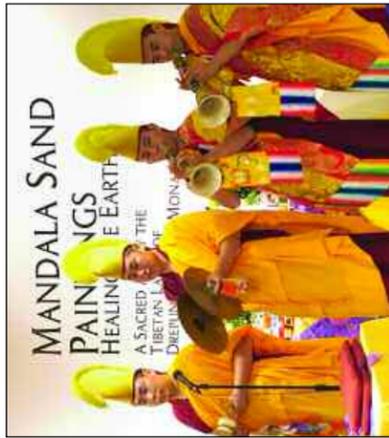


Emissaries of Peace

When monks from Tibet's famed Drepung Loseling Monastery visited SU in 2001, the U.S. was reeling from September 11. They returned this fall during a time of high casualties in the Iraq war, drawing thousands of visitors to their various presentations and sharing their message of peace, healing and compassion.



Senator Sarbanes — We Won't Say Goodbye

For nearly four decades U.S. Senator Paul S. Sarbanes has been one of the nation's most respected political leaders. He was responsible for drafting the first articles of impeachment against President Richard Nixon and co-sponsoring the Americans with Disabilities Act as well as the Sarbanes-Oxley Act on corporate reform.



Former President Harry S. Truman with the future senator at Oxford in 1956

The University saluted this Salisbury native with an honorary Doctor of Laws during its 2006 winter commencement. The longest serving senator in Maryland history, he retired just weeks later. Sarbanes was a friend and frequent visitor to SU, obtaining federal funding for the expansion of the Nursing Department and the Franklin P. Perdue School of Business.

He will continue to make an impression on the campus as the sponsor of the annual Paul S. Sarbanes Lecture Series, which has included such national leaders as Indiana Senator Richard Lugar, Georgia Congressman John Lewis and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi.



Senator Sarbanes receives an honorary doctorate from SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach

Shining Stars in Teaching

Dr. Natalie Hopson, chair of Salisbury University's Psychology Department, is the Maryland Psychological Association's Psychology Teacher of the Year.

Hopson was recognized for her continuous dedication to and innovative work with undergraduates. This included her use of technology such as an in-seat student response system to stimulate discussion, encourage class participation and gauge student understanding of academic concepts.



When Salisbury University alumna Dana Perdue attended an assembly at Central Elementary School in Edgewater, MD, the dedicated teacher had no idea she was the guest of honor, receiving the prestigious Milken Educator Award.

Perdue currently works as the third-grade chairperson at Central Elementary, where Maryland State Assessment test scores have improved and are among the highest third-grade scores in the state. Surprised in front of her students, faculty and staff, she received \$25,000 as part of the national award, given to fewer than 100 teachers annually.



Since graduating from SU in 2000, Perdue has given back to the community in the Integrated Media Center with state-of-the-art technology that includes studios for television production and music recording, editing facilities, a photography center and a cutting-edge multi-media 124-seat mega-computer lab, a Distance Learning Center and outdoor classrooms.

The three-story, 165,000 square-foot center will be the new home of the departments of Education and Social Work within the Samuel W. and Marilyn C. Seidel School of Education and Professional Studies. It also will house an Integrated Media Center with state-of-the-art technology that includes studios for television production and music recording, editing facilities, a photography center and a cutting-edge multi-media 124-seat mega-computer lab, a Distance Learning Center and outdoor classrooms.

The CETC is scheduled to open in fall 2008.

Breaking Ground on the Future of Salisbury University



Maryland's elected leaders joined SU officials to break ground on the University's Teacher Education and Technology Center, a showcase building for education in the mid-Atlantic.



A champion of public education, Maryland Delegate Norman Conway, chair of the House Appropriations Committee and SU alum, spoke at the groundbreaking



Before an enthusiastic audience of Maryland's political and educational leadership, Salisbury University President Janet Dudley-Eshbach officially broke ground this fall on the campus' new \$54.7 million Teacher Education and Technology Center (TETC), a showcase building for education in the State of Maryland and the mid-Atlantic region.

"The CETC shall serve as a gateway to Salisbury University's exhilarating future and will affirm our stature as a Maryland university of national distinction," said Dudley-Eshbach. "This complex will revolutionize the manner in which teaching,

learning and discovery take place upon this campus."

