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New Era, New President
Our Next Chapter Begins

INSIDE SPECIAL 150TH ANNIVERSARY SECTION

This year we prepare to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Centenary's founding. The little institution built in a Hackettstown cornfield has evolved from a coed preparatory academy to an all-women's college, and now, to a coed University recognized for its innovative academic programs.

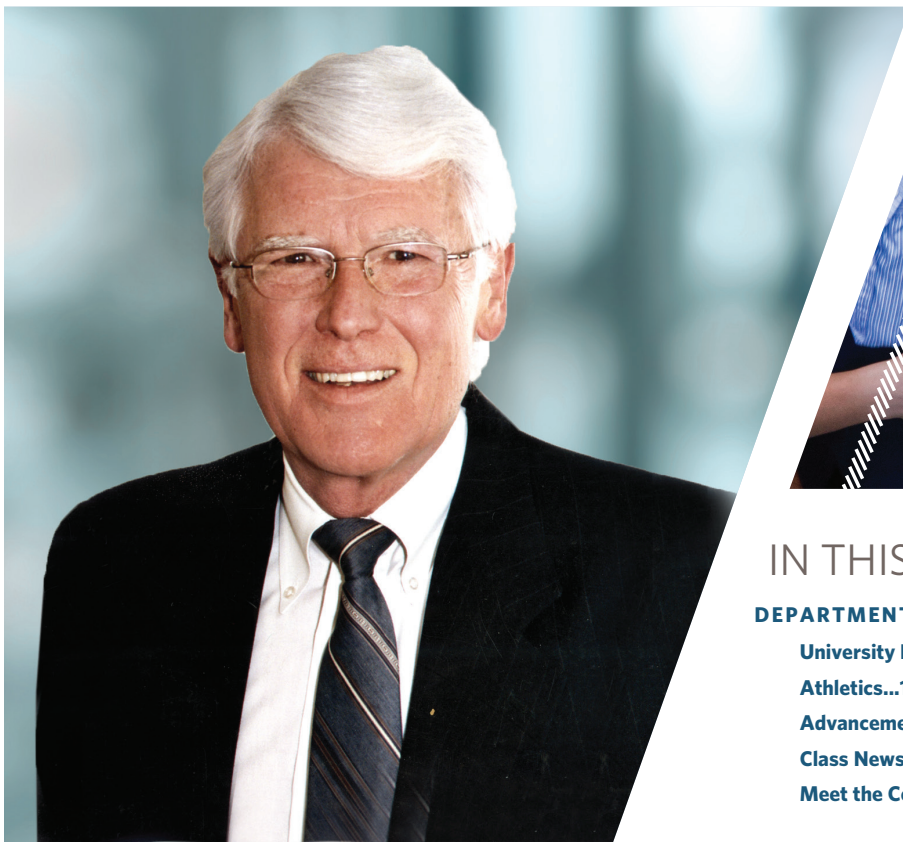
As alumni, our memories of Centenary have been shaped by the traditions that have enriched campus life across the decades. For some, those memories include intimate teas in the President's House and choral events in New York. Equine studies majors fondly recall their time in the stables and competing in equestrian events, while graduates of the School for Professional Studies look back on the evening classes that helped to propel their careers.

Whether you wore a white jacket to class, sported a riding habit or arrived to campus after work in a business suit, this is your University. Alumni of all eras have contributed to the special history that defines Centenary today.

This academic year we honor our past, but it's also an opportune time to set our sights on the future. With University status and a new president, a new era has dawned at Centenary. In this issue, we explore the traditions that paved the way for today's Centenary, as well as what it means to be a University. Our president, David P. Haney, Ph.D., also shares his plans for Centenary.

As we look forward to Centenary's next 150 years, I invite you to renew your acquaintance with the University by attending one or more of the many events planned to celebrate this milestone. We represent many different times in this institution's history, but together, we are Centenary.

Wolfgang Gstatenbauer '84/13 HA



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Excitement infused the campus as Centenary opened the fall semester for the first time as a University. The Class of 2020 arrived in Hackettstown as the first freshmen who will complete four years of study at the new Centenary University.

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A New Era

David P. Haney, Ph.D., takes the helm as Centenary University's 13th president.





Game Changer: Centenary offers first doctorate

Until now, school administrators from northwest New Jersey looking to earn a doctorate in their field had to commute to classes offered on the other side of the state. Centenary's newest degree program changes all of that.

By offering a local alternative, the doctorate in educational leadership at Centenary eliminates the need for local school leaders to travel to advance their careers. The terminal degree also completes Centenary's transition from college to university.

Centenary's doctorate, which qualifies graduates for the New Jersey School Administrator Certificate required to become a school superintendent, blends online and traditional classroom components to increase convenience for busy professionals. Administrators in the area already look to Centenary for networking, certification and professional development. However, they also felt the void of a local doctoral program. Educators were forced to select an online program or travel outside the area, essentially aligning themselves professionally with other institutions. The new program helps address the critical shortage of school superintendents in New Jersey.

Timothy Frederiks, Ed.D., chair of the Education Department, began researching the degree in 2013. Centenary's master's level programs had doubled in size, and the faculty included many professors with experience as school administrators. Centenary was clearly ready to grow.

The faculty at Centenary—all of whom are practicing or recently practicing educators—kept the changing landscape of K-12 education in mind as they designed the coursework. Graduates will be prepared to meet the demands of decreased funding, increased regulation and changing assessment standards. They will also develop a network of local mentors and peers to support their career growth and professional development.

"I am most excited about establishing Centenary as the regional hub for educational leadership."

Legal Trendsetters

When Centenary professors identify an employment trend, they react quickly to meet the emerging market needs and interests.

Assistant Professors Robert Verry and John Bermingham, with Jeffrey Carter, Ph.D., chair of the Social Sciences Department, created Centenary's new associate's degree and minor in paralegal and legal assistant studies in response to such a trend. The first courses are being offered this fall.

"There is a tremendous need between now and 2020 for paralegals," Verry said. "The profession is growing by leaps and bounds."

"The advantages to Centenary students are so desirable," he added. "A student can get a degree, take on a role as a paralegal and instantaneously earn a decent salary."

Bermingham, a practicing attorney, knows how important legal assistants are. "A paralegal is the backbone of the legal system,"

he said. "No attorney can provide effective representation of a client without a good paralegal."

Verry, who has worked as a paralegal, knows firsthand how valuable the degree can be. He obtained his paralegal training while working as a full-time police officer.

"Having a background in paralegal studies is an amazing advantage when you graduate," he said.

Employers appreciate how helpful it is to have an employee who can easily understand and work with legal documents.

Outside of work, navigating contracts, like those for the purchase of a car or a home, is much easier with training as a legal assistant, Verry added.

It's also a great starting point for potential lawyers.

"The degree is for anyone who is interested in pursuing a legal profession," said Bermingham, who started his career as a paralegal.



