

Khan Again Wins PGA Minority Collegiate Championship UConn Co-Captain Successfully Defends Title May 13, 2018

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. --- UConn golfer Nabeel Khan (Westerville, Ohio) has won the individual Division I championship at the 2018 PGA Minority Collegiate Golf Championship, successfully defending the title he won last year.

The UConn rising senior captured his second straight crown in the event at the PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, Fla., dominating the 25-player field to win by 12 strokes. The 54-hole event concluded Sunday.

Khan was the lone player in the tournament to finish under par, shooting back-to-back, 2-under par 70s in the final two rounds to finish at 1-under par 75-70-70=215. Siyan Liu of Palm Beach Atlantic University and Joseph Stills of the University of West Florida tied for second place, each with an 11-over par 227. Liu also finished second to Khan in last year's Minority Collegiate Golf Championship.

Khan was in second place after Friday's first round, trailing Isaiah Shaw of Fayetteville State by two strokes and he was also in second place following Saturday's second round, but just one stroke behind Devery Stewart of Corban University.

Because of the threat of showers for Sunday, tournament officials decided to play nine extra holes on Saturday and by the time Khan had completed 45 holes, he had a two-stroke advantage. Playing Sunday's final nine, Khan birdied three of the first five holes to all but wrap up the victory. His 2-under 34 on the final nine was easily good enough to secure the win.



Nabeel Khan and UConn Coach Dave Pezzino.

Khan, a co-captain of the UConn team in 2017-18, played in all 12 events on the Huskies' schedule, averaging 73.7 for 35 rounds. He shot par or better in 12 rounds and had two Top 10 finishes.

The PGA Minority Collegiate Golf Championship is a 54-hole, stroke-play championship consisting of four team divisions -- NCAA Men's Division I, Men's Division II, Men's NAIA, and an overall Women's Division. In addition, there is an individual invitational competition for minority men and women players who are listed on the roster of their college team.

The men's and women's teams of Bethune-Cookman University (Daytona Beach, Fla.) captured the team titles of the tourney, while Linda Wong of St. John's University was the individual women's champion.

This year marks the 32nd year of the Minority Collegiate Golf Championship. Participants must be in one of the following ethnic origins: African-American, Hispanic-American, Middle Eastern/North African, Native or Alaskan American, Asian or Pacific Island American.

Otis Klingbeil named to dean's list at Bates College

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Otis Klingbeil was named to the dean's list at Bates College for the winter semester ending in April 2018. This is a distinction earned by students whose cumulative grade point average is 3.71 or higher.

Klingbeil, the son of Mr. and Ms. James D. Klingbeil, Jr. of Powell, Ohio, is a 2016 graduate of Columbus Academy. He is majoring in politics and art and visual culture at Bates.

Located in Lewiston, Maine, Bates is internationally recognized as a leading college of the liberal arts, attracting 2,000 students from across the U.S. and around the world. Since 1855, Bates has been dedicated to educating the whole person through creative and rigorous scholarship in a collaborative residential community.

With a commitment to affordability, Bates has always admitted students without regard to gender, race, religion or national origin. Cultivating intellectual discovery and informed civic action, Bates prepares leaders sustained by a love of learning and zeal for responsible stewardship of the wider world.

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Julia Rizk's School Record Highlights Opening Day at Big Ten Championships Sophomore qualified first in the 1,500 with a time of 4:18.25



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BLOOMINGTON, Ind. – The Ohio State track and field team saw multiple Buckeyes compete on the opening day of Big Ten Championships Friday in Bloomington, Ind.

Senior Aaron Zedella took sixth in the men's hammer throw with a heave of 65.07m (213'6"). In the final event of the evening, senior Christine Frederick took eighth in the women's 10,000-meter run with a time of 35:06.51 while sophomore Aaron Wood placed seventh on the men's side of the event at 30:41.08.

Freshman Anavia Battle and senior Maggie Barrie each qualified for the finals in the 200-meter dash, placing first and eighth, respectively. Battle ran a 23.27 while Barrie went 23.66. On the men's side freshman Eric Harrison Jr. qualified third with a 20.96 while junior Nick Gray sat in eighth after a 21.35.

Later in the evening sophomore Julia Rizk took first in the 1,500-meter run, qualifying with a personal-best 4:18.25 and junior Luke Landis qualified in the men's 1,500 at 3:47.76. Rizk's time broke Katie Borchers' school record of 4:20.69 set back in 2015.

Chloe Bradburn of Columbus, has been recognized for academic excellence. ^{'15}

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Capping off a day-long Celebration of the Liberal Arts at Wittenberg University, the campus community came together to celebrate the achievements of students and faculty members alike at the annual Honors Convocation, Friday, April 6, in Weaver Chapel.

Chloe Bradburn of Columbus(43230) was recognized at the Honors Convocation. Bradburn has been rewarded entrance into Sigma Delta Pi.

Wittenberg is proud to acknowledge students at this event for embodying the Wittenberg value of intellectual inquiry.

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Columbus Metro Library system repurposing failed Hilliard senior center

By Dean Narciso

The Columbus Dispatch

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Envisioned a decade ago as an upscale mecca for seniors, the 58-acre Hickory Chase complex in Hilliard instead fell victim to the 2008 banking collapse.

Its centerpiece, then about 90 percent complete, was an elegant community center with soaring ceilings, a fireplace and dining and swimming facilities. Had it opened, it would have had a pharmacy, hair salon and other amenities.

Today, its kitchen and ventilation system are gone; the pool is filled with concrete.

By summer, it will open as Columbus Metropolitan Library's largest suburban branch, at 4500 Hickory Chase Way, three times larger than the existing Hilliard branch on Cemetery Road. It likely would have been far smaller without the opportunity to retrofit the failed senior-citizens' complex.

"I think we would be looking at something more like we're doing in Dublin," said Ben Zenitsky, library spokesman, referring to Dublin's branch that's under construction on its existing site.

The \$15 million Hilliard project is one of 10 to renovate or rebuild branches and the Main Library, part of the library's 2020 project financed by more than \$130 million in bond notes and donations.

At 63,000 square feet, the Hilliard project is second only to the flagship Main Library Downtown (255,000 square feet) and surpasses Dublin's by about 21,000 square feet. That difference alone is more than twice the size of the smallest project — the Shepard branch (10,000 square foot) on the Near East Side.

With size comes cost-efficiencies. The Main Library cost \$190 per square foot to renovate, cheapest among the 10 projects. Hilliard's unit cost is \$251 per square foot, about \$190 less than Dublin's branch, which is being completely rebuilt.

A quick walk-through of the repurposed Hilliard building shows parallels to the Main Library. Visitors will be greeted by a sprawling entrance with towering ceilings. Past a spacious seating area and glass-walled study rooms, a large section of the second floor has been cut out to create an open-air, atrium effect.

The area includes "a monumental stair and two-story lobby with architectural features and finishes that pay homage to the newly renovated Main Library," said Joe Mayer^{'04}, a DesignGroup architect on the project.

The old building "was quite maze-like," said Zenitsky. "We've certainly opened the building up on both floors."

Charles Bugglin, project superintendent for Turner Construction, recalled an "eerie" walk-through of the building last year, finding walk-in coolers and freezers, counters ready to be installed and tools left behind.

"It was like someone put their tools down and walked away," said Bugglin.

Surrounding the complex are several new apartment buildings, whose occupants will have easy library access.

Perhaps one of the biggest changes was making the project environmentally efficient, said Bugglin, pointing to pipes and valves that were downsized in the boiler room.

It was designed to serve 12 buildings, so using the existing utilities "would be like running a Volkswagen with a V-8 engine," he said. "You just don't need it. You'd never use it to its full capacity."

The glass-enclosed pool area will become a solarium, heated only by the sun and filled with chairs and possibly umbrellas, said Zenitzky.

"I don't think there was ever any talk about letting it continue to be a pool, in spite of my protests," he joked.

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How virtual reality is fueling the design of Hilliard's library branch

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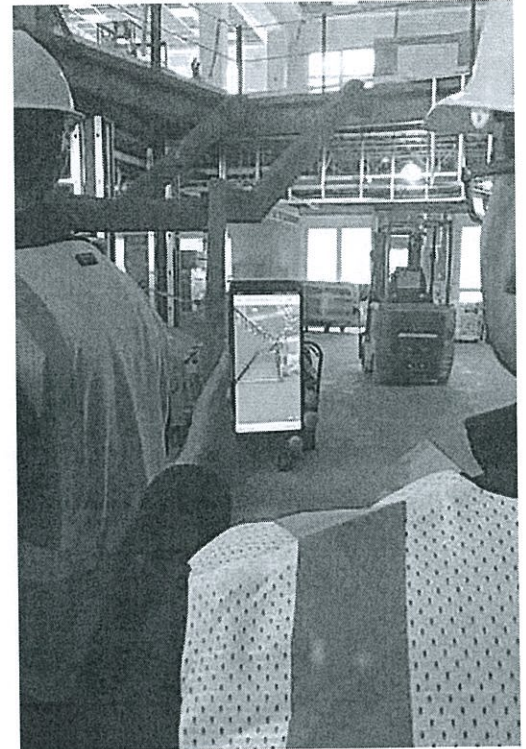
In Central Ohio's developer scene, the days of the rendering and the floor plan may be coming to an end.

