

# Bulletin

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*21<sup>st</sup> Century*

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## From the Headmaster

*Dear Friends,*

As the popular saying goes, "If you don't know where you're going, you'll probably end up someplace else." Planning for the future is always a good idea. Arguably, it's the most important responsibility of Kiski's leadership team. We've subscribed to this concept in the form of two strategic plans, the first published in 2003 and the second in 2007. It's no exaggeration to say that much of the advancement we have enjoyed has been due to executing the strategies defined in these plans. Now, with the goals

of our 2007 plan successfully met – and in most cases exceeded – we are engaged in the process of creating a new strategic plan for Kiski that will be published this spring.

The planning process, which began last summer, has been very inclusive. The faculty and staff were divided into ten groups; each group was charged with developing initiatives around specific topics such as academics, athletics, student life, and communications. These initiatives were reviewed and refined by a steering committee and then organized into four categories: Global Citizenship, Operational Innovation, Responsible Stewardship, and Partnership Building. A coherent theme emerged, one focused on helping our boys develop the global credentials and skills needed for success and leadership in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Our past planning activities allowed Kiski to take giant steps forward in recent years. We've made considerable gains in the area of fundraising and plant improvements due to a multi-year \$12 million capital campaign that concluded last year. In the first phase of the campaign, two dormitories were expanded and upgraded, the main classroom building and the Fine Arts Center were renovated and improved, work was completed on a new weight room and fitness center, and we raised money for need-based scholarships. With strong momentum, we embarked on a second phase of the campaign, the centerpiece being the construction of the Swank Student Center. Programmatically, we have advanced on many fronts. Our academic offerings have expanded to include a variety of new elective courses. Departmental Learning Communities, a system ensuring ongoing professional development, was created and implemented. A mentoring program for new-to-Kiski teachers was inaugurated including orientation workshops on best practices for teaching boys. We've also made great strides in college placement. Last year, 80% of the senior class gained acceptances to "top 100" colleges and universities as ranked by *U.S. News & World Report*. This is an extraordinary result, especially when compared to five years ago, when only 50% of our seniors were accepted to such schools.

Certain elements of our new strategic plan will be especially important as we begin the early stages of considering Kiski's next major capital project, an upgraded and expanded athletic complex. We hope to be in a position to formally launch this new capital campaign effort in coordination with Kiski's Quasquicentennial Celebration in 2013. Although this undertaking is years away, we have engaged an architectural firm to create conceptual sketches and have started sharing these drawings with groups of potential supporters for this project.

This is truly a remarkable period in Kiski's long, proud history. I look forward to sharing our new strategic plan this spring. As always, your input and ideas about how to make our School better are always welcome. On behalf of all the students and teachers here, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for all you do to support Kiski. We hope to see you on campus sometime very soon.

With all good wishes,

Chris Brueningsen  
Headmaster

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# Teaching Boys in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

– by Christopher

In his book *The World Is Flat*, Thomas Friedman illustrates that when we were children, our parents told us to finish our dinner because people in China and India were starving. Nowadays, we tell our kids to finish their homework because people in China and India will be competing with them for future jobs.

The world's workforce is changing rapidly. It is shifting away from an industrial economy based on production of goods towards a "knowledge economy" where expertise and technological innovations are transformed into information services. According to a recent study, the job share in the U.S. manufacturing sector is down from 50 percent in the 1950s to 25 percent in the 1970s to less than 10 percent today. From an employer's perspective, broader skills like collaboration and problem solving will be essential for success in the workplace of the future. This new reality means that the next generation of college graduates must be prepared as independent thinkers, problem solvers, and decision makers. It is incumbent on educators, most notably at the secondary level, to equip students with these skills.

In the past few years it has become clear that if we intend to remain faithful to Kiski's mission – to prepare boys to succeed in college and in life – we need to look carefully and critically at what we are teaching and how we are teaching it. Most crucially, we need to answer a fundamental question: what set of skills will our students need as they prepare to enter a new type of workforce after college?

A number of big thinkers have written about this topic. Harvard University's Howard Gardner, in *Five Minds for the Future*, tells us that our culture needs a diverse collection of minds – people with technical expertise who can synthesize complex ideas and exercise creativity in solving programs while providing moral courage and ethical leadership. Dan Pink echoes many of these themes in his book, *A Whole New Mind*. He argues that a "seismic shift" is quietly underway that will move us from an economy and society built on logical, linear thinking to one that will depend on invention, creativity, and collaboration.

Gardner and Pink capture the essence of what many have termed *21<sup>st</sup> century skills* – the proficiencies our children will need to survive and thrive in this emerging world and workplace. Others including those in the corporate community, university professors, and informed educators are reaching consensus on how to best define and describe the skills our kids will need for success in college and in the marketplace. *The Partnership for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning*, a nonprofit think-tank, has identified three major categories that characterize these essential themes: creativity & innovation, critical thinking & problem solving, and communication & collaboration.

The way these skills are being popularly characterized seems to imply that they've never been taught before. The century-specific label is misleading. Knowing how to think critically, analytically, and creatively are not skills that are unique to the 21<sup>st</sup> century. These same educational constructs were used by ancient teachers and philosophers like Socrates. Twenty-first century skills are not new – just newly important.

Kiski has seen its fair share of 21<sup>st</sup> century teachers in its 123-year history. Jake Zeigler, who was a member of the Kiski faculty from 1936

until 1979, was one of many great examples. Jake taught his students the elements of science by showing them how to take apart a car engine and put it back together. He taught them to feel – quite literally – the difference between wiring a circuit in series or in parallel by having students join hands in various configurations and then connecting the group to a low-voltage current. With the help of his students, Jake built a variety of practical devices on campus – including the ski hill rope tow, fashioned from an old Volkswagen engine. It would be difficult to point to a teacher who better understood the importance of helping students develop habits of practical reasoning, inventive thinking, and collaborative problem solving in real-life settings.

There's a good reason why Kiski classrooms have always been replete with examples of 21<sup>st</sup> century teaching and learning: these themes are well-matched with pedagogical techniques that are particularly suited to the learning styles of boys. In their new book, *Reaching Boys, Teaching Boys*, authors Richard Hawley and Michael Reichert identified eight fundamental teaching themes that are especially effective in educating boys. This book is an outgrowth of an ambitious research study in which thousands of teachers from around the world supplied current, observable teaching practices that clearly work with boys. Kiski was one of two boys' schools that participated in the study as a pilot site in 2007. The "best lesson for boys" elements identified in the book are remarkably compatible with the 21<sup>st</sup> century skills described above: creating products, teamwork, competition, and open inquiry. This overlap has informed our decision to explore ways to cultivate and promote the teaching of 21<sup>st</sup> century skills in the context of best practices for educating boys.

As a way to promote discussion on campus about the link between 21<sup>st</sup> century skills and boys' learning habits, our teachers were recently invited to submit lessons they've used that support this connection. A small sample of these lessons is highlighted in the sidebar accompanying this article. Without question, Jake Zeigler's spirit is alive and well in Kiski's present day classrooms where students are being challenged to collaborate, reason critically, and think creatively to solve real-life problems.

Providing students with opportunities to construct a bridge, build a rope tow, or engage in a mock battle with self-crafted shields and spears are not just ways to let restless boys get out of their seats and dirty their hands. Practicing 21<sup>st</sup> century teaching in an all-boys classroom engages students in a way that encourages them to connect with the material they are studying. The construction of a "safe" classroom where risk-taking and experimentation are welcome allows students to experience the rewards of exploration and innovation as practical means for solving problems. Simply stated, 21<sup>st</sup> century classrooms cater to the academic and social strengths of boys.

We often celebrate the connection our students have with their teachers – a quality that has always made Kiski special and unique. Proponents of 21<sup>st</sup> century teaching suggest that this connection is not exclusive to the teacher-student relationship, but also speaks to the relationship the student has with the material being covered. Engagement is most robust when lessons and projects are driven and

sustained by students' interests, provided that this can be done without compromising academic rigor. In 21<sup>st</sup> century classrooms, students learn the value of teamwork as they collaborate to solve problems and draw conclusions without being bound by rule-based thinking. Overall, it is a setting that fosters "relational learning" – a teaching methodology known to be especially effective for boys.

We know that boys thrive in environments where taking risks is not only invited but expected. Boys need to be given permission – tacit or explicit – to take risks. The 21<sup>st</sup> century classroom supports an academic and social environment where failure is viewed as an opportunity to examine, learn, and reassess. Students in these classrooms understand that being wrong is often part of a necessary process. They also know that answering incorrectly will not be met with shame or disparagement. By establishing a "safe" environment, the process of open and ongoing inquiry is cultivated and our boys continue to grow into curious and confident life-long learners.

Technological literacy is another important 21<sup>st</sup> century skill that can't be overlooked. Kiski has been on the cutting edge of educational technology for many years, most notably with our one-to-one laptop program that began in 1997. A variety of studies and surveys support the notion that teenage boys, as a group, are the most active consumers of technology in the country. Kiski has worked to leverage this interest by engaging in a limited-scope online pilot program last year that utilized web conferencing software. More recently, we have been experimenting with a virtual classroom environment where students and teachers interact with each other as avatars. Without question, these new technological platforms – ones that our students will regularly encounter in the workplace – have captured our boys' imagination. Moreover, as the use of technology becomes more seamlessly joined with math and science – traditionally, areas of strength for boys – there are new opportunities to venture into emerging areas of nanotechnology, robotics, environmental sciences, and biotechnology.

There is an understandable sense of urgency developing among educators these days. American children are falling behind the rest of the world by nearly all measures of scholastic achievement – especially so in terms of their overall preparation for the 21<sup>st</sup> century workforce. Many schools continue to cling to rote memorization and "drill and kill" methods that effectively quash creativity and independent thought early in the educational process. Unless considerable change is made to the way we teach our children, the workforce that awaits them will be less than welcoming.

As we consider the pressing challenges facing secondary education in our country, one thing is certain: boys at single-gender schools like Kiski are not just surviving – they're thriving. We recognize that the world in which we live is far flatter, far more competitive, and far more demanding than ever before. As much as history and present practices validate our ongoing commitment to Kiski's mission, we will continue to devote time, energy, and resources in order to ensure that the young men in our care will be well-equipped with the global skills and credentials they will need for success and leadership in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. ▲

## 21<sup>st</sup> Century Lessons from Kiski Classrooms

Kiski teachers were recently invited to share lessons and projects to form the basis for the booklet, *21<sup>st</sup> Century Teaching at The Kiski School*, to be published this spring. The lessons below represent a sample of nearly 40 submissions from our faculty.

■ **Building Bridges.** In Digital Media class, boys work in groups using an architectural autoCAD program to plan and design a conceptual bridge that will span the Kiski pond and wetlands from Fosnaugh Hall to the playing fields near the golf course. In this project, students consider material composition and costs, as well as sustainable design concepts including "lightweighting." The projects are judged and graded based on overall aesthetics and the total projected cost of the bridge.

■ **Modeling an Epidemic.** In Precalculus class, students simulate the spread of a disease using the random number generator on their calculators to determine which students are "infected" during an epidemic in the classroom. They plot a graph of elapsed time versus number of sick students and use regression analysis techniques to find a mathematical function that fits the data. This technique is applied to other real-life data sets that can be modeled with the same type of function including population data, the number of cases of AIDS in the US, and the number of cases of polio per month during the 1949 epidemic. In each situation, they use their findings to answer questions and make predictions.

■ **Shields and Spears.** In Ancient World History class, students learn about the warring practices of the Greeks and Romans through a very hands-on approach. To better appreciate what ancient conflicts were actually like, they recreate the Greek phalanx. Students learn how to march in military formation and, with the help of the Art Department; they design and build replica weapons and armor. The class is divided into two groups that engage in a mock battle in the Field House. Rather than read about ancient wars, the boys in this class explore military strategies and tactics from a first-person perspective.

■ **Philanthropic Decision-Making.** As a culminating activity in Information Ethics class, students are given an opportunity to choose a deserving charity to be the recipient of a donation from Kiski. Actual funds raised at the library bake sale are provided for the donation. Students work in pairs to research a list of local charities. Each group chooses the charity they want to support and presents a proposal to win the funding for their cause. Using PowerPoint, with documentation from authoritative sources, they create presentations in order to persuade their classmates to vote for the charity they've chosen to support.

*May 23, 2010*

## Honors Convocation

**O**n Sunday, May 23, 2010, the Kiski community gathered to celebrate Honors Convocation in Rogers Fine Arts Center. The evening marks the end of the academic calendar and is one of Kiski's grandest traditions. Honors Convocation recognizes the academic accomplishments of students and those who have excelled in their studies throughout the school year.

William Bower '72, Kiski's Director of Studies, spoke about academic importance and announced the National Honor Society inductees including: Tae Hun Ahn '10, Andrew Bell '10, Tony Coppola '10, Chris Kim '10, Jin Man Kim '10, Joon Lee '10, Ryan O'Dell '10, Ryan Rebel '10, Kin Wai Zhao '10, Taylor Kim '11 and Alex Lucci '12.

Honors Convocation marks the occasion to announce the School leadership positions for the next school. *(Pictured top right)* The 2010-2011 Head Prefect Yong Su Ryou, and other Prefects include: Colynn Cook, Dom Chumich, Nick Drohan, Michael Fitzgerald, Luke Gaffney, David Goh, Andrew Hazel, Armand Holmes, Mo Se Kim, Taylor Kim, Benny Kowalewski, Zach Kowalewski, Alex Lucci, Manny Markantone, James Missell, Will Owen, Luke Pajer, Garrett Parsons, William Rial, Jason Sebak, Connor Sullivan, Thomas Supinka, Alex Testa, Ahn (Martin) Tuan, and Phil West. *(Pictured bottom right)* Lead Head Waiter is MoSe Kim and other Head Waiters include: Bryan Bell, Dang Khoa Dao, David Devey, Ji Yong Eom, Burke Gleason, Chris Jackson and James Seaberg. Kiski's Big Brother Program senior leader is William Rial and Max Cotton is the junior leader for the 2010-2011 school year. Luke Pajer, Jason Sebak, and Matt Buczek were named as the student members to the Disciplinary Council. Kiski's K-Club Head Tour Guides are president Garrett Parsons, Nick Drohan, Armand Holmes, Ben Kowalewski, Judd Thornton and Matthew Zang.

After naming students to key positions, David Conrad '85 presented *Will's Gift*, an award given annually to an artist working in western



Pennsylvania. The award is named in honor of E. William Turley, beloved teacher and friend of thousands of Kiski Boys. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual *Will's Gift* 2010 recipient was Fabrizio Gerbino, painter and sculptor.

The boys received guiding words from this year's Honors Convocation speaker, Mr. Christopher Post, Headmaster of Boys' Latin School of Maryland and a former Assistant Headmaster at The Kiski School. ▲

## Kiski's Senior Banquet

*May 27, 2010*

**T**he Senior Awards Banquet is a special evening for Kiski seniors and their parents. The evening began with a reception at the Swank Student Center followed by dinner at Turley Dining Hall. The Awards Ceremony was held in Rogers Fine Arts Center and the evening concluded with a bonfire.

The Kiski School had two very special speakers that evening. Dean Mosites '72, Board of Trustees member, and Kelly Pidgeon '85. Each gave a remarkable speech giving sage advice from some of their memorable moments.

Stephen J. Brotschul, III, Associate Headmaster and Adam Schapiro, Dean of Students, presented the academic awards. Kiski history teacher and graduate of the United States Military Academy, Major Shawn Wray, presented a Naval Academy appointment to Robert Warren.

