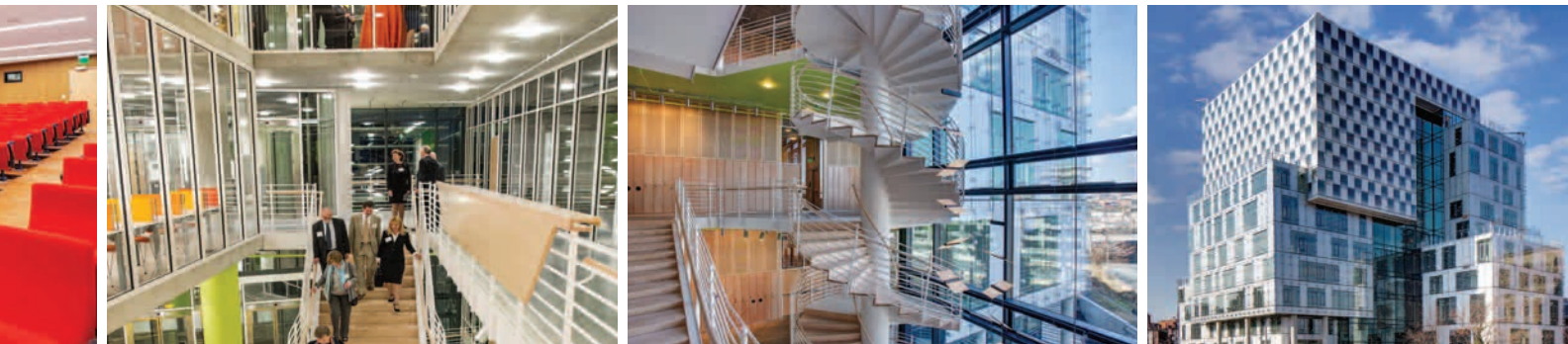


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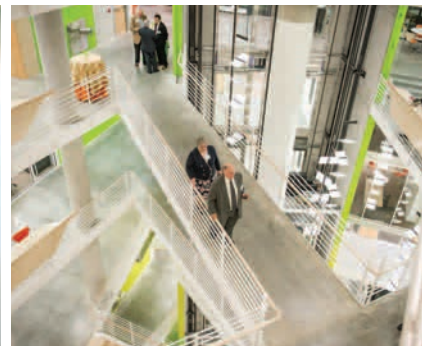
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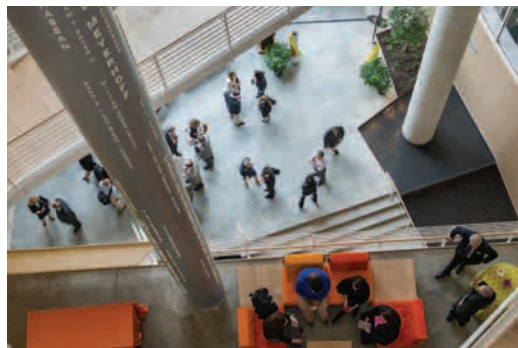
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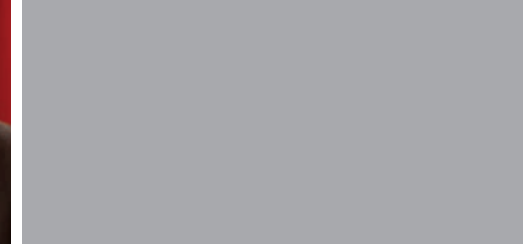




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l. to r.: Neil and Sayra Wells Meyerhoff with Paul Sarbanes, LL.D. '75, former U.S. senator (Maryland)



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below: Willard Hackerman, president and CEO of the Whiting-Turner Contracting Co.



THE TALK OF THE TOWN

You might say the University of Baltimore's new John and Frances Angelos Law Center makes a statement all on its own. Even before the April 16 preview event and the April 30 open house and formal grand opening, the building was turning heads locally, nationally and around the globe. Designed by world-renowned architect Stefan Behnisch in partnership with Baltimore's Ayers/Saint/Gross, the law center is anticipated to become a national model for sustainable architecture and for modern methods of legal education.

We could go on (and on), but luckily we don't have to, thanks to legions of notable guests and speakers who joined in April's celebratory events, including U.S. Vice President Joe Biden and U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Elena Kagan. They waxed poetic without our prompting, and we'd rather let their statements speak for themselves.

"Congratulations on this magnificent new edifice that's going to train a whole hell of a lot of young women and men to deliver and to be agents of justice."

—Biden

"And wow, this building! ... I'm actually a big believer in buildings. ... It turns out that law schools need great buildings to do great work and to become great communities."

—Kagan

"It looks snazzy."
—Barbara Mikulski, U.S. senator (Maryland)

"I will always think of this building as the house that Bob [Bogomolny, UB president] built."

—William E. "Brit" Kirwan, University System of Maryland chancellor

"[This building] is a modern testament to that hunger and thirst for justice that Marylanders through the generations have always had."

—Martin O'Malley, Maryland governor

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A Cosby for Celebration

Hey, hey, hey! He’s got an immediately identifiable smile and a voice that can make Jell-O fly off shelves, and he lent both—plus his comedic prowess—to the University of Baltimore’s 115th graduate and undergraduate commencement ceremony, May 21 at the Patricia and Arthur Modell Performing Arts Center at the Lyric. Bill Cosby, the entertainer perhaps best known as *The Cosby Show*’s iconic Dr. Cliff Huxtable, provided the keynote address to a standing-room-only crowd that also filled several overflow spaces.

Cosby, who put UB in the national spotlight when CNN named him among its top 10 “big-name college commencement speakers” May 13, told the audience, “I want you to be known as the kind of graduates who [will] take [your] education and will show up, no matter where it is, and ... do great work because [you] have pride in [yourselves].”

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entertainer Bill Cosby with (l. to r.) Shiraz Ahmed, B.A. '13, president of the Student Government Association; Ron Williams, B.A. '13, undergraduate student speaker; and Lyndsay Bates, M.A. '13, graduate student speaker, prior to UB's 115th commencement ceremony



Dear UB Alumni and Friends:

As you may have heard, and as this issue of the *University of Baltimore Magazine* underscores, spring 2013 was a particularly notable semester at the University of Baltimore thanks to an impressive array of campus visitors. Vice President Joe Biden, Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan, House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi and entertainer and educator Bill Cosby all spoke at UB, joining Gov. Martin O'Malley, Sen. Barbara Mikulski, Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake and others. Whether they were here to celebrate the opening of the new John and Frances Angelos Law Center or to address UB's graduating classes, our guests all had one thing in common: They understand the increasingly critical role that universities like ours play in keeping the American dream alive in the 21st century.

In Maryland and nationally, the profile of the college-going population is changing. The students who will be attending college in the coming decade will be more diverse in terms of race and ethnicity; they also will tend to be older and more likely to attend part time due to work and family obligations. In short, the college classroom and campus of the future will look a lot like the University of Baltimore today.

There are other reasons why UB is well positioned to succeed amidst the dynamic changes taking place in higher education. As alumni, you know that a University of Baltimore education is rooted in the "real world." You also know that the University is responsive to changes in the workplace, adapting our academic programs to ensure that UB graduates continue to hit the ground running as they launch or advance their careers. And you are aware that UB is entrepreneurial, as evidenced by the transformation of UB Midtown, made possible by more than \$250 million of investment—both public and private—during the past decade.

Our guests recognized both UB's present achievements and its future potential. Mayor Rawlings-Blake identified UB as an anchor institution, a partner in the city's vision for a growing, thriving Baltimore. Justice Kagan, asserting that some law schools would be strengthened by the challenges facing legal education and the legal profession, shared her belief that "This law school is going to soar." (About the new building: "I came here today expecting to be impressed. I am blown away!")

In his funny, inspiring and truly memorable commencement speech, Bill Cosby summed it up best: "This place is for real." He termed the remarks delivered by Ron Williams, our undergraduate student speaker, as "among the best, if not *the* best" he has heard during the many ceremonies he's attended. He implored our graduates to be proud of their alma mater and to elevate the University's reputation through their integrity and their actions. He charged them always to associate with people who will challenge and elevate them (because "mediocre people are always at their best").

And his words of wisdom included a message that will resonate with UB alumni of all graduating classes and with all of us who appreciate the reach and impact of this special place: "Wherever you go, take UB with you."

Robert L. Bogomolny
President, University of Baltimore

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Branching Out

by Stacey Marriott, M.A. '11

Not only did Pulitzer Prize-winning author Taylor Branch bring his renowned civil rights course to UB this spring, but he also opened his classroom's virtual doors—for the first time—to more than a hundred people around the globe.



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Pitta on Pitta

by Catherine Leidemer, M.A. '11

What are the chances of an NFL star and a marketing professor sharing the same name and working in the same town? Shockingly good, if you ask the two Dennis Pittas. Last December, the Super Bowl-winning Baltimore Raven and the longtime UB professor compared notes in a surprise meeting at UB.

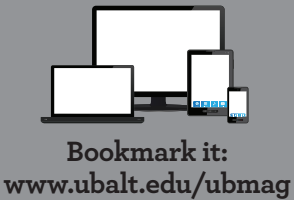


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Glory Days

by Giordana Segneri, M.A. '10

A city-sponsored high school baseball tournament designed to break through socioeconomic barriers is forever cemented in history thanks to a documentary brought to life by Associate Professor Julie Simon and her student film crew.



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Meet a Faculty Member

Lenneal Henderson

by Rachel Wooley

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Henderson, distinguished professor in the College of Public Affairs, channels former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall in his one-man show.

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In 1954, the U.S. Supreme Court declared segregation in public schools unconstitutional in the monumental *Brown v. Board of Education* case. Thurgood Marshall, then-chief counsel of the NAACP and a Baltimore native, won the case. During the 50th anniversary of the landmark victory, the Maryland Humanities Council commemorated the case with board member Lenneal Henderson's first-ever one-man show as Marshall, who also earned renown as the first African-American Supreme Court justice. Nine years later, Henderson, distinguished professor in the College of Public Affairs, still regularly performs his one-man show, which highlights key moments in Marshall's personal and professional life. Henderson performed the show at UB during February's African-American Arts Festival.

Q: What made you decide to explore Marshall's life in performance?

A: [The Maryland Humanities Council sponsors an event in which] people perform as different historical characters from Maryland. So I questioned them: Why isn't Thurgood Marshall on this list? I came back about six weeks later with a script, and we actually interviewed five or six professional actors to do the play. But ... we're a nonprofit, so we don't have any money to pay anyone. At one of the meetings, [another board member] came up to me, and she says, "You know, Lenneal, when Thurgood was about your age, he was about your height, weight and complexion." And so I said to her, "I'm not an actor," and she says something like, "Neither was Thurgood." So I said, "Well, I'll try it until we get a real actor." And that was nine years ago.

Q: Has being a performer affected your sensibilities as a professor?

A: I think part of the advantage of teaching for a long time is that there's a whole lot of acting involved. There's a whole lot of improvisation; you have to remember an enormous amount of material. You have to learn how to engage the audience—all the things that you do with acting.

Q: What intrigues you most about Marshall's life?

A: He's a fascinating character study because of all the contrast in his characteristics and personality: how young he was when he was doing all this, his absolute brilliance, his incredible courage—could you imagine in the 1930s and '40s, going into southern courtrooms to try civil rights cases as a black man?—and his incredible humility. He would have been horrified and mortified to know that [an] airport was named after him. He hated flying.

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Meet a Student

Lauren Sanders

by Nicole Reagan

PHOTOGRAPHY: CHRIS HARTLOVE

Sanders, who graduated in May, runs Saving Grace Animal Rescue of Maryland from her home, where she's pictured with the dogs she rescued herself, (l. to r.) Tucker and Layla.

