Ph.D. in materials science at the end of May 2009. Margaret says, "So that's good news, eh? I'm thinking of teaching somewhere in the Twin Cities, but may end up at a company (3M?) for a while. We'll see how the job market is."

Amy Sommer '02 saw **Eric Dugdale** at ACL in June, and he had positive things to report from Gustavus. "It's amazing how much everything has changed, even in the 6 years since I graduated. As for me, I am still teaching Latin at Cherry Creek High School in the suburbs of Denver. I had my first real AP Virgil class this year, which was the absolute highlight of my year. When I started at Creek, there was no upper-level Latin program to speak of, so I made it a priority to improve retention from year to year and get an AP program going. Last year's class had 9 brave students in it, 8 of whom were in my first Latin classes 3 years earlier. They were amazing, and I realized just how much I love teaching literature. I perpetuated a Gustavus classics tradition this spring when I had them over to my house for homemade pizza and Greek salad, to celebrate their completion of the AP exam and a job well done. In addition to teaching, I keep getting pulled into other responsibilities. My 2-year term as co-president of the Colorado Classics Association ended, but not before I agreed to be a co-chair for our state Junior Classical League. As of this summer, I am also the treasurer for the National Committee for Latin and Greek. So I don't really have to worry about the dangers of excess 'otium.' I still have no husband or children to report, but I do have a lovely boyfriend, and I am successfully growing my own basil plant, which is sort of an accomplishment, given my track record of killing vegetation. I continue to play viola in the Arapahoe Philharmonic, a local symphony, and I try to get outside and enjoy

the beautiful Colorado weather as often as possible. Oh, and I have a book recommendation, for anyone who grew up in the Midwest and moved away from home. Actually, this is a recommendation for anyone who has ever been part of a family, or who has ever been young or old, healthy or sick, successful or struggling. *The Corrections* by Jonathan Franzen is an absolute masterpiece of contemporary fiction and will make you think about your life and the people in it like you never have before. The best work of fiction I have read in many years."

Susan Schumacher Steinke '02 announces, "Kurt and I welcomed



our first child, a girl, on May 15, 2008. Lillian Grace Steinke. She weighed in at 9 lbs. 7 oz.—a big, healthy girl! She is one of three girls born within 6 weeks on the Steinke side, so she already has playmates. Life has changed drastically in the last months! I am now a full-time stay-at-home mom to Lily, and it keeps me very busy. She has already changed so much, I don't want to miss a single smile. I love being at home with her—plus I manage to squeeze in a little gardening and to help Kurt with

the farm. On the classics side of things, I'm hoping to start a Latin club at the local Catholic school. They currently do not have a classical component to their curriculum, and this might spark an interest in a few young minds. I miss teaching, so I'm really looking forward to working with kids again."

Peter Bauck '04 and his wife, Marissa, are back in Minnesota once again. Last summer, Peter finished a year-long experience as a hospital chaplain in St. Paul. This year he is on campus as a pastoral intern in the chaplains' office, right down the hall from the Classics Department.. Marissa continues her work as a project editor at Augsburg Fortress Publishers. She enjoys using both her English and music majors from Gustavus as she works on various projects. Peter enjoys adding all the religion and theology books she brings home from work to his library.

Rachel M. Blunk '04 is currently living in Carrboro, NC, where she attends the UNC School of Law. For the past three years she thoroughly enjoyed teaching elementary school at the Lerner School in Durham, NC. She will continue to privately tutor Latin and Greek while acquiring her J.D.

Katherine Bukowski '04 writes, "I'm back in school—this time in the Graduate School of Education at Hamline—to learn best how to corrupt the minds of our nation's future leaders. This has been an interesting year for me—I spent a year working at a school in NE Minneapolis, tutoring students in reading and, oddly enough,





math. I also spent the year finding new adventures, including a polar-bear plunge at the Boundary Waters and a night spent in a quinzee hut. But most exciting of all—I'm about to become an aunt for the first time, in August and again in October—as both my brothers have decided that 2008 is the year to carry on the Bukowski family name. I've waited my whole life to become the cool, crazy aunt—when my nieces and nephews visit, I will give them real Coca-Cola and homemade cookies, and then send them back to my brothers, saying, 'This is for that time you read my diary.'"

Tasha Genck '04 has had a busy year. She graduated from Luther Seminary in May with her Master of Divinity degree. She spent the summer continuing to work at Luther Seminary at the Student Services Office and as a TA for the Greek portion of a class on the books of Galatians and Philippians, where she was slightly appalled by the students' lack of enthusiasm regarding Greek. As of the end of August, she has been called as the associate pastor of congregational life at St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Eden Prairie, MN. Her ordination and installation service was on Sept. 7 at St. Andrew. She is very excited to have "a real, grown-up job."

Matt Haugen '04 reports, "I am continuing the Master in Library Science program at Long Island University, and in the meantime working as a cataloging librarian at the New York Society Library, the oldest library in New York City. This summer, I am contributing to the transcription and identification of the library's earliest handwritten circulation records, including those of John Jay, Aaron Burr, and Alexander Hamilton. For example, on April 22, 1792, the Rev. William Linn, the first chaplain to the U.S. House of Representatives, paid 5 pence in overdue fines for a 1761 biography of King Gustavus I Vasa. After finding the same book in the stacks, I reminisced fondly about my time at his successor's eponymous college." By the way, the late Rev. James David Ford, chaplain of the House of Representatives from 1979 to 2000, was a Gustavus alumnus.