Virtual reality is becoming an increasingly common tool in the real estate world, such as letting people walk through buildings. But it's getting a new use in forward-looking design as well in building renovation projects, like the new Hilliard library branch.

What will be the largest Columbus Metropolitan Library branch is being rebuilt from a structure of a totally different design.

The QR technology used by DesignGroup is something akin to the Oculus headset, but scanning a code lets the viewer see a 360-degree view of the space on their phone, where they can share it with others and don't have to risk walking around in a disorienting headset. It still allows viewers to walk through the building, see changes and modify them in real time.

The new 60,000-square-foot branch is being built out of a refitted senior center at 4500 Hickory Chase Way. First constructed in 2009 and designed to be a community center, it was foreclosed before it could open. The building will triple the size of the library branch, which is the most heavily circulated branch at the library system.



DESIGNGROUP

A construction worker views the virtual look on a completed staircase, which is still under construction in front of him.

"This is going to be a great focal point for our city," said Mayor Don Schonhardt in a post about the project this year.

Megan Stuart, library planner and Joe Mayer, project architect for DesignGroup, have been working on the designs for the library project in a team with Turner Construction Co., the builder.

"When you're trained to think visually, you're used to being able to see it more easily than others might," Stuart said. "This saves us a lot of upfront hassle, because we can show exactly what it's going to look like and adjust before the work starts."

Specifically, while the old senior center had many walls and rooms inside, the library is following the trend of the other branches in making this one wide open and featuring large windows and light. Visualizing that kind of a change can be hard, and even more so when designing the inside of an existing building.

"We want to open it up and bring in natural light, more way-finding, for such a large branch that's going to mean a whole different look," Mayer said.

The way the light is going to fall in the building can be better visualized that way when thinking about how to place furniture, shelves and gathering space, and it better allows construction teams, architects engineers and the client to see the finished project.

"We can show a few options to them about a look and they can take time to process all of it and how it relates to everything else," Stuart said.

The library is to open this summer.

Bisons crush FGCU in pivotal series opener

Thursday, May 17, 2018

By Russell Vannozzi

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – The Lipscomb baseball team found itself in a must-win situation on Thursday night.

NJIT swept a doubleheader over North Florida earlier in the day, leaving the Bisons and Florida Gulf Coast to play a three-game series to decide the sixth and final spot in next week's ASUN tournament.

The Bisons answered the call with a resounding 14-2 victory over FGCU at Ken Dugan Field at Stephen L. Marsh Stadium.

Lipscomb pounded out 12 hits for its 14 runs, a new season high. Seniors Jeffrey Crisan, Lee Solomon and Blake Thomas each finished with three hits apiece to lead the Bisons on offense.

FGCU (31-20, 7-12 ASUN) plated the game's first run when Marc Coffers scored on a double play in the top of the first.

But from there, it was all Bisons. Lipscomb junior Cade Sorrells knotted the score with a sac fly that plated Lee Solomon, and Zeke Dodson later scored on a throwing error to put the Bisons in front, 2-1.

Lipscomb (22-27, 8-11 ASUN) blew the game open with a pair of home runs in the second. Solomon got things started by crushing a two-run bomb over the left field fence. Two batters later, senior catcher Jeffrey Crisan followed with a solo shot of his own to nearly the same spot of the ballpark to give the Bisons a 5-1 lead.

FGCU tacked on a run in the fourth with a sac fly from Richie Garcia, but that would be all the Eagles would manage.

The Bisons' bats plated four runs in the fourth and three more in the fifth. Sorrells and Solomon both scored on a throwing error in the fourth, before Josh Martinez lined a two-RBI single to make it 9-2.

In the fifth, Solomon scored on a fielder's choice from Crisan, and Sorrells later crossed the plate on a wild pitch. Dodson lined a single to left to plate Crisan and extend Lipscomb's lead to 12-2.

Lipscomb tacked on a pair of insurance runs in the seventh when Crisan scored on a passed ball and Dodson crossed the plate on an RBI groundout from Tevin Symonette.

Starter Joshua Colon went five solid innings and allowed just two earned runs on six hits. The Bisons bullpen combined to toss the final four scoreless innings, including three from junior Alex Dorso. Adam Stewart pitched a scoreless ninth to seal the 14-2 win.

Around the Horn:

- Lipscomb has now collected 18 of its 22 wins at home.
- Lipscomb's 14 runs set a new season high. The Bisons previously scored 12 runs on two occasions.
- Solomon's homer was his sixth of the season, which leads the team. The senior infielder also leads the team in runs scored with 34.
- Colon evened his season record at 3-3. The junior now has a 2.86 ERA in 50.1 innings of work.
- Dorso's three scoreless innings lowered his season ERA to 4.50.
- Stewart's relief appearance was his 18th of the season, while Dorso's was his 25th.
- FGCU has now lost its last eight contests in a row after going 31-13 in its first 44 games.
- The game started 40 minutes late due to afternoon rain showers in the Midstate.
- Time of game was 3:47 with 207 fans in attendance.



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PITCHING	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Win: COLON (3-3)	5.0	6	2	2	6	1
Loss: LEON (5-6)	3.2	6	9	4	6	3
BATTING	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	HR
COFFERS (FGCU)	5	2	4	0	0	0
SOLOMON (LIP)	4	4	3	2	1	1
CRISAN (LIP)	5	4	3	1	1	1
THOMAS (LIP)	5	1	3	0	0	0

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Tuesday, May 22, 2018

By Kirk Downs

LAKEPOINT, Ga. – When the ASUN Conference announced its annual postseason honors Tuesday night at an awards banquet in Jacksonville, Florida, the Lipscomb baseball team had three players collect hardware.

Lee Solomon led the way with selections to the All-Academic and Second Team All-Conference teams, while Noah Thompson and Maddux Houghton each landed on the All-Freshman squad.

Lee Solomon | 2B | Second Team All-Conference | All-Academic

Solomon found his way to the All-ASUN second team for the second time in his career after making his first appearance in 2016. On the classroom side of things, he carried a 3.61 GPA while majoring in Law, Justice and Society. It was his third-career selection to the All-Academic squad, more than any other player on the list.

His final season in the Purple and Gold got off to a slow start, only batting .214 over the first half of the season. To make matters worse, he was then sidelined for a month after suffering an injury. However, for those that know Solomon, it was no surprise to see him turn things around once he got back on the diamond.

He saw action in just 37 games for Lipscomb, making 34 starts at second base. He finished second on the team with a .283 batting average with 34 hits in 120 at-bats. Over the final 22 games of the regular season, he raised his average 83 points.

The Columbus, Ohio native led the Bisons in home runs (7), runs (36), doubles (9), slugging percentage (.550) and on-base percentage (.416). He collected 17 extra-base hits to go along with 23 RBI, 21 walks and 12 stolen bases. His seven long balls are the most of his career and represent the third highest total in the league.

In conference play only, he paced all ASUN players with a .703 slugging clip, six home runs and 45 total bases, while his .456 OBP, 21 runs and six doubles were all third best. His .328 batting average was tops for Lipscomb – 31 points higher than any other Bison.

Earned the final ASUN Player of the Week honor to give him two for his career. He went 6-for-15 with three homers, four RBI, eight runs and two stolen bases in three games against FGCU. He scored a season high four runs in the series opener last Friday, just two games after hitting a career best two home runs in a Saturday win over North Florida the previous weekend.

Noah Thompson | LHP | All-Freshman

As a walk-on to begin his Lipscomb career, Thompson quickly showed the Bisons coaching staff he was worthy of a spot in the weekend rotation and earned the Sunday role in the first series of the season.

He compiled a 4-4 record in 50.1 innings of work over 11 starts. He finished the regular season second on the team and first among all ASUN freshman with a 3.03 ERA. He struck out 26 batters and walked 24 while limiting opponents to a .229 batting average.

The Louisville, Kentucky native was a model of consistency as he allowed just one earned run or fewer in 6-of-11 appearances and two or fewer in 8-of-11.

In ASUN play, Thompson was 1-3 with a 3.74 ERA and fanned 11 batters in 33.2 frames.

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PUCO approves overlay plan for pending 937 area code exhaust

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937 area code to run out of phone numbers Q3 2020

COLUMBUS, OHIO (May 23, 2018) – The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio today approved a plan to overlay a new area code over the existing 937 area code. The 937 area code is expected to run out of available phone numbers in the third quarter of 2020. All current 937 area code subscribers will continue to maintain their current number and 937 area code.

“While we are still years away from the projected exhaust date, it’s important for the telecom industry to begin planning now so that the roll out of a new area code can go as smoothly and seamlessly as possible, just like previous area code additions,” stated PUCO Chairman Asim Z. Haque. '18

The Commission directed the telecommunications industry to file an implementation and communications plan with the PUCO. The plans should indicate when the overlay should take effect, and include any communications the companies will use to notify their customers.

