

GOLDEN BEAR NEWS

Week Ending Friday, December 12, 2014

Campus News

On Nov. 21, Brandon Stack, a senior in the Dept. of Computer Science & Information Technology, presented a poster and demonstration of his research into "Synchronized Spatial Graphics and Sound in a Planetarium" at the 2nd Annual PASSHE Undergraduate Research Conference in Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics at Slippery Rock University. The research involves designing and using custom graphical and audio software to have music or sound effects follow a graphical object around a planetarium dome via the projector and Surround Sound speaker system of Grim Planetarium. *Photo: Brandon prepares his demonstration with his project adviser, Dr. Dale Parson.*



KU's Women's Center hosted Don't Throw That Out, allowing students, faculty and staff to donate their unwanted items throughout the week. The center collected food, household and paper goods, linens, art supplies, toys, toiletries, feminine products, baby supplies and new and used clothing for local agencies Friend Inc., Berks Women In Crisis, Hope Rescue Mission and others. For more information, contact Grace Hill, Women's Center director, at hill@kutztown.edu or 610.683.4655.

Dr. Todd Underwood, professor of biology, was recently awarded a Chambliss Faculty Research Award. Dr. Underwood has exhibited an extraordinary commitment to research in ornithology, establishing an impressive record of publication and professional presentations in his discipline. Underwood recently received national recognition through his selection as an elective member by the American Ornithologists' Union (AOU), the premiere professional society for avian biologists.

Kutztown University's Entrepreneurial Leadership Center (ELC) hosted the final round of judging for the 4th Annual Business Idea Competition on Thursday, Nov. 20. Entries were judged in the preliminary round and four finalist teams were selected. These teams presented their business ideas to a panel of local judges. Matt Minich, from the College



of Business, took first place with his idea for “ExerSwing,” a golf related piece of equipment that will help improve your game on a fitness level. Calvin Heyward, “Kutztown University Taxi Service” and the team “Exercise to the Max” Dakota Hirst, Sean Kotyuk, and Tyrell Bradshaw tied for second.

A lecture by associate professor John Riley will air on C-SPAN3’s American History TV (AHTV) this Saturday, Dec. 13, at 8:00 pm ET. (In Kutztown, PA C-SPAN3 is available on channel 105.) In this class, Professor Riley talks about American involvement in late 20th century international crises such as the Rwandan genocide and conflicts in Somalia. He specifically looks at moments of U.S. intervention in Africa, and explains how missions changed over the course of involvement, ranging from peace keeping, to military action, to nation building. Each Saturday at 8:00 pm, a different college lecture is featured as part of the channel’s “Lectures in History” series. Professor Riley’s class will be available for online viewing in its entirety immediately after it airs at <http://www.c-span.org/History/>.

And the winner of the 4th Annual KU Foundation & Alumni Relations Chili Cook-Off is...“Mayan Mamma Vegetarian Offering to the God of Chili.” Congratulations to Phil Irwin for his winning submission. If you would like the winning chili recipe, feel free to stop by the KU Foundation & Alumni Relations office. Join us again in Dec. 2015 as Phil tries to defend his title with his winning recipe. Thanks to everyone who stopped by and tried a variety of chilies and cast their votes.

Need a gift idea for a family member, that stellar student, a coffee lover, someone who loves shopping downtown Kutztown and supporting small businesses? A Paw Pass loaded with Bear Bucks makes a WONDERFUL gift idea! The holidays are right around the corner: Stop in the KU Card Office, room 107 of the Academic Forum, or [download an order form from our website](#) to purchase yours now. Available in any amount!

Golden Bear Athletics

Saturday, Dec. 13 – Men’s Basketball vs. Goldey-Beacom – 7:00 pm (Keystone Arena)

Congratulations to KU women’s rugby who finished third in the American College Rugby Association DII Championships over the weekend. The ladies had a tough loss to Notre Dame College, who ended up winning the championship, on Saturday. The Golden Bears rebounded to beat Bowdoin on Sunday in the consolation round.