Kaija Hupila '05 has graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School and passed the Illinois bar exam.

Amy Gratz '06 reports, "I received my master's degree in library science this past spring, which I hope means I am done with graduations! YAY! I decided this was noteworthy enough to give myself a present—I went to the Bahamas with a friend of mine. Spending a week at Atlantis was the best graduation present I've ever gotten! Highlights of the trip included wandering around fake ancient ruins and trying to pick out the different cultural influences and swimming with dolphins. Since I've graduated, I'll be moving (although I suppose I will have moved by the time this is printed) back home to Minnesota while I job hunt. I'm hoping to find something in the Minnesota/Wisconsin area—I suppose I'll

have to let you know next year. (Incidentally, I'm open to suggestions if anyone knows of an opening for a librarian. J"

Emily Kehm '06 writes, "I have now completed my second year of teaching Latin and ESL literature at Rumsey Hall School in Connecticut, and I greatly enjoyed not being a first-year teacher! Highlights from the year include successful field trips to Salem, Massachusetts, and to the newly opened Greek and Roman wing of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, coaching the varsity softball team to a 9-1 record, and hosting a Latin dinner in the dining hall during which my students dressed up in togas, staged a gladiator fight, and sang Elvis in Latin. I also learned how to play field hockey. I was able to travel quite a bit during my breaks. I spent a week in Seattle and then a week in Portugal during our March vacation, and I started my summer by doing some excavating at a Dacian fortress site in Romania. I loved the two weeks I spent camping in Transylvania, was not attacked by a vampire, and even found a little cup decorated with Dacian symbols for life and rebirth. My July was spent at Columbia University's Teachers College where I began a master's program in the teaching of English, which I will continue over the next two years. Trying to adjust to life at a large university in Manhattan reminds me how much I miss Gustavus! I spent August at home in Des Moines, and then was in Denver for the Democratic National Convention before returning back to Rumsey in September for year three!"

Andrew Howard '07 writes, "Having embarked upon the seas of graduate school, I'm adjusting to this non-Gustavus environment in my second year at the University of Texas. I am enjoying all that a big department offers (perhaps almost too much enjoyment of the department social scene!) but I'm finding a niche in the nebulous world between history and literature. I'm looking forward to getting my M.A. next spring—as long as I don't melt away in the withering Texas sun."

Finn Kuusisto '07 resigned from his position as a software engineer at Open Systems International in Plymouth and is now a computer science graduate student at Madison working as a Teaching Assistant. Finn visited the University of Wisconsin campus in late March and was offered full tuition remission along with a salaried TA position. He reports, "Of course, the TA position does not pay much, but with tuition out of the way it's enough. I have a tentative schedule planned out for a concentration in artificial intelligence, which would allow me to get my M.S. in 3 semesters (if I feel like pushing it a bit), and which would cover my breadth requirement as well as leaving a semester to prepare for an AI depth examination."





Classics Professors Seán Easton, Yurie Hong, Matt Panciera, Mary McHugh, Patricia Freiert, Eric Dugdale, Will Freiert, and Stewart Flory.

News of the Faculty

Eric Dugdale

A sabbatical is the closest thing to being given a Sabine farm by Maecenas and being told to abscond there and let the Muse inspire you. Like Horace, I took my marching orders with gusto, though like him I occasionally found myself suffering from writer's block or distracted by the delights of my new surroundings (see *otium*). All told, however, I had a productive year, as I hastily outline below in case a dean is reading!

One of the main benefits of a sabbatical is the opportunity it affords to commune with the Muse 'while lying under the canopy of a spreading beech tree,' to steal a line from Virgil—in other words, to have uninterrupted time to read and reflect *before* putting pen to paper. In my case, it gave me the leisure to read more broadly in my field: exciting new scholarship on Greek drama, studies on how the Greeks conceived of the emotions, reviews of German and French performances of Greek drama during and after

the Second World War. Hopefully, this will prevent me from becoming the stale teacher who pulls out his old lecture notes, now yellowed with age.

The process of seeing my book (*Greek Theatre in Context*) through the last stages of writing and proofs spanned most of the year. It is now out, sporting more than 30 glossy images, color reconstructions, and many other attractions, just in time to serve as a Christmas stocking stuffer for unsuspecting relatives! It is truly a product of the Gustavus family—it developed out of a capstone seminar, was proofread and critiqued by one of our majors, Jonathan Peasley, contains a photo taken by Will and an idea originating with Matt, and has benefited from numerous consultations with Stewart. Over the course of the year, I also edited two books for our series—one by Keyne Cheshire on Alexander the Great, the other on Lucretius by Philip de May. It was an interesting experience reading about Alexander's exploits in the East while I too explored lands unfamiliar to me in the orient.





