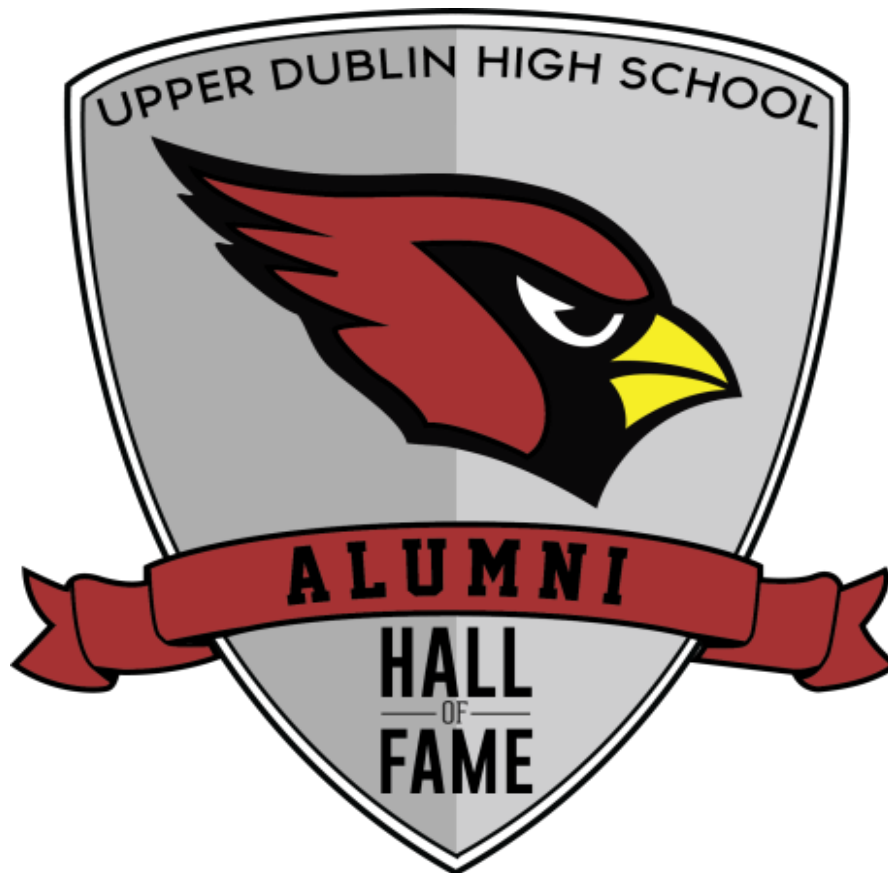


Upper Dublin High School Alumni Hall of Fame

Induction Class of 2023



March 24, 2023
Upper Dublin High School
Performing Arts Center
Fort Washington, PA

Upper Dublin High School Alumni Hall of Fame

Mission Statement

The Upper Dublin Alumni Hall of Fame recognizes and honors alumni of Upper Dublin High School for outstanding achievements or significant contributions in the categories of:

- ★ Arts, Entertainment & Communications
- ★ Business & Law
- ★ Education
- ★ Government & Military
- ★ Medicine, Science & Technology
- ★ Philanthropy, Theology & Community Service

The Alumni Hall of Fame reaffirms the excellence of the Upper Dublin educational experience and provides role models for current Upper Dublin students.

Candidates are eligible for consideration 10 years or more following graduation and must be of strong moral character. The award may be presented posthumously.

The Upper Dublin Alumni Hall of Fame is a collaborative effort of the Upper Dublin Education Foundation (UDEF) and the Upper Dublin School District.

Upper Dublin Education Foundation

The mission of the Upper Dublin Education Foundation (UDEF) is to enhance the experiences for students in the Upper Dublin School District and fund innovative learning opportunities. Thanks to the extraordinary generosity of the community and area businesses, the foundation helps make excellent education *exceptional* for K-12 students in the District.

Initiatives include:

- **Promoting Classroom Innovation:** Whether building literacy skills through book clubs, exploring chemistry and physics with cutting-edge lab equipment or creating a Sandy Run Middle School internet radio station, UDEF funds teachers' big ideas through the Educator Innovation Grant program.
- **Supporting Music and the Arts:** With the help of UDEF's donors, elementary school students are now learning about music in a new way: through ukuleles! Plus, high school art classes now feature additional pottery wheels so students can actively learn alongside their teacher.
- **Nurturing Mental Wellness:** All four elementary schools have rolled out the UDEF-funded MindUP curriculum, a social and emotional learning program that will help students regulate their stress and emotions, form positive relationships and act with kindness and compassion. Last year, UDEF also presented an impactful parent/guardian education series regarding identity, tech/life balance and isolation.
- **Empowering Students:** UDEF supports programs that are designed to inspire, such as the Upper Dublin Medals, UDHS Alumni Hall of Fame and the Cardinal Opportunities mentoring program. In addition, UDEF recently launched a Student Grant process resulting in funding for "The Hive," an area on the Upper Dublin High School campus to regenerate the environment, restore mental health and reconnect the community.

