

# ECCLASS

## Notes

Here are EC Class Notes for January 2013. Enjoy!

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### 60's

**Bruce Darnall '66** has written an article titled "Nick Roach: Chicago Bears' Soft-Spoken Leader of Faith" on the Bears' linebacker, Nick Roach. It was published online by Athletes in Action, the sports ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ. It tells of Roach and his Christian faith. It can be found at: [www.athletesinaction.org/news](http://www.athletesinaction.org/news).

**Bettylou Worth Miller '69** has moved from her home in Port Charlotte, FL, back to be by family in Gurnee, IL. She is retired and enjoying the freedom that affords her.

### 80's

**Tearalla Lee Herbert '81** is a research associate for Northern Illinois University. She resides in Villa Park, IL.

**Jim Behling '87** is the CFO for Nu-World Foods ([nuworldfoods.com](http://nuworldfoods.com)), which is a food manufacturing business that makes gluten-free products, in Naperville, IL.

### 90's

**Tracy Ahrens '92** was honored by the book review that Carol Bryant, writer of the online magazine *Fidose of Reality*, has posted on her website. Carol is based in Pennsylvania. *Fidose of Reality* is noted as "A canine-centric online magazine where dog lovers of the highest order unite." The review of my book, "Raising My Furry Children," will be archived under the tab "Dog Products" (December 20, 2012 post). Carol is also a member of the BlogPaws pet blogger social media community. Click on this link for the review: <http://fidoseofreality.com/raising-my-furry-children-book-review/>. Sue Kottwitz, has posted a lovely review on her website ([www.talking-dogs.com](http://www.talking-dogs.com)) about my book, "Raising My Furry Children." The review includes images of my art and a photo of me kissing my dog, Trucker. This is the direct link <http://www.talking-dogs.com/2012/11/raising-my-furry-children-by-tracy.html> and the review will be archived under the Thursday, November 29, 2012 blog post.

**Ellen Winking '94** and Charles Corneh were married on Sept. 29, 2012 in Hamilton, IL. Classmates in the wedding party were **Mary Bricker Lawver '94** and



**Monica Batista '94**. Other EC Alums were involved: **Stacy Heap Vitallo '95** was the wedding photographer. **Tricia Wildrick Kinnary '93** did the flowers, and **Tracy Dobson Anderson '91** was the officiant.

**Shelley Lowe Hicks '96** and her husband, Jeff, are proud to introduce their daughter Patience May (4) and William Jeffrey (3). Patience and Billy were adopted on



July 30, 2012. **Tammy Keefer Seaman '96** and family were present for the Gotcha party held Aug. 5, 2012.

### 00's

**Jennie Kiesewetter '01**, an attorney at the Law Offices of Peter F. Ferracuti, has been named to the Illinois *Super Lawyers* Rising Stars list for the second year in a row. Each year, no more than 2.5 percent of lawyers in the state receive this honor. The selection for this respected list is made by the research team at *Super Lawyers*. Jennie is a 2004 graduate of the University Of Illinois College Of Law. She joined the Law Offices of Peter F. Ferracuti in September 2004 and has been

practicing workers' compensation and personal injury for over eight years.



**Torrie Turner Jones Buchanan '02** and her husband Christopher, announce the birth of their daughter, River Gabrielle, born on Jan. 4, 2013. They reside in Springfield, IL.

**Julie Breyne Simuang '03** is in the process of opening her own coffeehouse in Charleston, SC. Imagine an environment in which they serve those they care about while building community encouraging creativity, and fostering relationships...that is The Orange Spot Coffeehouse. They currently have a great social media presence:<http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Orange-Spot-Coffeehouse/364093466952843?ref=hl> and TheOrangeSpot7 on Twitter, as well as on [kickster.com:http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/the-angespot7/an-orange-spot-canvas](http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/the-angespot7/an-orange-spot-canvas)

**Amy Gustin Stroo '03** recently established her own photography business. Amy Stroo Photography opened in fall of 2012 in Momence, IL. Amy resides in Momence, IL, with her husband **Tyler '03** and their daughter Gwyneth. Tyler was promoted to President of his longtime employer, Kankakee, Beaverville, Southern Railroad, in December of 2011.

**Andrew '05 and Dani Jo Bryan '08 Genandt** announce the birth of their son, Kingston Lee, born on Dec. 1, 2012. He was welcomed home by big sister Aria. They reside in Metamora, IL.



**Aaron Parr '06** is an accountant for Concur Technologies. He resides in Bellevue, WA.

**Shaun '07 and Jaci Cross '06 Manning** announce the birth of their son, Carson Patrick, born on Oct. 11, 2012. They reside in Bloomington, IL.

**Jackie McCauley '09** completed her Masters of Education in Community Counseling from the University of Missouri-St. Louis in May of 2012. She was chosen as the Outstanding Student in the program. Jackie now works at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville as a Community Director within University Housing

**Jeannine Tondre Wilson '09** is currently a middle school and upper school mathematics teacher at Antilles School on the island of St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands. She lives on the island with her husband, Justin

and their three rescued island cats. She writes "I am truly thankful to Eureka for providing an outstanding educational experience, it changed my life!!"

**Korte Knoblauch '10** is a physician assistant student at Midwestern University. He resides in Lombard, IL.

**Emily Schmidt '11** and Jeremy Howell married Oct. 6, 2012 in Sycamore, IL at Chapel in the Pines. They took a short honeymoon, in celebration of their autumn ceremony, to Door County Wisconsin. Emily graduated from Eureka College in May 2011 where she studied Music and Psychology, and was a member of Delta Zeta, Chorale, Chamber Singers, and the Psychology and Sociology Club. Jeremy was active Enlisted for five years in the United States Marine Corps, stationed primarily at Camp Pendleton, California, and was honorably discharged in May of this year. The newlyweds currently reside in Bloomington/Normal where Jeremy is employed as an analyst at State Farm.



**Adam Howe '12** has accepted an agent position with Shelter Insurance in Monticello, IL.

EC Alums getting together to celebrate their birthdays.



#### Deaths

Eunice Weerts Edmunds '34  
Charlotte Burgess Rigg '42  
Virginia Vining King '43  
William Kloepfer '45  
John Pontius '48  
Maxine Baughman Van Sichel '50  
Walter Schlag '50  
Glenn Barger '59  
Leon Forristall '61  
Mary Ann Schrock Flanagan '62  
Ray Cameron '63  
Chuck Matthei '65

Jim Trask '69

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