

# The WATSLine

J. Warren McClure School of Communication Systems Management  
College of Communication - Ohio University

## Second Annual Thomas Lonsbury Scholarship Award

Congratulations to **Alana Miller**! Alana was awarded the second annual McClure School Advisory Board Thomas Lonsbury Scholarship at the Awards Banquet during Communication Week 2005 activities at the Ohio University Inn April 26. This scholarship is funded by the J. Warren McClure School Advisory Board Golf Classic.

"I feel honored to have received the Golf Classic Scholarship this year. I truly appreciate all the preparation and hard work that everyone, especially Tom Lonsbury, gives to this event to make it a success every year," Alana said.

Alana is active in the Telecommunication Systems Management Association, Alpha Lambda Delta



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Freshman Honor Society, University Band, intramural softball, and served on the Communication Week committee. She currently works as a PC support specialist for the Ohio University Department of Economics through the Program to Aid Career Exploration (PACE), and has volunteered her time as a 5th and 6th grade boy's basketball coach at Waterford Elementary.

Alana received \$1000 toward educational expenses. **Max Putas**, currently a senior in the program, won the inaugural award last year.

*Alana Miller poses with Tom Lonsbury during the Awards Banquet at the OU Inn after being awarded the McClure School Advisory Board Thomas Lonsbury Scholarship.*

## New Faculty

The McClure School is pleased to welcome two new professors to the faculty for 2005-06.

**Lawrence "Woody" Wood**, who will be defending his dissertation in September and receive a Ph.D. from the Economic Geography program at Penn State University, was a visiting professor last academic year. He taught several undergraduate classes, as well as a new topical seminar class on GIS (geographic information systems) that received excellent student evaluations.

Professor Wood was hired for a joint appointment with the McClure School and the School of Telecommunications to teach graduate and undergraduate classes.

He previously was an instructor in the Department of Geography at Penn State University and taught English in Japan. His research interests include broadband deployment, especially in rural areas, and GIS applications for telecommunications. You can reach Professor Wood at 740/593-4915 or woodl@ohio.edu.

**Carol Yi-Feng Ting**, who has a Ph.D. from the Department of Telecommunication, Information Studies and Media at Michigan State University, will

teach both graduate and undergraduate classes. Her bachelor and Master's degrees are in Communication Engineering. Her research interest is in the economic and policy aspects of information and communication technologies and their applications, and particularly in policy for spectrum management.

She has experience teaching and doing research at Michigan State University.

You can reach Professor Ting at 740/593-4917 or tingyife@msu.edu.

Please join us in welcoming Woody and Carol to Communication Systems Management.

## Cincinnati Connection

Communication Systems Management students **Thomas Settle**, **Daniel Ciufi '05**, **Melissa Gillahan**, and **Tyler Murrell** were given the opportunity to do a tour and job shadowing in Cincinnati over the winter break. Cincinnati Bell gave an in depth tour of their operations building in downtown Cincinnati which included the wire vault, switching room, and network operations center. "The Cincinnati Connection was wonderful," said **Thomas Settle**. "Although I only attended events from Cincinnati Bell, it was well worth it. I made some great networking connections."

"We were thrilled to host several OU CSM students for an afternoon at the Cincinnati Bell Network Operations Center," said **Michelle Simpson**, Director of Employee Labor Relations and Recruiting Cincinnati Bell. "We also enjoyed socializing with them at the Scripps Howard cocktail hour. We look forward to hiring more talent from Ohio University." Other Cincinnati Bell employees involved in the event were **Dave Heimbach '99** and **Michael Fry '00**.

## Congratulations

**Juan Echeverry '05** was named the **J.C. Penney Intern of the Year**. He researched and designed a network that allows employees to securely gain access to the J.C. Penny network while away from the Office. Juan worked at J.C. Penney headquarters in Dallas, Texas, as one of the company's 22 interns. He was selected from 1,000 applicants.

Juan worked as a project manager of new technology during his internship. "I was given a real job," he said, "I had an office, and I was given projects to work on."

The company is in the process of giving his network project a test run with the hopes of implementing it soon.