Assistant Professor John Bermingham

Catching up *With...*



Christopher Mendez '16 When Christopher Mendez '16 graduated from Centenary in May with a bachelor's in communications, he had more than a degree to show for his efforts. Mendez had a job waiting for him as a freelance video editor at news giant CNBC. The opportunity was the direct result of an internship at the network that Mendez completed as a student. He credits Centenary's Career Development Center with helping him create a resume and cover letter and apply for the internship. Now Mendez uses the skills he learned in courses like digital filmmaking, television production and photojournalism to cut and edit elements for live broadcasts at CNBC. "Centenary has taught me to network and build relationships to benefit my career path."



Marisa Galfo '16 Clinical internships are designed to test academic knowledge in real-life settings. For Marisa Galfo '16, the real-life setting included some very specific challenges. She was assigned to a complex team of teachers and therapists serving preschoolers with disabilities.

Despite the challenging classroom environment, Galfo received the highest honor available to the state's student teachers—the New Jersey State Clinical Intern Award. The courses she took at Centenary prepared her to thrive as an intern while looking forward to the next step in her career.

"Choosing Centenary was the best decision," said Galfo, who is a full-time teacher at the school where she did her internship. "I feel excited to get my own classroom."



Mary Riley '16 was Centenary's first winner at the Independent College Fund of New Jersey's Undergraduate Research Symposium. Of 40 papers, Riley's work about addiction was one of five to win. Riley also represented Centenary at the organization's annual dinner.

Riley learned research methods at Centenary, and she presented at other symposiums during her junior year. She credits Jeremy Houska, Ph.D., director of institutional research and assessment, with helping her to hone the skill.

"He didn't just send us out into graduate school without knowing how to tell people what we know," Riley said.

Research experiences at Centenary helped shape Riley's career path. This fall, she has begun a research-focused master's program in public health with a focus on health education and behavioral science and epidemiology at Rutgers University.

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Three key ways to consider student debt in N.J., an op-ed by Centenary President David P. Haney, Ph.D. @PresidentHaney



Our history has gone digital. Check out the Centenary history blog at <https://tmlarchives.wordpress.com>



Phillip Williamson '16 and his horse, Ed, jump their hearts out. #centenaryequine



Welcome Class of 2020! Freshmen move in.

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Then and Now at

Respect for tradition has been the common thread that joins Centenary students across generations. Here, we take a look at the traditions that have helped to shape the University.

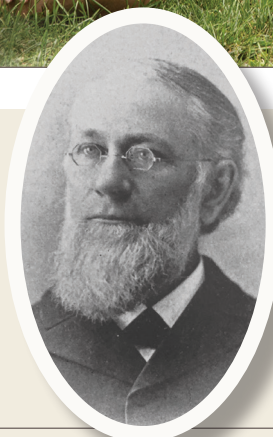


CENTENARY TIMELINE



1867

Seeking to establish an "academic institution that shall be an honor to the church and a blessing to future generations," Centenary Collegiate Institute (C.C.I.) is founded by the Newark Conference of the United Methodist Church in Hackettstown, N.J. Ten prominent citizens of the town donated \$10,000 and 10 acres of land to build the Institute.



September 1874

Thousands attend the opening of the Institute and the official inauguration of Rev. George H. Whitney, the first president of Centenary. Another milestone is celebrated when more than 100 students are welcomed to the first academic year of classes.

Centenary University

Tradition runs deep at Centenary University. Throughout its history, beloved customs have linked generations of Centenary students and alumni.

Many have changed over time. Literary societies of the 1890s evolved to #theVIBETRIBE, an online student community, and students have traded white Centenary jackets for Cyclones spirit wear. Yet these mainstays of early campus life remain enduring reminders of the deep pride students and alumni have always felt for Centenary.

At the University Archives located in Taylor Memorial Library, a treasure trove of historical documents and artifacts evoke Centenary's past. Archivist Colleen Bain and her staff have undertaken the mammoth task of cataloging the collection. Bain's efforts have revealed fascinating tales of long forgotten practices, as well as traditions that have withstood the test of time.

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The school newspaper, for instance, still publishes a satirical April Fool's Day edition, a spoof started by *Spilled Ink*, a student newspaper dating back to the 1930s. A 1952 edition cleverly co-opted the newspaper's masthead to rename the publication *Spilled Bilge*. After a long hiatus, the current student newspaper, *The Quill*, reintroduced the April Fool's edition, which remains as a student favorite.

Associate Professor of English Lisa Mastrangelo, Ph.D., calls Bain "an invaluable resource to the students." Mastrangelo's composition students tap the archivist's expertise for writing

assignments centered on University history. Pouring through photos, yearbooks, dining hall menus and scrapbooks kept by early students and administrators, the students hone research, writing and problem-solving skills such as dating photos through historical markers. Along the way, they also develop an appreciation for the traditions that have helped to shape Centenary.

The first stop on the campus history trail for many students is the murder of Tillie Smith, a domestic at what was then the Centenary Collegiate Institute, who was found strangled on campus in 1886. For years, students and staff members have reported sightings of her ghost on campus. In Reeves and Smith Halls, it's rumored by students that Tillie turns on and off electronics.

Other Centenary lore is much tamer, but no less fascinating. The annual "Salamander Celebration" symbolized the institution's rebirth and a rekindling of school spirit after the Oct. 31, 1899 fire that destroyed the original Centenary building. The event invoked the mythical qualities of the salamander, rumored to have the abilities to extinguish fire and rise from flames. On the fire's anniversary, Centenary students made speeches and burned a model of the original Centenary building. The tradition seems to have ended around 1910, when Centenary became an all-female institution.

Like present-day students, Centenarians throughout history have also built traditions and social occasions around meals. At the turn of the 20th century, evening meals were more formal than those served in today's casual student Dining Hall. Women were required to wear white gowns to dinner, and in 1907, oysters appeared on the menu regularly. Far from a quirky



Oct. 31, 1899

Fire destroys the main building of C.C.I., and amazingly, every student and faculty member escapes unharmed. Classes resume at local churches and construction of a new building begins. Centenary's signature structure, the domed Administration Building, is dedicated in 1901.



1910

In response to increasing numbers of female applicants, C.C.I. becomes an all-girls' preparatory school. Centenary remained a single sex institution until the Board of Trustees unanimously voted to return to coeducation in 1988.



Students in front of the new William H. and May D. Taylor Library

observation, the revelation that reasonably priced oysters were once available in student dining halls sparked an examination of the larger social and cultural issues that influenced menu selection in 1907.

"Oysters were a common culinary item during the period," Mastrangelo explained, "but we can also make connections to changes in ecology, over-harvesting and climate change."

Another formal event, teas in the President's House, are still fondly recalled by many Centenary alumnae. Bain noted that archival photos of women sipping tea while wearing pearls don't tell the full story of Centenary students in the mid 20th century. "We tease that these women were raised to marry well, but the reality was that they went on to do wonderful things. Many attended prestigious universities or worked as chemists during wartime."

Sometimes, Mastrangelo's students discover strong links to their own education. Equine major Kaitlyn Johnson '18 delved into the history of horses on campus, a tradition that dates to the

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1920s. Centenary's early riding courses and clubs have grown into one of the strongest and well-known University equestrian programs in the country.