After years of pushing her passion for animal rescue to the side—waiting for when she was "more established" in her career, she says—recent graduate **Lauren Sanders, J.D. '13**, started the Baltimore-based nonprofit organization Saving Grace Animal Rescue of Maryland, which accepts cats and dogs when shelters don't have space to house all the animals that come to them. Sanders named her organization after her first rescue pet, Grace, a gray-and-white, spotted tabby. While the rescue is run out of Sanders' home, it also helps place animals in a network of foster homes throughout the city.

Q: What inspired you to transition from being a pet foster mom to starting the Saving Grace Animal Rescue of Maryland?

A: I always knew I wanted to start an animal rescue; it just took some people believing in me and the courage to step out and do it. It was really scary to put myself out there like this, but it has been so rewarding, especially when I get emails from the adopters saying how they love the animal that we saved. My most favorite part of the rescue is the look on [the pets'] face when they leave our care. It's awesome.

Q: How did you manage your time between your law studies and the animal rescue?

A: I get [this question] all the time. It's funny, because I am also newly married and I coach a national travel volleyball team for 14-year-olds; we practice three nights a week and travel on weekends. If you are doing the things that you care about, you find the time. I also have amazing volunteers who help out when I can't get stuff done. My husband is also super understanding, which makes a big difference. I found that if I schedule my life, I can get it all done. It can be very difficult and has the potential to burn me out. Sometimes, I have to say no, just to take a day to get life stuff done. But I make sure that I do take time for myself, so that I can keep doing what I'm doing.

Q: How do you see the animal rescue growing? What are your plans for it?

A: I would love to see the rescue eventually grow into a no-kill shelter, but I have a lot to learn (and finances to raise) before we could get there. My goal is to grow [the rescue] naturally, so I am not pushing to grow too fast—I don't have time for that—but as we get foster families, we find an animal to fit

into their home. So we will keep growing, and I will keep learning, and we will save as many animals as we can, because that's what it's all about.

Q: How can people get involved with your animal rescue?

A: We need volunteers on all levels. Our primary need is [for] foster [families] who open their homes [to animals while the shelter tries to find permanent placements for them]. The great thing about fostering is we cover the costs [food, medicine and supplies]—you just open your home and provide the love. We need people to do reference checks [on potential adoptive families], drive the animals to appointments and volunteer at events. I am also looking for someone to take on planning events. In addition, we need donations to cover the medical bills for our animals, because sometimes the adoption fee doesn't cover [them].

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That's the number of donors that student, alumni and staff volunteers were able to reach to thank personally for their financial support of UB over the past year. As part of two special recognition efforts, volunteers telephoned donors of all levels to express the University's appreciation for their charitable contributions.

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When Elizabeth Nix, assistant professor, learned that the early days of the People's Community Health Center—which opened a new site on Maryland Avenue just up the street from UB in 2011—were relatively unknown, she seized the opportunity to explore its origins as the People's Free Medical Clinic. Students in her undergraduate course HIST 300: Exploring the Past compiled interviews with people who had served in the early 1970s as volunteer physicians, lab technicians and more; 13 interview transcripts have been submitted to Langsdale Library's Special Collections, with seven more to come. To learn more, visit www.ubalt.edu/history and click on "Student Work."

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Five UB students spent 17 days in New Orleans, La., in January, exploring urban dynamics, challenges and opportunities during the University's winterim session. Participating in a UB course that spanned government and public policy, community studies and civic engagement, and criminal justice, the students contributed to enrichment activities—sports, games, computer skills training, tutoring and more—with senior citizens and children in the Crescent City's Vietnamese community, in cooperation with counterparts from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee.

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Part of the Archives of Maryland Polonia Collection, this trophy was presented in 1980 to Baltimore Polish folk dance group Trojacki at a Polish dance festival in Rzeszow, Poland.

At the end of June, Tom Hollowak will close the file on his UB career after nearly 23 years as the associate director of Langsdale Library's Special Collections. In honor of his retirement, we present his five favorite items from the UB archives, starting with the Archives of Maryland Polonia Collection, which documents Marylanders of Polish heritage and for which Hollowak has funded an endowment. Interest generated has allowed UB to purchase a collection of letters from World War II, a couple of books and archival supplies. See Hollowak's remaining four favorite items at www.ubalt.edu/ubmag.

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The UB chapter of the Sigma Nu Tau entrepreneurship society had its charter approved in October, making it the national organization's 14th chapter. In March, during its charter ceremony, it inducted 64 graduate and undergraduate students representing the Merrick School of Business, the Yale Gordon College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Public Affairs.

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Our fully online webMPA program has been ranked No. 8 among the 20 Best Online Master of Public Administration Degree Programs, according to TheBestSchools.org, which developed its rankings based on "the quality of the program, the types of courses offered, the faculty, rankings, awards and reputation, including the school's reputation for effectively providing online degree programs."



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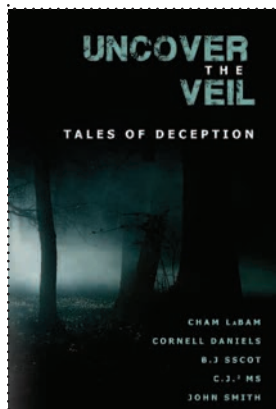
The UB Criminal Justice Association and Helen P. Denit Honors Program joined forces to aid the local community Nov. 19 when 10 students served lunch to 800 homeless people at the Catholic Charities of Baltimore's Our Daily Bread Employment Center. They filled roles ranging from kitchen server to dishwasher to plate runner and even brought some donated goodies with them.



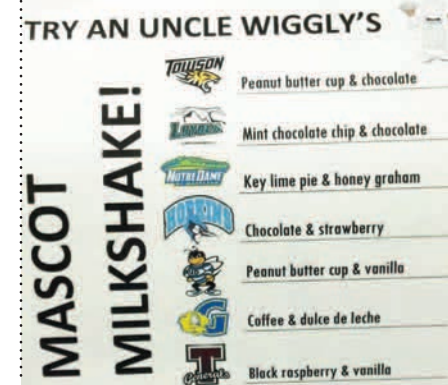
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Students in the UB Criminal Justice Association and Helen P. Denit Honors Program came together to serve the community at Our Daily Bread Employment Center, Nov. 19.

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Uncover the Veil is a published anthology of stories conceived, developed and written by five groups of five students in the literature component of a UB learning community, a thematically linked set of courses offered to freshmen. The stories are based on an original prompt, and each student contributed to the five parts of a traditionally structured story: exposition, rising action, climax, falling action and resolution.



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Who needs honey when you can slurp down a 20-ounce peanut butter cup-and-vanilla milkshake named for Eubie, UB's beloved bee mascot? Uncle Wiggly's Deli & Ice Cream, 6911 York Rd., offers the mascot milkshake for \$4.25 with whipped cream and a cherry on top.

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10 Things You May Not Know About U.S. History

History often makes for some of the most riveting present-day storytelling (just look at this year's Oscar nominees for Best Picture), and in November, cable's Showtime channel picked up the compelling-history baton and launched a 10-part documentary series with star-power cache, *Oliver Stone's Untold History of the United States*, along with a companion book that expands upon the series' coverage.

The untold UB connection is the principal researcher for the series and the book, Eric Singer, lecturer in the Division of Legal, Ethical and Historical Studies. On Nov. 8, Singer brought Stone, collaborator Peter Kuznick of American University and two other historians to Baltimore for a University-sponsored screening and panel discussion.

Here, Singer introduces and describes 10 things you may not know (or you very well might) about American history, as plucked from the series and the book.



PHOTOGRAPHY: HOWARD KORN

l. to r.: University of Baltimore historian Singer, Academy Award winner Stone and American University historian Kuznick at the UB-sponsored Nov. 8 screening of Showtime series *Oliver Stone's Untold History of the United States*

by Eric Singer

The title *Untold History of the United States* is misleading in a sense. In an era of information on demand, all of the history in Showtime's series and in Stone and Kuznick's book is readily knowable, and the stories have indeed been told before. "Untold" history, therefore, is recognition that many important, fascinating and even essential aspects of our history are not commonly discussed. As a result, certain enduring mythologies, generalizations and fallacies go unchallenged. You may not have known about these 10 "untold" aspects of American history, also described in the companion book, but if you're interested, you can easily learn more about them through the world's increasingly expanding and accessible global collection of knowledge.

1 What we know as the Great Depression was not the only great depression. An equally "great" depression to the one that struck in the 1930s happened in the 1890s. The Panic of 1893 and the subsequent five years resulted in 4 million workers losing their jobs and an unemployment rate of 20 percent. Believing that the panic was caused by overproduction of goods, many American manufacturers and bankers pushed to open more markets overseas to absorb the surplus. Socialists and progressive reformers, on the other hand, thought that the panic was caused by *underconsumption* and advocated redistributing the wealth to workers, who would in turn buy excess goods. The former strategy won out.

2 She spoke out against the war. The first woman elected to Congress, Republican Rep. Jeanette Rankin of Montana, was one of only 50 members who voted against Woodrow Wilson's World War I declaration and the *only* member to vote against declaring war on Japan after the Pearl Harbor attack. To a chorus

of "boos" on the floor of the House of Representatives, Rankin declared, "As a woman, I can't go to war, and I refuse to send anyone else."

3 The speaking of foreign languages once was banned in the United States. In 1918, in a time of pronounced anti-immigrant—specifically anti-German—sentiment, Iowa's Gov. William L. Harding banned the speaking of all foreign languages in public and over the telephone in his state. The ban became known as the Babel Proclamation.

4 America produced enough poison gas during World War I to wipe out two continents. According to *The New York Times* reporter Richard Barry, Edgewood Arsenal, 25 miles northeast of Baltimore, produced enough poison gas "to kill everyone in both North and South America" during World War I.

5 Harry Truman never believed he was cut out for political office. When Harry Truman was inducted as president on April 12, 1945, following Franklin D.

Roosevelt's death, the high-school graduate told everyone he met that it was all a mistake and that he was not qualified to be president. He had been Roosevelt's vice president for only 82 days prior to the president's death, and in that time, he had met with Roosevelt a grand total of twice. When a reporter asked how his job was going on his first day in office, Truman responded, "Boys, if you ever pray, pray for me now. I don't know whether you fellows ever had a load of hay fall on you, but when they told me yesterday what had happened, I felt like the moon, the stars and all the planets had fallen on me. I've got the most terribly responsible job a man ever had." Upon another reporter yelling out, "Good luck, Mr. President," Truman replied, "I wish you didn't have to call me that."

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Semester in Rewind

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- House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, a Baltimore native, delivered the keynote address for the University of Baltimore School of Law's 86th commencement, May 20. The University System of Maryland Board of Regents presented Pelosi with an honorary Doctor of Laws degree.
- Patria de Lancer Julnes, professor in the College of Public Affairs and director of UB's Doctor of Public Administration program, was decorated April 22 with the Officer's Cross of the Order of Isabel the Catholic, which the Spanish ambassador bestowed on behalf of Spain's King Juan Carlos I. The order aims to honor those whose contributions

promote cooperation between Spain and the international community, and Julnes was recognized for her work leading the Asociación de Líderes Hispanos (Hispanic Leaders Association).

- Rick Moody, bestselling novelist, memoirist and short-story writer known for his 1994 book *The Ice Storm* (with a 1997 film adaptation by Ang Lee), presented the annual Klein Reading in UB's M.F.A. in Creative Writing & Publishing Arts free reading series, March 12. He read from his most well-known short story, "Boys," from his collection *Demonology*, among other works.

Hoffberger Center Celebrates Quarter Century

by Mary Medland

Back in the 1970s and '80s, a series of scandals on Wall Street involving "junk" bonds that violated securities laws grabbed the nation's attention as well as that of Baltimore's Hoffberger Foundation. The businessmen behind the philanthropic organization at the time were concerned about the message young people may have been receiving—that turning a profit was the only thing that mattered in the workplace.