- *Erin Roberts, External Relations, College of Communication*

## Faculty/Staff Activities

**Phyllis Bernt** was re-elected to serve another year as Chair of the Faculty Senate during the 2005-2006 academic year. This summer she and her co-authors **Christopher Sterling** (George Washington University) and **Martin Weiss** (University of Pittsburgh) put the finishing touches on their book, *The Shaping of American Telecommunications*, and sent it off to the publisher, Lawrence Erlbaum Associates. She also continues to work on a National Science Foundation funded project on the representation of IT careers in middle school media and gave a paper (co-authored with **Joseph Bernt** and **Tomoko Kanayama**) regarding project results, "Gendered Images of Information Technology in Magazines Popular with Middle School Students," at the Popular Culture Association Annual Meeting in San Diego, California in March.

**Philip Campbell** recently assumed the duties of Associate Director for Undergraduate Studies, in charge of undergraduate enrollment, curriculum, and internship management. He was a visiting faculty member at Morehouse College in the Fall of 2004, where he was supported by NASA funding intended to help start telecommunications educational programs at historically black colleges and universities. Phil taught undergraduate courses in their nascent telecommunications program and helped setup their laboratories. Phil also served as President of *The Association of Telecommunications Professionals*, an Ohio organization.

**Hans Kruse** continues to serve as Associate Director of the Center for Excellence in Telecommunications and Space (CETS), a center he helped form in partnership with Morehouse College and Ohio University. Hans' NASA grant through CETS funded five McClure masters students and one Computer Science PhD student. Hans also placed three papers in academic and professional

## Our Thanks to....

All the alumni who continue to support the McClure School by stopping by to visit while in Athens (**Travis Kahrig '99**, **Brian Rudy '96**, and **John Cooper '04**), sponsoring internships within their company (**Sarah Ashton '03**, **Gina Hotchkiss '02**, **Bryan Chylik '94**, **Scott Tettau '99**, and **Dave Heimbach '99**), participating in Communication Week (**Dave Heimbach '99**, **Matt Raider '03**, **Chris Kreitel '03**, **Neil Okonak '02**, **Bret Emerson '93**, and **Ron Minto '98**), notifying the School of job opportunities (**Dan Cantor '95**, **Tom Fisher '98**, **Brett Lambing '96**, **Chad Pfeffer '04**, **Ambrosia Walker-Logsdon '03**, **Tim Conti '94**, **Dave Tischer '00**, **Matthew Micciche '04**, **Brad Kilbey '95**, **P. Kelley Dunne '87**, **Judith French-Scarmuzzi '90**, **Chris Kreitel '03**, **Brian Ackley '02**, **Sarah Ashton '03**, **Dave Heimbach '99**, **Ron Minto '98**, **Greg Pearson '00**, **Kevin McCormick '02**, **Derek Fink '95**, **Tom Martinko '89**, **Mark Roesse '91**, and **Adam Tiffany '03**), facilitating an equipment donation (**Tom Fisher '98** and **Ron Minto '98**) traveling to campus to interview students (**Luke Lehman '02**, **Jason Ice '02**, **Bryan Chylik '94**, **Scott Tettau '99**, **Dave Heimbach '99**, **Dave Tischer '00**, and **Lori Rogers-Sternisha '89**), and supporting the golf tournament (**Kim McDonald '04**, **Leah Beltz-Patton '00**, **Tom Fisher '98**, **Bryan Ireton '90**, **Charles Summerlot '99**, **Jayson Saul '00**, **Joe Watson '92**, **Sandy Davis '90**, **Neil Okonak '02**, **Bryan Chylik '94**, **Mike Everett '98**, **Tom Semancik '97**, **Matt Raider '03**, **Kevin O'Brien '89**, **Ron Minto '98**, **Damon Dormody '98**, **Maria LePore '90**, and **Rob Kallstrom '04**).

Thanks to everyone for giving back to the School.

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## Communication Week 2005

The 37th Annual Communication Week 2005 highlighted the McClure School's continuing commitment to the telecommunications industry. **Herbert Thompson**, faculty chair, and **Wrienne Mitchell '05**, student chair, did a terrific job planning and executing the day.

Keynote speaker **William Sams**, Associate Provost for Information Technology and CIO at Ohio University, spoke on *"Ohio IT and Beyond."*

Alumni Panelists **Matt Raider '03**, Analyst for Accenture; **Chris Kreitel '03**, Network Engineer with Fifth Third Bank; and **Neil Okonak '02**, Analyst with Accenture, gave advice to current students about establishing a successful career in telecommunications. The



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*Alumni Panel members (from left to right) Matt Raider '03, Accenture; Chris Kreitel '03, Fifth Third Bank; and Neil Okonak '02, Accenture.*

Internship Panel, new this year, featured internship sponsors **Eugene Kenyo**, IT College Recruiter from Progressive Insurance; **Dave Heimbach '99**, Director, Extended Territories, Cincinnati Bell Telephone; and CSM students **Juan Echeverry '05** and **Tyler Fisher '05**. Participants of this panel also gave advice to students in the audience on what to expect from an internship.

