Lehigh Appreciation Dinner
Tuesday, April 29, 2014
Stabler Arena

In The Spirit Of
one lehigh
We are pleased to bring the Lehigh University community together again to celebrate another successful year and to recognize the contributions of our faculty and staff. Our theme this evening is “One Lehigh.” The commitment and energy that each of you brings to your work is what makes this a great institution. We salute you all for your dedication to Lehigh.

Tonight we will recognize award winners as well as colleagues who have reached a career milestone. We will also bid farewell to retirees and wish them much happiness and fulfillment in the next chapter of their lives.

We hope that you enjoy tonight’s festivities as we celebrate all of the great people of Lehigh University.

Alice P. Gast
President

Patrick V. Farrell
Provost
Welcome
President Alice P. Gast

25-Year Service Recognition Awards

Dinner

In Memory

University Awards 2013-14
ERAC Distinguished Service Award
Paul J. Franz Award
Deming Lewis Award
John W. and Barbara R. Woltjen Award
Robert C. and Virginia L. Williamson Award for Social Research
Carl R. and Ingeborg Beidleman Research Award
Robert and Christine Staub Faculty Excellence Award
Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation Award
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Hillman Nonexempt Staff Award
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Hillman Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Student Advising
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R.R. and E.C. Hillman Faculty Award

Retirees

Closing Remarks
President Alice P. Gast
Lehigh University recognizes

**25 Years of Service**

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**Award Recipients**

**2013 Tradition of Excellence Individual Awards**

Carol B. Bene
William A. Bettermann
Maria P. Brace
Pei Yue L. Chu
Christina N. D’Aversa
Bruce A. Eisenhard
Annalisa C. Emerick
Lee H. Graham
Joseph M. Hartner
William Hlay
Leslie Horvath
Veronica T. Jurasits
Ilena Key
Therese M. Loew
Jeanne S. Monnot
Morgan M. Nelson
Lisa K. Nemeth
Robert B. Nichols
Dolores B. Rice
Rebekah Schultz
Suxing Wu

*At the time of printing, the Spring 2014 Tradition of Excellence Awards had not yet been presented.

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**2013 Tradition of Excellence Team Awards**

**Athletics Team Award**
Justin Lafluer
Steven J. Lomangino

**ATLSS Team Award**
Robin J. Hendricks
Eugene P. Matlock

**BART Team Award**
Kimberly A. Drey
Betty J. Konczyk
Alice M. Sikorski

**CBE Graduate Programs Team Award**
Marisa L. Garra-Helffrich
Jennifer L. Giordano
Mary Sue A. Gulick
Chelsea B. Hann
Megan B. Van Voorhis

**FFPOC Audit Team Award**
Yenny D. Anderson
Joseph W. Boligitz
Lori A. Claudio
Phillip J. Clauser
William R. Dewalt
Toni Lee Febo
Heather K. Hosfeld
Ainsley E. Lamberton
Stacey L. Lange
Patricia A. Mann
Linda A. Mery
Judith A. Zavalydriga

**ISE Team Award**
Rita R. Frey
Kathy G. Rambo

**Provost Scanning Team Award**
Robin M. Bodnar
Eileen K. Gorzelic
Janele Krzywicki
Rose Anne B. Martinuzzi
Linda A. Mery
2013-14 Spot Bonus Award Recipients

Jane C. Altemose
Sandra B. Anderson
Stephen M. Anthony
  Linda F. Bell
  Carol B. Bene
Lydia N. Benjamin
Steven S. Benko
Coley B. Burke
Wilfredo Colón
Susan J. DeAngelis
Jeffrey W. Deschler
  Roy A. Gruver
  Richard C. Haas
Jill A. Hardy Todero
  Timothy E. Hinkle
  Rene Hollinger
  Heather K. Hosfeld
  Lizanne M. Hurst
Shakuntala J. Jain-Cocks
Carla L. Jenkins-McDonald
  Yatin S. Karpe
Matthew A. Kitchie
  John W. Lear
Warren J. Loller
  Aliana M. Lungu
  Julia M. Maserjian
  Lisa Masterson
  Richard B. McGarr
  Donna M. Mohr
  Patrick M. Murphy
  Morgan M. Nelson
  Michael Oblick
  Donald J. Pasda
  Jeffrey J. Paynter
  Barbra A. Plohocki
  John W. Rendle
  Dolores B. Rice
  Luis A. Rosario
  Deborah A. Ruthrauff
  Jeffrey L. Seymour
  Kent A. Smith
  Zaharo C. Staurinos
  Rachel J. Van Dyke
  John H. Wesolowski
  Timothy S. Wilkinson
  James B. Young
  Helen L. Zuercher
2014 Lehigh University Award Recipients

ERAC Distinguished Service Award
Grant A. Hittinger, Sr.