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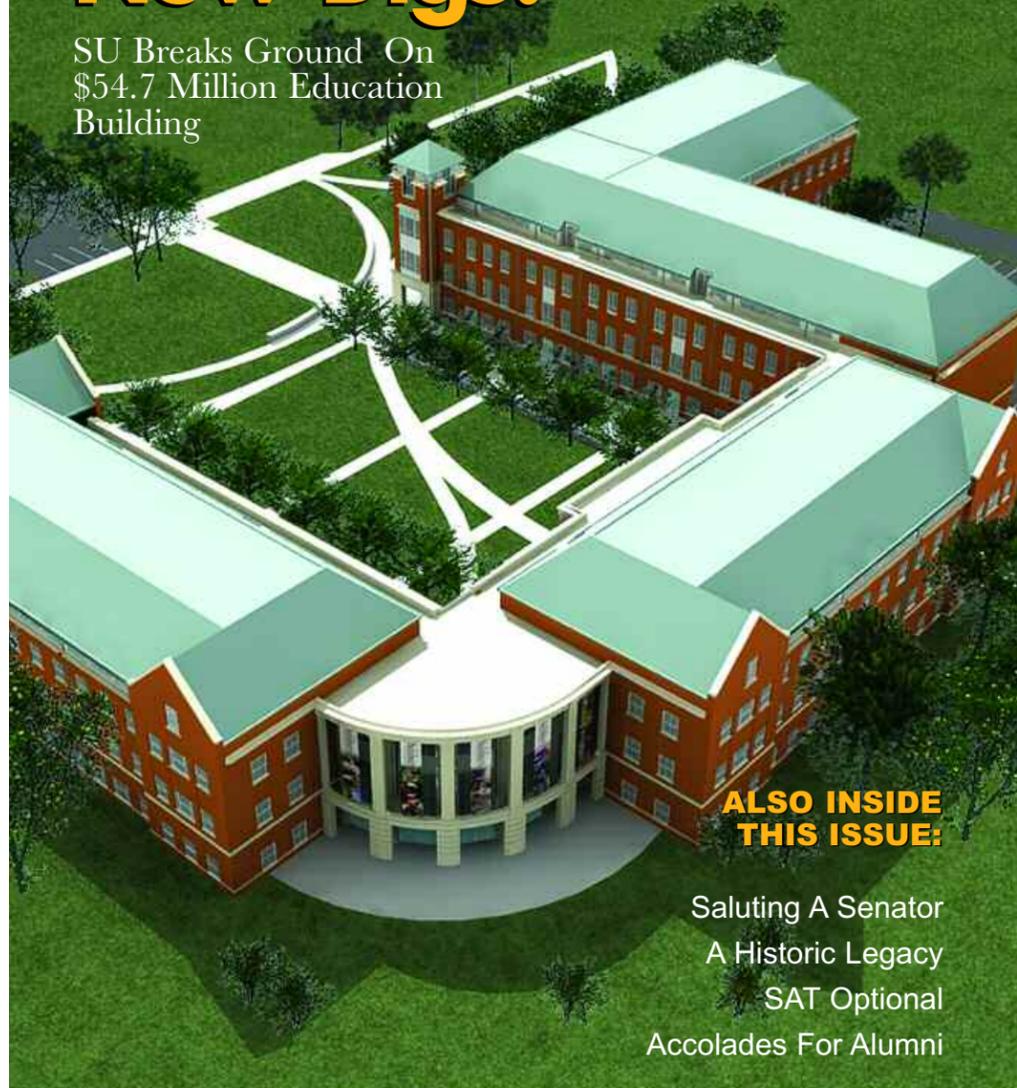
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A History-Making Legacy

The Salisbury University Foundation announced the largest single gift by an individual donor in its history—a \$5.3 million bequest from the estate of Lucy Tull of Salisbury—to benefit nursing and other medically related professions taught at SU.

“Lucy Tull understood the importance of skilled nurses and other health care professionals to the Eastern Shore’s quality of life and developed an abiding appreciation for the reputation of our Nursing Department and the caliber of its graduates,” said SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach.

Most of the gift—\$4.8 million—establishes the Lucy Tull Scholarship Program for students with financial need wishing to pursue a degree in a medically related field. The remaining \$500,000 is earmarked for the Lucy Tull Nursing Department Enhancement Fund.

Tull, whose adopted home was New York, built a residence near the University, where she lived for the last four decades of her life. Keenly concerned about health care issues, she believed in SU’s ability to educate high quality medical professionals needed in the region and beyond.



SU offers the only bachelor’s and master’s degrees in nursing on the Eastern Shore. Its graduates are heavily recruited and work at the

National Institutes of Health, The Johns Hopkins Hospital and Duke University Hospital, among others.

Weathering the Weather

As a Weather Channel meteorologist, Mike Seidel has tracked blizzards, tornadoes and Hurricane Katrina. As the keynote speaker for the Pennsylvania Geographical Society’s 2006 annual meeting, held at Salisbury University, the SU alum returned to his Alma Mater to share anecdotes about his time in front of the camera during some of the country’s most severe storms. A highlight of his presentation was weather clips that included one storm that literally blew him away and captured the attention of viewers across the country. Still, he said, “I think it’s one of the best jobs around.”