KU men’s rugby has once again been selected to participate in the Collegiate Rugby Championships to be held May 30-31, 2015 in Philadelphia. The list of schools invited include rugby powerhouses Cal, UCLA, University of Arizona, the University of Michigan, PSU, Dartmouth, Virginia Tech, Notre Dame, and Life University of Georgia.

Kutztown University Foundation & Alumni Relations Events

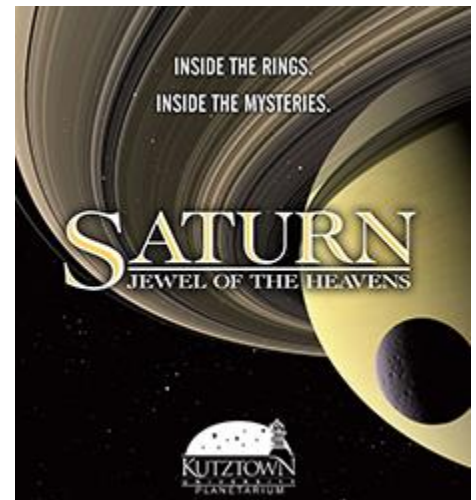
Harrisburg Happy Hour – On Friday, Jan. 23, 2015, please join KU Foundation & Alumni Relations for a Happy Hour in Harrisburg! The event will take place at the Lancaster Brewing Company, 469 Eisenhower Boulevard, Harrisburg, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Gather with other alumni from the greater Harrisburg area and take this chance to network while enjoying a night out. Appetizers and first drink are complimentary. [Register here!](#) For more information, please phone 610.683.4110 or email info@kutztownufoundation.org.



Lehigh Valley Phantoms Game – On Sunday, March 29, 2015, the Lehigh Valley Phantoms take on the Manchester Monarchs at the PPL Center in Allentown. The puck drops at 3:05 pm. At 1:00 pm, enjoy their famous crabfries from Chickie's and Pete's prior to the game and mingling with other KU alumni. The cost for this event is \$18.66 prior to March 20. After that date, tickets will be \$25. Note that kids 3 and under are free if they are able to sit on their parent's lap. Tickets after March 20 are \$25 each. [Register here.](#)



Planetarium Night – On Friday, Jan. 30, 2015, the KU Foundation & Alumni Relations Family Series welcomes you to warm up inside while viewing the winter sky. Beginning at 6:00 pm in the lobby of the Grimm Science Building, mingle with other alumni and their families as well as KU faculty and staff while enjoying complimentary hot chocolate and donuts. Doors to the planetarium will open at 6:30 pm, when Dr. Phill Reed will guide guests through a viewing of the night sky over Kutztown, followed by the premier showing of *Saturn, Jewel of the Heavens*. If weather permits, guests are welcome to head up to the observatory to view Jupiter. While this event is complimentary, registrations are required. To register for this event, [click here](#) or call the KU Foundation & Alumni Relations office at 610.683.4110.



Kutztown State Teachers College Class of 1965 is welcomed back to campus to celebrate their 50th class reunion, being held Friday, May 8 – Saturday, May 9, 2015. This will be a special time to catch up with old friends, revisit lots of memories and see the changes to the beautiful KU campus. We really hope you can make it. You are welcome to participate in all events, or pick just one, but we would love to see you return. Please register here.



Alumni News



(left) Congratulations to Leanne Bozym '05 and Charles Reynolds, Jr. on their recent marriage. The two were married on Dec. 7 in Olyphant, PA and took a wedding trip to Antigua. Leanne earned her bachelor's degree in psychology from KU. The happy couple resides in Milford.

(right) Donald Everhart '72 sculpted the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Congressional Gold Medal (obverse side), which was awarded collectively to World War II members during a ceremony. The medal recognizes the organization for their humanitarian, combat and national services during a critical time of our nation. For more information, [please click here](#).



Congratulations to all winter graduates of 2014!