To conclude, Headmaster Brueningsen presented several awards and wished the 122<sup>nd</sup> Graduating Class of The Kiski School, much success and happiness in their endeavors. ▲



Adam Schapiro, Anthony Macchiaroli '10 and Ben Eaton '10

May 27, 2010

## Senior Banquet Remarks by Dean Mosites '72

Father of Alex and Kiski Board of Trustee Member



Good evening faculty, parents, guests and the Class of 2010. I address you tonight as a very happy parent awaiting tomorrow's 122<sup>nd</sup> Kiski School graduation. I have come just a short distance of 50 miles from Washington County, Pa. I am though, well aware that many parents in this room have traveled hundreds of miles across this country and still others who have traveled across oceans to celebrate the graduation of their sons from Kiski. Six different countries and nine different states are represented in the Class of 2010. May I say that I have the deepest respect for the sacrifices you have made for your sons' Kiski School education. I am honored to speak on behalf of the parents of the senior class.

I was introduced as having graduated from the Kiski School in 1972; 38 years ago. I've been loyally involved with the School for the past 20 years. One way I've heard my loyalty described is by my son, Alex. I was pushing him, as fathers may do, to get more involved with some extra curricular activities. I was expounding upon Kiski's many virtues and how it takes his commitment to try new things, when he shot back at me, "Dad, you are Kiski crazy!" And I truly am. For me this is a special place – hallowed ground if you will. A powerful spirit exists here, that I can define it for you. It is the sum total of talented teachers complimented by a dedicated staff all of whom are skillfully lead by Headmaster Brueningesen. This equation is recalculated daily across Kiski's splendid stretch of fields and woods. I believe Spirit is drawn to places like this to aid a mission – in our case, prepare boys for college and for life.

Parents, we should pause for a moment and reflect on the achievement of our sons' graduation from The Kiski School. The education program here is rigorous. Challenges abound academically, in the arts, athletically, socially and in the community while our sons live away from home. Teachers here hold high expectations. Coaches push out the bar – sometimes just beyond reach. A passion to try is exacted. Kiski alumni are interested in the efforts. They rise with you as records are broken, championships are won and prestigious college acceptances rack up. The Board of Trustees beams when the prospect is that a particular graduating class may be the best one yet. The young men in this room tonight, individually and together, never, never disappointed. And in the process, they have made all of us very proud.

We are each familiar with the common markers of high school success such as grade point averages, honor societies and athletic championships. Although Kiski recognizes these as important components there is so much more here. It is often described as the Kiski experience. I wish to share a few stories about how I've seen the Kiski experience manifest itself in our sons.

I was an early morning visitor to Kiski back in November. I walked into McClintock Dorm to see sleepy eyed boys in the corridors hustling through their morning routine. Some had merely a towel wrapped around them. Kiski has a supportive kind of momentum and the boys get swept up into it. They called out to one and other, "Someone make sure Pung is up." "Who's heading to the student center?" "Fielding's been up since 4:00 doing his paper." Moms you'd be appalled at the number of boys that left the dorm with their heads still wet from a quick toweling on that cold morning. They have become punctual even if they weren't quite dry. I heard one boy coughing. Looking at him it was obvious that he wasn't feeling well. It struck me that if our sons were attending public school, and minor illness was an issue, they might complain and stay home. At Kiski they push themselves out the door.

And, may I remind you, after tightening a tie around their necks. They've learned to face the challenges of the day even when they're not feeling 100%.

A couple of years back my wife, Andrea, and I arranged a special dinner for the hockey team. Andrea just loves to feed these boys. They had just whipped The Linsly School and were feeling pretty good about themselves. We chose Angelo's Restaurant and prearranged a family style dinner of spaghetti and meat balls. As our boys paraded in, happy with winning and excited for something better than school food, I noticed our tables were directly in the middle of the small restaurant. Angelo's has an older cliental and they were all seated in booths around the perimeter of the Kiski tables. They stared at us as we gathered. No doubt they feared any hope for a quiet evening meal was in jeopardy. Our sons sensed it. I watched them look around the room and make eye contact. They considered others, smiled and nodded at strangers before taking their seats. The politeness was palpable. They ate heartily while speaking quietly among themselves. As dinner concluded those of us at the coaches table had already been visited by several of the restaurant patrons who complemented us on the behavior of such a large group of teenage boys. I remember one elderly woman in particular. She asked, "Who are these boys?," as if they were something extraordinary. Of course we believe that they are.

We each remember our sons returning home after a particularly long stretch at Kiski. I recall Alex once commenting after walking into our family room, "Dad, I haven't sat and watched TV in three weeks." I reflected upon how difficult it is being away at 14 or 15 years of age; missing the comforts of home. As our son's independence and individuality grew we might have wondered if they still missed home. Well, indeed they did. On occasion we heard our sons grumble about the Kiski food. They were really saying, "I miss Mom." When they complained about a teacher holding them to high standards they had their fathers in mind. They missed how we handled their transgressions and would ►

May 27, 2010

## Senior Banquet Remarks by Kelly Pidgeon '85

accept no substitute. Each of our sons has figured his own ways to get through separation while he waited to return to home. In the interim, they were looked after by a community of teachers, coaches, dorm masters and mentors who gave them exceptional care and support.

My final story involves a Kiski freshman and one of our seniors. The freshman was struggling with boarding school life. He was desperately homesick. I know of this situation because the boy's father spoke openly about it in front of a group of parents gathered at a Kiski function. The dad was emotional. Urgent calls, he said, were coming from his son, "It's too hard." "I can't do this." "I want to come home." The parents encouraged their son to hang in. Just get through this week. You'll be home for the weekend. Then things brightened a bit. Their son began speaking about our senior who saw the struggle and empathized. "He sat with me at lunch today" the freshman told his father. "He encouraged me at practice." "He told me stories about his days as a freshman." And then, after some time, the freshman told his dad that Kiski would be okay. The dad turned to the father of the senior standing in our group and said, "I hope my boy develops into the fine young man your son is. He set such a great example. He showed such compassion. My wife and I can't thank you enough."

I must tell you that I am deliberate in not revealing the names involved. I simply know that such courtesies are more than a mere isolated event at Kiski. The fact is that other seniors have performed similarly. I just didn't happen to see them. As a trustee to your School I can tell you that stories like these are told in our board room as well. It is dear parents, emblematic of the citizens our sons have become.

Tomorrow is a day we shall always remember. On this beautiful campus graduation bells will toll for the 122<sup>nd</sup> time. Under the cover of timeless oaks and firs that have stood for 10,000 Kiski boys, our sons will take center stage. In both sadness and in joy we parents bear the passage of another milestone met in raising a son. It means much to them. It means everything to us.

Thank you Headmaster Brueningesen for this opportunity to speak and represent the parent's of the Kiski School Class of 2010. ▲

I want to start by telling you how honored I am to have the opportunity to be standing here, where it all started for me. As most of you may or may not know, I was born and raised here, worked here, was a student and a prefect, was in plenty of trouble here...oh, was that my outside voice? Sorry.

So (big pause) "the voice"...I guess that is really the reason I'm here. I'm not talking about my **speaking** voice. I mean, it's how I make my living now, but I'm talking about another kind of voice – the one inside. I learned a long time ago about the inner voice. Some simply call it the conscience. I'm not really sure exactly what it is. Ralph Waldo Emerson called it, "The Over Soul." He described it roughly as being God. He said, "That man is not separate from God, where God sits in the heavens and watches from above, but instead, he believed that God was like a chain that linked all men, women and children and that God manifests himself inside each of us." I guess in a loose way, you could kind of equate it to the internet. Emerson believed that there was no evil, simply a distortion of good through covering the light within each of us.

Well enough of transcendental sermons. I mention Emerson, to help describe the voice. Each of us does have it. Whether we listen or not is another story. I mentioned trouble... How many of you want to hear about trouble? Okay, I will tell. I'll need your help on this. When I lift one finger, you have to be my voice. You all say in unison, "mistake number one." Let's all try together, ready, mistake number one.

I remember being a faculty kid, back in November 1974. I was eight. It was a Sunday afternoon, and two other boys my age that I grew up with on campus, were playing in the woods, doing the stuff most kids did then, building forts or something of that nature. On this particular day, we decided to play along the cliff side behind the varsity baseball field. Several, eight year old boys playing on the cliff that being mistake number one.

One of the boys brought matches. Of course, you can't go into the woods with matches and not build a fire. I mean, what could possibly go wrong when three, eight year old boys are playing with matches on a side of a cliff, surrounded by dry leaves and trees, and a highway below? (Audience, this would be mistake number two).

One of us decided it would be a good idea to



make torches from dead branches and then fire them over the hill onto Route 286. This was nothing stupid, dangerous or illegal, right? Fortunately, the head of maintenance saw the smoke and stopped by to investigate. (Why he was there on a Sunday, I'll never know, but thank goodness he was.) He stomped the fire out, gave us a thorough tongue lashing, and then left us alone. (Audience this would be mistake number three).

There we were, alone, and we only got semi-caught, because he left us there. Not thinking that he was going to call my father and inform him what he found, we decided to press on with our afternoon. Now, we didn't have any more ignitable objects to pitch over the hill or potentially start a raging cliff side fire, but discovered the cliff side was filled with plenty of stones and rocks. I mean, that could be a real hazard having all those rocks up on top of that cliff side. A landslide could have started or a full-blown collapse of epic proportions. There was only one thing to do in a situation like that, right? Let's chuck rocks at passing cars. (Audience this would be mistake number four).

After a few minutes of peppering the highway with rocks, we realized that we were all dreadful shots. We headed back to the path behind Mr. Brueningesen's house, which at the time was the Vlahos' house. Low and behold, we got close to the top of the hill and saw a police car. Wondering who got busted, we started to run up the hill closer to investigate, silly boys, having absolutely no clue why the officer was standing in our path blocking our way. Then it dawned on us, we were in trouble.

Now, I don't know if you gentlemen have heard stories about my dad, or know his back-

ground, but I can tell you that getting hauled home in a squad car, on a Sunday, when the entire faculty was having coffee at our house, and remembering that corporal punishment was not only practiced, but was encouraged in those days, well, my inner voice suddenly turned on. Of course, a lot of good it did me now!

In any case, that was my first memory of hearing the inner voice. And I can tell you, I heard the voice loud and clear. That doesn't mean that I always listened to it, but I did hear it after that.

I think we all have experiences like that in our lives we learn from. In many cases your inner voice begins as a warning bell that trouble is around the corner. Later in life, it becomes a way to self-govern. You begin to listen to the voice, not as means of staying out of trouble, but rather as a means to do the right thing. I think that's what Emerson was talking about. I'm paraphrasing here, but he said essentially, "That if we listen to ourselves, really listen, without all the distractions of rationalizing or the temptation to make excuses, we will always know the correct path."

One of the things that I gained from his writings was that there are no shades of right, only shades of wrong. Let me put it another way, some day, you will be faced with an ethical decision in the workplace, to perhaps do something as innocuous as taking office supplies home with you. We all know the right thing is to use them in the office and that taking them home, however harmless it may seem, is still wrong. You may say, "Well, I'm not hurting anyone." Or you may say, "Who's gonna know?" And do you know what? You probably won't hurt anyone, nor likely get caught, if you don't do it often. But that's not really the point, is it? Wrong is still wrong.

I currently work in a business that is pretty cut-throat. The field has some people who don't mind cutting corners, or not listening to their ethical sides. We too often use a cliché, in my business. I'm sure you've heard the term, "throwing someone under the bus." I dislike workplace clichés, and this trite saying is one that we unfortunately use far too often.

We had a sales executive at the station for a while who was a big, former Olympic wrestler. He walked around with a blue tooth in each ear. I suppose he wanted to look like a guy who was a real wheeler and dealer. We will call him, Big Don. He was a big, jolly guy when he was in front of the boss or his clients. He was always nice to me, because he needed me to create his commercials for his clients. He had a problem

with follow through. He would promise deals to his clients but would fail to do the necessary paperwork. Last year, he made a deal with a newly opened business. He promised to have our morning show host do live appearances. All in all, the entire long-term buy with the client was close to one million dollars. When a sales executive makes a buy with a client, it's his responsibility to tell the promotions department, and also the on-air talent and make sure the talent is paid for the appearance. It's his responsibility to make sure that the production order goes through the billing department and ensure the client is paying for the commercials, and finally, that I get the paperwork to produce the commercials. None of that was done. As you can imagine, chaos ensued when the client called at noon, wondering where was the radio talent who was supposed to be doing live, on-air callbacks that afternoon. Big Don, rather than listening to the inner voice and admitting he made a mistake, decided to blame everyone in the chain, hoping to "throw someone under the bus" for his series of mistakes. This isn't the first nor was it the last time Big Don did something like this. Needless to say, Big Don is no longer working at CBS radio and CBS radio is a pretty forgiving place when people own up to their mistakes.

I think it's here that you gentlemen sitting in this auditorium have a distinct advantage, at Kiski, you have learned the foundation for listening to yourselves. You may not yet realize it, but I guarantee you that the "A-HA!" moment will dawn on you, if it hasn't already. It's through constant trial and error, learning the lessons of trying and failing, and being held to daily standards of behavior that you have developed the groundwork. What a great source of strength those lessons can be later. You learn it's about doing the best job you can do, not because it'll get you ahead, but instead, simply because it's the right thing to do.

Unlike many other schools, Kiski has no formal honor code. If you aren't familiar with the Honor Code, it's simply a contract that students sign at the beginning of the year that requires you, as a student, to report any time you see other students breaking rules. If you don't, you are held to the same account as the person who broke the rule. While it has its upside in maintaining discipline, it also has a downside. It has never been the Kiski way. You see, if you are in a position where you have to turn in fellow stu-

dents, simply to save yourself, then, you really aren't being challenged to listen to your inner voice. At Kiski, not having an honor code may be a little riskier in some aspects, but there is no question that the risk is well worth it because Kiski Boys are left with the freedom to discover their own inner voices. Kiski has always been a place that pre-supposes that we all have goodness at our core. Kiski's job has been to teach you through hard work and accountability, to find your inner voice.

Emerson also wrote, "imitation is suicide." I'll get into that in a second, but I have been really lucky in my life to have had the opportunity to do not one, but two of the things I've always wanted to do, teach at Kiski and broadcast at KDKA. Serving here at Kiski is always going to be a time in my life that I'll cherish. I learned so much from the boys I taught. Toward the end of my 12 years at Kiski, my inner voice began to bellow a bit louder until I finally realized that no matter how painful the decision was to leave, I knew it was the right thing to do.

In my line of work, you might think it a bit odd that I employ a voice coach. But, it's been one of the most important things I've done in my career. He taught me first and foremost, how to tap into *my* sound. You see, I was always pretty good at being a mimic. For example, I used to imitate teachers at talent shows. As someone new to voiceover acting, I used to try to emulate the industry's best talent. My coach challenged me to let go of that habit and listen to what comes naturally from me. I had to stop trying to mimic the voices I admired. My coach made me come to the realization that my best selling point was me, not because I'm something great, but because people want you, whoever you are, not a cheap copy of someone else. Gentlemen, if you can stick to that simple idea, you will, without question, achieve your dreams.

So in closing, if you come away with nothing else from our talk today, remember this: one, listen to your bus driver, two, don't throw rocks or lit sticks at the bus, three, and if you do make a mistake, don't try to throw your co-workers under the bus.

In all seriousness, please know that you have a bond with your classmates and your school, that will never be broken. It's a great and wonderful journey you have in front of you, full of possibility and challenge. And I have no doubt that you'll soon discover that you will have a clear signal coming from your *inner voice*.

For now, thank you, and forever, good luck. ▲

May 28, 2010

# The Kiski School Distinguished Alumnus Award • Marc B. Robertshaw '72

"Marc B. Robertshaw, your dedication, loyalty and generosity to Kiski have been steadfast and extraordinary.