Consequently, the foundation's board approached the University of Baltimore with its concerns, and thanks to matching grants from both the Hoffberger Foundation and UB, the Hoffberger Center for Professional Ethics was founded in 1987 with assistance from then-Provost Catherine R. Gira and under the direction of Professor Emeritus Vince Luchsinger, then a professor of marketing.

In April, the center celebrated its 25th anniversary during its annual Ethics Week, which includes highly interactive seminar-style programs such as "Wal-Mart: The Moral Cost of Being Cheap" and a keynoted luncheon, which this year featured Lenneal Henderson, distinguished professor in the college of Public Affairs, performing a one-man, one-act "living history" about former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall. (See "Meet a Faculty Member," page 6.)

"The Hoffberger Foundation had the opinion that if students were being forewarned about ethical problems they might encounter in the workplace, they would also be forearmed in how best to deal with difficult situations that might arise," says Fred Guy, associate professor in the Yale Gordon College of Arts and Sciences who has directed the center since



Guy, director of the Hoffberger Center for Professional Ethics

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1994 (and co-directed it for three years prior). Such difficult situations include conflicts of interest, nepotism, competition or more subtle aspects of professional behavior like socializing with employees, using work time to pursue personal agendas or even banning employees from dating others within the organization.

While some cases of right vs. wrong are abundantly clear, the issues that UB students often grapple with through the center are not so cut-and-dried. For instance, Guy continues, 21st-century ethics are influenced by the world's rapidly changing technology landscape, and these technologies played a pivotal role in the Boston Marathon bombings in April. "People were passing so much information from their cell phones and other devices to police that they were able to make

arrests relatively quickly, which is a good thing," he says. "On the other hand, [the bombers] allegedly used the Internet to get the instructions for making those bombs."

Guy also points out that there is no universal code of ethics that all cultures agree upon, nor is there a universal standard of morality. "But we need to try to work toward that, and we are trying to take the best from each culture and eliminate the worst," he says. "And to have all cultures agree upon a universal code of human rights. ... If we work toward a framework of universal values, that will go a long way toward negotiation, communication and fostering humanitarian positions around the world."

Global Game Jam Keeps Designers Up All Night



Lees (top) and other participants designed, developed, created and tested original games within 48 hours as part of the 2011 Global Game Jam at the Universities at Shady Grove.

Field Study Brings UB Students Face to Face With Brazil’s Booming Business Economy

From a brewery to advertising agencies to a nonprofit school for music, a spring break Global Field Study trip to Brazil allowed 16 University of Baltimore students and an alumnus to gain firsthand insight into what has the South American country bearing down on fifth place among the world’s largest economies.

Organized by the Merrick School of Business and led by Dean **Darlene Brannigan Smith, B.S. ’78, M.B.A. ’80**, the trip brought students from across UB’s schools and colleges together to learn about the Brazilian economy and its challenges directly from company executives.

“Study abroad is invaluable to student learning and personal development,” Smith says. “It is a great way to help train future leaders to be more effective in and respectful of other cultures and political and economic systems. Ask any student who has participated in study abroad, and they will tell you that it had a lasting impact on their world view as well as their self-confidence and maturity.”

Starting in São Paulo, the group visited two companies a day, including what **Sabrina Viscomi, M.B.A. ’13**, indicates was



l. to r.: **Elena Zaykova, B.S. ’13**, at the Havaianas flip flops concept store in São Paulo; the Global Field Study group during a site visit to NBS, a media advertising agency in Rio de Janeiro; a music class at the nonprofit Instituto Baccarelli in São Paulo

the highlight of the trip for her: Instituto Baccarelli, a nonprofit school of music for children in Heliopolis, one of the city’s largest communities. “The organization was started by one guy, a conductor, about 16 years ago,” explains Viscomi, who works in the UB Office of Institutional Advancement. “There were 30 [students] that he funded with his personal wealth; now there are 1,300. It was one of those one-person-can-make-a-difference stories.”

After three days in São Paulo, the group traveled to Rio de Janeiro, where they participated in three additional site visits and balanced their intensive learning experiences with sightseeing and beach-going. For

College, Towson University, UB and the game industry.

- Student Ben Baris was responsible for character art, animation and sound for the team that won the Jury Award for *Heart of the Dead*, a game about trying to survive as long as possible after contracting a lethal plague that turns victims into zombies.
- Students Justin Weese and Brandon Bishop made up half of the team that won the Audience Award for *Do Sketches Dream of Love?*, in which a sketched character must follow the sound of its own heartbeat to find love.
- Student Ricky McCallum and alumni **Jenny Lees, B.S. ’10**, and **Mic Couture, B.S. ’09**, won Honorable Mention along with their team for *Do Not Resuscitate*, a game about a heart on a rampage, aiming to destroy as much of the city as possible before doctors resuscitate it.



Viscomi, the trip helped put American business in perspective.

“It really taught me about opportunities in emerging countries, and that’s where all the opportunities will be, moving forward,” she says. “The challenges Brazil faces on a daily basis are much more complicated than ours; I have a much greater appreciation for our business environment.”

The Merrick School of Business plans to offer a Brazil-bound Global Field Study again during the next academic year.

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Notable Quotables



“Passion about what you do is often more important than intelligence. No matter how talented, no one person can accomplish major tasks alone; it takes a true team effort to make an impact. No matter how hard I worked at it, I would never set a world record in the 100-yard dash.”

—Robert L. Bogomolny, UB president, on the three most surprising truths he’s discovered in his lifetime, as interviewed by Betsy Boyd, lecturer, in *Baltimore Fishbowl*, Nov. 16



“The Internet has changed everything. We expect to know everything instantly. If you don’t understand digital communication, you’re at a disadvantage.”

—**Bob Parsons, B.S. ’75, D.H.L. ’08**, founder of GoDaddy.com, at the Merrick School of Business Lessons From Legends event recognizing Global Entrepreneurship Week, Nov. 12, as reported in *The (Baltimore) Sun*



“Not all law schools will successfully adapt to this brave new world, but I’m confident the University of Baltimore will do so. ... Our students learn to write and reason and advocate like lawyers in classrooms, nationally renowned clinics and community-based internships. This school is already oriented to providing students with the cutting-edge tools they need to succeed in the legal environment of the 21st century.”

—Ronald Weich, dean of the UB School of Law, in a letter to the editor published in *The Daily Record*, Feb. 21

“[The right to vote] is not a Democratic issue. This is not a Republican issue. This is not an issue for Independents. This is an issue for everyone. ... Because for far too many people in our democracy, the act of voting has become an endurance contest. ... The act of voting shouldn’t feel like you’ve just finished a marathon. And for too many people across this country on Election Day, it felt just like that. And that isn’t right.”

—Thomas E. Perez, assistant attorney general for the U.S. Department of Justice’s Civil Rights Division, on “Protecting Democracy’s Fundamental Civil Right: The Right to Vote” at the UB School of Law, Jan. 23



“The good news for Baltimore citizens is that at the University of Baltimore and at many other colleges and universities in the region, faculty members are busy developing integrated, innovative college programs designed to graduate liberally educated professionals. The last thing students need is a narrowly tailored education that may set them up for a first job, but not with the adaptive and integrative capacities to continue learning over time and to move from one job to the next as the global economy twists and turns.”

—Carol Geary Schneider, president of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, in an opinion article in *The (Baltimore) Sun* about her presentation to the UB community as part of the Yale Gordon College of Arts and Sciences’ Visioning for Excellence symposium on the future of integrative applied liberal arts and sciences at the University

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"As an alumnus, I feel we all owe something to the university that helped us advance our careers. I volunteer for programs that help students prepare for career success. I have also signed fundraising letters that discuss my experiences at UB and encourage alumni to make financial contributions to the University. Alumni are a vital part of the UB community. It is important for us to give back, stay connected and help today's students."

Jeffrey C. Glock, B.S. '88
Director, SC&H Group
President, University of Baltimore Alumni Association

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Branching Out

Acclaimed Author Taylor Branch Brings His Civil Rights Expertise to UB—and to Students Around the World

by Stacey Marriott, M.A. '11

The buzz started among students early last fall: A new class taught by acclaimed author Taylor Branch, a Baltimore resident, would be offered next spring to honors students only. Then more news: Anyone, anywhere with an Internet connection could sign up to audit the seminar-style class online and, what's more, for free. It was to serve as a pilot program for UB to test the viability of offering courses in this format.

Among history students (and many others), Branch is a recognized name. Some UB students who registered for his class, HIST 493: The King Years, had read parts of his *America in the King Years* trilogy, the first volume of which, *Parting the Waters*, won him the

Pulitzer Prize in 1989. With his recent projects, *The Clinton Tapes: Wrestling History with the President* (2009) and *The Cartel* (2011), in which he likens the NCAA college sports environment to plantations, Branch is known for offering readers uncommon and in-depth perspectives into his subjects.

Drawing on his previous collegiate teaching experiences and on feedback from teachers across the United States, Branch reworked his trilogy into a shortened form designed for teaching in the digital age. This spring, with his freshly printed text *The King Years: Historic Moments in the Civil Rights Movement* under his arm and in ebook format, Branch stepped into a UB classroom and onto computer screens worldwide.

You taught a version of The King Years class at Goucher College and at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. How did you end up teaching at UB?

Last summer, I mentioned to a couple people that I'd like to consider doing it online ... and UB was the most interested. They have their eyes open about potential shifts in higher education.

What shifts do you mean?

Why, in the information age, should we have 4,000 teachers teaching the same thing on 4,000 different campuses? ... Is that a sustainable model? I think no. I think it's going to force some sort of restructuring in college[s] to deliver good value to the students.

“... there's a citizenship imperative to try to teach [this] history better.”

You mentioned your interest in offering this class online. Now, as part of a UB pilot program for testing the viability of this format, 150 people around the world are auditing the class and watching your live lectures from remote locations. How has that gone?

The design of the experiment has been that, so far, I'm really trying to pay my attention during the class to the people *in* the class. I don't want the people in class to think that I'm distracted by the fact that we're running an experiment.

Between classes I ask Jay, the grad student [responsible for monitoring online students' participation during the live class], “What are the online students saying? Are they asking the same questions?” What we're testing is to what degree the students in the classroom are successful surrogates for the interests of the people. I think the jury is still out.

How is this course different from what's offered at other universities?

Lots of schools ... don't have a course on the modern civil rights movement. There can be a tendency in universities, particularly prestigious universities, to offer courses that are more esoteric than basic. The more esoteric

it is, the more [of a] mark of distinction it is, almost like if you can understand it or feel any practical need for it, it's not really worth teaching.

My course, in some sense, is a meat-and-potatoes course. It's what happened in the peak years of the 1950s-and-'60s civil rights movement. But to me, it has all the profound and difficult issues you'd ever want to tackle on violence and democracy and citizenship and everything else, and it's a historical story about citizenship—in large measure driven by ordinary citizens interacting with leaders—that makes it kind of unique for a country like ours that's built on the proposition that we are all responsible for our government.

And I think there's a citizenship imperative to try to teach [this] history better.

What do you like about teaching this class at UB?

What I like about the UB class is the diversity and the mix of students by age, by ethnicity, by everything. We've got all different types in there. We have poets and we have 50-year-olds and we have regular college students and we have working people. I really do value that [diversity].

What do you want students to take away from your class?

That the key to citizenship and a free government is what you can build with strangers. Citizenship is about building new bonds with people that are different from you ... and that's what the civil rights movement was an incandescent period of: getting outside the little tribal huddles. So I'm hoping that they will see that intellectually—by studying the movement—and that they will feel it a little bit.

What can your students, or anyone, learn from the civil rights movement?

To what degree is this applicable to your future as a citizen? To our future as a country? I find that a lot of kids are kind of pessimistic about the future. What I challenge them to see is that black kids in the civil rights movement, who were invisible and had no education and were segregated in a period of terror, expressed great hope and worked miracles of progress for everybody in that time. And if they can do that, we ought to be able to do it. It's just that you have to open your mind.