Upon implementation of the overlay, all new phone subscribers will be assigned the new yet-to-be-determined area code. Additionally, all local calls will require dialing the full 10-digit phone number in order to complete local calls.

According to the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA), the 937 area code is projected to run out of available phone numbers in the third quarter of 2020. Following today’s approval of an overlay plan, the NANPA will assign the new, yet-to-be-determined area code to co-exist with the existing geographical boundaries of the 937 area code.

Additional information regarding area code exhaust can be found on the PUCO website [here](#).

Katherine Restrepo Named One of Colby College's Top Senior Athletes '14

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Katherine Restrepo was one of several Colby College students to receive an award as a top senior athlete at the 30th Annual Colby College Senior Awards Ceremony May 22.

* Field hockey defender **Kat Restrepo**, who was a three-year starter and was the lone captain her senior season, won The Pamela Hoyt-Sanborn Award for contributions of sportsmanship and leadership. During her time at Colby, she was a class president, co-founder and co-president of the Colby a cappella group, and a member of the Colby Museum Student Advisory Board.

This fintech startup went to the Supreme Court to shake up the credit card industry

It's a hot summer day and you're feeling thirsty, so you duck into a small shop and grab a lemonade. The total comes to \$3.29 and you instinctively reach for a credit card because who really carries cash anymore? Unfortunately the store doesn't accept credit cards, which means no lemonade for you.

"Payments affect so many business models, especially how you manage the cost of accepting credit cards," said CardX CEO Jonathan Razi.^{'08} "That's why Apple bundles the individual purchases you make on iTunes and charges you a week or two later."

Razi founded CardX to provide a turnkey solution to businesses for passing on the credit card fee to consumers. The company's physical and online payment solutions are designed to distinguish credit cards from debit cards.

When a credit card is used, the system automatically alerts consumers they'll be charged the processing fee. Merchants keep 100 percent of the sale, with CardX taking its cut from a built-in fee.

It's fair to ask how increasing the cost of a purchase is a business strategy. To CardX's CEO, it comes down to increased consumer choice.

"We sign a lot of merchants who would never accept credit cards unless they have an option to pass on that fee," Razi stated. "Previously the costs were too high and the margins too low to even consider it."

CardX's fastest-growing vertical is business, both B2B and B2C. Its tech also gets a lot of attention from higher education and government institutions. CardX is used by several Big 10 and SEC schools to process tuition payments and by governments across the country to collect tax payments, court costs,

finances and for other miscellaneous services.

Razi founded CardX in 2013 while studying law at Harvard. At the time he was looking for an industry to disrupt, and that year, laws changed to allow credit card fees to be passed onto consumers in 40 states. Ten states had laws on the books forbidding passing on the fee.

Four more states changed their rules in 2016 thanks to litigation filed in New York that eventually reached the Supreme Court — a case in which CardX was involved.

“We filed an amicus brief, and we were the only solution provider in the payment processing industry to file one,” Razi said. “We contributed something unique to the case, which was real-world expertise.”

To Razi, CardX’s Supreme Court brief and the ability of its technology to instantly differentiate between credit and debit cards are what set it apart from competitors in an increasingly crowded space. That and its faithful devotion to staying on top of the latest changes to compliance rules and regulations.

“I don’t think it’s a stretch to say that we know more about the compliance than perhaps any law firm in the country,” Razi said.

CardX is based in Streeterville and has a headcount of 14. The company is hiring for its sales and support teams.

May 2018 #WAOTM is Valeria Carole '02
(@MsWickWick)

Valeria Wicker '98



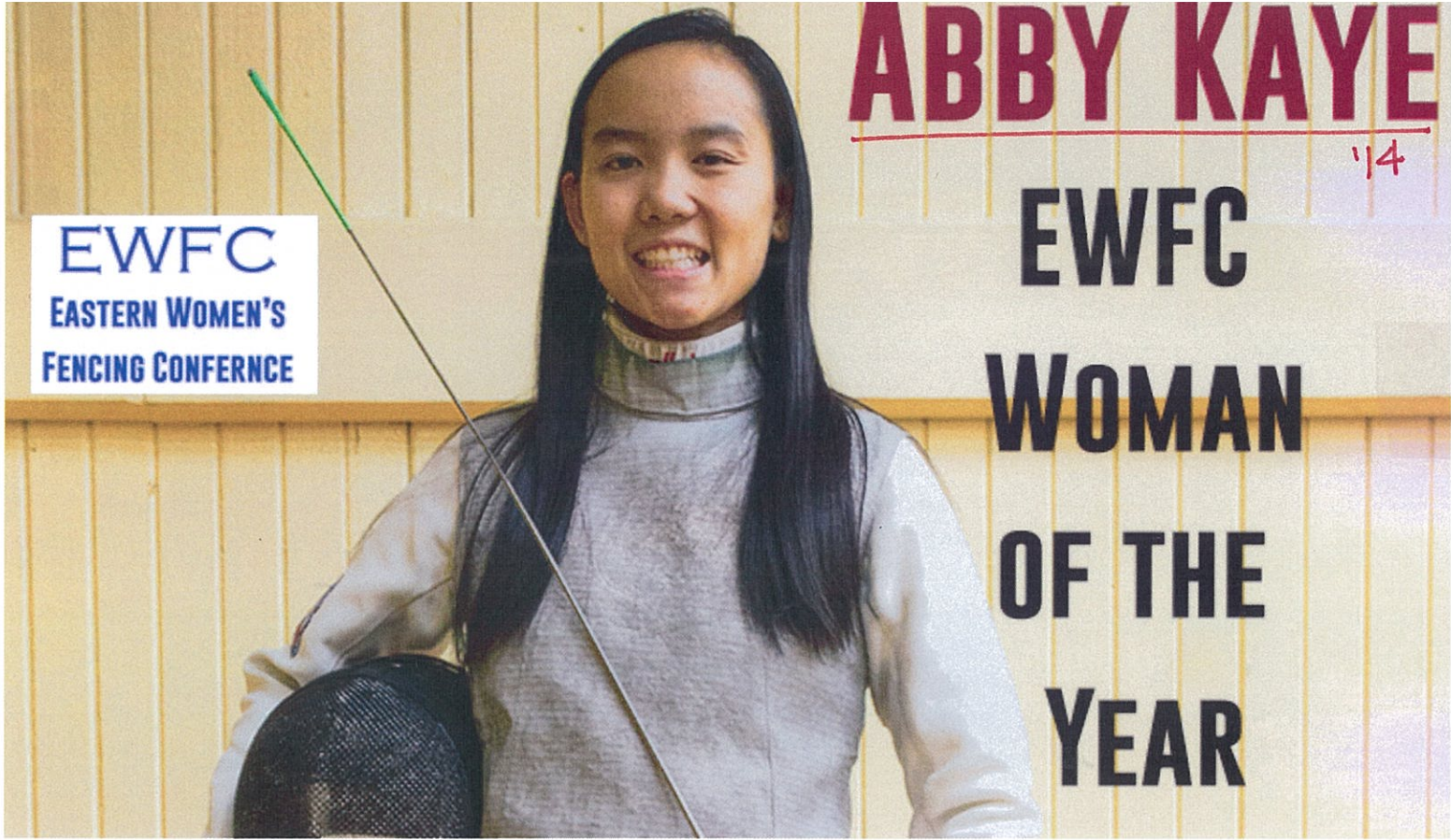
No contest this month—Valeria led the charge to get alums everywhere energized and paying off energy bills on the Rosebud Sioux Reservation to get heat and power turned back on before a blizzard. She has marshaled folks & helped direct their energies towards longterm strategies to support / empower the community

Wellesley sibling, **Valeria Carole**, is a teacher living on the Rosebud Sioux Reservation in South Dakota. Her school district is in the second most impoverished county in America. After an already long and difficult winter, Winter Storm Xanto descended on Friday. It's the worst storm of the year, and for many places in the Midwest, it's the worst April snowstorm ever recorded there.

Two days before the snowstorm, Cherry-Todd Electric co-op discontinued service for more than 800 households across the reservation due to late payments / overdue bills. Although a benefits program called LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) had been helping dozens of households, it/they cut off aid without giving people much (if any) notice, causing financial chaos for many struggling families. Some folks, like Valeria, were able to borrow money and get their lights back on, but many young students and their families had no safety net. The Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council met on April 12th and paid for 150+ households across the reservation to get

their electricity turned back on; as I understand it, they prioritized aid for elderly folks and those with medical issues. However, this still left many other poor families without any heat or light in the storm.

Valeria mobilized the Wellesley community to help bring back heat and light for her young students and their families. She did PHENOMENAL work identifying struggling households, gathering account numbers, determining the balances due, etc. Alumnae began calling the utility companies (primarily Cherry-Todd, but also LaCreek Electric and Black Hills Energy) directly in order to pay bills and get these residents' power turned back on.



Abby Kaye Named EWFC Woman of the Year

Jonathan McCue

Women's Fencing

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HOBOKEN, N.J. (May 15, 2018) - Stevens Institute of Technology women's fencing senior Abby Kaye has been named the Eastern Women's Fencing Conference Woman of the Year, the league announced this week. The award, which was implemented to recognize the fencer who best combines the triple standards of success in athletics, excellence in academics, and participation in extracurricular activities, was decided through a postseason vote by the EWFC's eight head coaches.