Between February and April, we were based in Australia, where I was doing research at the University of Melbourne on a Macgeorge Honorary Fellowship. My hosts at the Centre for Classics and Archaeology were very gracious in welcoming me into the life of the department, and I was able to make good use of their library resources for the project that I am currently working on, which looks at the role of empathy in Greek drama. Towards the end of my stay, I gave seminar papers at both the University of Melbourne and the University of Sydney, a valuable opportunity to get early feedback on my research. We spent May at United International College, Gustavus's new partner institution in China, where Brooke and I each led a series of workshops—she to the administrative staff on various aspects of student support, I a series for faculty on different teaching issues. In June, I gave presentations at the American Classical League meeting in Durham, New Hampshire, where I caught up with Gustavus alumna Amy Sommer, and at an international conference in Venice, where I felt like the grand doge as I took the boat from St Mark's Square to the conference site on the small island of San Servolo! It was interesting to compare notes with faculty from places like Denmark and Holland and to hear what is happening in classics in their countries. I return to Gustavus invigorated, enriched from so many opportunities, and convinced that Gustavus is a very special place indeed!



Tales from our Back Yard, Down Under, and the Far East (further tales of Eric)

A friend in Buenos Aires had found us a cute apartment with a large terrace in a slightly down-at-the-heel but trendy neighborhood. We had rented out our house for the year, packed our belongings, and were raring to go. But our best-laid plans fell apart when we soon discovered that it would be a full-time job dealing with this particular tenant (to whom, like Cicero, I will refer only as *ista mulier*), and we ended up spending much of the fall learning the ins and outs of landlord-tenant law. In retrospect, I see the silver lining in all of this, since my half dozen appearances in court gave me plenty of fodder for the Greek oratory course. By the time the sheriff had carried out the eviction, I had heard about the good news about the Macgeorge Fellowship, and we were packing our bags for Australia instead of Argentina!

The first leg of our Antipodean adventure was pure backpacker bliss—trekking down the coast of Queensland and marveling at its rainforests, coral reefs, and endless stretches of sand. But we also fell in love with Melbourne with its broad, tree-lined allées and delightful coffee-shops. Boasting the largest population of Greeks after Athens and Thessaloniki, and with large Italian, Thai, and Vietnamese populations, its array of culture was wonderfully dynamic. Our home while in Melbourne was a heritage-listed mansion on the banks of the Yarra River that had been bequeathed to the university by the Macgeorge family. Its four-poster beds and clawfoot tub made us feel as if we were traveling back in time, and we awoke to the laugh of kookaburras and the squawks of cockatoos. We soon learnt to appreciate its potential to host dinner parties, and it so happens that my best friend from college lives in Melbourne. Going out for *yam cha* (Chinese brunch) became a regular fixture with him and his extended family, and his 60-year old mom gave me a right drumming on the badminton court! We also found a great church—Cross Cultural Church of Christ—which, as its name suggests, was made up of immigrants from all over the world.

In a way, Melbourne was a good training-ground for China, where almost everything would be foreign to our eyes, ears, and taste-buds. We returned from the market laden with vegetables that we had never cooked before; and even when we learnt to recognize the Chinese character for chicken on a restaurant menu, we still had no clue if we would be served drumsticks or chicken-feet! I felt like a wide-eyed student all over again, trying to take in all the fascinating cultural differences that presented themselves even as we walked down the street. We were humbled by the hospitality that was lavished on us by our hosts. It was particularly interesting to see the liberal arts model as it was taking shape in a very different cultural context. In China's current





boom economy, it is a challenge to convince students and especially parents of the value of music, literature, or any study that is not directly related to a specific profession. And yet those who take on this challenge are clearly making their mark, and creating a form of liberal

arts that is distinctly Chinese. We didn't get a chance to travel much beyond Zhuhai and neighboring Macau and Hong Kong. But even our brief stay reminded me how big an impact historical events can have on culture as I observed first-hand how different were the mindsets and background of residents of Hong Kong and of their neighbors across the Pearl River Delta. It reminded me too how time spent abroad is, more often than not, time well spent.

Seán Easton

This past spring semester gave me the opportunity to teach the capstone seminar on the topic of epic. Participating in class discussion and reading everyone's papers left me thinking in particular about epic poetry's fascination with fame and memorials. At the beginning of July, I drove along I-90 to meet up with Yurie in Seattle and, while passing through the Crow Reservation in Montana, I visited the Little Bighorn Battlefield.

There is now a very impressive memorial to the Native American nations who fought in the battle (both those who fought against and with U.S. forces). Clustered together on Last Stand Hill, each spot where a U.S. cavalryman fell had a small wooden marker. A few were named, including Custer's. The places where Native Americans fell had markers stating that they died in defense of their way of life. I have never heard anything to make me respect Custer. Mostly I've heard, accurately or not, that he was reckless and concerned primarily with his own glory. In spite of that, I found looking at his marker impressive. It didn't change my opinion of him, but it has made me wonder if the act of remembering someone so famous in the place connected to that fame is in itself a fundamentally powerful experience potentially unrelated to impulses toward either admiration or dislike. I find myself thinking of the markers that Iliadic warriors—also men concerned with glory at the expense of all else—wanted raised to themselves on the Trojan shore that passers-by might see and remember.