IN THEIR SHOES

Taylor Branch sent his HIST 493: The King Years students on a mission: Choose an activity that takes you out of your comfort zone. Branch explains he's used this exercise “to give people a sense of adventure, of risking something, of getting outside of themselves.” It's a simulation technique he uses to give his students some small sense of what it was like for those who participated in sit-ins or marches during the civil rights movement, something to make “their palms sweat a little,” Branch says.

TIM CONNEALLY
INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES MAJOR

Activity: “I went to an Orthodox Jewish synagogue.”

Why it was out of your comfort zone: “I unwittingly drew attention when I walked through the women's entrance and sat down on the women's side. I did not know it was a segregated temple. After I was asked to leave the section and politely informed of my mistake, I was invited to come back inside through the men's entrance. Rather than going back in, I said I'd come back another time, basically fleeing in embarrassment.”

The key lesson: “The experience opened my eyes to how relative the concept of ‘normal’ is. I looked and behaved as I always do, but because that is not the ‘normal’ conduct for someone in an Orthodox synagogue, I ended up feeling extremely awkward and disrespectful (despite the polite and accommodating people there). This feeling of being normal is an essential part of a person's comfort zone.”

TIFFANY L. DAVIS
COMMUNITY STUDIES AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT MAJOR

Activity: “I attended a Narcotics Anonymous meeting.”

Why it was out of your comfort zone: “It was uncomfortable because I was in close space with strangers who were very vulnerable and candid about a subject that I view as taboo.”

The key lesson: “Addiction is another way of coping with insecurities, hurt and low self-esteem. Recovering addicts are people with a story. Everyone's story, including mine, is connected. The human experience is connected by our collective feelings, needs and issues.”

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PITTA *on*

PITTA

by Catherine Leidemer, M.A. '11

ONE IS NICKNAMED “AMERICAN EXPRESS” FOR HIS ABILITY TO MAKE CLUTCH PLAYS WHEN THEY COUNT MOST. THE OTHER ONCE WROTE A JOURNAL ARTICLE ANALYZING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF AMERICAN EXPRESS’ WEBSITE.

One spent the first few years of his professional career carefully studying and learning from his predecessor, Pro Bowl tight end Todd Heap. The other has spent the past 33 years in a college classroom, teaching the ins and outs of marketing to countless students.

Other than their shared name and the fact that they work in the same town, these two Dennis Pittas don’t have much else in common. But that’s all it took to cause a bit of a commotion in the form of a team playbook, friends’ wedding invitations and fan emails—many, not surprisingly, from women—being mistakenly sent to the longtime University of Baltimore marketing professor instead of to the 27-year-old Baltimore Ravens phenom.

While the good-natured professor has become accustomed to Monday-morning shouts of “nice catch” and “touchdown, Pitta” from colleagues and students since his younger namesake’s 2010 arrival in Baltimore, it was an October (Baltimore) *Sun* article about the ensuing identity confusion that caught the tight end’s attention and prompted an in-person meeting at UB in December as a surprise for the educator.

Now, several months and a colossal Super Bowl win later, UB’s Dennis Pitta weighs in on a topic all too familiar: Dennis Pitta.

On Pitta’s first Super Bowl:

“I thought [his performance] was absolutely amazing. ... [and] I thought the Super Bowl was gut-wrenching. I hate Harbaugh Bowls.”

On his own athletic prowess:

“I played football; I was a center. However, in high school, I decided not to play [anymore] because I wasn’t that good. For me, [playing center] is like, in baseball, when a kid can’t play and you put him in right field.”



PHOTOGRAPHY: SUSAN TATTERSON, B.S. '06, M.F.A. '08

“Meeting the other Dennis Pitta has been on my bucket list for a long time,” the professor (*right*) said during his Dec. 11 visit with the athlete (*left*) at UB.

On the chance that they’re long, long-lost relatives:

“It’s more than a chance. Somebody named Bob Pitta in California maintains this ‘Pitta connections’ website. I emailed him and said, ‘Dennis Pitta from Moorpark High who eclipsed me in Google hits back in ’99 is now with the Ravens, and it’s really funny. As far as I know, our grandfathers came from the same island [part of Portugal’s Madeira Islands].’

“And then [Bob] wrote me back. ...

“Did you ever see *Spaceballs*? Dark Helmet tells Lone Starr, ‘I am your father’s brother’s nephew’s cousin’s former roommate.’ [Bob’s response used] like 20 words to describe our relationship, but there is a connection, way back. But he got the tall genes and I got the short genes.”

On attending the Ravens’ Dec. 23 home game against the Giants, courtesy of No. 88:

“By sheer luck, somebody snapped a picture of [my] family ... in front of the Jumbotron, and guess who’s on the Jumbotron? ... I sent [the other Dennis’ mother] that picture with a little arrow pointing to [her son on] the Jumbotron.”

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Glory Days

by Giordana Segneri, M.A. '10

A UB professor's documentary about a city tournament gets to the heart of the game.



This year's third annual President's Cup championship game saw Archbishop Curley High School and Gilman School competing for the glory of a victory at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, April 13; Curley went home with the cup.

November 2011. Julie Simon, associate professor in the School of Communications Design in UB's Yale Gordon College of Arts and Sciences, receives an email much like many that arrive in her inbox, asking for pro bono student assistance in filming something or other in Baltimore. She ignores it. "I feel our students should be paid for their work," she says 16 months later. "We have very good students here at UB who really know what they're doing. They don't need something for their resume; they need practical, supervised experience." She goes about her day, forgetting the email that she's since deleted.

But not much later, she learns that Stephanie Gibson, the school's executive director, has received the same email—and what's more, she's set up a meeting with Simon and the sender, Ben Hyman, a 24-year-old bright-eyed



PHOTOGRAPHY: GIORIANA SEGNERI, M.A., '10

go-getter ("future world/planet ruler" is the technical term Simon uses), at the time a special assistant in the office of Baltimore City Council President Bernard C. "Jack" Young. And Hyman, in all his enthusiasm for the subject matter of the proposed film, manages to sweep Simon's cynicism away. He needs someone to document a Baltimore baseball tournament, the President's Cup, that he's dreamt up and brought to life on behalf of Young's Productive Lives, Active Youth (P.L.A.Y.) campaign, which aims to develop leadership skills and self-confidence among the city's young citizens.

But this isn't just any tournament; revving up for its second year, it's like no competition that Baltimore has seen since the 1980s, when the city's sole high school baseball league divided along public-private lines: It brings 16 teams together, teams that never typically play each other, over three rounds, culminating in a championship game at Oriole Park at Camden Yards. "Somebody told [Hyman] that if this ever goes long term, you need to have some videotape of the early stuff, and that's what he was going for," Simon says.

What he eventually gets is significantly more than just videotape. "I said that if I was going to do it, I'd need complete ownership and complete editorial control," Simon continues. "If I was going to do a documentary, I was going to do a documentary, and I was going to take it where it [eventually] went."

January 2012. It's the earliest days of the spring semester, when pitch black rolls in even before 5:30 p.m. classes start. Simon, who spent 10 years in commercial television as a producer and executive producer prior to starting at UB 24 years ago, preps students in

her PBDS 639: Video Aesthetics & Technique class on the yeoman task that lies ahead. Despite her early trepidation, she's realized the teaching and learning potential of this documentary project; it is exactly the kind she likes students to sink their teeth into. "I really feel that students learn best by doing something real: experiential learning," she says. "And I believe that students should do something for people that need it. I thought it was a really good opportunity for them to get out there and work with a real director and a real situation, having to work on a deadline and having to turn out work that is professional quality."

Soon, each of Simon's students is assigned to one of the public or private high schools participating in the 2012 tourney, and pre-production—the research and development phase—is in full swing. "They went out without a camera, without anything; they went out and talked to the [student athletes]," Simon explains. "They found out who on the team had interesting stories."

By the end of February, they're out in the field, quite literally, shooting hours upon hours of games and practices, interviewing students and coaches. When the tournament starts March 31, 2012, they're at the playoffs, following their teams with cameras and boom mics. By the time the championship game at Camden Yards rolls around on April 21, 2012, the students have produced three-minute segments complete with music, featuring interviews with the students they've chosen. And they debut in the biggest way possible: on the Yards' jumbo screen between innings. "[The students] walked out with a solid three-minute piece that they had conceived of, they wrote, they edited, they produced," Simon says. "I like being able to give my students



PHOTOGRAPHY: HOWARD KORN

The Archbishop Curley Friars beat the Gilman Greyhounds 11-8 in the April 13 championship game, bringing home the 2013 President's Cup. Gilman has competed in all three championship games since the tournament began.

experiences that will help them grow. ... I think they work harder when they know that it's not just an exercise in futility, that we're actually working on something that's going to help somebody or inform somebody."

May 2012. The semester has finished, but Simon's work on the documentary has just begun. She begins logging and transcribing the 48 hours of footage that she and the students have captured. It takes her all summer into September. Then she begins writing the script, weaving the stories the students have collected into a 51-minute documentary. The students, in essence, have served as Simon's crew and are credited in the final piece.

Simon's favorite story of the lot, she says, surrounds the public Digital Harbor High School, a magnet school in Federal Hill with no property other than the immediate land on which the school sits; that means no athletic fields, an obvious disadvantage. Still, the team had fought hard throughout the tournament the previous spring, and they made it three rounds to the semifinals, where the private Gilman School—led by former Baltimore Orioles Larry Sheets and Cal Ripken Jr., coach and assistant coach, respectively—walked away victorious. "They were kids that liked to play baseball and somehow came together despite horrible, horrible conditions," Simon says of the Digital Harbor team. "They

practice on the pool deck; it's like 95 degrees on the pool deck, and they're in their uniforms, hitting balls into a net by the pool—like the *swimming* pool."

And when the team needs a field, they head to public Swann Park, more than a mile away. "So they literally did their running—instead of around their big, beautiful field—down the streets of Baltimore in Federal Hill to get to the park, because they don't have transportation to get the team to the park," Simon says. But still, they had persevered in the tournament, beating public charter school MATHS, the Maryland Academy of Technology and Health Sciences, and The Boys' Latin School of Maryland, a storied private school.

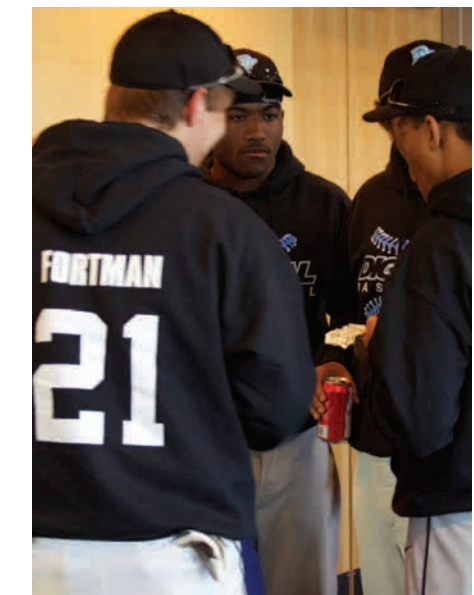
"They were the most real kids out there," Simon says. "They were a team because they wanted to be a team, not because they knew that they *should* be a team, not because their coaches would've killed them if they weren't a team, but they were friends, and you could tell they were friends."

March 2013. Simon puts the finishing touches on the documentary, aptly titled *The President's Cup*, having pulled together narration by former Baltimore Orioles broadcaster Jon Miller, who covered the team from 1982 to 1996, and music by David "David Zee" Zinzeleta, B.S. '88, a graduate of the former B.S. in Corporate Communication program. On April 2, in

conjunction with Young's office, she premieres the film at UB. While she hopes to release the film nationally, the achievement, she says, lies in what the documentary represents.

