

ALUMNI NEWS

Dear Fellow Alumni,

Salisbury University and its alumni are experiencing enormous success. As our alumni chapters grow and flourish, and as our Alumni Association continues to offer more and more to its members, the campus community is growing and thriving. We all share a sense of pride, dedication and accomplishment when we see the continuing excellence at our University.

Your Alumni Association has maintained its dedication to volunteerism and service. Your board members have represented alumni on the Town-Gown Council and the Middle States Recertification Committee. Students, alumni, faculty and staff volunteered at a homeless shelter in Salisbury. Students have also been recognized for their record-breaking participation in the 2005 Relay For Life. Salisbury had the top fund-raising university team among schools its size. The participation in this spring's Relay for Life continued that tradition of success.

Your fellow alumni have also represented SU through professional excellence, including dedicated military service. The growing SU community is having an impact well beyond the classroom and well beyond the campus. What better way to stay in touch with your classmates, friends and local alumni chapters than to register with and log on to our new Salisbury alumni community online at <http://alumni.salisbury.edu>. See the latest news, review event calendars and get in touch with the campus or with fellow alumni.

On February 2, 2006, SU Day was held at the Maryland General Assembly. Several Alumni Board members and SU staff, along

with students, alumni and faculty, spent the day meeting with legislators and thanking them for their support of SU. The Eastern Shore Delegation is to be thanked and congratulated for their hard work. With their efforts, Salisbury University secured significant funding during this year's legislative session. That funding is a cornerstone to many wonderful projects that are planned on campus, including the construction of the Teacher Education and Technology Complex and the expansion of the Perdue School of Business. These projects, among others, have gained the attention of private funding sources as well. President Dudley-Eshbach recently announced an \$8 million gift from the Arthur W. Perdue Foundation, the largest in SU's institutional history. Stay tuned for continued good news about our progress to date and plans for future enhancements and growth.

On behalf of the Alumni Association, I welcome all the December 2005 and May 2006 graduates to the Salisbury University Alumni Association. Remember, there are over 30,000 fellow alumni at your disposal. Use them as a resource and keep in touch to let us know what you are doing after graduation. I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming spring and summer events.

Sincerely,



*Eric E. McLaughlin '92
Alumni Association President*



Alumni Service Award

During SU's winter commencement the Alumni Association presented **Debbie Abbott '76**, senior vice president of Mercantile Peninsula Bank, with the Alumni Service Award.

Abbott earned her Bachelor of Arts in communication arts from SU in 1976. Since then, her involvement at SU has been extensive. She has served on the SU Foundation

Board of Directors since 1996, chairing the board from 1999-2002. Under her leadership, the Foundation worked to better University relations with the surrounding community and also purchased the Allenwood Shopping Center, adjacent to campus on Route 13.

She is a member of the SU President's Club and continues to serve her Alma Mater in many roles, most visibly as host of *SU on the Air*, a monthly program on PAC 14 highlighting the people and events of the University.



TEHA Presents Scholarship

John Rafter, director of the Tidewater Environmental Health Association (TEHA) presented a check for SU environmental health scholarships to Dr. Elichia Venso (center), director of SU's Environmental Health Science Program. Also present at the presentation were (from left) Michelle Walston, co-chair of TEHA; Kerrie Lorch '06, scholarship recipient; and Jay Bozman, secretary-treasurer of TEHA. Proceeds from TEHA's Wallace Q. French annual golf tournament benefit SU's program.



Carve A Memory Into The Garden

The Miller Alumni Garden, located directly behind the Alumni House, is one of the largest and most beautiful gardens in the Salisbury area. It is bedecked with perennial beds, a fountain with a waterfall and a pergola graced with Doric columns. Surrounding the fountain is a brick walkway where you may have a 4" x 8" brick laid with an inscription for yourself or in honor or memory of a classmate, faculty member, club, team, family

member or any other important person in your life. Cost is \$100 per brick, and your purchase can be considered your Annual Fund contribution. For more information, call or e-mail the Alumni Office, or you can place your order online by going to <http://alumni.salisbury.edu> and clicking on the "Garden Bricks" link.



SU Online

The Alumni Association has launched a new online alumni community.