I met up with Yurie in Seattle and we headed down to Santa Cruz, where we stayed for several weeks working on our respective

projects. While there, I availed myself of the opportunity to explore a different sort of fame—the poet's rather than the warrior's. I visited nearby Salinas, John Steinbeck's hometown and the site of the Steinbeck Museum. I sat down to read some of *East of Eden* in Salinas and *Cannery Row* in Monterey. The Steinbeck Museum is quite the well-heelled affair, with much of its financial backing from local agribusiness. Consequently, about half of the museum is devoted to the agricultural life of the Salinas Valley. These investors are the children and grandchildren of people who loathed Steinbeck, banned his books, and made him *persona non grata* in the area, due to his representations of farm labor issues. Over the years, however, Steinbeck's books have made the region famous and in the process won over the community that once rejected him—a prodigal home reclaiming a justified son.

I drove down through Big Sur to visit the Henry Miller Memorial, a far more personal and idiosyncratic sort of place. The property was once the home of its late founder, Emil White, an acquaintance of Miller. He started it, he said, not to memorialize a great author, but because he missed his friend. It is sort of a bookstore with quirks. There are various pieces of conceptual art in the front yard; outdoor couches are provided for reading *al fresco*; visitors are encouraged to write a poem in the guestbook, rather than merely their names. The Memorial's objective seems to be to capture the sense of freedom that led Miller to call Big Sur home. I don't know that it necessarily makes it a better memorial than the Steinbeck Museum, but everything I saw there seemed to reflect someone's personal interest in or commitment to the man, his books, or the spirit of the place.

Local classical color afforded potent symbolic closure to this exploration of material memories. Near the Miller Memorial is the Nepenthe Restaurant, which is named for the Egyptian drug that Helen administers to Menelaus in *Odyssey IV* to ease his painful memories of war and the first half of their marriage. Interestingly, the restaurant site began life as a vacation property purchased by (noted Wisconsinite) Orson Welles for his wife Rita Hayworth. They divorced soon after. I wondered if the name had any connection to Welles and Hayworth. Could Nepenthe (one *Odyssey* translator renders it "heart's ease") be a poignant memorial to the broken marriage of these onetime citizens of the place? Perhaps an irreverent comment that, in matters of the heart, scenic beauty sometimes just can't substitute for Egyptian drugs? Or is there something about the food or the view (I've heard it's more famous for the latter than the former) that truly does approximate *nepenthe*? All I know for certain is that, at four in the afternoon, Nepenthe had a line so long I couldn't get a parking space, let alone a table.





Stewart Flory

In September 2007 Stewart and Ellie Flory spent two weeks on the Cycladic island of Ios, famous as one place where Homer might have died. More recently this island has acquired fame as a party/hookup venue for the young and young at heart. Where we actually stayed, however, was not a great party spot, being a property on a remote beach, accessible only by boat or a three-hour hike through goat-infested, shin-gashing rocks and thistles. Involved were just us and another securely hooked-up couple plus a caretaker-cook. Partying was limited to ouzo at sunset. The property was built in the 1970s, in traditional island whitewashed style, by a consortium of college friends. Accommodations were Spartan but beautiful. No electricity, but solar hot water (including one outdoor shower with a view of the aforementioned sunset), and a propane refrigerator. Think of *Mamma Mia* without the Abba songs. On the way back to the U.S. we stayed a few days in Athens, where Stewart was able to reunite with two Yale Greek classmates, one just retired from Merrill-Lynch, the other an about-to-retire Athenian banker.

In January the Florys spent two weeks in Paris visiting Stewart's sister Marjorie, who lives there in the winter months. Time passed easily eating and drinking with Marjorie and her friends, both French and ex-pat. We stayed in a typical middle class neighborhood called Bibliothèque, where the national library has been relocated. On this visit, the first in a while for Stewart, Paris impressed as an imperial capital now stripped of empire, but luxuriating in its rich, state-supported culture. We especially enjoyed the Rodin Museum, once home of the superstar sculptor, a kind of rich-man's-Granlund. Of course we haunted the Louvre, where Stewart sought out the Egyptian sculptures of scribes writing on papyrus that he has been studying in his ongoing research on ancient literacy. (Stewart still goes up to his library office every day when he's in town.) In fact there is not much classical in Paris because Greece and Italy were never French colonies, while Egypt, for example, was. The famous antiquities like the *Winged Victory* and the *Aphrodite from Melos* (*Venus de Milo*) were individually "collected" pieces. It is the south of France that was itself colonized first by Greeks, then Romans, and is now packed with city sites, aqueducts, amphitheaters, and rich classical museums.

In April Stewart and Ellie attended the CAMWS meeting in Tucson, and Stewart moderated a good session on Greek history. The university was architecturally impressive and the campus even had trees and a good bit of grass.

Patricia and Will Freiert

Retirement has not slowed Patricia Freiert down in any way. Last year she taught two courses, first-semester Latin and her regular First Term Seminar on bi-cultural identity. Her work as a shibori artist continued to grow in new directions. In October, her studio was featured in "River Crossings," a Mankato-St. Peter art crawl, and she participated in the "Artwear in Motion" event in Minneapolis, sponsored by the Minnesota Textile Center. In November, Pat's work was in the Arts Center of Saint Peter's "Holiday Fare" and in December she participated in the "One of a Kind" show at the Merchandise Mart in Chicago. Spring saw Pat at the American Crafts Council event in St. Paul once again. In June, the Textile Center sponsored a national shibori symposium, and one of Pat's creations was featured in the accompanying gallery show. Late spring and summer were dedicated to a major installation commissioned by First Lutheran Church in St. Peter. With the help of former Gustavus costumier Jan Jensen and several parishioners, Pat has been creating an eleven-panel series celebrating the Pentecost season. In August, Pat participated for the first time in the American Craft Council show in San Francisco and was commissioned to create a banner commemorating the inauguration of new Gustavus President Jack Ohle. The banner is currently hanging over the baptismal font in Christ Chapel. You can visit Pat's website at patriciafreiart.com.