As an alumnus and trustee of the School, and most recently as the Co-Chairman of our Development Committee and our Capital Campaign for Kiski, you have repeatedly proven, through word and deed, how much you cherish Kiski and the School's important educational mission.

During your four years as a Kiski student you participated in many activities including soccer, wrestling, tennis, the St. Andrews Society, the French Club and the school newspaper.

After graduating from Kiski in 1972, you attended Georgetown University and remained true to the ideals and principles learned as a student and athlete at Kiski. You graduated from Georgetown in 1976 and four years later you graduated with an MBA from Boston University. Throughout your accomplished professional career as CEO of the Vendors Purchasing Council as well as your years dedicated to leading Robertshaw Management, you have consistently shown creativity,

passion and sound judgment.

Your selfless and enduring dedication to charitable organizations and the non-profit world has been admirable and inspirational. You have



served on numerous boards including: Seton Hill University; Seton Hill Child Care; the Valley School of Ligonier and the Diocese of Greensburg. To be sure, we also have been inspired by your significant work as Chairman of the Board for Adelphoi USA.

Your dedication to Kiski and your generous support of the School's mission have

been profound. You have substantially assisted Kiski and we are deeply grateful for the time, ideas and energy you have so graciously donated to our goals for advancing the School.

You have consistently helped us to recruit new students and families to Kiski and you have remained deeply engaged with the planning and meetings that have allowed Kiski to access new support for our programs and projects. Your insight, dedication and diplomatic leadership helped Kiski's most recent capital campaign to become a resounding success.

For all of your accomplishments as a father and a leader, for your high standards of character and integrity, and most of all, for your service to and steadfast love of Kiski, we are very proud to honor you today with our Distinguished Alumnus Award."

Marc Robertshaw was joined by his wife, Colleen, at the 122<sup>nd</sup> Kiski Commencement Ceremony where he received the award. He is the father of four daughters, Lauren, Lesley, Charlotte and Katherine. ▲



## Graduation

The Kiskiminetas Springs School 122<sup>nd</sup> Annual Commencement was held outdoors in front of Heath Hall. As tradition marches on, so did the bagpipers as they led the processional. Headmaster Christopher Brueningsen and Board of Trustees Chairman Michael Yukevich, Jr. '60, recognized and congratulated each senior individually for working hard to complete graduation requirements and for all that each has contributed to The Kiski School.





## The Kiski School's Class of 2010 Award Winners and College Choices

**TAE HUN AHN**

*Excellence in Chinese*  
University of Illinois

**GHANAM ALSAGRI**

*The Kiski International Award*  
American University

**ANDREW BELL**

*The John A. Pidgeon Headmaster Award*  
Dickinson College

**ELI BEZNER**

*The Anthony F. Stokes Forensic Award*  
*The Drama Award*  
Guilford College

**ANTHONY BONELLI**

Indiana University of PA

**CORY BONURA**

University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown

**DRU BRANT**

Seton Hill University

**CONNOR BROWN**

College of Wooster

**PALMER BRUNO**

Louisiana State University

**ANTHONY COPPOLA**

*The James A. Hazlett DDS '53 Science Award*  
*The Andrew Wilson Award*  
University of Pittsburgh

**DAYMOND COWLAH**

University of California/Riverside

**MATTHEW DiLASCIO**

*Faculty Appreciation Award*  
Guilford College

**ANDREW DiPIETRO**

Case Western Reserve University

**BENJAMIN EATON**

*Pennsylvania State Good Citizenship Award*  
*The Andrew Wilson Award*  
Duquesne University

**ERIC FIELDING**

*The Bates Award*  
*The Zachary J. Vlahos Award in History*  
Union College

**DEREK GREEN**

Alfred University

**YOON SOO HA**

Rhode Island School of Design

**SEUNG JU HAN**

Emory University/Oxford College

**PHILIP HARTMAN**

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

**DANIEL JORDAN**

*The William H. McKillop Award*  
Indiana University of PA

**DONG HYUN KIM**

University of Rochester

**JIN MAN KIM**

*The Carl L. Arnold Award in Mathematics*  
University of Illinois

**KYEONG HWAN KIM**

*The Eugene L. Biddle Award in Chemistry*  
Emory University

**TAE WAN KIM**

Emory University/Oxford College

**GEORGE (BEAU) KNAPP**

University of Hartford

**JOON LEE**

*Excellence in Science*  
*Excellence in Psychology*  
*The Physics Teachers of America Award*  
Johns Hopkins University

**JUN DONG LEE**

George Washington University

**MIN SU LEE**

Parsons The New School of Design

**JORDAN LEMBERG**

Elizabethtown College

**ANTHONY MACCHIAROLI**

*Pennsylvania State Good Citizenship Award*  
Juniata College

**SHANE MEISNER**

Rutgers University

**ERIK MENNANO**

*Excellence in Spanish*  
Geneva College

**ALEXANDER MOSITES**

*The Harry A. Stubldreher Award*  
Washington & Jefferson College

**RYAN O'DELL**

*The Jacob E. Zeigler Award*  
*The Music Award*  
College of Wooster

**WON SHIN PARK**

Ohio State University

**SCOTT PERSICHETTI**

Roanoke College

**RYAN REBEL**

*The Creative Writing Award*  
*The Joseph H. Millar Award in English*  
*The William V. Grier Award*  
Haverford College

**YONG JUNG RHO**

University of Southern California

**JEFFRY SANTELLI**

*Excellence in French*  
Susquehanna University

**ERIK SCHARFF**

*The Bortz Improvement Award - 12th*  
*The School Publications Award*  
Louisiana State University

**MARC SHORT**

Ohio University

**BARRY SMITH**

The Citadel

**FLOYD STIFFLER**

Thiel College

**PATRICK SULLIVAN**

Ohio University

**TREVOR TARTE**

Lake Erie College

**DANIEL TRAFICANTI**

Gettysburg College

**ZACHARY URBANY**

Chapman University

**JONATHAN WALKER**

*The E. William Turley Memorial Award*  
Community College of Allegheny County

**ROBERT WARREN**

United States Naval Academy

**JUSTIN WEISS**

*The Kiski Award*  
Denison University

**CASEY WHITE**

Orange Coast College

**LOREN WHITE**

Denison University

**CALEB WILSON**

Allegheny College

**HANBO XING**

Drexel University

**MATTHEW ZAPPALA**

University of Colorado/Boulder

**JOSEPH ZECKOWSKI**

Mercyhurst College

**KIN WAI ZHAO**

*The Art Award*  
University of Rochester

**JUN ZHENG**

Drexel University

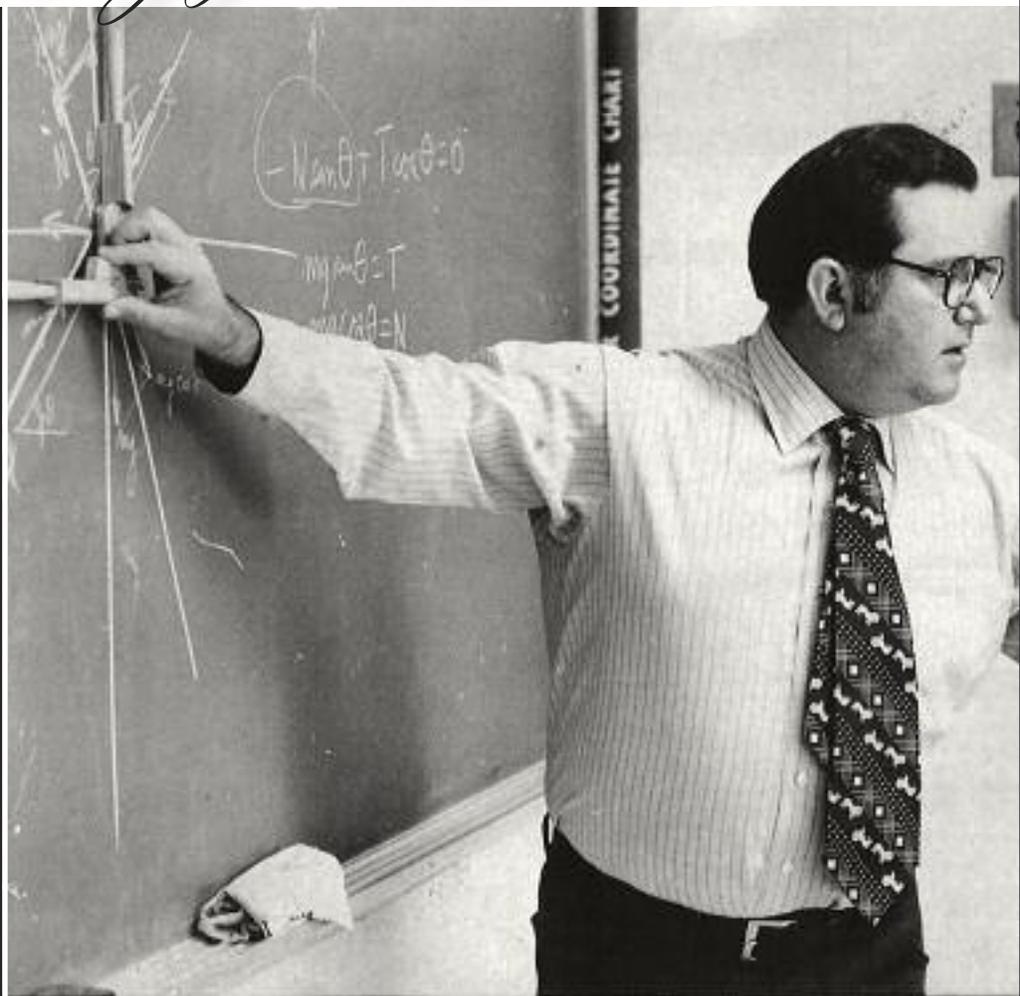
# KISKI LUMINARY *Anthony J. Botti, Sr.*

## Kiski Luminaries

When we consider our favorite subject in high school or our best academic experience, no one remembers their favorite textbook. It is the teacher we remember. It is the teacher that makes the difference. The knowledge the teacher brings to his or her subject along with the conscientious approach in performing the job can shape the life of a student forever. Excellent teaching is an art. It takes years of dedicated practice, fine-tuning, and more than a few mistakes by the practitioner to achieve excellence. Hours of planning and preparation, mixed with some boldness, craziness, pedagogical talent, knowledge, and dedication come together to produce an outstanding teacher.

At Kiski we have enjoyed the blessing of many superb teachers over the years. This section of *The Bulletin* is dedicated to honoring excellent Kiski teachers, our Luminaries. In this space, we remember teachers who shared their brilliance and enlightened generations of Kiski students.

*Anthony J. Botti, Jr. '81 contributed to the following piece in memory of his father.*



## Anthony J. Botti, Sr., one of Kiski's most beloved faculty members.

**A**nthony J. Botti (January 25, 1923–August 3, 2010) was a beloved teacher, coach and friend serving on The Kiski School faculty from 1966–1986. Punctuating the air with his cigar in hand, he was a commanding presence in the classroom and on the athletic field. While he cherished all students, it was his dedication to the underdog or struggling student who needed extra support or mentoring that made him shine as an educator. The many Kiski students from the '60s through the '80s who came to pay their respects at his funeral attest to the influence he had on the young men he taught or coached. Headmaster, Christopher Brueningens said, "Mr. Botti was a legend. His larger-than-life personality, his remarkable intellect and, maybe most notably, his

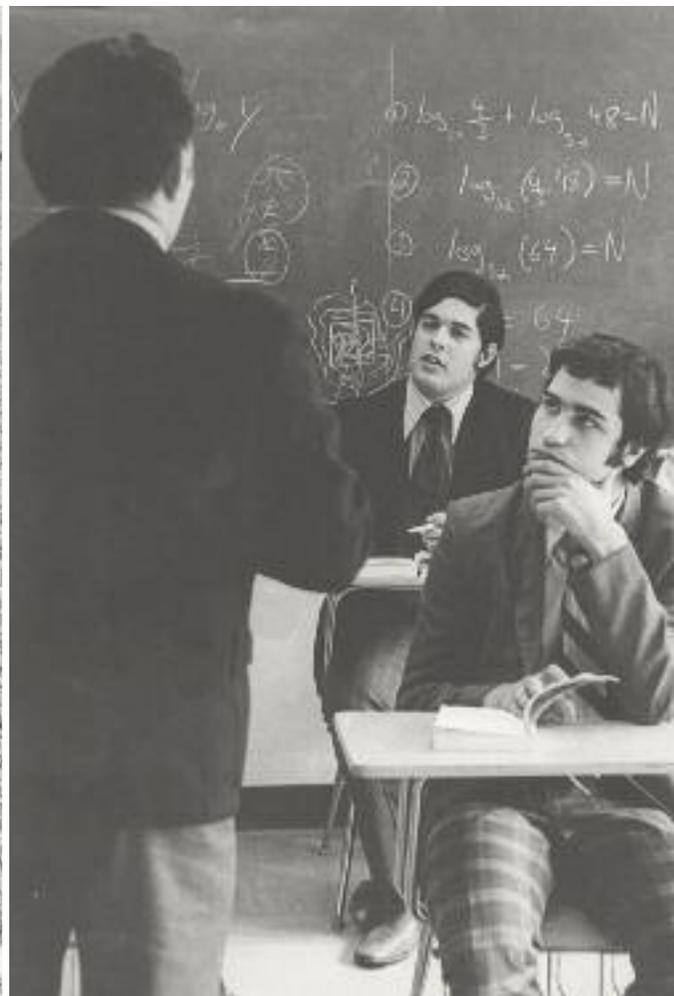
unique talent for blending math and science topics with stories about history will be fondly remembered for many years to come by the Kiski Boys of his era."

Tony Botti grew up in Wilmerding, Pennsylvania. After serving in the United States Army during World War II which included the legendary landing at Normandy, he attended Duquesne University and graduated with a BS in Mathematics and Chemistry and a BA in History. Although he spent two years studying for the priesthood at St. Vincent Seminary in Latrobe, Pa., his ultimate calling was to be a caring father, teacher, mentor and coach. Prior to Kiski, he taught and coached football at Penn Military Academy and Shadyside Academy.

Upon arriving at Kiski he quickly had an impact on the curriculum and student

life. He was the Chairman of the Mathematics and Science Departments and taught physics, chemistry, biology and calculus. In addition to his academic responsibilities, he was an assistant football coach and soccer coach, director of the junior summer camp, founder of the St. Andrew Society (a student service organization), and faculty advisor.

David Harouse '83 fondly recalls Mr. Botti as not only his calculus teacher, but a person who shared a genuine concern for his students' welfare and development. "He cared about you as much outside of the classroom and off the field as any teacher I have ever had, and did so in a genuine manner. His experiences allowed him to show his students life outside the academic realm, and how pieces should fit together." David



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remembers meeting with Mr. Botti and other students at the Botti residence until the late hours of the evening. “He would not let us leave his house until everyone understood the problems and how to solve them. Even after retiring from Kiski, Mr. Botti always had this concern and made time for former students.”

As a coach of football, soccer, tennis and track he used competition as another opportunity to teach students about life. Players remember him as a fair, tough and honest coach who was passionate about

competition for the life-lessons it could bring to them. Off the field he was inquisitive and enjoyed sharing stories with students and fellow faculty members. As Mr. Tamas Szilagyi, Kiski faculty member and colleague of Mr. Botti recalls, “Tony was a great debater. He was well-read and very knowledgeable of many historical and current events. He was also compassionate and cared deeply for all Kiski students. It was a great deal of fun working alongside Tony. I will miss his friendship.”

A devoted husband to Yolanda Botti for 55 years, they raised their six children in Fair Hall which remained open day or night to his students. His daughter Jenny recalls living on campus in Fair Hall and students coming by at night for help. “There would be boys at our home until 11:30 p.m. My father never turned a student away who needed extra help in a subject. He would sit and help them until they completely understood the material. He was so passionate about education and he shared that not only with us, but all of his Kiski students.”