Features in the community include an alumni directory, event registration, chapter pages, class year pages, alumni benefits and much more! All alumni can have an individual profile page where you can submit pictures, contact information, write a blog and contact friends and classmates. If you are familiar with Facebook or MySpace, this is Salisbury's version for alumni!

The site will continue to grow in the upcoming months as we add a member forum, a career center and an alumni business directory.

To date, over 600 alumni have registered and it continues to grow each day. Currently, classes from the '90s and '00s are by far the most popular when it comes to posting class notes and photos, but all classes are represented in the community.

Sign up today by visiting the online community at <http://alumni.salisbury.edu>. It's free and a good way to keep in touch with former classmates and the University.

The online alumni community was made possible by a grant from Alumni Association International (AA-I).

<http://alumni.salisbury.edu>

New Board Members

The Salisbury University Alumni Association welcomes two new members to its board of directors: **Rick Holloway '76** and **Cynthia Kratz Phillips '88, M'93**.

Holloway began his formal education at SU as a kindergartner at the University's former Campus School. In 1976 he earned his B.S. in business from SU before receiving his degree in mortuary science from Catonsville Community College in preparation to enter the family business, Holloway Funeral Home.



Holloway

At SU, Holloway helped found the student radio station, WSSC, in a laundry room in the basement of Manokin Hall. Today, the state-of-the-art station, recently rechristened

WXSU, has its own room (sans washers and dryers) in the Guerrieri University Center.

A leader in the Salisbury community, Holloway is a past president of the Salisbury Area Chamber of Commerce, incoming president of the Salisbury Host Lions Club, a board member of Coastal Hospice and a member of the Asbury United Methodist Church Board of Trustees.

"I have always been very interested in SU, especially since I started there at age 5 and graduated college at the same school," Holloway said. "I am looking forward to learning about where the school is now. I believe the Alumni Association plays a vital role in the success of all institutions."

Phillips returns to the Alumni Board after a three-year hiatus. She initially served on the board from 1999-2002, helping establish the annual Homecoming golf tournament and serving on the Nominations Committee for Distinguished Faculty Awards. Earning her B.S. in education from SU in 1988 and her M.Ed. in 1993, she served as an adjunct professor at the University from 1997-2003, teaching Communication for Classroom Teachers.

She began her teaching career at Tangier Combined School in Tangier Island, VA, in 1988. Since then she has taught at Delmar Elementary School, North Salisbury Elementary School and Pemberton Elementary School, where she currently teaches the fifth-grade magnet class. At Pemberton, she established the Fifth Grade Community Service Club, promoting student volunteerism and community improvement through action and leadership. Phillips has served the community herself as a past president of the Salisbury Junior Service League and a member of the Wellness Community of Delmarva.



Phillips

"I am excited about being back again on the Alumni Association Board of Directors that is such an essential part of SU," she said. "The University is integral to our community and provides Salisbury with many services."

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Alumni In The Classroom

Last fall alumni **Jeannie Haddaway '99** and **Eric Bromwell '98**, both delegates for the Maryland state legislature, visited SU's Institute of Public Affairs and Civic Engagement's (PACE) Presidential Citizen Scholars to share how they became involved in politics and discuss their roles in the lawmaking process.



Save The Date

- June 24** Delmarva Chapter: *Comedy Zone at the Bottle Factory*
- June 29** Baltimore/Philadelphia Chapters: *Orioles Baseball vs. Phillies at Camden Yards*
- July 8** Washington, D.C., Chapter: *Washington National Baseball*
- July 29** Delmarva Chapter: *Shorebirds Baseball*
- Aug. 17** Frederick Chapter: *Keys Baseball*
- Aug. 24** Delmarva Chapter: *End of Summer Party at the Plantation House, West Ocean City*
- Sept. 16** Fun Day at SU
- Mid-Oct.** Frederick/Baltimore Chapters: *Linganore Winery Tour & Tasting*
- Oct. 7** Sea Gull Century at SU
- Oct. 13-14** Homecoming/
Family Day Weekend
- Dec. 18** Winter Commencement



For details or to register for events visit <http://alumni.salisbury.edu>

Faculty Appreciation Award ... Cast Your Vote!