To learn more, please visit udefoundation.org or contact Michelle Boas, UDEF's Executive Director, at mboas@udsd.org

Upper Dublin High School Alumni Hall of Fame

Members

Arts, Entertainment & Communications

- **2017:** Suzy Kolber ('82); Josh Singer ('90); John Tartaglia ('96); Josh Tower ('88)
- **2019:** Elizabeth Hur ('98); Michael B. Sisak III ('58); Tom Warburton ('86)
- **2021:** Scott Kraft ('78); Lindsay M. Roberts ('04); Mike Sielski ('93)
- **2023:** Keith Spencer ('89); Juli Weiner ('06)

Business & Law

- **2017:** Alex Furmansky ('03); Scott ('72), Guy ('74) & Jonathan ('78) Orens; Michael R. Stiles ('63)
- **2019:** Fred Allegrezza ('76); Patricia A. Zaffarano ('72)
- **2021:** J. Steven Baughman ('86); Brett Danaher ('96); Bruce G. Joseph ('72)
- **2023:** Darla Mitchell Wolfe ('85); Josh Skolnick ('02)

Education

- **2017:** Richard Mitchell Brown III ('64); Robert C. Field ('58); Rudi K. Klobach ('62)
- **2019:** Helen Fey Fischel ('75); Jordan M. Hyatt ('99)
- **2021:** Charles F. Bahmueller ('60); John M. (Jack) Lee ('68); Kenneth J. Veit ('68)
- **2023:** Michael J. Keaton ('92); Christopher M. Rush ('98)

Government & Military

- **2017:** Robert K. Beale ('98); William J. Hackenbracht ('98); Steven D. Hogg ('73); Brian Solo ('82); George R. Sterner ('58)
- **2019:** John Lynch ('96); Christopher M. Stamper ('85); William E. Yarnall III ('74)
- **2021:** Roy M. Clayton III ('77); Justin G. Cooper ('96); John W. Taylor, Jr. ('83)
- **2023:** Christopher P. Fritz ('85); William Andrew (Andy) Leneweaver ('76)

Medicine, Science & Technology

- **2017:** Christopher M. Clark ('64); Deborah Somers Copit ('81); Paul F. Mansfield ('75)
- **2019:** Thomas P. Doyle ('79); James T. Hay ('64); Kathy Shaw ('74)
- **2021:** Kevin B. Freedman ('87); Robert A. Hauser ('75); John J. Russell ('82)
- **2023:** Brian J. Egan ('91); Beth Junker ('80); David L. Staebler ('58)

Philanthropy, Theology & Community Service

- **2017:** Richard A. DeMaria ('71); H. William Gift ('63); Lawrence & Christine Jenkins Smith ('65)
- **2019:** Chet Derr III ('83); Ronald K. Foster ('79); Jewel Lee Herder ('79)
- **2021:** Debra Keck Delp ('69); Ronald P. Feldman ('80); Eric S. Yanoff ('94)
- **2023:** William Carroll ('75); Cornelia (Connie) Heard Damon ('60)

Upper Dublin High School Alumni Hall of Fame

PROGRAM

National Anthem

UDHS Choir Members

UDHS *Alma Mater*

Hail Upper Dublin Senior High, Spirit of loyalty
Cardinal and Gray, Leading the way
Onward to victory!
First in our hearts and minds are you,
Proudly our colors fly!
Onward in life we go from you
Our Upper Dublin High.

Welcome

Steven M. Yanni, Superintendent

Introduction of Selection Committee

Heidi Yutzler-Overton, Chairperson

PRESENTATION of AWARDS

Arts, Entertainment & Communications

- Keith Spencer (1989)
- Juli Weiner (2006)

Art Levinowitz

Dan Ortiz

Business & Law

- Darla Mitchell Wolfe (1985)
- Josh Skolnick (2002)

Jack Fuery

John Rodgers

Education

- Michael Keaton (1992)
- Christopher Rush (1998)

Fred Arnold

Bob Schultz

Government & Military

- Christopher Fritz (1985)
- William Andrew Leneweaver (1976)

Christine Clements

Sue Badger Lohoefer

Medicine, Science & Technology

- Brian Egan (1991)
- Beth Junker (1980)
- David Staebler (1958)

Heidi Yutzler-Overton

John Baker

Jeff Wallack

Philanthropy, Theology & Community Service

- William Carroll (1975)
- Connie Heard Damon (1960)

Kim MacArthur Callahan

Ashley Martonik

Closing & Videos

Robert Schultz, UDHS Principal

How Did Your UD Education Prepare You for Your Career?

What Advice Would You Give Your High School Self?

Arts, Entertainment & Communications

Keith Spencer **Class of 1989**

Vocalist & Stage Actor

***Producer of Culturally Relevant Concert Programs
Celebrating the African American Experience
& Notable Black Performing Artists***



After graduating from Upper Dublin in 1989, Keith Spencer earned both MS and MBA degrees and academic honors from Penn State. Beyond his full-time work in tech, currently as Vice President of Global Customer Success for Corcentric, Inc., Keith has pursued his love of stage and concert performance nationally and in professional venues throughout the region.