Paul J. Franz Award
Edward K. Shupp

Deming Lewis Award
Kathleen K. Olson

John W. and Barbara R. Woltjen Award
Michele L. Bennyhoff

Robert C. and Virginia L. Williamson Award for Social Research
Saladin M. Ambar

Carl R. and Ingeborg Beidleman Research Award
David Griffith

Robert and Christine Staub Faculty Excellence Award
Yung-Yu Ma

Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation Award
Frank J. Pazzaglia

Lehigh University Early Career Award for Distinguished Teaching
Holona L. Ochs
Mark A. Snyder

Perry and Carol Zirke1 Nonexempt Staff Award
Mary F. Yotter

Louis and Helen Zirke1 Library Staff Award
Patricia H. Ward

Lehigh University Award for Distinguished Service
Sara K. Rodgers

Eleanor and Joseph F. Libsch Early Career Research Award
Kerney Jebrell Glover
Jeetain Mittal

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David W. Pankenier
Michael J. Stavola

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Parvathinathan Venkitasubramaniam

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Stephen M. Anthony

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Parveen P. Gupta

Hillman Nonexempt Staff Award
Linda E. Dreisbach

Hillman Exempt Staff Award
Brian C. Slocum

Hillman Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Student Advising
Sabrina S. Jedlicka

Hillman Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Advising
Grace Caskie

R.R. and E.C. Hillman Faculty Award
Elizabeth A. Dolan
Laura J. Cambiotti  
*Earth and Environmental Sciences*

Laura Cambiotti has retired after 40 years of service to Lehigh. Her supervisor appreciated Laura’s professionalism and confidence, particularly during the transition to OneCard expense reporting. She was also instrumental in ensuring that students navigated their course of study through the program. Over the past decade, she also led formal and informal yoga classes for EES and the broader Lehigh Community. Her insight and experience will be missed. Laura is continuing to teach and practice yoga. She and her husband will enjoy spending summers with their grandchildren in Idaho and traveling abroad.

Patricia A. Chase  
*Facilities Planning*

Pat Chase has retired after 40 years at Lehigh. She is very well known across the university for her leadership in the Planning and Projects organization and for her extracurricular activities. She served as chair of ERAC, on the Alumni Executive Board, and frequently supported classes with real world project experience. She played on the “Gross Profits” softball team and still is a member of the Choral Union. Pat's supervisor notes, “Her dedication to the institution and its community was displayed every day.” In retirement, Pat is spending more time with her husband running their family business and helping her mother, and, on occasion, sleeping in.

Elaine M. Clymer  
*Admissions*

Elaine Clymer retired after more than 24 years of service. While working in the Admissions Office, Elaine was always there to lend a hand with special events like Open House and Candidates Day. Her supervisor says she was always thought of as a team leader and mentor. Elaine was proud of her association with Lehigh and is especially proud that her three daughters are all Lehigh graduates. Since retiring, she is volunteering at her church, knitting and spending time with her two granddaughters.

Norman J. Girardot  
*Religion Studies*

Norman Girardot is University Distinguished Professor in Religion Studies within the College of Arts and Sciences. His special research areas include Chinese religious tradition, especially Daoism, popular religious movements (e.g. the posthumous Elvis Presley cult), the intellectual history of the study of China and the rise of the discipline known as
“comparative religions,” and the relation of religion and outsider/vernacular/visionary art. Dr. Girardot has served as department chair of Religion Studies. He has many books and other publications to his credit including his award-winning *The Victorian Translation of China: James Legge’s Oriental Pilgrimage* (2002), which has appeared in Chinese translation (2008 and 2011).

**Janice E. Kish**  
*Accounts Payable*

After fifteen years in the Controller’s Office, Janice Kish retired this year. Throughout her years as an accounting assistant, Janice demonstrated a strong dedication to the purpose and mission of her office and Lehigh. Her supervisor notes that her dedication especially showed in her excellent customer service to vendors and in her interactions with the students who visited Accounts Payable. In retirement, Janice is enjoying relaxing and spending time with her grandchildren.