The Salisbury University Alumni Association would like you to vote again for one faculty member from your school for the 2006 Faculty Appreciation Award. The guidelines for this annual award recognize faculty:

- Who have served on the SU faculty full time for at least 10 years.
- Whose efforts have had a lasting impression on students.
- Who have provided dynamic classroom instruction.
- Who exhibit attributes graduates can take with them into their careers.
- Who have "made a difference" in the lives of their students.
- Who have influenced their students to make a beneficial contribution to their community.

To see a complete list of faculty members eligible for this award and to make your nomination, go to <http://alumni.salisbury.edu>

or e-mail your nomination to alumni@salisbury.edu.

Nominations should include a paragraph, of at least five sentences, explaining your support of the candidate.

Each school's selection committee will base its decision on the nominations paragraphs; therefore, you should clearly support your nomination as outlined by the guidelines above.



2005 Faculty Appreciation Award Winners (from left) Fatollah Salimian, Perdue School; Dr. Tony Whall, Fulton School; Eric E. McLaughlin '92, Alumni Association president; Dr. Lee May, Henson School; and Dr. Patricia Richards, Seidel School

Previous Recipients

Fulton School of Liberal Arts

- Charles Cipolla - 2001
- Donald Whaley - 2002
- Jerry Miller - 2003
- Harry Basehart - 2004
- Tony Whall - 2005

Henson School of Science and Technology

- John Molenda - 2001
- Edward Senkbeil - 2002
- Augustine DiGiovanna - 2003
- Donald Cathcart - 2004
- Lee May - 2005

Perdue School of Business

- Gerald DiBartolo - 2001
- Joseph Quinn - 2002
- Douglas Marshall - 2003
- Kashi Khazeh - 2004
- Fatollah Salimian - 2005

Seidel School of Education and Professional Studies

- Geraldine Rossi - 2001
- Keith Conners - 2002
- John Wolinski - 2003
- Carolyn Bowden - 2004
- Patricia Richards - 2005

Benefits & Services for SU Alumni

Upon graduation, you automatically become a member of the SU Alumni Association. Membership is completely free to all graduates and membership has its privileges! For a complete listing of benefits or to sign up for your alumni benefit card, visit <http://alumni.salisbury.edu> and fill out the online form or call 888-729-2586.

Discounts

- **10%** discount on everything except textbooks at the SU Bookstore
- **\$2** off sports events
- **10%** discount on SU Galleries sales and bus trips
- **\$2** off tickets to SU theatre productions

Alumni Credit Card

Now you may choose the Salisbury University MasterCard from MBNA America Bank as thousands of your fellow alumni already have—with good reason. It's an easy, convenient way to support the SU Alumni Association. For each new purchase charged on the card, MBNA makes a contribution to the Alumni Association to support programs at no additional cost to you. Apply for your alumni MasterCard now. Simply call MBNA toll-free at 1-800-847-7378, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

GEICO Auto Insurance

SU alumni can now receive discounts on automobile insurance. Alumni who qualify will receive an additional members-only discount in 45 states plus the District of Columbia. This discount is in addition to GEICO's already low rates. Members will receive GEICO's convenience and outstanding customer service with no obligation to buy, while

the SU Alumni Association will receive revenue for their inquiries. For further information visit the SU alumni Web site.

Maryland License Plates

Alumni throughout Maryland have been displaying their "Sea Gull Pride" with specialty license plates on their passenger cars, multipurpose vehicles or light trucks registered in Maryland. Be among those who display the SU plates. Plates are \$40 and can be obtained by contacting the Alumni Relations Office and requesting an MVA registration form.

State Employees Credit Union (SECU)

All SU alumni are eligible for membership. Call 1-800-879-SECU (7328) to request an application or visit its Web site, www.secumd.org.

University Alumni Travel Benefits

All SU alumni, faculty and staff now have big savings on world-class resort condo rentals, hotels and car rentals thanks to a partnership with Cendant Corporation and its subsidiary, Resort Condominiums International, LLC. Discounts of up to 75 percent off regular commercial rates are offered on vacation rental opportunities including condos, chalets,

cottages and home within a vast network of more than 3,500 resorts in the U.S. and abroad. Prices for the resort condo rentals start at just \$349 for a whole week. Available resorts can be found through an online registry. Visit the Alumni Association Web site for more information. To inquire about a vacation or to make a reservation, call 1-888-729-3842 and give them your University ID code: AMD-007. You also get an average 15 percent discount on Cendant brand car rentals and hotels. Each time you go on a vacation listed, you are helping the University. For each vacation rental, SU Alumni Association receives \$25 for its programs.

