

GOLDEN BEAR NEWS

Week Ending Friday, May 1, 2015

Campus News

Almost 1,000 lights at KU will be replaced with environmentally-friendly LEDs through a \$35,000 grant from the Metropolitan Edison Company Sustainable Energy Fund of Berks County Community Foundation to the Kutztown University Foundation. The light-emitting diodes (LEDs) will consume less energy, last years longer and reduce mercury used in on-campus lighting. At the O'Pake Fieldhouse, 960 lights will be replaced. At the nearby tennis courts, more than two dozen light fixtures will also be replaced with lamps that accommodate LEDs. New meters to measure the use of the new LEDs will provide detailed information on energy savings, which are anticipated to be 43 percent. The savings will be used toward funding Kutztown University's next sustainability upgrades. The projects will be completed this summer to have the least impact on students. [Read the entire story here.](#)



On June 13 and 14, Dr. Dale Parson of Computer Science & Information Technology and Dr. Phillip Reed of Physical Sciences will host the first Kutztown University Computer Music and Visualization Conference in Grim Planetarium. The conference is primarily a workshop for regional performers in electro-acoustic and computer music for learning about the immersive properties of performing in a planetarium with a spatial surround sound system. Visual artists will accompany musicians via projection of sophisticated computer graphics onto the dome. The event is free and open to the public. Please consult the schedule on Dr. Parson's home page at <http://faculty.kutztown.edu/parson>, planning to arrive and depart during the breaks.

Please join the Kutztown University Women's Center in their biannual campaign to collect food, new and used clothing, toys, baby items, art supplies, household products, and more for local shelters/agencies. Donations may be dropped off Monday, May 4 through Friday, May 8, from 9 AM to 5 PM at their collection center in the Women's Center Oasis, Old Main 3. Donation boxes are also available in the KU Health & Wellness Center and the Community Outreach Center in the McFarland Student Union Building.



(left) **The Financial Aid Services office welcomed 33 fifth graders** and their parents for the finale of this year's "College Can Be a Reality" program. Thursday's campus visit capped off the 10th year of this early awareness outreach collaboration between the Financial Aid Office and Lauer's Park Elementary School in Reading. Thanks to those who have supported our program and throughout our 10-year history. We are grateful for your help in instilling the dream of a college education as a real possibility in the lives of these children.

Summer @ KU means maximizing your online presence! Whether poolside at the Fontainebleu or mingling on the Lido Deck, with a computer and an internet connection, you can use KU's learning technologies to make the most of your Summer Online classes. Visit our [all new 2015 Summer guide to teaching online](#) for more details

Golden Bear Athletics

COLLEGIATE RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIP TICKETS

The field has been set for the 2015 Penn Mutual Collegiate Rugby Championship. Reserve your spot to watch the KU Men and Women in a weekend of non-stop action, May 30-31, at PPL Park in Chester, PA. Join us on Saturday, May 30 for a KU Alumni Tailgate outside PPL Park in Chester, PA. The KU Foundation is teaming up with Saucony Creek Brewing Company, headquartered right here in Kutztown, to host this great Tailgate event and cheer on the KU Rugby team as they compete for the third time in the Penn Mutual Collegiate Rugby Championship!

The cost of the tailgate is \$30 per person and includes great barbecue and Saucony Creek beverages. Your ticket price also includes a donation to support the KU Rugby team. Click here to [purchase tailgate tickets](#).

**** Please note that the Tailgate price does not include tickets to the Penn Mutual Collegiate Rugby Championship. To purchase tournament tickets, please [click here](#).**



Kutztown University Foundation & Alumni Relations Events

Caldwell NJ Happy Hour – On June 4, join KU alumni as we head to Caldwell, NJ to the Cloverleaf Tavern, 395 Bloomfield Avenue, Caldwell, NJ 07006. This event takes place from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM and will offer you appetizers and complimentary first drink! While we realize this event is free, we do ask that you register so we can accommodate accordingly. Please visit our [website](#), call 610.683.4110 or email info@kutztownufoundation.org.

Reading Fightin Phils vs. Akron RubberDucks – On June 13, alumni and guests are invited to attend a Reading Fightin Phils game. In honor of KU's sesquicentennial anniversary, cost per ticket is \$18.66 if ordered online by May 22, 4:30 PM. Cost for tickets purchased after May 22 is \$20. Children 10 and under are free, but do need to be registered. Ticket cost includes seating and food in the '67 Club. Gates open for guests at 4:30 PM with the all you can eat buffet opening at 5:30 PM. Please [register online](#) or email info@kutztownufoundation.org to register for this fun event!



Langhorne Happy Hour – On June 19, the KU Happy Hour series heads to the Irish Rover Station House in Langhorne for its 2nd annual Happy Hour! Join Ray Crouse '82 and other KU alumni at 1033 S Bellevue Ave in Langhorne from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM for appetizers and a complimentary first drink! Please [register online](#) or email info@kutztownufoundation.org to register for this fun event!

Alumni News

(right) **Amy Wilensky '08** and William Burge are [engaged](#) to be married on May 30 in Clarks Summit, PA.



Ethan Hogeland and **Jennifer Graver '10** announced their [engagement](#); they are planning an August wedding.

City Center, a major mixed-use development in downtown Allentown, officially [launched](#) The Shops at City Center for its first two stores, Sorrelli, a national fashion jewelry company owned by **Lisa Oswald '82**, and Minuteman Press of the Lehigh Valley.

Lauren Gillespie '11 is one of several feature [artists](#) with works on display at Chambersburg's Council for the Arts from May 1 through June 12. A Meet-the-Artists Reception is being held during First Friday May 1 from 5 to 7 PM.

Richelyn Penn-Mekile '15 was named as [director](#) of human resources at Elizabethtown College. She was previously employed by Kutztown University for 14 years.

John Bird '81 announced his re-election [campaign](#) for Lehighton Borough Council. He previously served Lehighton residents as a councilman for four years.

Samantha Kronstadt '10, a current graduate student at KU, won the National Career Development Association's annual [poetry contest](#). This year's theme was "Re-Imagining Your Career: Celebrating First Jobs through Encore Careers."

The Future

By Samantha Kronstadt '10

*To re-imagine your career is not an easy feat
We're stuck working silly jobs that often are bleak
We're lost among the average, just a number, we lose hope
Of succeeding in class and work, we barely cope
But I'm here to show you something, take a seat,
You'll be amazed to know finding your career is indeed an easy feat.
First assess yourself, your skills and values, what makes you complete?
Second, explore your options, trends, and paths- never retreat!
Finally, plan your action, set your goals, go ahead- hope!
You see, to re-imagine your career is indeed an easy feat.
Your first jobs, your internships, are a gateway, you may meet
Your future boss, a network, a reference to get you on your feet
Don't forget to brand yourself- You're amazing! You're dope!
Don't you realize you have the power to begin to climb the slope?
Just follow these steps and you'll never be offbeat
To re-imagine your career, which is indeed an easy feat!*