Mr. Botti is survived by his wife Yolanda, six children (Maria '75, Jenny, Camille '77, Phillip '78, Annette '78, and Anthony Jr. '81) and 20 years of Kiski graduates who were touched by his big personality, wisdom and faith. ▲

# Kiski Campus Master Plan:

Moving Forward with  
Campus Beautification  
and Improvement  
Projects





This spring groups of faculty and students met with Loren Wright of Piper O'Brien Herr Architects to discuss ideas regarding campus improvements including beautification and the flow of pedestrian and vehicle traffic. The group shared their insights and ideas for the plan development. The overall Kiski Campus Master Plan reveals several new improvements and beautification projects to be implemented over the next ten years. The plan's centerpiece involves improvements to the quad and the main street area from Rogers Fine Arts Center to the Swank Student Center, thus creating a new major pedestrian access way. This phase will begin in the spring/summer of 2011.

Part of the quad improvement plan was the removal of the Zeigler House. This was a very difficult decision, but one that was necessary for the quad changes and improvements. Jacob and Wynne Zeigler lived on the Kiski campus for 37 years where they raised their four children, Jacob Jr. '62, Gregory '64, David '69 and Jeanne. The Zeiglers have always been a very integral part of the Kiski Community. A plaque in their honor will be installed on a pedestal behind the Swank Student Center honoring the Zeiglers and their dedication to The Kiski School.

Another part of the plan is the construction of the Outdoor Classroom located behind MacColl Hall. The view of the Outdoor Classroom is of the Kiskiminetas River and Saltsburg. The meeting space will enhance the campus experience both educationally and socially. The Classes of 1962 and 2010 have joined forces to raise funds for Kiski's Outdoor Classroom. The anticipated completion is June 2011.

The Class of 1962 has been instrumental in raising \$25,000 for this project and the Class of 2010 senior gift pledge is over \$5,000. The Class

of '62's concept of a commemorative patio area will now be the centerpiece of the Outdoor Classroom. This project is known as the "Living Memorial – Class of 1962." Each of the fifty-five '62 classmates will have a brick engraved with his name. A bronze plaque on a brick pedestal will recognize the Class of 1962 for this project.

This project is a superlative example of intergenerational Kiski classes working together to benefit future Kiski Boys. Kiski thanks Roger Kishman,

Class Captain, for his significant contribution in bringing this project to life as well as his '62 classmates.

The class of 1962 has always been involved in important activities and events at Kiski. Members of the Class have served as Trustees, have been recognized as "Outstanding Alumni," and have given commencement addresses. Jack Fuellhart provided the funding for the all-weather Fuellhart Track and Field. Bryant Mason wrote and edited "John A. Pidgeon, Headmaster's Commemorative 1957–2002." Walter Bortz and family



partially underwrote the cost of the publication "John A. Pidgeon, The Headmaster Remembered." Members of '62 have excelled in their chosen professional fields whether it was entertainment, medicine, law, banking, business, finance, healthcare, science, religion or education. ▲



## All School Book – *The Last Lecture* by Randy Pausch

– by Andrew Carlson '12

This year's All School Book was *The Last Lecture* by Randy Pausch. Randy Pausch's story is one of the most heart wrenching and positive messages that a person could leave behind.

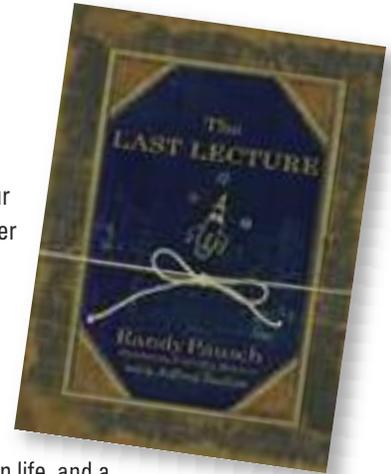
Randy Pausch was a Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) professor whose life had been filled with larger than life dreams and goals. In September 2006, Pausch was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and given less than a year to live. Rather than becoming depressed by the news, Pausch immediately began brainstorming a way to leave a significant impact on others and leave his children with a sense of right and wrong. He wanted to be able to teach them what they needed to know throughout life.

Prior to his cancer diagnosis, Pausch had signed up to give a lecture as part of the CMU's "Last Lecture Series." Although it took a lot of soul searching, he decided to push forward with the lecture even though he knew it would take time away from his family. He recognized the situation for what it was, his last opportunity to leave his mark on the world and more importantly, the lives of his children.

Pausch's speech turned into an overnight sensation. In his speech, he discussed what it means to chase your dreams and how important it is to never lose sight of what you believe in. He used the analogy that brick walls are not meant to keep people out, but rather in place to test their desire and commitment to tear them down.

Pausch's "Last Lecture" was a summary of his personality, his view on life, and a lesson he wanted to leave his children. His lecture helped ignite people's passion and inspired them to keep trying their hardest to achieve what they want in life. Mr. Pausch may have passed away before his time, but his positive message is still very much alive and will forever be an inspiration to all who hear his lecture.

The All School Book Program is one of several library programs that aims to increase readership and promote a culture of literacy.



## Celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Carnegie Mellon University held a writing competition to celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. For this competition, high school students from the Pittsburgh area were invited to submit creative writing pieces focused on topics of diversity. Kiski participated for the first time this year. Several English classes sent in personal essays, and four of these pieces were selected for recognition. Receiving awards were: (pictured, l. to r.) Leo Kim '10, Armand Holmes '11, Yongsu Ryoo '11, and Josh Han '10.

The awards ceremony was held at Carnegie Mellon University. Yongsu was interviewed by KDKA-TV.

## Kiski Dominates Math Competition

Congratulations are in order for the Kiski teams that participated in the math competition, especially the members of the B Team, Leo Kim '10, Ezra Etzel '12, Jinman Kim '10, Joon Lee '10, and Hanbo Xing '10, for winning first place in the Strongland Chamber of Commerce Mathematics League.

The Kiski School "Team B" compiled 89 points to beat Kiski Area "Team A" by four points. The two-day competition, spread out over the fall and spring semesters, features teams of students from area high schools answering mathematical questions.

The annual competition brings together students from Kiski,

Apollo-Ridge, Burrell, Ford City, Freeport, Kiski Area, Leechburg and Valley high schools and provides a chance to go head-to-head with each other in an academic competition. Each school has three teams of five students competing against all other teams in each round. Students answer two sets of eight questions. They are allowed 25 minutes to answer each set of questions. The competition provides students with a positive mathematical experience and provides an opportunity for students to interact with those who enjoy mathematics.

Team trophies went to the top three schools and MVP awards were given to the top individual of each team.

# Congratulations...



## Online Grading

– by Eric Heinel '11

Online grading is a new addition to The Kiski School portal. Students, teachers, parents, and administrators each have their own personal login into Online Grades, allowing them to see all of the grades and assignments in all of their classes. The new procedure has been an enhancement in student-teacher relations.

Students and their parents have immediate access to all of the student's grades. This helps the student twofold. First, it gives the student accountability for his grade. Therefore, at the end of the marking period there will be no question as to how the teacher came up with the final grade. Secondly, it gives the student an opportunity to improve his overall grade point average based on evaluating past performances and pinpointing areas that need improvement. This is where the extra help component comes in if a student should need it in a particular subject.

Online grading is not only a positive advantage for students, but teachers alike. Now it no longer is necessary for teachers to rifle through their grading book if a student asks about a grade on a past assignment. The student can take on that responsibility online. It also assures that there will be no surprises at the end of the marking period. The student and his parents will both be aware of the general grade point average, plus or minus a few points. Certainly it takes some extra effort on the teacher's part, primarily because each teacher has approximately 40 students to report grades on, but the general perception is that it is well worth the extra time.

Overall, the availability of the students' grades online has a positive impact on everyone involved. The communication between Kiski students, parents and faculty continues to move in a very positive direction.

## Speech and Debate at National Qualifiers

Kiski Speech and Debate team competed in the Pennsylvania High School Speech League State Tournament qualifiers. Garrett Parsons '11 and Eli Bezner '10 competed in the Dramatic Interpretation event, where Eli took first place. Ryan Rebel '10 competed in Prose Interpretation, where he also took first place.

## Pennsylvania State Modern Language Association

Alex Lucci '12, Kevin Baeck '11, Ryan O'Dell '10, Ryan Rebel '10, and Erik Menanno '10 were recognized for Outstanding Achievement in Spanish by the Pennsylvania State Modern Language Association.

## Le Grand Concours

Congratulations to Ahn Tran Tuan '11 for ranking eighth nationally in the Grand Concours – a national exam offered by the American Association of Teachers of French (AATF). These students scored above the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile nationally: Kyle Devault '12, Eric Acre '13, Joe Petrarca '13, Taylor Kim '11, Ezra Etzel '12 and Sara Good '11.

## PJAS Competitions

Congratulations to Sara Good '11 for earning a first place finish in the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) regional competition. She presented her project again at the state competition several weeks later and placed second. This is her fifth year of competing. Min Joon So '13 earned a second place award at the PJAS competition; this was his first year in the competition.

## Min-Kyu (Mark) Kwak '13 Wins Dream Home Student Design Competition

Congratulations to Mark for winning the SCHLUEArchitecture's Dream Home Design Competition and he also received special recognition for Best Creativity and Innovation challenging standards of conventional home design and lifestyles. The competition challenged students to submit designs for a home to be evaluated on creativity, environmental impact, and cost to build. Mr. Andrew Scott's students undertook this endeavor as their term project and visited Carnegie Mellon Museum Hall of Architecture and SilverTree media to learn the technology and applications to complete their designs.



Five other boys in Mr. Scott's design class were named as finalists including: Connor Brown '10, Corry Lu '12, Mario Casares '12, Kyle DeVault '12, and Logan McLean '13. To view the boys designs go to <http://www.schluebarchitecture.com/2010/DreamHomeFinalists.html>.



## Envirothon

Mrs. Nancy Wells' Environ student team participated in the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Envirothon competition.

Tony Bonelli '10, Cory Bonura '10, Daymond Cowlah '10, Dan Jordan '10, Erik Scharf '10, Floyd Stiffler '10, Jud Thornton '12, Dan Traficanti '10, and Johnathan Walker '10 represented Kiski and finished 6<sup>th</sup> in the standings.

As part of the competition, students completed a series of exercises,

including using a Biltmore stick to measure the diameter and height of trees. This year's Envirothon was held in Twin Lakes Park near Greensburg.

# Trustees, Faculty and Staff News...



Christopher Brueningsen



Vince Kwiatek



Marcus Muster



Adam Schapiro



Andrew Scott '85



Nancy Wells

## Faculty News

### Christopher Brueningsen (Headmaster)

Christopher Brueningsen and Marcus Muster, Director of Technology, gave a presentation titled *Teaching Boys in a Virtual Classroom* at the Sixth International National Association for Single Sex Public Education (NASSPE) Conference. They shared what they have learned about webcasting class meetings and using eLearning technologies, with an emphasis on “blended learning” – combining on-line and face-to-face instruction – in the all boys setting.

Chris, along with Vince Watchorn, Associate Head of The Ellis School presented at the Ubiquitous Learning Conference in Vancouver. Their presentation is titled, *Exploring Gender-Based Differences in Online Learning Environments*, and is based on research regarding gender-based difference in online settings, and an overview of eLearning programs at two single-sex secondary schools.

### Kim Conover-Loar (Fine Art) Chair

Kim Conover-Loar was honored at Indiana University of Pennsylvania for an illustration she created for an award plaque for the IUP Office of Social Equity and Civic Engagement. The illustration will be utilized on an award plaque for students with disabilities. The illustration of the particular student will be the “face” of the award.

### Vince Kwiatek (History) Chair

Vince Kwiatek was chosen by The College Board's Advanced Placement Program® (AP®) and Educational Testing Service to serve as an AP Reader at this past year's annual AP Reading. AP readers say that participation in the annual Reading offers a rare and enriching professional development experience. Vince was also awarded the 2009-2010



Kim Conover-Loar's illustration

“Sherrard/Sleese Teaching Award.” The award is given every year to a teacher who is voted by his/her peers. Vince was selected for pedagogy and his 21<sup>st</sup> Century classroom skills, mentoring and compassion for students, coaching, extracurricular activities, helping to manage the dorm in the evenings and positively impacting so many boys' lives.

### Marcus Muster (Director of Technology)

Marcus Muster recently presented with Chris Brueningsen on *Teaching Boys in a Virtual Classroom*. During the summer Coach Muster worked as either the offensive line or the running backs coach for specialized Wing-T camps that are held by former Kiski football coach and College Football Hall of Famer, Chuck Klausung. “Team Klausung” camps are run at local high schools for teams that want detailed instruction in the Wing-T. He participated at these camps in New York, Virginia, Ohio, West Virginia, and Florida. In addition, he participated in a football camp at his alma mater, Carnegie Mellon University, assisting offensive coaches with the Wing-T. Taking the opposite side of the ball at Penn State, he worked with Coach Larry Johnson and the defensive lineman.

### Adam Schapiro (Dean of Students)

Adam Schapiro is pursuing his masters degree from the University of Pennsylvania's

Graduate School of Education. He participates in The School Leadership Program that provides an opportunity for talented educators to develop their leadership skills in preparation for taking on increasingly challenging roles in the nation's schools. The program's integrated design allows students to develop theoretical concepts and leadership skills in order to apply concurrently this knowledge in practical school settings. Through the inquiry-based curriculum, program candidates reflect on the dimensions of leadership that are critical to effective K-12 school administrators. This program is conducive and supportive of individuals who are working-full time in schools.

### Andrew Scott '85 (Fine Art)

Andrew Scott taught two, week-long kayak building workshops this summer. The first week session was for high school students and the second for adults. Several students worked all week to build their own skin-on-frame kayaks. Students developed skills to build their kayaks that they will paddle for years to come. The light-weight construction allows the kayaks to be very portable, maneuver easily, and offers a unique paddling experience. Students learned the basics for wooden frame construction including: properly using hand tools, lashing, steam bending wooden ribs, sewing the canvas to the frame, and paddling skills.



Faculty children dressed in their Halloween costumes



## Dr. David Lane Celebrates 50 years of Teaching

Dr. David Lane is celebrating 50 years in the teaching profession. He began his career at the Portsmouth Abbey School in Portsmouth, Rhode Island and was there for 13 years. In 1975, he was appointed to Kiski and the School has been blessed with his tireless work and efforts for 37 years.

At Kiski, Dr. Lane has taught German, German History, English and Psychology. He has headed the Outdoors Club, the Archery Club, and the German Club and coached soccer, diving, and track. He first lived in Wilson Hall and then oversaw Clark Hall for 25 years. During his tenure, he worked as College Counselor and Assistant to the Dean of Students. He is now enjoying semi-retirement while teaching one AP Psychology class. Since 1976 he was involved with Kiski's Diving team either as Coach or assistant coach and he just retired this year from coaching.

During his 50 years of teaching Dr. Lane has chaperoned 21 student trips around the country and world. He said, "One of my favorite gifts is a photo of a Kiski student and one of his father, who is also a Kiski graduate. As it turns out, I took both of them on student trips but many years apart. They

both had photos from their trip and they combined them in a frame for me."

Dr. Lane grew up in North Andover, Massachusetts. In 1958 he graduated with a BA from the University of Massachusetts where he was Captain of the Gymnastics Team. He competed in the all-around but was especially skilled at the pommel horse event which was his favorite. In fact, he still keeps in contact with some of his teammates. In 1975, he obtained his MA, from the University of Rhode Island and his DML, from Middlebury College in 1994.