**Dolores A. Krause**  
*Accounts Payable*

Dolores Krause retired as senior accounts payable coordinator after more than 34 years of service to Lehigh. In her spare time, she plans to spend time with her children and grandchildren.

**Rosemary H. Krauss**  
*Martindale Center*

Rosemary Krauss served Lehigh for 27 years, retiring as a coordinator. The students in the Martindale Center greatly appreciated the interest she took in them. Her colleagues also enjoyed Rosemary’s cheerful demeanor.

**Elizabeth S. MacAdam**  
*Engineering Research Center - ATLSS*

Betty MacAdam retired as an administrative clerk in ATLSS after more than 34 years of service to Lehigh. She enjoyed participating in various wellness programs, including the LU Marathon, where she walked 26.2 miles in a two-week period. Her supervisor notes that Betty had a passion for helping everyone she came into contact with at ATLSS. She displayed a “get the job done” attitude, and her colleagues will miss her vast historical knowledge of the ATLSS Research Engineering Center. Betty is now busy pursuing her interest in quilting and has joined the Silver Sneaker program to stay active.
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Helen P. Mack
LTS Library Access
After 44 years working several different areas of LTS, Helen Mack recently retired. Helen’s supervisor says that she had a wonderful knowledge of acquisitions and loved the challenge of finding obscure books and videos. She also collaborated with faculty on a multi-year-grant-funded Islamic collections project, gathering scholarly materials for the use of Lehigh and scholars around the world. Her elegant and concise writing style was greatly appreciated. Her knowledge of the latest dining and films in the Valley will be missed. In retirement, she’s enjoying traveling, and continuing to discover new restaurants and films.

Lisa Masterson
Athletics
Lisa Masterson spent most of her nearly 35 years at Lehigh managing the Stabler Arena box office. She was instrumental in procuring the New Era ticketing system, and also helped develop the John Woltjen Award. Lisa also served on other committees, including the Women and Minority Diversity Committee in the 1980s. For 2½ years, along with many others across campus, Lisa worked extensively on making the Dalai Lama’s 6-day visit to Lehigh University a huge success. She and her colleagues sold over $1,000,000 in tickets for this event. Her colleagues will miss her attention to detail and the respect she had throughout the entertainment industry. Lisa is enjoying traveling with her husband and reclaiming her overgrown garden in retirement.

Shirley Matlock
Modern Languages and Literature
Shirley Matlock retired after more than 44 years of service at Lehigh. Her supervisor says she was an integral part of the team, often going beyond her formal duties. She had an excellent knowledge of Lehigh and knew her way in very complex situations. Her colleagues say she was a joy to work with, welcoming change and new ideas. With her wealth of experience, Shirley was always on top of the different moments of the academic year, keeping her department chair on track and well organized. Her interactions with students were always empowering, and she is truly missed by her team.

Jacqueline Matthews
Human Resources
Jackie Matthews retired after serving as Lehigh’s associate vice president of Human Resources for more than eleven years. Jackie was an active participant in many important activities at Lehigh, served on the board
of the LGBTQIA center, supported a variety of searches on campus, and supported many charitable organizations connected to Lehigh. Jackie’s former supervisor notes that she was a force to be reckoned with, always working for the best that Lehigh could be, and should be. She was patient, dedicated and an absolutely fun person to work with and to advance all that matters for Lehigh. Jackie is continuing her volunteer work and enjoying traveling the highways and backroads with her husband on their trike.

John G. Nyby  
*Biological Sciences*

John Nyby is a professor of Biological Sciences and has been with Lehigh since 1977. He earned his PhD at the University of Texas in psychology specializing in behavioral genetics and neuroscience and did a 3-year postdoctoral fellowship at Florida State University before coming to Lehigh. His research in behavioral neuroendocrinology has been supported by grants from both NSF and NIH. He has authored many publications, made numerous presentations, and chaired symposia at national and international meetings. Before transferring to the newly formed Department of Biological Sciences in 1995, he was chair of the Psychology Department for 5 years. He also founded and, until his retirement, directed the popular undergraduate major in behavioral neuroscience. His immediate plans upon retirement are to get his golf handicap down to where it belongs and to try to stay in sight of Ian Birky when they cycle together.