His national tour highlights include the Broadway Tour of Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Music of the Night* with Betty Buckley and Melissa Manchester. His favorite roles include Coalhouse Walker, Jr. (*Ragtime*); Joe (*Show Boat*); Leading Player (*Pippin*); Sky Masterson (*Guys and Dolls*); Billy (*Carousel*), and Audrey II (*The Little Shop of Horrors*). In the Philadelphia area, Keith has been a concert guest artist for the Quakertown Concert Band, Capital Singers of Trenton, Abington Choral Club, and the Choral Arts Guild. He is a highly-sought after cabaret concert artist and appears in various ensembles with the entertainment agency, Jump City Music, including the group that has been dubbed "Philly's Hottest Big Band," the Jump City Jazz Orchestra. Among many others, his local credits include Act II Playhouse and the Bristol Riverside Theatre, highlighted by his one-person show performances in the smash hit Nat "King" Cole tribute, *For Sentimental Reasons*, and the big band Cole Porter revue, *Too Darn Hot!* After several years onstage as a performer, Keith now also serves as the President of the Bristol Riverside Theatre's Board of Trustees, driving a multi-million-dollar fundraising effort and capital campaign.

Outside the theatrical stage, Mr. Spencer had the honor of singing concert stage backing vocals for artists such as Roberta Flack, Rosemary Clooney, and Sandi Patty; and was selected as the featured concert soloist for Paul Robeson's 120th Birthday Celebration. For several years Keith had the opportunity to sing what he calls "some of the most beautiful vocal arrangements ever," as a member of Walt Disney World's premiere a cappella ensemble, *The Voices of Liberty*, in Orlando.

Over the past decade, Spencer's production company, Enspire Productions, has produced culturally relevant concert programming with a focus on education and inspiration. His current focus is a series of concert works celebrating the African American experience and notable Black performing artists. Keith's tour-de-force one-person show, *Brothers on Broadway – A Celebration of Broadway's African American Leading Men*, plays to rave reviews. The newest addition to the concert series is *Lord, Write My Name*, an inspirational tapestry of African American Spirituals interspersed with narratives, poetry, and letters penned by enslaved, emancipated, and iconic Black people throughout history.

Keith is a proud resident of Dresher. When not performing or working, he enjoys spending time with his wife, Amy, and three children who attend Upper Dublin schools.

Arts, Entertainment & Communications

Juli Weiner

Class of 2006



***Primetime Emmy, Writers Guild
& Peabody Awards Winner***
Screenwriter – HBO Late-Night Comedy & Poli-Thriller
Political & Pop Culture Writer & Blogger
NY Times, The New Yorker, Vanity Fair

After graduating from Upper Dublin in 2006, Juli Weiner earned a degree from Barnard College in New York City, affiliated with Columbia University. She had many opportunities to build and enhance her resume as an undergraduate, interning for *Teen Vogue*, blogging for *Wonkette*, writing for *The Huffington Post* and *The New Yorker*, and as editor of student-run publications, *Bwog* and *The Blue and White*. Juli Weiner joined *Vanity Fair* in February 2010 while still an undergraduate.

Juli's career moved from journalism to writing for the small screen with an opportunity to join the comedy writing team on HBO's *Last Week Tonight with John Oliver*, which premiered in 2014. She was one of only two women in the nine-person writing room, earning a spot after Oliver insisted on a blind selection process. Aided by what has been called "her skewering humor," Weiner and the writing staff won five Primetime Emmy Awards for Outstanding Writing for a Variety Series between 2015 to 2020.

Juli Weiner's professional trophy case boasts even more awards. She has won Peabody Awards in the Entertainment Programming category and is a four-time winner of the Writers Guild of America Award for Television: Comedy-Variety Talk Series. Juli was named one of "Forbes 30 Under 30" in 2015 for earning a spot on the team and for her work at *Last Week Tonight*.

Last year, Juli was tapped as one of the writers for the new HBO series *The Palace*, a political thriller starring Kate Winslet and directed by Stephen Frears that is set to premiere sometime in 2024.

Juli's parents still live in Maple Glen. Juli is quoted as saying she "...lives in the East Village with her daughter, who's a cat, and her husband, who isn't." (*New York Times* media correspondent Michael Grynbaum)

Business & Law

Darla Mitchell Wolfe

Class of 1985

***Innovative Executive Driving Business
Transformation & Growth
Fortune 600 Senior Level Executive
Serial Entrepreneur & Angel Investor***



The Class of 1985's Darla Mitchell Wolfe is a highly regarded innovative executive, entrepreneurial thinker and creative problem solver. These qualities combined with her academic credentials -- a BBA in computer science from Temple University, an MBA in leadership from Villanova University, a degree in screenwriting from UCLA, and a certificate in digital marketing from the University of Pennsylvania -- have enabled Wolfe to successfully use technology to grow and transform corporations of all sizes. She is passionate about bringing the power of tech to the forefront of society and believes in access to STEAM (Science, Technology, Arts, Engineering, Math) education, especially among women and underserved populations.