The Gahanna, Ohio native became the first Stevens fencer to ever reach 300 career victories this year, and earned Stevens' Gear and Triangle Award, recognizing the best athletes in the graduating class. She earned EWFC Fencer of the Year honors for the third-straight year, and was all-conference all four seasons of her career.

"Abby deserves all the recognition she gets," said legendary women's fencing coach Linda Vollkommer-Lynch. "She is by far one of the best fencers the program has ever produced. It's nice for the conference to acknowledge her performance."

She also won her second straight title at the NIWFA Championships, took top honors in the NIWFA Christmas Invitational, and placed 24th at the NCAA Mid-Atlantic/South Regionals as well.

Kaye, an electrical engineering major, has won Dean's List and President's List honors in the classroom and earned a FIRST Technology Scholarship.

Her extracurricular activities include serving as President of the Chinese Students Association, Fundraising Chair for the Society of Asian Scientists & Engineers, and Community Service Project Fundraiser for the Women Victims of Domestic Violence Safe House, as well as holding membership in the Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers.

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COLUMBIA ATHLETICS HOSTS 97TH ANNUAL VARSITY C CELEBRATION

NEW YORK – Four major Columbia Athletics awards along with a variety of other honors were presented to Columbia student-athletes and teams at the 97th edition of the Varsity C Celebration held Tuesday evening at Roone Arledge Auditorium.

Taking home the prestigious **Connie S. Maniatty Outstanding Senior Student-Athlete Awards**, which are given annually to the top senior male and female student-athletes in recognition of their outstanding Columbia careers were squash player Osama Khalifa (Men's) along with co-winners basketball player Camille Zimmerman (Women's) and track and field runner Sarah Hardie (Women's).

In its third year of existence, the **William V. Campbell Performer of the Year** was presented to one male and one female student-athlete who demonstrates superior athletic ability during the 2017-18 academic year. This year, the recipients were soccer player Arthur Bosua (Men's) and fencer Iman Blow (Women's).

Two student-athletes were given **Rookie of the Year Awards** for top student-athletes in their first-year with Columbia Athletics: diver Jonathan Suckow (Men's) and fencer Sylvie Binder (Women's).

The women's soccer team earned the **Paul E. Fernandes Community Service Award**, which is presented to the varsity sports program which achieves the most significant contributions and notable service to the University and local communities during each academic year. The **Lions Cup**, which honors the most outstanding team on the basis of points in several categories including academic, athletic, personal and social responsibility was given to the women's track and field and cross country team. The **Karen Blank Award**, which honors the top senior female student-athlete enrolled at Barnard College who exemplifies the qualities of academic success, athletic achievement, strong sporting behavior & commitment to community, was given to fencer Katie Angen. Softball's Madison Gott was named Columbia Athletics' **Leader of the Year**.

The watch presentations for the Columbia senior student-athletes earning the highest cumulative grade point averages with at least two varsity letters. Abigail Sharkey (women's track & field) earned the **Marion R. Philips Watch** and Mitchell Tuckerman (men's track and field) earned the **Dwight D. Eisenhower Watch**.

Two alumni members were also featured at the event as **Athletics Alumni Award** recipients: former women's soccer player Kyra Tirana Barry '87CC, P'17CC and former men's basketball and track & field athlete John Vaske '88CC. See bios below.

Columbia University Athletics closes each academic year with its annual year-end Varsity C Celebration and awards ceremony. Modeled after the popular ESPYs awards show, the Varsity C Celebration serves as the final gathering of the academic year for all of 800-plus Columbia's student-athletes with the purpose of showcasing their achievements and milestones. In addition to the presentation of several major awards, the evening also featured videos and highlights celebrating major moments and achievements accomplished this year.

The hour-long event was hosted by ESPN analyst Tom Rinaldi. A reporter for both ESPN and ABC and based in New York City, Rinaldi has contributed to ESPN's golf coverage, *SportsCenter*, *Outside the Lines*, *College GameDay* and *Sunday NFL Countdown*. A three-time Regional Emmy Award winner, Rinaldi earned his Master's degree from Columbia University.

MAJOR AWARD WINNERS BIOS

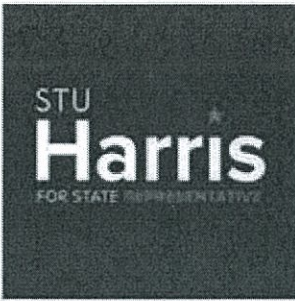
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Osama Khalifa, Senior, Men's Squash

Won 2017 College Squash Individual National Championship ... Four-time First Team All-American (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018) ... 2015 College Squash national runner up ... Earned 2018 Skillman Award, the highest honor in college squash for a senior ... Three-time Ivy League Player of the Year (2016, 2017, 2018) ... Four-time All-Ivy League First Team selection (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018) ... Named Ivy League Rookie of the Year in 2015 ... Became the first-ever Columbia squash player to win an individual national title ... Led Columbia to its first-ever team Ivy League title in 2018 while competing at the No. 1 position ... Finished with a four-year 51-4 career regular season record while playing three years at the No. 1 position.

Camille Zimmerman, Senior, Women's Basketball

2018 Katrina McClain Award Top-10 finalist (nation's best power forward) ... Three-time All-Met selection, including the 2016-17 All-Met Women's Basketball Player of the Year ... Three-time All-Ivy League honoree including two First Team honors in 2016-17 and 2017-18 ... Named the 2016-17 William V. Campbell Female Performer of the Year ... USBWA National Player of the Week (Jan. 23-29, 2017) ... 10-time Ivy League Player of the Week and shared the Columbia record with Judie Lomax ... Six-time Ivy League Rookie of the Week ... Columbia women's basketball all-time leader in points (1,973), rebounds (940), field goals (728), field goal attempts (1,707), free throw percentage (.826), games played (113) and games started (113) ... No. 2 in program history in free throws made (443) and attempts (536) and top-5 all-time in blocked shots (100) and top-10 in assists (255) ... Also holds school records for most season points (608, 2016-17), season scoring average (22.5, 2016-17), season field goal attempts (539, 2016-17), game field goal attempts (37 at Dartmouth, 2017) and game free throw percentage (10-10 at Penn, 2017) ... Concluded career ranked among Ivy League career leaders in field goal attempts (No. 3), points (No. 4), field goals made (No. 8), scoring average (No. 9) and free throws made (No. 9) and season leaders in overall scoring (No. 6), Ivy League scoring (No. 4), overall scoring average (No. 8), Ivy League



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Harris Wins House District 21 Primary Election

DUBLIN, OH – This evening, Franklin County endorsed Republican candidate for Ohio House, Stu Harris, won the Primary Election in House District 21. Harris, an attorney and Dublin City School Board member, secured the endorsement of the Franklin County Republican Party earlier this year after a multi-tiered screening process.

“Throughout this campaign, I have focused on bringing civility and empathy into the political conversation, and tonight it paid off,” Harris said. “Over the past several months I have met voters all across the district and spoken with folks of all different backgrounds – regardless of our differences, there is something we always agree on: that we love our communities, and we want to have meaningful discussions about how to make them even better places to live.”

“This incredible victory would not have been possible without the help of my friends and family – and without the incredible support of people all across the district. I look forward to continuing to meet with you on your front porches, in your neighborhoods, and at local businesses – where we can continue to discuss the important issues facing our communities. I cannot thank the people of District 21 enough for their vote of confidence – and I promise that I will always fight for the best interest of the people that make this such a great place to call home,” said Harris.

House District 21 covers most of the northwestern portion of Franklin County – including Dublin, Worthington, several townships, and portions of the City of Columbus. Harris will now move on to run against a Democrat opponent in the General Election, scheduled for Tuesday, November 6.

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Gittins Set To Return To NCAA Outdoor Championships

Posted: May 22, 2018

Springfield, Ohio -- The NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee announced the participants in the 2018 NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

Wittenberg senior **Tyler Gittins**^{'13} will make his second appearance at the Outdoor Track and Field Championships, competing in the 400-meter hurdles. **Gittins** took third-place in the final race at the 2017 Championships, crossing the line in a final time of 52.26.

A two-time All-Great Lakes Region honoree, **Gittins** earned his invitation to the NCAA meet with a third-place finish at the Jesse Owens Classic from Ohio State University with a final time of 52.63. As the top 20 declared student-athletes were accepted into the competition, **Gittins** currently sits in the ninth spot going into the championship weekend.

The championships will be held May 24-26 at the Veteran's Memorial Field Sports Complex in La Crosse, Wisconsin.



Gittins Closes Out Senior Season From NCAA Outdoor Championships

Posted: May 24, 2018

La Crosse, Wis. – Wittenberg senior **Tyler**^{'13} **Gittins** made his way back to the 2018 Outdoor Track and Field Championships, qualifying in the 400-meter hurdles for a second consecutive year. Recording a top 20 time in the nation, posting a 52.63 at the Jess Owens Classic from Ohio State University earlier this spring. **Gittins** has battled back to overcome a late-season hamstring injury, which he suffered on the second day of competition at the North Coast Athletic Conference Championship meet.