"Even if [the student athletes] just played ball with each other, they got to see one another," Simon says. "And what they were seeing is another baseball team who was playing baseball just like they were—that these people they didn't know who go to this public school or these people they didn't know that go to this private school were just like them."

Simon's own school days were influenced, if not defined, by her native city of Denver, Colo.'s attempts in the early 1970s to integrate public schools divided along racial and ethnic lines based on neighborhood demographics. "Through mandatory integration, my peers and I learned that we were more or less the same, despite the turbulent time," she says. "What's important is that kids see that kids are kids across the board. And if they do it over a baseball game or in an academic competition, or if they do it on the street, they need to know each other."



top: Simon, associate professor in the School of Communications Design, at the baseball-themed (complete with hot dogs) premiere of *The President's Cup* documentary at UB, April 2, 2013; left: members of Digital Harbor's team at the premiere; right: the title frame, featuring the public Baltimore Polytechnic Institute's baseball team, from Simon's documentary





What's the story behind this UB photo?

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And the Story Behind the Last Photo Is ...

The photo featured in our last issue prompted a few alumni, staff (current and past) and friends to email us in hopes of solving the mystery. We thank them for weighing in, and we look forward to hearing from more alumni about the photo included in this issue.

From Patricia Wicklin McCubbin, B.A. '76:

Thought you might like to know a little about this photo. My husband, Bruce [also a UB student at the time], said that this photo was taken in the very early '70s. It appears to be for a fundraiser. And we both know for a fact that the second guy on the left behind the bar is former Dean of Students George McDevitt in the Rathskeller. It was a happening place!

From Kathy Anderson, dean of students:

The picture is from about 1984/1985. Every fall there would be a Welcome Back Party at Two Crazy Greeks, a bar/restaurant located where Turp's is now. Staff, faculty and student leaders would be recruited [to] work behind the bar to pour for students. They'd be given [a] special T-shirt, apron or other gear to wear.

The gray-haired gentleman behind the bar, second from left, is George McDevitt. George did a variety of things at UB, including serving as dean of students. The young man next to him was one of the officers of the Vets Club, one of the most active groups on campus.

The woman in the bottom corner, with the glasses, is Sharon Carr-Crouse. Sharon served as an administrative aide to several academic departments and as the assistant for the vice president for enrollment management and student affairs, Dr. Dennis Pelletier. She worked for Dennis for about 25 years before they both retired in the early 2000s.

From Reginald Thomas, former associate director of admission, who phoned in this information:

The man behind the bar taps with the grayish hair and beard is George McDevitt, the former dean of students. Thomas believes the location was the old Rathskeller (basement bar) in the Academic Center.

Bridging Continents

Though **Mahmut Aydogmus, M.S. '03**, left Turkey in 2001 to pursue his master's degree in management information systems at the University of Baltimore, the pull of his native country never subsided. So in September 2012, after earning his master's degree and establishing an impressive career in finance at the World Bank in Washington, D.C., Aydogmus returned to Turkey to become director of international relations for Borsa Istanbul, the newly privatized entity that in April replaced the former Istanbul Stock Exchange. As Borsa Istanbul is an essential part of a high-profile effort to boost Istanbul's financial profile, the pressure is on—and Aydogmus is ready for the challenge.

“What attracted me to the position most was the opportunity to contribute to the promotion of Istanbul as an ... attractive hub for international investment for the benefit of the Turkish economy as well as that of the broader Euroasia region,” he explains. “My role can be defined as putting and keeping Borsa Istanbul on the map in the international arena. ... Overall, the institution has become more efficient, competitive and optimistic for the future. I truly feel privileged to be part of such a



historic moment in Turkish capital markets and in the overall economy.”

Aydogmus lives with his wife, Meltem, and their young daughter, Ecrin, in Istanbul, which he says “offers lots of history: palaces, mosques from the Ottoman Empire period, castles, churches from the Roman Empire period and many other gems from other civilizations.”

“The natural beauty of Istanbul is unparalleled,” he continues. “My favorite is the Bosphorus, the beautiful link between the Black Sea and the Marmara Sea, and the Fatih Bridge (*pictured*), one of the two bridges connecting Europe and Asia. This is a city with a pulse, a city that never sleeps; I love the energy and dynamism in Istanbul.”



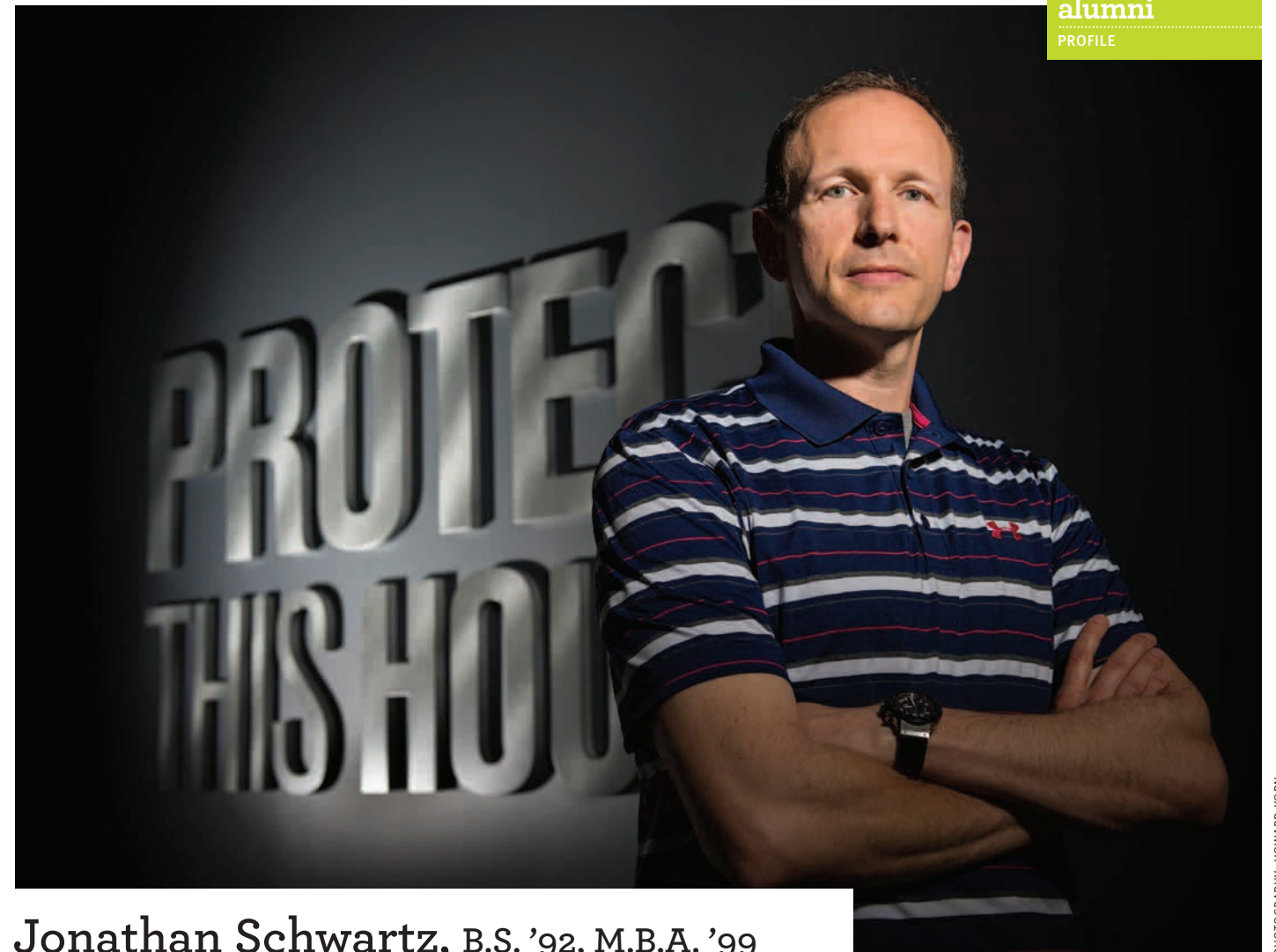
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Jonathan Schwartz, B.S. '92, M.B.A. '99

by Paula Novash

Jonathan Schwartz, B.S. '92, M.B.A. '99, senior director of risk management at Under Armour, has vivid memories of his first meeting with the company. It was 2005; Schwartz was on the partnership track at accounting firm KPMG. Under Armour—the Baltimore-based upstart in what, at the time, was an emerging performance-apparel industry—was about to go public and needed someone to build its internal audit function.

“I was captivated by the story,” he recalls. “Here’s this tough little company, like the underdog overmatched boxer that doesn’t know to be afraid, that created its signature performance-wear T-shirts and a new industry right under the noses of giants.”

Schwartz, a Baltimore native and finance major who started out with Chase Bank of Maryland and worked on Wall Street for Chase Manhattan and then for McCormick & Co., relished the challenge of creating a function at Under Armour from scratch.

“I knew a chance like this wouldn’t come around very often, being able to develop

infrastructure and build a team from the ground up,” he recalls.

Schwartz’s risk management team, which now includes internal audit, asset protection, global insurance, ethics, and product safety and compliance, can be seen as the most literal personification of “Protect This House,” the company’s motto. One of the team’s

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primary roles is to safeguard the brand in an expanding global market.

“Protecting the brand is a full-time job and one that I love,” he says. “Our overall growth rate and international expansion keeps my team on its toes. We cannot afford to get comfortable; we have to keep pushing forward,

learning and implementing every day. We are passionate about the [Under Armour] brand and we protect it as our own.”

That passion, he says, is just as evident in Under Armour’s clientele: “We give our customers that extra edge—if you know you’re wearing the best product in the world, you can push yourself just a little bit harder.”

Schwartz, who serves as chairman of the Merrick School of Business Dean’s Advisory Council, sees parallels between Under Armour’s story and UB’s.

“UB is also scrappy, smart and nimble, offering an incredible education and unbelievable value for people who understand what they can get out of it,” he explains.

And, much like UB, Under Armour is expanding both in size and scope. “When our founder, Kevin Plank, is asked if he ever envisioned UA growing to be as large as it is, he says, ‘Well, I never thought it wouldn’t,’” Schwartz says. “We don’t know how big we’re going to get, so we focus on writing and telling our story one chapter at a time.”



UBAA Fall Happy Hour: Nov. 15, 2012



Speed Networking: April 9, 2013



UBAA Spring Happy Hour featuring UB deans as guest bartenders: April 24, 2013



Third Annual Goodbye and Hello Celebration: May 2, 2013

Events and Photos

pictured, l. to r.:

1. Daprena Boyd, B.A. '02, M.A. '05; Marguerite Murray, B.S. '86, M.P.A. '02; Mike Barwick; and Victoria L. Roache, B.S. '12
2. Terrence Smith, M.P.A. '86, and Joan Worthington, B.S. '84, M.B.A. '91
3. Claudette Bard, B.S. '88; Worthington; and Duy Ngo, undergraduate finance student
4. *back row:* David Attman; Rasheila Daniels, undergraduate business administration student; and Gary Attman, treasurer, University System of Maryland Board of Regents; *front row:* Edward Attman, A.A. '40, B.S. '42
5. Christina Hardy, director of development, Merrick School of Business; Kulwant Ahuja; and Ateet Ahuja, M.B.A. '09



A Celebration of Generosity: UB Scholarship and Endowment Luncheon: April 17, 2013



UB Athletic Hall of Fame Reunion: May 8, 2013



UB Night at Camden Yards: May 21, 2013

pictured, l. to r.:

6. Elizabeth A. Young, B.S. '07, and Laura Bauer
7. Anthony T. Brown, B.S. '08, and Linda Mitchell, B.S. '13
8. Albert E. Mank, B.S. '65; Gerry Sandusky, honoree and sports director, WBAL-TV 11; and Edward P. Castronova, B.S. '67
9. Calissa Randall, B.A. '13, and Wayne Collins II
10. *back row:* Don Crawley; George P. Hutschenreuter, B.S. '88; Phil Talerico; Ronald E. Dow, M.B.A. '92; and Yhaness Negash; *front row:* Douglas Fetterhoff, B.S. '10

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class notes

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1930s **Basil Thomas, LL.B. '35**, received the *Baltimore Business Journal's* Outstanding Director's Award in March. This award honors exceptional board directors from Greater Baltimore companies and nonprofits.

