Dear Fellow Alumni,

It is an exciting time for Salisbury University and SU alumni. New alumni chapters are being formed and many activities are being planned. Alumni and students are active in community service projects and public relations activities. When I speak with alumni, it is always great to hear about their pride in SU and their dedication to the continuing excellence at our University.

This issue focuses on the new guiding principles of the University: Learn. Live. Lead. All of us can personify these principles. Volunteerism, professional accomplishments and military service are just a few examples. For many alumni, their experiences at SU helped to shape their commitment to service and leadership. No matter where you live, you can participate in this campaign, and I encourage all alumni to look for new ways to learn, live and lead.

Alumni Association Board members have been active in their support of SU. On January 25, SU Day was held at the Maryland General Assembly. Several board members and SU Foundation staff, along with students, faculty and staff, spent the day meeting with legislators and thanking them for their support of SU. In addition, the Maryland House of Delegates honored the SU women’s field hockey team for its second consecutive Division III NCAA Championship. Board members also represent alumni on the Salisbury Town-Gown Council and the University’s Middle States recertification committee.

The entire SU community is building relationships and influencing lives beyond the classroom. Students, alumni, faculty and staff volunteered at a homeless shelter in Salisbury. Students have also been recognized for their 2004 Relay for Life, which was the nation’s top fund-raising university team. For this year’s Relay, the students extended a special invitation to SU alumni who are cancer survivors to walk the Survivors’ Lap.

On behalf of the Alumni Association, I would like to welcome all the December 2004 and May 2005 graduates to the Salisbury University Alumni Association. Please be sure to keep in touch with the Alumni Association and let us know what you are doing after graduation.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming events. Be sure to watch your e-mail or mailbox for information about events at SU and chapter events in your area.

Sincerely,

Sara Wolff Lewis M’98
Alumni Association President

New Board Members

The Alumni Association welcomes three new members to its board of directors: Karen R. Cline ’94, Michael W. Elliott ’94 and Robert Schultheis ’00.

Cline (right) is employed by the University of Delaware. She earned her Bachelor of Science in business administration, summa cum laude, from SU in 1994 and a Master of Business Administration in international business and marketing from Delaware in 2002. She enjoys ice skating, baking, collecting vintage cookbooks, antiquing, bicycling and gardening.

Elliott (right) is food service manager for Salisbury University. He earned his Bachelor of Science in business administration from SU in 1994 and Master of Business Administration in 2000. He is a member of the National Association of College and University Food Service and serves on the membership committee for the Mid-Atlantic region. Elliott is also a licensed realtor in the Salisbury area and serves as the secretary of the Wicomico County Democratic Club.

Schultheis (right) is a marketing associate with Lankford SYSCO Food Services in Pocomoke, MD. He earned his Bachelor of Science from the Seidel School in 2000. He is the vice president of the Eastern Shore Running Club and a mentor for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society’s Team in Training. He is a member of the Salisbury Jaycees and is a youth leader at Asbury United Methodist Church.

“The University has been vital in my success. I want to show my appreciation in helping others see the importance of supporting our Alma Mater,” said Schultheis.

Sculpture Added To Alumni Garden

David H. Turner (right), a famous wildlife sculptor located in Onley, VA, recently unveiled his work “Flying Seagulls” in the Miller Alumni Garden. The funds for the sculpture were donated by members of the Class of 1963 on the anniversary of their 40th reunion.
Are you thinking about a career change? Have you ever wondered what it would be like to do something different from your current job? Have you ever talked to other employers about prospective jobs? If you have ever thought about these questions maybe we can help.

SU’s Career Services is in the initial phase of developing a database of talented, experienced SU alumni who are interested in changing careers. Many employers recruiting at SU advertise only entry-level vacancies for new graduates. We want to let our employers know we have many experienced alumni seeking a career change and they can post positions to them as well.

For those of you seeking a career change and wish to link with employers affiliated with SU, please call or e-mail the SU Career Services Office at 410-543-6075 or rendicott@salisbury.edu. We will then give you access via a username and password to our employer recruiting database called E-recruiting. You will then be able to explore employers and jobs relevant to your career aspirations. All information is confidential.

Seven years after graduating from SU, Jason Curtin has returned as the University’s new director of alumni relations and annual giving.

After receiving his Bachelor of Arts in communication arts from SU in 1998, he went on to earn a Master of Education in higher education administration from the University of South Carolina, where he gained experience as a graduate advisor.