"[Equine] started as part of a physical education requirement. It was one of the options students could complete," explained Johnson, who researched the history of her major using yearbooks and articles from industry publications. In addition to discovering the origins of equine at Centenary, Johnson learned facets of the curriculum that have remained constant (riding lessons have been a requirement throughout the program's history) and changed (early equestrians wore hats instead of helmets and skirts instead of breeches).

"Kaitlyn not only made discoveries about the history of the

CENTENARY TIMELINE



1948

America's post-war boom is in full swing and so is Centenary. New residence halls, Van Winkle Hall, the Taylor Memorial Library and Reeves student union building were constructed in the late-1940s and '50s during the administration of President Edward W. Seay.



August 1958

The FCC grants an FM broadcasting license to Centenary that becomes WNTI, the station that gave broadcast professionals like Carol Lackland '54 their start. WNTI, currently housed in the David and Carol Lackland Center, continues its broadcast legacy as an Internet radio station.

University, but of her own program," Mastrangelo said. "It made me realize that there is a lot you can do with the equine major," added Johnson, who is concentrating in equine business management.

Joe Frankosky '17 drew connections between his Cyclones baseball team and Centenary athletic squads of the 1890s. Long before the Cyclones, Centenary had an unofficial mascot named Togo, the athletic coach's dog. Time gave way to new dogs and different breeds—always named Togo. Frankosky was intrigued. "It's weird how you develop an emotional attachment to the subject you're researching," he said. Answers found in primary sources preserved in the University Archives sparked new questions. Searching an online archive, Frankosky discovered that Togo was the athletic mascot for a school in the Midwest years before the coach came to Centenary. On Senior Day last spring, Frankosky even recreated a photo of an early Centenary baseball team with his Cyclones teammates and his own dog, Mona.

Investigating Centenary's past not only boosted Frankosky's research skills, it furthered his understanding of the University and its place in history. "You get to see what you are researching," he said. "It gives you an appreciation for how things used to be and how they are now."

As the University prepares to celebrate its 150th anniversary, the archives staff and Mastrangelo's students have emerged as ambassadors connecting the past with the present. Courtney Butrymowicz '17 studied scrapbooks kept by Editha Trevorrow, dean of students and wife of 1917 to 1943 Centenary President Robert Trevorrow. Without the scrapbooks, much history from that era would be lost, Butrymowicz wrote in a paper. "People would not know what college was like in the 1930s and 1940s. This scrapbook truly captures her life at Centenary, and what it was like for a student to go to Centenary."

Mastrangelo agrees. "The groups in my classes definitely have a much greater awareness of the history of the campus. They feel like they have inside knowledge of Centenary, and are sharing it." 🐾



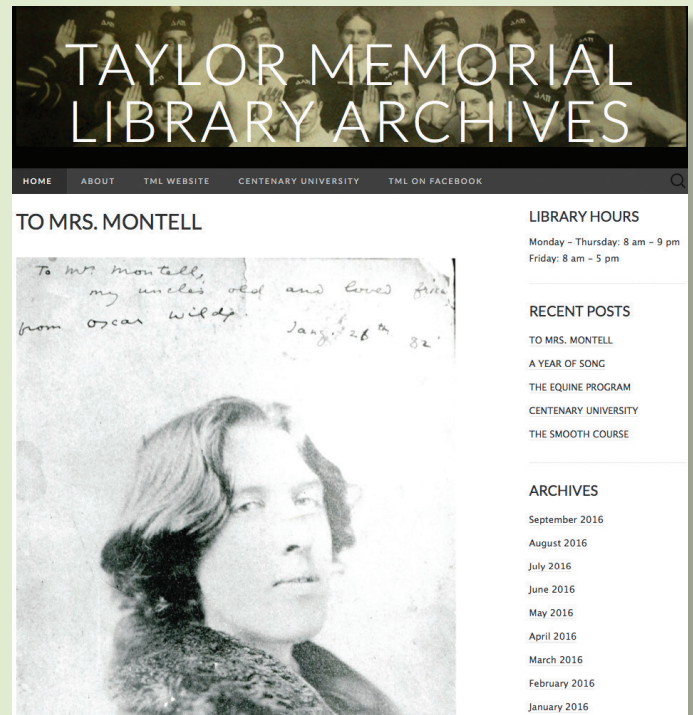
1973

Associate's degree program in equine studies is introduced. It grew into a highly regarded bachelor's degree program including equine science to prepare students for veterinary school and Centenary's nationally ranked equestrian team.



1988

Male students return to campus, making Centenary a coeducational baccalaureate degree granting institution.



History on tap with new Centenary blog

Interested in learning more about Centenary's first 150 years? Check out the University's archives blog maintained by the Taylor Memorial Library.

The library has an extensive collection of historical artifacts, including photos and documents, that chart Centenary's history, starting with its founding in 1867. To preserve our University's rich history, library staff members are taking the unprecedented step to organize and digitize the entire collection.

Every day, the archives yield new and unexpected treasures. Now, we're sharing the wealth through our history blog. Learn about Centenary's history and upcoming events, start an online conversation and share your own memories of Centenary. Go to <https://tmlarchives.wordpress.com>.


Our Next Chapter: *University* Status

It's a new era at Centenary. As we celebrate our 150th anniversary, we begin our exciting next chapter as Centenary University. If you're asking what's behind our new name, the short answer is: a lot.

In granting University status to Centenary, the New Jersey Secretary of Higher Education recognized our growing number of graduate programs, expanding research opportunities, a healthy international studies program and our four campus locations.

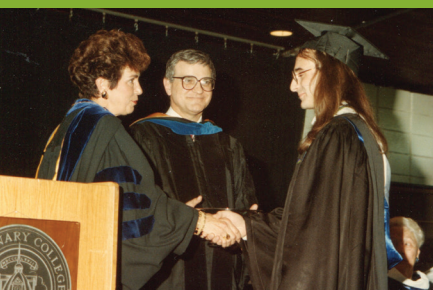
"The switch to University status is an acknowledgment of what's been going on for a long time at Centenary in terms of offering a variety of programs," said David P. Haney, Ph.D., president of Centenary University. "For Centenary, I think it was basically truth in advertising. We definitely are looking like a University."

As a University, Centenary now offers students access to an expanding number of graduate programs—including our new doctorate in educational leadership—as well as the opportunity to partner with faculty on innovative research projects.

In addition, while Centenary already attracts many international students, the University designation will make it easier to recruit additional students from overseas who want to enjoy all the benefits of attending a university in America. 



CENTENARY TIMELINE



1995

First graduate program, a Master of Arts in education, is introduced. Today, Centenary has grown to offer 15 master's degree programs.



2003

Centenary continues its transformation with the support of a historic capital campaign. The Littell Technology Center and a new residence hall are constructed. In subsequent years, Centenary will open a second student residence, Founders Hall, and renovate and expand the John M. Reeves Student Recreation Center, enhancing opportunities for Cyclone teams.



“Centenary’s University status elevates its reputation in the academic world, and its students will reap greater personal and professional benefits as a result.”