The Westerville, Ohio native persevered through two weeks of rehabilitation, earning the third lane in the third heat of the prelim race at the NCAA Championship race. **Gittins** would run a 54.70 in the opening race of the NCAA Championships, finishing in sixteenth position amongst the field of the top 20 in NCAA DIII.

Gittins closes out his career as a two-time All-Great Lakes Region honoree in the 400-meter hurdles, along with being named the 2017 NCAC Sprinter/Hurdler of the Year.

"It's unfortunate Tyler wasn't 100% due to a hamstring injury he encountered at our conference championship meet. However, I am extremely proud of Tyler for working his but off in rehab the last 2 week to allow himself to toe the line at the national meet. As a senior ending your career at the national meet, is always a plus," said head coach Paris Hilliard.



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POLITICS

The New York Times

An Ohio Special Election Shapes Up as a Big Test of the 'Blue Wave'

By Thomas Kaplan

May 9, 2018

WASHINGTON — Ohio primary voters selected establishment candidates on Tuesday for the next big test of the Democrats' promised "blue wave," a House special election this August in the suburbs of Columbus that could indicate just how strong Democrats will be in November with college-educated, affluent voters.

After winning a six-way primary in central Ohio on Tuesday, Danny O'Connor, 31, a Franklin County official, will ask voters to send him to Congress on Aug. 7 to fill the House seat vacated by a long-serving Republican, Pat Tiberi.

The special election, which will take place 13 weeks before Election Day, will offer clues of Democratic strength, particularly on the kind of suburban terrain that will be critical in numerous races this fall as Democrats try to wrest control of the House.

Mr. Tiberi's seat in the Columbus area has hardly been a swing district: It has been in Republican hands since 1983, when his predecessor, John R. Kasich, now Ohio's governor, began his first term. But Democratic candidates in special elections for vacant House seats in more forbidding territory — including Arizona, southwestern Pennsylvania and South Carolina — have performed strongly since President Trump's inauguration. And the makeup of the Ohio district suggests it could be fertile ground for a competitive — and expensive — race.

Most of the recent special House elections in Republican seats have built up steam until an Election Day that has garnered remarkable attention, even in seats where the Democrat had little shot. The Tiberi seat is likely to be no different.

“If I was the Republican Party, I’d be pretty concerned about it,” said Representative Tim Ryan, Democrat of Ohio. Voters were fond of Mr. Tiberi, he said, but he predicted that Mr. O’Connor could win over people repelled by the “constant chaos” and “demeaning nature” of the Trump presidency.

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Mr. O’Connor — who is the Franklin County recorder, an elected position that handles real estate records — will face Mr. Tiberi’s preferred successor, Troy Balderson, a Republican state senator who narrowly emerged from a nine-way primary on Tuesday. Mr. Balderson, 56, squeaked by Melanie Leneghan, a township trustee who was backed by Representative Jim Jordan of Ohio, a founder of the conservative House Freedom Caucus. Some Republicans had worried Ms. Leneghan’s ardent brand of conservatism would have made her particularly vulnerable in the special election.

Representative Steve Stivers of Ohio, the chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, invoked the woman Republicans love to run against, Representative Nancy Pelosi of California, the Democratic leader.

“I just saw the opposition research book on Danny O’Connor, and he is a classic liberal,” Mr. Stivers said on Wednesday. “He might say he’s not going to vote for Pelosi. Maybe she’s not liberal enough for him.”

The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee was noncommittal about its plans even as it was taking a shot at the Republican candidate. A spokesman for the committee, Jacob Peters^{’10}, said “the D.C.C.C. will continue to assess” the contest.

But he said, “The reality is that Troy Balderson is a heavily damaged nominee who just spent a lot of time and money to make the case that he is the greatest threat to Medicaid and health coverage for central Ohio families.”



Representative Pat Tiberi, left, on Capitol Hill in 2013. He resigned the seat, which has been in Republican hands since 1983, to become president of the Ohio Business Roundtable.

J. Scott Applewhite/Associated Press

Mr. Tiberi, who left Congress to become president of the Ohio Business Roundtable, won his last re-election bid by more than a two-to-one ratio. The district, Ohio's 12th, includes the Republican stronghold of Delaware County, which has not voted for a Democrat for president since Woodrow Wilson in 1916. Mr. Trump won the district in 2016 by 11 percentage points, and on Tuesday, considerably more people cast votes in the Republican primary than in the Democratic primary.

Still, recent special elections offer reason for Democrats to be optimistic. In Arizona last month, a Democrat mounted an unusually strong challenge, albeit an unsuccessful one, in a district that Mr. Trump won by more than 20 percentage points. The month before, another Democrat, Conor Lamb, won a special election in Pennsylvania in a district that Mr. Trump carried by nearly 20 points.

At 33, Mr. Lamb is not much older than Mr. O'Connor. And like Mr. Lamb, Mr. O'Connor said he would not support Ms. Pelosi.

"I think we need a wholesale change in leadership on both sides," Mr. O'Connor said in an interview on Wednesday.

Mr. O'Connor described himself as a pragmatist focused on issues like health care and the economy. He did not leap at the chance to critique Mr. Trump's presidency, though he pushed back on Mr. Trump's promised wall along the border with Mexico.

"I'd rather spend money rebuilding bridges in Ohio than building a wall in Texas," he said. By contrast, Mr. Balderson pledged in a campaign ad to "use conservative grit to build the darn wall."

The Balderson campaign signaled that Ms. Pelosi would be a central figure in the contest, a tactic Republicans used against Mr. Lamb.

"Danny O'Connor and his Nancy Pelosi agenda are just completely out of step with the voters in this district," said Brad Shattuck, a strategist for the campaign.

"Troy is a conservative who wants to go up there and get something done," Mr. Shattuck said. "And I think that juxtaposes with someone who just wants to go up there and support Nancy Pelosi and her agenda."

The district's significant suburban population — with many affluent, college-educated voters — will make it a noteworthy test case in the run-up to November. Among Ohio's 16 congressional districts, it has the highest median household income and the highest percentage of adults with a bachelor's degree or higher.

"There's definitely an opportunity for there to be kind of a Trump backlash in this district," said Kyle Kondik, an analyst at the University of Virginia Center for Politics, who wrote a book about Ohio's presidential voting history. He said it was the kind of district filled with Republicans who might think that someone like George W. Bush, Mitt Romney or Mr. Kasich "is a better fit for their sensibilities" than Mr. Trump.

But Mr. Kondik cautioned, "I still think you'd rather be the Republican in this district."

The winner of the special election will not have much job security. Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Balderson each won two separate primaries on Tuesday, one for the special election and one for the general election in November. Regardless of the outcome in August, both candidates will appear on the ballot again in November when voters choose a representative for a full two-year term.

Joel Grey to Direct Jackie Hoffman in Yiddish *Fiddler on the Roof*

Jackie Hoffman, Steven Skybell, and Jill Abramovitz will star in Joel Grey's upcoming Yiddish-language production of *Fiddler on the Roof*. The National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene production will run July 4-August 26 at the Museum of Jewish Heritage's Edmond J. Safra Theatre.

Skybell will take on the role of Tevye, with Abramovitz as Golde and Hoffman as Yente. They will be joined by Rachel Zatzoff as Tzeitel, Stephanie Lynne Mason⁰⁵ as Hodel, Rosie Jo Neddy as Chava, Ben Liebert as Motel, Cameron Johnson as Fyedka, Daniel Kahn as Perchik, Bruce Sabath as Lazar Wolf, Jodi Snyder as Fruma-Sarah, Kirk Geritano as Avram, Samantha Hahn as Bielke, Raquel Nobile as Shprintze, Lauren Jeanne Thomas as the Fiddler, Bobby Underwood as the Constable, Michael Yashinsky as Mordcha, Jennifer Babiak as Grandma Tzeitel, Joanne Borts as Sheyndl, Josh Dunn as Chaim, Michael Einav as ensemble, Evan Mayer as Sasha, Nick Raynor as Yussel, Kayleen Seidl as ensemble, Adam Shapiro as Rabbi, and James Monroe Stevko as Mendel.

The production will feature scenic design by Beowulf Boritt, costume design by Ann Hould-Ward, choreography by Staś Kmiec, lighting design by Peter Kaczorowski, and musical direction and conducting by Zalmen Mlotek. The creative team also includes Merete Muentzer (assistant choreographer) and Matthew (Motl) Didner (assistant director).

Sheldon Harnick, *Fiddler on the Roof's* lyricist, and Harold Prince, the musical's original director, will serve as consultants on the project.

Featuring a book by Joseph Stein and a score by Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick, *Fiddler on the Roof* is inspired by Sholem Aleichem's stories of the milkman Tevye, who tries to hold on to "tradition" as the world around him and his family in the little village of Anatevka changes. The Yiddish translation was crafted by Israeli actor-director Shraga Friedman in 1965 and made its world premiere in Israel more than 50 years ago.