He also studied at The Goethe Institute in Germany providing him with a German immersion program where all courses are taught by experienced teachers whose native tongue is German. Total immersion programs help one absorb as much of the language and culture as possible and students are not permitted to use their native tongue. Dr. Lane said that he even began dreaming in German while in the program.

Dr. Lane still keeps in contact with many Kiski students by attending alumni events and Facebook. He looks forward to his summers and traveling, but his passion has always been teaching. Thank you, Dr. Lane, for sharing your talents, knowledge and passion with The Kiski School.

### Nancy Wells (Science)

Nancy Wells received a Master of Science in Science Education from Montana State University this past summer.



L. to r.: Brendan Mortimer '11, Jacob Backon, Shawn Wray and Dru Brant '10

### Shawn Wray (History and Foreign Policy) and Jacob Backon (Physics)

(Pictured above) Shawn Wray and Jacob Backon competed in the 2010 Pittsburgh Triathlon. The students pictured went to the marathon to support them.

Shawn Wray was promoted to the rank of Major in November. He currently serves as the Battalion Operations Officer for the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 110<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, Pennsylvania Army National Guard.

### New Appointments

#### Adrienne Ponzetti

Adrienne Ponzetti was appointed Admission Assistant.

### Kiski's Board of Trustees News

#### Arthur Taylor

Trustee Emeritus Arthur Taylor returned to Kiski to reprise his thoroughly entertaining and poignant address as part of last year's graduation ceremony. With the title *On Luck, Faith, and College Girls* you can imagine that he captured the attention of most – if not all – of the students. His sage words and dry wit resonated with the students and faculty, especially the Class of 2010 as they prepared for their own graduation in May.



Mr. Taylor served as president of Muhlenberg College for 10 years, from 1992 to 2002. He earned both his Bachelor's degree, with Magna Cum Laude distinction and Phi Beta Kappa honors, and his Master of Arts degree in History at Brown University. He holds a number of honorary degrees and is a trustee emeritus of Brown University.

### New Members to Kiski's Board of Trustees

#### T. Robert Boulware '82

Robert Boulware '82 lives in Pittsburgh, Pa. and works as the Manager of External Communications for FedEx Ground. He

graduated from Kiski in 1982. In 1986, he graduated from Penn State University with a degree in journalism.

During his undergraduate years at Penn State, Rob worked with the Daily Collegian, hosted a talk show on WPSU Radio and served as a sport information assistant. He was also a four-year letterman on the Penn State track team and represented the Nittany Lions as a member of two U.S. national teams.

Prior to joining FedEx Ground, Rob worked in the media relations departments for the San Diego Chargers, the Pittsburgh Steelers and Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania and Maryland. He also holds board positions for several organizations.

#### John W. Jacob '89

John W. Jacob graduated from Kiski in 1989 and earned a bachelor of arts degree from Catholic University in 1993. Currently, John is employed as Board Chairman of Highland Tank & Manufacturing Company in Stoystown, Pa. He serves on the board of Luttner Financial Group, Children's Aid Home of Somerset County and has other charitable interests. He lives in Somerset, Pa. with his wife, Melinda and their five children: John Jr., Patrick, Connor Elizabeth, Nicholas and Hannah.

## Community Service Day

Community Service Day was a great success once again this year. Students were divided into their advisory groups and sent into the area to do good works. Kiski groups headed for Action for Animals,

Thunder Mountain Lenape Nation, Heritage Trail, and the Kiski campus.

Students helped at Thunder Mountain which is run by members of the Lenape nation. They had a tree arbor that was in disrepair and hoped that a large group of students could spend the day tearing it down. Little did they know that once our team got to work, it would only take about seven minutes to demolish. It is scary to think what a 14 year old boy can do with a sledge hammer and permission to destroy! The Saltsburg Baptist Church repaid the boys' hard work with a home-cooked lunch set up by the ladies of the church. The students worked

the elderly residents. Eight students spread mulch throughout decorative flower beds at Action for Animals and then spent some time with rescued dogs, cats, and rabbits. Mr. Yoder's and Mr. Wray's large group of students rebuilt a running/hiking trail that leads to the Heritage Trail from Kiski.

Community service is an altruistic act by a person or group of people, benefitting the local community and many were thankful for all the hard work. The Kiski students completed 2,299 hours of community service last year by taking on 14 different projects. Many of the projects that Kiski students take part in are yearly events such as the *Light the Night Walk*, the *Susan Komen Race for a Cure* and the *Westmoreland County Hobgoblin Hike*. Kiski participates in the Adopt-A-Highway program, cleaning up our section of highway near Route 66 several times a year. Students are taking part in more and more service projects and we hope to instill a sense of responsibility to contribute to their future communities.



Westmoreland County Food Bank, Allegheny County Parks, Kane Regional Center, Saltsburg Borough Office, East Liberty Presbyterian Church Food Pantry, Saltsburg Baptist Church,

up an appetite cutting wood, cleaning the church and painting several rooms. Three advisory groups went to the Kane Regional Center where they helped set up a carnival for

## Loyalhanna

### The Winner of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Cougar Cup

Heading into its last weekend marathon of events and activities in May, Loyalhanna and Conemaugh were, for all intents and purposes, tied in their quest for the Cougar Cup.

Over the marathon weekend no fewer than 350 points were up for grabs as the lead spot in the standings swung back and forth and the boys enjoyed the respite from their studies. By dinner Sunday evening one team had managed to nudge the other and enjoy first place outright and with no time left on the clock.

Congratulations to Loyalhanna on winning the 2009–2010 Cougar Cup by the narrow margin of 65 points.

The quest for the 2010–2011 Cougar Cup continues as the two teams compete in a variety of events this fall. Students competed in ping pong, air hockey, pool, and NCAA football. Mike Fitzgerald '11 (*left*) won the chicken wing eating contest by downing 10 hot wings in under two minutes. Mike was almost upset by Xavier Kosolofski '13 (*right*) who finished right behind him. One of the more popular games was Texas Hold 'Em with Bosco Morenes '13 ending up



with all the chips. The boys also participated in a half-court basket contest in the gym. Winners were Chris Jackson '11, Jason Pung '12, and Danny Wukich '14. Pictured above: 2009–2010 Head Prefect Justin Weiss '10 holds the Cougar Cup for Loyalhanna.



## Sara and James Good Travel to Alaska

– by Sara Good '11

On the evening of July 16, 2010, Dad (James Good, Kiski parent and employee) and I landed at Ted Stevens International Airport in Anchorage, Alaska. It was truly a great opportunity to be a part of a Habitat for Humanity Global Village Team. The team members ranged in age from 17 to 71. Our goal was to help build a home in Anchorage.

The trip began with a few team building exercises. Saturday, we took a trip to Alyeska Resort in Girdwood. We did some hiking and sightseeing. We even saw a black bear! Sunday, we drove further south and hiked out to a glacier. We drank from the glacial stream. Afterward, we watched six people join “The Polar Bear Club” as they jumped into a glacial lake!

Monday we started work. Along with working on the house, we also worked on creating 11 sheds for families who received Habitat homes. Because of Dad’s background in carpentry, he was manager of the shed building. At first, everybody was really horrible at hammering nails, and there were lots of sore thumbs. As the week progressed, so did the skills of the team. We started working more efficiently.

The second weekend in Alaska, the entire team went to Chitina where we boarded small three passenger to five passenger airplanes. From there we flew to McCarthy and then rode to Kennecott (or Kennicott, depending on who you ask) in some old vans. We spent the weekend hiking on a glacier, learning about the mining town of Kennecott, and sleeping in real beds instead of on air mattresses on the floor of a church (which was more comfortable than it sounds!).

After returning, we went back to work for four more days. The homeowner was especially helpful during this week. When a family gets a Habitat home, the adults are required to be on site and working on their house. Ruth (the homeowner) was a hard worker and even invested her time in helping build sheds for the other families. The feeling it gave me is indescribable.

Our last day together, we drove to Seward and went on a boat tour of the Kenai Fjord. We watched a glacier cave into the water and saw a lot of wildlife. It was a wonderful way to end our journey together. Dad and I are really grateful to everybody who helped make our trip possible!

### Legacies

Tae Hun Ahn  
Ghannam AlSagri  
Jacob Baynit  
Andrew Bell  
Angelo Bortoluzzi  
Mario Bortoluzzi  
Nick Bretz  
Connor Brown  
Gordon Carpenter

Paul Castro  
Michael Coppola  
Tony Coppola  
Max Cotton  
Matt DiLascio  
Ben Eaton  
Luke Gaffney  
Gunnar Gillespie  
Raymond Gleason  
Sara Good  
Will Good

Alexander Hart  
Evan Henderson  
Robert Henderson  
Malcolm Hill  
Ian Holtz  
Doug Kruse  
Ben Kowalewski  
Zach Kowalewski  
Jun Dong Lee  
Alexander Lucci  
Dylan Mack

Joe Manderino  
Benjamin McCaffrey  
Alex Mosites  
Nam Nguyen  
Hyei Min Park  
Cody Patten  
William Rial  
Ethan Rodenbough  
Benjamin Russell  
David Skena  
Connor Sullivan

Alex Testa  
Clay Tito  
Cameron Traficanti  
Cooper Urbany  
Zach Urbany  
Phil West  
Po Ying Wu  
Po Yen Wu  
Matt Zang  
Stefan Zivanovic



## 2010 Legacy Luncheon

The Advancement Office hosts a luncheon every spring to honor current Kiski Boys whose brothers, fathers, grandfathers, cousins, uncles, and family are Kiski alumni.

Wilson House was filled – almost overflowing – with current Kiski legacy students. Bill Ellis, Steven T. Szilagyi '88 and Chris Brueningsen all welcomed the boys and shared their thoughts on the positive growth of the Kiski Alumni Legacy program. Pictured above are Kiski’s legacies who were able to attend the luncheon.



## David Conrad '85 Returns to Kiski for Career Day

David Conrad '85 returned to Kiski to present the keynote for “Beyond the Gates,” Kiski’s Career Day. Recognized for his many roles including *Wedding Crashers* and *Ghost Whisperer*, David shared with the boys his path from Rogers Hall to Hollywood.

He spoke warmly of those who taught him and his experiences at The Kiski School that helped him find his passion. His message to the boys was also in a sense a challenge: to find their own voice and personality, to celebrate that which makes them unique, to be willing to fall down and make mistakes along the way, and above all to be courageous in their dreams and ambitious with their goals.

The boys had a number of questions, ranging from deciding on a university, choosing a major, and getting a start as an actor.

Alumni, parents and friends of the School from various professions came to Kiski as well to share their insight and experience with the Classes of 2010 and 2011 for “Beyond the Gates” – Kiski’s Career Day.

Each presenter shared the path they have taken to their profession while answering many questions and offering suggestions along the way. From law, finance, and medicine, to music, science and auto racing, to forensics, communications, and politics (and yes, more), the boys had their eyes opened to many career possibilities.

We are tremendously grateful to presenters: Anna Yoder, Kevin Wells, Laura Tsaggaris, Michael Supinka (father of Tom '12), Jeff Sugden '72, Dr. Harry Siebel '00, Dana Rizzo, Dr. Bob Mendicino (father of Mike '13), Jim Gaffney (father of Luke '11), Fred Eaton '80 (father of Ben '10), David Conrad '85, Chris Cobetto '85, Brian Brotschul, Sam Breene '01, and Denise Bender Klavon.

# ATHLETIC NEWS *A year in review...*

## ■ Wrestling

The wrestling team competed in the National Preparatory School Championships at Lehigh University. More than 130 preparatory schools participated in the annual championships. Kiski came in fourth place overall and won the Sportsmanship Award. Kiski had ten wrestlers qualifying for the national tournament and of the ten, five wrestlers placed in the top ten. Evan Henderson at 140 lb (record 35-1) and Jason Luster at 152 lb (record 35-1) both captured first place titles in their respective weight class. Robert Henderson in the 140 lb weight class and Cory Bonura at 130 lb captured third place titles. Colynn Cook at 215 lb placed eighth in his weight class.

In addition, David Gress at the 103 lb weight class, Bryant Myers at 112 lb, Shane Phillips at 119 lb, Dan Traficanti at 125 lb, and Angelo Bortoluzzi at 160 lb, all had commendable performances.

The 2010–2011 wrestling team will be in the four prestigious tournaments this year: The Walsh Ironman, Beast of the East, the Powerade Tournament and Southeastern Slam.

## ■ Basketball

The varsity basketball team finished the season with a record of 16 wins and 4 losses. They were IPSL Champions and were ranked 21<sup>st</sup> in the country by Max Preps. The Kiski home games were packed with cheering fans. We will miss the five seniors in the program: Daymond Cowlah '10, Barry Smith '10, Andrew Bell '10, Ben Eaton '10 and Marc Short '10. The 2010–2011 basketball team looks impressive so far this season.

## ■ Hockey

Throughout the 2009–2010 hockey season the team saw growth in not only skill development but also in leadership ability. Four year players, Justin Weiss '10, Alex Mosites '10, and Trevor Tarte '10 were Cap-

tains, and led by their on-ice examples and character, joined by Connor Sullivan '11 who provided inexhaustible diligence and vocal encouragement. The addition of goalie Will Spangler '13, and forwards Mike Mendicino '12 and Kyle DeVault '12, were all positives for the future of the team and program. The team finished with a 9-10-2 record.

The 2010–2011 season is off to a great start. To view the Kiski varsity hockey team and follow them daily, visit [Kiskihockey.webs.com](http://Kiskihockey.webs.com).



## ■ Swim and Dive Team

The swim and dive team captured first place in the boys "AA" WCCA Swimming Championship Meet.

Swimmers included Palmer Bruno '10, Max Nam '11, Miller Hepler '13, David Goh '11, Johannes Thoenes '11, Min Seok Chang '11, Kevin Baeck '11, Taylor Kim '11, Dru Brandt '10, Matt Zappala '10, Tae Hun Ahn '10, Scott Persichetti '10, and Min Kyu Kwak '13. All swimmers swam very well and contributed to the close 88 to 86.5 victory over the next closest team. Kiski divers Ryan O' Dell '10 and Eric Scharff '10 added to the team points by finishing in the top ten. Ryan captured 6<sup>th</sup> place and Eric Scharff placed 8<sup>th</sup>.

## ■ Lacrosse

The lacrosse team had an ambitious schedule this past season chock full of tough teams and plenty of travel. The teams rallied together throughout the season and won games while coming from behind and were victorious in some down-to-the wire games. The team ended the season with a record of 13-7.

## ■ Baseball

This year despite many rainouts, the Cougars battled hard, looked good on defense, were speedy at stealing bases and had improved pitching as the season progressed. The team's record was 6-7 but with many returning players, the team is looking forward to the 2010-2011 season.

## ■ Tennis

Tennis had a great year despite its finishing record of 4-6. The players came together as a team, which led to victories against Valley High School, St. Joes, Greensburg Central Catholic, and Indiana. Varsity captains Erik Scharff '10 and Tony Coppola '10 displayed exceptional leadership ability and will be missed by the team.

## ■ Track and Field

The Kiski track and field team competed in an all Invitational schedule. Kiski qualified six athletes for the State Championships and scored in three of the five events the team entered. Phil Hartmann '10 medaled in all Invitionals and earned a silver medal at States.



### ■ Golf

The Kiski golf team tied for first place for the IPSL title. In the playoffs to determine first place, the team was defeated by Western Reserve Academy. The team also placed second at the Mid West Prep Golf Classic at the end of the season. Amir Davis '13 scoring a 43 per nine holes was a highlight of the season. There will be six letterman returning from last year's team. The team is coached by Joe Ross.