—Monte Bradford M.B.A. '16
Director, Operations Planning,
Brand Supply Leader, Hemophilia
Franchise, Pfizer

“We are proud of Centenary’s new status as a University. We look forward to new and exciting partnerships between Centenary University and Hackettstown.”

—Maria DiGiovanni
Mayor of Hackettstown

“University status is a fitting next step for Centenary, northwestern New Jersey’s higher education leader for 150 years.”

—John B. Wilson
President of the Independent
College Fund of New Jersey



2010

The David and Carol Lackland Center, named for its lead benefactors, is dedicated. Barbara-Jayne Lewthwaite, Ed.D., Centenary’s 12th president, advanced the campaign to build the performing arts facility. Under Lewthwaite’s leadership, Centenary enhanced academic programs and created an Environmental Science Center at the Charles O. Hayford Fish Hatchery.



2016

At the 141st commencement, Lewthwaite and the Board of Trustees announce that Centenary College has been granted University status by the New Jersey Secretary of Higher Education. The elevation to a University reflects Centenary’s evolution and growth into a bachelor and graduate degree-granting institution that serves as a beacon for the northwestern region of New Jersey.

Q&A

with
 University President
David P. Haney, Ph.D.

You've had a successful career in higher education at institutions across the country. What brought you to Centenary?

Centenary is such a good fit for me. It's a very practical, student-centered institution that has paid attention throughout its history to the needs of learners. Centenary has responded to the times. I was also really attracted by the community engagement focus, both institutionally and on behalf of the students. I love the idea of being a University located right in a town, and I've already talked to the mayor about ways to get students more involved in Hackettstown.

How are you and your wife, Lisa Baldwin, settling in?

When I was playing bluegrass music back in the '80s, we used to play a festival every year at Waterloo Village. So I knew about the area and didn't have the stereotypical view of New Jersey. But I really didn't know Hackettstown. My wife and I are both like

kids in a candy store here. We've lived in the country, we love the small town atmosphere, but here you can hop on a train and get to New York in 80 minutes or go to Philadelphia. I think it's a huge asset for Centenary to be so close to major cities.

How did you and Lisa get involved with bluegrass music?

I grew up in Minnesota learning stuff from records. I was a folk singer in the '70s, then got into bluegrass music and played professionally. Lisa grew up in northern Alabama, which is really the southern Appalachians. She had a really traditional musical upbringing in bluegrass and country. She's a songwriter and almost made it in Nashville in the '90s. I've told people that if things turned out differently, I'd be driving her bus instead of her being the presidential spouse. We met at Auburn University, where I had my first tenure track job, and we've played together for 25 years. We also did a CD back in the '90s.

As a newcomer to Centenary and the community, what unique experience do you bring to the table?

I think there is an outside perspective that can be useful sometimes. You can see things that insiders don't necessarily see. The other side is that you have to be very careful of that because it really does take a while to understand how all the different cogs work, so I'm not making any major structural changes yet. I have experience in a wide variety of institutions, including state university systems. The real advantage with a private university is that we have a lot more flexibility. We can tailor our programs to our students. We don't have to ask a state system to do something, so we can act more quickly.

Has the transition proceeded smoothly?

It's been absolutely wonderful in ways I never dreamed possible. Consultants tell you to make a clean break, that you should not have the two presidents at the same event. Well, Dr. Barbara-Jayne Lewthwaite and I threw that out the window. We decided the best thing for the institution would be for us to work closely together to figure out the transition. We've shown up at events together. We met some donors together. We're going to write a collaborative piece on how to do a non-traditional presidential transition. I don't know of any presidents who have had that opportunity. Barbara often says, "I won't call you, but you can call me anytime." And I do call her.

Your first major initiative will be a new strategic plan to guide Centenary's next five years. How will that process roll out?

I want the process to be inclusive, but I also want it to be results-oriented. Sometimes there's tension between building the plan on a kind of blue-sky visioning, and then finding that you can't afford to do it all. I'm looking at it as a strategic design process: when you design something, you don't just look at all the wonderful things you can do. You look at what the constraints are, and then you get teams of creative people to build around that. There's a myth out there that you strategize for a long time, and you come up with a master plan, and then you do the master plan. Well, that never happens. All of the ideas we have will be vetted by a lot of different people, but I think planning works best in small groups. So I envision a group of small separate design teams working on different aspects of the plan.

What kinds of questions will the plan address?

We'll start with high level questions. What do we need to be sustainable in the current changing landscape of higher education? How can we best serve the kinds of learners that need a college education right now?


How can we help students enter a global society? How can we become the healthiest organization possible? I'm interested in really big questions like that and then focusing on specific initiatives that will work for us within our constraints. We may come up with some exciting, creative things other people haven't thought of yet.

A strategic plan is certainly an important initiative. Do you have other priorities this year?

One is just to get to know people. I'm doing an extensive series of meetings with a lot of the legislators in New Jersey. I've been meeting with donors and trustees, and then internally I'm going around and meeting with every department on their turf. I've loved meeting our students, too.

I'm also interested in technology. We have some really cool things going on here, like the social media degree, that are very cutting edge. But we don't have everything coordinated. Technology has three major functions on a college campus: pedagogy, business practices and the student experience. I'd like to see us be integrated on all three fronts. We're not quite there yet.

What do you think Centenary's founders would think about the University today?

The Newark Conference of the United Methodist Church, who set up this institution, were very forward-thinking people. Methodists at the time were really looking at how a college education was needed, especially in rural areas, so I think they'd be saying, "We were right." Today, you can't walk out of high school into a factory job and have a career. So that's another thing I'd like to eventually work on, recruiting those students who need to go to college who don't know they need to go to college. I think generally Centenary's founders would be proud that we're still thinking hard about educating students. I don't think we've strayed from the mission in that sense. Students have changed, but we've changed with them. 

Fast Facts

1. MANAGEMENT STYLE:

MBWA—Management by walking around.

2. SPORTS FAN:

I love Division III sports. I was a high school wrestler.

3. COLUMNIST: *The Star Ledger* recently published my op-ed, "3 key ways to consider student debt in N.J."

4. BLUEGRASS MUSICIAN:

My wife, Lisa Baldwin, and I are bluegrass musicians. A list of our performances and link to our CD are on Baldwinhaney.com.

Good Sports, Great Employees



Abi Lawal '16

manager with the Portland Trailblazers. "At other schools, you don't really get to do internships. Centenary is close to so many teams, and is so well connected."



David Perricone, assistant professor of sports management at Centenary, said the program provides practical experience beginning freshman year. In addition to area teams, students work at major events such as the New York City Marathon and the recent COPA soccer tournament. "Each freshman is given a mentor in the sports industry. By the time they're seniors, they're shadowing someone in the field."

Last summer at the COPA tournament, David Vanartsdalen '19 handled a range of responsibilities, from hospitality services for premium ticket holders to closing ceremonies, while Carolyn Clites '18, who minors in social media marketing, created a social media campaign geared to younger fans for the New Jersey Jackals baseball team.



In Portland, Lawal has already made his mark with the Trailblazers, winning sales recognition from the organization for most revenue generated and best overall sales effort. "It's all about who you know, who knows you and what's on your resume."