A consultant since 2014, Wolfe's client list includes GlaxoSmithKline, Hershey Foods and Inspira Health. In tandem with and prior to her consulting work, Wolfe has held senior level executive positions at Fortune 500 Companies including, among others, Rohm and Haas/Dow Chemical, PECO and DuPont. Most recently, she was Interim Global Head of IT & ERP for Myoderm Clinical Trials in Blue Bell.

In addition to her corporate background, Wolfe founded Sweat EquitE, LLC, an innovative service company that matches experienced professionals to non-traditional work opportunities at start-ups and nonprofits. She launched this platform for her colleagues and peers to expand their skill sets and try new ideas in the start-up world, while maintaining full-time jobs.

She co-founded HyperdriveTV, a pay-per-view video streaming distribution platform for global independent film. While CEO, Darla and her team were the exclusive online broadcasters of the Belize International Film Festival; produced one of Philadelphia's first online live shopping shows; and provided distribution for hundreds of films, animations, and webcasts.

Darla Mitchell Wolfe is one of the founding Board members of the Anne Welsh McNulty Institute for Women's Leadership, is on the Board of Trustees for Villanova University, is a member of the Forum of Executive Women, and is a newly appointed member of the Farber Institute for Neuroscience at Thomas Jefferson University and Hospitals. She was named "A Disruptor You Need to Know" in 2018 by the *Philadelphia Business Journal* and one of the "Top 12 Technologists of Color in Philadelphia" by *Technical.ly* magazine.

Darla and her husband, Steve Wolfe, live in Bryn Mawr.



Business & Law

Josh Skolnick

Class of 2002

***Serial Entrepreneur & Nationally Recognized
Franchising Industry Expert
Founder – HorsePower Brands,
Portfolio of Service-Based Franchisors
Founder – Monster Tree Service & redbox+ Dumpsters***

A 2002 graduate, Josh Skolnick is a serial entrepreneur and a nationally recognized expert in the franchising industry. People often say Josh “*thinks big, but dreams bigger!*” Josh, who switched from an academic track to hands-on career learning at EASTERN, is a well-known strategic risk taker and independent leader who has never been employed by anyone but himself.

Skolnick’s success jumpstarted one Saturday in 2008 when a landscaping client requested he remove a large, dead tree. With newly purchased equipment and recently acquired experience, that job quickly developed into a small tree removal company serving communities in southeast Pennsylvania. Knowing that marketing was key, within six months, Josh paid off the \$75,000 credit card debt he amassed to pay for online advertising and direct mail to promote his expanding business. Before being sold to Authority Brands in 2020, Monster Tree Service had grown into a 240-territory national company. Josh purchased and grew redbox+ Dumpsters in the same way, from four franchised units in 2018 to 290 in 2021.

Today, Skolnick and a couple of co-founders are focused on HorsePower Brands, a growing portfolio of multi-brand home services franchises such as electrical, plumbing, HVAC and restoration services as well as landscaping, cleaning and pool care. Started in 2019, HorsePower Brands has placeholders for new brands in pest control, solar, painting and glass services. Their vision is to develop 25 companies by 2025; they currently have 15 companies in the portfolio and expect to achieve their goal ahead of schedule.

Upholding his Cardinal Pride, Josh has employed numerous Upper Dublin students and uses Upper Dublin alumni and residents as key business vendors.

Beyond his vast franchising experience, Josh Skolnick has an extensive real estate portfolio with commercial and high-density housing properties spread across the country. He owns two planes which he operates under a private pilot license. Community minded, Josh and his wife, Barbara, are active philanthropists through their family foundation. Josh, his wife, Barbara, and three children live in New Hope, Bucks County. Josh, an Eagle Scout, is involved in Boy Scouts with his son.

Josh Skolnick considers himself to be tenacious, finding ways around barriers rather than being stopped by them. He recognizes his father, a kind neighbor and other franchising leaders as sharing valuable lessons leading to his success. In his own words, “You don’t have to do it alone. You have to spend money to make money. In our blue-collar business, the right equipment and technology are key. Passion and an unwavering work ethic will take you anywhere. And, on tough days, remember that you’re working to build a better future for your family. Stay humble, keep your head down, and get back to it!”

Education

Michael Keaton

Class of 1992

***College Admissions Professional with Proven Success
in Multicultural Recruitment
Champion of Intentional Pathways of Access
Leader at Ursinus, Drexel, Haverford & Northeastern***



Michael Keaton is a 1992 grad whose passion and reputation for deep understanding of personalized approaches to recruitment, intentional pathways, and retention of students has been recognized throughout his robust 25-year career in admissions and counseling. Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Speech Communication from Syracuse University have contributed to his success.

Keaton's early career stops include Wentworth Institute of Technology and Northeastern University in Boston, MA. Back in PA, Michael was selected for positions at Haverford College, Friends Central School, and most recently, Drexel University where he was Associate Dean, then Dean of Undergraduate Admissions. In January 2023, Keaton was named Vice President for Enrollment Management at Ursinus College. Regardless of position, Michael Keaton continues to be a person of action – managing, leading, developing, implementing, creating, representing, identifying, advising, teaching, visiting, writing, presenting and evaluating.