May 16th 2018

Meredith Kessler¹⁹⁶ Voted Greatest American Triathlete of All Time

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Kessler at IRONMAN Arizona. (Photo by Paul Phillips)

The long-time race favorite and standout supermom stole our votes in the latest poll.

by Jordan Cantwell

With 11 IRONMAN titles and 15 IRONMAN 70.3 titles on her palmarès, it's no surprise that Meredith Kessler came out tops in our latest 40th Anniversary "Best Of" poll for the greatest American female triathlete. (Heather Jackson was the runner-up.) Aside from her outstanding race results, Kessler has also established herself as a fan favorite with a down to earth, humble, and friendly attitude that endears her not only to amateur athletes and fans but also to her competitors.

Kessler attended Syracuse University on an athletic scholarship focusing on field hockey and track. Her introduction to triathlon came after college when she used graduation money from her parents to buy her first bike. She signed up and competed in a full-distance triathlon just three weeks later! However, the path to racing triathlon professionally was a slow burn with Kessler racking up almost 30 full-distance finishes before finally taking her pro card.

Kessler's strength in triathlon is that she has no weakness. A front pack swimmer, one of the strongest cyclists in the sport, and a very solid runner, Kessler often leaves her competitors in her wake after the first few swim strokes, never to be seen again on the race course until the finish line.

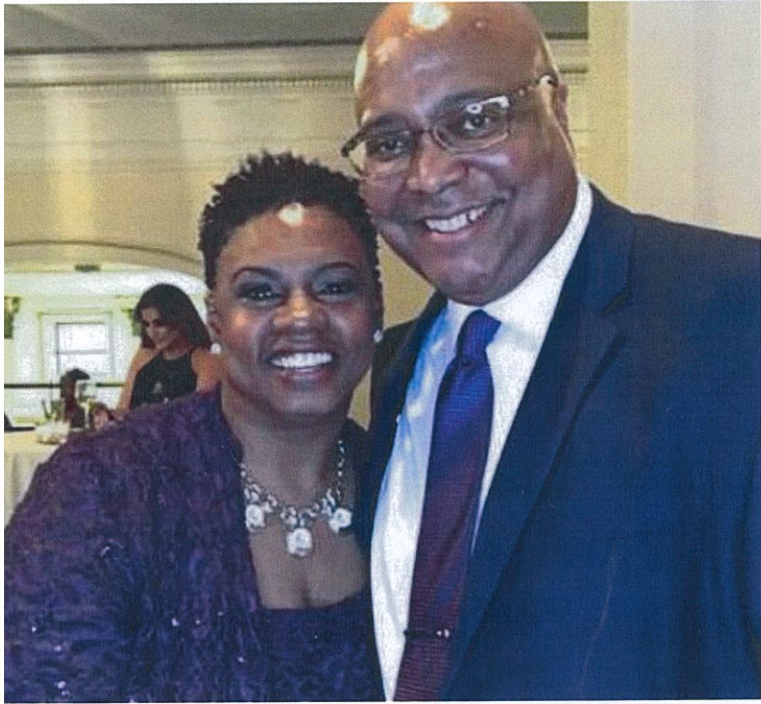


The consistency displayed across triathlon disciplines is also matched by her racing, as the American loves to return to the same races and courses year after year. She has cultivated relationships with local fans in some of IRONMAN's most iconic host cities and is beloved wherever she goes. Despite her foreigner status, the kiwis have named Kessler the "Queen of Taupo." After earning five consecutive titles at [Kellogg's Nutri-Grain IRONMAN New Zealand](#), they consider her one of their own. Similarly, her four victories at [IRONMAN 70.3 St. George](#) and three [IRONMAN Arizona](#) titles have made the Ohio native almost a hometown champion.

After taking a hiatus from racing for most of the 2017 season to give birth to her son MAK, Kessler has been welcomed heartily back into the pro ranks in 2018 and has a packed schedule of IRONMAN and IRONMAN 70.3 races in all of her favorite cities.

As we collect the people, places, and moments that define our sport all year long, make sure to follow our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) accounts for upcoming polls and your chance to make your voice heard. Follow our stories of 40 Years of Dreams at [ironman.com/40years](#).

Black Marriage Monday: Phillip & Robin Green '77



Phillip & Robin Green

Occupation

Phil: Pastor (New Horizons Christian Fellowship) & Professional Counselor

Robin: Non-Profit Manager - Resident

Services

Wedding Date & Years Married

September 4, 1982 (35 Years)

Use One Word to Describe Your Spouse

Phil: "Dynamic."

Robin: "Thoughtful"

How did you meet?

Phil: We met during a youth conference for our denomination during the summer of 1974 or 75. I remember seeing her while I was seated a few pews back, while she was sitting with her mom. I was sitting with my mom, and I caught a glimpse of her when she turned around. I remember pointing her out to my mom, and saying "I'm going to marry that girl right there" (or something like that). A few days later she and her best friend walked up to me after church and struck up a conversation. I remember how pretty she was. She was about 13 years old.

Robin: We met at a church conference just like Phil said. I remember thinking he was handsome, but I was 13 and not fast!! My

friend was the one interested, so I let her lead the conversation, thinking that they would connect, but they didn't. The next year, he called me out the blue, and invited me to his choir picnic. I remember thinking, "how did he get my number". I never found out, but I'm glad that he did. The rest is history.

What is your favorite activity to do with each other?

Phil: I am writing this after having returned from our oldest daughter's place on Mother's Day. Whenever we spend time with our children, our extended family, and family members it is a joy. We have invested a good deal of our lives into our children, and we enjoy seeing our growing family enjoying each other. I also appreciate being able to have an intellectually stimulating conversation with Robin. We don't always line up on how we see an issue, but I'm always fascinated to learn more about how and what she thinks.

Robin: The times that we read to each other, and have those "intellectually stimulating conversations" often lead to many apologies, before all was said and done. But hey, it gets the adrenaline flowing. And, making up is

FUN.

What does "Black Love" mean to you?

Phil: Black love means prioritizing one another and the relationship, recognizing the forces at work that would suggest that those two words have nothing to do with each other. Black love means exclusivity and devotion.

Robin: Black love to me is like a miracle of God. Two people come together from 400-500 years of oppression and separation. There are so many wrongs and hurts in our pasts. To be able find each other and somehow learn to rise above it is amazing. And at the end of the day to find intimacy is amazing. I am speaking of Blacks in America with the background of formerly enslaved peoples.

What are some of the things it takes to sustain a lasting and healthy relationship?

Phil: I have had to learn not to take myself so seriously ALL the time. It is good to be able to recognize when and where YOU are wrong, yourself. One of the bits of wisdom that I have learned from Robin is to "choose

the hill that you're willing to die on". This means that not every disagreement or misalignment is a matter of life-and-death

Robin: A lot of humor, at yourself and not the other person. Continuing to grow individually, but also together. One does not leave the other behind; development has to be in both. It is amazing how great a problem-solver we can be if divorce is NOT an option. At any given time, one of us is giving more than the other, but no one is keeping score. It is NEVER equal!

How do you keep the relationship aflame?

Phil: At its core, our relationship is a solid friendship, and a faith in God. We are both people who value growth and development. We are not the same people that we were when we were 23 and 21. I think that we do a pretty good job of keeping pace with one another. I think that if you continue to feed the friendship, you fuel the devotion to each other, to God, and to the relationship.

Robin: It is only aflame when we work at keeping it aflame, but the fire is NEVER out! Over the years, it is difficult, if not impossible

to keep things blazing ALL the time, every day. It is worthwhile work to stir embers!

What advice would you give your younger self about love and relationships, knowing what you know now?

Phil: I think that I'd tell myself to stop waiting for "someday" for things like taking family vacations, and focusing on my wife and children. I used a lot of vacation time going to church conventions, at times taking my entire little family out of state for one convention or another. I enjoyed those experiences, but I question the value of them to my family, our marriage, and especially to our children.

Robin: I would say to my younger self, make sure that you are your own best friend. In order to love and be in a relationship, you cannot offer others what you yourself do not cherish. Sometimes after years, you lose sight of this. If you're not careful, you can end up being a stranger to yourself. Take time to nurture yourself through all the seasons of your life.

What advice would you give to newly married couples or couples considering marriage?

Phil: GET Pre-Marital Counseling!!! As a counselor, I see individuals distressed by their marital relationships. You can save yourself some heartache if you start the marriage with a realistic view of WHO you are and to WHOM you are getting married. Get a check-up after a year or so. We did not get pre-marital counseling. There were many hills and valleys that we did not have to experience.

Robin: I would want to share the Relationship Attachment Model (RAM) with couples. At times, you may say or do something that is unintentionally damaging to others. When you share feedback with each other, the relationship may not yet be strong enough for unfiltered, ill-timed statements of perspective. It is not that you're being dishonest, but you must be wise and seek God for timing. And, if you are going to get counseling, get it from impartial individuals, not family members. There's a world of difference between counseling and advice.