When **Abi Lawal '16** applied for full-time jobs last spring, the sports management major submitted resumes to all 50 professional teams represented at a conference he attended in Cleveland. Every team invited him to interview.

The secret to his success: a three-page resume filled with internships at teams including the New Jersey Jets, New Jersey Devils, New York Red Bulls, Brooklyn Nets and New York Islanders.

"If you're looking to go into sports management, Centenary is the place to go," said Lawal, who is now an account



Ashley Eisenstein '18 (left) and Joey DeBiasse '16 (right)

All-Star Cyclones

A pair of Cyclones have made their mark beyond the home turf, gaining berths on two all-star teams. Ashley Eisenstein '18 was a first-team pick to the Jewish Sports Review Softball All-American Team, while lacrosse veteran **Joey DeBiasse '16** made the south roster for the 75th annual USILA/Nike Division III North-South All-Star Game.

Eisenstein was a standout at second base for the Cyclones last season. She also earned recognition in the classroom, making the Colonial States Athletic Conference All-Academic Team and the Centenary Athletic Director's Honor Roll for the fall and spring semesters.

DeBiasse is the first Cyclone selected for the north-south game since 2005. He led Centenary last season with 33 goals and 43 points, and was named to the All-CSAC second team.

In addition, the men's baseball team had five players named to the All-CSAC Team. Trey Hinkle '19 earned Rookie of the Year and All-CSAC Second Team honors, while Nick Daniele '17 made the first team and **Nick Koffel '16**, Ryan St. John '17 and Kevin Sensale '18 were honorable mention picks. In addition, **Jimmy Kraivec '16** was named to the CSAC's All-Sportsmanship Team.



Trey Hinkle '19

Centenary Inks Deal with Under Armour

Cyclones fans can strut their stuff in new team-specific fan gear, thanks to a deal inked last summer with Under Armour. The major sports apparel firm is now the official outfitter of Centenary Athletics, sponsoring all 13 Cyclone teams with gear and equipment.

"With the recent announcement of our institution moving to University status, I felt that it was the perfect time to grow and promote our athletic programs by signing this sponsorship deal with Under Armour," said Centenary Athletic Director Keith O'Connor.



Cyclone Smarts

Centenary student-athletes are in the winners' circle academically. For proof, just look to the baseball team, which took home a Colonial States Athletic Conference Team Academic Award last spring for their performance in the classroom. The award recognizes the CSAC team in each sport with the highest combined GPA.

The Cyclones posted a conference-best 3.206 grade point average and had 14 players named to the CSAC All-Academic Team.



Fan Favorite: Councilman Scott Sheldon

Hackettstown's Scott Sheldon is Cyclone proud. The avid wrestling fan turns out for most Cyclone matches, along with a host of his family members and neighbors. The draw: a great wrestling program and its coach, John Garriques. A Hackettstown councilman, Sheldon coached Garriques from age 5, following the career of the hometown talent through his days as a club, high school and college wrestler. Today, Garriques ensures that his wrestlers maintain strong ties to the community that supports them. Sheldon is impressed that when it snows, Centenary's wrestlers pitch in to shovel out the University's neighbors and Main Street businesses.

Wrestling is a hot sport in Hackettstown, with hundreds of fans attending some Centenary matches. That doesn't surprise Sheldon. "Everybody knows Johnny, but they also know a good program when they see it. He's got a good team, they're in a good conference and all of the matches are competitive."

Inset, from left, Assistant Coach Zac Huxford, All-American wrestler Josh Sibbles '17, Councilman Scott Sheldon and Head Coach John Garriques.

New University, New Website: Centenary Unveils New Website

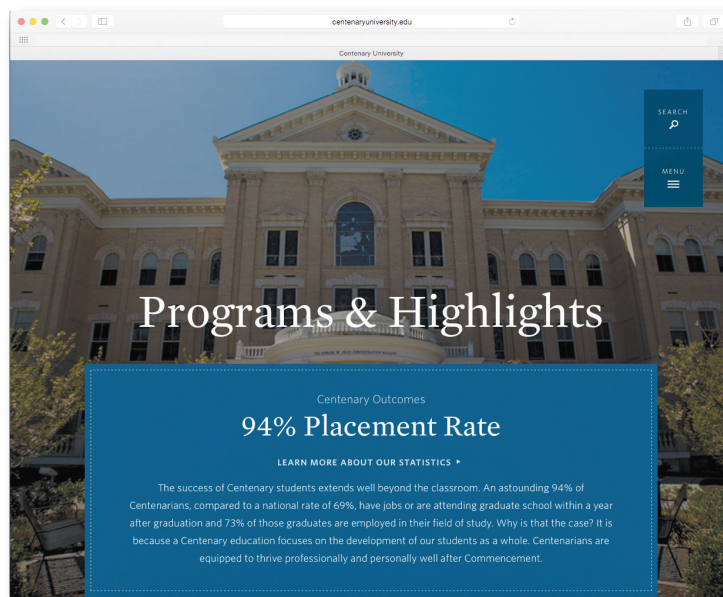
Centenary recently unveiled a new website that reflects its new brand identity as a University. The site communicates the many benefits of a Centenary education while reflecting the beauty and the history of the institution.

Key features include a simplified menu, more powerful search function and a great design that is easy for users to navigate and explore, whether they are using a desktop computer, tablet or mobile device. In addition, the site itself mimics the navigation that is

used for a mobile product.

The site was already two months into development when the University announced its new status at commencement last spring. "A project of this size is a massive undertaking and usually would take 14 to 16 months to complete," said John Meagle, chief marketing officer. "We were able to produce it in just five months."

A centerpiece of the site is a drone video of the campus on the homepage. The site also includes videos of faculty



and students, as well as lots of photos. Centenary's new website was created entirely

in house by the University's marketing staff. Check it out at centenaryuniversity.edu.

Challenge accepted: \$1 million for first endowed professorship

This fall, Centenary established its first endowed professorship, thanks to a successful effort to raise \$1 million to fund the chair.

As part of the University's *Honor Our Past, Invest in Our*

Future campaign, The Reeves Foundation issued a challenge: when the Centenary community raised two-thirds toward the goal, the foundation would provide the remaining third.

The University community

responded quickly, achieving its goal in less than a year. Members of the Board of Trustees and the President's Advisory Council provided leadership gifts inspiring others to support the effort.

"We're thrilled that there was so much excitement and support for this," said John Carno, vice president for university advancement. "What it does for the University is phenomenal in terms of recruiting and retaining talented students and faculty members."

The Reeves Foundation Endowed Professorship for Environmental Science recognizes Centenary's prominence in science education and provides the opportunity

for students to work with the field's most talented scholars. The first Reeves professor, Lauren Bergery, Ph.D., chairs the Department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences. A recipient of the University's Distinguished Teaching Award, Bergery teaches courses in marine biology, environmental science, field ecology and animal behavior.

Previous challenges from the Summit, N.J.-based Reeves Foundation have helped to fund construction of a new turf field, the Equestrian Center and the David and Carol Lackland Center, as well as renovations to the Edward W. Seay Administration Building and Reeves Hall.