Janet T. Pfingstl  
*Development Office*

Janet Pfingstl retired after 24 and a half years of service. She joined Lehigh in 1989, working first in the Gift Processing Department. She moved to the Advancement Research Department in 1998, where she was promoted from biographical management to prospect management analyst. Her supervisor Sharon Upton says, “A difficult data question would come up and Janet took it upon herself to look into it. She always kept me informed, coming back to me with the answer and always took the next step, to ensure the data was corrected so it would not show up as a mistake in future reports.” We will miss her tenacious ability to figure out the complicated questions. Janet and her husband have moved to Arizona, to be near their children and grandchildren.
Kathryn S. Plotts
*Dean’s Office, PC Rossin College of Engineering & Applied Science*
Kathy Plotts retired after more than 34 years of service to Lehigh. In addition to the position she retired from, she also worked in the department of Chemical Engineering, the Emulsion Polymers Institute, and the graduate school. She was exacting in her work, down to ensuring that the dean knew how to pronounce the names of every graduate. Her supervisor says that she wanted anything she prepared to be perfect. In retirement, Kathy is doing volunteer work, traveling and spending time with family. Her colleagues will miss her humor and grace. In her supervisor’s words, “She is one of the most kind and considerate people I know.”

Ricky L. Rupp
*University Police*
After nearly 26 years, Officer Ricky Rupp retired as a police officer at Lehigh. Ricky volunteered in benefit basketball games and was mentor to many younger officers over the years. He was always open to learning new ways of policing, and kept up with technology. His supervisor says that the force will miss his open communication, and his willingness to listen and to consider change. In retirement, Officer Rupp has moved to Nebraska where he will be able to spend more time with his grandchildren.

Sally A. Schray
*Chaplain’s Office*
Sally Schray retired from the Chaplain’s Office after more than 31 years at Lehigh. Prior to that, she had worked in the Drug and Alcohol Services Office. While at Lehigh, Sally participated in Day of Caring, the Giving Tree program, Cancer Awareness programs, and the Christmas Exchange. She also served on ERAC and the Parking Appeals Committee. When the Dialogue Center opened in 2008, Sally was reluctant to move, but that’s where the Chaplain’s Office went and that’s where she set up her new office. It wasn’t long before she claimed the space as her own and worked to make it inviting to the various people and groups who came into the building, including those visiting the new Muslim Prayer Room, which continues to see walk-in traffic every day. Sally made a difference in people lives at important moments in their lives, and she will be missed for who she is and what she brought of herself into a job she loved. Sally continues to work part-time at Matey’s Restaurant in Fountain Hill, but
most of her time is spent with her grandchildren, voraciously reading books on her Nook, and watching her new flat screen, high-definition television.

**William R. Scott**  
*History*

William Scott earned his PhD in history from Princeton University in 1972. He joined Lehigh’s Department of History in 1992 and is the founding director of Africana Studies. Dr. Scott was awarded the Distinguished Service Award in African American Studies in 2003. He has many scholarly documents and articles to his credit. Dr. Scott’s current writing project is a book: *Origins of the Ethiopian Ethos in Black Thought, 1690-1790*. He is currently a member of the National Council, South African Educational Program.

**Barbara H. Traister**  
*English*

Barbara Traister has a PhD from Yale University and taught briefly in the Midwest at Kalamazoo College before coming to Lehigh in 1973. She teaches 16th- and 17th-century British literature, Shakespeare, and literature about medicine. She has held fellowships from NEH, the Rockefeller Foundation, ACLS, the Folger Shakespeare Library, and the Chemical Heritage Foundation. She has been a scholar in residence at The College of Physicians of Philadelphia and at the Medical College of Pennsylvania. Her publications include *Heavenly Necromancers: The Magician in English Renaissance Drama* (Missouri), *The Notorious Astrological Physician of London* (Chicago), *Anonymity in Early Modern England* (co-edited with Janet Starner for Ashgate), and numerous articles on early modern drama, medicine, and magic. At Lehigh she has served as chair of the English department, as associate dean for graduate studies in the College of Arts and Sciences, and as university ombudsperson. In retirement she hopes to complete her book on Holinshed’s Chronicles, to travel, and to spend time with her grandchildren.