WEDDINGS

The New York Times

Sarah Cohen,^{III} Steven Pochapin

May 27, 2018

Sarah Michelle Cohen and Steven Charles Pochapin are to be married May 27 at the Garden City Hotel in Garden City, N.Y. Rabbi Rachel Ain is to officiate, with Cantor Dov Keren taking part.

The bride and groom both graduated from Cornell, where they met.

Ms. Cohen, 25, is a candidate for a doctoral degree in genetics at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, Calif.

She is the daughter of Susan E. Geary and Matthew C. Cohen of Columbus, Ohio. The bride's father retired as the chief research officer for the Ohio Department of Education; he worked in Columbus. Her mother is of counsel at the Bricker & Eckler law firm, also in Columbus.

Mr. Pochapin, also 25, is a software engineer for YouTube, in Google's office in the Venice section of Los Angeles.

He is a son of Dr. Shari R. Midoneck-Pochapin and Dr. Mark B. Pochapin of New York. The groom's mother is an internal medicine specialist at MD Squared Park Avenue, a group medical practice in New York. His father, a gastroenterologist, is a professor of medicine at N.Y.U. School of Medicine, and is the director of gastroenterology and hepatology at NYU Langone Medical Center in New York.

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SUNDAY REVIEW

The New York Times

When Southern Newspapers Justified Lynching

**By Brent Staples**

Mr. Staples is a member of the editorial board.

May 5, 2018

The Arkansas lynch mob that burned a black tenant farmer at the stake in 1921 observed common practice when it advertised the killing in advance so spectators could mark the grisly event on their calendars. The organizers notified newspapers early in the day that they planned to kill Henry Lowery as painfully as possible, giving editors time to produce special editions that provided the time, place and gruesome particulars of the death to come.

Historians have paid scant attention to the role that the white Southern press played in the racial terrorism of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, which saw thousands of African-Americans hanged, burned, drowned or beaten to death by white mobs. This issue surfaced in dramatic fashion recently when the nearly two-centuries-old Montgomery Advertiser printed a front-page editorial apologizing for lynching coverage that dehumanized black victims. The apology coincided with the recent opening in Montgomery, Ala., of a memorial to lynching victims, and it sets the stage for a timely discussion of a deeply dishonorable period in Southern press history.

The bloody celebration at which 500 jeering spectators saw Henry Lowery burned to ashes was held at Nodena, Ark., on Jan. 26, 1921. Among those in attendance was a reporter for The Memphis Press whose story — under the headline “Kill Negro by Inches” — validated the barbaric proceedings and cataloged the victim’s suffering in lurid detail, noting that Lowery remained stoically silent “even after the flesh had dropped away from his legs and the flames were leaping toward his face.”

Lowery had been charged with a wanton act of murder for killing his white landlord and the landlord's adult daughter. The renowned lynching investigator Walter White later reported that Lowery had drawn a pistol only after being shot by the landlord's son and physically attacked by the landlord himself in a dispute over wages. In the eyes of the lynching state — where an African-American could be put to death on a white person's whim — the impulse toward self-defense was often viewed as a crime when it came with a black face.

Newspapers even bragged about the roles they had played in arranging particularly spectacular lynchings. But the real damage was done in terse, workaday stories that justified lynching by casting its victims as “fiends,” “brutes,” “born criminals” or, that catchall favorite, “troublesome Negroes.” The narrative that tied blackness inextricably to criminality — and to the death penalty — survived the lynching era and lives on to this day.

The Montgomery Advertiser was historically opposed to lynching. Nevertheless, when its current staff scrutinized the paper's lynching-era coverage, they concluded that it had conveniently opposed lynching in the abstract while responding with indifference to its bloody, real-world consequences. The editors found that the paper too often presumed without proof that lynching victims were guilty and that, in doing so, it advanced the aims of white supremacist rule.

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That description applies broadly to the Jim Crow-era South, where even newspapers that were viewed as liberal replicated the apartheid state within their pages — by separating news and birth announcements by race, by rendering law-abiding black people invisible and especially by denying African-Americans the courtesy titles Mr. and Mrs. This humiliating practice was meant to illustrate the impossibility of racial equality. It also let white readers know when a black person was being quoted so that the person's statement could be ignored.

The newspaper editor Ira Harkey, who was white, incurred outrage in 1949 when he abandoned the Southern journalistic practice of automatically labeling black people by race in stories and began cautiously extending the courtesy title Mrs. in the pages of The Pascagoula Chronicle-Star “to certain carefully selected Negro women such as teachers and nurses.” Harkey was reviled — and shot at — by racists in Mississippi for championing civil rights. He wrote bitterly of his earlier years at The New Orleans Times-Picayune, where there was “a flat rule that Negroes were not to appear in photographs”; it was required that they be airbrushed out of crowd scenes.

The Montgomery Advertiser — known in the 19th century as the leading paper of the Confederacy — put itself on the wrong side of history in countless ways, not least by ridiculing the civil rights movement that was launched by the Montgomery bus boycott in 1955 and reached its zenith a decade later with the march from Selma to Montgomery and the passage of the Voting Rights Act.

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Bro Krift, now the paper’s 41-year-old executive editor, was well aware of this history when he greeted the opening of the lynching memorial by devoting the Advertiser’s front page to the names of victims alongside its bluntly worded editorial acknowledging the paper’s complicity. Speaking of the memorial in a recent telephone interview, Mr. Krift said: “I realized, holy Moses, this could change the narrative for the rest of time in America. This could be the physical representation of the conversation we need to have in America.”

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Jayne Gest

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On behalf of Hylant Columbus, I want to thank *Smart Business* for the opportunity to be a partner for the Smart 50 Awards.

I'm thrilled to be part of such a wonderful celebration of Columbus' smart leaders. This year's honorees are true leaders who strive to motivate, lead and inspire not only the individuals of their organizations, but individuals and businesses throughout Columbus. Each of the honorees has made a difference in their organization and has helped to strengthen the business community of Columbus.

As I learn more about each of this year's honorees I am humbled and impressed by the level of engagement each leader has with their organization. No two leaders are the same — they do share some common traits, such as their passion for the people they lead and the businesses they run. They inspire and motivate the people around them and they understand what it takes to be successful. With talent like this it's no wonder Columbus continues to grow and thrive.

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Asim Haque '98

Chairman

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

At the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Asim Haque is a role model for how to effectively build and lead an organization. He has served on the major state agency since 2013.



In March 2017, Haque announced a PUCO initiative, PowerForward, that seeks to improve the customer experience by integrating new smart grid technologies across Ohio's electric grid. Perhaps the most well-known smart grid technologies are digital meters, which communicate with customers and utilities in real time and collect data about energy usage.

For the last year, PUCO has hosted more than 150 national and state energy experts to help shape this discussion. With a comprehensive grid modernization policy in place, Ohio's utilities will be able to provide advanced services, bringing more value and options to customers.

Chris Jones '84

President and CEO

Iron Pony Motorsports Group

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In 1975, Chris Jones took over his father's failing motorcycle and auto parts business. Jones conceptualized and launched the world's largest powersports superstore, taking the Iron Pony Motorsports Group from the edge of bankruptcy to industry leader and innovator.



Iron Pony was one of the first powersports retailer/dealerships to embrace all channels of selling — brick-and-mortar, mail order and e-commerce through two websites, Amazon and eBay. Today, the company sells in 48 states, Canada and Puerto Rico, with a staff of 145.

Jones also endured a business partnership that nearly stripped him from his own company, launched one of the first independent motorcycle training schools, Iron Pony Riding Academy, and was one of the first in the U.S. to embrace the motorcycle rental franchise EagleRider.

Dan Rogovin '92

President

U.S. Bridge

With over 80 years in the bridge construction industry, U.S. Bridge's expertise and attention to detail is displayed with every completed project. Dan Rogovin and his team operate so well because of five basic pillars: integrity, respect, personal accountability, teamwork and service.



For decades, the Rogovin family has been creating a strong team and culture that equips employees with resources and experience.

U.S. Bridge can fabricate and ship to location, and with thousands of bridges constructed, U.S. Bridge is a trusted partner for state departments of transportation. The company continues to innovate and lead the industry. Recently, U.S. Bridge reunited families and restored economic operations to devastated areas of Puerto Rico. U.S. Bridge constructed four bridges, including walkways and vehicle bridges, to reconnect affected communities.

Sheila Trautner '98

President and CEO

Taste Hospitality Group

Sheila Trautner has six successful businesses under her helm at Taste Hospitality Group: Mezzo Restaurant & Bar, Creekside Conference & Event Center, Wine on High, Hubbard Bar and Grille, THG Catering & Events, and management of the dining and events facility at The Golf Club at Little Turtle.



Trautner is as focused on operations as the bottom line. Taste Hospitality Group has become a leader in private events, with more than 140 employees in three cities.

Over the years, Trautner has filled nearly every role in each business, from selecting carpeting to considering the best fit with neighboring businesses to locking up at night. This has allowed her to understand the organization from top to bottom and appreciate the need to invest in others.