Alumni Loan Consolidation Program

The Alumni Loan Consolidation Program enables alumni with more than \$7,500 in outstanding federal student loans (including PLUS loans) to reduce monthly student loan repayments and lock in at the lowest interest rates in recent history. If you recently graduated and are still in your grace period (i.e. you have not started repaying your loans), you may be eligible to get an additional 0.60 percent interest rate reduction for the life of your loans. Don't delay—this special rate reduction could save you thousands of dollars. You also

can request to maintain your grace period while locking in the lowest rate. For further information visit: <https://sals.alcp.org>.

Short Term Medical Insurance

GradMed® Short Term Medical, an economical, comprehensive major medical insurance plan, is the first plan especially for new graduates. GradMed STM provides protection for as little as two months or as long as six months until grads can obtain more permanent coverage through their employer or other sources.

SU Pool Membership

Sea Gull Swim Club membership is available to alumni and their families. Membership for the spring, fall and winter semesters is available through the Alumni Office. Contact the office alumni@salisbury.edu for fees and further information.

E-Recruiting

(formally known as WIN) Seeking a career change or wish to link with employers affiliated with SU? Please call or e-mail the SU Career Services Office at rcendicott@salisbury.edu or 410-543-6075. For those who wish to become SU student mentors, visit the alumni Web site and click on "Career Services." For those who were WIN mentors and wish to update their information, log into the new Mentor Network at <http://salisbury.erecruiting.com>.

Alumni Chapters

Join one of the many SU Alumni Chapters—a great way for new grads to expand social and professional networks. Visit <http://alumni.salisbury.edu> for a listing of chapters and activities.



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Chapters Update

You can stay in touch with Salisbury University, even if you don't live in the Salisbury area.

To learn more about regional alumni chapter activities and events, visit <http://alumni.salisbury.edu>.

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On March 23, 2006, the Baltimore Chapter gathered at Nottingham's Tavern in Columbia, MD.



On April 22, 2006, the Frederick Chapter gathered at Charles Town Races and Slots in Charles Town, WV.



On May 4, 2006 the Delmarva Chapter gathered at Seacrets in Ocean City, MD.

A Fond Farewell

SU Mourns Benefactor Charles Fulton H'98



“You really aren’t making a contribution unless you work at it,” Charles R. “Chuck” Fulton once said. He and his wife Martha endowed the Fulton School of Liberal Arts at Salisbury University in 1989, but his contributions didn’t stop there. A quiet man who eschewed the limelight, Fulton worked diligently as a champion and member of the SU Foundation Board of Directors for the University. When he died this past fall, the whole campus mourned.

A pioneer in the poultry industry, in 1965 he merged his businesses with Holly Farms Poultry, Inc., which became the largest poultry supplier in the nation at that time. Holly Farms was eventually sold to Tyson Foods.



An avid flyer, Fulton was a board member of the State Aviation Commission during times of exceptional growth and was a close friend of commuter aviation pioneer Richard A. Henson, who endowed SU’s Henson School of Science and Technology.

The Fultons’ multimillion dollar bequest touched the life of virtually every student on campus. Since it was endowed, the School of Liberal Arts has grown by more than 40 percent and its faculty enjoys a growing national reputation. It is the largest of the University’s four schools.

Fulton’s daughter Jennie once said of her father, “He won’t let the land go barren. If he cuts a tree, he plants a seedling.” Throughout his life he planted many seeds that bore fruit in his beloved community and in the generations of SU students who benefit from his generosity.



Fulton, left, joined fellow poultry magnate Frank Perdue '41 in celebrating the accreditation of the Franklin P. Perdue School of Business at SU in 1994.



From left: Charles and Martha Fulton '41, Governor Schaefer, benefactor Richard Henson and President Thomas E. Bellavance hold a ceremonial check for the endowment of the Fulton School of Liberal Arts in 1989.