1950s **Herbert S. Garten, A.B.A. '53**, received the Maryland Legal Services Corp.'s Robert M. Bell Medal for Access to Justice in December.

1960s **Peter G. Angelos, LL.B. '61**, was named a 2013 Influential Marylander by *The Daily Record* in January.

Francis D. Polk, J.D. '66, retired in December 2012 from Ocean County College in Toms River, N.J., where he served as dean and provost for the past 25 years. He previously held teaching and administrative positions with Baltimore City Public Schools and at both Dundalk Community College and the University of Maryland.

Thomas B. Peace Sr., B.A. '69, was inducted into the Boys' Latin School of Maryland Athletic Hall of Fame in November as one of the Baltimore-based school's finest all-around athletes.

1970s **Robert Engle, B.S. '70**, a professor at Quinnipiac University in Hamden, Conn., won the Stockholm School of Economics' Best Paper Award in October for his research on working in a foreign country.

Richard B. Jacobs, B.A. '70, J.D. '73, was named *Best Lawyers'* 2013 Lawyer of the Year for family law in the Baltimore area in September.

Thomas G. Ryman, B.S. '73, is a staff accountant and certified public accountant at JBH Accounting & Tax in Tampa Bay, Fla.

Lawrence J. Brill, J.D. '74, retired from the U.S. Department of Commerce in October 2011. He

now practices law in Columbia, Md., and runs Export Trade Consultants, a company focused on export trade and marketing issues.

Kenneth W. Farrar, J.D. '74, is employed by the Supreme Court of Virginia and works as a juvenile and domestic relations district court judge in the 24th Judicial District.

Randy L. Bradford, B.S. '75, is chief executive officer of Eastern Shore Hospital Center, an inpatient psychiatric hospital operated by the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in Cambridge, Md.

Ronald Silkworth, J.D. '75, received *The Daily Record's* Leadership in Law award in September.

Abba D. Poliakoff, J.D. '77, was named a 2013 Influential Marylander by *The Daily Record* in January.

Steven S. Manekin, CERT '78, CPA and director in the audit, accounting and consulting department at Ellin & Tucker in Baltimore, spoke on "Business Aspects of Starting a Solo Practice" at the

Maryland State Bar Association's Solo and Small Firm Conference in December.

Leon A. Tunctson, M.S. '79, is a computer analyst with the State of Maryland.

1980s **Benjamin Lucas, J.D. '80**, became chair of the board of directors of Gilchrist Hospice Care, based in Hunt Valley, Md., in July 2012.

Pamela Oliver-Jones, M.S. '80, was named principal of Sparks Elementary School in Sparks, Md., in July 2012.

Joseph F. Summers, B.S. '80, is a principal at Cross Street Partners, a real-estate development consulting firm in Baltimore.

Sandra W. Callahan, B.S. '81, senior vice president of finance and accounting and chief financial officer at Tampa, Fla.-based TECO Energy, earned Proformative's Visionary Finance Leader Award for "leading her organization to new heights of effectiveness with technology."

UB Alumni Honored for Pro Bono Work

Congratulations to the UB law alumni who were honored at the Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service's 2012 "Celebrate Pro Bono" awards reception in October. This annual event "honors those who have made noteworthy contributions to the delivery of pro bono legal services over the past year."

- **Robert N. Grossbart, J.D. '86**
- **David N. Portney, J.D. '86**
- **Frank Turney, J.D. '92**
- **David A. Rosenberg, J.D. '94**

- **Jason Ridgell, J.D. '95**
- **Susan Mays, J.D. '00**
- **Yolette Atkinson, J.D. '02**

Jeanette Cole, J.D. '81, joined the Baltimore-based St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center in August as managing attorney of the foreclosure prevention department. She will lead the legal services program.

J. Gary McDaniel, M.S. '81, was elected chief executive officer of the Garrettsville, Ohio-based Catacel Corp. in August.

Cathy C. Powell, B.A. '81, a public information officer for the city of Baltimore, served as a loaned executive to the Combined Charity Campaign in 2012 and partnered with city agencies to help manage and administer their individual campaigns.

Ernest A. Crofoot, J.D. '82, has served in the dual-capacity role of county administrator and in-house attorney for Kent County (Md.) since December.

Larry J. Schillenberg Jr., B.S. '82, retired in 2012 from the Hanover, Md.-based Maryland Department of Transportation after 30 years of service.

David A. Goldner, M.S. '83, managing partner of Gross Mendelsohn in Baltimore, was named to *Baltimore SmartCEO* magazine's list of "SmartCPAs" in September.

Mitchell Cornwell, CERT '84, merged his practice into the new, eponymous law firm of **Michael Hodes, J.D. '75**, in October. The firm now has offices in Towson, Columbia, Easton, Cambridge and Salisbury, Md.

Susan R. Gainen, J.D. '84, published *Meet the LLLamas*, a book that tells the story of five "LLLama" families and includes original watercolor portraits, in October.

Kevin Thomas, J.D. '84, has been appointed underwriting counsel at Stewart Vacation Ownership in Orlando, Fla. In addition to serving as underwriting counsel for all timeshare transactions, he will continue serving as the company's vice president and Florida underwriting counsel.

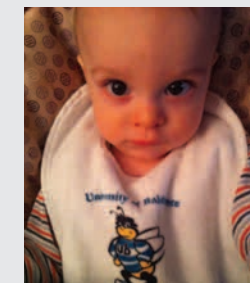
Elizabeth Norman, CERT '84, M.B.A. '85, is the director of risk control services for the Glatfelter Healthcare Program at the Glatfelter Insurance Group in York, Pa.

Karen A. Stout, M.B.A. '85, was named Northeast CEO of the Year by the American Association of

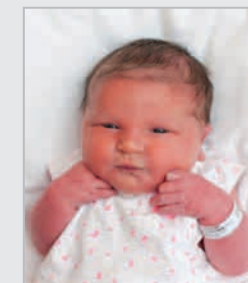
Baby Bee Announcements

UB proudly welcomes the newest members of our University family—Baby Bees! Moms- and dads-to-be, let us know when your little one arrives, and we'll send you a Baby Bee bib, courtesy of the UB Alumni Association. We look forward to receiving more photos of your new additions proudly sporting their Baby Bee bibs and will include them in the magazine as space permits.

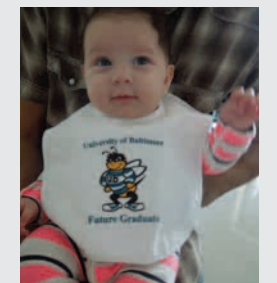
Share the buzz about your new Baby Bee with us at 410.837.6131 or alumni@ubalt.edu.



Brody Savel Ransom was born Feb. 14, 2012, to **Kimberly A. Savel, B.A. '10**.



Farrah Vance was born June 7, 2012, to **Nicole Vance, B.S. '05**.



Zuri Grey Solis was born Nov. 13, 2012, to **Efrain Solis, B.S. '10, M.S. '12**, and his wife, Sherra.

Community College Trustees in December based on her exemplary leadership as president of Montgomery County Community College in Blue Bell, Pa. She has held this position since 2001.

Edward D. Warren, B.S. '85, was named director of marketing at Smith Elliott Kearns & Co. in Hagerstown, Md., in August.

Thomas J. Zabetakis, B.S. '78, M.B.A. '86, retired from the National Security Agency after 33 years of federal service and now works as a program manager for Bridges Consulting in Annapolis, Md. He and his wife are the proud grandparents of four grandchildren: Gavin, Sean, Sophia and Thomas.

Harold A. English, J.D. '87, was sworn into the Pennsylvania House of Representatives in November; he represents the 30th Legislative District.

Jeffrey C. Glock, B.S. '88, received the Unsung Hero Award from the Maryland Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals at the National Philanthropy Day luncheon in November. He was recognized for his volunteer

service with UB's Merrick School of Business and with the UB Alumni Association.

Paul E. Leo, B.S. '89, retired in August after a 36-year state, local and federal law enforcement career in Maryland.

Stephen E. Vogt, J.D. '89, was appointed special agent in charge of the FBI's Baltimore office.

1990s **Sherri I. Holstein, B.S. '90**, and her husband own Global Vending Management in Lake Worth, Fla. The company manages vending programs for businesses and universities across the country.

Jane Ann Williams, M.A. '90, became assistant provost and director of international engagement at the University of Central Arkansas in Conway, Ark., in July 2012.

Craig D. Roswell, J.D. '91, is a managing partner at the Baltimore-based firm of Niles, Barton & Wilmer.

Dwanda Lee Farmer, B.A. '93, received a Ph.D. in Community Economic Development from Southern New Hampshire University in

In Memoriam

Arthur Gutman, LL.B. '34	Michael E. Loney, J.D. '65
John Lufburrow, A.A. '47	James F. O'Neill, B.S. '65
Sidney Sherr, B.S. '49	John C. Coolahan, LL.B. '66
Leonard S. Sneider, B.S. '49	Jeane Muri, B.S. '67
John A. Jarosinski, A.A. '50	Michael Bixler, B.S. '68
Webster F. King Jr., B.S. '50	Townson Burkindine, B.S. '72
Harry C. Burch, B.S. '52	Lawrence Hughes, B.S. '72
Richard Lelonek, J.D. '53	Patrick Starrs, B.S. '73
Aaron Margolis, LL.B. '53	Howard B. Teller, J.D. '73
James O. Redding, A.A. '53	Walter W. Sawyer III, J.D. '74
Onofrio J. Giaraffa, B.S. '54	John R. Rogowitz, J.D. '75
John Gerber, B.S. '55	Bernard Rynarzewski, B.S. '77
William Goodman, J.D. '55	Spencer B. Colby, B.S. '78
Albert E. Saval, B.S. '55	Joseph F. Ward, M.S. '84
George A. Whiteley, A.A. '56	Ellen Eckert, M.A. '97
Gustav Baer, A.A. '57	Graham C. Boyanich, B.S. '98
Francis X. Pugh, J.D. '60	Rosemary E. Allulis, J.D. '00
Sidney Wolf, B.S. '60	Edward McNally, J.D. '08
Joseph L. Bohlen, LL.B. '64	John Minderhout, J.D. '13
Frank J. Federico II, LL.B. '64	
Robert Schaller, J.D. '64	Carl Franklin, former professor in the Merrick School of Business
Edward J. Dove, B.S. '65	William Wagman, former professor in the Yale Gordon College of Liberal Arts

UB Alumnae Named ‘Leading Women’ for 2012

Once again, several UB alumnae made *The Daily Record’s* annual list of “Leading Women,” announced in December. This distinction honors women age 40 or under who have been chosen based on “professional experience, community involvement and a commitment to inspiring change.”

- **Arielle Harry-Bess, M.B.A. '99**
- **Cylia Lowe, J.D. '03, M.S. '08**
- **Melissa Mackiewicz, J.D. '02**
- **Angela Hiltz, B.S. '11**
- **Astrid Schmidt-King, J.D. '02**

Manchester, N.H., in May 2012. She joined the ranks of 18 other CED doctoral graduates around the world.

Brenda Bratton Blom, J.D. '93, received the Maryland Legal Services Corp.’s Benjamin L. Cardin Distinguished Service Award in December.