Meanwhile, Will Freiert shuffled closer to the sunset last year, spending his final year as department chair and staring off into space. He did manage to rouse himself from the rocker long enough to address groups of prospective students in July and again in October, participate in an orientation discussion group for first-year students, and give a talk to the soccer-team's January Term class in preparation for their time in Greece. Will taught his own J-Term course on the Classical Tradition in American Culture. Also in January, Will was interviewed about mythology by Visiting Philosophy Professor Peter Shea for a television series he produces, and the interview was actually aired this month on Channel 17. In February, Will gave a chapel talk and spent a couple of Saturdays interviewing candidates for Presidential scholarships for the Admission Department.

The highlight of Will's acting career came during his "run on" in the plague scene of Gustavus's production of Larry Gelbart's *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. Will was a member of the planning committee for President Jim Peterson's retirement celebration and spoke on behalf of the faculty at the dinner held to commemorate President Peterson's legacy. In the middle of the past summer, Will was named as one of three co-chairs of the inauguration activities for the new Gustavus President, Jack Ohle. His specific responsibilities included





arranging a public lecture and faculty seminar that featured Dr. John Churchill, national secretary of Phi Beta Kappa. At the pre-seminar dinner, Will toasted President and Mrs. Ohle on behalf of the faculty, and he also spoke at the inauguration itself. (No wonder this newsletter is so late!)

In addition to these ad hoc activities, Will served his final year in his most recent term on the Faculty Senate, went to a slew of department chair meetings, and continued his activities as a member of the board of the Minnesota Humanities Center.

Yurie Hong



Wow. I can't believe the summer's over and it's already newsletter time. Staring down the start of a new school year seems a good time to reflect on the past one. My first year at Gustavus has been such a busy and rewarding one. It was so exciting to get acquainted with everyone in the Classics Department as well as in the greater Gustavus community.

Fall got off to a great start with Latin 101 and Herodotus, one of my favorite storytellers. He reminds me of one of my professors at UW, who

liked to regale our Greek historiography seminar with stories of his travels in Greece and Russia at the height of the Cold War. I also delivered a paper at the Pacific Modern and Ancient Language Association comparing representations of Penelope's character in Homer with a Korean folktale heroine, named Chunhyang, in a 2000 film of the same name. In a lot of ways, working on this paper jumpstarted thoughts about my spring classes: Homer and Theatre of Greece and Rome. It got me thinking about representations of gender in traditional cultures and really drove home to me the many ways that ancient Greece has a lot in common with traditional Asian cultures. For example, thinking about traditional Korean/Confucian notions of family, honor, gender, and self-sacrifice brings Euripides' *Iphigenia at Aulis* into much sharper relief for me, while studying Homer has helped me to appreciate and understand Korean oral poetry in a way I never could as a child. I'm hoping this year's global focus on China will be an opportunity to explore these connections further.

In June, Sean and I moved into our new house with the help of some truly fabulous members of the Gustavus community, who went above and beyond the call of duty. The house is just down

the hill from Gustavus and was apparently a well-known party-house and the site of an infamous police raid a year ago. (We'll let you know if any disappointed party-goers turn up on our doorstep when school starts!) Unfortunately we were only able to enjoy the house itself for about a week before leaving St. Peter for the summer to visit all the family and friends who get neglected during the school year.

The first week of the summer was spent in Seattle visiting friends and colleagues at the University of Washington, where I introduced my dissertation adviser to the joys of Korean karaoke. The rest of June and July were spent in Santa Cruz with my brother, taking advantage of sun, sand, and UC Santa Cruz's library resources. I was primarily doing research for an article on the way that Hippocratic embryology characterizes the maternal-fetal relationship during childbirth. I also started working on a Herodotus paper that I'll be delivering at the APA in January. That Herodotus class in the fall should set me in good stead. It's so nice when the stars are aligned and research and teaching topics go hand in hand!

From the Santa Cruz base I was able to make a number of small trips to Berkeley and Los Angeles to visit my parents and sisters. Best of all, I was able to spend some quality time with my rapidly growing niece Maya (3) and nephew Mason (1) and was designated family photographer during their respective birthday parties:



Most of August was taken up with an epic journey around the South and Midwest. It began with the drive from the Bay Area to Los Angeles for a quick visit with family and then my college roommate's wedding on the beach in Orange County (yes, I was thinking about 'The OC' the entire time). From there Sean and I drove to Austin, Texas, for a conference on ancient medicine, where we met up with Bronwen Wickkiser and Andrew Howard. One of the things I love about classics is that it's such a small field that every conference is an opportunity to run into old friends and meet new ones. The conference itself was amazing and inspiring, and I can't wait to get back to work.

From Austin we did a weekend drive-through of Denver to spend time with friends and then headed back to St. Peter. All in all, we





probably logged in about 60–70 hours on the road. The upside is that we got to listen to audiobooks that we wouldn't have time to read during the school year: two books by David Sedaris (hilarious) as well as David Halberstam's *The Coldest Winter*, about the Korean War (not so much hilarious as horribly tragic). So there you have it: tragedy, comedy, and an Odyssean roadtrip for the ages.