Rear left, Jacob Mattingly '14, Ed Reeves, R.J. Swingle, D.C. '10, Lauren Bergery, Ph.D., and President David Haney, Ph.D. Front, Amy Miller '18, left, and Dana Loyal '18



A HOUSE FIT FOR A PRESIDENT



Lisa Baldwin

For Lisa Baldwin, the President's House is much more than the campus home she will share with her husband, Centenary President David P. Haney, Ph.D. It's a chance to recreate a history cherished by so many alumni.

The beloved structure was lost to a fire in early 2015, leaving many alumni heartbroken and the campus devoid of a place to house its president. For almost two years, a hole in the ground was all that remained of the beautiful Victorian.

As a project gets underway to rebuild the President's

House, Princeton architect Jeremiah Ford is replicating the facade and many of the interior features. While the inside will evoke the early days of Centenary, it will be configured with more open space and the latest technology to host University events, holiday parties and community meetings.

Haney emphasized that insurance funds will be used to reconstruct the building.

Baldwin has pored over photos of the original President's House and reached out to alumni and others who remember the building in its

heyday. "This is very important to people," she said. "I want us to replicate the original building as much as possible."

In addition to tapping memories, Baldwin reached out to collect items that may have been displayed in the building during Centenary's history. She also plans to visit antiques shops to furnish the downstairs with period pieces.

Upstairs, Centenary's first family will have a private apartment—complete with a family dog they plan to adopt from a shelter—on the second floor, while the third floor will feature guest quarters.

As construction proceeds, the University will host hard hat tours to engage community members with the new facility.

The University will sponsor events for the Centenary and Hackettstown communities when the building is completed sometime in 2017.

"We want people to use this house," explained Baldwin, a second grade teacher at Hackettstown's Hatchery Hill Elementary School. "It's the University's house, not the president's house. We feel very strongly that it belongs to the University and the community."

Leaders of the PAC

President David P. Haney, Ph.D., has some pretty powerful allies as Centenary enters a new era: the 32 members of the President's Advisory Council. With Centenary poised to celebrate its sesquicentennial, embark on its first strategic plan as a University and reconstruct the President's House, PAC members have the unique

opportunity to help Haney shape the University for years to come.

"I'm looking forward to working with members of the President's Advisory Council, and other volunteers, to advance the mission of Centenary," Haney said. "They will be a terrific resource to introduce my wife, Lisa Baldwin, and me to the community."

Established in 1994 as the President's Circle, the council provides a rich pool of talent the University can tap to advance key initiatives with Centenary alumni and friends, as well as the local community. While its members are currently all alumni, that has not always been the case.

Through the years, PAC mem-

bers have also been involved with alumni engagement, student life initiatives, fundraising and other University priorities. "So many important initiatives are moving forward this year," Haney added. "I will be relying on these important Centenary supporters to help guide our way as we proceed as a University."

2016 Family and Alumni Weekend

FIRST REUNION AS A UNIVERSITY





It was a great day to be a Cyclone at Family and Alumni Weekend in September. This year's celebration marked the first time many alumni visited the campus of the new Centenary University. Alumni checked out #theVIBE, barbecued, enjoyed music and cheered on their favorite Cyclone teams. The Class of 1966 and the Legacy Society were also feted at a special reunion dinner, while alumni gathered on Sunday morning for a champagne brunch.



A Rock-Solid Education

After being out of college for some 20 years, **Arnold Connolly '15** was uneasy about returning to earn his M.B.A. But shortly after starting his studies at Centenary's School of Professional Studies, the 43-year-old professional knew he had made the right choice.

"They really seemed to truly care about their students," said Connolly, area manager of aggregates for Tilcon New Jersey, which operates quarries and asphalt plants. "The educators had real-life experience; they were all professionals either in the industry or retired from the industry. That was a big deal for me."

Aside from location and the flexibility of incorporating online courses, Connolly was drawn to the program because its professors had all been in the workforce.

Connolly's first course at Centenary, a leadership class, emphasized the need for people to dream big. Although Connolly said that is something he has always done, the class

reaffirmed his philosophy. "A lot of people don't take time to dream. Why put limits on your dreams? I use that today."

"A lot of people don't take time to dream. Why put limits on your dreams?"

Connolly was raised in Kentucky and faced the loss of his father at 6 years old and his

stepfather as a teenager, but forged ahead to become the first in his family to earn his baccalaureate degree. At the University of Kentucky, he earned a Bachelor of Science in mining and mineral engineering and soon began working in the coal industry.

"I like being outside, dealing with numbers and dealing with people, getting dirty," he said. "I would go there and watch big trucks loading and thought, 'I could do that.' So I thought it was a good fit for me."

After moving around the country working in different capacities in Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama, and rising in his field, Connolly finally settled in Warren County, N.J., where he lives with his wife and two teenage daughters.

At Tilcon, he is responsible for managing four quarries. The company works with granite and limestone in the manufacturing of stone products.

"New Jersey has a unique geology in terms of being a small state," Connolly said.

Today, Connolly manages a staff of 135 and makes sure to remind them never to abandon their dreams. "I ask them, 'What are your goals? I want to know and I want to help you get there. That class taught me that.'"

In his spare time, he writes and plays music, and even started a band that plays country, rock and gospel music.

Connolly strongly feels that people should not limit themselves by their circumstances. "It doesn't matter what happened to your dad, to your mom. That's no reason. Keep knocking on doors and they'll open. From where I come from, I shouldn't be where I am today."



Let us know what's new!

Send us your news and keep up to date with classmates. Class News and Notes are edited to reflect Centenary's guidelines. They can be found in their entirety on the alumni website and are also distributed to each individual within a class year that submits notes.

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1945

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Barbara Wheatley Murray writes: She had a "grand conversation" with Betty Swenson Bahr and has also spoken with Clara "Chic" Corell Bolger and Mary Ann Davis Gold.

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Florence Austerlough Larson writes: **Ann Morris Hogg** went to California in May for the graduation of her fourth grandchild from the graduate school of Cal Arts. She will be going to another grandson's MBA graduation in September. **Margaret Pfeiffer McCann** has been married for 66 years and lives in Akron, Ohio. She has been back to Centenary twice, in 1993 and 2003. She found her old room in South Hall. **Carol Brown Robinson** says "Hi to classmates" and her daughter is a fourth grade teacher. **Debbie Ettinger Moss's** husband will be celebrating his 90th birthday in November. **Audrey Henn Nawoschik** has nine great-grandchildren and is expecting her 10th soon.

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Position Open
Gail Stitzer Burgess writes: **Sue Remington Moritz** visited Don and I in The Villages, Fla. in February. During Sue's visit the prior year, **Helen Geyser Funnell** and Neil were our 'surprise' guests.

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Judy Waters Prochko, Brenda Bailey Carter, Suzie Wyatt Maurer, Jean Ball Maurer at Jean's home in Bradenton, Fla.