To quote Ursinus President Robyn Hannigan, "The college is gaining a leader who not only shares our values, but champions them, and I can think of no one better to guide our enrollment efforts moving forward." She continued, "Throughout the interview process and in our one-on-one meetings, Mike spoke passionately about his experiences at Haverford and how they helped him create intentional pathways of access and opportunity for Haverford's students, and then later at Drexel...His experience in developing yield strategies that result in stable growth and sustainability of enrollment is crucial to the long-term success of the college." In return, Keaton looks forward to his new role where he can "lead in a way that is true and authentic" to himself, and where there is a strong commitment to making an education from a highly respected institution accessible for students who have been underrepresented in higher education.

Keaton is actively engaged nationally and locally in leadership roles within his profession, having served the Pennsylvania Association for College Admission Counseling (PACAC), including a stint on its executive committee and as a Summer Institute faculty member. He's an active member of the Coalition for College Board of Directors and the National Association of College Admission Counseling.

Michael Keaton lives in Fort Washington with his wife, Ryan, and two children who attend Upper Dublin Schools.



Education

Christopher Rush

Class of 1998

***Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Head of R&D for K-12 Education
U.S. DOE Sr. Advisor for Innovation & Improvement
Co-Founder – New Classrooms Innovation Partners
Designer – School of One, Personalized Learning***

The Class of 1998's Christopher Rush is a highly recognized expert and change agent for K-12 public education. He earned a bachelor's in Management Science & Information Systems from Penn State and a master's in Information Technology from American Intercontinental University. As a Pahara-Aspen Fellow, Chris is recognized as among the world's diverse, high-potential leaders reimagining public education.

An innovator in technology and education for almost 30 years, as a high school student Chris got his start in educational leadership at Robbins Park. He was an Earth Sciences Head Teacher, conducting programs for preschoolers through retirees of all abilities. He was also the Environmental Education Club's Outdoor Education Chairperson, responsible for annual curriculum development and reviews, and peer training of counselors. Counselors delivered an environmental science curriculum to middle school students which included 36 to 72-hour overnight programs.

Positions at IBM, Amplify Learning and the NYC Department of Education (DOE) were precursors to Chris's co-creating *School of One*, then his co-founding New Classrooms Innovations Partners. This national nonprofit focuses on the creation of personalized learning technology, including *School of One/Teach to One*, challenging educational leaders to think about children as individuals, to understand and address their unique learning needs. The program has been successfully implemented in the NYC Public School System and other cities around the country. This innovative work won the attention of the *NYTimes*, Georgetown, NYU, Harvard Business School, NPR and PBS, among others, with key press and recognitions in the forms of articles, feature stories, case studies and podcasts. TIME Magazine named *School of One* on its list of "Top 50 Inventions of the Year" (2009).

Chris currently heads up R&D for K-12 Education at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, working to drive transformative progress surrounding equity and student achievement. Most recently, Chris served as a Senior Advisor in the U.S. Department of Education (working on policy and strategies to dramatically accelerate the pace at which the U.S. addresses public education's most important and persistent challenges. At the start of the Biden Administration, Chris was the DOE's Director of Educational Technology, charged with pivoting emergency COVID efforts surrounding remote learning and student access to broadband and devices. He continues to consult for the DOE.

Dedicated to making communities better, Chris is a volunteer board member at Arbor Brothers – Engaged Philanthropy, Obodo Collective, Alliance for Decision Education, Transcend Education, Always Be Learning Schools, ReUp Education, THON: Hershey Medical Center, and the Fresh Air Fund. Chris and his wife, Blair, live outside New York City with their two children.

Government & Military

Christopher Fritz U.S. Air Force Academy Class of 1985

***Global Supply Chain Efficiency, Problem-Solving
& Innovation Expert
Civilian Contractor – Defense Missile Products &
Other Classified Government Projects***



Christopher Fritz, a 1985 grad, is a Global Supply Chain Efficiency, Problem-Solving & Innovation Expert supporting U.S. government work. Through an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy, Chris earned an Engineering Sciences degree, focusing on Feedback and Control Theory, making Dean's List all four years.

Following the Academy, Chris served eight years as an Air Force officer, when his leadership and cognitive skills were immediately recognized. As Project Officer/Engineer at the Space & Missile Center, for four years Chris managed 100 contracted employees, creating the new Milstar Satellite Program architecture in response to Congressional direction. Then, as Program Manager/Lead Engineer at the Electronics System Center, he spearheaded a quantum leap in Department of Defense's communications capabilities while achieving a \$200 million cost savings.

Post-military, Chris works as a civilian contractor. He is a highly respected Project Management Professional with Six Sigma Green Belt certification. He worked for 16 years as a Program Director at Orbital ATK where he managed programs critical to corporate "prime contractor" growth strategy, as well as cutting edge high-rate production programs.