It's nice to be back home.

Mary McHugh



The past year has been a busy one. In January, I attended the annual meeting of the American Philological Association in Chicago, and, in addition to seeing old friends and meeting colleagues, I had the opportunity to catch up with several of my many siblings who live in the Chicago area. Several weeks later, still in January, I hurtled through the seasons when I headed down to San Antonio, Texas, for my niece Catalina's confirmation. St. Peter was at 20 degrees below zero (without wind-chill), while San Antonio was a balmy 80 degrees (need I say above zero?). At the end of April, Catalina's mom, Carmen, gave birth to my brother's fourth child, Thomas, whom I hope to meet over the Thanksgiving break.

The summer was quite busy as well. I was in Kansas City, Mo., for a little over a week in June to help grade the AP Latin Exam. Although our days were filled with reading student responses and scoring exams, we had some interesting field trips in the evenings, including a visit to the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art. I was delighted to see on exhibition there a world-class collection of art, including Thomas Hart Benton's *Persephone* as well as Caravaggio's *Saint John the Baptist in the Wilderness*.

And the visual feast continued over the course of the summer. Several weeks later, at the end of June, I was in Italy, participating in an NEH Seminar on St. Francis and the Thirteenth Century, ably led by William R. Cook, from SUNY Geneseo. We divided our time between stays in Rome, Siena, and Assisi, studying the artistic and literary representations of the saint from the medieval period. Among the many highlights of the summer, I must include attendance of the July Palio in Siena, as well as witnessing and participating in the local festivities leading up to the famous horse race in the beautiful Piazza del Campo. As the seminar meetings

did not occupy every day of the week, there were frequent trips to other cities, Florence, Ravenna, Perugia, etc., and visits to libraries, archives, museums, and various *mirabilia*. As I am teaching Roman History & Culture this fall, and will teach Roman Art & Archaeology in the spring, I was delighted to have the opportunity to build up my collection of classical art in the many museums I visited during the course of my stay in Italy.

Back on campus at the end of the summer, I was delighted to have several alumni come to visit, including Stephanie Soiseth and Veronica Bean! Should you find yourself in the area of St. Peter, do stop by and say "hello!"—I always enjoy catching up with you and hearing about your news and accomplishments.

Matt Panciera

What a whirlwind of a year—and I think it will be even more exciting in 2008–2009! This past year I was granted tenure by Gustavus, which was a wonderful moment. Gustavus conducts a very thorough review for tenure that includes evaluations of teaching (through both student input and outside observations) as well as assessments of my research by other scholars. The process also requires a long personal statement in which the candidates must evaluate their own performance and how they fit with the higher goals of the College. It was surprising to me to see how much I liked this vocational reflection. I also served on the search committee that resulted in the hiring of Jack Ohle to be the next president of Gustavus. All of this together confirmed for me what a lucky thing it has been for me to have landed at such a good college with so many wonderful students and colleagues in the Classics department.

Speaking of colleagues, it was a great pleasure to welcome Mary, Yuri, and Seán into the department. I worked particularly closely with Mary on Historical Perspectives last fall and I think we did a great job. I heard and saw many good things in their teaching—Mary inspired a large number of students to carry on with Greek into the third semester, Sean's J-Term class on ancient religious ritual drew raves, and Yuri's Greek classes and theater course, culminating in the festival of Dionysus, were a great success. I will miss them all this year, including Will and Eric, but I know we will have a happy reunion next year.

This year I am on sabbatical, but I decided that instead of taking things easy in St. Peter for the year and working on a few ideas in the comfort of southern Minnesota, I would apply to teach for the Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies. I had taught on their program in Rome many years ago, but this year they were opening up another program in Sicily dedicated to more of the Greek side





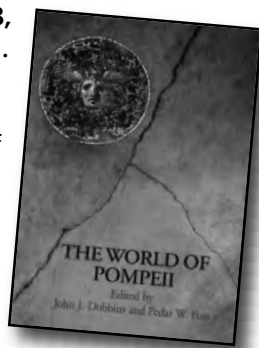
of the classical world. I was chosen as one of two professors to start up this program and am now in Catania, Sicily, with my wife and children (they will go to Italian school) preparing for the semester. We have only been here 12 days, but it feels like we have experienced so much. First, the weather is hot, hot, hot! 90 degrees is one thing, but the almost complete lack of air conditioning is another. And it has certainly been a change for us to live in a big, busy, smelly city of about 350,000 people with a total of 1 million in the near environs. And this isn't like an American city with never-ending suburbs—they all live on top of each other here and they all drive Vespas! We live on the sixth floor of a building with a tiny little elevator (our family of four just barely fits in it) and the apartment itself is tiny—four rooms (three bedrooms + living room), a long hall, kitchen, and bathroom. There is a beautiful balcony with a view of Mount Etna, a still very much active volcano—you can see the fires from the lava at night. The food is wonderful and cheap so we have been buying great ingredients, cooking, and eating out on our balcony every night. My Italian is coming along slowly, but the Sicilians and Catanese are without a doubt the most friendly and forgiving people I have ever met. We have been here for two weeks and have committed our share of mistakes and bumbings, all in bad Italian, and we have been met with nothing but patience, kindness, frequent offers of help, and frequently pretty good English. It will be an amazing experience I think. Ciao tutti!