Howard Hall, M.P.A. '93, received the 2012 J. Stannard Baker Award, sponsored by the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Northwestern University’s Center for Public Safety, in October.

Shelley Keirn, B.S. '94, of Stoy, Malone & Co., a Baltimore-based regional accounting and business consulting firm, appeared on WBAL-TV 11’s *11 News Sunday Morning* in October to discuss potential estate law changes for 2013. She also is a frequent guest on **Michael Hodes (J.D. '75)’s** *Family Financial Focus* show on WBAL 1090 AM.

Jodi Maggin, M.A. '94, joined the National Gift Card Corp. in Elgin, Ill., as vice president of business development in October 2011.

Jerry W. Witowski, M.B.A. '94, is vice president of information services business management for Sealed Air Corp. in Greenville, S.C.

William Albert York III, B.S. '94, was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the Maryland Air National Guard and completed his Master of Military Operational Art and Science degree in October 2011.

Kevin Dunbar, M.B.A. '95, serves on the board of directors of Gilchrist Hospice Care, based in Hunt Valley, Md.

John Anthony Kotwica II, B.S. '95, owns Grasonville, Md.-based Chesapeake Shoreline Restoration, a marine contracting company serving the Chesapeake Bay and the Delmarva Peninsula.

Nolan V. Rollins, M.A. '95, was named president of the Los Angeles Urban League, one of the country’s oldest civil rights organizations, in December.

Bob Shillinger, J.D. '95, was appointed county attorney for Monroe County, Fla., in November. He has lived in Key West, Fla., with his wife and family since 1995.

David Baird, M.P.A. '96, was named the new district coordinator of the Sussex Conservation District in Georgetown, Del., in October.

Joshua C. Delaney, J.D. '96, a senior trial attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., has received the Attorney General’s Award for Distinguished Service for his work on the Prison Rape Elimination Act Working Group.

Greg Derwart, M.A. '96, received *Baltimore SmartCEO* magazine’s 2013 Executive Management Award in March.

Matthew V. Ramsey, B.A. '96, graduated from the University of Maryland, College Park with a Master of Education degree with a concentration in writing education.

Jennifer Wascak, J.D. '96, was appointed Adams County (Colo.) attorney in June 2012. She has worked in the office for 14 years.

Aaron Greenfield, J.D. '97, and **William Kress, J.D. '98**, formed the full-service, boutique government-relations firm of Greenfield & Kress in September in Annapolis, Md.

Gerald M. Harrison Jr., M.B.A. '97, vice president of Parsons Corp., is on assignment in the Middle East and resides in Doha, Qatar. He is pursuing rail and transit projects being built in preparation for the 2022 FIFA World Cup as well as other rail projects throughout the region.

Tom Iler, M.B.A. '97, was named chief technology officer of Vibrant Media in New York, N.Y., in July 2012.

Jesse L. LaCosta, M.A. '97, is proud to announce that her Hawk Eye Veteran Development Coach Training is the country’s first training program to receive the Center for Credentialing & Education’s Board Certified Coach approval.

Albert Lechner, J.D. '97, serves as president of the Jacksonville Justice Association and joined the firm of Terrell Hogan in Jacksonville, Fla., in September. The firm handles jury trial cases with an emphasis on medical malpractice, nursing home abuse, defective products and premises liability.

John Hachtel, M.A. '98, was named associate vice president for strategic communications at Georgia College in Milledgeville, Ga., in August.

Hae-Jin Kong, J.D. '98, was named tax director of the transaction advisory services practice at Tysons Corner, Va.-based Cherry, Bekaert & Holland in November.



Jackson, receiving her medal from President Barack Obama

On Feb. 15, **Janice Jackson, B.A. '02, M.S. '05**, received one of only a dozen 2012 Presidential Citizens Medals from President Barack Obama in a ceremony at the White House. Jackson, an adjunct faculty member in the Yale Gordon College of Arts and Sciences, earned the honor for her work as the creator and founder of W.E.A.N., or Women Embracing Abilities Now, a nonprofit organization that mentors and empowers women with disabilities. The Presidential Citizens Medal is the nation’s second-highest civilian award (second only to the Presidential Medal of Freedom) and recognizes individuals “who have performed exemplary deeds or services for his or her country or fellow citizens.”

Julia Pitman, B.S. '91, M.A. '98, was appointed vice president for student services at Niagara County Community College in Sanborn, N.Y., in November.

Stacy Rodgers, M.P.A. '99, served as a guest speaker at the National Forum for Black Public Administrators’ annual business meeting, hosted by UB’s Master of Public Administration Student Association at the University of Baltimore in February.

Richard Dirk Selland, J.D. '99, was selected as the Social Security Administration’s chief judge for the Baltimore Hearing Office in October.

Robert W. Smith Jr., B.S. '99, was promoted to vice president of global human resources at Papa John’s International in Louisville, Ky., in January.

2000s **Basil R. Loucas, B.A. '96, M.A. '00**, published the book *LSAT—The Loucas Way* in August.

Stacey B. Rice, J.D. '00, joined the Annapolis, Md.-based Brassel Law Group in September.

Donna J. Senft, J.D. '00, a principal at Ober|Kaler’s health law group in Baltimore, serves on the board of trustees of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society’s Maryland chapter.

Jeffrey Crosley, B.S. '01, a financial adviser and district director with Northwestern Mutual of Maryland, was named a Rising Star by the

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O'Grady in her workspace at home and holding her book *Homing*

Jenny O'Grady, M.F.A. '06, former adjunct faculty, received one of nine 2013 Baker Artist Award b-grant prizes in November. These annual \$1,000 grants recognize emerging artists and established artists exploring new directions. The William G. Baker Jr. Memorial Fund supports Baltimore's artists, the city's rich and diverse cultural offerings and the participation of its residents in the region's creative life.

Living Classrooms Foundation in July 2012 for his "outstanding achievements in his professional and personal life."

M. Chad Malkus, J.D. '01, a partner in the law firm of Michael Hodes and managing attorney of its Eastern Shore offices, has been elected president of the Dorchester County (Md.) Bar Association.

Jennifer Burns, M.A. '02, is the volunteer media coordinator for the Hillsboro Lighthouse Preservation Society in Pompano Beach, Fla.

Christopher Corchiarino, J.D. '02, became a member at Goodell, DeVries, Leech & Dann in Baltimore in January.

Nichole M. Galvin, J.D. '02, was named principal of the Baltimore law firm of Neuberger, Quinn, Gielen, Rubin & Gibber in September. She concentrates her practice in commercial and land-use litigation.

Gregory L. Justice Jr., B.S. '02, was promoted to GEICO special investigations unit supervisor for Maryland and Delaware in July 2012.

Joshua P. Rubin, J.D. '02, became a partner at the Buffalo, N.Y.-based law firm of Rupp, Baase, Pfalzgraf, Cunningham and Copolla in December.

E. Harrison Stone Jr., J.D. '02, joined the law firm of Miles & Stockbridge as counsel in its Easton, Md., and Baltimore offices in May 2012.

Michael Swaby-Rowe, M.A. '02, married Allison Stone on July 21, 2012.

Halley M. Neboschick, J.D. '03, is president of the Junior League of Philadelphia.

Mark J. Stiller, J.D. '03, was named partner in the litigation department of Niles, Barton & Wilmer in Baltimore. His practice focuses on general liability, property insurance law, related first-party insurance law matters and subrogation.

2013 Maryland Judicial Appointments

In December, Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley announced new judicial appointments that included the following UB alumni:

- **Phillip Senan Jackson, J.D. '84**, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
- **Christopher Louis Panos, M.S. '84, J.D. '89**, Circuit Court for Baltimore City
- **Michael Thurston Pate, J.D. '91**, District Court for Baltimore County
- **Kimberly Michelle (Dorsey) Thomas, B.A. '97**, District Court for Baltimore County.

Granville Templeton III, J.D. '03, was recognized by *The Daily Record* as a 2012 Innovator of the Year in October.

Jill Bussey, J.D. '04, was elected president of the board of directors for Columbia, Md.-based FIRN, a nonprofit organization that serves the foreign-born community in Central Maryland and beyond.

Kelly Donahue, J.D. '04, became of counsel with the Baltimore-based firm of Goodell, DeVries, Leech & Dann in 2012.

Anne Balcer Norton, J.D. '04, received *The Daily Record's* Leadership in Law award in September.

Geneau M. Thames, J.D. '04, was named partner in the litigation department of Baltimore-based Niles, Barton & Wilmer in January. Her practice focuses on professional liability, property insurance law, related first-party insurance coverage matters and commercial litigation.

Shirley Brewer, M.A. '05, published her second book of poetry, *After Words*, in March.

Joshua Davis, B.S. '05, is the communications manager of the Syracuse, N.Y.-based Syracuse

University Project Advance, a program that allows qualified high school seniors to take freshman-level courses at the university.

Gregory M. Garrett, J.D. '05, was named partner at the Baltimore-based firm of Tydings & Rosenberg in January.

L. Content McLaughlin, B.A. '00, J.D. '03, LL.M. '05, launched the McLaughlin Law Group in Bel Air, Md., with satellite offices in Baltimore, Towson and Columbia.

C.J. Persson, LL.M. '05, an associate with Adelberg, Rudow, Dorf & Hendler in Baltimore, is member-at-large of the Maryland State Bar Association's Business Law Section Council and was appointed vice chairman of the business law committee of the Bar Association of Baltimore City in November.

David Reiss, D.C.D. '05, was promoted to associate professor of electronic media and film at Towson University in Towson, Md. He also serves as general manager of the university's faculty-supervised, student-run television station, WMJF-TV.

Teresa Teare, J.D. '05, was elected partner at the Baltimore law firm of Shawe & Rosenthal in October. She represents employers in all aspects of employment law and counsels them on strategies and best practices to limit potential liability exposure.

Allison Ernst, B.S. '04, M.A. '06, and **Eric Baumbusch, B.S. '12**, were married Oct. 20 at the Howard County (Md.) Conservancy.

Sheena K. Gill, J.D. '06, was appointed general counsel and director of contracts for C2 Technologies in Vienna, Va.

Barrett R. King, J.D. '06, was appointed to the board of directors of the Towson, Md.-based Women's Law Center in September.

Victoria Sulerzyski, J.D. '06, an associate with the firm of Ober|Kaler in Baltimore, was named the 2012 recipient of the United Way of Central Maryland's Volunteer of a Lifetime Award in September for her outstanding leadership and community service. She was recognized for her work as an advocate for children with special needs.

Ryan Naugle, J.D. '07, and his wife, Mary, welcomed daughter Stella Fiore Naugle on Sept. 25.

Taren N. Stanton, J.D. '07, joined the Baltimore law firm of Tydings & Rosenberg as an associate in its litigation department.

Justin M. Codd, B.A. '08, M.A. '10, joined the Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore as assistant director of Web and electronic communications.

Dana Losben, J.D. '08, married Andrew Rodgers on March 31, 2012, and currently works for Liberty Mutual in New Jersey.

Ellen Lupton, D.C.D. '08, served as a featured lecturer at the Hammer Museum in Los Angeles, Calif., in November. She also received the Moore College of Art & Design 2012 Visionary Woman Award in October.

Craig A. Vollmer, B.S. '08, was promoted to lead manager of product marketing at T. Rowe Price in Baltimore.

Yundi Zhang, M.P.A. '08, interned at the Lafayette Federal Credit Union in Kensington, Md.

Paul B. Beaulieu, B.S. '09, president of Harrison Marketing and president and managing partner of West2East Photography in Bel Air, Md., was recently appointed to the board of directors of the American Culinary Federation's Baltimore chapter.

William Gregory, B.A. '09, earned a master's degree with a concentration in international affairs from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., in December. He serves as the logistics specialist and SME for the Middle East and Africa for a manufacturing firm.