Chris Fritz currently works as a civilian contractor at Northrop Grumman Defense Systems protecting Americans from threats, both domestic and foreign. He leads approximately 100 site supply chain personnel who provide, receive, track, maintain and ship materials needed and products fabricated at Northrop Grumman Defense Missile Products Allegany Ballistics Laboratory. Northrop Grumman is a full-spectrum provider of innovative mission critical solutions in aircraft sustainment and modernization, training and simulation, integrated battle commands, advanced weapons, and software development and IT modernization and sustainment. The company is focused on dynamic mission-sets with quick turn requirements for a wide variety of national security, military, and civilian customers.

Fritz currently resides in West Virginia with his wife, Lynn, where they raised two sons.



Government & Military

William Andrew Leneweaver

Colonel, U.S. Army (Retired)

Class of 1976

High-Level Electronics, IT & Communications Career in Washington State & Pennsylvania for the U.S. Army, Army National Guard, Army Reserve & Washington State Emergency Management

After his 1976 graduation, William Andrew “Andy” Leneweaver, served 30 years in a combination of active duty, in the Army National Guard and in the Army Reserve, retiring as a U.S. Army Colonel. He is highly respected for his leadership and knowledge in communications, electronics and IT. When large-scale preparedness or responses were required, Andy was assigned and at times, deployed.

Andy received an Associate’s degree from Montgomery County Community College and a Bachelor’s degree from East Stroudsburg University before enlisting in the U.S. Army in 1982. His vast 40-year military and civilian service career evolved from there. While on active duty as a signal soldier, Andy rose in rank from Private to Sergeant before attending Officer Candidate School where he received a commission as a Second Lieutenant. Over the next three decades, Andy served in various command and staff positions - some with national significance.

Leneweaver was mobilized many times, including running the Washington National Guard Joint Operations Center for six months following the 9/11 attacks and serving as Chief of Staff for the Joint Task Force supporting the 2010 Olympics. He was also the Director of Communications for the Joint Special Operations Task Force deploying in support of anti-terrorism operations in the Horn of Africa, ensuring communications were in place between all Army, Navy, Air Force, and coalition national elements - literally “from the foxhole to the White House.”

Andy simultaneously held down two distinct careers over 33 years – as part-time Army Guard or Reserve and in the private sector. First, he worked as a Fire Protection Engineering Technician and later as a federal civilian employee of the Washington National Guard where, as a senior staffer, he ensured it was organized, staffed and capable of serving dual missions. He is a retired federal senior civilian employee of the Guard and a recently retired Washington state civilian employee. Andy’s legacy is work product and systems that are modeled by others, including his design and implementation of Washington State’s entirely new statewide 9-1-1 system.

Andy’s service to others is not limited to paid work. He was a volunteer firefighter for the Fort Washington Fire Company until moving to the Pacific Northwest, now running with the Tacoma Fire Buff Battalion, supporting Tacoma’s paid firefighters. Andy was an adult leader for the Boy Scouts of America and a youth sports coach, served as a member of historical societies, and is an active member of the Puget Sound Chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars. Andy and his wife, Birgit, live in Tacoma, Washington.

Medicine, Science & Technology

Brian Egan, M.D. **Class of 1991**

***Anesthesiologist; Honored Assoc. Professor of
Anesthesiology, Columbia University Medical Center
Oversees CUMC Residents
Sought-After Lecturer, Presenter, Author & Reviewer***



The Class of 1991's Brian Egan is an Anesthesiologist and honored Associate Professor of Anesthesiology at Columbia University Medical Center (CUMC). Dr. Egan earned a degree in Psychology from Dartmouth, then pursued a medical degree at the Yale University School of Medicine. He successfully completed his Anesthesiology Residency at Harvard University's Brigham & Women's Hospital. Today, Dr. Egan practices in New York as a Board-Certified Anesthesiologist.

Egan has specialized in Anesthesiology for more than two decades. In addition to his private practice, his academic service as Associate Professor at CUMC is significant, responsible for overseeing CUMC's Anesthesiology Resident Program and mentoring students. He also actively participates in more than a dozen committees related to, among others, curriculum, scheduling, interfacing with the hospital surgical staff, quality assurance, clinical competency, new device and technology evaluation and faculty development.

As an educational administrator, Egan works tirelessly to develop improved processes for tracking various academic-based tasks and performances. As a program director or associate director, he works to build and sustain the anesthesiology residency program.

Brian has had numerous direct teaching responsibilities and mentoring relationships during his career including lecturing or speaking on topics such as ultrasound, liver transplant anesthesia, local anesthetics, rotation orientation day, core lectures, evidence-based medicine, patient safety and administration of anesthesia in a variety of settings. As an advisor, Egan works 1:1 with residents to prepare them for exams, presentations, clinical talks, reports and displays.

Honors and awards are many for Dr. Egan, as a student, as a physician, and as a CUMC teacher – being named as M. Finster Teacher of Year and as the Best Teacher in the Milstein ORs, multiple years in succession.

As a well-known and highly respected anesthesiologist, Dr. Egan has co-authored multiple peer-review articles; contributed chapters to medical books; presented at many professional meetings, workshops and forums; reviewed medical books; and co-written letters to the editors of professional journals.