Books written by Alums

John J. Dobbins and **Pedar W. Foss '88**, *The World of Pompeii* (Routledge 2007).
Review by Eric Dugdale

There are quite literally hundreds of books on Pompeii—most of them are of the coffee-table variety, trotting out a predictable roster of town plans, sensationalist storylines, and glossy photographs. Then there are the many scholarly publications on specific topics, from the stylistic dating of wall paintings to the distribution of brothels, scattered across journals and written mostly in Italian. For many fields of ancient study, we suffer from a dearth of information; but for Pompeian studies, the sheer volume of information at our disposal and its wide dispersal present a challenge of a different sort.

This ground-breaking book is therefore especially welcome. It offers, within the pages of one (admittedly sizeable) book, the latest thinking on almost every topic, each chapter written by the



expert in that particular field: 40 scholars from Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Holland, Italy, Switzerland, the U.K., the U.S. and even Iceland. In each case, the expert has provided an erudite but readable distillation of the latest scholarship, all mercifully expressed in our mother tongue and accessible to intelligent generalists. And the book is illustrated with a staggering 234 photographs and plans. A comprehensive project of this sort has not been attempted since August Mau's magnum opus, *Pompeii: its Life and Art*, came out in the mid-nineteenth century. And at \$44 for the paperback copy, it is a real steal that might even find a spot on your bedside table.

Fortune favors the brave (*audentes Fortuna iuvat*), Pliny the Elder declared as he sailed to rescue those stranded by the Vesuvian eruption, and in this publication he seems to have been right. Talent may have something to do with it, too, as might the collaborative skills that the two editors have cultivated. John Dobbins (University of Virginia) has spearheaded major collaborations before, as he did in the Pompeii Forum project, a cooperative venture that used the expertise of a specialist team comprising archaeologist, architect, urban historian, structural engineer etc. to reevaluate the archaeological evidence of the Forum, finding evidence of considerable damage to buildings in the earthquake of AD 62 and studying the major reconstruction that was undertaken in its aftermath. Incidentally, I had the privilege of receiving instruction from John as a graduate student while on a summer program at the American Academy in Rome, and it was his dynamic on-site teaching that inspired me to consider leading study-abroad courses. And Pedar Foss (DePauw University), our own Gustavus alum, is similarly gifted at developing ambitious collaborative projects; he is currently collaborating with Rebecca Schindler on MAGIS, a digital depository of data on archaeological surveys in the Mediterranean that is harnessing the potential of Google Earth.

The 39 chapters of this book are a showcase of the multi-disciplinary nature of classical studies that got many of us hooked. There are chapters on Pompeian women, shops and industries, urban planning, the water supply system, epigraphy and society, the lives of slaves, the use of real and imitation marble, the environmental and geomorphological context of the volcano (yes, written by the Icelander!), and 31 others of equal variety and interest. In the chapter on religion, for example, you will find the magic square that graces the wall of the classics common room in Old Main:





The chapter places this Christian cryptogram in the larger religious context of the wide-ranging religious practices found at Pompeii. Along with the usual suspects (Jupiter and his Olympian clan) we find the iconography of mystery cults, worship of the Phrygian god Sabazius, early (and with a cut-off date of AD 79, I mean *early!*) evidence of Christianity and of the presence of a Jewish community, as well as all sorts of magical and superstitious practices common to popular religion such as the erect phalluses that startled tourists find carved into Pompeian pavements to ward off the evil eye. But since we all like to decode a puzzle, what about that cryptogram? In footnote 69 of this the thirteenth chapter, the author, Alistair Small, decodes it thus: "The literal meaning is 'the sower Arepo holds the wheels with care,' or perhaps, 'The sower holds the wheels of the plow with care,' but the point of the cryptogram is the complex symbolism. TENET forms a Greek cross; the words are an anagram of PATERNOSTER, written twice in the form of a Greek cross with the two bars intersecting at the letter N, combined with A O (for alpha and omega, the beginning and the end) written twice (between the arms of the cross or at their extremities); the letters at the edge of the square form the word ROTAS (wheels) or its palindrome SATOR (sower) twice, recalling the four wheels in the vision of *Ezekiel* (chapters 10 and 11) that surrounded the cherubim, sent by Jahweh to punish Jerusalem for abominations by slaying all except for the righteous who were protected by the sign of the *tau*. The cryptogram remained in use for a long time as a Christian talisman. The subject is contentious and the bibliography immense." Pretty intricate stuff, eh? Even you Sudoku champions might find yourselves hard pressed to decode this one! And when you remember that this is a graffito scratched onto a column in a wrestling-ground, it begs the further question: has any of us, even the most devout, ever come close to scrawling something like this while winding down our exercise routine?