**Liz Balzer**, Manager, Channel Marketing, with Verizon Avenue, spoke on *"Telecom Survival?"* **Bret Emerson '93**, President of CommTech Design, talked about his experience developing a communications engineering firm which offers design services to architects, engineers and end-users. **Tony Yankus**, OH\*1 Project Manager with the Ohio Department of Administrative Services, gave an overview of *"OH\*1: The Next Generation of Ohio Public Networking."* **Ron Minto '98**, Consulting Systems Engineer with Cisco Systems USA, addressed the issues of *"IP Communications: Technology, Market Trends and Market Adoption."*

A highlight of the Annual Student Awards Banquet at the Ohio University Inn was the announcement of scholarship recipients for 2005-06. We would like to make special note of **Otto Kruse**, representing the Ruth and Otto Kruse Scholarship, who traveled



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*Bret Emerson '93, President of CommTech Design, addresses the audience during Communication Week 05.*

from Tennessee to personally award scholarships.

Congratulations to **David Kocan '05**, who was named Outstanding Graduating Senior. Students with a gpa of 3.3 or higher, scholarship recipients, and students who participated in the internship program were also acknowledged during the banquet.

Let us know if you would like to be involved in Communication Week 2006.



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*Alumnae attending the Awards Banquet (from left to right) Neil Okonak '02, Doug Bowie '94, Ron Minto '98, Sandy Davis '90 and Matt Raider '03.*

## 4th Annual Advisory Board-Sponsored Golf Tournament

Nearly 70 participants helped make the fourth annual J. Warren McClure School Advisory Board Thomas Lonsbury Scholarship Golf Classic a success on August 19 at the Athens Country Club.

According to event director **Tom Lonsbury**, the scramble has been firmly established among both players and sponsors. "This tournament has gotten a reputation from word of mouth," Lonsbury said. "We were actually overbooked this year. People understand the cause."

Proceeds from the event benefit the McClure School Advisory Board Thomas Lonsbury Scholarship endowment that supports academically successful students in the school. After four years, the endowment has grown to over \$40,000.

According to Lonsbury, alumni support is a key ingredient to the tournament's success. "One of the things I'd like to do is get more alumni to participate," he said. "Once we get them here, they keep coming."



Such is the case for college buddies and coworkers **Rob Kallstrom, '04**, and **Damon Dormody, '98**, of Easton Telecom in Richfield, Ohio. The two played in the tournament in 2004 and came back for this year's event.

If you would like to participate in next year's tournament, tentatively scheduled for October 2006, contact Barb Moran at moran@ohio.edu.

- Erin Roberts, External Relations,  
College of Communication

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Doug Peterson

**Golfers (from left) Rob Kallstrom '04 and Damon Dormody '98, Easton Telecom; Ron Minto '98, Cisco Systems; and Tom Fisher '98, Interactive Intelligence, on the course.**

## Moves, Adds and Changes

**Kim McDonald '04** is an Account Executive for DSL and Communication Services with AMC, Inc. **Steve Wylie '00** was recently promoted to Progressive's Applications Platform Group within the Telecom Technologies department. He is the primary engineer for Progressive's RightFAX infrastructure and the backup engineer for the eWorkforce Management system. He married OU alum **Christine Cartwright** September 18.

**James Penn '04** is a Systems Administration/Software Support with Precision Supply Company. **Jason Hersey '00** is an Account Executive with Orbit-Tech. **Dave Heimbach '99** is the Product Manager with Cincinnati Bell. **Kim Zdinak '04**, P&G Account Manager with Convergys, is enjoying her new home in Cincinnati. She reports that she has great B2B sales experience and P&G samples. **Bret Emerson '93**, President of CommTech Design, has had articles published in three magazines: *Cabling Business*, *Sound and Communications* and *Security Magazine*.

