

# Golden Bear News

## Campus News

**Kutztown University will host a Founders' Week 5K and a 150-yard Cub Dash as part of the Sesquicentennial Celebration on Wednesday, September 14.** Registration begins at 5:30 PM and the race at 6:30 PM. The entry fee is \$25 for non-students and \$15 for KU students before August 31. The 150-yard Cub Dash is free for kids 10 and under. Entry fee includes a t-shirt, post-race refreshments and age category awards. Registration information can be found on the Kutztown University [events page](#).

This past spring semester, Nathan Betts '16, a mathematics major, was searching the web for articles dealing with the assignment problem for his senior seminar project. He found the following article, "A New Approach of Solving Single Objective Unbalanced Assignment Problem" published in the peer-reviewed American Journal of Operations Research (AJOR). He was suspicious of the approach discussed in the paper and brought it to the attention of his operations research professor, Dr. Fran Vasko. Together, they studied the approach and confirmed Nathan's suspicions that the approach did not guarantee the optimal solution to the assignment problem (as claimed by the authors). Nathan and Dr. Vasko wrote a rebuttal paper proving by counter example that the proposed method in the original paper was unreliable. The paper by Nathan and Dr. Vasko, entitled "Solving the Unbalanced Assignment Problem: Simpler is Better," was recently published in AJOR in volume 6 of this year. Due to the circumstances surrounding the paper, the editor waived the open access fee for the Betts and Vasko paper.



▲ **Current and former students from Kutztown University's Master's in School Counseling Program participated in Camp Connect from June 20–23, 2016.** Camp Connect is a grief and loss support camp for students ages 6-16 that have experienced the death of parents, siblings or other immediate family members who lived with them. Funding for the camp is provided by Berks County Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities office.

### KU HISTORY

July 4, 1876: Keystone State Normal School joined the Kutztown Borough in a centennial celebration of America's independence. At 4 AM, 100 guns fired and all church bells and the KSNS bell rang at once. A band paraded through town. At 7 AM, Abraham R. Horne, principal of KSNS, offered a sermon to a large crowd on campus. Immediately following, the Monument to Liberty was dedicated in front of the normal school building. The granite base and Italian marble monument was relocated to Kutztown Park in 1907 and now resides at the Kutztown Area Historical Society.

# KUF&AR Events

## Lehigh Valley IronPigs Game August 6 • 5:15 PM

Join KU alumni, family and friends as they cheer on the Lehigh Valley IronPigs against the Rochester Red Wings. The game begins at 6:35 PM and the gates to the Red Robin Tiki Terrace will open at 5:15 PM where you will be able to enjoy a hot buffet before the game begins! Cost for the game and buffet is \$22. Children 2-years old and under do not require a ticket and are free as long as they accompany an adult. For more information, please call 610.683.4110.

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## Atlanta Happy Hour August 3 • 5 PM to 8 PM

Join KU Foundation & Alumni Relations as we take our Happy Hour series to Atlanta, Georgia! On August 3, from 5 PM to 8 PM, we will gather at STATS, 300 Marietta Street NW, Atlanta, to celebrate KU's 150th Anniversary. First drink is complimentary and appetizers will be served.

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## 2016 Meet the Band

*KU Foundation & Alumni Relations Networking Series*

## September 10 • 11 AM

On September 10, join fellow alumni, family and friends of the Kutztown University Marching Unit as they help KU celebrate its 150th Anniversary! The day begins at 11 AM as KUMU steps off and leads the Sesquicentennial parade down Main Street. Immediately following the parade, join us for an outdoor picnic behind the Wiesenberger Alumni House, located at 15197 Kutztown Road. Then, at 3:45 PM, join the Golden Bear Fan Parade led by KUMU around the south side of campus ending at Andre Reed Stadium for the football game against Mercyhurst University. At 5:05 PM, KUMU will debut their 2016 field shield, "Blue: The Color of Music." This fun-filled day is topped off with Sesquicentennial fireworks after the game! If you have questions, please contact our office at 610.683.4110 or email [info@kutztownUfoundation.org](mailto:info@kutztownUfoundation.org).



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# Alumni Recognition

**David J. Reimer, Sr. '89** released his latest book, *Courage Over Cancer*, which offers encouragement for those battling cancer. The book is available on [Amazon](#), and proceeds from the sales benefit patient programs and cancer research.

**Dr. Charles Blocksidge '65** has been appointed as [chair](#) of the Kutztown University Council of Trustees for the 2016-2018 academic years. He has served on the KU Council of Trustees since 2009.

[Penn Community Bank](#) is pleased to announce the hiring of **Jacklyn Bingaman '99** as its senior vice president, director of marketing. She most recently served as vice president, director of marketing and brand management for National Penn Bank.



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