### ■ Soccer

Kiski's new soccer coach, Jacob Backon, had the soccer team making vast improvements throughout the season. The teams' defensive improvement continued as teams like Dubois and Hollidaysburg (annual 6-7 goal victors) struggled to break the team down, while the team struggled with some offensive frailties. The breakthrough game was at The Linsly School where Kiski dominated. After many years, Kiski had a chance to capture the IPSL regular season title against Western Reserve Academy, unfortunately we lost. The season's culmination of hard work came in the final game against Mercersburg. Memories of the team's 11-0 loss last

year were still in the players' minds as they fought hard and dominated the game for a 2-1 win. While there were no championships, the team developed well and showed heart and commitment.

### ■ Football

This year the varsity football team played tougher competition but Kiski never gave up and progressively improved each week. This season three freshmen lettered: Hannibal George '14, Danny Wukich '14 and Joseph Hall '14. The team had 14 freshmen, boding well for the future of the 2011-2012 team. R.J. Miller '12 won this year's most improved award and Mitch Penrod '12 received special recognition at the Fall Sports Awards. Also receiving recognition where four year seniors and co-captains Alex Testa '11 and Colynn Cook '11. The "Dedication Award" went to co-captain and four year senior Joe Manderino '11. This season's MVP award went to Shyquawn Pullium '11 (*left*). Shyquawn will be playing at Penn State University next season. A new award this season, the "Durability" award went to Don Chumich '11 who will be attending The United States Naval Academy. The Charles L. Klausung Coaches Award was given to four year senior and co-captain Zachary Kowalewski.

The team celebrated the careers of ten seniors who have represented Kiski very well. The 2010-2011 varsity football team finished with a 1-8 record.

### ■ Cross Country

The Kiski cross country team competed in an all invitational schedule. The results are as follows: Forest Hills Invitational Kiski placed 15<sup>th</sup> out of 25 schools, Altoona Invitational 23<sup>rd</sup> out of 30 schools, IUP Crimson Hawk Invitational 9<sup>th</sup> of 12 schools, Grove City Invitational 6<sup>th</sup> of 12 schools, St. Francis University Father Bede's Invitational 3<sup>rd</sup> of 6 schools, Westmoreland County Championships 11<sup>th</sup> of 13 schools and concluding the season at the Pennsylvania Independent School Championships, Kiski placed 14<sup>th</sup> of 20 schools.

**The Kiski Cougars may be competing in your area. Visit [www.kiski.org](http://www.kiski.org) to view the times of specific events. Please come and cheer on the Cougars!**

## Wrestling

**January 21–22, 2011**

Southeastern Prep School Slams  
Holy Innocents' Episcopal School, Atlanta, Ga.

**February 2–5, 2011**

St. Edwards High School, Cleveland, Ohio

**February 18–19, 2011**

State Prep Meet Germantown Academy  
Fort Washington, Pa.

**February 25–26, 2011**

National Prep Meet  
Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa.

## Basketball

**December 28–30, 2010**

Glaxo Smith Kline Tournament  
Broughton High School, Raleigh, N.C.

**January 8–9, 2011**

National Hoops, Wellston, Ohio

**January 14–15, 2011**

Mid West Prep Classic  
Western Reserve Academy, Hudson, Ohio

**January 23, 2011**

US Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.  
The team will play Navy's Junior Varsity team.

**January 29, 2011**

Peddie School, Hightstown, N.J.

**January 30, 2011**

The Hill School, Pottstown, Pa.

## Hockey

**January 14–16, 2011**

Mid West Prep Classic for both Hockey and Swimming  
Lake Forest Academy, Lake Forest, Ill.

**January 21–23, 2011**

Rock-n-Roll Classic, Cleveland, Ohio

## Swimming

**February 25–26, 2011**

Easterns (Swim Meet) attendance depends on if boys qualify, La Salle University, Philadelphia, Pa.

## Lacrosse

**March 11–26, 2011**

Preseason spring break trip to Wilmington, N.C.; Richmond, Va.; and Virginia Beach, Va. The team will play several games at each location.

**April 1–2, 2011**

The Kiski School Invitational Lacrosse Tournament  
Saltsburg, Pa.

**May 13–14, 2011**

Lacrosse team playing several games in Philadelphia, Pa.

## Kiski Graduates Sign Letters of Intent



■ **Daymond Cowlah '10** signed a letter of intent to attend the University of California at Riverside, a Division I Basketball Program that competes in the Big West Conference.

Daymond averaged 20.6 points, 10.2 assists and 5.4 steals per game. He also did very well academically making honor roll on a consistent basis.

Daymond celebrated with a signing ceremony in the Swank Student Center. He was joined by The Kiski School Headmaster Christopher A. Brueningsen, Assistant Headmaster Stephen J. Brotschul III, Kiski's Head Basketball Coach Daryn Freedman and other Kiski faculty and students.

Head Basketball Coach Daryn Freedman said, "Daymond is one of the most intelligent and committed point guards I have coached. He truly understands the game, is a leader on and off the court and will certainly be an asset to the University of California at Riverside. I anticipate seeing Daymond and the Cal-Riverside team in the NCAA Tourney over the next few years."

"This past year at The Kiski School has been a tremendous learning experience for me. Working with Coach Freedman has been very positive and my teammates really helped raise my level of play," Daymond stated.



■ **Barry Smith '10** a 6'6 forward signed a letter of intent to attend The Citadel, a Division I Basketball Program that competes in the Southern Conference. Joining Barry at his letter of intent signing was The Kiski School Headmaster Christopher A. Brueningsen, Assistant Headmaster Stephen J. Brotschul III, Kiski's Head Basketball Coach Daryn Freedman and

other Kiski faculty and friends.

Barry led The Kiski School Cougars to a record of 16-4 last season and the team finished the season ranked #21 in the Max Preps National Prep School Basketball Rankings. Barry also helped capture the Interstate Prep School League (IPSL) Championship, averaging 21 points and 12 rebounds per game.

Head Basketball Coach Daryn Freedman said, "I am very happy for Barry. He came to Kiski with the goals of preparing academically to succeed at a great college and to try to earn a Division I Basketball Scholarship. Through hard work and determination, Barry achieved those goals. He is a great team leader and I expect he will be a big factor for Coach Driesell's team at The Citadel."



■ **Daniel Jordan '10** signed a letter of intent to attend Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) as a long snapper. He is a specialized center during punts, field goals and extra points, snapping the ball quickly and accurately. At the letter of intent signing, Dan was joined by his mother, Teri Jordan; Headmaster Christopher A. Brueningsen; Kiski's Head Football Coach Marcus T. Muster;

Kiski's Assistant Football Coaches, James Perry and Rollie Young; and others in the Kiski community.

Head Football Coach Marcus Muster said, "Dan is one of the most dedicated, hardworking, and coachable players that I have had the opportunity to work with in my 23 years at Kiski. Dan was the first one on the practice field and the last off each day. He understands the game, commits to the rigors of the off-season, and will be an outstanding asset to the IUP football team as well as the campus."

For his third consecutive year during Spring Break, Dan travelled to the Dominican Republic to volunteer at an orphanage housing 75 boys. Calvary Baptist Church, of which he is a member, is also helping to build a home for girls. Last year he assisted in building walls for the girls' home. "The work is very rewarding and fulfilling. It gives me a great feeling to help others in need. The kids are special and I enjoy being around them. It really makes one grateful for what one has," Dan said.



■ **Jonathon Ward-Adams '10** accepted an appointment to attend the United States Naval Academy, playing in the Division I Basketball Program. Jonathon is the son of John and Jeannine of Center Moriches, NY. He has an older brother, Jordan, and a younger sister, Brooke.

Head Basketball Coach Daryn Freedman said, "Jonathon is a consummate team leader, as a point guard he has total control of the game and the attention of his teammates. The coaches and administration at Navy know he is a great basketball player and more importantly a genuine individual."

Jonathon was joined by Headmaster Christopher Brueningsen, Associate Headmaster Stephen J. Brotschul III, and Head Basketball Coach Daryn Freedman at a signing celebration. Jonathon said, "The Kiski School has helped me to prepare being away from home, to compete at higher levels, and enhance my study habits and skills. Kiski is very supportive and has given me many opportunities. It has been a great experience with my teammates. They have made me a better person and player."

## Kaleidoscope:

An art show depicting a colorful view of the many facets of The Kiski School and its campus. Proceeds from the art sale benefit Kiski.

The Kiski School hosted an art show and sale titled *Kaleidoscope*. The opening reception was May 1, 2010 at the Stephen C. Rogers Fine Arts Center before the start of the spring play, *This is a Test* by Stephen Gregg. The artwork was shown again during Reunion Weekend. *Kaleidoscope* featured paintings and drawings capturing the colorful view of the many facets of The Kiski School and its campus by seven local artists. The proceeds from the artwork sale benefitted Kiski.

Patricia Argyros of Saltsburg developed the idea of having an art show as a fundraiser



for Kiski and then asked a group of artists to participate. The group was in agreement after their first visit to the bucolic Kiski campus. As a resident of Saltsburg her entire life, Patti has enjoyed the beauty in every season at Kiski. She knows it is a very peaceful place full of painting and drawing opportunities. Her son

Michael is a 1996 Kiski graduate. Her husband, George is a teacher at Kiski, as is her daughter Charis, and her son-in-law, Shawn Wray.

The artists featured in the *Kaleidoscope* show included Patricia Argyros, Sue Foster of Murrysville, Jan Landini of Monroeville, Jennifer Boget of Murrysville, Cindy Berceli of Pittsburgh, Barbara Jewell of Murrysville, and Kathy Karazsia of Apollo. The artists are members of various art organizations in Greensburg, Latrobe, Plum, and some are members of the Pittsburgh Watercolor Society. Thank you to fine arts teachers, Kim Conover-Loar and Andrew Scott '85 for their hard work and support of the show.

## The Tower Society



## A Lasting Legacy – Raymond Seybold '29 Family Making a Difference

The Kiski School received a bequest of \$575,983 from the Raymond Seybold Family. The bequest was divided, \$287,992 went to Kiski's endowment fund and \$287,992 is being utilized for physical plant and technology upgrades. The School is grateful for this gift and several others over the years that have enabled the endowment fund to grow and serve the Kiski community. The amount contributed by Mr. Seybold allows Kiski to provide approximately \$14,000 a year for the Scholarship Fund from the yearly growth of the gift.

A gift to The Kiski School's Endowment is an investment in the students and faculty. A strong endowment ensures the means to have the best qualified teachers and students. Teaching at a boarding school is an extraordinary commitment. The commitment is 24 hours-a-day. It is changing lives and building futures. Kiski is responsible for providing opportunities for faculty development, housing and a healthy, productive environment where all can thrive. This is all made possible through Kiski's endowment.

Financial aid is one of the most important aspects to providing a diversified community where all students contribute. When you help provide a Kiski education for a student who may otherwise not be able to afford one, you are giving a gift of future success.

Please consider giving to The Tower Society along with other Kiski parents, alumni and friends who have included The Kiski School in their estate plans. Members of The Tower Society include: Mr. Alan J. Andreini '64, Mr. William E. Bates, Andrew S. Birrell Esq. '73, Joseph E. Breman Esq. '63, Mr. Bruce E. Brown '83, Guy R. Bucci Esq. '63, Mr. Robert C. Bygrave '70, Dr. David I. Cleland '48, Mr. Carroll H. Cook '49, Mr. C. William Cosgrove '62, Mr. W. Logan Dickerson '45, Mr. John H. DuPree '67, Mrs. Beata P. Graham, Dr. M. Edwin Green Jr. '42, Mrs. Mary Irene Groskloss, Mr. Thomas E. Hamilton Jr. '48, Mr. Joseph W. Handrahan Jr. '65, Mr. David Hazelwood '46, Mr. Paul H. Heinen '51, Mr. William O. Hund '46, Mrs. Betty Kerr, Dr. A. Richard Kneidler '61, Dr. Penn Lupovich '54, Mrs. Arlene Malky, Mr. Van Messer '69, Mrs. Mary C. Morrell, Mr. M. Dean Mosites '72, Mrs. Mildred C. Myers, Mr. Raymond Seybold '29, Mr. Anthony E. Sheesley '86, Mr. Douglas A. Stuber '66, Mr. Russell C. Swank III '67, Steven T. Szilagyi '88, Mr. Douglas G. Tjaden '61, Mr. Adam C. Tosh '90, Mr. Isaac Tripp IV '70, and Mr. Jeffrey N. Wieser '70.

To learn more about the Tower Society, contact Steven T. Szilagyi '88 in the Advancement Office at 724-639-8028 to discuss the many different options available, or visit Kiski's web site at [www.kiski.org/giving/planned](http://www.kiski.org/giving/planned).

## David John Sunseri, Jr. '03 Memorial Scholarship Fund

When David John Sunseri, Jr. '03 passed away on August 30, 2008 at the age of 24, The Kiski School lost a talented, inspirational, and loyal alumnus and friend. David will be remembered for his warmth, compassion, generosity, good sense-of-humor, and genuine interest in others. He was always eager to help those in need in his quiet and unassuming way. David was an inquisitive student and a dedicated and spirited athlete who was well liked and respected by his teachers, coaches, and peers. While a student at Kiski, David served as a Prefect, and competed in golf and baseball. He was a first baseman whose defensive footwork proved positive in his fielding and his teammates appreciated his hustle. His powerful swing placed him in the clean-up spot, producing many Kiski Cougar RBIs. In addition to his love of baseball, he enjoyed golf. David managed to perfect both his baseball and golf swings, which are not easy skills to accomplish. His short game was superb and his swing sweet, positioning him as a top player on Kiski's golf team. David's enthusiasm, generosity, passion for life, and all that he so positively personified will be forever remembered at Kiski by everyone who had the distinct pleasure of knowing him. With the thoughtful and generous endowment support of David's parents, Cindy and David Sunseri, his sister, Missy, and the extended Mosites family, as well as David's many relatives and friends, Kiski is honored by the establishment of the David John Sunseri Jr. '03 Memorial Scholarship Fund.



## ■ The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Society

Kiski announced the creation of its new 21<sup>st</sup> Century Society this fall. This important giving society is dedicated to celebrating donors who make automatic monthly deduction payments in an unrestricted manner to support The Kiski Fund and the School's educational mission.

This convenient way to support Kiski will allow your gift to be automatically deducted from your bank account or charged to your credit card in the amount you set as appropriate.

By enrolling in The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Society, your gift will be placed for immediate use and you will help Kiski raise financial support cost-effectively, enabling us to place more resources toward the annual priorities you would like to support.

This is also the perfect way to make a larger "stretch" gift to The Kiski Fund as it will allow you to spread your gift payments over a twelve month cycle. You can make your gift to Kiski throughout the year and we will not need to remind you with mailings or phone calls.

To enroll in The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Society that supports the School and The Kiski Fund, please go to <https://www.kiski.org/giveonline> – and follow the instructions.

## ■ Leadership Giving Society Reception



Marilyn Handrahan, Sibby McCrady and Madelaine McCrady



Colvin McCrady '64, Joseph Handrahan Jr. '65 and W.Duff McCrady '61

The Kiski School's Leadership Giving Society recently gathered at Tamari restaurant (owned by Allen Chen '95) in Lawrenceville, Pa. Trustees, alumni, faculty and parents mingled and enjoyed great company and delicious food. Chris Brueningesen; Steven T. Szilagyi '88; and David Conrad '85, Board of Trustee member, each personally welcomed and thanked those in attendance for their loyal and generous support of The Kiski Fund, the School's mission, and current students and faculty.

David Conrad's personal and inspirational comments expressed sincere appreciation for the rewarding education he often sees Kiski Boys experiencing. David

spoke passionately about Kiski's recent revival, the very positive energy on the campus, and the excitement he consistently experiences by way of his current connections with the School. David stated, "Kiski continues to be one of the best things that has happened to me in my life."