Along with his wife, Barbara, and three teenage daughters, Brian Egan lives outside New York City.

Medicine, Science & Technology

Beth Junker, Ph.D.

Class of 1980

***Biochemical Engineer with Significant Technical Contributions in the Pharmaceutical Industry as a Leader & Consultant
Expert Process Developer from Discovery to Commercial Approval***



Beth Junker, a 1980 grad, is a Biochemical Engineer with significant technical contributions in the pharmaceutical industry as a leader and consultant. Dr. Junker received a Bachelor's in Chemical Engineering from Princeton and a Ph.D. in Biochemical Engineering from MIT.

Directly after obtaining a Ph.D., she joined Merck & Co. for 27 years. She held positions of increasing responsibility at Merck including Senior Director/Senior Scientific Director where she made significant technical contributions in process development, clinical pilot plant operations and regulatory filings for commercial products (KEYTRUDA, ZINPLAVA, LUSDANA, ILUMYA/ILUMETRI, VAQTA, CANCIDAS), as well as numerous pipeline product candidates. Specific projects include expedited program strategies, development/operating models, IND- and BLA- enabling activities, clinical/commercial supply chains and due-diligences.

In 2016, she formed BioProcess Advantage LLC, an independent, woman-owned consulting firm. As the principal consultant and sole owner, Junker provides guidance and perspective on science, strategy or execution for a range of bioprocess topics. She actively consults for a diverse set of clients, ranging from early-stage start-ups to mid-size biotechs to large, multinational entities.

Beth has over 30 years of experience in the bioprocessing of antibodies; therapeutic proteins; recombinant, DNA, mRNA, conjugate and viral vaccines; gene therapy, and secondary metabolites. She has expertise that spans from early development at the interface with discovery, to late development at the interface with commercial production. She has developed Quality-by-Design and Knowledge Management frameworks in support of clinical, commercialization and licensure activities. She has provided scientific leadership in the areas of science-based risk assessments, process/product understanding and manufacturing controls in support of clinical & commercial regulatory filings.

Junker is an innovative business process champion, earning certifications as a Lean Six Sigma Master Black belt, change execution leader, and project manager. She owns a U.S. Patent for a Hepatitis A virus vaccine. She has published over 60 peer-reviewed articles and invited book chapters and chaired four international bioprocess conferences. She is currently an associate editor for two professional journals and is a member of multiple editorial advisory boards.

Beth Junker and her husband, Michael Thien, live in Westfield, NJ, where they raised two sons.

Medicine, Science & Technology

David Staebler, Ph.D.

Class of 1958

***Prominent Researcher, Technical Manager & Leader in Solar Cell Materials, Information Storage in Crystals & Information Displays; Hold 10 U.S. Patents
Staebler-Wronski Effect was a Catalyst for Solar Energy Development***



The Class of 1958's David Staebler is a prominent researcher, technical manager and leader in Solar Cell Materials, Information Storage in Crystals, and Information Displays. Staebler earned Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Electrical Engineering from Penn State. He earned a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from Princeton in 1970.

Between his first day of work as a researcher in 1963 on the technical staff at RCA Laboratories in Princeton, NJ and his retirement in late 2002, Staebler performed research investigations on photochromism, electrochromism, holograms and much more. Dr. Staebler's 40-year career included research and technical positions at prominent electronics companies and labs in the U.S. and Europe. After 26 years and various positions within RCA, he worked for Thomson Tube & Display in Genlis, France for three years, then National Renewable Energy Laboratory in Golden, CO for three years. He left NREL to join Sarnoff Corp. in Princeton, NJ for six years. Dr. Staebler concluded his career at TerraSolar in Brooklyn, NY, and will always remember his first day of work there as the sorrowful, world-changing September 11, 2001. Self-reflecting, Staebler says, "Every time I got a new opportunity, I took it."

Dr. Staebler holds 10 U.S. Patents granted primarily in the 1970s and 1980s. In 1977, he co-discovered the Staebler-Wronski Effect, a catalyst for solar energy development.

Today, Staebler serves as a consultant to Nanergy Corporation. He has published 48 peer-review papers in scientific and engineering journals. One of his inventions led to a patent article in *The New York Times* in 1973. His professional affiliations are with the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, the Society of Information Display, the American Solar Energy Society, the International Solar Energy Society, Tau Beta Pi Electrical Honor Society, and Eta Kappa Nu Honor Society of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers.

Beyond his scientific work, Dr. Staebler is a musician, first playing the trumpet in the Upper Dublin High School band and then changing to the baritone horn in the Penn State *Blue Band*. He is a recently retired runner who finished the New York City Marathon in 1978 and 1981; and retired from hang gliding. He continues to train and compete in race walking, has been cycling since 1977 and enjoys kayaking.

David Staebler and his wife, Betty, reside in New Columbia, PA.