**Diane Beyman-Stone '93** is a stay-at-home mom taking care of her daughter, Nicole, and son Adrian Patrick. **Luke Lehman '02** is a Telecom Operations Specialist at Progressive Insurance. **Michael Farley '97** is an Information Security Analyst with National City Corporation. **Major Paul Cook '91**, Chief of Requirements, AMCX, with AMC HQ, is working on the future of Military Airlift, with the AMCS program. His daughter just turned 7. He can feel his sons beginning to stalk the house. **Ryan Gruenwald, '04** is a Telecom Analyst with Abercrombie & Fitch. **Chad Osinski '03** is a Corporate Account Executive with Cingular Wireless. **Rick Steele '99** is an Internet Product Engineer with MCI. **Brian Rudy '96**, Chief of Staff Operations, MCI Global Management Network, had a son, Nathan, April 15, 2005.

**Nick Bush '05** is a Telecommunications Technician with Abercrombie & Fitch. **Jason Hall '95**, Network Engineer with The Longaberger Company, just moved to a new house 5 minutes from work. **Paul Wright '00** is a Network Engineer II with JP Morgan Chase. **Kyle Woerner '05** is working as a Telecommunications Analyst for Genesis HealthCare Systems. **Gene Beno '04** is a

Package Engineer with National Oilwell Varco. **Mary Bender '98**, Senior Engineer with MCI, just relocated from Dallas, TX, to Toledo, OH. She is an individual contributor now with a great little office downtown. She and her husband, OU grad **Brad Bender**, are very excited to be back in the Midwest closer to family and friends.

**Nathan McFarlane '98**, Training Specialist with Unicru, Inc., recently moved to the heart of Portland, Oregon, where much of his family resides. He loves it there and foresees many years in the area. He will be training mid-level executives on Unicru products, as well as creating web-based software simulations, training modules, and manuals. He feels that his technical and interpersonal skills will be brought to the forefront and that the degree he earned at OU was a major selling point. **Ryan Hamilton '03** is a Production Specialist with Tellus.

**Matt Micciche '04** is a Field Technical Support Analyst with Bristol West Insurance Group. **Dave Redman '98** is a Project Coordinator with TelCove. **Chris Crosbie '04** is a Biostatistics Application Programmer with the University of Pittsburgh. **Brad Barnes '97** is an Inside Business Representative with Spectra Logic. **Chris Edgell '96** is a Staff Planner with Qwest Communications.

**Jeff Orr '05** is a Network Administrator with Tri-Valley Local Schools as the network, phone, and systems administrator. He is also designing all the technical requirements for four new elementary schools to be built in two years. **David Langford '92** is VP, Technology, of Smart City Networks. **Sara Young-Steinbauer '04** is an IT Project Manager with NELSON in a revenue generating department working with clients to develop custom CAFM (computer aided facilities management) systems. The department consists of PMs and software developers. **Vince Broerman '92** is a Managing Partner with Zebra Mobile Marketing. **Jim Jolley '99** is a Project Manager with Tecore Wireless Systems.

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"After graduation, I spent many hours on the internet and visiting companies trying to find a job. Just before I thought I would have to give up and take that factory job in my hometown, I landed an interview. I now work for Precision Supply Company, in charge of their network, software, and hardware support."

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-James Penn '03

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"I truly feel that the knowledge and experience that I gained in CSM has put me in an advantageous position several times within the last year. I believe that CSM graduates undoubtedly have the upper hand, especially during the interview process."

-Chad Pfeffer '04

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**Travis Hawkins '01**, Network Analyst with Nationwide Insurance, is learning the MPLS and VOIP technologies being implemented in the Nationwide network. His group is responsible for monitoring and troubleshooting circuits and CPE equipment to agency locations across the country. **Adam Sickmiller '03** is serving in the Peace Corps in Macedonia. **Deb Miller '92** is working in the corporate office of Cox Communications as a Network Transport Analyst.

**Kevin Feder '94**, Financial Consultant-Investments for Smith Barney, joined his father in the investment advisory business in NY. Give him a call if you have any rollovers from 401k plans (917/701-7514). He has two beautiful little girls: Joely age 4 and Peyton age 2. **Bonnie Pritts '85** is a Project Manager with KLi learning. **Andrew Mendelson '94**, Associate with Hill Toriseva & Williams, was expecting his first son in June. He is an associate attorney focusing on product liability and consumer rights, currently involved with litigation against Merck for injuries caused by taking Vioxx.

**James Penn '03** is working at Precision Supply Company in charge of their network, software, and hardware support. **Keith Cambridge '01** is an Infrastructure Analyst with Mellon Financial Corporation. **Brian Kokai '01** is the Technology Director for The Elyria Schools. **Gene Beno '04** is a c-Link Officer for National Oilwell. **Belinda Schaub-Fonner '02** is an Analyst, Network Administrator with Nationwide. **Megan McCormick '98** is a Network Services Analyst with Fiserve Solutions, Inc.