1961

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Joyce Fierro Velzy writes: **Ann Watson Mangels** retired as a realtor at the end of 2015. **Susie Pederson Lamberti** enjoyed a mini-reunion with classmates at **Nancy "Giz" Loewinger's** home in Cape Cod the week after Labor Day. **Bobbi Bidwell Gallagher** will be coming from San Diego, **Gail Scagliarini Prince** from Maine, **Ann Pascal Marquardt** from Long Island and me from Staten Island. Susie said that we all feel truly blessed to share our close and lasting bond of friendship, begun 59 years ago in a 'Big Six' in South Hall.

Jan "Mouse" Mittell Kinasevich writes: I saw **Ann Barr Nohl**, who was up from Sarasota, where she and Dick live permanently. I have connected with **Nancy Biddlecomb Crowley** and we'll have our first visit in 50 years this fall. I talk to **Mary McDonough Mauerer** every few months. Still working in the real estate business in Cambridge.

Nancy Heimert Zabka writes: Stan and I just celebrated our 52nd anniversary. Recently, former roommate, **Missy Keely Bell** and her husband, Jim, stopped for a quick visit.



Nancy Heimert Zabka and Missy Keely Bell

Bob and I had lunch with **Jan Foster Underhill** and her husband, Peter, during their visit to Florida in April. In June, Bob and I celebrated an amazing event, our 50th wedding anniversary! We celebrated the occasion at a party with friends in Florida and at a special dinner with our sons and families when we were in New York.

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CLASS OF '66 REUNION



Serena Smith, Class of 1966

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Linda Klebe Larsen writes: Class of Centenary University 2037, was born to Jonathan and Kristin Larsen on Jan. 1, 2016. Magdalena is the granddaughter of David and **Linda Klebe Larsen**.



Kristin, Magdalena, David, Linda, and Jonathan

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Champion for Recovery

Addiction recovery advocacy work doesn't appear on the course list at Centenary, but one recent graduate is blazing a trail through the Northeast to help others beat their substance use disorders and lead productive lives.

Melissa O'Mara '14 was chosen in April as Massachusetts' first State Without StigMA champion. Governor Charlie Baker and state Secretary of Health and Human Services Marylou Sudders presented the award to O'Mara for advocacy work on behalf of people working to conquer addiction. Recovery is desperately needed: drug overdoses kill at least three people each day in New Jersey and four in Massachusetts.

O'Mara's own recovery from heroin addiction began while she was enrolled at Centenary. She credits the school's faculty and staff for their support as she worked to stay sober. "They are really good at what they do in the counseling center," she said.

During her senior year at Centenary, O'Mara began the Addiction Recovery Project, a 10-week series of speakers who addressed the University and surrounding community.

When she left Centenary to attend New England Law | Boston, O'Mara maintained her commitment to creating recovery programs. She continues to advocate for recovery in New Jersey, and she recently

O'Mara credits Centenary's faculty and staff for their support as she recovered from her own heroin addiction.

organized 2500 people to travel from Rhode Island and Massachusetts for the UNITE to Face Addiction rally in Washington, DC.

Modeling success for others who leave their drug and alcohol addictions behind, O'Mara is also making strides in her legal career. She was a summer associate at Wyndham Worldwide in New Jersey. When she returns for her third year of law school this fall, O'Mara will serve as president of the Women's Law Caucus.

O'Mara credits Centenary as a key factor in the recognition she received in Massachusetts. "Without Centenary, I wouldn't have made those recovery community connections."



CLASS OF 1967

CENTENNIAL GRADUATES PLAN A SPECIAL REUNION

When the Class of 1967 earned their degrees from Centenary, they had the distinction of graduating during the University's centennial year. Then one of the largest classes to ever graduate, the women of the more than 300-member class have remained close through the years. Now, they are preparing to celebrate two important milestones: their 50th reunion and Centenary's 150th anniversary.

Roberta "Bobbie" Mildenerger '67, who is chairing the reunion committee, recalled that Centenary in the 1960s was a campus where "you really mattered." A graduate of Cornell University New York Hospital School of Nursing who enjoyed a successful career in nursing, she credits Centenary with retaining its personal approach to education. "It's very interesting to see how Centenary has grown over the decades and evolved. But it's very important that it still maintains that family feeling that was so important when we were there."

The Class of 1967 50th reunion is scheduled for Family and Alumni Weekend, Oct. 7, 2017.



Roberta "Bobbie" Mildenerger '67 with Centenary classmates Jane Freeman Odom '67 (left), Sally LaBeur Brandes '67 (top) and Mianna Schoenfelder Jopp '67 (bottom).



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Top left: Sandy Danks DeZellar '75/82; Top right: Cindy Seiss Rowan '75/77; Bottom left: Cindy Quaglia Apruzzese '75; Bottom right: Nancy The-Losen Freda '75

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Jennifer Brown MacKenzie writes:
Roberta Strahs-Diament's one and only daughter, Rosalyn Mai, got married in August 2016 after meeting her beau, Justin, through an online dating website. He is from Hunterdon County. Her

family is still living in Budd Lake. She would like to say hello to **Cindy Behler**. Roberta's contact information is: 128 Stedwick Dr., Budd Lake, NJ 07828; H- 973-426-0502; C- 973-796-6869

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NEW AAEB MEMBERS



Yolanda Sheffield Williams '06 holds a M.B.A. from Centenary University and an undergraduate degree from Manhattanville College. She is a professional fundraiser specializing in corporate and foundation relations. Most recently, she served as the director of major gifts for Easter Seals New Jersey—Camp Merry Heart.



Nancy Johns Paffendorf '79/81/06 is dean for community relations at Centenary. She has worked in higher education for more than 25 years, mostly at her alma mater. A recipient of the Centenary College 125 Distinguished Alumni Award, Paffendorf holds three degrees from the University: a master's in leadership and public administration, a bachelor's in individualized studies and an associate's in liberal arts. She received the Dominick V. Romano Award at the 2016 Commencement.

Monika Benicka Piatek '14 is a financial operations specialist at Mars Global Services. In addition to a bachelor's degree in accounting from Centenary, Piatek holds an associate's degree from Kingsborough Community College in Brooklyn and a bachelor's in finance and banking from the University of Business and Management from Kozminski University in Warsaw, Poland.

Mary Marion Eckel '09/11/13, holds an M.B.A. with a concentration in management, as well as bachelor's and associate's degrees in business administration, from Centenary University. She is an engineering processing specialist and provides administrative functional support for Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics.

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Anna Guzzi-Camooso '90 writes:
Last spring I reconnected with **Sheree Severini-Fittin '89** at the grand opening of her women's clothing boutique, The Fittin Room, located in Spring Lake Heights, N.J. It was great catching up with Sheree and I am looking forward to visiting her often, since we are both local to the area. I received a message from **Erica Richbell-Paradiso '90**. A small reunion of Sigma Epsilon Phi sisters occurred last July at Caesar's in Atlantic City. Erica said, "It was absolutely amazing and all had such a wonderful time." The group was able to catch up and, best of all, reminisced about the old days while spending several days together in AC. The Sigma sisters have a group on Facebook called Centenary Sigma Epsilon Phi — Goooo Sigma! — and they are looking for more sisters to join to hear about future reunion plans.