Philanthropy, Theology & Community Service

William Carroll Class of 1975

***Lifetime of Service to the Upper Dublin Community
Upper Dublin Police Department (retired) – 37+ years
Fort Washington Fire Company Life Member – 40+ years***

A 1975 grad, Bill Carroll was the consummate public servant, protecting lives and property in Upper Dublin. Bill attended Temple University before joining the Upper Dublin Police Department in February 1981, serving more than 37 years. He retired in 2018 at the rank of Corporal.

“Billy,” as he was affectionately known to many, was a model for “community policing,” something he practiced long before national law enforcement labeled it. Bill acted on instinct and logic. He understood people. As one of Upper Dublin’s most well-known police officers, people had confidence in Bill and his “good old-fashioned police work.” Like the community, his fellow officers trusted him and said about Billy, “If you were fortunate enough to work with him you were treated like family.”

Carroll was an EVOC instructor and fleet maintenance coordinator for the department. He also was a highly trained member of the Moreland Area Emergency Response Team and Montgomery County Major Incident Response Team (MIRT). When asked, he would humbly retell the story behind a Meritorious Service Citation: quickly locating a suspect in an August 2014 armed robbery on Bethlehem Pike and holding him at gunpoint until backup officers arrived. And then, there was *that* time when he and his partner acted on an anonymous tip that led to recovering the original Batman costume worn by Adam West in the 1960’s TV show, stolen from the Please Touch Museum located at that time in Center City. Even with an unending stream of jokes made about this recovery and arrest, Billy was happy to be known as one of the “uniformed crusaders” that saved the day.

Bill was also a dedicated 40+ year volunteer, officer and Life Member with the Fort Washington Fire Company, starting in high school as a 16-year-old Junior Firefighter. Between 1982 and 1996, Carroll served as Assistant Chief Engineer, Lieutenant, Captain and Assistant Chief, in addition to fighting fires.

Billy Carroll and his wife, Patty, lived on Loch Alsh Avenue, just beyond the Police Station and not too far from the firehouse. Their daughters are Upper Dublin High School graduates.

This award is being presented posthumously. Bill Carroll passed away in 2022, fighting with dignity a courageous battle following a traumatic brain injury he sustained off-duty in 2016. UDPD’s social media post following Bill’s death captures what his brothers in blue, friends and loved ones - especially his grandchildren - need to remember about him: "Corporal Carroll was the epitome of a public servant and his legacy will live on in those he affected throughout his life and career. We will never forget his dedication to the Upper Dublin Township community, his friends and his family."

**Philanthropy, Theology
& Community Service**

**Connie Heard Damon
Class of 1960**

***Exceptional Lifetime of Humanitarian Contributions
in Church, Community & Charity Work
Locally, Nationally & Globally***



A 1960 graduate, Connie Heard Damon's lifetime of humanitarian contributions is unmatched, steadfastly helping others lead better, more productive lives. Connie is retired from lifetime work as an elementary educator, piano teacher, church organist and choir director, prepared by a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and Music from Hood College and a Master of Education from Temple University. Inspired by an Associate's degree in Horticulture from Temple University, Connie completed further study to become a Penn State Master Gardener, intending to *share her knowledge* as a volunteer speaker for interested groups. *Sharing and teaching* - this is Connie Damon.

Connie's teaching career started at Thomas Fitzwater Elementary School, but most of her career was at Jenkintown Elementary School. As a teacher, summers off allowed her to engage for extended periods in hands-on volunteer work – outreach, teaching, building community - through organized programs serving people in challenged areas. Through *On Eagles Wings*, for 12 summers Connie traveled to the High Arctic, to remote Inuit and Dogrib Indian Villages, some 500 miles apart accessible only by twin-engine Cessna flight. For seven summers, Connie formed teams to travel to Appalachia with *Habitat for Humanity* to build homes. Connie made one summer trip to Costa Rica with the *Rice and Beans Ministry* to provide food for those in need. Connie's husband, Jim, frequently accompanied her until his passing in 2011.

In 2014, Connie formed a relationship with Living Hope School and Orphanage in Kenya, Africa. Prior to COVID-19, she traveled to Kenya for two weeks every year to teach and care for the students and staff at the school. She developed annual project goals to address Living Hope's critical health, welfare and infrastructure needs, over the years raising funds needed to drill a well for fresh water and reduce the amount of Typhoid; to purchase an emergency transport vehicle for easier access to medical care over rough terrain; to build a campus Healing Hut (nurse's station); to replace dirt floors of the dorms and classrooms with concrete; to fund the first-ever Eye Clinic and supply used eyeglasses; and, to erect a protective perimeter security fence. Most important for Connie was to establish student scholarships. Now safe to travel, Connie resumed her extended trips to Kenya in mid-February 2023.

For over 30 years Connie has been a hospice volunteer. A congregant at Jarrettown United Methodist Church, Connie is known as a woman of strong faith who serves as a Lay Leader and the Director of Visitation and Shepherding Ministries. She is also one of the original gardeners in the Jesus Victory Garden which has grown vegetables and fruit for local food pantries for 12 years.

Learning she was being nominated for the Alumni Hall of Fame, this very humble North Wales resident's reaction was that she "wasn't even close to qualified." People throughout the world disagrees and are glad to know that Connie believes she has more to accomplish.

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