**For more information** or if you have any questions about Kiski's fundraising programs and initiatives, please contact Steven T. Szilagyi '88, Associate Headmaster for Institutional Advancement at 724-689-8028 or email [steven.szilagyi@kiski.org](mailto:steven.szilagyi@kiski.org).



## The Kiski Fund – Please Make a Difference Today

The Kiski Fund is the School's annual giving priority and the only opportunity for the entire Kiski community to participate in the programs, activities and operations that define the experience for every Kiski boy. Our culture of philanthropy has insured that Kiski remains vibrant. As The Kiski School closes in on its 125<sup>th</sup> year, it is regarded as one of the leading preparatory schools for boys in the United States.

Leadership gifts of \$1,000 or more comprise 75% of The Kiski Fund total each year. Participation from Trustees is 100% each year, and last year Administration and Faculty reached 98% participation.

You may choose to designate your gift to The Kiski Fund from one or more of these options:

- **Academics/Classroom:** Supporting our unique program, curriculum development and our faculty who excel at preparing boys for their futures.
- **Arts:** Inspiring creativity and personal expression through theater, music, woodworking, and visual and fine arts.
- **Athletics:** Offering opportunities for healthy competition, exercise, sportsmanship and personal growth.
- **Building and Grounds:** maintaining academic and athletic facilities, dormitories, and student spaces for an optimal living and learning environment.
- **Financial Aid:** Providing the resources to attract a student population that is highly diverse, talented, and motivated to succeed at Kiski.
- **Headmaster's Initiatives:** Enabling the School's administration to address faculty needs both in and outside of the classroom.
- **Student Life:** Enriching the life of every Kiski boy with diverse, cultural, artistic and recreational activities and programs.
- **Technology:** Providing the most current and relevant hardware, software and resources to best serve and prepare each Kiski student for his future.

## The Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program

The Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program is a unique and effective vehicle for Pennsylvania corporations to make a donation to Kiski. The EITC Program allows businesses to effectively make a gift to The Kiski School while paying fewer tax dollars. This year the EITC Program raised \$195,000 in new scholarship funding from 19 corporate donors, compared to \$142,000 from 14 corporate donors in 2009. Thank you to all the corporations who generously supported Kiski. If you have any questions about how to participate or need an application, please contact the Advancement office.



### Will's Gift An Artist Award from The Kiski School

Will's Gift is named in honor of E. William Turley, one of the finest educators in Kiski's history. Although not an artist himself in any traditional sense of the word, his 35 years on the campus could be called nothing but a masterpiece. His devotion to his students knew no bounds and he inspired many of them to be, if not artists, then whole and true versions of themselves. His gift was his passion for inquiry, for truth, and for the guts to accept the price of such a pursuit—attributes without which no fine artist can succeed. His gift was this kind of bravery and he gave of it every day.

On behalf of The Kiski School, Will's Gift is given annually to an artist working in western Pennsylvania. It is our goal to assist in a small way the continued health of Pittsburgh's creative community and to increase and develop Kiski's strong collection in the visual arts. We hope the campus itself will become an archive and teaching center, a living and virtual gallery of the region's finest work "If enough small fires can light an entire community, let Will's Gift be the fuel for one of them," said David Conrad '85, co-underwriter of Will's Gift along with Krisofer Rockwell '90.

The recipient of the 2010 Will's Gift award is **Fabrizio Gerbino**, painter and sculptor. He is husband of Cynthia and father of Gabrielle residing in the West End of Pittsburgh, Pa. Fabrizio Gerbino is a classically trained artist and designer from Florence, Italy, whose work ranges from large scale installations in metal and wood, to small scale Renaissance Rondos you can hold in the palm of your hand that he paints with a brush a millimeter thick. His major oils and acrylics are held in collections throughout the region. He is an adopted son to the region, but his vision reworks the old Pittsburgh adage that you have to go away to come back.



## Kiski's Board of Visitors Meeting

Under the leadership of their dedicated and enthusiastic Chairman Colvin McCrady '64, Kiski's Board of Visitors held its annual meeting on Saturday, November 6, 2010 in the Swank Student Center.

Kiski alumni representing the 1960s through the 1990s excitedly visited with each other and listened to a State-of-the-School update from Headmaster Chris Brueningsen as well as important reports from Associate Headmaster for Institutional Advancement Steven T. Szilagyi '88; Associate Headmaster for Admission/Enrollment Management Bill Ellis; Associate Headmaster Stephen J. Brotschul, III; Director of Athletics Chris Spahn; and Dean of Students Adam Schapiro.

Members of Kiski's Board of Visitors attending the meeting were engaged by the depth and detail of the presentations and the candid discussion sessions that took place. In turn, they readily shared their personal questions, comments, and insight providing Kiski's leadership team with consequential alumni perspectives and opinions. The meeting and experience was again appreciated by all in attendance. The members of the Board of Visitors learned about Kiski's current plans and the comprehensive vision outlined in the School's current strategic planning process as well as Kiski's leadership team who benefitted from the timely questions and insightful comments provided by the alumni in attendance.

The Kiski Board of Visitors was created in 2009 to allow engaged and supportive alumni the opportunity to personally help advance the School and its mission as well as directly plan for the institution's continued growth and progress.

At the conclusion of the Board of Visitors meeting the alumni members were treated to lunch in the Swank Student Center and most members were able to remain on campus to support Kiski coaches and student-athletes as the Cougars competed in spirited competition against long-time rival Mercersburg Academy in soccer and football.

*Photos top, from left to right:*

*Regan Pidgeon Houser '81, Kelly Pidgeon '85 and Marshall Goldberg '64*

*Bob Jamison '64, Harry Holmes '64*

*Geoffrey Sugden '72 and Rodger Kishman '62*

*Photos bottom, from left to right:*

*Colvin McCrady '64 and Tom Ingram '65*

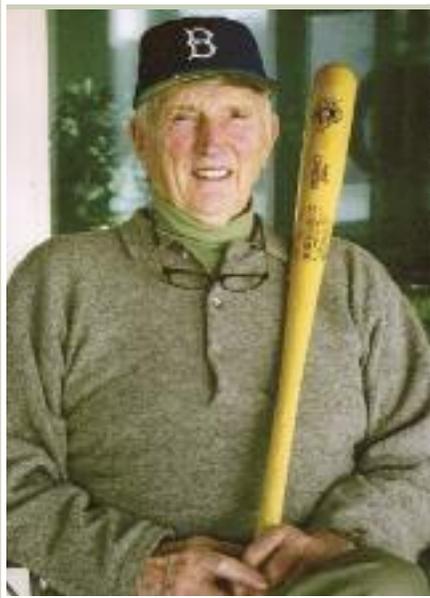
*T. Robert Boulware '82, Dr. David S. Lane and Kyle Webb '86*

*David S. DeSimone '93 and David R. DeSimone '76*

### Current members of Kiski's Board of Visitors

- Mr. Glenn A. Ballard '51
- Mr. John P. Boyle II '95
- Dr. Joseph J. Ciocca '80
- Mr. David R. DeSimone '76
- Mr. David S. DeSimone '93
- Mr. Michael C. Eisen '84
- Mr. Stevan B. Ferguson '90
- Mr. Jack W. Fuellhart Jr. '90
- Mr. Joseph A. Garcia '85
- Mr. Marshall M. Goldberg '64
- Rabbi Samuel N. Gordon '68
- Dr. Arthur C. Hayes '67
- Mr. David Hitchcock '79
- Mr. Harry L. Holmes '64
- Mr. Leif E. Honda '90
- Mr. Thomas W. Ingram '65
- Mr. Robert S. Jamison Jr. '64
- Mr. Roger H. Kishman '62
- Dr. A. Richard Kneedler '61
- Mr. Gregory L. Lignelli '95
- Dr. Penn Lupovich '54
- Mr. L. Colvin McCrady Jr. '64
- Mr. W. Duff McCrady '61
- Mr. Mark E. McSorley '89
- Dr. Terence E. Moore '72
- Mr. Brendan J. Moriarty '86
- Mr. Hal G. Ostrow '92
- Mr. G. Michael Peccon '99
- Mr. Scott E. Phillips '70
- LCDR John A. "Sandy" Pidgeon Jr. '78
- Mr. Kelly C. Pidgeon '85
- Mrs. Regan Pidgeon Houser '81
- Mr. Aaron H. Ravenscroft '96
- Mr. Terry Reese '69
- Mr. Daniel D. Regan '94
- Mr. Patrick O. Regan '90
- Mr. Thomas B. Reiling '85
- Mr. Don Settina '68
- Mr. Anthony E. Sheesley '86
- Mr. Paul W. Siker '79
- Mr. Thomas B. Sturges III '63
- Mr. Geoffrey T. Sugden '72
- Mr. Kyle H. Webb '86





# Memorial Tribute

**Jack J. Miller '39** June 9, 1920 – November 21, 2010

and Steven T. Szilgyi '88. Jack continued his graduate studies at UCLA and served briefly in the Navy V-12 Program. He headed back to Southern California and entered the fields of education and athletics.

In 1944, Jack was signed by Branch Rickey Jr. and the Brooklyn Dodgers (not far from his high school ambition) to a professional baseball contract and spent multiple years as a player and coach in Minor League Baseball. At the end of his baseball-playing career, he became a part-time scout for various Major League Baseball organizations. Jack entered the real estate and contracting business and founded his company, San Carlos Agency, Inc. in 1954. He was very active in his community for more than 60 years. He contributed his time as a volunteer for the YMCA, youth sports, cub scouts, soccer camps and he was one of the founders of the Carmel Little League, currently Carmel Youth Baseball.

Jack Britton, Jack's grandson and a friend of Kiski said, "My grandfather always used to say to me, 'I was born in Portland, Oregon, raised in Hollywood, California, and born again in Saltsburg, Pennsylvania.'" Jack believes that is the main reason that his grandfather wanted Saltsburg to be his final resting place. Jack continued, "The Kiski

School taught him the values, character, and work ethic that he demonstrated for the rest of his life. It was a place where he truly matured into a man and an athlete."

Jack is survived by his wife of 66 years, Lone Miller; sons Jay Miller (Christine) and Raymond Miller, Sr. (Susy); daughter Tina Britton; and three grandsons Raymond Miller Jr., (Blenda), Jonathan Miller, and Jack Britton.



**J**ack J. "Gagoo" "Jigger" Miller '39, a retired building contractor and real estate broker, passed away peacefully at his home in Pebble Beach, California on Sunday, November 21, 2010.

At Kiski, Jack participated in various sports including football, baseball, and basketball. In the 1939 *Kiskiminetan* yearbook, it says Jack's ambition was to wear a New York Yankee's uniform. He was also voted best athlete by his classmates. After graduating, he attended Duke, University of Redlands, and graduated from Stanford, but held that special place in his heart and mind for Kiski. Jack remained in contact with Kiski throughout the years and wrote letters to Chris Brueningsen

## In Memoriam

### The Kiski family extends heartfelt condolences to the families of:

- John E. Timmermann '70 passed away August 2009.
- Sue Kendall, mother of William (Bill) Kendall '87, passed away December 6, 2009.
- Carmella A. Berardesca, mother of Taresa DiLascio, R.N., Kiski's Director of Health Services, and grandmother of Matthew DiLascio '10, passed away December 31, 2009.
- Mark B. Parke '75 passed away February 17, 2010.
- John T. Everett '75 passed away February 18, 2010.
- Joel Ferree '65 passed away February 25, 2010.
- Douglas F. Roby '52 passed away March 10, 2010.
- William M. Gardner, father of William M. (Billy) '82 and Adam '85, passed away May 1, 2010.
- Dr. M. Edwin Green Jr. '42, grandson of Andrew Wilson founder of The Kiski School, and father of Andrew Wilson Green, II '82, passed away July 23, 2010.
- Anthony (Tony) J. Botti, former Kiski faculty member and father of Maria '75, Jenny, Camille '77, Philip '78, Anthony (Tony) Jr. '81 and Annette '78, passed away August 3, 2010.
- William R. Hoag, father of Thomas '72, Richard '74 and Michael '80, passed away September 7, 2010.
- Jeron Grayson, a former member of Kiski's community, passed away October 17, 2010.
- Ann Sloan, mother-in-law of Larry Jensen, former Kiski faculty member, passed away October 24, 2010.
- Dr. David A. Sporcic '64 passed away November 6, 2010.
- David C. Moore '43 passed away November 11, 2010.
- William Thomas Berg '46 passed away November 14, 2010.
- Jack J. "Gagoo" "Jigger" Miller '39 passed away November 21, 2010.

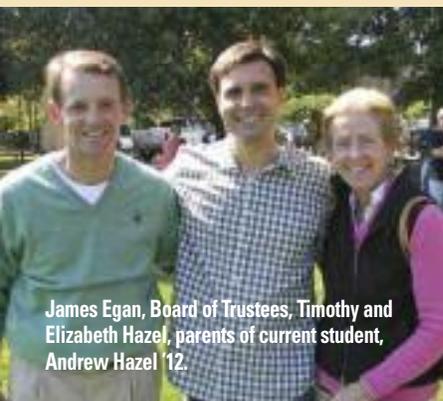
# ALUMNI NEWS *Homecoming*



Chris Lingafelter '83 with his family

The Kiski School Homecoming Weekend brought back many Kiski graduates and friends of the School. It was a beautiful fall day and chock-full of activity. The festivities began with a Buffet Breakfast in the Dining Hall. The Sixth Annual Kiski Cougar Classic 5K was held in the morning. Congratulations are in order to all who ran — from kids who raced around the loop — to the Forsythe brothers who finished in a blistering 16:52 (Greg) and 19:41 (Thomas) respectively. First place alumnus was Chris Lingafelter '83 (pictured left with family) in a time of 23:34. After the Tailgate Lunch visitors watched the annual Kiski Varsity vs. Alumni Soccer game. After the soccer game, The Kiski Cougar Varsity Football Team played The Hun School of Princeton. The football team came out fighting but were defeated by The Hun School. The day culminated with a reception in the Swank Student Center.

## *Kiski Varsity Soccer Team takes on Alumni*



James Egan, Board of Trustees, Timothy and Elizabeth Hazel, parents of current student, Andrew Hazel '12.

— by Mark Orsatti

Kiski's Varsity Soccer Team welcomed back a special group of Alumni for the 18<sup>th</sup> soccer game matchup. The Alumni soccer team took the field confident of a four game winning streak that had given them the bragging rights (9-6-3 overall) in this fun, friendly, yet hard-fought Kiski vs.



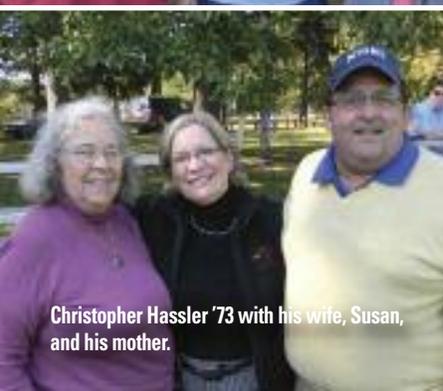
Kiski rivalry. When the whistle blew to begin the game, confidence was high on both sides, The "Young Guns" scored two goals in the first 20 minutes. The "Old Guys" shocked by the fierce opening play of the 'kids,' were stunned and never really recovered, trailing 0-2 at the break. The Alumni narrowed the margin to 2-1 early in the second half, but the young ones, relentless in their quest to break the Alumni winning streak, scored again to make it 3-1. The 'kids' ended all Alumni hope of a comeback by slamming the door with their fourth goal in the 70<sup>th</sup> minute, leaving the Alumni on the unpleasant end of a 1-4 score. The varsity boys should be credited with playing one of their best games of the season and accolades to Kiski's Soccer Coach, Jacob Backon for preparing them to whip the "Old Guys" in this big game. Everyone had a good time on the field and on the benches. Everyone gathered after the game for a reception at the Swank Student Center. It was a great time for the "Old Guys" and the "Young Guns" to compare notes about Kiski soccer.