2010s Sarah Haller Kinling, M.A. '10, married Christopher Kinling in October at Rockfield Manor in Bel Air, Md. She is a creative services manager in Washington, D.C.

Adam Robinson, M.F.A. '10, was featured by the creative writing community of the Department of English and Humanities at York College in York, Pa., for his work as a poet and independent publisher.

Mark Alderman, J.D. '11, has joined the litigation department of Levin & Gann in Towson, Md., as an associate.

Ashley Kemerer, J.D. '11, is one of 36 new public defenders hired in Frederick, Md., after a January court of appeals decision required access to a lawyer at bail review hearings.

Jonathan M. Mandina, M.S. '11, and his wife welcomed their first child, Hayley, in October.

Luke F. McCusker III, B.A. '11, wrote an article, "If Only for a Season: Robert Hanson Harrison, Favorite Son of Maryland," which was accepted for publication by the Maryland Historical Society's *Maryland Historical Magazine*.

Whitney Mour, B.A. '11, joined the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, Northwest, in October and is serving in the Tundra Women's Coalition in Bethel, Alaska.

Shannon Severe, B.S. '11, was selected as a state finalist for the Miss Maryland Pageant 2012 in September.

M. Peggy Chu, J.D. '12, joined the Baltimore-based law firm of Goodell, DeVries, Leech & Dann as an associate in January.

Toyin B. Ogunfolaju, B.S. '12, was appointed manager of mobility services at the Baltimore-based Maryland Transit Administration in June 2012.

William Pak, M.P.A. '12, and **Mary Jo Pohlner, M.P.A. '11**, have been named UB Alumni Professional Fellows, supported by a UB 21 Catalyst Grant awarded to the Schaefer Center for Public Policy, in recognition for and in support of special research projects they have proposed to conduct this year.

Beth Peterson, B.S. '12, received an official nomination to the Peace Corps with a tentative departure date of August.

Angela M. Scruggs, B.A. '09, M.A. '12, is pursuing her Ph.D. in Law and Public Policy at Walden University. She is also the CEO/founder of the Baltimore-based Helping Hands Outreach & Resource Ministries, an organization that feeds the homeless and impoverished.

Kelley Spigel, J.D. '12, joined the Law Office of Garland C. Hall in Glen Burnie, Md., in January.

Where Are They Now?

Jack Spencer Jr., B.A. '71, former Student Government Association president



Then



Now

L. to r.: Spencer's 1971 senior portrait in UB's yearbook, the *Reporter*; Spencer today

Jack Spencer Jr., B.A. '71, recently wrote to UB's Office of Alumni Relations to share the story of what he calls his "foray into [a] mission of insanity"—his 1970 campaign for Student Government Association president. Read on for excerpts:

In 1970, my debate coach at the University of Baltimore, Dan Craig, appointed me president of the Debate Team. I was proud of that ... but [he] had even higher aspirations for me.

A month later, Mr. Craig, also a philosophy instructor and the adviser to the Student Arts Council, ... told me he'd like to see me run for president of the Student Government Association. That was a humorous and preposterous proposal. The powerful, conservative, sports-oriented fraternities had had a stranglehold on student politics since the University's inception in 1925. To my knowledge, no nonfraternity student had ever successfully challenged them for SGA president, and

besides, I worked full time and knew few students outside the debate team.

That evening, I toyed with delusions of grandeur, manipulating imagined sceneries where the fraternities might possibly be defeated. The next day ... I informed Mr. Craig that I would accept the challenge.

U of B was primarily a business and law school and was, by nature, conservative. My name was virtually unknown, and I was in the smaller liberal arts program. I needed a platform that would draw attention, one that was controversial but thought-provoking.

I would promise ... an annual, faculty-approved teacher evaluation by the students. I would promise [students opposed to the Vietnam War] an antiwar protest that would shake the boots of our ultraconservative administration. ... I would promise to change the SGA into a more representative form of government.

By a strange stroke of irony, a fraternity-friendly member of the current SGA agreed to run [for vice president] with me. Judy

Jarrett was a former Miss University of Baltimore and a ... member of seven organizations. [She] would caution me about the formidable risks involved in tangling with the mighty fraternities. True indeed ... but then, what Goliath had ever been conquered by timidity or toothless sentiment? We called our ticket the Concerned Party.

Read more online at www.ubalt.edu/ubmag.

Today, Spencer works as a therapist for the Garrett County (Maryland) Health Department. He also is a short-story writer and poet—he founded the Wednesday Night Writers Guild for local writers in his area—and has appeared in several plays at the Our Town Theater in Oakland, Md.

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Emily Lyles, B.A. '10, M.P.A. '12

by Giordana Segneri, M.A. '10

Emily Lyles, B.A. '10, M.P.A. '12, says she's not one to try to guess what she might be doing in a decade's time. "If I had done that five years ago, I never would have dreamed of what I'm doing right now," she says. At that time, she was immersed in an undergraduate education in English; now, after having earned a Master of Public Administration, she's working on a second UB master's degree in global affairs and human security—and in June, she finished a highly prestigious and competitive internship at the World Health Organization headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland.

Her internship project focused on analyzing mental-health medication logistics in emergency situations, specifically examining the extent to which certain psychotropics (mental health drugs) are reaching the field in emergencies. These kits are requested by "operators"—nongovernmental organizations, U.N. agency divisions like the WHO or pharmaceutical corporations providing

health-related humanitarian assistance around the world—and are intended to meet primary medical needs in the earliest phase of a humanitarian disaster, before specific requirements have been identified.

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"My work in the M.P.A. at UB instilled a passion for program monitoring and evaluation," says Lyles, and in the M.A. in Global Affairs and Human Security program, she's "learning things about the United Nations and the European Union that I never knew."

Her interest in pharmaceuticals developed through her father, Alan Lyles, professor in the College of Public Affairs who specializes in pharmaceutical economics, and came into play last fall, when she served as an intern with Management Sciences for Health (an international organization in Arlington, Va.).

At the WHO, Lyles worked with those who managed various tasks for the organization's Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse and finished her internship with a final report. "Essentially, I did things as an intern that are what I hope to do as a career once I finish my education," she says, elaborating that she'd be interested in serving as a monitoring and evaluation officer with the Red Cross or any other nongovernmental organization, ensuring data is collected appropriately and then aggregating the information to assess whether or not efforts are effective. "The WHO is the highest level at which I can work in this field based on my interests. It really was a dream come true."



On the Fast Track:

John Gasparini, M.S. '02

by Nicole Reagan

Each summer, the Maryland State Fair in Timonium draws an explosion of people—more than half a million, to be precise—for 11 days of rides, races and indulgences like deep-fried Oreos.

And behind the scenes, **John Gasparini, M.S. '02**, lecturer in UB's Yale Gordon College of Arts and Sciences, dons his chef's hat and serves up wholesome, homemade meals—the complete opposite of typical “fair food”—to help employees, track workers and owners make it through those long fair days.

Managing the fair's track kitchen for a few weeks each year is hardly a stretch for Gasparini. After earning his bachelor's degree in economics and business administration from Lafayette College in 1984, he started and led United Foods, a conglomeration of successful restaurants and food delivery services. It was while catering an event for Fasig-Tipton Midlantic, the oldest thoroughbred auction company in North America, in 1999 that he connected with Andy Cashman and **Max Mosner, B.S. '65**, assistant and general manager, respectively, of the fair. Not long afterward, they approached him about revamping the then-dormant track kitchen.

“At that point, I'd already started migrating away from the restaurant business,” says Gasparini, who by then had enrolled at UB to pursue a master's degree in psychology. “But I thought, ‘Hmm, I get to be a restaurateur for three weeks out of the year,’ which is a great thing because I really thrive in that environment,” he says.

Utilizing his restaurant background, Gasparini was able to update the track kitchen to

better serve the needs of the fair's working community. “I went and looked at the facility; it was pretty antiquated at the time,” he says. “We began this process of gradually renovating ... which meant bringing in the kind of robust commercial equipment necessary to do ... an enormous amount of breakfasts and lunches.”

He also fine-tuned the kitchen's product line and introduced the “real meals” the track workers have come to love. “When I got there, I found a community of people that live a very rough life,” Gasparini says. “Track life is tough by any standards. People were more interested in eating good, rustic food—some kind of real [meal].”

“I have people that come in every year and their first question is, ‘When are you making meatloaf?’ or ‘When are you doing the spaghetti?’” he says. “There's a little, close-knit community that comes together every year for the state fair, and I feel like we've really become the center point of that community. It's a place to come, eat, relax and enjoy yourself.”

When not “cheffing,” Gasparini focuses on teaching psychology at UB, a career that he calls “an extension of [his] passion to help people along.” And despite the differences between the kitchen and the classroom, Gasparini sees them harmonizing perfectly.

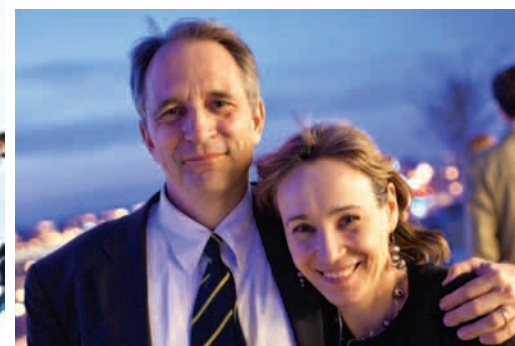
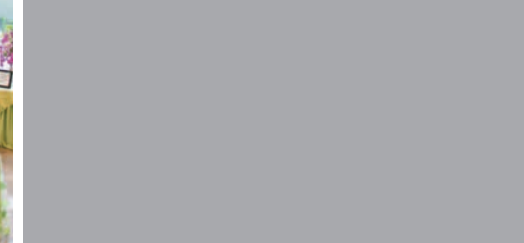
“They're both fields that deal with nurturing—they come at it from different perspectives, obviously,” he says, “but they both have to do with nurturing people, and I think most important for me is ... they're both sacred roles. Taking care of people is a sacred duty.”



l. to r.: Clifton L. Brown Jr., J.D. '78, and his wife, Carol Ann



Elijah E. Cummings, U.S. representative (Maryland)



Mortimer Sellers, University System of Maryland Regents Professor of Law at UB, and his wife, Frances



H. Mebane Turner, UB president emeritus



Marianne Schmitt Hellauer, J.D. '80, and Robert E. Hellauer, J.D. '80



Barbara Mikulski, U.S. senator (Maryland)

above: Guests headed for the law center moot courtroom on April 30 to hear Kagan and Bell speak as part of the evening festivities.
below, l. to r.: Speakers Weich, Bogomolny, Maryland state Del. Talmadge Branch, Rawlings-Blake, Mikulski and Kirwan (*at the podium*) joined the UB community for a ribbon-cutting to mark the building's official opening at an April 30 midday open house.



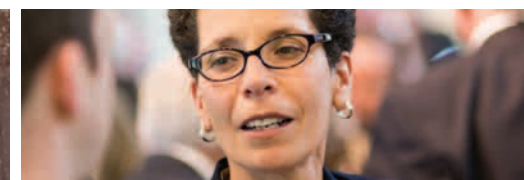
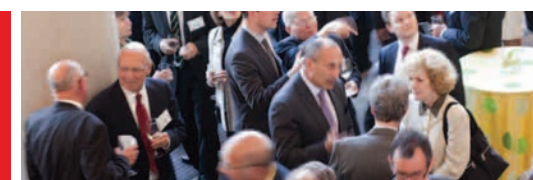
above: (left) Thomas V. Mike Miller Jr., Maryland Senate president; *(right)* Keith E. Haynes, J.D. '91, Maryland state delegate;
opposite page: Guests explored the law center after the conclusion of Biden's April 16 remarks.



above, l. to r.: Ted A. Berkowitz and Heidi L. Levine, J.D. '95



below: Audrey J.S. Carrion, J.D. '84, Baltimore City Circuit Court associate judge







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