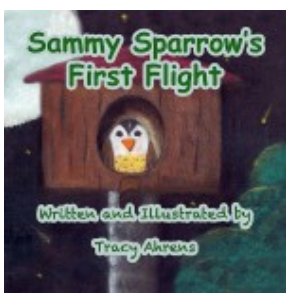


Class Notes



Recapping September 2014

Be sure to send us your news and we'll publish it in the next issue of Maroon & Gold. Enjoy!
Shellie Schwanke '87
Director of Alumni Relations



(<http://www.eureka.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/tahrens-bookcover-web.jpg>)
Tracy Ahrens '92



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Mike '08 and Emily Winner '09 Fredericks

50s

Happy Birthday, **Shirley Standerfer Renshaw '57!** **Dorothy Thomson Whitler** and **Loren Logsdon** (both class of 1958) would like to wish a happy January birthday to Shirley. Shirley was a campus leader during her undergraduate years at EC. She was a member of Delta Delta Pi sorority, serving as a treasurer and vice-president. She was a talented singer and member of the Chapel Choir all four years and also a member of Women's Trio. She was active in theater, with leading roles in Finian's Rainbow and The Shrike. She was a three-year member of Alpha Epsilon Sigma, the dramatic society at EC. She was vice-president of the Women's Council and president of the Pan Hellenic Council her senior year. She was editor of the Prism one year and also a member of the Inferno Club. She washed dishes at the Lida's Wood Dining Hall her senior year. If you enter the Burgoo through the east door, you will see a large picture of Shirley and her friends Mary Garrison Heren and Diane Shobe Brownfield at the Eureka Depot, waiting for a train. A belated Happy Birthday, Shirley!

60s

Janet Roszell Lord '60 publication of her first book, "What Every First Grader Should Know...besides Their ABC's." Janet recently became a contributing author to "Chicken Soup for the Soul."

Frank Kravitz '69 and Tressa were married on Mar. 18, 2012 in Chicago. **Pam Alexander '70** and **Doug Baker '69** were their attendants. Frank was hit by a semi loaded with steel early in the morning on Nov. 24, 2014. Miraculously, he did not sustain head nor any internal injuries. The damages were nonetheless severe, but ultimately, the doctors were forced to amputate his right leg a few inches below his hip. The surgeon believes he will be able to

have a prosthetic leg. He returned home on January 20, where he will continue to heal and receive care. He is expecting to require more physical therapy at a private facility. Frank would love to hear from his Eureka College friends.

70s

Pam Curran Alexander '70 and **Doug Baker '69** were married on May 11, 2012. They reside in Coal City, IL.

90s

Tracy Ahrens '92 announces her third children's book through Guardian Angel Publishing titled "Sammy Sparrow's First Flight" (Dec. 25, 2014). NINE area humane organizations will receive financial help through sales of "Sammy Sparrow's First Flight." Using an order form provided through the book's web page, purchasers can note which organization they would like to assist. She calls this the Sammy Shelter Project. For more information, visit the [Sammy Shelter Project web page \(http://tracyahrens.weebly.com/sammy-shelter-project.html\)](http://tracyahrens.weebly.com/sammy-shelter-project.html).

Kirk Peters '93 and his wife Julie officially adopted Kara Elizabeth on Nov. 13, 2014. Kara is welcomed home by big brothers Jake, 15 and Nate, 13.

Monica Batista '94 accepted a position as an Educational Programming Specialist with the American College of Chest Physicians in September 2014. Responsible for designing all of the professional education programming planned for the CHEST annual meetings and international congress meetings; working directly with the physician faculty members and active physician residents to ensure content is secured, meets accreditation

requirements/standards and is presented in line with the needs of the medical community. A new direction for her in the field of

professional medical education.

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Sarah Melton Jiter '03 of Normal received the Eureka College staff recognition award. Jiter, the assistant dean of first-year programs, has been employed at the college since 2008. She received a degree in theater arts and drama from Eureka College and a master's in college student personnel administration from Illinois State University.

Molly Hardesty '06 was diagnosed with lung cancer in September and the "Just Breathe" Benefit was held Jan. 24, 2015, at EPIC. Molly would love to hear from her Eureka College friends.

Abby Stuaan Cawley '07 is a Legislative Contractor for Advance Illinois.

Mike '08 and **Emily Winner '09 Fredericks** announce the birth of their daughter, Eva Claire, born on Dec. 15, 2014.

Julie Stroebel Barichello '09 will move from graphics and design into the night editor position for The Times. She will oversee the night production process, editing late copy and coordinating the design process. She will continue to coordinate design for The Times special sections. Julie was the special guest on Jan. 24, 2015, in make #timetoread held at Melick Library, a national readathon day.

Jason List '10 will begin a new job on Feb. 17, 2015, with the Illinois State Police forensic lab in the firearms discipline. There will be a 3 day orientation in Springfield and he'll start his training on the 20th in Chicago. After training (1-2 years), Jason will be permanently placed in Belleville at the now five-month old Metro-East laboratory. He would like to personally thank everyone for all the help and encouragement given to him over the years to get to this point.

Sarah Gordon-Church '12 is in her third year at Concept Schools Quest Charter Academy Middle School teaching 5th Grade English Language Arts Educator/Curriculum Director for K-5.

Brian Davis '14 has written a book "[A Link to the Past: Stories of Growing Up Gamer](http://www.amazon.com/Link-Past-Stories-Growing-Gamer/dp/150331331X/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1421793578&sr=1-1&keywords=A+Link+to+the+Past%2C+Stories+of+Growing+Up+Gamer&pebp=1421793585973&peasin=150331331X)"

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Blake Robles '14 has been given the opportunity to [continue his football](http://umacathletics.com/news/2015/1/27/FOOTBALL_0127150436.aspx)

[career overseas \(http://umacathletics.com/news/2015/1/27/FOOTBALL_0127150436.aspx\)](http://umacathletics.com/news/2015/1/27/FOOTBALL_0127150436.aspx) after

committing to play for the Nimes Centurions of the France League. He will officially sign with Nimes at a press conference and signing party following the Super Bowl. The East Lake, Florida native is one of two Americans in the professional league.

In Memoriam

Ty Franklin '49 (9/14/1924–12/24/2014)

Marion Sizemore '59 (11/30/1937–12/18/2014)

Lawrence Hopf '68 (8/4/1946–12/16/2013)

Bob Keckler '74 (7/12/1941–12/20/2014)

Jim Schmidt '75 (9/22/1953–12/16/2014)

Steve Park '80 (1/27/1957–1/22/2015)

Bobbi Williams Madison '90 (7/30/1968–1/2/2015)

Brett Simpson '04 (4/28/1982–12/29/2014)

Friends:

Martin Anderson (8/5/1936–1/3/2015)

Don Roth (7/15/1931– 12/22/2014) Honorary Alum '90

Dr. Owen West (1/18/1926 to 12/15/2014)–Professor

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