Jake Fuelhart '90; Jake's brother-in-law, Matt Filipovic; and Kiski Librarian Leslie Poston.

A huge "Thank You" goes to the following who gave their best for the Alumni soccer team this year: José Caballé '02; Hiram Carpenter '08; Matt Coppola '08; Tony Coppola '10; Carlos Covarrubias '07; Bob Diamond '88; Chris Lingafelter '83; Steve Manofsky '00; Harrison Porter '96; Charley Reynolds '75; Christian Taylor '08; John Zang '09; T. J. Stock '04, faculty member; Dr. Terry Monteleone, current parent; Shawn Wray, faculty member; and Mark Orsatti, faculty member and former Kiski Soccer Coach.

The Alumni will try again next year in the 19<sup>th</sup> annual matchup of the infamous soccer game in 2011. In that game, the Alumni will hope to add to its roster all of the senior members of this year's varsity team to get the winning spirit back on the Alumni bench!



Christopher Hassler '73 with his wife, Susan, and his mother.



Patrick Kelley '74 and Michael Chapel '66



Carol Kruse, mother of Doug Kruse '13



Jeff Urbany '80 and Terence Sullivan, father of Connor Sullivan '11

## 1927

**William Muncaster** was presented an award for Distinguished Citizen for Outstanding Service. He was a member of the 99<sup>th</sup> Division at the Battle of the Bulge in World War II. He shared his remarks about the Battle of the Bulge with more than 380 people. He received his award and they gave him a standing ovation.



## 1951

▲ **Bob Johnston**, former Kiski Assistant Headmaster and history teacher and **Jim Hilliard '63** met at Bob's home in Southern Pines, N.C. They reminisced about Kiski and enjoyed a phone conversation with **Alan Gunderson**, former Kiski history faculty member and track and cross country coach. Bob and Al are looking forward to their 60<sup>th</sup> reunion. Jim wants to remind the class of 1963 that they need to start planning for their 50<sup>th</sup> reunion coming in 2013.



## 1955

▲ **Bob Lamoree** and former Kiski roommate, **Jack VanCott** and his wife, Becky, visited Bob at his Virginia mountain home.

## 1962

► **Rev. Carl LoPresti** (right) of Chenoa, Illinois, helped his father, Angelo (center), celebrate his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sunday, November 7. The celebration took place at DeLuca's Place in

the Park in Lorain, Ohio. **Roger Kishman** (left) was one of the 180 family and friends who attended the event.

## 1964

**Marshall Goldberg**, a member of the Kiski Board of Visitors, recently visited campus and enjoyed Kiski's varsity football and soccer games.

**Alan J. Andreini** recently joined event-driven hedge fund manager Brencourt Advisors as Chairman of the Executive Committee. In this role he'll be working with Bill Collins, the firm's founder, in all areas related to firm management. Founded in 2001, Brencourt has a rich tradition of superior performance, strong relationships with its partners and high integrity.

## 1965

**Jack Hanna** and his wife Suzi as well as five other hikers, had a close encounter with a large grizzly bear and her cubs on a narrow hiking trail in Montana this summer. Jack used his pepper spray and sprayed it into the grizzly bear's face and she fled with her cubs. Jack encourages people to carry pepper spray when hiking.



## 1970

◀ Congratulations to **Jeffrey N. Wieser**, Kiski Board of Trustees member, on his position as the new

President/CEO of the Interfaith Housing Association Homes with Hope. Homes with Hope evolved as a grassroots response to problems of homelessness and those at-risk of homelessness in the Westport, Weston, and Wilton areas in Connecticut. Jeff resides in Westport, Ct. with his wife, Pat.



## 1970

**Rob Bygrave** wants to share the photos he took during Reunion Weekend. Rob set up a web page with the pictures during the weekend. [http://gallery.me.com/rob\\_bygrave/#100136&view=mosaic&sel=0&bgcolor=ltgrey](http://gallery.me.com/rob_bygrave/#100136&view=mosaic&sel=0&bgcolor=ltgrey).

## 1982

**Anne Zachara** received a promotion to the Director of North American Sales for Japanese Equities for Credit Suisse.



## 1983

▲ **Craig Spitzer** opened a restaurant in Williamsburg Brooklyn called Traif. Articles appeared in the *Wall Street Journal* and the *New York Times* about Craig's restaurant. Craig (center) is pictured with U.S. Vice President, Joseph Biden (right).



## 1984

▲ **Michael Murphy** visited Kiski this summer with his wife, Jennifer and his children, Grace and Gannon. They reside in Colorado.

## 1985

**David Conrad** and **Craig Spitzer '83**, CEO of A2C Information Technology Consulting are buying the two-story, 19<sup>th</sup> century timber frame structure from Saltsburg borough. It will be renovated and its historical aspects preserved. Saltsburg

Council last month approved the sale of the building to Conrad and Spitzer. Ed Pepper, owner of P.J. Browns restaurant said he is elated that the building is being saved. Conrad and Spitzer are regular customers of his restaurant when they are in the area.



▲ Congratulations to **Kelly Pidgeon** and **David Conrad** who each received an award at the Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters ceremony.



▲ **Gordon Meehl**, is a co-owner and Principal of an Architecture firm, ID Studio 4, LLC. The firm is an Architecture and Engineering firm providing services to the multi-unit restaurant industry. Gordon's daughters are pictured.

► **Michael Martin** welcomed Sailor Grace Martin in July 2010.



## 1987

**Timothy Hazen, Ph.D.** earned a doctorate in Educational Measurement and Statistics in 2009 from the University of Iowa. He works at the University of Iowa for Iowa Testing Programs, which develops the Iowa Test of Basic Skills and other standardized K-12

educational assessments. For the past nine years he and wife Erin have lived on a 35-acre farm outside of Iowa City, restoring the old farm house and neglected pastures. He also developed interest in distance running and ran the New York City Marathon in 2009 and ran the Marine Corps Marathon in October 2010. Tim and Erin are travelling to France in 2011 to celebrate their 15<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.



## 1989

▲ **John Jacob, Greg Lignelli '95**, Michael Supinka (current parent of Thomas Supinka '12) and **Steven T. Szilagyi '88** golfed as Team Kiski to help raise funds for The Valley School of Ligonier.



## 1992

◀ **Hal G. Ostrow** and his wife Amy, welcomed Ari Daniel Ostrow last December. Ari joined his big brother, Sam. Hal

was named by *Michigan Super Lawyers & Rising Stars* magazine, one of the top up-and-coming attorneys in the state for 2010. Each year no more than 2.5 percent of the lawyers in the state receive this honor.



▲ **J. Hunter Frobouck** lives in Wyoming and Kiski faculty members John and Geri Lombardo and Chuck and Sharon Shepard visited him this summer.

## 1994

**Rafael Vazquez Sanchis** is a tenor and performs all over the world. See his web site at [www.rafavazquez.com](http://www.rafavazquez.com).

## 1995

**Andrew Higgs** organized a fundraiser for The Cancer Society of The Bahamas. Ultimately, 18 people kayaked from Exuma to Nassau and countless other people donated time and money to raise thousands of dollars. Andrew



## The Hazlett Family visits Kiski

James Hazlett, DDS '53 and his family – 18 people in total – travelled from the Northeast to see his hometown and his School as part of his 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration. The visit to Kiski was a great opportunity not just for Dr. and Mrs. Hazlett, but for their children and grandchildren as well. They enjoyed their tour of the School and were impressed by how some things have changed and how some traditions are still honored.

dreamed up and coordinated this event to finish something his father, Monty Higgs, had wanted to accomplish before being diagnosed and dying from cancer. To read this incredible story go to [http://www.tribune242.com/news/08302010\\_Kayak\\_news\\_pg6ld](http://www.tribune242.com/news/08302010_Kayak_news_pg6ld).



▲ Dr. **Randolph Scott** and his wife, April, visited Kiski with their family.

### 1997

**Sean Leahy** is a Vice President at SkyBridge Capital. It is a leading global alternative investment firm providing developmental capital to hedge funds and other asset management businesses.

### 1999

**James Naus** is a lecturer at St. Louis University and specializes in The Crusades. He is in his final stages of writing his Ph.D. dissertation for medieval European history, and virtually all of his work is in French, Spanish, German, Latin and Old French.

### 2000

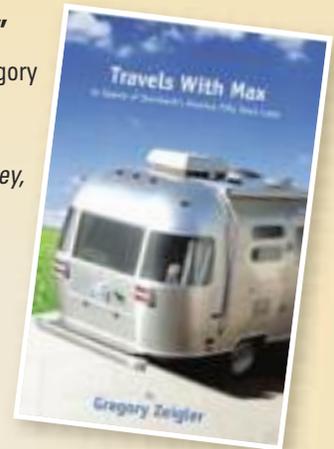
**Ken Horrell** works in Army Intelligence and is looking to move up into linguistics.

### 2001

**Nathan Crooks** lives in Santiago, Chile working for *Business News of America*. Nathan was able to feel the Chilean earthquake this past February even though he was about 200 miles south of where it hit. In addition, he also covered the story on the Chilean miners that were trapped and later rescued. <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2010-10-07/chile-miners-may-be-reached-tomorrow>.

## Greg Zeigler '64 presents "Travels with Max"

Kiski was treated to a special presentation from Kiski Trustee, Gregory Zeigler '64 who shared slides and stories from his travels with his dog, Max. In 2009 he traced Nobel Prize-winning author John Steinbeck's storied route not only as homage to *Travels with Charley*, the publication's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, but also to re-ask the question, *What are Americans like today?* Armed with a 1949 atlas as his guide and the companionship of Max, Greg set off on a 15,000 mile journey filled with adventures and anecdotes from all corners of the country, earning him the title of "the Johnny Appleseed of Steinbeck" along the way. Greg's book offers a retrospective on Steinbeck and his work, as well as an insightful, humorous and upbeat perspective on modern America.



◀ **Greg Zeigler '64** (center), his brother film producer **David Zeigler '69** (left), and **David Conrad '85** (right) took a break on Cannery Row in Monterey, California, while filming a documentary based on Gregory Ziegler's new book, "Travels with Max."

**Benjamin Beas** and **Todd Beas '03** visited Kiski. Ben is finishing his Ph D. in Ecology at the University of Oklahoma and Todd is pursuing a career in law enforcement in Orlando, Florida.

### 2004

**Robb Myers** is part of a field artillery unit and was to deploy to Afghanistan. He is a first lieutenant, in command of 30 men and expects to make captain during the next year. He is stationed in Fort Carson, Colorado. Robb's e-mail address is: [rmyers86@gmail.com](mailto:rmyers86@gmail.com).

**Bryce Horrell** graduated from Clarion University. He has been body-building and is looking into joining the Navy.

**Phillip Corso** is the general manager for Ladles restaurant in Springdale, Pennsylvania. His mother, Kathy Kaminski owns and operates the restaurant.

**Ki-won Lee** visited several of his Kiski teachers. He attends Emory University and is majoring in science.

### 2005

**Daryll Clark** is a quarterback for the Calgary Stampeders of the Canadian Football League.



### 2006

▲ **Charley Yukevich** pictured with Ben Roethlisberger, Pittsburgh Steeler quarterback.

**GPS Directions to The Kiski School:** When using a GPS, Mapquest, or any mapping system, please use this address for Kiski: 201 Route 286 West, instead of 1888 Brett Lane. This will lead right to campus.

## 2008

**Brock LiVorio** transferred to North Carolina University at Chapel Hill. He will wrestle for the Tar Heels.



## 2009

▲ **Buckley Smith** is playing lacrosse at the United States Naval Academy. For alumni living in and around the area, you may want to catch a game. He scored a decisive goal in Navy's first win against Johns Hopkins in 36 years. In addition to Buckley, **Brendan Sullivan** also plays for the U.S. Naval Academy.



## 2010

◀ **Derek Green** is playing lacrosse for Alfred University. He is a freshman.



## Jack Hanna '65 returns to Kiski

Jungle Jack Hanna '65 made a surprise visit to Kiski with his cadre of creatures. The boys were treated to a presentation with Jack and his friends in Rogers Hall and thoroughly enjoyed every minute of the experience. Accompanying Jack were a fox, a flamingo, a penguin, a sloth, and a cheetah, as well as elephants and orangutans who visited by video. We thank Jack, his crew, and his animals from the Columbus Zoo for entertaining all of us.



## 2010

◀ Class captains for the Class of 2010 are l. to r.: **Ben Eaton, Tony Coppola, Marc Short, Justin Weiss** and **Andrew Bell**. ▲



## Shopping Online at The Kiski Bookstore



Please remember that you can order your Kiski gear at the online bookstore. Some must haves are the Vineyard Vine Ties with the Kiski Cougar, Kiski hats, Kiski tee-shirts and hoodie. **Visit the bookstore online at [www.kiski.org](http://www.kiski.org).**



## The Eighth Annual Jason Tsaggaris '90 Memorial Golf Tournament

On June 11, 2010 more than 140 golfers took to the links at the Ponderosa Golf Course to raise funds for the Jason Tsaggaris '90 Memorial Scholarship Fund at The Kiski School and the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. It is always held in June to commemorate Jason's Birthday. Thank you to all who participated – especially as sponsors and volunteers.

To view photos from past tournaments, or for more information about the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and Jason, please visit [www.jasontsaggaris.com](http://www.jasontsaggaris.com).



# 2010 Reunion Weekend

Kiski hosted nearly 200 alumni and celebrated with the Classes of 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, and 2005.

A special thank you to our Class Captains for their help in making Reunion 2010 such a success!

Reunion is Kiski's opportunity to recognize milestones in the lives of our alumni — specifically the various multiples of the 5<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> reunion years. To honor their 25<sup>th</sup> and 40<sup>th</sup> Reunions, the Classes of 1985 and 1970 organized events on Friday evening of Reunion Weekend to reconnect with classmates and have some fun.

At the Alumni Dinner Saturday evening each Class celebrated for many reasons — including its participation in Reunion Giving. The Classes of 1970 and 1985 kept exchanging the lead, with the Class of 1985 eventually taking the distinction. In total, Reunion Giving raised more than \$88,000 for The Kiski Fund.



*Congratulations!*  
**June 4, 2011**  
marks the start of  
**Reunion Weekend** for  
**Classes ending in "1" and "6."**  
Hope to see you there!





# Save the Date

**Admission Open House**  
Monday, January 17, 2011

**Kiski Reception**  
**Chicago**

Sunday, January 23, 2011

**Kiski Reception**  
**Washington DC**

February 2011  
(date to be determined)

**Admission Open House**  
April 15, 2011

**Kiski Reception**  
**Cleveland**  
May 5, 2011

**Reunion Weekend**  
June 4, 2011



Photos clockwise from top left, l. to r.:

### New York City Reception

Robert S. Brinker '49, Bryant Mason '62, and Steven T. Szilagyi '88

Christopher Brueningsen and Robert Evans '64

Michael C. Martin '92 and Craig Spitzer '83

Louie Kim '84 and William J. Porter Jr. '97

### Pittsburgh Reception

James P. Moore '71 and Joseph W. Handrahan '65

Beth Etter, Kiski current parent; David Conrad '85, and Stephen J. Brotschul, III

Steven T. Szilagyi '88 and Stephen Friedberg '74

W. Duff McCrady '61 and Russell C. Swank III '67

David K. Harouse '82 and his wife Suzy; Karen Harouse-Bell and Carmen J. Bell, past Kiski parents

T. Robert Boulware '82 and Chris Cindric '84

Michael Yukevich Jr. '60, Karen Yukevich, and Lex Tsaggaris, past Kiski parent

Christopher Spahn, Russell C. Swank III '67, and Joseph Ross