**Gale Donelson '89**, Telecom Manager for Jackson Kelly PLLC, attained CISS (IISCC) certification in 2003. He is working on PMP certification and managing infrastructure aspects of the firm's major 18-month long office renovation/expansion project. **Stephen Kantra '92**, Regional Sales Manager with Cooper Lighting Industries, moved with his wife **Kim Green-Kantra '92**, who is a web developer, to Colorado. They love the mountain views and weather. He is responsible for 3 product lines and managing the western territory.

**Ryan Biehl '97** is a Sales Manager with Onix Networking Corporation. **Brad Barnes '01** is a Business Developer with Spectra Logic. **Dave Deeley '88**, Alumni Graduate Fellow with the University of Florida, returned to Florida just in time to "dance" with a trio of hurricanes. After a dozen years in TV sports and two years as an assistant professor of communication at Truman State University, he just started working on a Ph.D. at the University of Florida.

**Venessa Vaughn-Rahe '94**, Network Support Specialist with Time Warner Cable, supports residential Road Runner and Digital Phone services on the job. She just built a new home. **Derek Fink '95** is an Assistant VP, Network and Communications, with Education Management Corporation.

**Julie Trent-Becker '94**, Application Analyst III with Cincinnati Bell Wireless, completed a project that integrated the Cincinnati Bell Wireless billing system with systems used for porting wireless numbers between service providers. She and her husband, Henry, had their second daughter, Eve Elizabeth, in April 2004.

**Bryan Armstrong '04** is an Account Executive with Percipia Networks. **Ryan Hamilton '03** is a Site Content Manager with Tellus. **Chad Pfeffer '04** is an Account Manager with Percipia. **Scott Limanowski '94** is a Financial Associate with Citigroup. **Masayoshi Kashihara '99**, Design Engineer with Nokia Japan Co., Ltd., returned to Japan after graduation and is in the R&D for 3G phone.

**Eric Chorey '98** is an Operations Region Manager with AEP Telecommunications. **Mark Manson '99** is an Operations Tech with Qwest Communications. **Jennifer Rigney-Wuslich '98** is a Reporting Specialist with Bath&Body Works. **Ron Minto '98** was promoted to Consulting Systems Engineer-I for the Central Enterprise Area Advanced Technology team with Cisco. He will

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remain focused on solutions for the Great Lake's Operation and Central Area strategic contact center opportunities.

**Chris Kreitel '03** is a Network Engineer with Fifth Third Bank. **Matt Micciche '04** is an Agent Technical Support with Progressive Insurance. **Chris Cameron '03** is a Sales Executive with Accent Communication Services. **Egan Sweeney '02** is a Consultant with Accenture. **Adam Tiffany '03** has volunteered to be a contact for recent graduates interested in working in the Cincinnati area. Contact him at adam.tiffany@kroger.com.

**Victor Painsi '96**, VP with JPMorgan Chase & Co., is busy due to the Bank One merger with JP Morgan Chase. He in the early stages of a major cross firm internet infrastructure consolidation and re-host. He and his wife **Heather '96** just celebrated their 7 year wedding anniversary and are doing well in Columbus. **Jeff Giannetti '04**, Install Base and Exhibit Manager with GE Medical Systems, is selling two physician software tools: Practice Management (PM) and Electronic Medical Records (EMR). **Tim Conti '94** is President of NETDISCOV LLC. **Thomas Martinko '89** is Director Operations of the Paragon Group. **Sarah Gilliland '93**, Technical Account Manager with Telcept, LLC, got married June 15 in Fairfax, VA.

**Jennifer Borzelleri-DiGeronimo '95** created TechStudents.net to provide additional opportunities for tech savvy college students to gain hands-on experience as they obtain their technical degree. TechStudents.net connects entrepreneurs and small businesses in need of affordable IT resources to college students nationwide to assist web sites, graphic design, networks and more. View the site at [www.techstudents.net](http://www.techstudents.net). **Andrew Tyre '00** is a Senior Telecommunications Specialist

with Abercrombie & Fitch. **Stephen McCabe '99** is a Technology Program Manager with JPMorgan Chase. **Mike Waterhouse '01** was recently promoted to news Operations Manager with WSAZ Television.