Anna Guzzi-Camooso '90 and Sheree Severini-Fittin '89



Sigma Epsilon Phi sisters: **Carla Rood-Colburn '90, Denise Calabrese '88** aka Dee, **Dyan Ashworth '91** aka Dy, **Erica Richbell-Paradiso '90, Christine Sheridan '92, Christy Post Murphy '90, Melanie Bostrom Kiely '90** aka Mel, **Pam Stritehoff Piro '89, Sheila Serocke-Linville '90, Tami Abbott Horan '96, Vicki VanDine**

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Elisa Padilla '92, senior vice president, global marketing, Brooklyn Nets & Barclays Center, was a panelist at the 2016 Game Changers Speaker Faculty Conference.

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Megan Lindsay Lopes writes: We welcomed a new baby in May. Her name is Mary Evelyn. She was born May 21 and her siblings are just tickled with her.



Mary Evelyn

2010

Position Open

On July 25, 2015 **Gregory Cerutti '10/12** and **Christine Alberto '09/12** were married at the Park Savoy Estate in Florham Park, NJ. Several of their Centenary friends joined in their celebration. The couple honeymooned in Ireland, Italy and Spain. They reside in East Rutherford.



Christine Alberto '09/12 and Gregory Cerutti '10/12 on their wedding day.

2011

Katherine "Kate" Slee Carlson passed away on Sept. 2. If you are interested in making a contribution to Kate's daughter, Addison, please contact the Alumni Office at 908-852-1400, x 2250.

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In Memoriam

Remembering Orin R. Smith '91 HA



Orin R. Smith '91 HA has left a lasting legacy at Centenary University. A former vice chairman of the Board of Trustees, Smith was a longtime donor to the University, where the Smith Building is named in his honor.

Smith, the husband of President Emerita Stephanie Bennett-Smith, Ph.D., passed away on Aug. 16.

A resident of Vero Beach, Fla., Smith was a New Jersey native who attended Brown University before earning an MBA from Seton Hall University, graduating as valedictorian of the Class of 1964.

Centenary honored him with an honorary doctorate in economics in 1991.

The naval veteran enjoyed a long career in management, first at Allied Chemical Corporation and then at J.T. Baker and M&T Chemicals, a subsidiary of American Can Company, where he served as president for two years. In 1977, Smith moved to Engelhard Corporation as a senior vice president, rising through the ranks to the positions of president and chief executive officer for a decade starting in 1984 before his election as chairman and chief executive officer. He retired from the firm in 2000.

In addition to his wife, Smith leaves two daughters, Lindsay Smith Fox and Robin Smith, a stepson, Brendan Bennett and his wife Leonie Parnell

Bennett, and four grandchildren: Caitlin and Owen Bennett, and Sidney and Adelaide Fox.

Donations in his memory can be made to the student scholarship fund at Centenary University by calling (908) 852-1400, ext. 2379 or online at alumni.centenarycollege.edu/netcommunity/givingpage.



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Corinne Pilote '10: The Muse Behind the Brand

When **Corinne Pilote '10** set out to design the logo that would launch the new Centenary University brand, she went old school—with a decidedly contemporary flair.

The logo depicts the iconic gold dome atop the Edward W. Seay Administration Building as a swoosh over the new Centenary University moniker. "Everybody knows Centenary from the gold dome. You see it from Route 46," explained Pilote, the University's art director. "We wanted to show our history with a really modern, sleek look."

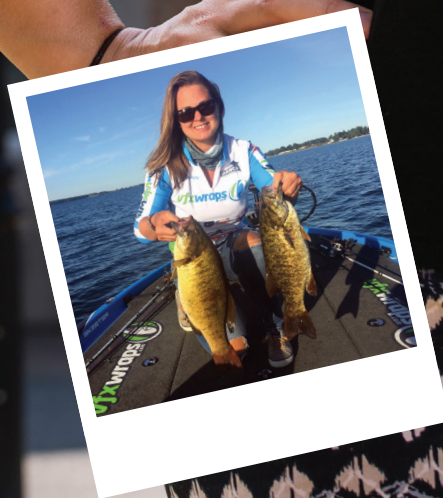
A graphic design and multimedia arts major at Centenary, Pilote was Chief Marketing Officer John Meagle's first choice to craft the logo when he learned that Centenary would receive University status. After providing some initial direction, Meagle stepped back and let Pilote create. She developed 40 designs, eventually narrowing the field to three finalists that were presented to the University's Board of Trustees.

The logo chosen by the board started out on paper with oil paints before Pilote scanned and refined it on her computer. She and Meagle worked carefully to ensure that it can be adapted to a variety of media, from websites and printed materials to signage, athletic uniforms, flags and vehicles. That process will occur over the next two years.

"I'm super proud of Corinne," Meagle said. "The logo feels strong and intellectual. It plays off Centenary's history, but with a forward and contemporary-looking style."

Pilote approached the design of Centenary's new logo with the same tenacity she pursues her favorite hobby: competitive bass fishing. Her husband, Mike, introduced her to the sport a decade ago, and now they compete as a team at tournaments in the northeast. Often, she is one of only a few women in the field.

While it may look relaxing, competitive bass fishing is anything but laid back. "It can become nerve-wracking," Pilote said. "There are a lot of factors that go into it. Catching fish is like a science. You have to consider if it's sunny or rainy, cold or hot, how deep the fish are, and a lot of other things. You really get into it."





Meet Emily Russell Director of Annual Giving

Emily Russell is the public face of the Centenary University Annual Fund.

While she joined the university advancement staff last spring, she's no stranger to Centenary. Russell shares a deep commitment to the University with her husband, Assistant Professor of Accounting Michael Russell.

"Centenary is a place where students really know their professors," Russell said. "My husband is always accessible to his students. He responds immediately to student emails or voicemails. You don't get that at a lot of institutions."

That same commitment to Centenary and its students drives Russell's work. The seasoned fundraising professional has focused her efforts on growing the Annual Fund to support exciting new initiatives as Centenary enters its second 150 years. The momentum of Centenary's University status—as well as the arrival of President David P. Haney, Ph.D., and Centenary's 150th anniversary—have generated excitement for the future.

"Alumni are so enthusiastic about the progress we're making," Russell said. "They're really excited for our students, and want to support our next 150 years."

To make a gift to the Annual Fund, or to explore options for planned giving, contact Russell at (908) 852-1400, ext. 2336, or russelle01@centenaryuniversity.edu.

About Emily

- Holds a B.A. from Douglass College at Rutgers University
- Married to Michael Russell, a Centenary assistant professor. They have a daughter, Penny, who is almost 2.
- Volunteers with New Jersey Boxer Rescue, which finds forever families for her favorite dog breed.
- Once participated in a triathlon (running, biking, swimming) to raise funds for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.





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April 7: The Annual Scholarship Gala
April 27: Academic Symposium
May 6: The Spring Festival
May 13: Commencement
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Oct. 28: A Cemetery Walk/Tillie Reading

Stay tuned for additional events to take place throughout the year, such as a 150 years of fashion show, Student Spirit Week, signature events with Athletics, SPS, AAEB and Alumni Engagement.



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