Stephen Hultgren '93, *From the Damascus Covenant to the Covenant of the Community: Literary, Historical, and Theological Studies in the Dead Sea Scrolls* (STDJ 66; Leiden/Boston: Brill, 2007). Review by Will Freiart

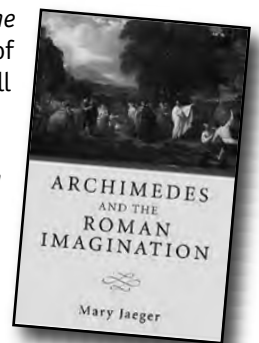
Stephen Hultgren, who attended Luther Seminary and Duke University after graduating from Gustavus, teaches at Fordham University in New York. He is an ordained minister in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and a member of the Lutheran-Roman Catholic Dialogue in the United States.



This is Stephen's second book. As he explains, "This volume is a collection of chapters dealing with the history and pre-history of the Qumran community, as well as with theological topics such as dualism, covenant renewal, and the righteousness of God in the Dead Sea Scrolls." The work is monumental (at over 600 pages) and, as one reviewer put it, "covers an enormous range of primary texts and secondary literature." This work establishes Stephen as a major contributor to the scholarship of the Dead Sea Scrolls, providing as it does a "comprehensive account of the historical development of the movement associated with the Teacher of Righteousness and its main literary texts." (Catholic Biblical Quarterly)

Mary Jaeger '82, *Archimedes and the Roman Imagination* (University of Michigan Press, 2008). Review by Will Freiart.

"*Archimedes and the Roman Imagination* is teeming with ideas, subtle observations, and stimulating remarks that prompt further thought. . . . Overall, this is an important and stimulating book." Thus writes a British reviewer of



Mary Jaeger's second book, an exploration of the creation of the image of Archimedes and his importance as a cultural tool for the Roman imagination. Beginning with the *eureka* story, Mary unearths and interprets a vast array of fascinating background lore and historical sidelights. For example, she illustrates how Cicero uses the story of Archimedes to highlight himself as the great craftsman and discoverer. On every page, one learns some new and interesting fact or garners a fresh insight into a long familiar incident. While the book is packed with erudition, Mary's style is fresh enough so that any interested reader can enjoy it. An American reviewer calls it "an absolutely wonderful book on a truly original and important topic." Like Mary's first book, *Livy's Written Rome*, *Archimedes and the Roman Imagination* is a book to savor long and to save forever.





Recipes

Paté de Campagne Bibliothèque-Flory

(pronounced *florY* in its native French)

1 cup each of coarsely ground fatty pork (like country style boneless ribs, or shoulder, *not* dry, tasteless tenderloin), liver (pork, chicken, or beef), and boneless chicken thighs (or veal, duck, or turkey dark meat).

1/2 cup panade (1/4 c. rice cooked in chicken broth until mushy) blended into a smooth paste.

1 lightly beaten egg.

1/4 cup of cheap French cognac.

1 tb Kosher salt, 1/2 tsp thyme, 1/2 tsp allspice, 4–5 large garlic cloves finely chopped or processed.

Combine ingredients thoroughly in a large bowl (fingers are best). Vital step: Test seasoning by frying a spoonful in a little oil and then cooling. You should over-season since the paté will be served cold.

Pack firmly into a narrow loaf pan (aluminum, china or iron) that you've lined with thin strips of pork fat (you can use fatty bacon that you've blanched 5 min. in lots of plain water and then drained and patted dry—this kills the smoked taste). The mix should fill the pan with a raised mound in the center. Sprinkle top with a bit more thyme and plug in a couple of bay leaves. Cover with more thin pork fat or blanched bacon. Cover closely with foil. Put your paté into a larger, deeper baking pan in a preheated 350° oven. Immediately pour boiling water into the big pan until it comes halfway up the paté pan. Weight the top of the paté with a brick or heavy vessel. This will make the paté stick together and make nice slices.

Cook about 1.5 hours or so. Paté should have shrunk a bit from sides of its pan with juices yellow or clear. Internal temp of 160–170°. Cool on a rack and refrigerate. It is better if it ages for some hours and is even better after a day or more. Doesn't freeze well but will keep a week or more.

Eric writes: this year I would like to share with you a tasty dish that we learnt to cook in Thailand and have been enjoying ever since. We thought that it might be hard to get the ingredients over here, but were delighted to discover that Dragon Star Oriental Foods in St. Paul (633 Minnehaha Ave W.) has it all. And the fermented fish sauce that is a staple of Thai cuisine is probably the closest we can get to the Roman favorite *garum*.

Green curry chicken (Kaeng khiaw-waan kai)

Ingredients:

7 oz boneless chicken breasts, sliced thickly

4 oz eggplant, cut into wedges

4 oz baby corn (or carrot) cut into slices

6 kaffir lime leaves, torn in half

10 sweet basil leaves

3 tbsp green curry paste

1 can [14 oz] coconut milk

6 tbsp palm oil

2 tbsp palm sugar

2 tbsp fish sauce

Instructions:

1. Put oil in a pan on low heat. Add green curry paste, bring it to a simmer; add some coconut milk to prevent burning and stir until fragrant.
2. Add chicken, stir vigorously until the chicken is cooked.
3. Add the remaining coconut milk, eggplant, baby corn, and kaffir lime leaves, stirring occasionally.
4. Season with sugar and fish sauce.
5. Sprinkle with sweet basil leaves and turn off heat.

That is the recipe; I have changed it up and it still tastes delicious. Pretty much any vegetable can go in (I've used broccoli, cauliflower, and squash). I'm sure other types of oil and sugar would work just fine too.





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