His career in higher education administration began in May 2001, when he became associate alumni director, then interim alumni director, at Furman University in Greenville, SC. The next year, he was promoted to associate director of annual giving.

While Curtin enjoyed his time at Furman, he felt a strong attraction to his Alma Mater. When he learned SU was seeking a new alumni relations and annual giving director, he saw the opportunity of a lifetime.

“To work as the alumni director for my own Alma Mater?” he said. “It was a no-brainer. I get to do what I love for a school that I love.”

The Calvert County native said an active alumni board and knowledgeable, dedicated staff made his transition into the position easy. So easy, in fact, that he already has found time to start laying groundwork for some new programs at the Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving.

These include creating a student-alumni council to give students more involvement in alumni and Advancement Division events and offer mentoring opportunities between students and alumni.

“That’s what we’re all here for really, the students and their experiences,” he said.

He also is working with alumni chapter volunteers to increase chapter sizes and start chapters in new cities including Frederick, Newark/Wilmington, Norfolk/Virginia Beach, Dallas, Atlanta and Charlotte, NC.

In the meantime, he’s settling into Salisbury again—this time with his wife of four years, Jennifer—rekindling old acquaintances and making new ones.

Rosemary Thomas, vice president for SU Advancement, said she looks forward to Curtin’s work on campus: “His commitment to his Alma Mater and enthusiasm for the new position will undoubtedly lead us toward significant growth in the areas of alumni relations and annual giving,” she said. “Jason was very involved as a student here at SU and I believe this will allow him to make connections with students while they are here and ultimately lead to enhanced loyalty among graduates. We are pleased to have him back at Salisbury University.”

The sentiment is mutual.

“I’m thrilled to be back,” Curtin said.

“It’s like a homecoming every day for me.”

The SU Alumni Association presented Delegate Talmadge T. Branch of Maryland’s 45th Legislative District, Baltimore City, with the Service to Society Award, and Salisbury attorney Hugh K. Hanson with the Alumni Service Award.

Branch, a 1980 graduate, was appointed a representative to Baltimore’s first elected African-American mayor, Kurt L. Schmoke, and in 1994 Branch was elected to the Maryland House of Delegates, representing some 100,000 residents of the city. In Annapolis he has sponsored legislation to enhance employment opportunities throughout the state. He is vice chair of the powerful Appropriations Committee.

Hanson, since graduating in 1968, has remained active at his Alma Mater. He served as president of the Alumni Association’s Board of Directors from 1999 through SU’s 75th anniversary in 2001, a period in which the Association saw tremendous growth. Under his leadership, SU saw a record number of alumni participants during Homecoming and Family Weekend. Since 1974, Hanson has served the Salisbury area as a partner of the law firm Cullen, Insley, Hanson and Benson, LLP.

(From left) Hugh Hanson, President Janet Dudley-Eshbach, Del. Talmadge Branch and Alumni Association President Sara Wolff Lewis
ALUMNI NEWS

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Chapters Update

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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 SU Fund contribution. For more information, call or e-mail the Alumni Office, or you can place your order online by going to www.salisbury.edu/alumni and clicking on the “Garden Bricks” link.

Members of the Class of 1952 recently purchased a bench for the Miller Alumni Garden. Pictured are (from left) Barbara Faye Webster Collins ’52, John Day ’52, Curtis McDowell ’52 and David Pearl ’52.

The Student Interaction Committee of the SU Alumni Association sponsored an “on your own” bus trip to New York City on Saturday, November 4. Pictured at Rockefeller Center are (from left) Amy Adkins Oates ’94 and Christine Smith M’02.

Initial planning for the NORTHERN DELAWARE CHAPTER was held at the Iron Hill Brewery in Wilmington in February. Pictured are (from left) Ed Stokes, Ada Banks Stokes ’61, Jeanne Gladden Guthrie ’61 and Howard Guthrie.

Alumni from the BALTIMORE CHAPTER celebrated together at Claddagh’s Pub in January. Pictured are (from left) Rich Yoskey’02, Erin McLauchlin ‘92 and an unidentified alumna.

The Class of 1942 met for their annual reunion at the Alumni House on July 28. Pictured are (standing from left) H. Louis Wright, S. Goldsborough Tyler ’41, Barbara Brooks Oakley ’42, Lynn Walter ’42, Charles Wieland ’42, Oris Hersey ’42, Catharine Appleton Tyler ’41 and Augusta Heath ’42; (seated from left) Beatrice Todd Wright ’42, Josephine Taylor ’42, Doris McVay Reynolds ’42, Frances Durham Barrett ’42 and Betty Wieland.