Ryan Vesler '01

CEO and founder

HOMAGE

Founded in 2007 by Ryan Vesler, HOMAGE turns back the clock with shout-outs to eclectic moments and personalities in sports, music and popular culture. From Billie Jean King and equality for women to Larry Bird's blonde mustache, the company takes the memories and passion that people are nostalgic for and makes them a reality again by infusing them into clothing.



HOMAGE started in Vesler's parent's home before moving into a 20-by-20 room where everyone did everything. Today, the brand has six retail locations. It is constantly adding new people, but still has the same forethought that Vesler started with. He makes sure his employees try to do right by the customer at all times.

HOMAGE also gives back to the community by supporting charitable causes when it can.

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Obituaries

Bernard E. Trainor, Marine lieutenant general turned journalist, dies at 89

By Harrison Smith June 4 at 7:32 PM [✉ Email the author](#)

Bernard E. Trainor, a Marine Corps lieutenant general who served in two wars and then launched a second career as a journalist, covering the military for the New York Times and in three critically acclaimed books on America's wars in the Persian Gulf and Iraq, died June 2 at his home in Potomac Falls, Va. He was 89.

The cause was cancer, said his wife, Peggy Trainor.

Gen. Trainor led an infantry platoon in the Korean War, served two tours in Vietnam and was deputy chief of staff for plans, policies and operations at Marine Corps headquarters before retiring from the military in 1985.

While retired three- or four-star generals sometimes make their way to television news, offering spur-of-the-moment analysis of the American military and conflicts around the globe, Gen. Trainor took the unconventional step of joining a print newspaper as a full-fledged correspondent. He had no previous journalism experience, but — with a reputation as an “intellectual” general whose fondness for cigars was matched by an interest in military scholarship — was invited to write a trial story for the Times.

“He wrote it up, handed it in to them, and the next thing he knew it was published with his name in the paper. He told me from then on he was kind of hooked,” said Michael R. Gordon, a former chief military correspondent for the Times.

Gen. Trainor wrote stories about the drug war in South America, a sunken Soviet submarine, the Army's increasing reliance on the reserves, Russian military exercises in East Germany and conflicts from Afghanistan to Chad to the Iran-Iraq War, where he reported from the front lines on battlefield tactics and wartime conditions.

“He had a real understanding of not just what war is like, but how military operations are conducted,” Gordon said in a phone interview. “Over the years, I personally embedded in six or seven wars. But I could never match his understanding of how the military works.”

Gen. Trainor left the Times in 1990 to lead the National Security Program at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government. He continued to work in journalism, serving as a military analyst for ABC News and NBC News, and in 1995 co-wrote “The Generals' War” with Gordon.

An incisive account of U.S. military leadership in the Persian Gulf War, the book “essentially debunked the public perception that the 1991 Gulf War went smoothly from start to finish,” Mackubin Thomas Owens, a former associate dean of the Naval War College, wrote in *National Review*.

Drawing from classified documents and scores of interviews, the authors argued the war was an “incomplete success,” marked by failures from generals H. Norman Schwarzkopf and Colin Powell, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

“With the emphasis on a quick victory and speedy exit,” they wrote, “the generals

supported the premature decision to bring the war to a close with surprisingly little planning for the termination or the possible reverberations within Iraq.”

In ending the ground war after 100 hours, they concluded, the military leadership enabled the Republican Guard to survive, allowing Saddam Hussein to hold on to power and setting the stage for the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq in 2003.

Gen. Trainor and Gordon chronicled that war beginning with “Cobra II” (2006), named for the U.S. operation to depose Hussein and seize Baghdad. A damning account of failures of intelligence and imagination, the book was also an indictment of military leaders who failed to listen to their commanders in the field.

“The American war plan was never adjusted on high,” the authors argued. “Gen. Tommy Franks, who was the overall commander, never acknowledged the enemy he faced nor did he comprehend the nature of the war he was directing.”

In “The Endgame” (2012), a sequel, Gen. Trainor and Gordon chronicled the years from late 2003 to 2011, when U.S. ground troops departed from Iraq. The 779-page book focused on the “surge” in troop levels that was said to have turned the tide of the war.

“As a military event,” they wrote, it “succeeded beyond any reasonable expectation in tamping down sectarian violence, breaking the back of al-Qaeda in Iraq,” and damaging the Mahdi Army formed by cleric Moqtada al-Sadr.

“Without American forces helping to keep Iraq on the straight and narrow, the authors suggest, it is likely to slip back into tyranny or civil strife or both,” Foreign Affairs editor Gideon Rose wrote in the *New York Times*. “The argument is not original — you might even call it the dominant view among most established Iraq watchers — but rarely has it gotten so careful a treatment, buttressed with such impeccable sourcing.”

Bernard Edmund Trainor was born in Manhattan on Sept. 2, 1928, and raised in the Bronx. His father was a fruit auctioneer on the city docks, and his mother was a homemaker.

Mick, as he was known, had hoped to serve in the Navy during World War II, which ended the year before his high school graduation in 1946. “The Navy didn’t want him,” his wife said in a phone interview, “so he went next door and here was this squiggly Marine who said come on in.”

Through the Holloway Plan, a newly created education program for the Navy and Marines, he graduated from the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass., in 1951 and was commissioned as an officer. He soon landed in Korea, where he later recalled triggering an enemy land mine that, had it not malfunctioned, would likely have killed him.

In a 1996 op-ed for the *Times*, he expressed ambivalence toward mines, noting that they “have both threatened and saved my life.” When his platoon installed mines to defend their position in Korea, he wrote, expressing opposition to a proposed ban on the devices, “the mines saved us from being overrun.”

Through an exchange program, Gen. Trainor trained in mountain and winter warfare with Britain’s Royal Marines and commanded a company of British commandos in Malta.

Beginning in 1965 he served with a covert warfare unit in Vietnam, according to his

official Marine biography. He later returned to Vietnam to command the 1st Battalion of the 5th Marine Regiment and then the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion. In 1978 he was named director of the Marine Corps Education Center at Quantico, Va. "He started us down a path to where we are now with a full-fledged, accredited Marine Corps University," said Lt. Gen. Wallace "Chip" Gregson Jr., a former assistant secretary of defense. "He was very much ahead of his time in trying to enhance the education experience across the board, even for mere junior officers." Gen. Trainor later served on the board of groups including the World Affairs Council and the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation.

In addition to his wife of 59 years, the former Peggy Hamilton of Potomac Falls, survivors include four children, Kathleen Trainor of Arlington, Va., Theresa Trainor of Shepherdstown, W.Va., Claire Leimone of Santa Monica, Calif., and Saxon Trainor of Los Angeles; and five grandchildren.

Gen. Trainor's military decorations included the Navy Distinguished Service Medal, two Legion of Merit honors and the Bronze Star. But those who knew him said his legacy in the military extended far beyond any individual honors.

"One of the reasons I came home from Vietnam, with basically my soul intact, was because not only did I learn how to call artillery and treat my men well, I was given a moral compass by Gen. Trainor," said sculptor Peter DeCamp Haines,^{'60} who studied under Gen. Trainor at the University of Colorado in the early 1960s.

Gen. Trainor, a major at the time, was an instructor in the school's ROTC program while pursuing a master's degree in history.

"We spent a lot of time on the Nuremberg trials, the message of which is, you can't say I was just following orders," Haines recalled. "As an officer I was guided by that. I knew I had to do the right thing. There are North Vietnamese soldiers that are probably alive today because of my intervention," he said, referring to an incident in which he took the guns of enemy prisoners rather than shoot them.

"The Marine Corps issued me a flak jacket," he added. "Mick Trainor had provided me with moral armor."

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Roderick Willcox^{'51}(1934 - 2018)

Willcox, Roderick

1934 - 2018

Roderick H. Willcox, age 84, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away peacefully on May 30, 2018. He had a deep passion for his faith and his family. His life was dedicated to his wife of 54 years, family, friends and his law practice. He was a graduate of the Columbus Academy, Williams College and The University of Michigan Law School. He was an usher and member of Broad Street Presbyterian Church and was deeply involved in the Columbus community through many clubs, associations and charities. Rod is preceded in death by his wife Rita, his parents Richard V. Willcox and Marcella R. Willcox. He is survived by his daughters, Sherry (Peter) Hazlewood, Kathy Willcox and Patricia (Scott) Hanna; son, Rod (Tammy) "Spook" Willcox^{'82}; granddaughters, Lauren Willcox, Mackenzie Hanna, Hannah Willcox and Nicole Hazlewood; grandsons, Jake Willcox, Colby Hanna, and Luke Willcox; sisters, Jeanne W. Whittaker and Marcia W. McHam and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service and reception will be held later in the summer for friends and family to celebrate Rod's life. In lieu of flowers, please honor Rod's generosity of spirit by sending donations "In Memory of Roderick H. Willcox" to Broad Street Presbyterian Church (760 E Broad St, Columbus, OH 43205) or the "The Columbus Academy General Scholarship Fund" (4300 Cherry Bottom Rd, Gahanna, OH 43230). Service updates will be posted on Rod's tribute page at www.schoedinger.com where friends may also share memories or express condolences. Services entrusted to Schoedinger Northeast Chapel.

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