**Ramamirtham Venkataraman**  
*Mathematics*

Ramamirtham Venkataraman earned his PhD in engineering and fluid mechanics from Brown University. He joined the Center for the Application of Mathematics at Lehigh in 1968 and served as an associate professor in the Department of Mathematics within the College of Arts and Sciences since 1983. He has many publications and technical reports to his credit.
Susan A. Verbalis  
*CAS Dean’s Office*

Susan Verbalis will be retiring after 36 years of service to Lehigh. In addition to working in the CAS Dean’s Office, she worked in the Registrar’s Office. She attended many theatre and musical presentations during her years on campus. Susan has a firm but caring approach to the students of the college. Her supervisor says she has a big heart and remembers everyone’s birthday. Her generosity with her excellent baking skills was greatly appreciated, and her colleagues say that in addition to her presence in the office they will miss her cream cheese pound cake most of all. Susan is looking forward to spending more time with her husband, her garden, her needlework, and her friends.

S. David Wu  
*Dean’s Office, PC Rossin College of Engineering & Applied Science*

S. David Wu is currently dean of the P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science and holder of the Iacocca Chair. In a 27-year career at Lehigh, Dean Wu devoted significant effort toward the creation of multidisciplinary programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels, including the Integrated Business and Engineering (IBE) program, Integrated Degree in Engineering, Arts, and Sciences (IDEAS), Global Citizenship, Masters in Analytical Finance Program, and the Center for Value Chain Research. During his 9-year tenure as the dean, Dean Wu recruited over 40% of the current faculty in engineering. He raised funds to promote undergraduate research, to endow new faculty chairs, and to build a new facility for health research. Effective July 1, 2014, Dean Wu will serve as provost and executive vice president for George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia.
Lehigh Remembers... 

John C. Chen  
Chemical Engineering

Hedy Chou  
Information Resources

Robert Dales  
Civil & Environmental Engineering

Maria DallaZanna  
Molecular Bioscience & Biotechnology

Doris Dillman  
Graduate School

Evelyn Evans  
Music Department

Robert Folk  
Physics

Charles Guditus  
Education & Human Services

Joyce Jocoby  
College of Education

Alistair MacPherson  
Mechanical Engineering & Mechanics

James McGeady  
Admissions

Robert H. Mills  
Accounting

Nicholas Odrey  
Industrial & Systems Engineering

Harry Ramsey  
Alumni Association

Marie Schlottman  
Business Services

Shirley Guldeman  
Bookstore

Ruth Hahn  
Mathematics

Theodore Hailperin  
English

Elsie Hamel  
Chemistry

Anna Herz  
Modern Languages & Literature
Lehigh University

Lehigh’s Core Purpose: our fundamental reason for being

To contribute to society by the creation and dissemination of knowledge through our graduates and the knowledge we create.

In fulfilling our core purpose, we seek to:

- develop leaders and inspire innovators through shared learning and life experiences, personal and intellectual development combined
- promote student success
- for students: prepare them to engage in a world community, be good and productive citizens and instill value of high standards
- for faculty: hold high expectations for quality of scholarship and creative work
- for staff: expect high quality in everything we do
- for alumni: be a lifelong resource and home to our graduates

Lehigh’s Core Values: essential and enduring tenets—a small set of timeless guiding principles that require no external justification; they have intrinsic value and importance to us inside Lehigh.

- integrity and honesty
- equitable community
- academic freedom
- intellectual curiosity
- collaboration
- commitment to excellence
- leadership

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THE PRINCIPLES OF OUR EQUITABLE COMMUNITY

Lehigh University is first and foremost an educational institution, committed to developing the future leaders of our changing global society. Every member of our community has a personal responsibility to acknowledge and practice the following basic principles:

We affirm the inherent dignity in all of us, and we maintain an inclusive and equitable community.

We recognize and celebrate the richness contributed to our lives by our diverse community.

We promote mutual understanding among the members of our community.

We confront and reject discrimination in all its forms, including that based on age, color, disability, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, national or ethnic origin, political beliefs, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, or any differences that have been excuses for misunderstanding, dissension, or hatred.

We affirm academic freedom within our community and uphold our commitment to the highest standards of respect, civility, courtesy, and sensitivity toward every individual.

We recognize each person’s right to think and speak as dictated by personal belief and to respectfully disagree with or counter another’s point of view.

We promote open expression of our individuality and our differences within the bounds of University policies.

We acknowledge each person’s obligation to the community of which we have chosen to be a part.

We take pride in building and maintaining a culture that is founded on these principles of unity and respect.