**Amy Kaufhold-Dudek '90** had a baby earlier this year and has chosen not to return to work. **Deborah Cohodas-Seres '95**, Business Development Manager with Microsoft, joined the Microsoft Hardware product team supporting OEM channel. **Josh Gilliland '97**, founded Transcendence Consulting LLC where he is helping new ventures to get organized (centered around a business plan). He is almost finished with his MBA at the University of Colorado-Denver.

**Judi French-Scarmuzzi '90** is an AVP Group Manager with National City Bank. **Bill McGahee '00** is a Network Engineer with MCI. **Jeremy Sheets '04** is a Network Engineer with IntelliWave. **Scott Archer '97** is a Marketing Manager with QUALCOMM. **Andrew Norton '04**, is an NCC Technician with PowerNet Global Communications. **Leslie Zimmer-Firle '91**, Senior Manager, Solutions Marketing, with Spirent Communications, has been living in Europe the last 8 years and recently bought a house outside Zurich, Switzerland. Her daughter, Renate, will be 2 years old at the end of November. **Dave Dickson '89** is an IT Architect with JPMorganChase.

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Want to keep in touch with other alums, let other alums know about a position available with your company, or looking for a job? Instructions for how to subscribe to the alumni listserve are also in the alumni section.

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conferences, including the *AIAA International Communications Satellite Systems Conference*. He also presented to the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), the standards body for the Internet.

**John Hoag** has been teaching graduate and undergraduate classes in networking and design. He has been active in a new topic he calls State Based Network Management that the U.S. Navy and several conferences have expressed an interest in. His work is available online at [www.csm.ohiou.edu/sbnm](http://www.csm.ohiou.edu/sbnm). **Herb Thompson** received acceptance notifications for a book chapter and a journal article in highly rated academic outlets. In addition, he performed five reviews of papers in two highly acclaimed economic journals — the mark of a true scholar.

**Tony Mele** successfully tested his 50 Mbps experimental laser link at one mile. In addition Tony contributed to WOUB by consulting, specifying, and participating in the testing of a 1.544 Mbps T1 video link to WVAH in West Virginia.

**Andy Snow** had three papers accepted in peer reviewed conferences, and received the "Best Paper" award at a conference. Andy had a book chapter accepted for publication on information survivability and also was the keynote speaker on "Telecommunications Network Reliability" at the Critical Infrastructure Workshop, hosted by the School of Public Policy, George Mason University.

**Trevor Roycroft** left Ohio University at the end of last academic year to move to Massachusetts and pursue consulting full time. We wish him well!

*"Enjoy every minute at OU, it's a fabulous place to be!"*

- Mary Reimer-Bender '98

## Job Placement

A McClure School education offers opportunity for those entering the networking, telecommunications, or any other field, as evidenced by a sample of recent job placements:

Shweta Agarwal - MCI  
 Nick Bush - Abercrombie & Fitch  
 Andrew Chen - PowerNet Global  
 TJ Coldebella - Progressive Insurance  
 Juan Echeverry - Accenture  
 Brad Gankosky - Northwestern Mutual Financial Network  
 Jeff Giannetti - GE Healthcare Technology  
 Jesse Hall - Percipia  
 Ambrosia Logsdon - PUCO (internship)  
 Nidhi Luthra - Progressive Insurance  
 James Penn - Precision Supply Company  
 Kim McDonald - AMC Inc.  
 Patrick Michel - Progressive Insurance  
 Charles Nithiyandarajah - Percipia  
 Jeff Orr - Tri-Valley Local Schools  
 Preeti Rastogi - Progressive Insurance  
 Ritesh Sabharwal - Percipia  
 Pragma Singhl - Progressive Insurance (internship)  
 Jeremy Valeda - Google  
 Oren Weil - Progressive Insurance  
 Kyle Woerner - Genesio Healthcare Systems  
 Kim Zdinak - Convergys

## Crosstalk

One of the most important pieces of advice that I could give to fellow CSM alums and students is to never burn bridges. Maintaining relationships with people inside and outside of the IT industry is invaluable. You never know when one of these relationships could enhance, or advance your career and personal goals.

- Travis Hawkins '01

Regardless of how one uses his/her CSM degree it is always satisfying solving or at least being able to identify (miss those tools) any telecomm issues at home and the office.

- Andrew Mendelson '94

Nathan Peters are you there???  
 - Victor Paini '96

"I feel my technical and interpersonal skills will be brought to the forefront, and that the degree I earned at OU was a major selling point."

- Nathan McFarlane '98 on his new position with Unicru, Inc.

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