‘Fun Day’ for a GA

Fireballs, liquid nitrogen ice cream and 6-foot bubbles aren’t something most graduate assistants at Salisbury University ever experience. Then again, most graduate assistants aren’t Derek Tennant, two-time coordinator of SU’s annual Fun Day festival. The event brings thousands of visitors, both young and old, to campus for a celebration



that showcases the joy of learning. “It provides faculty and students the opportunity to demonstrate their talents in an interactive environment, but more importantly,

children have the chance to experience things they have never tried before,” he said. “I hope one day a kid becomes a nurse, an architect or a veterinarian from an interest sparked at Fun Day.”



Fulbright Fellows

Two Salisbury University faculty have been awarded Fulbright Scholarships. Dr. Andrew Sharma, Communication and Theatre Arts Department professor, taught media research, advertising communication and television production at Guru Jambheshwar University in Hisar, India, during the fall semester. Dr. Michael Waters, English Department professor, teaches American studies at Alexandru Ioan Cuza University in Iasi, Romania, this spring. The SU professors are among some 800 U.S. faculty and professionals traveling abroad this academic year through the Fulbright Scholar Program.

SAT Goes Optional

Salisbury University is the first institution within the University System of Maryland to make submission of SAT and ACT scores optional for applicants with a minimum 3.5 grade point average. This new five-year pilot study is expected to attract an even more diverse pool of dedicated, civic-minded students with distinct talents in academics, the arts, leadership and other fields of achievement.

Students who choose not to submit SAT or ACT scores will be encouraged to provide additional information to demonstrate their

strengths in these areas. Part of a national trend, one quarter of the Top 100 Best Liberal Arts Colleges in the nation are now test score optional, according to *U.S. News & World Report*.

“This policy aligns closely with our mission that values a diverse student body with unique talents and abilities,” said SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach. “Its purpose is to recruit motivated students who have made a commitment to academic excellence. Many colleges have implemented similar policies and we believe this will benefit academic and campus life.”

USM Highest Honor

Many of the students she advises go on to leading graduate and medical schools throughout the country. An advocate of minority education, she wrote a successful USM Minority Recruitment Grant and pioneered a segment of SU’s New Student Experience Program designed especially for under-represented students.

For this and other work, Marylane McGlinchey, advising services coordinator in the Richard A. Henson School of Science and Technology, has won the University System of Maryland Regents’ Award for Excellence, the highest honor given to staff in the USM.



Board of Regents Chair Clifford Kendall (left) and USM Chancellor William Kirwan with McGlinchey

Teacher and Community Leader

Leadership is important both on campus and in the community. Just ask Dr. Gerry DiBartolo,



management and marketing faculty in the Franklin P. Perdue School of Business. This year he has taken on one of the city’s most visible volunteer leadership roles—president of



Saving a Bundle—of Energy

Replacement light bulbs and plumbing fixtures don’t normally make headlines, but when Salisbury University partnered with Pepco Energy Services, Inc. for a plan to reduce power and water consumption—all at a savings of more than \$5 million—state officials took notice.

The Maryland Board of Public Works lauded the strategy, which includes replacing plumbing fixtures and lighting in buildings campuswide with more energy-efficient models. In all, the project will save water equal to the amount consumed annually by 473 family homes (11,000 gallons) and electricity sufficient to power 1,600 homes. It also will reduce emissions equal to removing 1,571 cars from the road or planting 2,145 acres of trees.

the Salisbury Area Chamber of Commerce, the largest on the Eastern Shore. “The position is a natural fit; it allows me to bridge the gap between what is happening in the classroom and what’s happening in the business world,” he said.

“Gerry’s knowledge of business operations has benefited the chamber during his many years of involvement,” added Brad Bellacicco, SACC executive director. “He’s been a real team builder.” This too comes naturally. For years, DiBartolo has also been SU’s successful men’s soccer coach.

Bringing Power Issues to Light

In September, Tropical Storm Ernesto surprised many with the numbers of businesses and residences left without electrical power.

Much of this inconvenience was on the Delmarva Peninsula, which the National Electric Transmission Congestion Study cited as one of the areas needing “major investment . . . to improve reliability and reduce consumer costs.”

Salisbury University’s Business, Economic And Community Outreach Network and Franklin P. Perdue School of Business took the lead on this issue, hosting a forum with business and energy industry leaders to discuss the future of power production and consumption on the Eastern Shore.

“Energy-related constraints could threaten the continued growth and prosperity our region has enjoyed in recent years,” said Dr. Tylor Claggett, economics and finance faculty. “Finding solutions is crucial to making sure this area continues to thrive.”

Uniting the World

When the Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations speaks, people listen. Before a full house at Salisbury University, UN Under-Secretary-General Ibrahim Gambari spoke about efforts to promote peace amidst the many demanding conflicts around the world. Coming just days before the retirement of UN leader Kofi Annan, Gambari’s poignant talk provided an in-depth look at the struggles of the international organization to unite the world in understanding.

